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DELIVERY was made in November by the Waterous Engine Works Company of one of their third-size steam fire engines to the city of Sydney, Cape Breton. The engine was tested by the municipality and gave, we are told, great satisfaction.

ALICE M. MCBRIDE, who carried on a small baking business, at Brookholm, near Owen Sound, has assigned, after five years' working.—The chattels of J. W. Konkle, who keeps a restaurant in Hamilton, are offered for sale.—A compromise at 50 per cent., cash, is made by T. A. Menhennick, shoe dealer, at Ingersoll, who assigned a couple of weeks ago.

LAST week, two seizures were made at Victoria, B.C., by Collector of Customs A. R. Milne. In the first instance, 265 bottles of Chinese wine were confiscated, and in the second, cotton goods to the value of \$20 were appropriated. Both seizures were made on account of attempts to defraud the customs. A Chinese steward of a vessel had connived with Chinese on shore.

THE Wright Hat Company, of London, chartered last month, capital, \$40,000, has for provisional directors: Ben. G. H. Wright. Sarah A. Wright, Nancy Rowell and Mary C. Rowell; and the Sanitary Dairy Company, of the same place, capital, \$100,000, intends to do a dairy business, the parties interested being James Schuyler Wood, of Detroit; C. H. Ivey, W. M. Spencer. Harry Hawthorne, and P. W. D. Brodrick, of London.

A VANCOUVER special, of December 1st, to the Montreal Star, says that Jas. Breen, who represents New York and other American capitalists, has bought 5,000,000 shares in the Dominion Copper Co., of which MacKenzie and Mann, the Canadian railway magnates, are at the head. The basis of the deal was \$2,000,000, and most of that amount has been transferred in cash. The mines into which large interests are bought by this transaction are the Ironside and Giant, at Rossland; the Winnipeg, Phoenix, and half a dozen of the largest and most developed properties of the Boundary Creek country.

AN Ontario charter is issued to Ernest Heaton, Charles R. Mitchell, E. L. Morton, Robert Dawson Harling and R. H. Ashton, to act as agents in buying and selling Canadian farm products, stock, etc., the name of the company to be The Canadian Exporters' Association, of Toronto, Limited; the share capital, \$50,000.

As showing the value of shipping, and the advance in price of such property, the Moncton Times has the following: The steel steamer, "Norfolk," 1,157 tons, built at Glasgow, in 1880, has been sold on the other side to Captain Nicolou, of Lesbos, for about £27,500. The Italian barque, "Don," 1,115 tons, built at Port Glasgow, in 1885, was sold in September 1889, for £5,900. She again changed back to English owners in September, 1900, at £7,500, and was again resold at £8,800, thus showing an increase in market value in thirteen months of 49.15 per cent.

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