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We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing; but the world judges us by what we have already done.

Longfellow.



T. J. DRUMMOND.

Pioneer in the enterprise of Iron Making in Canada.

Lord Bacon in his essay on "Riches," says:—

If a man can play the true logician, to have as well judgment as invention, he may do great matters, especially if the times be fit.

It is not often that we find combined in one man, mechanical instinct, business aptitude, and executive ability. Such personalities are rare, they appear only at intervals like meteors in the sky; but whenever they do appear, the inevitable corollary to their lives is *success*. Especially is this so in the domain of Industry. In the United States the man who was awarded by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the John Fritz medal for 1905—George Westinghouse—is a brilliant example.

Among the business men of Canada there is one who possesses in a marked degree the aforesaid three traits; who has justly been described as "the leading pioneer in the enterprise of iron making in the Dominion;" and whose portrait it is a pleasure to incorporate this month in our gallery of men who have "done things."

Thomas J. Drummond was born in Ireland 26th September, 1860, his family removing to Canada in the early sixties. He was educated in Montreal. In 1886 he founded, together with his brother, Mr. Geo. E. Drummond, and Mr. J. T. McCall, the well-known firm of Drummond, McCall & Co., iron and steel merchants. This house early in its career became interested in the industrial life of Canada, and may be ranked as pioneers in the enterprise of iron making in this country. What is known as the "Drummond Group" of iron industries, is perhaps as comprehensive a group of allied enterprises as the Dominion can claim. They embrace the work of;—

The Canada Iron Furnace Co., Ltd., at Midland, Ont., and Radnor Forges, Que.

The Londonderry Iron & Mining Co., Ltd., at Londonderry, N.S.

The Canadian Iron & Foundry Co., Ltd., with plants at Hamilton, Ont., and St. Thomas, Ont.

The Montreal Pipe Foundry Co., Ltd., works at Three Rivers, Que., and Londonderry, N.S.

He is a director in all these companies; president of the Londonderry Iron & Mining Co., Ltd., also of the Montreal Pipe Foundry Co., Ltd., (a fine modern plant, which we purpose describing and illustrating in an early number); and vice-president of the Canadian Iron & Foundry Co. These works combined, employ upwards of 2,600 men. In addition to his active interests in the companies mentioned, Mr. Drummond is vice-president of the Lake Superior Corporation, and was one of the most active spirits in the successful reorganization of that company. Outside of the iron industry he is interested in several corporations, being vice-president of the Montreal Water & Power Co. (of which corporation he was practically the originator), a company which now supplies all the suburbs of Montreal, and several of the wards of the city, with water. He is a leading director in the Drummond Mines, Limited, operating mines near Cobalt, Ont.

Mr. Drummond is also a director of the Imperial Life Assurance Co., of Canada, and is an Associate Member of the American Institute of Civil Engineers, and a member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, and of the Canadian Mining Institute.

We are on the threshold of great things in iron and steel, and reasoning from the known to the unknown, we fear not to predict that Thomas' Joseph Drummond—whose worthy business record we have briefly told, will play an important part in the industrial development of Canada.