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Mercantile Summary

NAVIGATION on the Yukon is now open as far as Dawson.

THE Uxbridge ratepayers voted down a by-law to raise \$4,000 for a new town hall.

THE Walkerville Match factory is now supplying matches to the trade. It makes parlor and the ordinary sulphur varieties.

THE T. Eaton Co., of Toronto, are making extensive changes in their electric plant and have ordered two 350 horse power engines for direct connection to dynamos from the Robb Engineering Co.

MR. GEORGE E. CORBITT of Annapolis, N.S., is trying to interest New York capitalists in the iron ore beds near that town, and proposes works to utilize the ore to be had at Torbrook and Moose River.

By a large majority, the ratepayers of Morrisburg, Ont., authorize the council to acquire water privileges from the Dominion Government to construct electric light and power works, and borrow \$25,000 for such purposes.

FOREST fires raging in New Ontario west of Port Arthur are said to be the worst in years. It is estimated that millions of dollars worth of timber have already been destroyed, and nothing can stay the progress of the flames except heavy rains.

F. W. THOMPSON, manager of the Ogilvie Milling Co., states that his company will build elevators at the following places in Manitoba: Rathwell, Treherne, Pierson, Melbourne, Crandel, Poplar Point, Elm Creek, Indian Head, Dominion City, Carrol, Findlay and three other points not yet decided on. In connection with the work an order has been placed with the Rat Portage Lumber Company for 1,500,000 feet of lumber.

—We are accustomed to hear of the longevity of the French-Canadians. Another feature of this race is their fecundity. The Montreal Witness tells of Levi Bresson, a French-Canadian, resident in Foster, Conn., who is the father of forty-one children. He has been married three times. His first wife was the mother of sixteen children, his second of fourteen, and his third gave birth to her eleventh the other day. Bresson is 70 years of age. Thirty-five of the children are living. Twenty of them are married, and eight grandchildren are also married. Altogether, Bresson has 124 children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.



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