

The new Presbyterian church at Amherst, N.S., is to cost \$15,995.

A central school to cost \$11,000 is proposed in Welland, Ontario.

Preston, Ont., purposes to spend \$6,000 on a market and two bridges.

Lennoxville, Que., is borrowing \$5,000 to begin building a sewage system.

The Robb Engineering Co. shipped three car loads of engines to Australia, May 10.

H. D. Suess, architect, is preparing plans for the new buildings for the Ontario Silver Co., Thorold, Ont.

The strike among the Toronto bricklayers has been settled by the builders agreeing to a rate of 37½ cents an hour, dating from May 1st.

A new steel bridge to cost \$2,500 will be built over the Conestogo creek at Wallenstein, Ont. H. J. Bowman, C.E., Berlin, Ont., has charge.

A. A. Stewart, chief engineer of the Degnon-McLean Construction Company, has taken charge of the work of rebuilding the piers for the south bridge of the N.Y. & O. Railway. The Canadian Construction Company has the contract for the stone work.

The International Association of Machinists met in Buffalo last month and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. O'Connell, Oil City, Pa.; vice-president, Douglas Wilson, Chicago, and secretary-treasurer, George Restor, Chicago. It was decided to hold the next meeting in May, 1901.

Application has been made to the New Brunswick Government for incorporation of the New Brunswick Oil and Gas Company. The capital stock is one million dollars in one dollar shares. Among the applicants are J. P. Sherry, Memramcook; Henry C. Read and W. F. George, Sackville, and Hon. A. D. Richard, Dorchester.

W. H. Murray, W. Malcolm McKay, John H. Thompson, James Pender, John E. Moore, Charles McDonald, W. W. White, Howard D. Troop, M. B. Edwards, A. B. Barnhill, Charles Miller, all of St. John, and Messrs. T. White and S. H. White, of Sussex, are seeking incorporation as the St. John Iron Works, Ltd. The office of the company is to be in St. John, and the capital stock is to be \$600,000, dividing in 600 shares of \$100 each.

R. Prefontaine, R. Bickerdike, A. A. Thibadeau, D. A. McCaskill, E. Goff Penny, Montreal, are applying for incorporation as the British America Pulp and Paper Company, Ltd., to establish and operate pulp and paper mills principally at the falls on the Peribonka, Mistassini and Chamouchouan rivers in the Lake St. John district of Quebec; to build railway lines to connect this section of country with the Saguenay river at Ha Ha Bay; to build telegraph and telephone lines; capital, \$3,000,000; chief place of business, Montreal.

Truro News reports that the Nova Scotia Steel Co.'s output last year was as follows: During the twelve months the company produced in its works at Ferrona and New Glasgow, 21,627 tons of pig iron, 23,541 tons of steel, and 2,276 tons of forgings, in the manufacturing of which they consumed 107,000 tons of coal, 19,000 tons of native ore, 15,000 tons of Newfoundland ore, 6,000 tons of Spanish or Cuban ore, 32,000 tons of coke, and 18,000 tons of limestone. They employed on the average 750 men, and paid out in wages \$280,000 during the year.

J. S. Williams, Paris, Texas; T. A. Darby, Wilmington, N.C., U.S.; W. J. Poupore, H. A. Bate, N. A. Belcourt, Ottawa; D. Ryan, St. Paul, Minn., U.S., are applying for incorporation as the Yukon River and Atlin Lake Improvement Co., to improve navigation in Lakes Bennett, Tagish, Taku, Marsh, Laberge and Atlin and their tributaries, and the whole of the Yukon River and its tributaries from the International boundary on the Pacific coast to the International boundary between Alaska and the Yukon Territory. The company asks for power to levy tolls; capital, \$2,500,000; chief place of business, Ottawa, Ont.

A. T. Wood, M.P., A. E. Carpenter, C. S. Wilcox, J. Milne, W. Southam, A. M. Wilcox and C. E. Doolittle, Hamilton, Ont., are being incorporated as the Hamilton Steel and Iron Co., Ltd., to carry on the smelting works and rolling mills already in operation in Hamilton; the capital is \$2,000,000.

Thurso, Que., has by a vote of 47 to 0, carried a by-law to raise \$18,000 to buy and complete a waterworks and electric light service, put in by the Stadacona Electric & Water Power Company. Last year the village entered into contract with the Stadacona Company to put in a service, to be completed in three months. The company failed to complete the work in time, and a dispute ensued.

Former creditors of the hardware firm of Adam Hope & Co., Hamilton, Ont., were surprised to receive cheques for balances of their accounts with interest recently. The firm paid \$20,000 thus, it is said, and interest, which it was not required to pay legally. When in May, 1897, the firm called its creditors together, they showed liabilities amounting to \$53,616.55. The company offered 50 cents on the dollar, payable in nine months, and the offer was accepted. It is creditable to the firm that it pursues the course, so unusual in these days, of paying in full when creditors had agreed to accept a compromise.

A charter has been granted for the Maritime Clay Works, Ltd., at Pugwash, N.S. The company will manufacture building and fire brick, terra cotta, etc. The plant which is now being put in when in operation will be capable of turning out 60,000 brick a day, employing 76 men. The promoter and manager is R. W. V. Brownell. The main building is to be 60 x 61 feet. The dryers, fitted with steam tunnels, are 60 x 100 feet. The plant will have 15 kilns. On the engine and boiler room is a steel smoke stack, 130 feet high and about seven feet in diameter.

Electric Flashes.

An electric lighting plant seems probable for Huntington, Quebec.

The Bear River Electric Light & Power Co. has decided to float bonds for \$65,000, and to extend its system to Digby, N.S.

The Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., is installing a 100 light plant for the Beaver Portland Cement Co., Montreal.

The contract for engine and boilers for the Barrie, Ont., electric light plant has been given to the Goldie McCulloch Co., Ltd., Galt, Ont.

Durham and Mount Forest, Ont., are anxious to secure connection with the proposed Hamilton-Guelph electric railway. Water power is obtainable at Durham.

The Montreal Island Belt Line Railway Co., of Montreal, has bought four additional "C.G.E. 1,000" railway motors from the Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd.

Herr Pollack, the well-known engineer and electrician, has discovered, says the Vienna correspondent of the London, Eng., Daily Chronicle, a means of telegraphing sixty thousand words per hour over a single wire.

The Dominion Bridge Co., Montreal, has ordered from the Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., a G.E. 1,000 motor equipment with special resistances, to be used for operating the heavy plate rolling machinery.

The London Electric Co. is still engaged in the work of re-modelling its power house, and has placed an order with the Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., for a complete marble panel switchboard, consisting of sixteen panels.

The Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., has just received an order from M. E. Keefe, of Halifax, N.S., for a standard 25-k.w. direct driven unit for the lighting of the new elevators which he is erecting for the Intercolonial Railway.

Wm. W. Grant, of the engineering and sales department of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, has been transferred from the New York office of that company to the office of the Canadian agents of the company at Ottawa.