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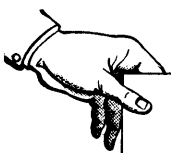
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THE Intercolonial Railway is going to run a new solid vestibuled train from Ottawa to Halifax, the last of May or early in June, to carry a party of genuine Canadian and American newspaper men.

THE Sydney Reporter announces on good authority that the long-expected iron works will be established in Sydney, operations to be begun this month. This information comes to it from Boston. Besides this, it says that a local dealer has been given large orders to fill for the company.

A COMPANY, of \$75,000 capital, has been granted provincial incorporation, under the name of the Still Motor Co., Limited, to make, sell and hire batteries and appliances, such as electric or other motors for propelling carriages, street-cars, vans, tricycles, etc.; headquarters, Toronto; the provisional directors of the company to be William Joseph Still, Thomas Bengough, Leonard William Dorling, Charles William Chadwick and Joseph Heighington.

NINE years ago, John G. Kolfage began as a general storekeeper in Kingsville, with but small capital. Later on he shared to some extent in the value of his father's estate in and around Amherstburg. Notwithstanding this, he did not maintain prosperity. Recently he disposed of his stock, amounting to \$5,500, at a discount of 40 per cent., and now we hear of his assignment.—Another assignment is that of Alex. Anderson, merchant, at Fort William.

ON Saturday last a writ was issued at Hamilton against Senator G. A. Cox and the Canada Life Insurance Company, at the instance of William Lees and other policy-holders in the company. The action is taken to compel Mr. Cox to repay to the said company all sums of money alleged to have been "improperly or unlawfully" taken by him while a director of the company. The plaintiffs ask for an injunction to restrain the defendant from further acting in such a manner. The statement of claim recites that about 1880 the defendant was the agent of the Canada Life at Peterboro, and he was appointed agent of the company at Toronto. "After the defendant Cox became the agent of the company, he set about the purchase of the stock of the company secretly and without the knowledge of the directors of the company, and so on. In addition to the fees, as director, the defendant has improperly received from, or retained from, moneys of the company,

which have come into his hands, large sums, amounting to \$50,000 each year, as the plaintiffs are informed.

AN assignment has been made by James McNally, cooper, at Aylmer, Ont., after he had been in that business about sixteen years. About three years ago a fire took place in his premises. This crippled him.—A bailiff and the sheriff are both in possession of the hotel premises of W. A. Brooks, at Lindsay, and from appearances unsecured creditors need not expect a large dividend, if any.—George Mousseau, a small lumber dealer at Belle River, and William Quirk, general storekeeper, Dryden, have assigned.

THE STANDARD LIFE
ASSURANCE COMPANY

Pending publication of the complete statement of the Standard's business for the year terminated 15th November, 1898, we publish below a condensed report of the results as presented at the annual meeting of the company, at Edinburgh on the 25th ultimo.

For the purposes of this synopsis, we have converted the figures submitted to the shareholders into Canadian currency.

4,937 Policies were issued during the year, assuring	\$10,290,515
The Total Existing Assurances in force at 15th Nov., 1898, amounted to.....	123,108,140
The Claims by Death during the year amounted, including bonus additions, to	3,355,360
The Claims under Endowments matured during the year amounted, including bonus additions, to	188,580
The Revenue for the year ended 15th November, 1898, amounted to	5,841,840
The Accumulated Funds at same date amounted to.....	45,903,755
Being an increase during the year of.....	1,879,140

Debentures of the Town of Goderich.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to and including May 26th, 1899, for the purchase of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) consolidated debentures of the Town of Goderich, payable in thirty years of 30 equal instalments, bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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