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THE Orford Copper Co., of Jersey, are building a refining and smelting works, at Coppercliff, near Sudbury, for the purpose of working up the product of the Canadian Copper Co., which formerly has been sent across the line for treatment, but which now, in accordance with the new law passed by the Ontario Government, would have to pay an export duty. They will also refine the product from their own mine, near Massey Station.

THE Canada Iron Furnace Co. has almost completed the erection of some new works at Midland, for the purpose of smelting ore from the "Helen" mine, at Michipicoten. It will be the first instance, we are told, of an Ontario furnace running entirely on Canadian ores. By the way, some ore from this mine was recently shipped into the United States, and it is hoped to be the precursor of a large export of Canadian iron ore into that country.

THE Government of Chili has set aside the sum of \$20,000 for the President of the National Society of Agriculture, in order that he may purchase in foreign markets agricultural machinery and sell it at cost price to the members of the society. It is a pity that transportation from this part of the world, as from the United States, is so insufficient, or Chili, it appears, would present a fine opening for our manufacturers in this line.

THE Niagara Falls Metal Works Co. has been absorbed by the McKinnon, Dash, and Hardware Co., of St. Catharines, and the new company, which has been formed with a capital stock of \$300,000, will be known as the McKinnon. Dash & Metals Works Co., and will manufacture the same lines of goods as have been made by the two firms in the past. The president of the company will be J. E. McRae; vice-president and manager, Geo. J. Armstrong; secretary and treasurer, L. E. McKinnon. The erection of a new factory to accommodate 200 hands, is under contemplation.

THE Rossland Board of Trade is considering the question of an exhibit of ores for the Glasgow Exhibition, which opens in May of next year. There is an appropriation of \$10,000 available for this purpose, and it is probable that the forthcoming legislative assembly will contribute an additional \$15,000. Unless some action is taken speedily, the only exhibit likely to be made from British Columbia is the one which was lately at the Paris Exposition, which was not as representative as it might have been.

For many years the Lovitts have been prominent people in the shipping, banking and mercantile circles of Western Nova Scotia, and the late Mr. George H. Lovitt, of Yarmouth, was one of the best-known of them. We observe that his will was proved the other day, and that the value of his estate is placed at \$700,000. He left it nearly all to relatives; an exception being made, however, in a bequest of \$1,000 to the Old Ladies' Home.

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