

A Wonderful Machine.

From the News, London, Ont.

The greatest producers of enameled ware in Canada to-day, the McCrary Mfg. Co., have installed a new and truly wonderful piece of machinery in their magnificent plant here. It was manufactured at Gropinger, in Germany, the birthplace of this much-used product, and having made its long journey across the ocean, was put up here at a cost of many thousands of dollars. It weighs a ton and a half alone amounted to more than \$2,500. Without having seen it, no idea of its enormous proportions could be formed. Its exact weight is 30,000 pounds, nearly 50 tons, and because of its great bulk and weight the New York wharf authorities added a considerable extra charge for handling it. One single piece weighed more than 15 tons, and great mechanical skill was required to set it up, and it took practically one month to have it in such condition that it is ready for use. It was necessary first of all to clear a large space in the rear wall, so as to admit of the bulkier pieces, and to build a concrete foundation, 21 feet square and 12 feet deep. The whole foundation is 12 feet below the surface, and the top of the press rises through the ceiling into the apartment above.

It is a drawing press, a machine in which the flat metal tanks are treated by being rolled into the shapes required before receiving the enamel coating. By its importation the McCrary Company possesses the largest machine of its kind in America. It will make everything that is used in the enamel works, from a small mug 2½ inches in diameter to a tub two feet across, and will draw sheets of steel, ranging from the light 25-gauge to the very heavy 10-gauge, such as is required for tanks and other extremely heavy articles. The cost of the press alone does not represent the total expense to which the company was put, by its acquisition. A larger and more powerful engine and boiler had to be procured because it could be worked satisfactorily, and one of the finest that are manufactured was installed about a month ago. A new spinning lathe was also required. Anyone who visited the McCrary plant during the "old boys" demonstration, when it was open to inspection, will remember that after a metal tank had been pressed into the crude form of the article, as it is intended to be, it is placed upon the spinning lathe, which is a practical automatic device, which changes the rough and oft-times ugly form into a smooth and beautiful form ready to be enameled. The new spinning lathe that will complete the blackware work begun by the big press is of a pattern never before used in Canada, and has an attachment for oval work besides the round.

The manufacture of enameled ware in Canada is a comparatively young industry, of an age that does not exceed seven or eight years, yet it has assumed enormous proportions, and is growing yearly. The McCrary Company handled the output of some of the main firms for many years, until finally the demand for the ware became so enormous that they determined to enter the field themselves. This was a momentous step to take, and at the time it was taken it was predicted that it would prove disastrous. Very little was then known of the trade in this part of Germany, and the secrets of the process were jealously guarded. The initial expense of the installation was very great. The plant itself was extremely costly, and besides having to acquire knowledge of the enameled production, the firm had to import skilled workmen from the fatherland. In this connection it is interesting and gratifying to note that since then there has been a gradual evolution in the personnel of the firm. It is interesting to think that only Germans had the skill, the knack that was needed to produce the best results.

This, of course, was a fallacy—Canadian workmen learned the process good, even better, it is claimed, and now form almost the entire working staff. The McCrary Company is the first Canadian firm to compete with the old German trade, against a patronage that extended immediately to the Atlantic to the Pacific, and instead of the business proving the failure that pessimists predicted, it has grown tremendously, warranting the large outlay the firm has made upon

this department. The improved machinery that has just been installed will further assure this position as the foremost and most enterprising producers of Canadian enameled ware.

A Cattle Scare.

Something of a scare has been worked up in the cattle trade this week by a letter which assured to one of the Winnipeg daily papers from Toronto stating that anthrax existed among the cattle of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. The report went on to say that the Dominion minister of agriculture had been called upon to quarantine the suspected districts so as to prevent the disease from spreading. It was stated with respect to export cattle now being so freely shipped from all parts of the west, that leading western dealers promptly contradicted the whole story and denied that anthrax exists among the cattle anywhere in the west. He admitted that the disease exists among the sheep in Swift Current district, which is well known for some time and the infected parts have been under quarantine ever since the break. That, however, according to Mr. Mullins, as far as the disease has extended, and he expressed the belief that there is no cause for alarm so far as the export cattle movement is concerned.

Outside of the reports mentioned it must be said that this is the first intimation of the existence of this disease, if it does exist, among the cattle of the west. Its presence among the sheep in Swift Current was mentioned several weeks ago. Even if it should prove true that some cattle have been infected in that district, eastern cattle men should remember that this is a far country and it is a long way from Swift Current to the cattle districts of Manitoba and of Alberta. The proposed investigation by the Dominion government will be heartily welcomed in the west.

Life of President McKinley.

The World Publishing company, of Chicago, are to issue in a few days in Canada the best of all of the forthcoming books on the life of the late President McKinley. It will be a magnificent work, profusely illustrated, written by Murat Halstead, the correspondent of the late President McKinley, who was selected by the government of the late President McKinley to write the official history of the Philippine Islands. Murat Halstead has been a life-long friend of President McKinley and will be a labor of love for him to finish this book, which has long been in preparation. It will be complete, well bound, handsome, well served, political and social life, assassination, full account of the assassin and the anarchist conspiracy connected therewith, medical treatment, death, burial and state funeral. The book is so cheap and so excellent that every family should have a copy. We understand that a magnificent 22 inches in size, on card board, will be given with each copy. The price of the book will be by subscription, and agents will find an announcement of interest in their respective newspapers. The Herald.

The Russian Great Western Mines, Ltd., have brought action against the Roseland Miners' union and others to recover the cost of damages. The company claims damages for unlawfully and maliciously procuring contracts with the plaintiffs to break such contracts for maliciously conspiring to induce certain defendants not to enter into contracts with the plaintiffs and for intimidating and inducing some of the defendants to enter into contracts with the plaintiffs and on other grounds. An injunction is also asked for against the defendants include Rupert Bulmer, president of the union; W. L. McDougal, vice-president; F. E. Woodside, secretary; Joseph Gindro, Frederick Sharp, P. R. McDonald, William McCrell, Albert Houston, James Miners, and the Western Federation of Miners and Jas. Wilkes, of Nelson. The action is of special interest, as it was the first of the kind ever brought in Canada. A recent decision by the House of Lords decided that labor organizations were responsible in civil actions in common with partnerships, firms and corporations.

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