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Miller & Richards, type-founders, of Toronto, are reported as about to erect a five-story building in Winnipeg.

The Canadian Pacific Railway is clearing the ground for its new hotel and station in Winnipeg.

A large anthracite mine is said to be opening up near Banff, B.C. This mine, which is reported to produce a hard coal equal to that from Pennsylvania, expects to supply the country from Winnipeg to Vancouver.

A vein of crude oil was recently struck on a farm about six miles from Dunnville, Ont. A local company in drilling for gas, which abounds in this district, encountered the oil at a depth of eight hundred feet. A flow of four barrels per day of excellent quality was obtained.

Two immense freight sheds will be erected in Winnipeg by the C. P. R. The buildings will be 1,224, and 603 feet long, respectively. These and the offices in connection will give to Winnipeg the largest individual railway yards in the world.

An investigation of the output of the Canadian Klondike was recently made by Mr. J. J. Rutledge, who estimates the total amount of gold shipped south from Dawson at \$125,000,000. This is based almost entirely on the value of express packages sent to San Francisco for the American mint. Not a grain of this quantity was taken from the Alaska camps. The following remarkable fact was noted, that the gold output of the Klondike is increasing.

The Iowa-Lillooet Dredging Co. have for some time been operating a dredge in the Fraser River near Lillooet. For ten days in succession, working two ten-hour shifts, the company extracted from the bed of the river an average of forty ounces of gold, or \$1,000 per day.

Statistics relating to the production of wheat in Manitoba show that this province raised fifty per cent. more wheat per acre than Dakota or Minnesota. One-fourth of the wheat lands of the North-West would be sufficient to furnish three times the entire wheat supply of Britain.

The huge remains of a mammoth were recently discovered by gold hunters on Quartz Creek, Yukon Territory. The tusks and skull were well preserved and almost intact, together with three ribs. The bones were dislodged from the frozen gravel by the aid of steam. It is expected the remainder of the skeleton will be found nearby.

Newfoundland is forging to the front as a lumber country of great promise. Exports in this industry have increased from \$13,335, which was the value in 1897-8, to \$240,699 in 1902-3. It is expected that the cut for the coming season will be nearly 35,000,000 feet.

The beekeepers of Elgin County have passed a resolution condemning the policy of the Ontario Government in bonusing the beet sugar industry while neglecting the interests of the beekeepers. These produce a food superior to sugar, not to mention the utility of bees to the farmer and fruit-grower in the fertilization of blossoms.
