

Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland.

The Nova Scotia schooner *Encore* has been destroyed by fire at Chateau Harbor, Nfld.

At the last session of the Newfoundland Assembly there was voted \$4,000 as bonuses on vessels built in the island.

A 2,000 ton steel steamer, *Pontiac*, has been launched in Scotland for J. W. Carmichael, of New Glasgow, N.S.

The Newfoundland Assembly at its last session voted \$55,925 for the maintenance and repair of lighthouses, etc., on its coast.

The tug *John Greene*, built at St. John's, Nfld., for the Messrs. Rendell, of that port, has been completed and given a trial trip by her owners.

The Boston schooner *Altama* was sold at Boston, Mass., recently to Nova Scotia owners, to satisfy a claim for salvage brought by the Dominion Atlantic Co.

The Cape Breton Coal, Iron and Ry. Co. are preparing to erect a large pier, etc., at Louisbourg, N.S., with a view of making that port its shipping point.

Some Charlottetown, P.E.I., people have been negotiating with the North American Transportation Co. (Ltd.) for the purchase of the str. *City of London*.

The str. *Strathcona*, built at Port Clyde, N.S., for the Halifax and Canso Steamship Co., has been placed on a run between Halifax and Guysboro, calling at various ports en route.

The St. John, N.B., city council at a special meeting Sept. 15, ratified the agreement with the Imperial Dry Dock Co. for the construction of a dry dock at that port at a cost of \$1,000,000.

The str. *Westport III*, was placed on the run from Westport to St. John, N.B., Sept. 1. She was built at Shelburne, N.S., and engined at Yarmouth, N.S., and is owned by the Insular Steamship Co. of Westport, N.S.

There is a considerable scarcity of small tonnage in Nova Scotia at present. One coal company has been enquiring for about 20 vessels of small and medium tonnage, and found considerable difficulty in obtaining them.

The Newfoundland Government has decided to place two lighthouses on the Labrador coast in the spring, and to construct three

additional lighthouses and a number of fog signal stations on the coast of Newfoundland.

The court appointed to enquire into the circumstances attending the recent stranding of the *Plant Line str.* *Halifax* in Halifax harbor, found that the master did not allow for currents in coming into the harbor in a fog. Capt. Ellis was admonished by the court.

Among the vessels launched or under construction at Shelburne, N.S., are the following: *Monica A. Thomas*, schooner, for Capt. H. Thomas; a 63 ft. steamer for R. Simpson & Co., Halifax; a 75 ton schooner for Newfoundland owners; and an 84 ft. steamer for the Newburrell Johnson Iron Co., Yarmouth, N.S.

G. Robertson, M.P.P., St. John, N.B., has submitted to the Dominion Government the completed plans for the building of a dry dock in St. John, N.B. Should the government approve of the scheme, a subsidy will be granted. The agreements with the New Brunswick Legislature and the city of St. John are ready, and the financial aspect is now receiving the attention of the Imperial Dry Dock Company, which hopes to be in a position to ask for tenders in November. The new dock will be 700 feet long and 140 feet wide at the top. It will be a composite one, with entrances of solid granite of a substantial character.

Province of Quebec Shipping.

The Dominion Government is re-establishing a lighthouse at Pointe Noire on the Saguenay river, and will add other aids to navigation.

The Montreal Harbor Commission has received the balance of the loan from the Dominion Government for the construction of the new elevator.

The Montreal Harbor Commissioners have accepted the tender of the Pontbriand Co., of Sorel, for the construction of a harbor tug, at a cost of \$30,300. Delivery is to be made in June, 1904.

The Montreal Harbor Commission has notified the Montreal Grain Elevating Co. that it must remove the wreck of its floating elevator which recently sunk in the harbor. The wreck is a menace to navigation.

La Compagnie Maritime et Commerciale du bas St. Laurent has been incorporated under

the Quebec Companies' Act, with a capital of \$40,000 and offices at Ellis Bay, Anticosti island, to carry on a general navigation business, etc.

The coroner's jury at the inquest on the only body recovered from the *Mersey*, recently sunk in the St. Lawrence, returned a verdict which resulted in the arrest of Capt. Gagnon and chief officer Barras on a charge of manslaughter.

The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Transportation Co., better known as the Wolvin Syndicate, of Quebec, has seven of its lake grain carriers in operation to Quebec, and will have five more in operation when the new wheat is ready for transport.

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