

The old Dick & Banning water power near Keewatin has been sold by the Rat Portage Lumber Co. for \$25,000 to an Ottawa syndicate.

The Montreal Rolling Mills Company, manufacturers of iron and steel nails, etc., has closed down the works at Ste. Cunegonde, Que., temporarily.

BAKER BROS., Casselman, Ont., have a contract to supply C. Ross, Ltd., Ottawa, with 275,000 bricks, to be used in the new departmental store.

JOHN J. GARTSHORE, railway supplies, Front st. west, Toronto, has recently shipped rails for tramways to several mines in the Rainy River district.

The machinery is being removed from the beet sugar factory at Farnham, Que., and shipped to Rome, N.Y. There will be from 80 to 100 car loads in all.

D. MOORE & Co., iron founders, have made a ten per cent. cut in their moulders' wages, as it is claimed, to meet the taxation imposed by the city of Hamilton, Ont.

The Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, has given a contract for 3,000 tons of steel rails for the Intercolonial Railway to the Maryland Steel Company.

THREE shifts of men are engaged at the acetylene gas works, Merritton, Ont. The shifts work eight hours each, so that the works are kept running day and night.

AN application for letters patent for the incorporation of the Romaine Automatic Agricultural Machine Company, Ltd., with headquarters in Montreal, has been made.

A. BELL, C.E., Almonte, and J. H. Moore, C.E., Smith's Falls, recently apportioned the \$16,000 voted by the late Parliament for land damages along the Tay Canal.

At the annual convention of the International Sheet Metal Workers' Amalgamated Association, held last month at Cincinnati, M. Kennedy, of Toronto, was elected third vice-president.

A STATIONARY ENGINE on the farm of Peter McGarvin, Creek Road, Harwich, Ont., exploded March 27th, killing James McGarvin and seriously injuring John Houston, who was standing near. The boiler had been in use for 15 years.

A NEW buckwheat and corn meal mill has been erected at Merrickville. It is owned by P. Kyle, who will do business under the name of the Merrickville Milling Co. It is operated by water power and the proprietor is putting in an electric plant to light the village.

In moving the second reading of his bill respecting technical schools, Hon. G. W. Ross informed the Ontario Legislature that it was intended to establish technical schools for adults, as well as to provide for the alteration of a high school building into a technical school if the municipality so desired.

THERE is a bill before the Ontario Legislature providing that provincial railway bonuses may, in future, be paid by the Government in iron or steel manufactured in the province, from ore of which two-thirds was mined in the province, and the money voted for the bonus paid to the manufacturers instead of the railway.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the St. Hyacinthe Board of Trade: J. N. Dubrule, president; J. B. Brousseau, vice-president; Dr. Ostigny, secretary-treasurer; board of direction, G. H. Henshaw, jr., E. R. Blanchard, S. T. Duclous, J. L. Seguin, J. A. Cote, J. Laframboise, E. H. Richer, and F. St. Jacques.

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The boiler compound business formerly carried on by William Sutton alone was recently turned into a joint stock company called the William Sutton Compound Co., Ltd., with offices at 206 Queen St. east, Toronto. Mr. Sutton reports that the compound has greatly increased in popularity among steam users, the sales for the past year being much larger than for any period since it was placed on the market. No compound yet introduced into Canada has had so many strong endorsements.

The Dominion Government has passed an Order-in-Council granting \$300,000 to the G.T.R. towards the extension of the Victoria Bridge at Montreal. The scheme of enlargement includes a double railway track and a road for vehicles and foot passengers. It also provides for a double electric track. And the Electric Railway Company will run lines to Laprairie, St. Johns, Vercheres and Longueuil, making a loop line. The present intention is to call for tenders by April 15, and begin work on May 1st, so that it may be completed in eighteen months. It is estimated that the bonuses granted will amount to about one-third of the cost of enlargement.

CLATWORTHY & Co., of 46 Richmond street west, Toronto, have secured from W. M. Watson his invention for cleaning sewage, which is specially arranged for private hotels, hospitals, asylums, and other isolated institutions. The invention is very simple in construction, easily understood and managed, being self-acting, requiring attention only for the purpose of clearing the screen and discharging the sludge about once a month, which takes only a few minutes to perform. It is perfectly odorless, can be worked during the hardest frost, and the plant can be efficiently constructed to work on level premises without the aid of pumps, besides being less costly, more permanent and durable than other systems adopted to clean sewage water. It also gives a purer effluent. A description of this system will appear in another number of this journal.

"The Land of the Maple," a patriotic song, words and music by H. H. Godfrey; published by the Mason & Risch Piano Co., Ltd., Toronto. This is a charming song and speaks not only of the rose, the thistle, and the shamrock, but also the lis, the national emblem of Old France, which long ago adorned the British banner as a sign that France was conquered by British arms, but now is a happy memento of the united hearts of the descendants of the former enemies.

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