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— A fish breeding establishment is proposed at Collingwood.
— The Ingersoll Gas Co. is about to increase its rates 10 per cent.
— A steamer will run this season on Red River between Selkirk and Emerson.
— An extension of the London, Huron and Bruce Railway to Goderich is talked of.
— The Dominion Government has appointed an immigration agent at Duluth.
— The Noxon Manufacturing Co. of Ingersoll has sold out its branch business at Walkerton.
— The Lanark Oil Company has been revived and boring will be resumed. The well is now down 71 feet.
— A span of horses were sold in Ottawa the other day for sixty cents, just thirty cents a piece.
— Stratford is becoming quite a railway centre. A new line from there to Orangerille is talked of.
— A dry goods firm in Toronto have purchased the whole of the insolvent stock of W. S. Finch & Sons for 50 cents on the dollar.
— The Stadacona Insurance Co. proposes suing stockholders who do not pay up their calls by the 1st April.
— Seventy teams laden with phosphate arrived in Kingston from Sydenham a few days ago.
— 13 persons lost their lives by fire in Montreal last year, the largest number during any one year since the fire brigade was formed.
— Mr. Alexander Woods has been elected chairman of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners.
— 101 bushels of oats, the product of three pecks, sown broadcast on less than one acre, is a good yield, but a Howick farmer claims to have had such.
— The Caledonia Coal and Railway Company, of Boston, which owns large coal mines at Cape Breton, is embarrassed; liabilities, \$200,000.