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Mercantile Summary.

THE Ontario Bee-Keepers' Association met at Walkerton last week, when about seventy-five delegates were present.

THE \$7,000 stock of R. Weatherell, of Oil City, was sold by auction in London to Mr. W. T. Trott, of the same place, at 50½ cents.

THE stipendiary magistrate of Halifax has fined the officials of the Nova Scotia Power Company \$5 for running a horse-car on Sunday. The case has been appealed.

THE electors of Bowmanville voted the other day on a by-law to raise shop licenses to sell liquor from \$200 to \$1,000. The by-law was carried by over two hundred majority.

A SHAREHOLDER of the Canada Western Railway Co., in Victoria, says that \$100,000, the first demand on the construction, has been subscribed, and is now in the hands of the Mercantile Trust Co. of New York.

THE first annual dinner of the bosses and second hands of the Dominion Cotton Mills Co., Ltd., took place at Ayer's Flat, Que., some days ago. Mr. W. A. Whitehead, manager, was in the chair, supported by Superintendent Whewell and Mr. A. Moore. There were forty-three guests.

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THE amount of inland revenue accrued for the month of December was \$927,680, an increase of \$60,254 over same month last year, of which \$40,569 was in spirits, \$4,906 in malt, and \$8,630 in tobacco.

THE Ahearn Electric Heating and Manufacturing Company, of Ottawa, capital \$25,000, with the Micmac Steamship Company, capital \$90,000, headquarters, Pictou, N.S.; the James Robertson Company for the manufacture of saws, etc., capital \$75,000, headquarters at Montreal; the Dominion Blanket and Fibre Company, capital \$250,000, headquarters at Montreal, have been incorporated by letters patent.

"WHEN it is considered that the salmon pack of the State of Oregon has reached in 1883 the enormous proportions of 629,000 cases of four dozen one-pound tins, which, roughly valued, would reach the amount of over \$3,500,000, we should," says the *Oregonian*, "seek a cause for its diminution and correct it if possible. The largest pack for any of the past seven seasons has only reached 465,000 cases, and in 1889 the pack fell off to 321,000 cases. The only way to keep up the supply of this most remarkable food fish is by artificial propagation."

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THE output of the several collieries of the New Vancouver Coal Company at Nanaimo, for the year 1892, approximates 433,298 tons as against 527,457 tons for the previous year. The shipments of the company (foreign and domestic) for the year 1892, were nearly 376,000 tons.

THE annual convention of the Canadian Electrical Association will be held at the School of Practical Science in Toronto on the 25th and 26th inst. Interesting papers will be read by Messrs. George Black, of Hamilton; W. A. Tower, of Toronto; J. M. Campbell, of Kingston; R. G. Black, of Hamilton; Prof. Rosebrugh, of Toronto; and Mr. Breithaupt, of Berlin.

THE Kootenay mining district is evidently growing. Boards of trade are to be organized at the two chief towns on Kootenay Lake. At Kaslo the names of sixty-six business men are on the list of the proposed board. The Nelson preliminary meeting held in December was attended by about thirty business men, G. Bigelow in the chair and John Elliott acting secretary. J. Fred. Hume, W. J. Wilson, J. A. Gilker, W. F. Teezel and John Elliott were appointed to draft rules and by-laws.

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