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A GREAT CONFIDENCE MAN.

The death of Ferdinand de Lesseps naturally attracts public attention to the two great schemes with which he was connected. The one of these turned out an eminent success, the other proved to be the most gigantic failure of modern times.

The Panama Canal project was the one that failed. The American engineers were unanimous in their condemnation of the project, especially in the shape in which de Lesseps presented it. The canal was to be a commercial impossibility.

THE CASES NOT PARALLEL.

The Buffalo papers are taking no little trouble to decry the proposed ship canal via the St. Lawrence to Lake Ontario. From the anxiety they profess in regard to the project we imagine that they fear the ultimate success of the movement in favor of the international route.

THE LATEST WONDER.

It is one of the photographs of the to-be-named young ladies whose beauty embelishes our store windows was all of a sudden to raise its arm and offer to shake hands with you would not you be amazed? The well-regulated photograph does not give evidence of such exuberance of spirits.

An Interesting Souvenir.

The Quebec and St. John Railway Co. have issued a tasteful and attractive annual convention of the American Association of General Passenger Agents, recently held at Montreal.

Try Southern Straight Cut Cigarettes, 10c per package.

NO STREET CARS ON AVENUE-ROAD

At Least Not for a While Yet—Engineers' Report Thrown Out—The C.P.R.'s Eastern Entrance.

Half the residents of Avenue-road were down at the City Hall yesterday afternoon awaiting the action of the Board of Works as to the laying of car tracks in that thoroughfare. Before the shades of evening had crept over the city Frank Somers and his party, who have a service near at hand and don't wait street cars, went their way rejoicing, and J. K. Kerr and his followers from the north walked home with elms written on their countenances.

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Other Municipal Settings.

At Mr. Tolmie's request the City Engineer was asked to make a report on the advisability of trying vitrified sewer pipes.

Refutation.

To the Editor of The Monetary Times. Sir—Our attention has been drawn to an article in the last issue of your journal headed, "An Alluring Society." Many a true word has been spoken in just and the flattering title you bestow upon our society is another instance of the truth of this aphorism: "The more you are pleased not to be mentioned, the more you are mentioned."

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