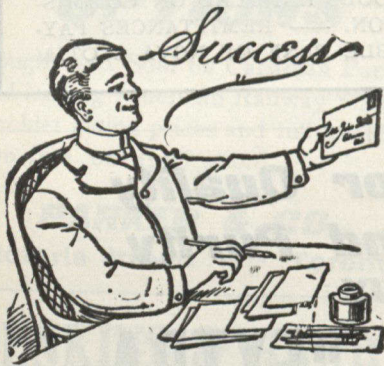


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## Mercantile Summary.

ON the 10th inst., a large and enthusiastic meeting was held in Embro, near Stratford, Ont., in favor of the proposed electric railroad. The enterprise will cost \$350,000.

A NEW steel freight steamer, the "Tadousac," built for Messrs. Waldie & Wright, Toronto, was launched at the Bertram ship-yards in this city on Wednesday last. She is 260 feet long, with a 43 foot beam, depth 28.6 feet, and draft 17.10. Her capacity is 120,000 bushels of wheat, and she is designed to carry grain from Port Arthur and Georgian Bay ports to Montreal.

A SYNDICATE composed of Dr. A. Wills, of Dawson city, and some Parisian capitalists, have bought the Belleville (Ont.) Rolling Mills for about \$70,000, and have a further capital of \$25,000 for the purpose of putting them into first-class repair, and for operating them. Probably, smelting works will also be established in conjunction.

THE steamship "Manchester Trader," of the Montreal-Manchester Line, went ashore on the 11th inst. off Anticosti in 18 feet of water and, it is stated, in clear weather. Reports to hand say that she is likely to prove a total loss. Both the ship and cargo are heavily insured. Among the latter are 391 cattle, 446 sheep, 10,000 bushels of oats, 10,000 bushels of corn, 4,650 boxes of cheese, 2,245 packages of butter, 275 standard deals.

A NEW YORK paragraph announces the death, on Saturday last, of William E. Dodge, the New York millionaire and philanthropist. He was a member of the New York metal house of Phelps, Dodge & Co. and was between seventy and eighty years of age. He was one of the founders of the Union League Club and well-known as foremost in charitable work. His son, Anson G. P. Dodge, was for years a prominent Ontario lumberman.

MR. JOHN MACKAY, who for the past four years has been part-owner of the Woodstock Sentinel-Review, has been appointed business manager of the Toronto Globe, in succession to the late Chas. W. Taylor. Mr. MacKay is still comparatively a young man, but he has had a long and varied newspaper experience, and his friends have formed great expectations as to his success in his present position.

THE five red foxes, which for a couple of days have been on exhibition in the window of the Dominion Express Co., Granville St., Halifax, have been looked at by thousands of people. These foxes are three months old and were obtained, we are told, by the Empire Tobacco Company at a large cost from an Ontario farmer who caught them when a week old. They are to be on exhibition for a few days at Sarre's store, Barrington street. The Empire Tobacco Company is using the foxes, it seems, to advertise their red fox chewing tobacco, and these little animals are one of the many novel means of advertising that have been adopted by this company to popularize their product.

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