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PATENT REPORT.

Below will be found a list of patents recently se-
cured through the agency of Messrs. Marion and
Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal.

Any information on the subject will be supplied
free of charge by applying to the above-named
firm.

Canada.

Franz Plaschke, Charlottenburg, Germany. Em-
ergency clamp for repairing broken springs of motor
cars and other vehicles.

Dr. Julius Weber, Neuhausen, Switzerland. Pro-
cess of producing metallic nitrides and apparatus
therefor.

Robert Blakoe, London, Eng. Wheels of cycles,
motor cars, etc.

E. H. & K. A. Widegren, Alby, Sweden. Electric
writing telegraph.

Felix Gregoire, St. Jean Baptiste, Man. Combin-
ation auto-boat and aeroplane.

Nazaire Lacrotte, Paris, France. Device for rais-
ing the seat of the aviator for the purpose of dead-
ening the shocks in case of a fall, abrupt landing
or capsizing of aeroplanes.

Alphonse Poirier, Normandin, Que. Threshing
machine.

England.

A. P. Manchester & H. M. Spooner, Providence,
R.I., U.S.A. Batteries.

Italy.

Joseph W. Guimont, Montreal, Que. Water heater.

TO OPPOSE STEAMSHIP MERGER.

A new steamship company is being formed in To-
ronto to compete with the Canada Steamship Lines.

The fountain head of the new concern is Mr.
James Playfair, who was General Manager of the
Richelieu & Ontario lines merger until a few months
ago, when the controlling interests of the merger
passed under new management. It was stated this
week on good authority that Mr. Playfair, who has
been considering the formation of a new company to
engage in lake freight and passenger business, had
obtained options on eleven vessels, all American bot-
toms.

It was reported in Chicago a few days ago that a
Canadian steamship syndicate had purchased the
steamers Minnekatha and the Minnetonka, freight
and passenger steamers of 4,000 tons each, from the
Chicago & Duluth Transit Company, for service on
the Montreal, Toronto and Great Lakes route. As
Mr. Playfair has been in Chicago for several days,
it is the opinion of local steamboat men that he is
"the man behind the throne" acting on behalf of the
new company.

When Mr. Playfair relinquished his connection
with the Canada Steamship Lines merger he open-
ly stated to his friends that he had plans under way
for the organization of a large steamship concern
to compete with the merger and, with that end in
view, he has been dickering for the purchase of a
number of vessels suitable for the trade on the Great
Lakes.

A. M. J. Ogilvie, who represented British post-
office in negotiating transfer of business of National
Telephone Co. to the government, says: "The tele-
phone system has greatly improved during last six
months, now that we are settling down. As with
the post-office and the telegraphs, Great Britain
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