

## CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY.

The following items of information, which are classified under the title "Captains of Industry," relate to matters that are of special interest to every advertiser in these pages, and to every concern in Canada interested in any manufacturing industry whatever, this interest extending to supply houses also.

Some of the contracts being filled by the Polson Iron Works Co., Toronto, are as follows:—A 24-inch hydraulic suction dredge for the Dominion Government, to be completed and listed here, and delivered this fall at Prince Edward Island; a 15-inch dredge of the same kind for Toronto, valued at \$52,000, to be used at the Island, and a snag-boat for use in the rivers of Manitoba, for removing trees and other obstructions. The Government steamers Speedy and Aberdeen are being supplied with new boilers, and undergoing extensive repairs to the hulls as well. Both will be used on the St. Lawrence, and are for the Departments of Public Works and Marine respectively.

The Canadian Northern Railway Co., will build a new boiler house at Kenora, Ont., to cost about \$20,000.

The Toronto & Niagara Power Co. will not only bring Niagara power to Toronto, but will act as a distributor for practically the whole Western Ontario peninsula.

The Toronto Incandescent Light Co., Toronto, are building an addition to their power house.

W. H. Green, Teeswater, Ont., is considering installing additional apparatus to the electric light plant there.

The town council of St. Mary's, Ont., is considering the extension of the electric light plant.

The Maple Leaf Automobile & Electrical Mfg. Co., London, Ont., manufacturers of motors, etc., have succeeded Messrs. Barton & Co.

The Goldie & McCulloch Co., Galt, Ont., received the contract for the supply of engine, condenser, pump and piping for Guelph, Ont.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. are considering installing an electric plant at Owen Sound, Ont., for lighting their buildings and for the operation of the coal hoisting plant.

The town council of Newmarket, Ont., are contemplating extending the electric light system.

Messrs. W. J. Stevenson and W. J. Nediger have taken over the electric light plant at Clinton, Ont.

The Grand Trunk Railway will erect a new round house at Hamilton, Ont., at a cost of about \$20,000.

Messrs. Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent barristers, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Washington, D.C., have recently obtained Canadian patents for the following:—H. E. Soullard, Lambton, Que., lanterns; F. M. Howard, Hamilton, Ont., organs; Theo. Malo, Montreal, game boards; Thos. Pilgrim, Toronto, tuning pins for pianos; W. T. Watson, Vancouver, B.C., signs; H. A. Sheldon, Aylmer, Ont., handles for trucks; H. L. Gullin, Granby, Que., tents; W. I. Hogarth, Ingersoll, Ont., advertising devices; E. L. Ethier, Montreal, ballot boxes; J. J. Cassidey, Toronto, ballot boxes; D. C. Ferguson, Ottawa, ballot boxes; A. Welsh, Kincardine, Ont.,

rotary cement block machines; J. R. Smith, Ottawa, ballot boxes; Austin Berry, Ottawa, adjustable suspenders for electrical devices.

The Department of Public Works, Ottawa, have awarded the following contracts recently:—Addition to Toronto Drill Hall, Wickett Bros., Toronto, at a cost of \$16,000; Rondeau harbor, construction of two breakwaters, to the Pacific Construction Co., Ottawa, to cost \$110,000; Port Burwell harbor, dredging to the Dominion Dredging & Construction Co., Ottawa; Kaministiquia River, Fort William and Port Arthur harbors, dredging to A. F. Bowman, and dredging at Hawkesbury, Rigaud, Como and St. Andrew's, to L. Cohen & Son, Montreal; and New Carlisle wharf extension to Henry & Smith, Ottawa, to cost \$20,000.

E. W. Backus and associates will be incorporated as the International Lumber Co. to operate a sawmill with a capacity of 25,000,000 feet of lumber per year, at Fort Frances, Ont.

Emery & Thompson, Fort Frances, Ont., will increase their sawmill plant.

The Toronto Ferry Co., Toronto, are having plans prepared by the Canadian Shipbuilding Co., Toronto, for two new ferries to have a capacity of 1,800 passengers. They will cost about \$50,000 each.

The Canadian Shipbuilding Co., Toronto, are building a tug and two steel barges for the Great Lakes Dredging Co.

The United Gas & Oil Co., Windsor, Ont., struck a large well near Wheatley, Ont. It has flowed 150 barrels and is still flowing.

The Michigan Central Railroad, St. Thomas, Ont., will expend \$100,000 for improvements in their shops and equipment at that place.

The values represented by permits issued in Toronto for three days amount to \$234,000. The Henderson Roller Bearing Co. will erect a \$30,000 brick and stone factory; J. W. Lee & Co., a brick and stone factory to cost \$9,000; the Imperial Bank, a new branch office to cost \$16,500, and Mr. John Ross Robertson, a new nurses' home for the Sick Children's Hospital, to cost \$60,000.

The Windsor Hotel, Mimico, Ont., was destroyed by fire, July 23. Loss about \$10,000.

Capt. Doty of the Goderich Engine Works, has purchased of the Cleveland underwriters the hull of the steamer City of Collingwood which was recently burned, paying \$15,000 for the wreck. He will probably rebuild her at the Collingwood, Ont., dock. The passenger steamer Lincoln, formerly on the Windsor and Pelee Island route, which was burned at Sandwich two months ago, is now being rebuilt at Goderich, Ont., by Captain Doty, who also purchased that wreck.

The ratepayers of Waterloo, Ont., have voted favorably on a by-law to spend \$3,000 for improvements to the town and fire halls.

A pork packing plant will be erected by the D. Gunn Co., at Toronto Junction, Ont., at a cost of about \$225,000.

The meteorological observatory will be transferred from Toronto to Ottawa a year hence, a building now being erected for that purpose.

The dredge, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, which sank on October 6, 1902, while being towed from Polson's Shipyard, Toronto, to Montreal, has been located in 78 feet of water between Newcastle and Port Hope.

The archbishop of St. Boniface, Man., has decided to have the new church at Rainy River, Ont., proceeded with at once. It will cost about \$6,000.

The Baptist congregation of Fort William, Ont., will erect a church building to cost about \$10,000.

John Galt, C.E., Toronto, has submitted his report on a water supply for Fort William, Ont., which he estimates will cost \$215,000 made up as follows:—Loch Lomond and tunnel, \$120,000; 16-inch supply main \$17,000; compensating steel storage tank, \$16,000; 18-inch cast iron main, \$48,000 river crossing, \$14,000.

It is stated that the Grand Trunk Railway Co. will build a spur line on the west side of the Welland Canal to reach the large 2,000,000 bushel elevator, which is being built by the Government.

The Power & Gas Machine Co., Galt, Ont., will erect a plant for the manufacture of cement blocks.

The ratepayers of Stratford, Ont., have voted favorably on a by-law guaranteeing the bonds of the Dominion Thread Co. for \$30,000. The company agree to erect an up-to-date factory immediately.

The Canada Fence Co., are considering establishing a factory at Ingersoll, Ont. to cost about \$30,000.

L. Christie, Fort Frances, Ont., will erect a two story block at that place at a cost of about \$16,000.

It is understood that the Pittsburg Building Co. have been organized to erect three hundred dwelling houses in the factory section of Hamilton, Ont., chiefly for the purposes of the employees of the Canadian Westinghouse Co.

The Electrical Development Co. of Ontario, whose construction of a transmission line between Niagara Falls and Toronto is nearing completion, have decided to extend their line westward to London, Ont., as quickly as possible, touching at Brantford, Paris, Ingersoll, Woodstock and intermediate points.

The International Bridge Co., will erect at Fort Frances, Ont., a combined passenger street car and railway bridge at that place.

The Keewatin Flour Mills Co., Keewatin, Ont., will erect a mill with a capacity of 6,000 barrels per day and a storage capacity of 500,000 bushels, to cost about \$750,000.

A sanitarium for consumptives will be erected at Galt, Ont., for further particulars of which address Premier Whitney, Toronto.

The Elmira Upholstering Co., Elmira, Ont., will erect a 60x60 foot factory, three stories high.

The Grand Trunk Railway Co. will build a subway at Port Hope, Ont.

The Grand Trunk Railway Co. will erect a depot at Guelph, Ont., at a cost of about \$50,000.