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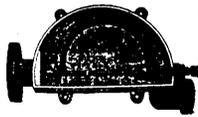
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THE River St. Lawrence, at Montreal yesterday (Wednesday), says The Gazette, was eight feet lower than on the corresponding date of 1899, ten feet lower than in 1898, and twelve feet lower than in 1897.

MR. J. A. Villeneuve, treasurer of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company, was presented on Saturday night in Montreal, with an appropriate token of the esteem in which he is held by his fellow-employees.

A FIRE at Ridgetown on Tuesday morning last destroyed a number of shops, and did \$20,000 damage, the principal loser being H. H. Green, hardware merchant, whose loss is probably \$10,000. He has \$8,000 insurance.

"I HEARD ye were on 'shtrike,'" said Mike to his friend Pat. "I was that," answered Pat. "A strike for what, Pat?" "For shorter hours, Mike!" "An' did you get them?" "Sure we did, Mike. It's not working at all I am now!"

CAPT. Beriau, of the Central Police Station in Montreal, has made out his annual report. It states that 164,956 reports were received from constables; arrests, 3,472; fires, 745; sick cases brought to the hospitals, 83; sick cases brought home, 70.

THE agents of the Provident Savings Life celebrated the anniversary of the election of President Scott to office last week by presenting him with applications for \$5,000,000 of insurance. This was the largest amount ever received in a single day by the company. Mr. R. K. Hubbard, the assistant secretary, was presented with a diamond pin.

J. J. HERBERT, the missing teller of the Banque Ville Marie, has been arrested. He had been in hiding in the city since the bank's suspension without being discovered until last week. It is said to be in connection with the Ville Marie Bank case that James Baxter, a Montreal broker, was arrested on Wednesday, and brought before, first, a magistrate and then a judge. Bail was refused, and upon an adjournment being asked by the Crown prosecutor Mr. Baxter had to spend the night in the police station.

How can some men be so heartless? Here is a story told by the Washington Star of a man who saddened his wife by criticising a Christmas gift she had made him. Here is the alleged conversation: "Why, that's one of the Christmas cigars I bought you, dear," his wife answered timorously. "Are you displeased?" "Displeased! I am annoyed beyond words!" "Are they so bad?" "Bad! No! Every one of 'em tastes like a 25-cent cigar. My taste for a 5-cent smoke is totally destroyed, and if I go bankrupt buying tobacco it'll be all your fault." And as he settled back in his chair and blew rings at the chandelier, he exclaimed under his breath: "It takes a woman to be thoughtless and inconsiderate!"

MR. Samuel Walker, who for seventeen years has been foreman and general foreman at the shops of the Grand Trunk system, at Point St. Charles, having been selected general foreman of the Dominion Bridge Company's works at Lachine, has received a handsome parting presentation from his late confreres.

ANDREW CARNEGIE has donated to Cooper Union \$300,000 for the establishment of a day school similar in scope to the present night school. The school, which will complete the last department of the original plans of Peter Cooper, founder of Cooper Union, will be technically known as the Mechanics Arts High Schools of Cooper Union.

A FIRM of manufacturers in France has recently built a self-propelled fire engine, which can develop a high speed for short runs. It weighs a ton and a half. The power is furnished by an oil motor, with four cylinders at the back of the vehicle parallel to the axles. The piston rods are connected by cranks to a shaft which carries on either end a fly-wheel. This shaft transmits the power of the engine either to the wheels or to the pump, by means of gears and chains. The pump, placed directly behind the driver's seat, runs at 180 revolutions per minute, absorbing 10 horse-power, and delivering 150 gallons per minute. The pressure in the air cylinder rises to 114 lbs. to the square inch, sending a stream to the height of 120 feet.

TORONTO STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

C.P.R. and Toronto Railway were the most interesting features of the Toronto Stock Market during the past week, though there was considerable movement in War Eagle and Republic, and the market, on the whole, was brisk for the holiday season. The following were the transactions:

Bank of Commerce, 10 shares at 141, 169 at 149¼, 67 at 141½, 20 at 141⅞, 22 at 142; Dominion Bank, 70 at 265; 20 shares at 268; Imperial Bank, 1 share at 213, 10 at 213¾, 38 at 214; Ontario Bank, 10 at 130; C.P.R., 25 at 90¾, 325 at 91, 75 at 91½, 125 at 91¼, 50 at 91¾; 75 at 91½, 50 at 91¾, 175 at 91¾, 250 at 92, 125 at 92½, 50 at 92¾, 100 at 92¾, 25 at 92½, 50 at 92¾, 25 at 93, 50 at 93½, 375 at 93¼, 25 at 93¾, 85 at 93½, 10 at 93¾; Toronto Railway, 200 at 100½, 25 at 101½, 75 at 101¾, 55 at 102, 50 at 102½, 150 at 102¼, 25 at 102¾, 25 at 103¾; Canada General Electric, 175 at 168, 5 at 168¼, 50 at 170; Canada General Electric, Pfd., 5 at 104; Commercial Cable, 25 at 187½, 67 at 189, 332 at 190; War Eagle, 500 at 247, 1,500 at 249¼, 800 at 250, 100 at 251, 2,000 at 251½, 100 at 252; Bell Telephone, rights, 13 at 70, 10 at 69; Luxfer, 15 at 111; Carter-Crume Co., 20 at 102¾, 20 at 102¾; General Trusts, 22 at 145; Canadian Cycle & Motor Co., 25 at 91, 10 at 91¼, 25 at 90¾; Twin City, 25 at 65; Western Association, 50 at 159½, 20 at 159¾; Gen. Gas, 20 at 225; C. N. W. Land, 38 at 55, R. & O. Nav. Co., 25 at 107½; Republic, 2,000 at 105, 500 at 104¾; Golden Star, 200 at 30.