

The C.P.R. Atlantic steamers, in addition to operating the regular service to ports in Great Britain, will operate a line between New Orleans, La., and Galveston, Tex., to England, carrying cotton. The former owners of the steamers purchased by the C.P.R., the Elder, Dempster Co., ran four of their steamers on this route yearly after the close of navigation on the St. Lawrence.

The Dominion Government has placed an order for the construction at Barrow-in-Furness, Eng., of a steel twin-screw steamer for the fishery protection service on the Atlantic coast. She will be 200 ft. long by 25 ft. beam, and will have a total capacity of 700 tons. She will have accommodation for 60 men, and will be armed with Maxim-Nordenfeldt quick-firing guns, and fitted with a 4,000 candle power searchlight.

The Toronto Globe reproduces the following item from its issue of Dec. 3, 1853: "Mr. Land, the builder of the steamers intended for

McKean, McLarty & Co.'s Canadian line, is confident that they will make average trips of between eight and nine days to Quebec. The Ottawa, recently launched, is much faster than the Lady Eglinton, which made the voyage in less than 11 days. Canadians will then be able to make the Atlantic voyage quicker from their own port than by the States."

Among the Express Companies.

The Dominion Ex. Co. has leased the premises in Vancouver now occupied by the Royal Bank, and will move its offices there as soon as the alterations are complete.

The estate left by the late H. Sanford, first Vice-President of the Adams Ex. Co., who died at Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 6, was valued for probate at over \$6,000,000.

The Canadian Ex. Co. has opened a route on the Hampton and St. Martin's Ry., from

Hampton, on the I.C.R., to St. Martin's, N.B., and has opened an office at St. Martin's.

The Canadian Ex. Co., during the shooting season of 1903, handled in the district south of North Bay, Ont., 2,950 deer carcasses, an increase of 692 over that of the season of 1902.

The Dominion Ex. Co. has made some change in its waggon route between Galt and Doon, Ont., consequent on the opening of the new route on the electric railways between Galt and Berlin.

The Dominion Ex. Co. has extended its route on the Galt, Preston and Hespeler Street Ry., and the Preston and Berlin Ry., so that it now has a service in operation between Galt and Berlin, Ont.

The River Ouelle branch of the I.C.R., from River Ouelle to St. Denis wharf, having been closed for the winter, the office which the Canadian Ex. Co. opened at St.

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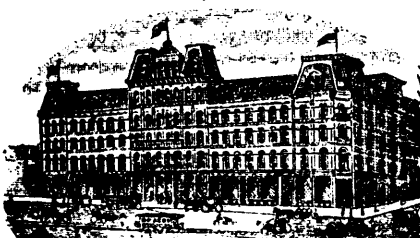
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