

lamps out again, get them lighted up, and give our village an illuminative appearance?

The valuation of Granby village, in the Eastern Townships, is \$650,000, a large increase during the past year or two, and it is expected that the valuation next year will reach \$800,000. Sixty or seventy new buildings are being erected. Granby is a live place, big enough to be incorporated as a town, but the *Waterloo Advertiser* suggests that at the rate it is growing it might as well wait awhile and apply for incorporation as a city.

The town of Renfrew is trying to raise an agitation in favor of waterworks, claiming that in order to keep up with the times they are a necessary commodity. The sanitary condition of the town is not in a good state, declares the *Perth Expositor*, and this is held out as another reason. Mr. J. L. Morris, C.E., of Pembroke, has proposed to form a company to build and operate a waterworks system, if the town can agree to the conditions and terms.

The Knowlton correspondent of the *St. John's News* notes that the council of that place has arranged for the immediate purchase of hose for fire protection, and sensibly adds: This is a step in the right direction. It is bad policy to wait till your horse is stolen before locking the stable door. After looking well to the sanitary condition of a place, fire protection comes next in importance. Then follows public lighting. Knowlton should strive for all.

Incorporation for this village is again being made a theme for discussion in local circles, says a writer from Hensall to the *Huron Expositor*, adding: "While it, no doubt, would have some advantages, it would also have its disadvantages. One disadvantage would be that our taxation would be very materially increased, owing principally to the high school rate, which the maintenance of a public school would impose. Another would be, that unless, as rarely happens, a wise and economical council were elected, the inevitable result would be that in ten years time or less the village would be enveloped in debt, property would depreciate in value, and general stagnation and decay would ensue."

The people of Pembroke, in the opinion of a local paper, the *Observer*, have every reason to look for a profit on their venture in the near future in the way of water supply. The Pembroke waterworks are coming fully up to the anticipations of their promoters as a revenue-producing institution. There have been over 70 new services put in this year. "The January collection afforded \$568.92; that of April \$523.88, and that of July \$679.26, or a total for the three quarters of \$1,672.06, very nearly as much as the total revenue for 1894. It is likely another seven hundred will be added to this in October, bringing the total for the year very close to \$2,500. To this may fairly be added the cost of fire protection, which will not appear excessive when placed at two thousand dollars a year. There can be little doubt the revenue next year will be over \$3,000, which, with the fire protection, will go a long way towards meeting running expenses and interest on investment."

It is very interesting to find in the *Lunenburg Progress*, a statement of the character and cost of street lighting in various Maritime Province towns. Thus:—1. The town of Amherst with a population of 3,800, pays \$2,500 a year for street lighting. 2. Annapolis, with a population of 1,200, pays \$360 a year for street lighting. 3. Dartmouth, with a population of 6,300, pays \$1,350 a year for street lighting, 32 candle power incandescent lamps. 4. New Glasgow, with a population of 3,800, pays \$1,200 a year for street lighting, arc lights. 5. Parrsboro, with 2,500 people, pays about \$90 a year for street lighting, oil lamps. 6. Pictou, with a population of 3,000, pays \$380 a year for street lighting. 7. Springhill, with a population of 4,800, pays \$500 a year for street lighting. 8. Stellarton, which has 1,800 inhabitants, pays \$250 a year for street lighting, 16 candle power incandescent lamps. 9. Truro, with a population of 5,100, pays \$3,175 a year for street lighting, principally arc lamps. 10. Wolfville, population 1,500, pays \$400 a year for street lighting. Windsor, having 3,000 souls, pays \$1,296 for 72 lights, 32 candle incandescent.

FACTORIES, PRESENT AND PROSPECTIVE.

Noxon Bros., Ingersoll, are opening up a trade with Scotland in spring tooth cultivators and seeders.

The premises of the new smelting works, at Hamilton, are being rapidly built up.

There is a "boom" in structural iron in the United States. Manufacturers find it difficult to keep up with orders, and one large concern refuses to take orders to be delivered within three months.

The shipments of ore and bullion from West Kootenay from Jan. 1st to Sept. 7th, 1895, are estimated by the *Nelson Miner* at 17,403 tons, valued at \$1,519,846.

The Peninsular Oil and Gas Company, of Tilbury, will in all probability commence operation at no distant date. The officers are:—

President, W. C. Crawford; vice-president, George Gurd; treasurer, C. C. Kippen; secretary, F. M. Scarff; counsel, N. Mills.

Since the erection of the splendid roller mill and elevator at Pakenham, a gang of men has been at work levelling up the surroundings of the mill and elevator, greatly improving the appearance of the place, as well as being a great convenience to the patrons of the mill. The workmen sent by the Stratford Mill Building Co. to put the machinery in position seem to be well posted in their business, and are pushing the work to completion with commendable despatch.

"La Compagnie Manufacturiere de St. Gabriel de Brandon" is the name of a new company being promoted at St. Gabriel de Brandon, Que., the object of which is the manufacture of barrels, furniture, spinning wheels, &c. The capital is to be \$10,000, and the petitioners for charter are Messrs. J. O. Laurendeau, J. E. Archambault, L. J. M. Baux, Albert Laurendau, O. Michaud, J. A. Provost, and Joseph Lambert.

Application is about being made for a provincial charter for the incorporation of the Bedford Manufacturing Company, of Bedford, Que., with an authorized capital of \$65,000. The business of the company will be the manufacture of scythes, axes, forks, hoes, &c., and they will also operate a grist mill. The applicants are mainly leading business men of the town, the names being: Edward Coslett, Geo. S. Walsh, F. C. Saunders, John Mullin, H. Horskin, M. Smith-P. McGary, all of Bedford, and O. S. Rexford, of East Highgate, Vermont. The last named gentleman was formerly the head of the Rexford Manufacturing Company, recently absorbed by the Welland Vale Company.

A pleasing event took place on Friday afternoon last, September 20th, at the offices of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co. of Toronto, Ltd., in the shape of a presentation of a handsome clock to Mr. A. G. McKenney, the company's representative in Ontario, who has lately joined the benedicts. The full staff assembled in the offices of the company, and the presentation was humorously and felicitously made by Mr. H. D. Warren, the president of the company, and was feelingly replied to by Mr. McKenney. The clock was a very handsome one of onyx, and bore a gold plate with a suitable inscription. The staff of the company join with Mr. and Mrs. McKenney's numerous friends in wishing them every happiness.

FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

A pound of tea should make about 150 cups.

Two new grocery stores were opened last week on Bourgoine street in Chambly Canton.

Stratford bakers have reduced the price of the four pound loaf from 12 to 10 cents.

The fruit crop of the Annapolis valley, while not so large as last year, will, it is thought, be a fair average yield.

Mr. Joseph Cawthorpe, Thamesford, has bought a flour mill at Ridgetown with a capacity of 150 barrels a day.

American fish dealers complain that exporters in the Maritime Provinces do not put up their alewives to suit the needs of the market.

For skimming their milk before sending it to the factory at Lombardy, two farmers were fined respectively \$30 and \$10 a short while ago.

Latest mail advices from Bordeaux indicate that the weather has not been favorable to the walnut crop and there are fears of a deterioration in quality.

Cohoe fishing began in British Columbia on the 15th inst. with fairly good success. At Steveston the boats averaged 100 fish, for which cannery paid 15 cents.

A firm from Spokane, Messrs. H. M. Herrin & Co., commission agents and dealers in fruits and sweet stuffs, have opened a shop in Nelson. And the *Miner* understands that another large grocery house from Spokane contemplates opening up in Nelson.

The George Tuckett & Son Company, of Hamilton, proposes to reduce its scale of wages. It is claimed that cigarmakers' wages are higher in Hamilton than in any other place in Canada. The men have been given a week to consider the proposition of the firm.

A well known fruit canner, T. V. Boulter, who has factories at Picton, Toronto, and Demorestville, has been at the Pacific coast and Winnipeg. It is stated that he will send a complete train of 21 cars to British Columbia on his return home, having secured orders for that number.

Messrs. Walton & Co., of Ingersoll, are arranging to commence the business of pork packing in Paris. A special meeting of the council considered the by-law so as to allow the company the privilege of putting up and selling pork in small quantities, also of selling the offal and cuttings.