

passes the public highway, and uses it for public uses as the defendants do. I anticipate the merits further than at the right of the Grand Trunk is in question. The balance of convenience will be less danger to the public railway track being crossed by cars and horses accustomed to the trains and hands of drivers who know the times in pass, than by ordinary vehicles, omnibuses, or farm waggons."

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

American Women's Silk Culture Association has issued its ninth annual report, which shows that silk culture has been introduced into every State and Territory of the United States through the efforts of the association. The report shows that the silk culture industry in the States lately sent to test the consumption of power by manufacturing concerns, and it was found that nearly all were wasting one-half the power, or one half the fuel consumed. The percentage of loss ran as high as 50 per cent. says the *North-Western Lumberman*. An important point, surely, and when such waste is found it hard work to make any business, they could cause a saving by looking after the power.

According to the *St. John Telegraph*, the best thing ever made in Canada was made the other day at the steel works, New Brunswick. It was an anvil block weighing 35 tons, and was accomplished without a hitch. P. Patrick, Dominion Land Surveyor, Calgary, writes from the Summit, Rocky Mountains, July 13. After he says that he and a fellow-surveyor had been prospecting for eleven days in the Rocky Mountains for coal oil deposits, and that they had struck one of the largest deposits ever found. Samples showed that the oil was of the best quality. It lubricating oil, 5 per cent. heavy, and the remainder water and foreign substances. This is declared to be the best oil ever found.

As its approaching removal into new buildings at North Toronto station, the National Food Co. (Ltd.) gives notice that it cannot fill any more orders until October. Besides the specialties in cereals and hygienic foods, this company intends to manufacture the various staple goods from wheat, barley, rye, corn, peas, &c., at the rate of 100 barrels per day.

Attention has been made to the Sackville, New Brunswick, factory, a step found necessary by the demands of business.

Barnes & Co.'s shock factory, at the Sackville, closed down on the 13th for good, about 200 men out of employment.

Making of the North-Western farmer's mortgage to his mortgage, the Chicago says: "Just let him alone; that's all." He is joined to his mortgage, and which he is severing very rapidly. He has bought some land and borrowed money and improve it. He could sell it for more than he gave for it. His mortgage was liquidated when it becomes due. He has not have joined himself to a mortgage. He could not have joined himself to a mortgage. He will cleave to the farm and strike the mortgage."

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Responses to the circular issued by the Hamilton Carnival Committee indicate that delegates from many boards of trade throughout the province will be present during the festivities. The Council of the Toronto Board of Trade will, writes Mr. Wills, the secretary, attend in a body. Mr. W. H. Gillard said the other day that the individual members of the Hamilton Board of Trade and citizens generally would entertain the visitors. He felt sure that every one of the thousands of persons who might visit Hamilton during carnival week would leave the city feeling that

they had been magnificently treated and entertained.

Referring to list of subjects to be considered by the Merchants' Convention at Hamilton on the *New England Grocer* says: A convention of retail grocers in New England could not do better than to discuss such questions as these. If our grocers are in Canada during August we advise them to attend the convention. There will also be many sports, games etc., etc.

Halifax intends to have another carnival on a larger scale next summer.

A car-load of fireworks for the Halifax Carnival Committee was destroyed on the G. T. R. on the trip east. By some mishap the car caught fire and the fireworks exploded, killing an express messenger.

At a meeting of St. John manufacturers and others held last week, it was decided that it would not be advisable to hold the proposed exhibition this year, and it was resolved that it be held in the summer or autumn of 1890. A number of the St. John manufacturers intend exhibiting at Sherbrooke, Quebec, next month.

It is estimated that fully \$100,000 was left in Halifax last week. The citizens subscribed liberally to the carnival fund and the committee was not hampered in any way for the want of money. The total amount at the disposal of the executive committee was about \$12,000, \$3,000 of this amount being voted by the City Council and the remainder subscribed by citizens.

Higgins—I heard you lost a pile on 'change yesterday. Wiggins—You heard right. H.—Were you a bull or a bear? W.—Neither; I was a jackass.—*Texas Siftings*.

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, August 14th, 1889.

ASHES.—Quotations are nominally the same, and business is dull. Firsts are worth \$3.60 to 3.65; seconds, \$3.30 to 3.35.

CATTLE.—Receipts of milch cows have been light, and buyers have not been numerous, but milkmen appear to be satisfied for the present. Good milkers brought \$45; fair, \$35; common, \$25; and inferior, \$25. Calves were in fair demand, and all offerings were readily taken at, from \$3 to 6, according to size and quality.

FLOUR.—While the market is quiet there is a noticeable firmness, and desirable lots of fresh ground flour, in straights, the asking price of which is \$4.50 to 4.85 laid down here, but this appears to be above the views of buyers. For strong bakers the quotation is \$4.40 to 5.50, at which figure it is fairly held.

GRAIN.—The market is quiet and easy. Offerings are almost nil and the demand not much better. The demand has also fallen off for oats, while the dullness is just as marked in peas.

HAY AND STRAW.—Offerings of hay have been fairly large and prices steady. New timothy of a choice grade sold at \$11 and inferior \$8 per 100 bundles. Straw, the receipts of which are small, met with a good sale of \$5 to 7.00 per 100 bundles as to grade. Pressed hay has met with a brisk sale, some of the transactions being large. We quote No. 1, \$12; No. 2, \$11; and No. 3, \$10 per ton in car lots.

HORSES.—Few sales are made these days, and the outlook is said to be rather discouraging.