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Alaska.—A press despatch from Tacoma, Wash., says that M. J. Heney, who built the White Pass and Yukon Ry., has undertaken to construct 400 miles of standard gauge railway between Valdez and Eagle City, on the Yukon, in less than three years. Mr. Heney, with a survey party, is now going over the route. Capt. John Healy has been in London, Eng., in connection with the

don, Eng., in connection with the proposal, and says the line will be carried to Port Clarence, which is only 40 miles from the Siberian coast. The total length of the line, if built, will be 1,200 miles.

The Alberta Ry. and Coal Co. intends changing the gauge of its line between Coutts, at the International boundary, and Lethbridge, 64.62 miles, from 3 ft. to standard. It is expected that the work will be completed early next year. (July, pg. 198.)

Algoma Central and Hudson's Bay Ry. — W. Beatty, M.L.A., of Brockville, is in charge of a survey party for this line, and is working north towards the C.P.R. main transcontinental line. (June, pg. 170.) The main line now under construc-

The main line now under construction from Sault Ste. Marie northwards towards the main line of the C.P.R. will probably connect with the branch from Michipicoten harbor at or near the Josephine mine. (May, pg. 153.) The Atlantic and Lake Superlor

The Atlantic and Lake Superior Ry. is in operation from the I.C.R. at Metapedia to New Carlisle, Que., 98 miles. On June 19 we were informed that no further construction had been done this year up to that date, but that it was expected to extend the line about two miles to Paspebiac this summer.

At the recent session of the Dominion Parliament the following subsidies were voted : For a railway from Caplin to Paspebiac, in lieu of subsidy granted by 1899, chap. 7, sec. 2, par. 15, the subsidy contract to be entered into with the trustees

or receivers under mortgage from the Atlantic and Lake Superior Ry. Co., and to contain the conditions that the subsidy when earned shall be paid in the following manner: (1) To the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., in payment for bridge superstructures on the said section of railway, when furnished and erected by that Co., not to exceed \$35,000. (2) For the completion of the roadbed and works incidental thereto. (3) Towards payment of overdue balances, pro rata, in settlement of claims for labor, boarding house claims, and material and supplies furnished in connection with the construction of the said section of railway, in all not exceeding 30 miles-\$96,000.

A press despatch dated Quebec, July 12, says that in consequence of the subsidies mentioned work has been resumed, that the iron superstructure for the bridge over the Bonaventure river is being placed in position, and that the four other bridges between Bonaventure and New Carlisle are to be completed during the summer. (Aug., 1900, pg. 237.)

The Brockville, Westport and Sault Ste. Marie Ry. is improving its roadbed. An extension of the line is talked of so as to effect



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a junction with the Kingston & Pembroke Ry. at or near Sharbot Lake.

Brookdale to Londonderry, N. S. — Mr. Cooke, of the Sydney corporation engineering staff, and Messrs. Goodwin and Morrison, of the Dominion Steel Co.'s works, are surveying for a line between these points.

The Bruce Mines and Algoma Ry. is projected from Bruce Mines, on the Sault Ste. Marie branch of the C.P.R., to the Rock Lake copper mines. The Co. operating this mine has spent a considerable amount in developing it. The ore, although of low grade, is said to contain 5% of copper. It is said that a fair agricultural country will be served by the line. Tenders were recently asked to be sent in by Aug. 1 for the construction of $14\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The Ontario Legislature has voted a subsidy of \$39,000 towards the construction of 13 miles of this railway. A. S. Burrows, Bruce Mines, Ont., is Managing Director. (April pg., 112.)

Canada Atlantic Ry.—Considerable work in the way of betterments is being done on the western portion of the line, between Scotia Jct. and Rose Point, where about 10 wooden trestles are being replaced by steel viaducts with concrete pedestals.

Canada National Ry. and Transport Co.—A meeting of the incorporators was held June 5, when S. F. McKinnon, Toronto, was elected Chairman; J. H. Boyle, Toronto, Secretary, and J. B. McColl, Toronto, Treasurer, with the following as an Executive-Board : F. Wyld, L. M. Jones and E. Rogers, Toronto; J. McMullen, Mount Forest; D. Wilson, Collingwood, and F. Kraus, Milwaukee. The other directors are: J. Ryan, R. S. Stewart, C. C. Van Norman, T. Crawford and McD. Thompson, Toronto; A. T. Wood, Hamilton; J. Chamberlain, Collingwood; J. Millen and G. G. Barnum, Duluth, Minn.; J. G. Keith, Chicago; G. H. Breyman, Toledo, and J. D. McGregor, New Glasgow, N. S. Arrangements are being made for a survey of a proposed route from Toronto to Collingwood or some other Georgian Bay port, to be made in the fall. The temporary offices of the Co. are at 33 Yonge Street Arcade, Toronto. (May, pg. 153.)

The Minister of Public Works, who was recently at Collingwood, stated on his return to Ottawa that he was much impressed with the Toronto-Collingwood air-line route. If the railway, he said, were an accomplished fact, it would result in the establishment of a fleet of Canadian grain carriers on Lake Ontario. He was not in a position to say whether the Government will grant aid to this project.

The Canada Ry. and Coal Co. was incorporated by the New Brunswick

Legislature last session, and has entered into a contract with the Government for the construction of a railway from Chipman to Gibson for the purpose of opening up the Newcastle coal fields. It is said a survey will be started at once and that construction will follow immediately the line is located, as the promoters desire to have some portion of the railway in operation next year. The Dominion Parliament has voted a subsidy of \$144,000 towards the construction of 45 miles of this line. The officers are : President, E. Hutchinson, Miramichi ; Vice-President, F. Stetson, St. John ; Secretary, G. W. Allen, Fredericton, E. G. Evans, of Hampton, N.