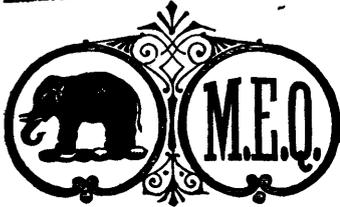


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An Independence, Ia., grocerman boasts of a delivery horse which knows all the regular customers that trade at his master's store, and always bows to them when he meets them on the street.

A VERY large casting, made by Messrs. H. R. Ives & Co., of Montreal, was delivered to the Dominion Bridge Company, Montreal, to be used as an anvil block for their large steam hammer. The block is six feet long, four feet wide, three feet high and weighs thirteen tons.

BUFFALO's pipe line has been completed from the Pennsylvania natural gas field to that city, a distance of between eighty and ninety miles. Natural pressure only is used, and the gas reaches Buffalo and flames to a height of eighty feet, through an eight inch opening. Pipes will at once be laid throughout the city.

THE proprietors of the St. Gabriel tallow factory, doing business in Montreal under the name of J. B. Roy & Co., assigned on Tuesday last at the request of Messrs. Wilson, Paterson & Co. The liabilities are about \$30,000. Mr. W. S. Paterson has been appointed guardian, and a meeting of the creditors has been called for the 28th inst.

A SUBSTITUTE for india rubber is being introduced under the name of adamant rubber. It is claimed that it can be used alone, or can be mixed with other materials used in the manufacture of rubber fabrics. The *Shos and Leather Reporter* says it is elastic and impervious to water. A number of rubber companies have made a successful test of it.

ENORMOUS catches of very large sized codfish are reported from Cape Sable, N. S. The oldest fisherman does not remember such a large catch, nor such big fish. Some of the fishing boats were obliged to tow the fish when landing as they had more than enough to swamp their frail fishing boats. The good fishermen of Cape Sable have given up the idea that union with Canada has destroyed the fisheries.

A FAILURE of very considerable proportions for so small a place is that of E. C. Bowers, fish dealer, of Westport, N. S. The total liabilities are about \$26,000 or \$27,000, and the estate may pay fifty cents on the dollar. There are local preferences for about \$6,000, and a number of St. John men are among the