

\$3,000 in new machinery and other improvements.

The Great West Saddlery Company employ about 30 to 35 men, and are taking on now men as fast as they can get them. They have now about double the number employed by Hutchings & Riley, whose business they have taken over.

The Calgary Water Power Company have advanced the wages of their men about 10 per cent.

There has been great activity in building operations, and buildings to the value of \$200,000 or more have been erected during the year or are in process of erection. In consequence wages of carpenters, masons, plasterers, painters and laborers have advanced about 25 per cent., and the demand for men is greater than the supply.—The Globe.

KINGSTON, ONT.

A look over the working establishments of this city tells of increased business all along the line, and a corresponding increase in wages for mechanics and others. A list of some of the institutions where busy times are apparent are:—

George McGowan, cigar manufacturer—120 hands. Wages list increased during the past year from 15 to 25 per cent.

Kingston Cotton Mill—200 hands at present. When the new wing is completed, six months hence, 350 will be employed, with double the output. Salaries on the whole have been increased about 10 per cent.

Montreal Transportation Co.—Locally 200 men employed, mostly by the year. Salaries about the same, a probable slight increase to some.

Kingston Locomotive Works—250 men employed. Wages on the whole increased about 10 per cent. over former years.

Kingston Foundry—Average 75 men. Salaries advanced 25 per cent. in the different shops over former years.

Kingston Hosiery Mill—250 hands employed. While salaries, individually, have not been increased, the volume of work has materially increased the wage list.

Wormwith & Co., piano manufacturers—25 hands. Increasing business has increased the wage list to a considerable extent.

Calvin Towing & Rafting Co., Garden Island—250 men employed. Though engaged by the year, increased business has increased the wages list at least 10 per cent.

Livingston Bros., clothiers—45 hands employed. Though salaries have not individually increased, extra labor has increased the wage list 10 per cent.

Kingston Electric Light & Gas Co.—Business increased 10 per cent. Wages list increased in proportion.

Electric Street Railway—Business increased so far this year 20 per cent. over last season, due mainly, it is said, to the increase in the number of workmen who ride to and from work.

Masons, carpenters, etc., have had their wages increased on the whole about 25 per cent.

So far this season farmers in this district are being paid 13 cents per hundred more for milk than for the same period last season. The Globe.

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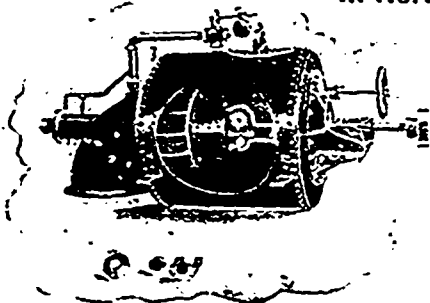
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