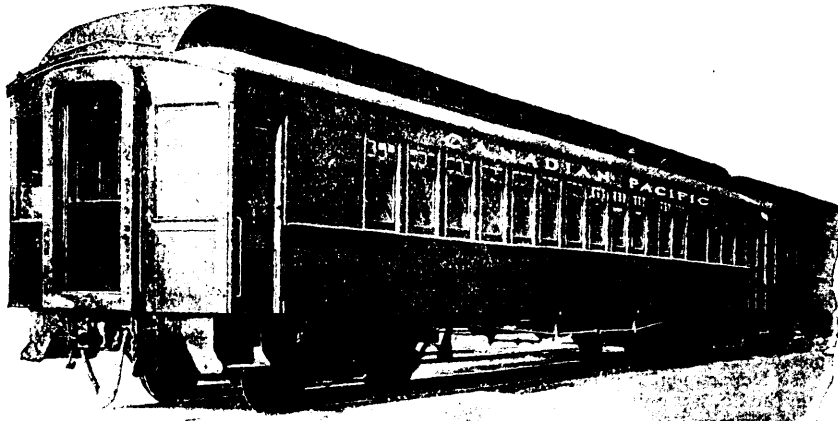




branches off by the North Fork to Eholt Creek, & thence to Greenwood City & down Boundary Creek to Midway, where it again strikes the Kettle River."

It is said that it has been decided to extend the line this year beyond Midway 15 miles, to Rock Creek, where some rich mines will be served, & that this work will also be done by Mann, Foley Bros. & Larsen.

Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic.—It is said surveys are being made for an extension of 25 miles between Baraga, Mich., & Rockland, on the C. M. & St. P. Ry.



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Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie.—It is said surveys are being made with a view to an extension to Fargo, N.D.

Grand Trunk Betterments, etc.

Motive Power Offices.—The new offices on Congregation Street, Montreal, facing Wellington Street, are about completed & ready for occupation. They have been equipped with all the latest improvements, making them desirable for the clerks who have had to work in a very unsuitable building for some time past. The new building is built of red pressed brick, with light-colored sandstone trimmings.

Lakefield Branch.—Last month we published a rumor that this branch, which runs from Peterboro to Lakefield, 9 miles, will be extended n.e. about 35 miles to connect with a proposed extension of the Pembroke Southern at St. Ola, so as to materially shorten the distance between Toronto & Pembroke. General Manager Hays is absent from Montreal, & there is nothing known among the other officials there regarding this rumored extension.

Midland Elevator Accommodation.—A recent press report stated that some of the G.T.R. officials had recently been at Midland in regard to increasing the grain elevator ac-

commodation there. We are officially informed the report had no foundation.

Collingwood Dock.—The renewal of the sections of this dock destroyed by fire last fall is now in progress. The track piles have been driven, & work has been started on the freight shed, which will be 250x80 ft.—82 ft. longer than the one destroyed—with necessary offices, waiting & baggage rooms. The new dock will be 2 ft. lower than the old one, which will be found much more convenient for loading & unloading vessels.

Maitland River Bridge.—The Railroad Gazette, New York, recently stated that the G.T.R. was taking tenders for erecting a superstructure of a steel bridge over a branch of the Maitland River, about 4 miles from Clinton, Ont., of seven spans, 23 ft. from bed of stream to floor, & 6 ft. roadway. The Chief Engineer, the Superintendent of the Middle Division, & the Master of Bridges & Buildings of the Middle Division, all inform us they have heard nothing of the matter, so it is evident the Railroad Gazette has been misinformed.

Sarnia & Port Huron Roundhouses.—Work on the roundhouses at the tunnel is being pushed ahead with all possible vigor, & the indications are that the Sarnia structure will be completed in advance of the one building at the Port Huron tunnel station. At Sarnia 2,500 piles were driven in 100 days.

Canadian Pacific Tourist Cars.

The C. P. R. Passenger Department has issued an illustrated pamphlet "Travelling

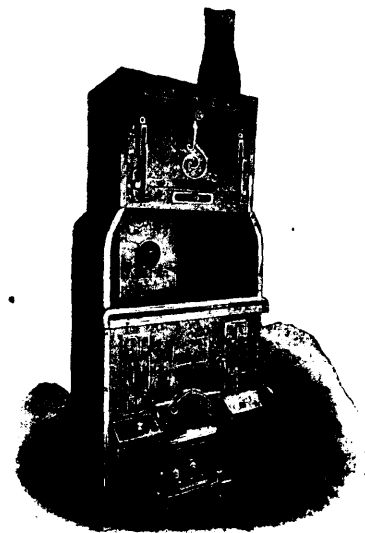


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Comfort," describing the Co.'s new tourist sleeping cars, 20 of which have recently been put in service. It states they are strongly constructed of the best material, & claims they are higher, wider & heavier than those in general use, & that the substantial structure reduces swinging to a medium. The special features of the new cars are wide vestibules (full width of car) latest car range, double standard lamps & the general arrangement of the interior. The wheels are of steel, 40 ins. diameter, with steel axles. Each tourist sleeper contains 14 sections, each section having double lower & upper berths. At night the sections are divided by wooden partitions, & enclosed by curtains as in the palace sleepers. Each tourist sleeper has 2 toilet rooms, with car range in kitchen in a compartment in the centre. The sleepers are equipped with mattresses, comforters, pillows & linen. The seat frames are of wood, & the cushions & backs of the seats are upholstered in corduroy. Each berth is provided with hooks. The



TOURIST SLEEPER TOILET ROOM.



TOURIST SLEEPER RANGE.

aisle is carpeted. In addition to steam heat from the engine, each car is equipped with a heater for emergency use. Detachable side leaf tables are provided for meals, &c. Each car is accompanied by a uniformed porter. Some of the illustrations from the pamphlet are reproduced on this page. The pamphlet, which is terse & forcible, was written by J.G. Brignall, of Assistant General Passenger Agent McPherson's Office, Toronto, & was printed most effectively by the Mail Job Printing Co., Toronto.

Cariboo-Omineca Chartered Co.—The B. C. Legislature has passed a bill amending this Co.'s act of incorporation passed in 1897, by taking away the power to build & operate railways. This will not affect the Co.'s right to build the Cariboo Ry., of which it recently acquired the charter. (Jan., pg. 11.)