

ONTARIO AND QUEBEC

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OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—Michael Connolly was here today. He states that he has started a steel dredge and scows from Philadelphia, and provided the weather on the coast is good, so that they will reach St. John without delay, he hopes to commence his contract on the new wharf within twelve days.

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OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—A collision occurred on the Grand Trunk railway last night about half a mile east of this station. The interlocking mixed train, due here at 11:30, which was two hours late, collided with a heavy freight train with dangerous results. Two engines were completely wrecked, and along with half a dozen cars, the rest of the train was damaged.

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FIRE SWEEPED.

Business Portion of Bridgewater, N. S., in Ashes.

Fortunately the Residential Part of the Town Almost Wholly Escaped Destruction.

A Lunenburg Fireman's Account of the Disaster—There Was No Efficient Fire Protection—The Losses.

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LUMBER THE ROCK

On Which the Joint High Commissioners Have Split.

The Americans Offer Terms Which It Would be Folly for Canada to Accept.

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MARINE MATTERS.

(From Wednesday's Daily Sun.)

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