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## LOOKING NORTA.

TuE remark has been made before that (enada can evtend her boundaries in one direction only. Alrearly she is limete by the Atlantic Oer ta to the eart, and by the pacitie to the west, while the b undary of the Great lepublie marks her limits to the south In onn directom noly, therefore ma, Canada extend herself : she may we whe towards the North Polo as tar as Nature will promit What really useful arat practical extensions of the comatrys lurit may yer be made in this direction remat to be seen; bue we do know that we an go much farther north, and that to much bert or purpose, fhen was deemed possible fity yars ago. tweaty-five years, or even only ten yars ago. Over two to threr thonsand miles of rountry from east to west the (innlian Pacitic lailway has opener up a great main line from wheh brancher will hant northward along every avalable nvenue, and will penetate wherover thore is anyrhin' worth looking after. What this ruhway has done is to establish communication with the would and a base of supplies along the whole east and west line, gool for both summer and whter, and always open. The senture is, now failly open to those who like to try, and we may look for it that men of enterprize will soon be tound to push the venture for all it is worth.
Onv"preat bus bem is mone paticularly with the region of country lame botif of foronto and between here and Lake Nipissins, ben reverty opened up throughout by the comple tion of the Callander extonsion, xiving connection with the Canadiaa Pecific main line. On the last day of the old year
 of the towns and villages nome this northern route, daseribiag their progosos, trade, and prancipal manufacturing establishments ; and we now transier to nur columns a good deal of the mformation supplied enncerning the latter. These are, of course, mostly in connection with lumber and manufactures of wood, although near to the city mixed manufactures of wood and iron, in the shape of agricultural implements and machinery, are cavied on to a large extent. Up to as far as Gravenhurst the country has been opencd up for years back, while the rounties of York and Simcoe are old settled districts. What new interest there is attaches chielly to the district just now opened up by the Callander extension, from Bracebridge to Thorncliffe, at the east end of Lake Nipissing, where it connets with the Canadian Pacific main line. Recommending our readers to what the Globe has to tell of what has been done as far as settlement has proceeded, we invite them to take a glance farther north, and to contemplate for a little the possibilities of
what may be achieved by pushing at least as far $\Omega \mathbf{J}$ James' Bay,
 ranemen of the North.

Many destiftions of the matural chameteristics of old Chath inave prots wetl impre wapon our minds the fiet
 vast revion north of the errat + bit, with ituportant extrnsions uto the county soith of it awoll Except in valleys here a' there and where it borders an newer formations, the Lapantian country is nop an arrio altwal country, and never will h.. Ghourh limited districts oveur which are exceptionally wall al poted for vaising a superor puatity of dairy produce. Timba in momense quantities exists, and the horthern limits of pronk . l hon-mining have ne: er yet been dotermined, for the rewsem hethy that there never has beon any demand to speak of fon the oxe In all probability most people, when glancing at tin arop, have promptly concluded that the vast tera incog. bita lying around the southeru end of lludson's Jiay could be nope ther than another Labrador bing inland, what we may call un ultra-Laureatian conntry, where nothing but rocks and snow ind ice were to be looked for. But this is a great mistake, so the seientific men of the Canadian Geological Survey assure in, and of late years they have been giving us new light, on the subject
(ioing north we come to the hegght of land which separates the waters tlowing juto Ifulson's Jay from those flowing into the St. Lawrence. And now let us get hold of this important fact, and note, it well, that as we get into the James' Bay region, we find ourselves not in a Jaurentian country at all, bat standing on geological formations of immensely later agothe Hewomm, and, later still, tho Caboniferous. This alters the cave contirely, we have how tudeal with quite another geologimel world, so to speak. Heae we stand on the iron, also on the rorl, most mportant of all. Professor Bell says in one of his reports:
"Around James' Bay and up the eastern sido of Hudson Biay lie great reposits of mon aud coal, so clese tegether that, with the cheal, water freights which che region may afiord, tho district along James Bay may yet becone anothre Pennsylvania. And atter reforring to the soil, elimate and forests, says: - Minerals may, hovever, beconve in the iuture the greatest of the resourees of Hudson Bay; Inrge deposits of rich iron-stone on the Matagami River, in 1877, have been iound; inexhanstiblesupplies of gooln nguniferous iron ore were discovered on the islands near the cast main coast of James Bay, and promising quantities of galem, and also near Whale River, traces of gold, silver and copper. On the east main const lignice was found,' etc., etc.
"Another explorer, referring to the great deposits of iron, coal and other minerals in the neighborhood of James Bay, says: - I have no hesitation in pronouncing this district the
richest mineral region in the Dominion, perhaps orr the continent.' Anthrscite and iron are fornd along the rivers south of James Bay. Again Mr. Borron, Stipendiary Migistrate of Lake Nipissing District, who has made a great many trips between Lake Nipissing and James' Bay, reports to the Ontario Government: 'There are also in the neighborhood of James' Bey, north of the Heights of Land, enormous peat beds, perhaps the largest in the world, and which will average from eight to twenty feet in thickness; and in view of this protigious quantijy, the question of its economic uses and value will naturally suggest itself. Besides lignite or brown coal, kaolin or china clay and iron.'
" 'Lignite has been found in large quantities, three feet thick, both sides of the Abbitibbe River, north of the Height of Laind. We are therefore assured not only of the existence, in large and workable quantities, of lignite, iron ore. gypsum, etp., etc., but of inexhaustible beds of peat, and deposits of porcelain or china clay, of superior quality.' There are other reports made by several surveyors who have been employed in that district, and who corroborate all that is said by those quoted above."
Anthracite, lignite, and enormous peat beds, perhaps the largest in the world-these tell the story, tha: here we are on the carboniferous formation; where during a geological period of long ago, but yet recent as compared with older formations still - the sun's light and heat were stored up in the various forma of gas, oil, peat, lignite, and coal, and whence they can now be obtained for man's use in our own time. The presence of coiar in the Hudson's Bay region is the great fact of all, Which ought to make it worth our while to go north. Imagine the difference it would make to the people of Ontario, and to dor manufacturers most of all, if abundant supplies of coal aid te toaded on the cars at a point lying within our own territory, and distant from Toronto by rail only about fifty mifios more than is the city of Quebec. And this is what is proposed to be effected by the building of the Lake Nipissing and James' Bay Railway, now one of the probabilities of the early future.
Hére are the distances by rail as stated by Mr. John C. Bailey, Chief Engineer of the James' Bay Railway :-

Toronto to Gravenhurst, via Northern Railway......... 111.3 Gallander Jmetion, from Gravenhurst to Thorncliffe, on main line of C.P.R., now running.
New line yet to be built-Thorncliffe to James' Bay

## Say 575 miles.

The estimated cost of building the railway complete, equal in all respects to the Canadian Pacific Railway (but exclusive of rolling stock), is $\$ 18,891$ per mile. Say, however, $\$ 20,000$ per mile, the tetal cost would be seven million dollars. As there is a comparative lull in railway building in Canada now, the great transcontinental work being done, the contracts could probably be let at very reasonable figures. It is expected that tie Legislatures of Quebec and Ontario will-between them give a crent of $\$ 4,000$ per mile for the whole distance of 350 miles ; also that the Dominion Parliament will grant at least 6,000 weres of land per mile, beginning at the Height of Land and going northwards, sag for 50 miles. These grants, along with the stock and bonds, would be amply sufficient to complete the rom We wulumit that this would be "looking north" to some purpowe. And we hope to see the manufacturers of

Ontaxio interesting themselves about thts important project, informing themselves about it, and thereby giving a puish forward to an enterprise which is calculated to bring benefitg untold to this Province, and in a general way to the Dominion.

## A GlaNCE OVER 1886.

The record of the year just closed has matter in it of deep interest to Canadian manufacturers, and in fact to our business men generally. First to be noted is the decided revival in nearly all branches of trade, which has been coming on during the year, and which is now making strong show of promise for the year to come. For the first time these few years past, manufacturers are pretty fully employed; and, instead of shops being left half idle for want of orders, as in 1885, customers are waiting for orders to be filled. Buyers recognize now that prices have touched bottom, and that there is no money in waiting to pick up bargains at lower figures. Whether the seller seeks the buyer or the buyer the seller, makes all the difference in the world; and the country's business is now decidedly on the up grade. Now ought to be the time for $\mathrm{C}_{\text {madian }}$ manufacturers to beware of that dangerous thing-the boom-and to take to heart those words of wisdom, which we have repeated elsewhere, in quoting from the closing review of 1886, issued in the Bulletin of the American Iron and Steel Association: "Of one thing we feel certain, Speaking generally, prices must stop where they ave, or we shall have such an influx of foreign iron and steel in 1887 as we have rarely, if ever, experienced. We need not dwell on the consequences that are sure to follow." This counsel is quite as applicable to Canadian manufacturers as to American iron and steel men.
For beyond doubt the tendency to over-importation is showing itself again pretty strongly. At the Montreal custom house receipts for the six months ending December 31st were $\$ 4,526,116$, against $\$ 3,516,507$ for the corresponding. six months of 1885 , an increase of $\$ 1,000,000$ on the half year. For the calendar year 1886 the total customs collections at the same port. footed up to $\$ 8,362,618.94$, against $\$ 6,682,701.71$, | an increase of $\$ 1,679,917.23$. Doubtless the natural and healthy expansion of the country's wants will account for most of this increase ; still our business men had much need to "beware of the boom."

A main factor in the country's development recently, perhaps the main factor of all during the present period, has been the completion and the vigorous operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The opening of the hew route through to the Pacific ocean was quiekly followed by the establishment of a line of tea ships in connection, by which cargoes have been carried for American as well as for Canadian merchants. This is a new trade, and bears the marks of a revolution: A Pacific ocean cable, established in the interests of Canada, will not:ibe long delayed. And American papers assure us that, before the close of the year just begun, the completion of a direct line of railway from Minneapolis to Montreal will bring to Canidedes chief seaport a new and perfectly enormous trade from the North-western States. The people of these states are siggr and impatient for the opening of the new route, which win
give them what they have long beep anxious to obtain-a thoice. One fact will indicate the importance of what is coning-when the new Sault Ste. Marie road is completed, with its connections, Minneapolis will be as near to tide water as Chieago is now. Truly there are great changes in progress . Of special interest to the people of Ontario is one certain development of the year-the opening up of the Pacific Junction Railway from Gravenhurst to Callander, which puts the whole railway system of this province in connection with the Canadian Pacific main line. In this issue the greater portion of our space is devoted to information concerning this new and nost important connection.

Two separate considerations are to be noted. FirstOntario's improved communication with the Northwest and the Pacific coast, now secured for winter as well as for summer. Apd, next-the suggestion that immense stores of coal lie waiting Ontario enterprise to avail itself of them, at a distance from Toronto of only about fifty miles greater than is the city of Quebec. We urge upon both merchants and naanufacturers in this province the importance of looking north, as elsewhere set forth. Nay, we hesitate not to say that herein lies by far the most necessary and the most promising problem of railway construction which they have before them to-day. And much more might be said, but space forbids. The importance of the subject to Ontario can hardly be exaggerated.

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The following is a list of those who have favored un with a call since the date of our last issue :-
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We have the pleasure of again addressing you by circular, to assure you that our efforts towards raking the Permanent Exhibition of Manufictures-a success-will be ceaseless and untiring. The encouragement we have thus far received on every hand has been very gratifying, and we append a list of thoterwio have already made coutracts for'space, which list youswill notice in considerably extended within the last fortmight; at which time our last circular was issued.
The Permanent Exhibition of Manufactures has as its prmary object the permanent display of all kinds of manufaćtưrês, classified and arranged in such convenient shape as to

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On the part of the exhibitor, it is valuable as an advertising mediun, at a minimum cost. It places the actual goods before an observant public, from whom comes the demand for these goods. It reaches the public in a tangible way, which a printed circular or newspaper cannot. It reduces the cost of selling goods. It puts the-goods before the people, who otherwise might be unacquainted with their existence. In brief the manufacturer will patronize the Exhibition to save money. The public will visit it tosave trouble, and gain invaluableinformation.

The exhibits will be classified or arranged in departments, and surrounded by broad aisles.

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of In the interval between now and the time when we will ocenpy our building, which is raptdy nearing completion,


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A Pitrsburg plumber and gas fitter in the centre of the city eaid: "Before we had natural gas 1 employed three men in our whop; now we have twenty-zix, and therein hangs a standing advertisement for more. I believe this gas business has increased the number of gas fitters in this city'from 300 to about 2,600 . This boom will lant at least a yeur. We have already orders that will run us to January 1st and are now refusing work.

In Dr. Venable's paper on the effect of zinc on water,' so much quoted and discussed, the evidence cited is to some extent conflicting, showing, however; a very decided balance in favor of the view that such water is considerably iujurious to health. Among the most important investigations bearing upon this subject have been those under the direction of the French Government, reaulting in the prohibition by the marine authorities of galvanized iron tanke on board French men of-war. In the analysis by Prof. Heaton of a spring water, with a further analysis of the bame water after it had travelled through half a nile of galivanizedi irun pipe, it appears that the water had taken up 6.41 yrains-of zinc carbonate per gallon. In anather instance, apring water which had paseed through 200 yarda of galvanized ion pipes to a house was found to have taken up 4.29 grains of zime carbonate per gallon.

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This weei rumors have been fying thick and fast to the effect that now the Dominion elections are coming of directy; and the fifth of next month has been natned as the date. There is a remarkable agreement in the reports from different quarters to this effect, but so far the papers usually best infornedse to the intentions of the powers that be have given no confirmation.

Ove pound of coal, according to recent Frañklin Tastitate testa, will yield an amount of lightaveraging 150 candled with the electric arc light (about 60 per cent. of this if glass shaiden ere used), 20 candles with incandescent lamps, and 14 to $17 . \mathrm{cman}$ dles with gas. In this estimate it is assumed that steam coal is burned under a good boiler for the electric lights, and thit the gas is obtained from a bituminous coal.

Ir seems, says the American Manwfacturer, that one of the causes that led to the breaking up of the Europeap steel rail pool was the demand of the English rail manufacturers that all contracts for India should go to them. It is this thet mow stands in the way of the renewal of the syndicate. Indian has been too valuable a preserve for English manufacturers for them to allow any poaching. The people of India, however, have not been heard from.

The increase in Dominion revenue at the Port of Montreal this year has been large. The receipts for Decembar atene show an increase of nearly $\$ 300,000$ compared with the sande month of last year. In the last six months there has been in increase of over $\$ 1,000,000$ compared with last year. The receipts for 1886 were $88,362,619$ against $\$ 6,682,702$ in 1888 ; an increase of $\$ 1,679,917$ for this year. The inland revenua receipts also show an increase of $\$ 235,067$; the receipls for 1886 being $\$ 1,844,016$, and for 1885 . $1,609,949$.

Ovar the border our neighbors are not so much interested in present legislation, for its uwn sake, as in laying plans for the great campaign of 1888 . It is quite within the mark to gay that the Presidential contest to be decided next year bas virtually begun, though about a year and a half must elapte ere: the candidates be formally chosen. In the Nation, and in the ${ }^{2}$ deveral States, administration, appointments, and legisldion will be mostly shaped with a view to their bearing on the great struggle of all-the political Olympiad of the Republic:

The Boston Manufacturers Gazette says that the aixer and gold certificates are the most popular currency the Uinised States now has, and their success possibly answers the question as to what shall be done for paper money aftel the paty ment of the public debt knocks out the underpinning from the national bank circulation. The people will have apaper currercy, and will never return to the methods of years dep, Whan carrying heavy loads of the precious metai wact the ondy inctas of transporting money from one part of tBe coctitity to another.

Cavida appears to bo carrying oven more than the usual amone of folitw to the square mile these days. In Quabec
 their positions since the recent electoons, and possibly may not be able to make up their mi:nds how they stand matil the event of the Dominion elections shall have decided for them some points which apparently, they cannot decide for themselves 1 n Ontario the agony is over, and Mr. Hewat is elected to stay where he is, with a majority larger than before-t:venty-five or thereabomts, it is estimated.

- Is England a Cabinet erisis has been "on :now two or three weeks, owing to tie sudden resigration oi Lord Randolph
Churchill. His place as Chancellor of the Exchequr has been Churehill. His place as Chancellor of the Exchermer has been
aceepted by Mr. (ioschen, who has heretoiore acted with the Liberals, although his convictions are kawn to tee prevailingls on the Conservative side. He dea:ands that he be joinued in the Cabinet by two Liberal leaders of mata and Jow Lata. downe, our Governor-General, has been morioned as one. Up! to yesterday the oppesition of the old line "stalware" Tories appeared to place the success of the pruposed recorstruction still in doubt.

Tue year opens with ominous presace of war in Europe. Yesterday it appared as if Russat and Austria were about to dight for control in Suath. Eastern Europe: today the prevail. ing rumor is that instead of that, France and Germany are to be the combatames, and that the gigantic struggle of sixteen yeats ato is to be tried ourr again. We are getting plenty of warnings to this effect-that. When the next great European war does come, England will have to be a perty to it, whether she :ikes or not. The continental powers have apparently wached this consensus of determination, that England camot this time be allowed the satisiaction of being a spuctator arenely, and making mones out of wars and tiohting anom: viber aations, but that she must le fored me. the very itreficont of the fatile.

We are madebed to the Hamilton Spectatar for the follow ing: - It is pieasme to learn from time to time that successful businmis noan are not forgetful of those in their cuplowAmong this: who, in the most kindly manaer, remembered their empioyecs at Cinjstuas time were Mesrs. W. E. Sanford \& Co., who not only remembered every jere m workiny for then, but gave each a Cibristras preselit it the sunu time the thing was doue so unostentationsly that wrare indebed to the Toronto Mail for informatinu: vorinectiar io. That pulane says: "Every employe of the zreat ahoo....i. ciething haver of W. E. Sitaford at Co., Manillom, anioni ..n, Chrietmas day

 was an :amount in cash varyune stom a in whatare up to hundreds, aggrearatins nearly inur thonsand deli:an. The firms sales this year are over two hunderd thousanl indlars in exiess of the -pucceding year." Surely no busim.ss man will suffor because of hindly remenbrance wi and considerativin ior th:-- people through whose industry the operations oi the. howa are carried oin.

## AMERICAN PATENTS TO CANADIAN INVENTORS.

Under date of Dec. 21st, 1886 :-
Audarson, Atexander, Toronto, Ont., non-interfering street-box for tire alarni telegraplisystems...
Hughes, f. G., Galt, Ont., dental forceps. . . . . . . . . . 354, 863
Irunter, Joh ', Kingston,' Ont., watch-maker's lathe. 354,601
Jones, W. H., Montreal, Que . pocket-rule......... . . 354,865
Lash, J F., Toronto, Ont., paper-cutting machine
( 3 pats.) ...................................
354,641
Vorris, G. W., Brantford, Oit., threshing.machine.. 354,803
atidiond, Charles. Fenelon Falls, Ont, horse power. 354,842
isulhwan, © A., Vindsor, Dut., lace-fastening for shoes 354,874
1 Under date of Dee. 2sth 1880 :-
Glizebroul, II. G. T.. Woodhouse, Ont., wagon-rack. . 355,262
ISrow, Kandolph, Monteral, Que., nail-plate feeder . 354,980
[-n. His, A. G.. Gramby, Que., centrifugal dish-washer 355,088
1 ine . It A., Wimipes. Manitoba, car coupling. ... 355,174
Mander; Quintin, Beilenille, Ont., step ladder..... 355;095
Pott.. J. H., Toronto, Ont., water-closer indicator.: 355,099
Romane, Rol:art, Ottawa, Ont., ice-breaking vessel. 355,214
R-ussean, E. H., Garaly, Que., buckboard wagon. . $3 \overline{5} \overline{5}, 215$
(Stust, Alex. Jr., Hamilton, Ont., washing machiae. . 354,948
Cuder date of Jan. 4th, 1887:-
Gavidson, Gcorge, Pavis, Ont., stop-motion mechanism for circular knitting machines.

355,396
Norris, William, 'Torunto, Ont., hop trellis............ . $3 \overline{\bar{p}} \overline{5}, 410$
Windsor. Elijah, Oil City, Ont., hoop-planer knife.... 35̄5,580

## BLACKLISTLNG.

Sas: the Americon Ifanafucturir. There is an inmense anount of that most uncommon thing, combenon sense, in the following brief editorial fiom the American Glass Worker, a Pittsburg joumal publishedin the interest of the glass workers of the coutitry. It is an appeal for fair play from a workman thar shonk not go unheeded:-

- Mr. Piwderly comphains bitterly in his recent secret circular about the iyramy of caphtal and the un.Christian and un-American procedure of emplojers who refuse to allow men and women to work withuat severing their connection with labror organizations. We yuse ajree with him in his denunciation, but we go a step further. We cannot sec any difference betreen the above described act of an comployer and labior unions refusing to allow a man es, eearn his bread by the sweat of his brow' because he has nut given his 'pledge of honor' at a K. of L. altar. To us one scems as unChristian and as un-American as the other. Ar. I'owderly's 'Noble Order' deres these ahings every day, and he knows it and allows it. It's not reght, Terry."

Blacklisting is a most disreputable proceediu:g, and its character does not chame it whit lecause the blacklister in one cise is a workman and in the other an employer Indeed, of the , wo, wa are inclined to believe that for a union to blacklist a man because he does not choose to join a union is a greater tyrimuy than for on enploger to blachlist a workman because in belongs to a trede ormanization.

Our opinion of mions is no secret. We believe in them. We Eelieve that strong welimanaged unions are a bencfit alike to both employrer and empluvel. We lelieve that they are in accordaace with the spirat of the :arot and with public policy, and wnh, the culightensil prlitical economy of the hour ; but we do :ut t aree with all unions, hor do we believe in the right of : waw. To exercise the perty tyranyy of blacklisting becuuse s
 In.li.n... that :lae Chureh is all and more than we have asserted rh: anions on mand yet mo atan has a right to endentor to caly lannel.re to, joi.t it church, nor to cast him ond and boycelt him ii he does not. Such a course will injure a church mote thas it will nuy man. So thesepetty, indciensiblo tyrau: 6 that anions axercise will, in the long run, injure. Fair flat. gentlemen. Gite every vorkman the same right of choice iha: you exerised when yon workuan the snme

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## Business $\mathscr{T}_{\text {ohes }}$.

H. Dubrax, milliner, of Montreal, has failed owing 83,200 .
P. Farrell, an Ottawa shoe dealer, is offering his creditors 60 . on the dollar.

The sheriff has seized the stock of Phelan Bros., fancy gound dealers of Winnipeg.
W. W. Morrow, general dealer of Robinson, Que., has assigned in trust, owing $\mathbf{\$ 5 , 0 0 0}$.
N. M. Oitrom, general dealer of Frankford, has called a meeting of creditors for the 14th inst

The Gibb Wire ond Iron Co., of Montreal, finding that the concern was going behind, have assigned in trust.

The estate of J. Hucken, shoe dealer, Hensall, has been closed out by creditors. The stock realized 73 c . on the dollar.

John Barretr, general supplies, Spaniards Bay, Newfoundland, has been declared insulvent. The liabilities are heavy.

Elias Vingbera, general atorekeeper at Dacre, is offering his creditors 40 c . on the dollar. Liabilities $\$ 3,700$, assets $\$ 2,800$.

John Merrill, hotel keeper at Port Arthur, has failed, owing 82,400. The assets are very small. He was burned out recently.

Thr sheriff is in possession of the drug sture of Parker \& Co., Winuipeg. The business had a similar experience a few inonths
ago.

Joun Simpson, a hardware merchant at Streetsville, has been going steadily behind and now shows assets of $\$ 3,500$ and liabilities
$\$ 5,000$.
W. O. Whiting, billiard table manufacturer of this city, owes $\$ 2,900$. His assets amount to $\$ 1,500$. An assignment has been
made.

Criditors have taken possession of the stock of Bird \& Co., hardware dealers at Killarney, Man. The firm failed some time ago at Emerson.
J. L. Mack \& Co., general dealers, Mill Village, N.S., and Win. H. Garey in the same business at North Kingston, have as-
signed in trust.

A drmand of assignment has been made upon J. F. O'Gorman, stationer, Montreal. A demand has also been made upon J. B. L.
Muland, Roland, shoe dealer, of the same city.

A mbepinc of the creditors of J. C. Mahoney, shoe dealer; Hamilton, was held recently and a resolution was carried to close out the entate. The liabilities amount to $\$ 3,500$.

Ir Montreal, E. Davis \& C., tobecer doders, have made way for the hailiff. A. Grundler, tailor, is offering 15c. on the dollar, Joseph Pace, undertaker, ham aseigned, wind the Infernatiopalifloop
Skirt Oo. Skirt O!: have been clowed out by auction.

Cors \& Co., shoe manufacturpers, of St. John; Qua, have abandoned their entate, and the manager of the Merchanta' Bank at St. John is guardian pro tem. The assets are valued at $\$ 8,000$.

## VALLEYFIELD'S WATERWORKS.

Ybsterday the new waterworks were inaugurated in the thriving village of Yalleytield. Heretofore it obbaibed its water from the Beauharnois canal; but both the quality and quantity of the water from that source, together with the ex? pense of labor and capital at which it was obtained, had long since caused loud dissatisfaction. A company was organized. under the name of the Valleyfield Water-works Company. Ith is composed of Messrs. L. Despocas, M. Plante, Z. Boyer, O. Cosette, J. A. Bourassa, M. E. Venice and M. ?. Joron.s Last June the work was begun and was completed few days ago. A reservoir was dug out of the solid rock and the supplyt of pure cold water seems to be inexhaustible. A modeht brick building has been purchased for the engine house and wasf fitted out with pumps from the George F. Blake Mandactur ing Company of Boston. It consists of two duplet power pumps, which are capable of supplying a million and a quarter gallons per day. Six miles of pipe, of 690 pounde pressure, are already laid and 45 two-hose hydrants are distributed, through the village. The pressure required by the council was 52 pounds, and the new water-works are found to give 140 . pounds. The works were yesterday inspected and the event; was celebrated by a banquet, at which many visitorm from? Montreal and Ottawa partook.-Montreal Star:

## ST. HYACINTHE AND ITS WATERWORKS.

The new and improved fire and water appliances of the city of St. Hyacinthe may be considered as among the most compact and efficient organizations in the province. The building containing the machinery is built of stone and brick. It is situated on the bank of the river at the western end of the city. On Thursday last the engine and purap were tested under the supervision of Mr. Perry, the inspector of the Fire Underwriters' Association, and in presence of number of spectators, including Maycr Desaulles and the Conacillors, Chief Engineer Plamandru and Mr. Wm. Perryitaritrepresenting R. H. Buchanan \& Co., the constructors, Naud, Secretary-Treasurer of the Waterworks Co., and othofs.

The following is the size and description of punipe the the pump-house:-One compound condensing duplex, double acting steam-pump, with high pressure steam cylinders 10 inches, long pressure cylinders 22 inches, water cylinders 10 inches, and all 18 -inch stroke. For reserve, one $14 \times 7 \times 12$ and one $14 \times 8 \times 12$. These pumps are all from the estabhishment of the George F. Blake Manufacturing Co., Boston.

Each pump is conpected with separate suction and discharge, and run to one $10^{\circ}$ main pipe. The suction pipe to the large pump is 600 feet long, and was put into the rivet in two pieces and connected. In the boiler house are two boilers, 54 -inch drain and 12 feet long, and are connected with all the latest and best improvements. They are supplied with a pony pump that runs at a given speed continually, and water is put into the boilers at $200^{\circ}$. The pumps, when rupning at 75 feet piston speed per minute do excellent work, and there is no vibration, and supply from the same to the town is not to to be surpassed in Canada.

Alarm was sounded 6 p.m.; in $2 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes one stream was throwing over the market; in four minutes four streams were playing at different places. The wister pressure was 60 lbs.; size of nozzle, three 1 -inch and one 14 .
The water mains are principally 12,10 and 8 inch, having 19 hydrants. The water was projected 145 feet each from four run of hose, 1 -inch nozzle, at the same time. The pump, engine and builing cost $\$ 20,000,+4$,
In 1800 Chicago had lese than 30,000 , 000 , and New York 515,000 ; in 1830 Chicago had 503,000 , Philedelphia 847.000, and New. York $1,206,000$. In other words, Chifcago, notwithstanding its enormous growth, had not added as many thousands as either of the older citien.

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Mr. A. 13. Conas, of the tim of Cowan $x$ (\%o. of the Calt Foundry and Machine Work', hat, losed a contraet with our enterprising citizen, Mr. , Iohn Wiriler, fur supplyins that arntleman with the motive power and machmery hor his men furni ture fuctory, to be crected on llmboldt strect in thin city. The boiler will be an ondinay atom tuhalar ionher; the engine will be at imponed one on : Corliss fitame. The wood working mathimery will be so thonough and comploto that the establishment will loe the beot equipped in 1' mada west of Toronto. 'The outlit will embate the most ambern
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 permaneng solid hasis, in which his som are now leading spirits. These gentlemen possess many of the trats of have acter of tux trepected father In this new anterpmise these talents will he hrought into play, and, we helieve, with sitis fiactory remilts.

## TIIF: (:ALIT FOLNDRS.

as many of our readers from the east are atware, is one of the oldest manufacturns concerns in Ontario. The business of this firm hav gradually increased until it has assmed great proportions. Recently an addition of $200 \times 50$ had to be added to the presiously entensive cuncern. Comstant employment is given to a large nmbler of wen. The company employ no travelers, or agents. They rest their reputation on the work turned out, and as ewh machine helpe well another they prefer that system of home business.

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THE MANCHEmTIE: OV (NWAl).L
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Galt is commonly known or th. Manehester on Canada. It is : solid, strue, scotch town, of , dhaus s, (100 inhabitints, beautifuly situated on the bustin of the (irand River, from which it demes very valnable water prwer in propelling its numberless finctories. It is well suppfied with rahway servec, hating the Grand Trunk and the (anation Pacitic, wath all then eonnection. gising the manuficturre an outlet to all parts of the continent. Within a radius of thate miles is to be fonnd such cities as Gueiph, Btantford and Strationd, the wowa of Berlin, Waterloo, Paris, Woodstook, Ayr, Preston, Hespeler, Fergus and Elora, all of wheh are important centers, and feeders to Galt s mactume shops, and her thousands of industral artimans, fully entithing her to the c!aim of being Camada's Manchester.

## IRON ANS STIDEL IN 1886.

TMi Bulletin ot the Amerian lron and Steel Association, published at Philadelpha on Nen S"ot's l)ny, contains a acview of the iton and steel industries of the United States during the year losit, which shan: some surprising results. It says:
Our won and steel industries were equecially ative during 18kif. and this activity wa fairy distributed throughout the year. An inmmorment in the condition of most of these? induatuies had commenced in 1 sise, and when the new year openod. and the tempormy disesmarement produced by the Comedlssille strike had disippeared, the certainty of a much muse active year than 1asio had bevome assured. Orders became more abundant, and, eacept in one or two branches they have sine eontinued $t$, bear it most davorable relation to oivpooducing empacity. Our production in last of pig iron, Bessemen sted and steel rails, on m heath stem, stowetural iron and sterl, and some other products has acordingly been mueh larger tham in lisis, and our prodnction of pig iron, Bessemer
 wach the latgest in our history. We. Whmate the promerem of thew four leading poducts in lixa whan hern as follows.


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It may be satid of the present priess for pig iron and steel ails thit they have only recently bern established, and that in the case of steel mils large contracts for delivery in $18 x^{-}$ have been made at $\$ 34$ and $\$ 35$. Our importations of iron and sted during 1 s86 have been very heavy and much in excess of the importations of 1885. In 1 sisis we innported about 400 , 000 tons of pis iron, about 75,000 tons of old iron, over 100,000 tons of steel biooms and billets, nearly 250,000 tin plates, fully $1: 5,000$ tons of wire rods, and allout 50,000 tons. of steels. Our total importations of ironand steel in 1886 will amount wi, $1,000,000$ tons. The stocks of unsold pig iron in this country at the close of 1886 were probably no larger than at the close of 1885 , when they amounted to $371,6 \times 5$ gross tons, which was a very small surplus when the pirg iron wants of the country are considered.

The general business outlonk for 1ssit is very favmable, and for our iron and steel inciustry it is esperially so. Railrond building promises to te even more active in lasio than in sask, but none of us know what a day or month may briug forth in the stock market or in the finameial ont ariff legishation of congres. or in the condition of the country's rrop.

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AUSTRIAN, WAGES IN THE TEXTILE TRADES.
(Textile Racurder, Manchester, December: 1.jthy 1886.)
The following information respecting the wages of operatives in Austria is taken from the report of the United States Consul at Vienna :-

DAILY WAGES IN THE DIETRICT COMPRISING PRAGUE AND OTEER CITIES OF BOHENIA.


## SILK ORISIS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

We (Philadelphia Industrial Reciew) quote as follows from a foreign exchange:-

Recently the Chamber of Commerce, Macclesfield, Fing., received an official communication from the Governmant of India respecting the cultivation of silk. The result, thues far, is that the Prime Minister, Lord Salisbury, has become much interested in the present crisis of the British silk industry. Looking towards endeavors to remedy the unfortunate condition of that business, he has requested the Chamber of Commerce of Macclesfield to come to some underatanding with the Government, as to what means should be adopted.

The President thereupon promised the co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce of Macclesfield, a committee from which a few months since made a most interesting deposition before the English Royal Committee of Inquiry, respecting a possible alteration of laws affecting duties. In fact, it demanded protection against the importation of silk goods. We mention this as a significant fact of the times in free-trade England.

At Buenos Ayres new wools are now coming very fast to market, and command good prices. It is estimated that the chip this year will be 30,000 bales less than that of last year. The pastoral industry is steadily increasing

A seat in the New York Stock Exchange was sold recently for $827,500, \mathrm{Mr}$. Fred. T. Adams being the purchaser. misc

Relics of an extinct race of Indians who were the aboriginal inhabitants of Newfoundland were recently discovered on Pilloy's Island, Notre Dame Bay.

The Syn Francisco mint employs at present 300 hands. It is the laryest in the world, having a coinage capacity twice that of Philadelphia and thrice, that of the English mint.

Probably the largest zinc works in the world are those located near, Seraing, Belgium, which produce annually about 50,000 tons of the metal, nearly one-sixth of the world's annual supply.

Emprror Willinm of Germany has three physicians always watching, him. Whenever his majesty is indisposed these three hold a consultation. The iron constitution of the greatert of the Hohenzollens can withstand anything. But three is a lucky number.

The water falling over Niagara has a power of $100,000,000$ tons per hour moving through 150 f fet. This force is equal to the consumption of $260,000,00 p$. Eocs of cosel, the amount annually burned by the entire population of the world. If one-half the fuel burned is used in driying machipery then the power of Niaqara would drive all the machumery of the worlof with 50 per cent. to lose in transmit-
ting. ting.

An English device for preventing down draught in chimneys consista of a humber of gropved ringe of metal or clay placed over each other, with spaces between. The grooves are so shatped that when the vindistrilites them it is deflected upward, thus effectually preventing any down draught. An equally effective and simpler plan for accomplashing that object is the ote suggested by A. J. Downing, namely, buiding up with a sipgle row of brick at the hack of the fireplace to a point a few inches above the top of the opening. The wind, which in descending always follows the surface of the outer wall of the flue, strikes the sholf this formed and is deflected npward ual in the other case.

Thr Russian ppoduction of petroleum is increasing enormously. Last month a fountain began playing at Baku, which is spouting nearly 5Q0. tona an hour, or more than 11,000 tons of qil à day. It height is 224 feek, and it in the greategt "gusher" ever known. Up "to that time the greatest petrolpum fountain known was the "Droobja," which, in 1883 , spouted to the height of 200 or 300 feat at the rate of nearly 3,300 tons of oil a day, Of this well Mr. Charles Marvin, who was on the spot, wrote : : This single well is spouting more op than aH the 25,000 welli in Ansingle well is gether." At a rough estimate the quantity of oil spouted from it would have realized in Anerica abouk a million apouted from it ruined its owner, for the ahogls of sand which were triowng fout it before it Mas got under control, poured upon the builfingo and stroests of the town, five versts away, and led to claims for datriages which amounted to more than the returus for the sinain quantity of oil which was caught and storod. There is now a guat in the Rusian market, and most of the oil grom the new well is going to wate. An effort will probably be made to phug the oponing in
order to save the oil for tuture use.

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## COAL PROSPECTS FOR 188\%.

The Buffalo correspondent of the Coal Traie Journal thus writes, under date of December 27th, 1886 :

We are upon the door-steps of another year and the business world seems to have taken a momentary pause before the opening of the door and the grand rush for places. The coal business feels the effect a little, but the fact is coal is so scarce here that there has not been any necessity for a pause, there is and has been for six or eight weeks several purchasers ready for every car of coal on its arrival. What will 1887 bring? As the doors are not opened any feliow's eyes are as good as the next fellow's in that direction, but an ordinary Yankee can make a fair guess on some things which it will not bring for instance. The dealers in the West will not be likely to wait until late in the summer before ordering their winter's supply of Anthracite coal. The railroads will not go on losing immense quantities of freight without ordering sufficient rolling stock to take care of it. The Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh, and the Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia Railways will probably not resort to the same tactics that they did in 1886. They will be more likely to submit their grievances and patch up some sort of a platform to stand upon even if the platform should not be large enough to hold the "Erie" road also. It looks as though the latter road is now virtually out of the race for the soft coal tonnage of this market. She has withheld the product of her mines from here for sometime and yet we get along. The scarcity is not on account of a short supply of coal, but on account of a scarcity of cars to ship in. It is not likely that the Erie will be able to get a large share of the tonnage in 1887, even if she wants it; no matter what she does, coal will not be sold very cheap in 1887 . The mistakes of 1886 will not be repeated in 1887 . There are many other things which will not be, but it may be better to reserve further guessing until we see what we shall see.

## SPLENDID SHOWING OF LAKE CARRIERS.

## (Buffalo Commercial Adeertiser.)

Few people have any correct conception of the great improvement made of late years in the speed and carrying capacity of tirst-class lake vessels. A few years ago a vessel was regarded as doing very well if she made one round trip a month ; from the progress recently made in shipbuilding it looks as if steamers would soon be in commission, which with good dispatch at terminals, would make the round trip in a trifle over a week. The flyers of the lake fleet show the fol lowing splendid record for the past season :

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Navigation opened April 26th, and closed practically the first week in December, so that the above record was made inside of seven and a half months. The work of the Albany, Capt. Frank Williams commanding, which seems to have won the pennant this season, is deserving of special comment. As
shown above she made sixteen round trips between Buffalo and Chicago; every run but one from port to port was made in three days; her average consumption of coal was 141 1-6 tons to the round trip, and she delivered at Buffalo 45,000 tons of freight during the season. This does not include her heavy up business.
In view of such results as these $A$ is evident that the possibilities of the lake route have hardly been approached as yet.

## Milling.

## NOTES.

## (From the Millstone.)

OH, for a bran packer! The packing of bran into a compact form so that it could be shipped abroad would be one help toward running some of our mills which are now inoperative. The bran which now finds a poor market could find a good one in Europe if it were possible to ship it in a compact form. It seems strange that no satisfactory machine for this purpose has yet been invented. There are many mills abroad which realize their whole profit from the sale of offal. If we could ship our bran to those countries we would cut down their milling capacity and open a market for our (American) flours.

Uniform low grade is impracticable. A miller who attempts to keep his low grade flour at a tixed standard is making a mistake. It is impossible to have an even feed, uniform high grades of flour, and at the same time keep the low grades always uniform. There is some place in the mill where the inequalities in the wheat ground must show, and the place where this will be most apparent and least expensive is in the low-grade flour. It is a losing, expensive movement to attempt to keep the low-grade flour uniform.

Lady Miles, who has figured so prominently in the ColinCampbell case, and promises to tigure somewhat unpleasantly again, as the case now stands, is, like Lady Colin Campbell, of whom she is a cousin, an Irishwoman, the daughter of Sir David Roche of Carrass, in the County of Limerick, and is 56 years old. Her father, "David Roche," as he was familiarly styled, was a miller and made a large fortune in the milling
trade.

Charles A. Pillistury, the Minneapolis niller, speaking to a reporter recently, said that the demand for flour was better than he had ever known at this season of the year. Usually about the close of navigation the millers shut down or store most of the flour, as it will not stand advanced rates, but none of the millers or their correspondents in Anerica or Europe have any stock of flour, and consequently all mills are running as far as their water power or steam adjuncts will permit; and instead of there being an immense stock of flour on hand, as is usual at this time of year, he didn't think there was a miller in Minneapolis who had not more orders on his-books than he had flour.

The average December price of wheat in the Cnited States is sixty-nine cents, a reduction of eight cents from the average value of the last crop, and $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cents above the prices of 1884 . The average in New York is eighty four cents, twelve cents lower than last year. The reduction is still greater in several Western States. The value of hay averages about $\$ 8$ through the country. Rye averages fifty-three cents, against fifty-seven cents last year. Buck-
wheat is fifty-four cents and putatos forty Wheat is fifty-four cents and potatces forty-six cents per bushel
this year (1886).

A bill is now before Congress designed to prevent frauds upon American manufacturers by foreigners, and it ought to pass, so says the Manufacturers' Gazette (Boston). The hardware stores and cutlery shops in our cities are largely stocked with German goods branded with American names, yet one rarely hears of their being sold as other than of American manufacture. According to official reports there is not a single American citizen abroad engaged in exporting cutlery to this country; yet foreigners, by smuggling, under-valuation und the fraudulent use of American names and trade-marks are rapidly ruining an important American industry. Millions of dollars are invested in it, and thousands of workmen and
their families depend upon it for their daily bread.

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ALONG THE NORTHERN RAILWAY-THE NORTHERN AND NORTHWESTERN - AND THE CALLANDER EXTENSION.
(From the Toronto Globe, Dec. 31, 1886.)

## PATTERSON.

Between Richmond Hill and Maple is the post village of Patterson, which is situated in the township of Vaughan, and contains a population of about three hundred souls, and has Methodist and Presbyterian churches and a public school. The village was settled in 1845 , and has a large foundry and agricultural implement works belonging to the firm of

## PATTERSON AND BROTHER.

The first agricultural implement manufactory ever started in Canada was that of Patterson \& Brother, whose name is now a household word in every farm-house in Canada. The works were first started in 18.0 at Richmond Hill by Messrs. A. S. and Peter Patterson, who still carry on the business. At first the only implements marle were fanning mills, and the factory was in a building but little better than a barn, and it was then only intended to build for the local demand. Three years after the founding of the firm the property on which the village of Patterson is built was purchased, partly for its water privileges and partly for its pine timber. The site was then in the bush, which was almost unbroker, but on that property they erected a factory which has become one of the largest in Canada. As the country becane developed and the land was
cleared cleared up, the demand for agricultural implements became greater and greater, and the business of Patterson d Brother increased with the growth of the country. Now it has probably the largent business, in its own line, of any tirm in the Dominion. Its implements may be found on the coast of Clape Breton, on the east, and on the west as far as the Pacific slope, and the far-off island of Vancouver. At all principal places in Canada agencies of the company can be found, and every agency does a large business. From simply building fanning mills in 1850 the varieties of the firm's products have increased, till they now cover every kind of agricultural implement needed for working the ground or for harvesting. Among the varieties of manufacture at Patterson are reapers, mowers, horserakes, ploughs, spring-tooth cultivators, spring-tooth harrows, but the special products are the celebrated Patterson light binder which they claim is the only genuine two-horse binder made, and one they can guarantee is as light as any other on the inarket. By an ingenious, but simple device, the machine can be narrowed so as to pass through a ten-foot-six gate. Another specialty is the celebrated spring-tooth harrow, for which this tirm hold the patent rights for the Dominion of Canada, and of which alone they manufacture five thousand every year. They also have a large spring steel business, in which about two hundred tons of the finest quality of spring steel is used every year. They make all kinds of springs that require high grades of steel tempering. In 1882 the business had outgrown the capacity of the works at Patterson, and a branch factory was opened in the town of Whitby, which has proved a thorough success. At this place they manufacture grinders, ploughs, gang-ploughs, and cutting-boxes, but make a specialty of the well-known Raymond Grinding Mill, which can be adapted for anything from a coarse grade of flour to stantly employed about two hundred men, aind their factories are among the mammoth establishinents of Canada. A Globe reporter who visited the works recently was struck by the large number of medals and diplomas which he saw in the office, and which have been granted by the largest agricultural societies in the Dominion.

In connection with the above, the Globe of Saturday publishes the following:
"Friday's Globe contained a descriptive notice of Patterson
ment was made that the establishment was the oldest of the kind in Canada, dating back to 1850 . To this the Massey Manufacturing Company of this city demur, they claim to date back to 1847 . Both firms are of the highest standing, and there was no intention of making invidious distinctions."

## AURORA.

This is the largest village in the County of York, and indeed lacks but a few of the number of inhabitants necessary for its incorporation as a town. The census of 1881 gave the population as 1,540 , but a municipal census, taken during the present year, gave it about 1,900 inhabitants, and us it has grown considerably since then there is little doubt that before long it will develop into a full-fledged town, with its own mayor and corporation.

THE WILKINSON PLOUGH CO. (LIMITED).
Aurora has about the largest plough factory in the Dominion. The Wilkinson ploughs are well-known throughout Canada, and, indeed, all over the world. Mr. Geo. Wilkinson first began the manufacture of ploughs in Aurora about fifteen years ago and since then his business has increased year by year. He is credited with being the pioneer plough manufacturer of the Dominion. Six years ago he took in as partner Mr. W. H. Perran, manager of the Federal Bank, and in 1883 Mr. R. St. B. Young, of Montreal, joined them. The capacity of the works is now twelwe thousand ploughs and two thousand scrapers a year. They have a warehouse and office in Montreal, 102 Foundling street, with Mr. J. Pool as manager, and do a very large lusiness in the Province of Quebec. They sell a large number of ploughs in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and do an extensive business in Manitoba and British Columbia. They make the only solid pressed steel road scraper in Canada and supply over three hundred townships in the Province of Ontario alone. Mr. Wilkinson takes a prominent part in municipal matters and was a member of the Council for a number of years. The company have a large exhibit at the Colonial Exhibition in London, England, and have sold a number of ploughs this year to go to Australia and other colonies.

## THE BEAVER TANNERY.

Few businesses require the personal supervision and thorough knowledge of the whole process that are necessary for a successful tanner and currier. Aurora is fortunate in having one such in her midst. The tannery of Mr. Frank T. Daville was started twenty-five years ago by Mr. J. T. Gurnett, from whose hands it passed to those of Messrs. Edward Pease \& Sons, who carried on the business for about ten years. In 1877 the present proprictor bought out the concern and has been running it ever since. When he obtained possession there were only seven or eight men employed, but he soon increased the capacity of the tannery till now it employs thirty men. Mr. Daville, immediately after he had leased the place, commenced to make alterations and improvements which cost him more than the original property. The machinery is about the finest in the Province of Ontario, and is being constantly added to. Among the improvements he early made, was the placing in the tannery Winters' measuring machine, at a cost of $\$ 260$. This one was the second or third machine of the kind in Ontario, and the principle of the machine is so perfect that the accurate measurement of a side of leather is instantaneously registered on a dial, and from the measurement made there can be no appeal. It is always exact. Anothor machine he purchased at a cost of $\$ 1,500$ is Barton's Boston belt-knife leather-splitting machine, which leaves a side of leather exactly even and at a much lower cost does the work in a manner which cannot be approached by handicraft. There are also two of the latest improved glassing machines in the tannery, and the whole outfit is simply perfect. The re-arrangement of the premises by Mr. Daville has had the effect of vastly improv. ing the facilities for work and has tended to improve the quality of the output. The speciality of the tannery is "Buff"
leather of the Beaver brand, and Mr. Daville has secured for himself and his tannery a reputation which is second to none in the country for general excellence of work and for perfection of finish. The tannery puts out every week about 350 sides of leather, and is one of the largest manufacturing establishments in North York.

## aURORA AGIRICULTURAL WORKS.

The old proverb, "Large trees from little acorns grow," was never better exemplified than in the case of the Aurora Agricultural Works. Mr. Joseph Fleury, the founder, in 1859 began the manufacture of cast iron beam ploughs in Aurora. His establishment was very small at first, his only power being a single horse, but he continued adding year by year to his facilities and increasing his business till at the end of seven years he was able to add to his plough business the manufacturing of straw cutters, root cutters, and grain crushers. Three years later, in 1869, he began to make the mowers and reapers which have made his name so well-known throughout Canada. During the whole period of his business career he enjoyed a well-earned prosperity, the secret of which was that he always avoided debt, paid cash for everything he purchased and if he had not the cash he went without. All the profits made from the business were carefulty invested in increasing his capacity for manufacture. His fellow citizens honored him by electing him reeve of the village for nine successive terms, and in 1879 he served a term as Warden of the County of York. In September, 1880, Mr. Fleury died, after a short illness, since which time, until very recently, the business was managed by his executors in the same careful but enterprising manner that had distinguished Mr. Fleury's management, and they added to the business the well-known Fleury Cord Binder, and opened up a larger business connection. In steel ploughs particularly, they have done a very large trade from Prince Edward Island to British Columbia, Mr. Yule, one of the executors, is now reeve of the municipality, and is serving his fourth term in that capacity, having been elected as successor to his late employer. In September last the business, which had been managed by the executors under the name of the Fleury estates, was transferred to the two sons, and the firm is now known as J. Fleury's Sons, snd promises to be as successful as the old one. Their premises here are large and extensive and furnish employment to nearly one hundred men.

## NRWMAREET.

WM. CANE \& song' manufacturing co. (Limited).
The town of Newmarket owes much to her manufacturers, of whom Mr. Cane was one of the first. Mr. Cane had been the owner of a sawmill in the township of East Gwillimbury, but in 1875 he moved into Newmarket, and commenced the manufacture of lumber, lath, shingles, sash, blinds, mouldings, doors, and in fact all kinds and descriptions of housebuilding materials, in addition to ordinary lumber. This business grew to large proportions, and with it grew Mr . Cane's capital, and he commenced the manufacture of all kinds of wooden ware, such as pails, tubs, washboards, and clothes pins. This business has grown also, and there are now made at the works no less than forty-two different kinds of ordinary pails. At the late Industrial Exhibition many of these were shown and a silver medal was granted for the general excellence of the exhibit. But the articles in that exhibit which attracted the most attention were the impervious wooden packages made by the firm, such as oil cans, pickle packages, etc. To such perfection has the manufacture of these goods been brought by this firm, that they can make wooden packages convenient to handle which will hold any substance, no matter how volatile or penetrating, and their oil can will hold gasoline as safely as any tank. The extent of the business may be gathered from the fact that the company employs 120 men the year round, besides woodsmen, and use over two million feet of lumber, and two thousand
cords of stave-bolts in the factory in the manufacture of their various products. In 1885, after ten years' successful operal tion, the firm was changed into an incorporated company, under the style of Wm. Cane \& Sons' Manufacturing Co, (Limited). The citizens of Newmarket have, since they have been incorporated as a town, had but one Mayor, Mr. Wm. Cane, the head of the firm, and are not likely soon to change. This one fact is sufficient to show that Mr. Cane is not only a large employer of labor, but also an extremely popular and public-spirited man.

## THE ALLAN PLOUGH works.

An important industry at Newmarket is the foundry and plough manufactory of Mr. James Allan, situated on Timothy street. Mr. Allan has carried on the foundry business for thirty-five years, but only commenced the manufacture of ploughs about twenty years ago, when he formed a partnership with Mr. Thomas Hendry, who retired a few years ago, leaving Mr. Allan the sole control of the business, since which time he has done a large and constantly increasing trade, and his celebrated ploughs are in great demand in the County of York and surrounding counties, where the statement that they are favorites is proved by the fact that he secures nearly all the first prizes at the county fairs where he exhibits, awarded by the farmers themselves, and they are sometimes more competent to judge of the merits of agricultural implements than mere theorists. In addition to the manufacture of ploughs he does a large repairing business.

## THE NEWMARKET MILLS.

The flour milling industry is well represented in Newmarket. Without any exception the finest mill north of Toronto is situated here. This mill is a comparatively new building of white brick, $45 \times 50$ feet, tive storeys high, with a storehouse attached, $32 \times 60$, capable of storing 30,000 to 40,000 bushels wheat. The power is water, with steam auxiliary, and has a capacity of 200 barrels per diem. The mill is just now being re-modelled to the full Hungarian process; the bolting will be done on an entirely new system, there being none like it in Canada. The machines are built especially for this system of working, and are much more economical and efficient, and take up much less room than the old style of bolt. The proprietor, Mr. B F. Reesor, claims that when completed the mill will be equal to any in the United States and second to none in the Dominion. The trade will be principally in strong flours, for bakers' add family use.

## BARRIES

THE KMmpinfeldt tannery.
For over forty years Barrie has had a tannery, and this tannery has seen many changes. The original proprietor was Mr. Graham, who still resides in Barrie. From his hands it passed some years ago, into those of the late Mr. Shortreed, whose melancholy death on the Esplanade last year will be remembered by the readers of the Globe. Mr. Shortreed spent a considerable sum of money in fixing up the tannery, making many important improvements. In November, 1882, the tannery was purchased by the present proprietors, Messrs. Wu. H . Cross \& Co., who have still farther added to the facilities of the establishment. Mr. Wm. H. Cross is a practical tanner, the son of a tanner, having learned the business in his father's tannery at Stewarton, and has brought business principles and tact, as well as a thorough knowledge of his work, into the place, and has made a great success here, in spite of many serious difficulties. The special features of the tannery are harness leathers, upper leather, buff and lace leather; and, in addition to this, there is a factory for making boot uppers. The business has prospered so much under the present able management that it has been found necessary to move the closed uppers factory to premises on Dunlop street, west of the post-office, in which is also kept a full line of shoemakers' ind-
ings and supplies-including all lines of native and foreign leathers. The tannery now employs about 25 men the year round, and the upper factory finds work for three inore. The appers made here have acquired a good reputation, and are Pought for in all parts of Western Ontario, and as far east as Peterborough. The basement is devoted to the vats, beckmill, leech-house, and engine room, which have good drainage to the bay, and the ground floor is occupied by the drying and currying room. The upper floors are used for currying. The building in front is a three-storey brick, with two-storey frame in the rear, which was the original building. The capacity of the tannery now is between six and seven thousand hides per annum, and it is probable that its capacity will be in60 -horue in the near future. A 35 -horse-power engine, with a 60-hore-power boiler, furnishes the power to run the machinery, which is complete in every respect. One of the features of the warehouse is the Winter measuring machine, which, by an ingenious contrivance of pins, registers on a dial instantaneof leather accurately the exact number of square feet in a hide of leather. Mr. Cross had only been in Barrie two yenrs, When his fellow-citizens recognized his ability, and insisted on his running for the position of town councillor, knowing that the man who manages his own business well is the best man to have charge of the affairs of the community at large, and in the following year they elected him triumphantly to the reeveship, a position he has filled with honour and credit alike to himself and his adopted town. At the last session of the Dominion waited on Mr. Cross accompanied a large delegation who waited on the Government to urge upon them the desirability of completing the Trent Valley Canal, and was selected as the chairman of the delegation. His statement of the case then was very clear, and lucid, and was listened too with great
attention.

## barrie foundry and rngine works.

In the year 1864, when Barrie was but a small place, and the country around was comparatively unsettled, Mr. Henry Sewrey started a small repair shop for sawmill machinery. At first bo had but two men employed, but the excellence of the work brought more and more business, and year by year saw an increase in the number of workmen and an increase in the work the manufacturter a short time Mr. Sewrey launched out into the larganufacture of saw-mill and other machinery, and invented The popularity of machines especially adapted for lumbermen. great that he of the machinery invented by himself became so and devoted gave up the manufacture of all other machines, himself had himself to the manufacture of the machines he whimself had designed. These are well known throughout the when tested Aorn Ontario, and are everywhere the favorite When tested. Among the manufactures turned out of this founand are steam engines and boilers the acme oi economy, grist and saw-mill machinery of all kinds, gang lath mills, shingle milticle double and single edgers, mill gearing, and in fact every article of machinery needed for the lumberman or the miller. From two men in 1864, the number employed has increased to forty in 1886, and the small premises which sufficed in 1864 have been increased till the building now occupied has a frontage on Ross and Bayfield streets of 300 feet, and is two storeys in height. Mr. Sewrey's abilities as a business man were for thed by his fellew-townsmen very early in his career, and Council past twenty years he has served in the Municipal Council without cessation. He was first elected Councillor and afterwards Deputy-Reeve, filling those positions with such crearit as to be elected Reeve of the town, and for the past five years has held the responsible position of Mayor of the largest displayed the Northern system, a position in which he has always his fellow-citizens, and have which first gave him the confidence of

[^0]About that time the irmo of N. \& O. J. Pbolpe of ©t. Guther ines, who had purchased a timber limit at this point, exected what is now the best and most complete circular saw-mill in Northern Ontario. The building of the mill brought, of course, a large number of men who were employed by the firm, and a little village sprang up around the property. This village has become each year more and more thriving, and at the present time there are located there a number of handsome stores and spacious grain warehouses, from the latter of which an immense quantity of grain, purchased from the farmers in the neighbor hood, is annually shipped to Toronto. Phelpston is not on the direct line of railway to the North West, but all its shipments have to be sent through Allendale, where the great junction of the Northern and North-Western system is situated. Although the mill will have to be removed in about two years, owing to the supply of lumber being nearly exhausted, the prosperity of the village will still go on. The business enterprise of N. \& O. J. Phelps has made the place, and the firm las always been deservedly popular. The sawmill has a capacity of from forty to fifty thousand feet of lumber per day, and is one of the features of the northern district of Ontario. Mr. O. J. Phelps has served one term in the Local Legislature, with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents, by whom he is universally esteemed. Among the benefits which have been derived from Mr O. J. Phelp's connection with municipal matters the township of Flos, of which he was Reeve for fourteen years, has to thank him for the railway which now passes through her borders.

## orillia.

## THE ORILLIA WOOLLEN MILLS.

At the corner of Mississaga and Matchedash streets stands : new brick building three storeys high, fifty-six feet long and thirty-six feet front. This is the new factory of Mr. A. K. McKay, who was burnt out some months ago. Mr. McKay commenced business on the site of the present building ten years ago, but was burnt out in 1878, and the building he then erected was destroyed by fire during the month of September in the present year. He determined then to put up such a building as would be as nearly fireproof as possible, and called in the services of one of the best architects to prepare the plans, keeping that end carefully in view. The new building is now completed, and the factory will shortly be re-opened. The machinery inside will consist of one set of manufacturing cards, one set of roll cards, four looms, and two hundred spindles. All kinds of woollen goods, blankets, tweeds, fulled cloths, yarns and flannels are to be manufactured in the new factory as in the old one, and the reputation Mr. McKay acquired in the past, for the manufacture of superior goods, will stand him in good stead in the future. Already, indeed, he has orders to a large amount booked, and waiting to be filled. The business of the mill has extended as far north as the Maganetawan River, and throughout the Parry Sound District, and the products of the mill have beet, handled and eagerly sought for by the best houses in Toronto and Montreal. There is little room for doubt that, now Mr. McKay has seen the last of his fiery ordeals, as he has so well protected his factory, that this industry, which is of great value to Orillia, will continue to prosper.

## E. U. Whipfen's mills.

Among the best known and most enterprising of the residents of Orillia, Mr. E. U. Whiffen deserves a prominent place. Mr. Whiffen was superintendent of Becher \& Sullivan's mills, at Bell Ewart, for many years, until in 1880 the mill was burnt down, when he moved north and ran the British Canadian Lumber Co.'s mill at Midland, under contract for one year, and in the year following he purchased a mill at Fesserton, the point where the Midland Kailway first strikes the Georgian Bay. The mill has a capacity of from three to four million feet of lumber per annum, and is a complete circular mill with ample power. Around the mill are some of the best piling grounds in in country, well laid out, and with plenty of railway switches run-
ning through. Parry Island, in the Georgian Bay, is this year furnishing the mill with its stock of timber. A general assortment of lumber is sawn, including pine, oak, ash, spruce, tamarac and birch. This is suld chiefly in the Canadian market, and handled by Toronto firms, but some of the choicest finds a market in Oswego. The mill is about sixteen miles from Orillia, on the Midland Railway, and as it has good dockage on the Georgian Bay, there are ample facilities for shipping the products of the mill at reasonable rates. Mr. Whiffen is a native of Utica, N.Y., but has for several years past lived on Peter street, in the town of Orillia.

## THE ORILLIA STEAM CARRIAGE WORKS.

The present extensive carriage factory belonging to the firm of W. Tudhope \& Sons was established by Mr. W. Tudhope in 1855 , and was gradually extended, until now it is one of the features not only of Orillia, but of the Province of Ontaio. In 1876 Mr. J. B. Tudhope was taken into partnership with his father, and in 1884 two other sons, Johu and W. H., were added to the tirm. There are five more sons waiting till they are old enough to be taken in. Some idea of the extent of the business may be gathered from the fact they every year there are over 600 vehicles of all kinds built at the works, and some of these are of special design. Among the specialties are the Buffalo road waggon and the Porter side-spring buckboard, but besides these, all styles of carriages, phaetons, buggies, farm waggons, sleighs, and cutters are manufactured on the premises. These are all warranted to give satisfaction, and a written guarantee is given with every vehicle. This, however, is now but a matter of form, as every vehicle not only is warranted to, but actually does, give satisfaction. The works comprise four large buildings having a flooring of 33,600 square feet. A powerful engine is used to run the machinery, which is of latest and most improved make, and which shows for itself that no expense has been spared to make the factory what it really is, a model carriage works. The firm employs about thirty men the year through, and all the sons work at so.ne part of the business in addition to this. The eharacter of the work turned out is attested by all who have been custoniers of the firm, and has won for them a large number of medals and diplomas whenever they have exhibited. One of the most important branches of the business is the painting and finishing, and to this the firm has paid special attention, and none but the most skilful mechanics are employed in this department, or indeed in any other.

## J. R. eaton's planing mill.

A town growing as rapidly as Orillia does needs a good planing mill and sash factory as well as a practical building contractor. Mr. J. R. Eaton, who has been favorably known in Orillia for some years, and has been engaged in building and contracting for some time, commenced his planing mill and sash factory about a year ago. This he filled with a valuable outfit of the best machinery, which is run by a 20 horse-power engine and boiler. During the past year Mr. Eaton has erected about a dozen houses in Orillia, at a cost of about twenty thousand dollars. This fact alone is sufficient to prove not only how Orillia is growing, but that Mr. Eaton has already built up a successful business.

## LONGFORD MILLS

is situated in the Township of Rama, County of Ontario, between Lakes Couchiching and St John. The Northern and Northwestern Railway runs through to Callander past the mills, and in the summer steamers from Orillia call regularly, and of late years the village has been crowded somewhat frequently by visitors and pleasure-seekers. The village was founded by the late Jno. Thonson, about eighteen years ago, and has been gradually added to until now. At present, the village consists of about fifty dwellings, a nice comfortable church, general store, post-office, telegraph and express oftices,
and ere long it is expected to be connected by telephone with Orillia. The population of the village is about 250 .
THE LONGFORD LUMBER COMPANY AND RAMA TIMBER TRANS PORT COXPANY.
The principal business carried on is the manufacture of lumber, lath, shingles and lime. The most important industry is carried on by the Longford Lumber Company, who have two fine large steam sawmills, with capacity of eighteen to nineteen million feet in six months. This company have very extensive limits in the townships of Rama, Digby, Dalton, Carden, and Anson, and they are also sole owners of the township of Longford, which has an extensive and abuadant supply of pine, hemlock, and other valuable woods sufficient for their mills for many years to come. The output of their mills this season was eighteen and a-half million feet and two million lath and about ten million of shingles. Their manufactured goods are shipped over the N. \& N. W. Railway, principally to Toronto and thence by vessel to Ogdensburg, Oswego, and other lake ports. In addition to their large sawmill interest they have extensive farms connected, where they. have a fine herd of Shorthorn cattle, Southdown sheep, and Berkshire pigs. This company employ in the cutting season at the mills about 150 men, and in the winter season from 300 to 400 men. The next business of importance is conducted by the Rama Timber Transport Company, under the same management. It was fonned for the purpose of taking logs through the canal from Black River into Lake St. John, and from Lake St. John to Lake Couchiching by machinery composed of a tramway about ninety rods long, operated by a large engine and boiler, driving a multitude of short shafts and cog. wheels with rollers attached, where the logs are put on aud propelled across at the rate of about 1,500 to 2,000 pieces per' day. About forty inen have been employed at the works for about four months in the year. There is also on their premises a large shingle mill, with a capacity of eight million in the six months, and the company also operate a magnificent farm in connection. This company has done a large busineas for the past few years.

## IN THE HOLD OF AN OCEAN STEAMER.

"How long do stokers live?" asked a New York Tribune reporter of an engineer of one of the swiftest ocean racers that ply between this country and England.
"As long as anybody," was the unexpected reply.
"How do they like their work?"
"If they don't like their work they get out; there are plenty willing to take their places," was the answer. But it is hard to persuade the average landsman that the stoker's life is not shortened by constant exposure to the extremes of temperature. Transatlantic passengers who have braved the intense heat of the furnaces and visited the fire room, wonder how men can endure such a life even for a voyage. The stokers work four hours at a stretch, hemmed in between two long lines of furnaces that keep the temperature ordinarily at 120 degrees, sometimes sending it as high as 160 . The space between the furnaces is so narrow that when the men throw in coal they must take care when they swing back their shovels, lest they should burn their arms on the furnaces behind them. The only means of ventilation is one large air pipe that reaches down into the center of the stokers' quarters, aud on a big steamer the men have to take the air in batches. On a great ocean steamer like the Umbria, the men come on in gangs of eighteen stokers and twelve coal passers, and the "watch" lasts four hours. The Umbria has 72 furnaces, which require nearly 350 tons of coal a day, at a cost of about $\$ 20,000$ per voyage. One hundred and four men are eniployed to man the furnaces, and they have enough to do. They include the chief engineer, his three assistants, and ninety stokers and coal passers.

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