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Mercantile Summary.

ST. JOHN Board of Works have decided
to repair Reed's Point wharf, at a cost of
\$16,000.

ACTIVE construction work on the new
line between Abbotsford and Chilliwack
has been begun, and the new bridge at
Mission is almost finished.

MR. J. O. SMITH, of Winnipeg, has been
appointed commissioner of immigration,
with headquarters at Winnipeg. He takes
the place of Mr. W. F. McCreary.

WORK will be begun shortly on the new
customs buildings at Halifax, plans for
which are now being prepared at the pub-
lic works department, Ottawa.

SOME property in Montreal belonging to
Thos. J. Chisholm, the defaulting cold
storage manager, was last week sold at
auction, on a forfeited bail bond. The
price realized was \$3,750.

A MEETING of the shareholders of the
Crow's Nest Coal Company has been
called for February 4, at the office of the
company in Toronto, when the proposal
will be discussed to increase the capital-
ization of the company, which is at pres-
ent \$2,000,000.

DRILLING in the neighborhood of Hep-
worth at a depth of 1,405 feet shows a gas
pressure of 4.30 pounds to the square
inch, without much oil. A company is
being incorporated under the name of the
Grey & Bruce Oil and Gas Co., to develop
the fields.

THE Ottawa Electric Railway Company
is introducing a powerful sweeper, which
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provided with two fifty horse-power
motors. At each end are double rattan
brushes, whereas the ordinary sweeper has
only one at the front and one at the rear.
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sweeper are, however, not worked at once.
At the sides are adjustable wings which
clear the snow from the tracks for a con-
siderable distance on either side.

MRS. J. O. A. DEGUIRE, doing a general
store business at Glen Robertson, Ont., is
reported as offering a compromise. Her
husband was formerly in business at St.
Justin de Newton, Que., moving here four
or five years ago, and made a failure in
1898, which called forth more or less ad-
verse criticism at the time. He was un-
able to get a settlement, and the estate
was sold out, but he resumed business
shortly after in his wife's name, and has
been apparently able to command a fair
degree of credit.

THE annual meeting of the Builders'
Exchange was held in Toronto on the
21st inst., the election for officers result-
ing as follows; President, Mr. Thomas
Christie; 1st vice-president, James B.
Thomson; 2nd vice-president, Joseph Rus-
sell; treasurer, David Williams, re-
elected; directors, John M. Faircloth, R.
G. Kirby, James Crang, John Logan,
Geo. Duthie; auditors, Messrs. George
Clay and Frederick Holmes; representa-
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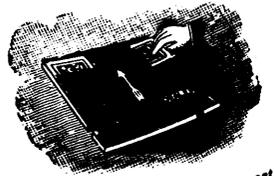
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