

### Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd.

At the annual meeting at Montreal, June 12, the report for the period commencing July 1, 1910, the date of the present incorporation, to Mar. 31, 1912, was presented. The net earnings, after paying preferred and common stock dividends, were \$1,484,945.98. Of this \$700,000, forming part of the \$500,000 written off last year from the coal properties, and \$500,000 from the steel properties, as a special appropriation from the surplus earnings in addition to the usual full provision for depreciation, must also be deducted, leaving a surplus to be carried forward of \$784,945.98. The coal company's operations were satisfactory in every respect, and the prospects for the current year excellent. Up to June 11, the company was 192,291 tons ahead of the previous year's production, the output since Apr. 1, being 792,753 tons. The St. Lawrence business will show a heavy increase, if no serious drawbacks are met with.

Regarding steel, the company has suffered in common with all other manufacturers of iron and steel on this continent, from depressed conditions prevailing in the U.S., where prices were demoralized, but business there is improving and prices advancing. In addition the new finishing mills will soon provide a more profitable outlet for the steel, hitherto used as wire rods. The output of steel was substantially larger than in last year, and so far this year the output is well ahead of last year. The completion of the new plant has been subject to many delays, but the wire mills are running in a partial way to get the machinery and organization into shape. The first of the new blast furnaces is rapidly approaching completion, and the remaining extensions are well forward.

The Corporation has issued \$7,000,000 6% preference shares, and with regard to the issue of 2,500 shares of common stock it was explained that the requirements of the coal and steel companies in the way of lumber, piles, ties, pit props, etc., have grown to very large dimensions, reaching not less than 8,000,000 ft. annually, and to this supply is being added staves, heading and other things required in the new mills. To buy these supplies has become more and more difficult and costly, so it was decided to acquire the Sydney Lumber Co., Ltd., Dalhousie, N.B., consisting of saw mills, timber limits, etc., in running order, which will be used to serve both coal and steel companies, the corporation holding the stock. The same principle will be followed in the case of the Black Diamond Steamship Line, to which two vessels have been added this year.

The following were elected directors for the current year:—

Dominion Steel Corporation, Ltd.—President, J. H. Plummer; Vice President, Sir Wm. C. Van Horne; other directors, Sir Montagu Allan, G. Caverhill, Hon. G. A. Cox, Hon. R. Dandurand, Hon. R. Mackay, Hon. D. McKeen, Sir Wm. Mackenzie, W. McMaster, Jas. Mason, F. Nicholls, Sir Henry Pellatt, W. G. Ross and J. R. Wilson.

Dominion Coal Co., Ltd.—President, J. H. Plummer; Vice President, J. R. Wilson; other directors, Hon. G. A. Cox, Hon. R. Dandurand, Hon. R. Mackay, Sir Wm. Mackenzie, W. McMaster, Jas. Mason, W. D. Matthews, Sir Henry Pellatt, Lord Strathcona, Sir Wm. C. Van Horne, F. L. Wanklyn, E. R. Wood and M. Workman.

Dominion Iron and Steel Co., Ltd.—President, J. H. Plummer; Vice President, W. McMaster; other directors, Sir Montagu Allan, G. Caverhill, Hon. G. A. Cox, Hon. R. Dandurand, Hon. R. Mackay, Hon. D. McKeen, F. Nicholls, Elias Rogers, W. G. Ross, Sir Wm. C. Van Horne, J. R. Wilson, E. R. Wood and M. Workman.

### Transportation Conventions in 1912.

July 9.—American Railway Tool Foremen's Association, Chicago, Ill.

July 23-26.—International Railway General Foremen's Association, Chicago, Ill.

Aug. 15.—International Railroad Master Blacksmiths' Association, Chicago, Ill.

Aug.—Travelling Engineers' Association.

Sept. 9.—International Association of Ticket Agents, Muskoka, Ont.

Sept. 10-13.—Roadmasters' and Maintenance of Way Association, Buffalo, N.Y.

Sept. 10-13.—Master Car and Locomotive Painters' Association of United States and Canada, Denver, Col.

Sept. 12.—American Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents, Seattle, Wash.

Oct.—American Railway Bridge and Building Association, Baltimore, Md.

Oct. 7-11.—Association of Transportation and Car Accounting Officers, Chicago, Ill.

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Oct. 8-9.—Canadian Ticket Agents' Association, Ottawa, Ont.

Oct. 15-17.—American Railway Bridge and Building Association, Baltimore, Md.

Oct. 17-19.—American Association of Dining Car Superintendents, Denver, Col.

Oct. 23-25.—Society of Railway Financial Officers, Atlantic City, N.J.

Nov. 6-10.—Association of Railway Electrical Engineers, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 15.—American Railway Association, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 15-16.—American Association of Freight Traffic Officers, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 19-21.—Maintenance of Way Master Painters' Association, Chicago, Ill.

Dec. 12-13.—Association of Transportation and Car Accounting Officers, Louisville, Ky.

### Trade and Supply Notes.

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The Canadian Locomotive Co., Kingston, Ont., has increased its output from five locomotives a month to eight, and by the end of this year will be able to turn out 15 to 18 a month.

The American Vanadium Co. and its associated companies, also the Flannery Bolt Co., have moved their offices to the Vanadium Building, Forbes and Meyran Avenues, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Co. now employs at its Trenton works, near New Glasgow, 1,100 men, their wages aggregating over \$500,000 a year. Its output of finished steel is 26,000 tons a year.

The Canadian H. W. Johns-Manville Co. has moved its Winnipeg office, to 92 Arthur St. The building 100 by 50 ft., six stories and basement, will be occupied solely by the company's staff, which is being increased, and for carrying stock.

The Safety Car Heating and Lighting Co.'s monthly publication, Safety Heating and Lighting News, for June, contains a number of illustrations of the company's exhibit at the Atlantic City conventions, with detailed descriptions of its various types of heating and lighting equipment.

Jacobs and Davies, Inc., consulting engineers, New York and London, Eng., have opened an office at 263 St. James St., Montreal, for the practice of general consulting and construction engineering, under the management of Paul Seurot, M. Am. Soc. C.E., as Canadian representative.

The Standard Underground Cable Co. of Canada, Ltd., has recently established a plant in Hamilton, Ont., where it has a site 400 x 600 ft., on which it has erected a three story brick and structural iron building 335 x 64 ft.; two one story saw tooth buildings 224 by 60 and 250 by 60 ft.; two one story buildings 90 by 64 ft. and 70 by 30 ft., an office building and some small buildings, the buildings and their equipment representing, we are advised, an investment of \$500,000. The company manufactures electric wires and cables of all kinds for electric railway, light, power, signal, telephone, telegraph, fire alarm, and any other service involving transmission of electric current by underground, aerial or submarine circuits. These products also include cable accessories such as terminals and junction boxes, insulating materials, cable splicing tubes, hangers, etc.

The company's officers are:—President, J. W. Marsh; Vice President and Manufacturer, W. A. Conner; Vice President and General Sales Manager, P. H. W. Smith; Secretary and Sales Manager, W. H. Marsh; Treasurer, F. A. Rinehart; Assistant to Sales Manager, H. G. Burd. W. H. Marsh has been connected with the Standard Underground Cable Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., as Superintendent of Construction for the past 10 years, and H. G. Burd has also been connected with that company as sales engineer in the New York office. The parent company began business in Pittsburgh in 1882 and now has also plants at Perth Amboy, N.J., and Oakland, Cal., with a total floor space of over 12 acres.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned for the substructures and superstructures of ten (10) bridges over the Fraser, Thompson and North Thompson Rivers on that section of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway between Port Mann and the Yellowhead Pass, Province of British Columbia.

Tenders are to include any or all portions of the construction or the delivery of metal work only.

Detailed drawings, specifications, and forms of contract may be obtained on or after June 5th, 1912, at the office of the Consulting Engineers, Waddell & Harrington, Winch Building, Vancouver, B.C., upon the payment therefor of fifty (50) dollars. This amount will be refunded to those who bid on the work, upon the return of the bidding papers in good condition.

Total work to be completed before June 1st, 1913.

Tenders to be received at the offices of the undersigned, Metropolitan Building, Vancouver, B.C., not later than noon of July 8th, 1912, and to be enclosed in sealed envelopes marked "Tender for Bridge Construction."

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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