

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

Ontario.

The Hamilton Steel and Iron Company is making arrangements to double its big plant here. The company has taken out permits for new buildings to the value of \$350,000, and work will be started at once.

A new breaker is to be built at Port Arthur for the protection of the Atikokan Iron Company's blast furnace plant. Ore docks will also be built. Mr. Hogan is the contractor.

Quebec.

The question of building large car shops in Quebec City is under discussion. A deputation waited on the Hon. S. N. Parent recently, and he believed the undertaking would meet with success.

Nova Scotia.

The Robb Engineering Co., Amherst, have recently received orders from the Canadian Fairbanks Co., Montreal, for two 45 and one 65 H.P. boilers of the Robb-Mumford type. Also one from the Kitchener Lumber Co. for a large mill, consisting of one 100 H.P. engine, a 100 H.P. boiler, rotary mill, gang edger, etc.; and from Shaw Brothers, Dauphin, Man., for a 100 H.P. automatic engine.

The sixth annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company was held in New Glasgow on Wednesday, March 27th. The attendance was small. Mr. Cantley's report for 1906 showed that the plant of the company was in a high state of efficiency, and development work at their mines well up to the standard. President Harris spoke regarding the future policy of the company. He stated that there was sufficient ore in sight at Wabana mines to supply the blast furnaces at Sydney mines for twenty-five years.

United States.

A shipment of double-swivel vises has just been made to Cologne, Germany, by the Pittsburgh Automatic Vise and Tool Co., of Pittsburgh. This company is continually receiving foreign orders for their product.

The name of the Sawyer-Man Electric Co. has been changed to the Westinghouse Lamp Co. It has, of course, been generally understood for some years past that the Sawyer-Man Electric Company was a Westinghouse interest, and the change of name is but a logical result of changed conditions.

NEW BUILDINGS.

Ontario.

The General Brass Co. will erect a \$9,000 factory on Stirling Road, Toronto.

Quebec.

The present general hospital at Montreal is to be demolished and a new one, to cost about \$500,000, will be erected on the same location.

The Montreal Branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce will be constructed by the Canadian White Co. The building will be the finest of its kind in Canada, with the exception of the Bank of Montreal.

TRADE INQUIRIES.

The following inquiries relating to Canadian trade have been received at the Canadian Government Office, 17 Victoria Street, London, S. W. :—

A Sheffield firm manufacturing all kinds of railway, mining and contractors' tools, tramway tools, boring and screwing machines, stocks, dies and taps, etc., are open to hear from Canadian buyers or representatives who could undertake the sale of such goods in the Dominion.

An English firm manufacturing electric, hydraulic, or hand travelling cranes, wharf cranes, electric runways, capstans, winches and crabs, electric lifts and machine tools suitable for engineers, bridge builders, boiler makers, etc., is desiring of hearing from Canadian buyers of these and similar goods.

MUNICIPAL.

Ontario.

Hamilton's Fire and Water Committee is asking for permission to issue debentures for \$62,000 for the following work: New mains, \$28,000; services, \$16,000; sand-sucker, \$12,000; meters, \$4,000; valves, \$1,000.

A concrete bridge is to be built at Buckhorn, near Peterboro. A portion of the cost will be paid by the Dominion Government and a portion by the county.

Quebec.

The Mount Royal Assurance Company has entered an action, claiming the recovery of \$8,959.69 from the town of St. Louis. This amount represents the sum paid by the company to policy-holders in consequence of the big fire of September last. It holds the municipality responsible for this loss on account of its not having been in a position to prevent the conflagration. The corporation of St. Louis calls the Montreal Water and Power Company in warranty on the ground of the want of proper water pressure.

British Columbia.

The district of North Vancouver invites applications for the position of municipal engineer. Applications must be made not later than the 15th of this month, and sent to the Municipal Hall. Alex. Philip, C.M.C.

RAILWAY.

Calgary is going into the question of a municipally-owned street car service, and it is considered likely that the proposition will be passed by the city council shortly. Engineer R. E. Speakman has prepared estimates of the proposed works.

MARINE.

The American Shipbuilding Co. is to have competition in the form of a Canadian plant to be established at Fort William. United States capitalists identified with the marine interests of the lakes are at the back of the project, and if present plans carry the works will be ready for business in less than a year. The promoters will, it is understood, invest \$500,000 as working capital over and above the cost of construction, thus making the enterprise a \$2,000,000 proposition. The company possibly will be known as the Canadian-American Shipbuilding Corporation.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

Ontario.

The Goldie & McCulloch Co. have secured the contract for the elevator machinery in the new 2,000,000 bushel elevator being erected by the Dominion Government at Port Colborne.

The contract for the large railway wharf at Souris, Prince Edward Island, has been awarded to E. A. Wallberg, of Montreal. The wharf will be built of reinforced concrete.

The Niagara Falls Foundry Co. have received from Hamilton the contract for supply hydrants at \$40.50 each.

Manitoba.

The C.P.R. have placed a contract with the Souris Construction Co. for the building of thirty section houses and twenty stations.

Saskatchewan.

Prince Albert has awarded the contract for the new electric plant.

The Canada Foundry Co. were awarded the contract for the machinery, and the Murphy Electrical Co., of Winnipeg, the contract for electrical supplies. The price was about \$28,000 and take the old plant.

Nova Scotia.

S. M. Brookfield, Limited, Halifax, have been awarded the contract for a brick building, 45 by 80 feet, four storeys high. The price is in the vicinity of \$45,000. Work is to be finished by October.