THE CANADIAN ARCHITECT AND BUILDER

At the annual convention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association held recently in Montreal, Mr. C. S. Osman, of the Albert Manufacturing Co., Hillsborough, N. B., was elected vice-president for New Brunswick.

Rapid progress is being made with the erec ion of the works of the National Portland Cement Co., at Durham, Ont. The buildings will be or steel, with walls of cement and will be fireproof. Contracts for he machinery have been awarded, and the plant is arriving daily. The works will be operated by electricity, and will have a capacity of 1,000 barrels per day.

Skill in Building, according to Professor Aitchison's second

lecture on St. Peter's recently delivered before the Royal Academy, is commonly reckoned by the ratio of the points of support to the whole area of the building. Gwilt gives the ratio in the Pantheon at Rome as 0.232, and those of five other cathedrals are, St. Peter's at Rome, 0.261; St. Sophia at Constantinople, 0.217; Florence Cathedral, 0.201; St. Paul's at London, 0.170; St. Genevieve at Paris, 0.154. All have large domes. The area of the points of support of St. Peter's is 59,308 square feet, while the whole area of the Pantheon is but 34,328 feet, which affords some idea of the relative magnitude of the two structures.

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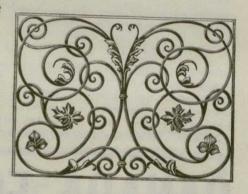
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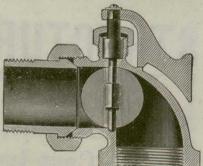
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