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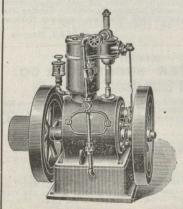
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THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co. are about to erect handsome offices in Trafalgar Square, London.

IROQUOIS ratepayers have carried a bylaw to borrow \$12,000 to construct an electric light plant.

Last week an explosion in the Extension coal mine, at Ladysmith, B.C., and subsequent fire, resulted in the death of fifteen miners.

Dufferin County has decided to adopt the Government's suggestion, and will spend \$66,000 for country roads. Of this sum, \$22,000 will be provided by the Government out of the \$1,000,000 fund.

FIERCE forest fires, in the neighborhood of Lake St. John, have caused a great deal of damage, and have obliged many farmers to sell their cattle on account of loss of feed

MINING experts recently returned from the Sturgeon Lake gold fields, near Ignace, report prospects there very promising; considerable development work will need to be done before any very definite knowledge can be obtained of their wealth.

During the past week five hundred thousand bushels of Canadian oats have been purchased for shipment to South Africa, These consignments added to the purchases amounting to about 700,000 bushels bought earlier in the month, have lessened the Canadian supply of the cereal by over a million bushels. Prices are stiffening accordingly.

THE Strathcona Coal Company, of Moncton, which owns mines at River Herbert, N.S., is now organized with the following officers: H. A. Whitney, Moncton, president; Josiah Wood, Sackville, vice-president; William Hall, formerly manager of the Springhill Mines, Springhill, manager; R. A. Borden, Moncton, secretary-treasurer.

THE real estate of the city of Hamilton is valued, according to the assessors' figures, at \$23,700,740; the income at \$744,-650, and the personal property at \$2,693,-470, a total of \$27,138,860, being an increase over the previous year of \$623,715. The assessors make the present population 53,651, against 52,665 last year. The cersus figures were 52,550.

THE steamer, "Richelieu," chartered by the Lake Ontario and Bay of Quinte Steamboat Co., foundered, near Kingston, on the 2nd inst., owing to a heavy swell. which caused the cargo (tomatoes), to shift and the vessel to lurch and fill with water. She was valued at about \$12,000.

THE energetic manner in which the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. are looking for markets is evidenced by the fact that up to the end of last month they had already shipped 25,000 tons of iron to Great Britain; 15,000 tons to various parts of Canada (including as far west as Vanconver), and 2,000 tons to the United States. Mr. Alex. Dick, assistant manager of the Dominion Coal Co., is now in Europe, looking for markets for coal. The outlook for the progressive and rapidly-growing town of Sydney is very