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Ontario.**Mercantile Summary.**NEWFOUNDLAND papers record the dis-
covery of some fine new halibut fishing
grounds some distance off the extreme
northern coast of the island.THE C.P.R., is about to build a bridge
across the Columbia River, at Robson.
This will make Nelson the headquarters
for the company's system in southern
Kootenay.THE British Columbia Government is
being petitioned to grant \$10,000 for the
building of a juvenile reformatory on one
of the gulf islands instead of in Victoria
as originally planned.THE firm of J. L. Ross & Co., private
bankers, of Aurora, have taken over the
business of J. C. McKeggie & Co., at
Coldwater, Ont. It is the intention of
Mr. Ross to reside in Coldwater before
long.DESPATCHES from Grand Forks say that
the smelter plant there continues to work
smoothly, and that the second furnace
will be blown in very shortly. About 300
tons of ore is being handled daily at
present, which is considerably more than
the guaranteed capacity of the furnace.THE people of Mink Cove, Digby
county, are greatly excited over the dis-
covery of silver and copper near there.
The seam is 90 feet wide, and the latest
assays give 20 per cent. of copper and 10
of silver. Israel Burrill, of Weymouth,
and Balfour Brown, of Yarmouth, have
secured the property, and it promises to
be a big thing.—St. John Gazette.WE learn from advance sheets of the
Ontario Gazette that charters have been
granted to the Consumers' Tobacco Com-
pany, limited, Leamington; capital, \$60,-
000; to the United Mining Company, lim-
ited, Niagara Falls; capital, \$1,500,000;
the Nott Cycle and Motor Company, of
St. Catharines, limited; capital, \$100,000;
the Merchants' Shade Co., limited, Tor-
onto; capital, \$100,000.WORK on the first section of the Trent
Canal, lying between Kirkfield and Lake
Simcoe, has been completed. The con-
tract for the middle section, between
Balsam Lake and Lake Simcoe, has been
let to Larkin & Sangster, of St. Cathar-
ines, and that for section 3, which carries
the canal to Gamebridge, to Brown &
Aylmer, of Toronto. Work on these
two sections is now beginning, and is to
be finished within two years.THE attention of the civic authorities
in Montreal has been drawn to the fact
that with practically no outlay, the ordi-
nary garbage collected nightly from old
ash barrels, to be dumped into the incin-
erator, could be made to yield a revenue
of several thousands of dollars to the city.
It has been pointed out that the city of
New York derives the amount of \$90,000
annually from contractors who paid a
certain sum for the privilege of sorting
over and searching among the rags, bot-
tles and rubbish of its garbage heaps, and
there is no reason why Canadian cities
should not reap some benefit also from
this source, instead of allowing the work
to be done gratis by rag-pickers and the
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