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IT is said that an effort is being made to form a company to manufacture corn-cob pipes at Windsor, Ont.

McKay's large flouring mill at Ottawa resurges operations this week, with its capacity increased from 350 to 600 barrels a day.

STEPHEN SMITH of Brantford has been awarded the contract to supply the Canadian militia department with polishing brushes.

SEVERAL timber men in the Province of Quebec are seeking incorporation under the style of the Drummond Lumber Co., with a capital stock of \$75,000.

United States' type founders have formed a combination which will be known as the American Type Founders' Co. Its capital is \$9,000,000.

THURSDAY, the 6th October, saw the largest transactions recorded in the New York Cotton Exchange in five years. On a rising market 321,600 bales changed hands.

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THE directors of the Kingston Hosiery Co. at their recent annual meeting, reported a very satisfactory condition of affairs. They declared a dividend of four per cent. and added something to reserve.

ELECTRIC heat is to be used in drying lumber in a planing-mill on the Chaudiere. According to the Ottawa Journal the building will be the first of its kind in existence. The kilns are said to resemble an electric oven, which some persons may have seen.

THERE are, says the New Westminster Columbian, only four canneries on the Fraser river engaged in packing cohoe salmon. The pack will probably amount to 20,000 cases by the end of the next three weeks, when it is understood they will shut down.

THE Geiser Manufacturing Co., of Waynesboro'. Pa., has written to the civic authorities at Ottawa to know what inducements they will offer towards the establishment of works in that city. The company makes engines, sawmills, separators and mowers. The matter will go before a committee of the council.

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Reference to the purchase by the Peterboro' Milling Co. of the Hilliard estate mills and power site, the Review states that the expenditure on the property, when completed, will reach nearly \$70,000, and will give the company one of the best equipped plants in Canada. The large woollen mill passes into the hands of some of the members of the company, who will push the manufacture of several lines of woollens.

KEEP a look out for this counterfeit American five-dollar note, which may find its way into Canada one of these days. It is of the 1880 series and is numbered A 224,455,760. It has the vignette of Jackson and is a very bad imitation. The paper and engraving of the front are bad. The silk threads are imitated by creases in the paper. The reverse side of the note is very good. The counterfeit was discovered by the receiving teller at the Continental National Bank in Baltimore recently.

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