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LETTERS patent have issued incorporating the Beaver Bag Company, of Montreal, capital \$100,000, and the Economic Gas Company, of the same city, capital \$100,000.

THE Hamilton Powder Company gives notice that it will apply to Parliament for authority to change the head office of the company to Montreal, to increase its capital and to increase the amount for which the company can issue bonds.

ISRAEL KONIGSBERG, a peddler, who has made his headquarters at Eastman, Que., has made an assignment of his estate. Liabilities are stated at \$3,800, while he shows apparent assets of about \$3,000.—J. F. O'Hara, brass founder, Ottawa, has assigned, with small liabilities.

THE supreme court of British Columbia has issued a winding-up order against the Mainland & Nanaimo Steam Navigation Company, Ltd. Lincoln Rogers has been appointed liquidator pro tem. Creditors must file their claims at New Westminster on Monday next.

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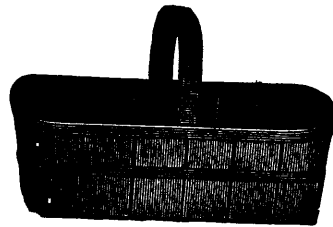
PHILADELPHIA'S fire loss during the first three months of 1896 was \$1,523,000 by 891 fires, as compared with 496 fires in the same period, 1895, and \$300,000 loss. One of the most alarming features of the above report is the very large increase in the number of fires, which for some unaccountable reason nearly doubled the number which occurred during the like period of last year, and greatly surpassed the number of fires during any one quarter in the history of the fire department.

THIS is June, and it is time for those who can afford a summer outing to be planning where they will go during some weeks of the hot weather. We suggest that the Halifax Summer Carnival in the last week of July be not forgotten. This is to be largely a water carnival, in which the ships of the B.N.A. squadron of the fleet of Great Britain takes a prominent part, and the illumination of the harbor will be a wondrous sight. The professional four-oared race, too, is likely to be a great event. The Mining Society of Nova Scotia is to hold its next meeting at Halifax during the summer carnival, possibly also the Quebec and Ontario societies.

THEY are likely-looking creatures, as we see them in recent photographs, the two horses owned by Mr. Seagram, of Waterloo, "Millbrook" and "Springal," which this year came in 1st and 2nd in the race at the Woodbine for the Queen's Plate. And the other five winners of the same trophy in five previous years, "Bonniefield," "Martello" and their associates, are beautiful animals, as represented in the handsome lithographed picture of prizes and prize-winners which Mr. Seagram gives away to his friends and customers. But how much more beautiful and spirited do they appear prancing upon the turf, all life and eagerness, or in the actual race, straining their limbs and necks to the winning post, amid the cheers of thousands. It is a wonderful sight, a race meeting; and conducted as it is by the Ontario Jockey Club Association, with admirable system and decorum, it is one to be remembered with genuine pleasure.

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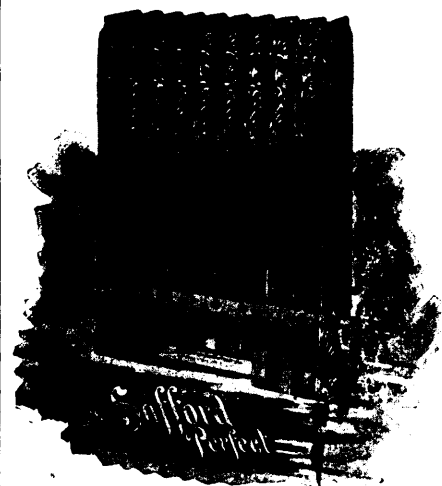
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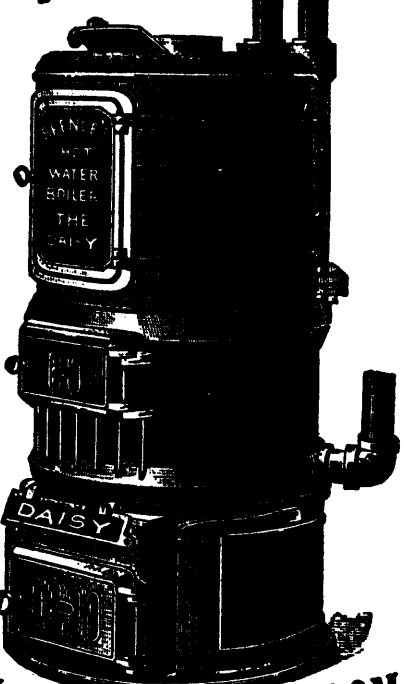
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