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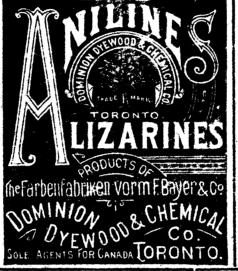
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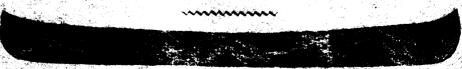
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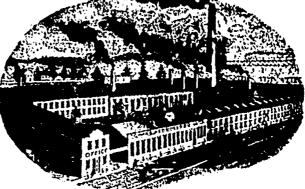
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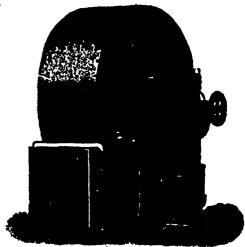


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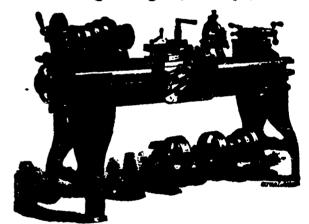
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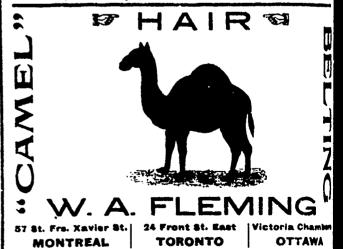
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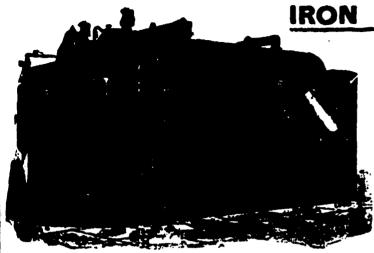
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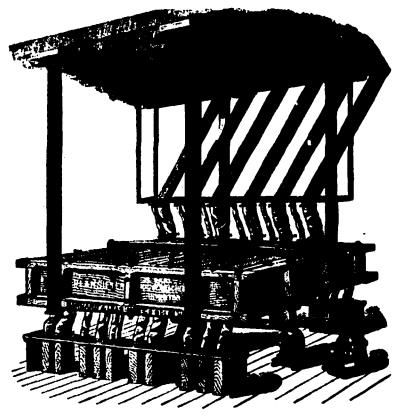
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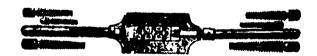
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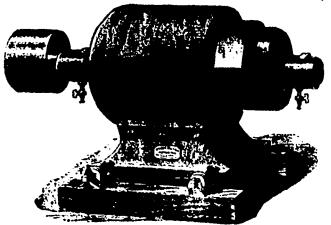
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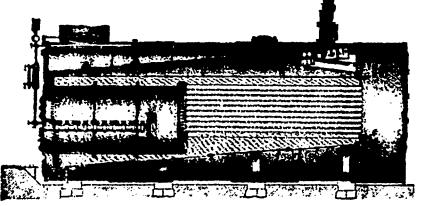
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#### RECIPROCITY WITH THE UNITED STATES.

At the St. Johns meeting, Mr. Laurier referred to reciprocity, saying: "If we succeed in establishing friendly relations with the United States we will revive the treaty of reciprocity of 1853-56, the golden age for the provinces of Quebec and Ontario."

The Globe of Saturday, 8th inst., contains a five-column paper on same subject by Mr. John Charlton, M.P. From these indications, it may be inferred that it is the intention of the present Government to waste their energies in a vain attempt to procure a fair treaty of reciprocity with the United States. It will be noticed that Mr. Laurier hopes to revive

the old treaty which was confined to raw products, while Mr Charlton would extend its scope so as to include a list of specified manufactured articles.

It was unworthy of the Premier to mislead the propie with the idea that the revival of the old treaty would produce for the provinces of Quebec and Ontario a golden age such as they enjoyed during these ten or eleven years, thirty to forty years ago. In that period, coincident with the reciprocity treaty, these provinces benefited greatly from the Russian war, the construction of the Grand Frunk and other railways, and the war of secession; the last of which created a demand for all kinds of Canadian products which would have prevailed, with or without reciprocity. If Mr. Laurier could show any prospect now for a similar combination of events all contributing to prosperity, he might be justified in his anticipations, but in the absence of these, he might just as reasonably maintain, that in the event of a war between Britain and Russia now, France would be found in alliance with England as she was forty years ago. All the conditions as between Canada and the United States have undergone a At that time Canada was complete revolution since 1854. a large purchaser of the manufactures of the Eastern States in many classes of goods which she now manufactures for herself, and on the other hand, the Eastern States bought largely of Canadian farm products which they now obtain from the then undeveloped West. At that time the greater part of Canada's trade with England, the Maritime provinces and West Indies, was transacted through United States channels, now it is nearly all done through our own channels.

While Mr. Laurier, in his customary habit of evasiveness, refrains from advancing any grounds for his expectation of reviving what he terms the "golden age" by means of reciprocity, Mr. Charlton fills five columns of The Globe with statements and deductions which he imagines fully establish the soundness of that policy of reciprocity of which he is the advocate. He begins with the proposition that inasmuch as our export trade with the United States nearly quadrupled during the twelve years of reciprocity, the continuance of that policy would have resulted in maintaining the same anmual average increase, and our exports to that country in 1894-95 would have reached \$110,000,000 instead of only \$41,297,676. Mr. Charlton is too modest, why should be not contend that in the twelve years ending 1878, under the quadruple increase, our exports would have reached \$159,-800,000; and in 1890 would have reached \$639,200,007. The fallacy of his argument lies in the assumption that all the Canadian goods exported to the United States during years of reciprocity were taken for consumption in that country, whereas, a large proportion of them only passed through there on their way to Europe, the maritime provinces, West Indies, etc. A still greater fallacy is in the assumption that the United States in proportion to its present population, requires or could absorb for its own use, a greater or even as great a value of Canadian products as it did during the war of seces. sion. The advocates of reciprocity are in the habit of pointing to the large exports, as exhibited in the Trade and Navigation tables of Canada, as affording a correct indication of United States purchases from Canada. They atudiously avoid any reference to that proportion of these exports which is not bought for consumption, but merely passes through in transit for other countries. We have not any returns showing the value of merchandise imported into the United States from Canada, and entered there for consumption, later than for the fiscal year 1891-92, but the reports of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, give the values so entered for years ending June 30, 1890, 1891, and 1892, and they compare as follows:—

Imports into the United States, from the Dominion of Canada, and entered for consumption

| during the ye | ar ending | June 30, | 1890.  |           | \$32,416,156       |
|---------------|-----------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------------|
| G, ,          | **        | 44       | 1891.  | • • • • • | 35,079,402         |
| 44            | 44        | 46       | 1892 . |           | 29,452,540         |
|               |           |          |        |           | <b>236,948,098</b> |

Exports from the Dominion of Canada to the United States, per Trade and Navigation Tables,

It is thus shown that about twenty per cent. of the merchandise exported from Canada to the United States is not sold there for consumption, but merely shipped through that country to Great Britain, etc. By deducting this twenty per cent, from our exports to the United States, and adding the greater portion of it to our exports to Great Britain the relative proportion of our sales to these two countries is materially altered. Mr. Charlton, as a business man, must be perfectly cognizant of this feature of our trade. It is dishonorable to attempt to conceal it.

It is equally discreditable to pretend that under free trade, our exports to the United States should have reached \$110,-000,000 in 1895. Mr. Charlton illustrates the repressive effect of American duties upon our export trade by giving a table of nine articles, the value of our exports of which was \$9,572,205 in 1890, prior to the McKinley tariff, but in 1895, only \$1,911.302, and would leave it to be inferred that this reduction is altogether owing to the duties imposed. The first article is horses, the value of which declined over\$1,375,000. Now Mr. Charlton knows that owing to the general use of electric power, bicycles, etc., there has been an enormous decrease in the value of horses both in the United States and Canada during the past five years, so that the former country, instead of requiring to purchase horses in Canada, is now exporting them to Europe, its exports for the twelve months ending June 30, 1896, amounting to 25,126 horses, valued at \$3,530,703. He refers also to sheep, the exports to the United States showing a reduction of \$415,000. No doubt under free, trade there might be sold quite a number of lambs; but as to sheep the United States exported **in above twelve** months 491,565 sheep, valued at \$3,076,384. It is sheer absurdity to pretend that under free trade or reciprocity, the United States would become a large purchaser of our horses and sheep. So also as to horned cattle, during 1895 96, the United States exported 372,461 live cattle valued at \$34,560,672; of canned beef \$5,636,953; of fresh beef \$18,974,107; salted beef \$3,034,484; tallow \$2,323,764. Then as to harley the export value of which has declined nearly \$1,000,000 in the five years, similar changes in the conditions have occurred. Five years ago, the brewing, distilling and pearling industries of the United States furnished a masket for all the barley grown in that country and in Canada, During these five years, there has been a very large increase

in the acreage sown to barley, in the western states particularly; together with this, there has been a rapid increase in the use of substitutes for malt, so that there is now a large excess in production over consumption of barley. The quantity of barley imported into the United States during the way ending June 30, 1896, was 837,484 bushels, value, \$317,59 (average value not quite thirty-eight centra bushel). During same year, the exports of barley from the United States were 7,683,331 bushels, value, \$3,100,311. In addition to this there is a large quantity of last year's barley in the hands ; dealers unsold, and a still larger quantity in the bands of western farmers. California has no duty to pay on its life. eries of barley to eastern or western brewers, and even that favored, has to find a market in Europe. It is wantonly ma chievous to attempt to delude Canadian farmers with the ilea that reciprocity would return the barley prices of five or six years ago.

Mr. Charlton says: "Agricultural protection for the Caradian farmer is a humbug. A comparison between the prices of horses, fat cattle, sheep, hogs, poultry, butter, grains (except com) malt, beans, potatoes, eggs, hay, vegetables, etc., in Canadia markets and in corresponding markets in the United States will, unless under exceptional circumstances, such as scarcity in Canada requiring importation for home consumption, slow higher prices in American than in corresponding Canadian markets." As both countries are under ordinary circumstance, exporters of these articles, the prices in both countries should he about the same except varied by cost of transportation to the seaboard. How can Mc. Charlton show that they are higher in one market than in the other? It is amusing to see in one paragraph the statement that agricultural protes tion is a humbug, but that under exceptional circumstance when Canada requires to import, it may increase values. It was to meet these exceptional circumstances that agricultual protection was adopted, and it is sheer humbug on the part of any business man to dispute the fact that in many of me few years this despised protection has greatly benefited Capadian farmers in the prices they obtained for their what outs, corn, hog products, etc. A fair estimate of the advant ages so derived would more than b lance any advantage which can be fairly shown they would have realized from no procity. The Canada Year Book for 1895 (page 358) latt table showing the value of the agricultural products and steet exported from Canada and the United States during 1891% from which the following of the most important are selected:

|                        | Exports from |                     |  |  |  |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
|                        | Canada.      | United States       |  |  |  |
| Horses                 | \$1,312,676  | <b>\$2</b> ,200,298 |  |  |  |
| Cattle                 | 7,120,823    | 30,663,796          |  |  |  |
| Sheep                  | 1,624.587    | 2,630 686           |  |  |  |
| Pork                   | 32,436       | 4,150,000           |  |  |  |
| Bacon                  | 3,546,107    | 37,776,293          |  |  |  |
| Hams                   | 260,602      | 10,960,567          |  |  |  |
| Becf                   | 438,053      | 20,461,597          |  |  |  |
| Meats canned           | 319,702      | 5,720,933           |  |  |  |
| Hides, horns and skins | 961,267      | 2,310,323           |  |  |  |
| Wood                   | 1,049,459    | 481,463             |  |  |  |
| Butter.                | 697,476      | 915,533             |  |  |  |
| Cheese                 |              | 5,497,539           |  |  |  |
| Eggs                   | 807,980      | 25,312              |  |  |  |
| Wheat                  | 5,359,109    | 43,805,63           |  |  |  |
| Barley                 | 720,718      | 767,216             |  |  |  |
| Oats                   | 320,458      | 200,868             |  |  |  |
| Beans                  | 425,283)     | •                   |  |  |  |
| Peas                   | 1,730,659]   | 429,006             |  |  |  |
| Corn                   | 112          | 14,650,767          |  |  |  |
| Corn meal              |              | 648,844             |  |  |  |
|                        | · ·          | •                   |  |  |  |

| (Continued).                | Expor            | ts from<br>United States. |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| (Continuous                 | Canada.          | United States.            |
| Oatmeal                     | <b>\$276,310</b> | <b>\$</b> 566,321         |
| Flour wheat                 | 839,112          | 51,651,928                |
| Potatoes                    | 527,379          | 418,221                   |
| Hay                         | 1,539,691        | 699,029                   |
| Seeds, clover and grass     | 823,059          | 2,402,157                 |
| Apples, dried               | 250.320          | 461,214                   |
| Apples, green or ripe       | 1,821,403        | 1,954,318                 |
| Fruits, canned or preserved | 109,122          | 918,685                   |
| Fruits, all other           | 40,602           | 1,637,374                 |
| ·                           |                  |                           |

Other items make up totals....\$48,531,344 \$319,535,852

It? seem strange, in view of the immense surplus of agricultural products available in the United States for export, that so much value should be attached to the privilege of free access to that market, and no notice, whatever, given to the danger to the smaller market in Canada from being flooded with the surplus of the larger country, during the exceptional seasons, when through short crops or stocks Canadian farmers should realize good prices.

The Canadian Government has time and again submitted propositions to the United States Government for reciprocity. These propositions have been liberal and reasonable, but have been rejected because of the belief that under a change of Government in Canada, still better terms might be extorted. From a purely business point of view it might be expected that the United States, not Canada, should be offering concessions in order to maintain and extend business relations between the two countries. Canada purchases from the United States about fifty per cent. more merchandise than it sells to that country; it purchases about one seventh part of all the manufactured goods which the United States exports; it offers them the use of our grand canal system on the same terms as for our own people; it offers them access to our valuable sea fisheries. If this is not enough, then drop all negotiations until the Americans find out for themselves that they are more interested in reciprocity than we are. But Mr. Charlten, whether writing in his own behalf or authorized by the liciorm leaders to issue his proposition as a feeler, is so enamored of what he calls "The Continental Market," that he deires to extend the scope of a new reciprocity treaty by inclading in it a list of manufactured articles such as are now almost wholly imported from the United States and which might be admitted on a free or preferential basis with only a triffing injury to British interests. In the position of the Dominion finances, the loss of customs revenue resulting from free trade in raw products would sufficiently tax the ability of the Minister of Finance to meet. To this, add the loss of revenue to result from Mr. Charlton's policy, and the aggregate loss would be very serious indeed. If the articles in his schedule are to be admitted free of duty from the United States, they must also be free of duty if imported from any other country. They are principally of the kinds now made in our own factories, and come into close competition with them. Most of them are now sold to dealers in Canada at gach lower prices than to their own dealers in the United States. Take off the present duties, and so much loss of rev case would result, and in the great majority of the articles, the American manufacturer would obtain the same prices as now, plus the amount of duty remitted. Many of our flourishing manufacturers would be ruined. It may be argued to if Canadian manufacturers are now making and selling these gods at as low prices as in the United States, would they

not be able to sell their wares as freely and as easily in the United States as the American manufacturer could sell in Canada. No, because they would start heavily handicapped. Many of their articles are so covered with patents and royalties in the States, that they cannot be offered for sale there. In the United States, the manufacturers there have had great assistance from the Press, in praising the quality of their goods, and the people have been impressed with the belief that Canadian manufactorers are far behind their American competitors in skill and enterprise. On the other hand the Grit Press of Canada have persistently asserted that Canadian manufacturers do not and cannot manufacture as good articles or as cheaply as in United States and that it would be a great advantage to farmers and others if American goods could be imported free of duty. In the one country the people have been educated to feel a pride in the skill and inventiveness of their own artisans. In the other country they have been educated to look upon the manufacturer as \* bloated monopolist, who by virtue of the tariff, has been exacting inflated prices for inferior goods. There are many other objections to this scheme of Mr. Charlton's. One may suffice. Take agricultural implements. The practice of every manufa turer is to turn out in each season a sufficient number to cover the requirements of a large crop. In the case of the United States where the harvest is generally some weeks earlier in Canada, there will be, in an inferior crop year, a large number of implements remaining unsold which can be dumped on Canada at sacrifice prices, but still at prices which are better than holding them over for another year. No such advantage can occur to the Canadian manufacturer.

Mr. Charlton does not state expressly that in order to carry his proposed policy into operation, his party would be willing to discriminate against like goods from Great Britain, but as to his own views, there can be little doubt that he is willing to adopt this policy. The country will not submit to this. If the United States is willing to consent to a reciprocity treaty on fair and honorable terms, well and good: if not, Canada can get along without it as well as she can. The Manufacturer believes that much more advantageous relations can be established with the mother country than there is any possibility of securing from the United States.

## MR. CASTELL HOPKINS AT THE GREAT TRADE CONGRESS.

Some weeks ago, during the proceedings of the Congress of the Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, an unusually virulent American cable despatch appeared in our Canadian papers concerning a speech made by Mr. Castell Hopkins, the delegate of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The speech as published in our columns to-day speaks for itself. The cable as we now learn from those who were present spoke for no one but the American readers whom it was intended to please, and the consequent abuse of whose papers was a compliment to Mr. Hopkins rather than otherwise.

As representing the Manufacturers' Association Mr. Hopkins seems to have been cautions and at the same time strong. Ho did not entirely support Mr. Chamberlain's free trade Zolverein proposal, but favored a compromise and modification by which lower duties in the colonies would meet a slight imposition of duty on certain foreign products entering the mother country. This as he pointed out to the pronounced free-traders present, would extend the future area of freer trade without meanwhile destroying colonial industries and injuring colonial prosperity.

Questions connected with British and Canadian relations with the States Mr. Hopkins handled without gloves, and, as most Canadians will say, with truth. It was certainly of value at this juncture and the fact that four hundred delegates from all parts of the Empire listened to the remarks and in part cheered the speaker explains the animus of the American correspondent. But from what we learn our delegate did not limit his exertions in England to the several specches which he made at the Congress. He spoke at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute, when Lord Lorne was in the chair and a large audience present, and at the Conference of the United Empire Trade League.

He was also asked to meet the committee of the British Empire League at a special gathering called for the purpose and had interviews by appointment with Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Rosebery, the Earl of Selbourne, under Secretary for the Colonies, and others, besides being hospitably entertained by friends of Canada such as the Earl of Jersey, Lord Tennyson and Sir Howard Vincent. M.P. Those who know something of Mr. Hopkin's enthusiasm in connection with the union of Britain and Canada, can very well imagine that he everywhere did his best to make the Dominion better known and understood.

#### EFFICIENT AND CHEAP TRANSPORTATION.

At a recent meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Mr. E. P. North, a distinguished member of the profession made some valuable statements on this subject. He claimed that it is the comparatively low cost of collecting raw products for manufacture or consumption, and distributing the finished products, which governs the location of the great centres of manufacture and consumption. Among other historical facts he stated that in the time of Queen Elizabeth the first canal act was passed, but the great flood of canal bills came in 1758, when Brindley commenced building canals. These waterways reduced the freight rates in England immedintely, more particularly in the manufacturing counties, to from one-third to one-fourth of what they had been previously, and they made England the manufacturing country she has been since. During the whole period of the Napoleonic wars England increased in wealth, enabling her to subsidize her allies on the continent, the gold which she paid being received back for manufactured goods. In 1830, when England left off canal building and commenced railway construction, she had more miles of canals and improved waterways per given area, than the United States now has of railways. Her very rapid railway building up to 1847 confirmed her position as a manufacturing nation, and it was thought for years that this position was unassailable. In 1870 Great Britain was mak. ing more than half the iron of the world, the total production being about 11,000,000 tons, of which England made 54 per cent.; the United States 15 per cent.; Germany 10.5 per cent. In 1890 the world's production was about 25,000,000 ton; the United States made 37 per cent.; Great Britain, 31 per cent.; Germany, 18 per cent. This change in the relative proportions, Mr. North attributes in a large

measure to the great fall in the cost of transportation in the United States, whereas, the cost in England is naturally as high now as it was in 1846. He said, there is not in Great Britain a canal or water course which is not in the hands of a railway company, a trust or a private corporation. Tolls are charged on all of them, and very few have been enlarged or improved in recent years. Other countries, however, have increased the size of their waterways, have made them free, as deffected noticeable reductions in freight rates. Up to about 1870, the British had the advantage of the lowest internal freight rates, they were the leading manufacturers of the world and controlled the price of finished products. To day, no manufacturers pay as high a rate per ton-mile for assembling raw materials and distributing finished products as the British, and Americans pay the lowest rates. In spite of the former's ownership of between 60 and 70 per cent. of the world's effective ocean tournage, they have given up the first place as manufacturers to the United States, and are now fighting with Germany, which is enlarging her water ways and building new canals, to retain the second place.

These statements and conclusions of Mr. North are well entitled to the serious consideration of the people and government of Canada, not only as illustrative of the large influence of cheap transportation on the prosperity of all its industries, but because they may aid us in a proper appreciation of the invaluable natural advantages we enjoy, through our magnificent waterways from the far west to the ocean, advantages which, through railway influence and interest, too many are inclined to undervalue. The relative cheapness of water carriage as compared with railway carriage has been so often and so clearly demonstrated as to require no argument.

From the speeches of several of the members of the new Government at Ottawa, every assurance has been given that the question of efficient and cheap transportation will receive their early and favorable consideration. Canada has for many years been paying a great amount of annual interest on its expenditure for the enlargement of the Welland and St. Lawrence canals, the prosecution of which has been conducted in a shamefully dilatory manner. The henefits to be derived from this enlargement cannot be realized until the whole work is complete. Under a vigorous policy and rapid completion. the cost would perhaps have been somewhat increased, but this increase would have been trifling when compared with the loss sustained by our commerce through the inexcusable delay; to which add years of interest on almost hitherto valueless expenditure. It may be hoped that the new government will see that the unfinished part of the work is nushed forward as fast as possible. There can be no doubt that that the completion of our canal system will reduce the cost of transportation from Ontario and Manitoba from one to two cents per bushel, and proportionately on flour, dairy products, etc. Then we have the question of fast Atlantic service and cold storage coming prominently to the front. We hope that government may find itself able to carry out lith projects. We have their assurance as to the cold stonge. Exception might be taken as to the inconsistency of this action with the former utterances of the party. turers are more concerned about the enterprise of the Government than they are about their consistency. Ten times more good can be effected for our farmers by giving them better facilities and cheaper rates of transportation, than can bedose

by any tariff alterations or cheese paring economy. Anything which benefits farmers must help manufacturers. It also appears that considerable expenditure is required on the channel between Montreal and Quebec. Neither our debt or annual expenditure is so oppressive, but that every needed improvement to our waterways may be vigorously proceeded with.

When estimating the advantage to be derived from better and cheaper transportation, this must not be based on the quantities carried through our waterways or exported from our scaports. A reduction by water transportation means a corresponding reduction in rail freights. Every cent thus saved adds so much not only to the value of produce exported, but also to the value of what is sold off the farm for home consumption.

#### INTER-STATE RAILWAY COMMISSION.

A national convention of Railroad Commissioners of the different States was held at the office of the Inter-State Commerce Comission at Washington, on May 19th and 20th; the proceedings at which are published in neat book form. The discussions, reports and resolutions are of a very interesting and important character, referring to the status, rights and obligations of railroad companies, railway statistics, uniform classification of business, legislation, regulation of State and Inter-State railways, powers, duties and actual work accomplished by the several State railroad commissioners during the year, Government control and regulation of railways, safety appliances, pooling of freights and division of earnings, etc. As the questions of cheap transportation and of Government control of railways are exciting a great deal of attention and discussion in Canada, THE MANUFACTURER intends to devote considerable space to the consideration of the proceedings at the above convention.

#### DUTIES OF HAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

Hon. Simeon R. Billings, of Michigan, the Chairman, in his opening speech, stated that one of the objects of a convention of Commissioners of the several States was to discuss methods and means, and adopt such plans as will make State supervision of railroads more uniform and efficient. The reason for this is, that railroad business is not confined to State lines, the same cars and coaches moving on continuous lines through greral States, thus necessitating co operation in carrying out are general needed regulation by Government regulation. An exchange of thought by the Commissioners of the different States should result in good to the people, and at the same time etablish a standard of fairness to the railroad companies. He remarked, that the great wave of railroad building for peculative purposes had vanished, and new railroads must prove their active value and reason for their existence. Time was when railroads were the pet wards of the people, the State and even the nation. Now, the energy and effort formerly expended on building is now largely directed to tearing down and destroying. With many politicians, attacks on railway property form the stock-in-trade by which they hope to gain retes. We are conforted with an almost insolvable problem -to give justice to the railroads, and at the same time be just wall the people. Cheap and rapid transit is revolutionizing the business world : and it is building up and tearing down; destroying the business in one locality and building it up in sether. To one the transportation is too cheap, to the other

it is too dear. In agriculture, cheap transportation of farm products has nearly wiped out the New England farmer; has brought those of the Middle States upon their knees, and built up those farther west, while those of the extreme west clamor that rates are too high, and that all profits are absorbed in transporation. Cheap passenger fares are destroying the business of country werehants and small villages, and building up and concentrating business in large cities. cities want passenger fares still cheaper, and make them so by frequent and cheap excursions, thus enabling large departmental stores to absorb the trade for many miles around. This business revolution cannot be stopped, but every effort should be made to protect the weak against the strong. No two prices should be allowed. No wholesaling of transportation should be permitted. Every form of discrimination should be prohibited. All legislation and rulings of commissions should be to promote safety, equality and stability.

The conditions in the United States, the problem of equal justice to the people and to the railroads, and the rules to be observed in working out this problem apply with like force to the different provinces of the Dominion.

#### STATUS OF RAILWAY CORPORATIONS AND RAILWAY RATES.

A paper prepared by Mr. Stickney, President of the Chicago Great Western Railway Company, was by consent read to the convention; dealing with the question whether Government has the right to control the rates charged by railway companies, and, if so, what limitations are there to the authority of the Government in this respect.

Mr. Stickney says that a quarter of a century ago, railway companies contended that they were private corporations like common carriers, and that they had the right to make such contracts for compensation of their services as they thought advisable, without interference from the Government. After years of discussion, the highest courts have decided that railway companies are not private, but quasi public corporations, and in this view the best thought of the country seems to coincide. The public characteristic of the railway corporation predominates, because the prime purpose of the organization is to perform a public or government function. In the process of civilization, the paramount title of all land is vested in the sovereign or government, as the representative of all the people, the Government in turn granting the right of possession of limited areas to the individual, but upon conditions; one of the conditions is, that the sovereign or government, but no one else, may again take possession, by due process of law, and upon payment of a just compensation, of the whole or any part, for a public use. The prerogative of sovereignty to take private property for a public use without the consent of the owner, is delegated to railway corporations. This fact alone shows the public character of radway corporations, and that railways are public highways, created for the public use, and therefore should be open to the use of every citizen upon equal terms and conditions. The fact that the power and duty of providing highways is exclusively and inalienably vested in the sovereign or government is the fundamental principle on which turns the right of the government to control railway rates. Another fundamental principle is, that while a government can delegate the use of a sovereign power to an agent, it cannot irrevocably alienate or part with a single sovereign power. Therefore all such powers exercised by an agent are subject at all times to the supervision and control of the sovereign or government.

#### WHAT ARE RAILWAY RATES?

Mr. Stickney lays down the proposition that an individual or private corporation may recover for services performed, upon a contract expressed or implied, but the right of a railway corporation to recover for services does not rest upon the law of contract but upon the license of the sovereign to col lect tolls. This, he says, is logic, and it is law. When the acts of the legislatures read that all railway rates shall be just and reasonable and this is construed by the courts to mean taxes to be collected under the rules pertaining to the levying of taxes, the insuperable difficulty of ascertaining the value of each particular service will be avoided.

The first step towards levying just and reasonable taxes is to ascertain the aggregate amount required. This is done by estimating the operating expenses, and adding the fixed charges. It is contended that the aggregate par value of the stock and bonds issued by most railway corporations exceeds the amount for which such railways could have been built for cash, and this excess is called "water," and it is argued that railway companies should not be permitted to collect revenue to pay interest on "water." Mr. Stickney says in reply, that this "water" objection may be taken with equal propriety against the securities of nearly all the counties, cities, towns and other corporations and against the United States as well, for it can hardly be said of any of them that there was not a time when they were not compelled to sell securities at less than their par value. In the case of railway corporations, not a share of stock, a bond or any other evidence of debt can be issued without the previous consent and specific authority of the sovereign, and the sovereign is not in a position to repudiate or question the validity of securities which have been issued under the express authority of the laws, neither is the sovereign in a position to plead that the laws granted a larger authority than was prudent, because that would be taking advantage of his own fault. Hence, all obligations issued without fraud, are valid, and entitled to payment. Taxes sufficient to pay operating expenses, agreed upon interest on outstanding obligations, and a reasonable dividend upon stocks, would be just and reasonable taxes or rates. next step is to ascertain whether the field of authority is large enough to collect taxes equal to the requirements. When the conditions are examined, railways will naturally be found in two classes-"the cans" and "the can'ts." The holders of the securities of "the cants" took that risk when they bought them, and are not entitled to any consideration on that account. Such corporations are justified in collecting such taxes as they are authorized to do, under their charter -no more-but they are entitled to collect all that they can.

Having determined the aggregate amount of just and reasonable rates and on what they can be levied, the next step is to arrive at a proper distribution among the different classes. A single rate has no relation to cost; it may be just and reasonable although less than cost, and it may be just and reasonable although several times more than the cost. Thus, two dollars a ton for hauling coal may be a just and reasonable rate, while fifteen dollars per ton for dry goods may also be just and reasonable. In levying taxes, government may, for reasons of public policy, admit some articles without tax, while on others, such as luxurics, a heavy tax is imposed, and cause was "the enormously increased productive capability of

still others which it is thought desirable to have produced in the country may be protected by so large a tax as to prevent importation. But let the volume of imports decrease until it becomes difficult to get sufficient revenue: then the law of possibility would control. The distinction between necessaries and luxuries and the policy of protection would be disregarded, and the rates would be adjusted so as to yield the highest revenue. Taxes in the nature of customs duties or railway rates may be too high as well as too low to produce in the long run the maximum revenue. A tax of one cent per pound on all the sugar imported into the United States would yield a revenue of \$35,000,000, but raise the duty to five cents per pound, and there would be no revenue in a few years, because there would be a sufficient quantity produced in the country to supplant the imports. So with railway rates; if too high they will stop production and that would stop transportation, and there would be no freight rates to collect. Hence, with railways which cannot collect sufficient revenue to meet all their charges, the correct rate on each class of commodities is that nicely adjusted rate, neither too high nor too low, which will produce the largest revenue. In the case of a railway corporation which is collecting a larger revenue than is just and reasonable, the nice adjustment of the rate for the purpose of producing the maximum results must be disregarded, and the aggregate revenue may be decreased by either raising or lowering the rates as the reasons of public policy may de-

#### LIMITATIONS OF STATE CONTROL.

It is the sovereign's right and duty to confine railway corporations to the authority which has been granted to them; to see that their authority is strictly pursued; that their taxes are levied with uniformity and impartiality, and that they do not collect more revenue than the law allows. It is equally the duty of the state to compel them to collect all the law does allow, if the maximum collection is necessary to meet their obligations, and if the field for taxation is large enough to permit it. The holders of railway securities have a clear case of right. supported by reason and by the letters of the law, to compel the levy and collection of a sufficient tax. The law of Congress says (and the laws of the States have similar provisions) that all railway rates shall be "reasonable and just," and "every unjust and unreasonable" rate is prohibited and declared unlawful.

#### PREFERENTIAL TRADE WITH ENGLAND.

In former issues of THE MANUFACTURER, copious extracts have been given from British trade journals showing growing distrust with respect to the operation of one-sided free trade, and an increasing interest in the establishment of preferential trade between the mother country and her colonies and dependencies.

The Textile Mercury, Manchester, August 1st, in a long article being No. VII, on the Federation of the British Empire, deals with the free trade argument, as follows: "We are perfectly willing to concede that the repeal of the Com Laws and subsequent abolition of import duties upon many other things removed a great impediment from the way of a large extension of our commerce." The Mercury objects to the assumption that the removal of these duties was the only cause of the increase of trade, and contends that the main our industries, revolutionized as they had been by their transformation from manual to mechanical systems.' It says that free traders have allowed their intellects to be dominated so long by one idea that they have become its slaves and can see nothing else. The Mercury concludes its long article by saving:

The conclusions naturally to be drawn are the following 1st, that Free Trade is theoretically a correct principle. 2nd, that experience has proved that the world cannot be brought sdopt it; 3rd, that its partial adoption, as in this country where it resolves into a system of free imports only, may or may not be advantageous according to conditions and circumstances; 4th, that its adoption in 1846 and its maintenance thenceforward, say until 1875, was an almost unmitigated alvantage; 5th, that since 1875 it has been a diminishing advantage, which has now almost altogether ceased; 6th, that the time has arrived when the country should review its commercial relations with other countries, and their relations with it; 7th, it would then find circumstances have changed so greatly that the present system is no longer an advantageous one to maintain, owing to foreign countries having adopted our mechanical systems of industry, and to their becoming more and more able to dispense with our manufactures—the medium in which we should pay for their productions; 8th, that the condition of many of our industries proves the injurious results of the present policy; and 9th, that a system of Imperial Federation should be established by which the differ ent parts of the Empire might sustain one another in preference to foreign States, so many of which have long cherished and avowed sentiments of hostility to this country. tails of this policy should receive the immediate attention of statesmen with a view to carrying it into effect at the earliest possibile time. We do not ask the assent of our readers to these views, only that they should give them their unprejudiced consideration.

The Chamber of Commerce Journal, London, July 1896, reports the proceedings of the monthly meeting of the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce at which the President, Mr. Paul Rottenburg, submitted a report regarding the proceedings at the recent Congress of Chambers of Commerce held in London. With respect to the subject of a closer commercial union between the Colonies and the mother country, he said; that the "discussion on this subject could not fail to resolve itself into abot controversy of Free Trade versus Protection, for, by shatever name it is called 'differential tariff,' 'Zollverein,' 'Fair Trade,' 'Reciprocity,' or what not, Protection was at the bottom of it." "It was but natural that the mother centry should buy the agricultural produce of her colonies and sell her products to them in return, in preference to buying from foreign countries; and it was equally desirable that biggrs and sellers should meet as often as possible and discuss the possibility and means of increased intercourse to mutual advantage; but barring the Imperial door against all and erery one not of British descent would, in his humble opinion, bring about a very undesirable state of things." Mr. James A. Duncan, another of the delegates at the Congress, said: "The impression he took away from the Congress was not the same as that just stated by the President. To him it appearedthat there was a unanimous desire on the part of the commercilclasses for a closer commercial union of the Empire. The chairman had said the arguments were sentimental, but it was sentiment that made the Empire. He could not agree with the President that this was a case of Free Trade or Protection. It was a question of freer trade against our present stupid system."

It does not appear that any action on the report was taken by the Glasgow Chamber, but a vote of thanks was passed to the President and Mr. Duncan.

One of the greatest obstacles in the way of preferential trade between England and her colonies which British Journals notice, is the great variety of conditions and taritl's which are found, and the difficulty if not impossibility of arriving at any policy which would prove acceptable to all the colonies. So far as the commercial relations between Canada and the Empire are concerned, what necessity is there for delaying the arrangement of these until unanimity of opinion and uniformity of policy are arrived at I. There should be no difficulty on the part of the Canadian government to submit to the British government, a proposition which they think would prove to mutual advantage. Suppose this proposition should be of the following character. If England would impose a duty of say ten per cent, on the products of the farm, the forest and the fisheries of foreign countries, Canada will admit all the produce and manufactures of Great Britain and all her dependencies at ten per cent, less ad valorem duty than those from any foreign country. This might necessitate for purposes of revenue, a somewhat higher scale of duties on goods from foreign countries than at present. It may be said that British India, Australia and other colonies would under such an arrangement reap the same benefit as Canada, without having to grant any equivalent. Canada need not grudge them any such advantage. What Canada desires to obtain is a preference for its products against those of the United States, Russia, Danubian principalities, Argentine, etc. If preferential trade with England is ever to be attained, the initiative must come from Canada. That this policy would prove of infinitely greater benefit to Canada than reciprocity with the United States is unquestionable. The new Government has the hearty support of a large majority in the House of Commons. They profess to be especially solicitous about the prosperity of the farming interest. It should not require any very great effort to prepare a proposition to the British Government such as they think would receive favorable consideration. It may require a great deal of correspondence and negotiation before all the details can be arranged, but if an agreement on the general principles can be arrived at, the sooner effort is made in this direction the better.

#### OTTAWA CANAL.

A very large proportion of the traffic on the upper lakes is now being conducted on propellers and sail vessels of such large dimensions and draught of water, that they cannot now avail themselves of our canal system from Port Colborne to Montreal, nor will they be able to do so when the whole of the canals are enlarged to the extent at present contemplated. Canada possesses through its St. Lawrence and Ottawa routes the shortest, quickest and cheapest water channels from the great West to the ocean and Europe. If we hope to secure our natural share of the trade of the West, we must adapt our system to the capacity of the large vessels now employed on: the upper lakes, and this is all the more urgent, because the tendency is constantly towards a still larger capacity. This can only be effected by enlarging and deepening our present canals to correspond with capacity required; or by building new canals via Welland and St. Lawrence river, which would

probably cost less than the enlargement; or by utilizing the Nipissing and Ottawa route for barge transportation. great deal can be said in favor of the last proposition. With large elevators at French River and Montreal, with large locks through which a tug and consorts could pass with one lockage, this should prove the most economical means of trans. portation that can be adopted. The cost of elevators and transhipment at the western terminus would be insignificant as compared with the saving of interest on cost of proposed canal as compared with a twenty foot ship canal. If the traffic prospects for an Ottawa canal are such as to justify its construction, it ought to be undertaken and operated as a Government work, to be employed in connection with and supplementary to the Welland and St. Lawrence route. A charter should not have been granted to any company for a work of such magnitude and importance, which may be used as a competitor instead of an addition to the Government canal system. We notice that an application is being made to Parliament for amendments to the charter, for extending the time within which operations were to be commenced, etc. As the charter has expired through non-fulfilment of conditions, it is to be hoped that Parliament will refuse to extend it. The country will cordially approve of a sufficient money appropriation being maie to procure a thorough survey of proposed canal and reliable estimates of cost and probable through and local traffic to be obtained. We believe that the cost will be so moderate, and the public advantages so great, that Government will see its way towards the early construction of this Ottawa canal.

## PROTECTION AND THE UNITED STATES PAPER TRADE.

The Paper Mill, New York, August 6th, quotes from an article in the New York Tribune :-

Most kinds of paper are cheaper in this country to-day than they were only a few years ago. The kinds used for the printing of newspapers, for instance, cost at the end of the war about twenty-five cents a pound, and now they cost two to two-and-half cents a pound; writing papers which cost then fifty or sixty cents a pound cost now from ten to twelve cents a pound; and so on. . . "This has all been brought about by the tariff. The tariff always stimulates domestic competition. The foreign paper has been kept out, and the home industry has been developed. The process of making paper out of wood pulp was discovered in Germany, and was perfected in this country. The changes in prices have been brought about gradually, till they are what they are now. They could never have come if foreign papers had been admitted freely."

Paper Mill is advised by its London correspondent, that even Canada has joined the list of competitors against British paper makers. Canadian paper is reported to have been shipped to Ireland, and among the arrivals at London this week may be mentioned thirty-two cases from Montreal; over 500 bales were received from the United States. The exports of paper and paper manufactures from the United States for the year ending June 30, 1896, amounted to \$2,713,875 as compared with \$2,185,257 last year.

#### MINERAL PRODUCTS OF UNITED STATES.

The report of the Geological Survey of the United States for the calendar year 1895, gives the following statement:

|                                    | Quantity        | Value.        |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Pig fron, long tong                | 9,446,308       | \$105,198,350 |
| Silver, coining value, troy ounces |                 | 60,766,300    |
| Gold, coining value, troy ounces   | 2,273,629       | 47,000,000    |
| Copper pounds                      |                 | 36,6,2,317    |
| Load, short tons                   |                 | 10,635,019    |
| Zine, short tons                   | 89,686          | 6.278.03)     |
| Quickeilver, flanks                |                 | 1,337,131     |
| Aluminum, pounds                   | <b>93</b> 0,000 | f64 000       |
| Autimony, short tons               | 450             | 65,000        |
| Nickel, pounds.                    | 10.302          | 3,991         |
| Platinum, troy ounces              | 150             | {4.b}         |

METALLIC PRODUCTS

The production of non-metallic minerals for the year, with recapitulation and total, is given as follows:

| Quantity.                          | Value,                     |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bituminous coal, short tons        | \$115,745,776<br>82,49,272 |
| Pennsylvania anthracite, long tons | 82 ,19,272                 |
| Building stone.                    | 31,638,816                 |
| Petroleum, barrels                 | 5 (001,219                 |
| Miscensuleons memoria Bas          | 60,192,171                 |
| Total                              | \$346,311,311              |
| Total value of metallic products   | 20,151,979                 |
| Total value of metallic products   | 1,905,000                  |
| Grand total                        | \$611,795,290              |
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"These are itemized in the full report.

The increase in value over the year 1894 was over \$80,000, 000, the value in latter year being \$527,368,594, but the total value in 1895 was exceeded in 1892, when it was \$648, 600,000.

In pig iron the increase in 1895 over 1894 was about 3,000,000 tons largely due to the great retrenchment during 1894.

The production of iron ores was 15,957,614 long tons as compared with 11,879,679 long tons in 1894; the value in 1895, \$19,219,684; in 1894, \$13,577,325.

The product of limestone for iron flux was 3,698,550 long tons in 1894: 5,247,949 tons in 1895; value in 1894 \$1,849,275; in 1895, \$2,623,974.

The value of the gold product was in 1894, \$39,500,000; in 1895, \$47,000,000. The value of the silver product in 1894, \$64,000,000; in 1895, \$60,766,300. The value of copper products in 1894, \$33,141,142; in 1895, \$38,682,347. All the above were from domestic ores.

The above statements are from the Marine Record, Cleve. land.

#### THE CANADIAN SAULT CANAL.

The Marine Record, Cleveland, August 6th, supplies the following information as to the traffic on the Canadian canal at Sault St. Marie, from the opening of navigation to August 1, 1896:—

| EAST BOUND.                      |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
|                                  | 181G.     |
| Copper, net tons                 | 7,461     |
| Grain, other than wheat, bushels | 2,639,184 |
| Building stone, net tons         | 1,140     |
| Flour, barrels                   | 755,630   |
| Iron ore, net tons               | 1,747,319 |
| Iron, pig, net tons              | 5,815     |
| Lumber, M. ft. B.M               | 14,000    |
| Whoat, hush                      | 9,532,411 |
| Unclassified freight, not tons   | 23,908    |
| Passengers                       | 3,458     |
| WEST BOUND                       |           |
| Coal, hard, net tons             | 56,169    |
| Coal, soft, net tons             | 469,176   |
| Flour, barrels                   |           |
| Grain, bushels                   |           |
| Manufactured iron, net tons      | 3,339     |
| Salt, harrels                    | 5,536     |
| Unclassified freight, net tons   | 31,825    |
| Passangues                       | 4,468     |
| Passengers                       | 4,310     |

Canadian craft passing in July, 1,202; registered tennage, 1,074,-695.

#### RUSSIAN VIEW OF CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-WAY.

Bradstreet, quoting from the Fortnightly Review, says:-"Siberia is a Russian Canada, larger and more populous, it has a great future before it. The Russians have been struck by the fact that the prosperity of Canada and its productive activity have grown and continue to grow with a rapidity which appears to as (Russians) miraculous, and by us mimitatle, just from the date of the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway from the Pacific to the Atlanta ocean. In 1889, they deputed two engineers to observe the Canadian line and its conditions and results Attention in Russia was drawn to the facts that Canada, then a country of 4,000,000 people, had, by its own resources, without any pecuniary help from outside, connected the two oceans by an iron road, 4,500 versts (3,000 miles) long, over very difficult and expensive ground for building, in the short time of four years; that the energetic population of Canada, 3,600,000 in 1871, and only increased to 4,300,000 1881, reached 5,000,000 a year or two after the first train passed in Winnipeg in 1886; that the quantity or grain carried in Canada had increased from 303,571 tons in 1886 to 500,000 tons in 1888; that in places without population there had arisen

What a contrast is found between the tributes of admiration which are everywhere abroad paid to Canadian pluck and enterprise, and the whining of Canadian pessimists who pretend to see no better results than what they sometimes term a mountain of debt.

seven new towns, such as Vancouver, founded only in 1856,

and holding 9,000 inhabitants in 1891. It was made known to Russia that the cost of the Siberian Railway should not be even sixty-five per cent. of the cost of the Canadian Pacific."

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Age of Steel, St. Louis, says that the quality of the ores of the Lake Superior region is adapted to the manufacture of Bessemer steel, and the output has reached the 109,000,000 tons mark, distributed as follows: Marquette Range, 44,500,000 tons, Menominee, 22,000 tons; Gogebic, 19,500,000 tons; Vermilion, 7,500,000 tons; Mesaba, 6,500,000 tons. The capital invested in mines, docks, railroads and vessels amounts to \$243,250,000. By the aid of the latest and most improved labor-saving machinery, and by the use of electricity, great economies in production have been accomplished.

Only a few weeks have clapsed since the Democratic convention was held in Chicago, but in that short time, the financial interests and corporations of the United States have suffered severe losses resulting from the proceedings and decisions of that convention. Comparing the quotations for active shares on the New York Exchange, as shown in Bradstreet's tables, on June 26th and August 6th, it is seen that during these six weeks there has been an aggregate decline in the value of thirty-four industrial stocks, of over \$70,000,000, and on forty railway stocks, \$144,000,000. When to this is added a corresponding decline in the value of the bonds of these companies, the total loss is immense. It may be, that minor induences have contributed to this result, but all financial authorities seem to agree in attributing the decline to the feeling of disquiet and uneasiness as to the future which has been created by the uncertainty as to the future fiscal policy of the country. It is generally recognized that the coming Presidential campaign will resolve itself into a war between labor and capital. What the result will be no one can foresco.

The Iron Trade Review, Cleveland, August 13th, comments very favorably on a work "Iron Making in Alabama" by Mr. Wm. B. Phillips, Ph.D., consulting chemist Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Co. Birmingham, Ala. The first Alabama furnace which produced charcoal iron, was built about 1818; the first coke furnace was built at Oxmoor in 1876. Twenty years ago it was not certain that good coke could be made out of Alabama coal; to-day, the yearly output of coke is 1,500,000 tons, and 800,000 tons of pig iron. The total cost of manufactured pig iron is now less than the cost of raw materials five years ago. A table is given showing the prices of materials as the result of 40,270 charges and 66,653 tons of iron; Hard ore per ton of 2,240 lbs. 67.5 cents; soft ore 55.4 cents; brown ore, \$1.00; Coke \$1.75. The lowest cost of materials per ton of iron was \$3.97, these charges containing 48.5 per cent. of hard ore in the ore burden, 50 per cent. of soft ore, and 15 per cent. of brown ore, with coke consumption of 1 24 tens per ton of iron. Enough evidence is afforded to convince Northern furnacemen that the pressure from southward is not likely to grow less, and that Alabama pig iron at \$6.00 at furnace can be produced.

Under the convention between Great Britain and Japan respecting the duties to be charged on British goods imported into Japan, concerning which ratifications were exchanged at Tokio, November 21, 1895, it was agreed: That so far as might be deemed practicable, the advalorem duties of the tariff farmerly agreed upon should be converted into specific duties. In the schedule of duties, all the articles except the few which could not be classified, are chargeable according to weight and measure. It is also stipulated that the duties shall only be subject to triennial re-adjustment. These two principles are in accordance with those which the MANUFACTUR-ER has always advocated. In British India, although the customs are all advalorem, they are in many important articles, virtually specific; because, in almost all iron and steel imports, the values of the different kinds of goods are established by the customs tariff, irrespective of the fluctations in the market. In Guatemala and Mauritius, all the rates of duty are specific. In Argentine, all comestibles, beverages and tobaccos and many miscellaneous articles are subject to specific duties. In Victoria, Australasia, most of the duties are specific.

Sir Donald Smith's suggestion at the recent Congress of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire that the next meet ing should be held in Canada, presumably at Toronto, was an excellent one and is deserving of serious consideration and support. We are glad to see that it is approved in a tentative way by the British Chamber of Commerce Journal and we append its remarks in this connection:

Now that the third meeting of this kind has been successfully carried through by the London Chamber of Commerce it will not be long before it will be necessary to decide the date and the venue of a fourth Congress, for we may safely assume that the series will be prolonged by the general consent and approval of the commercial associations concerned. Sir Donald Smith, the High Commissioner for Canada, threw out the suggestion that the Dominion would give a hearty welcome to the next Congress if it could be arranged to be held there, the change of venue, if change should be decided upon, could not be made more appropriately than to the Colony which has been to the forefront in all recendiscussions of closer commercial relations within the Empire, and which has done

so much of its own initiative to knit closer by every practical and political means the bonds of union between itself and the mother country. Of this we feel assured, from past experience, that the active association of Canadian statesmen with any such Congress would not be lacking, even if they had not, as they have, the incentive to participate afforded by the example of our Secretary of State for the Colonies, whose connection with the late Congress was in no sense purely formal, and the advantages of which have been gratefully acknowledged by all associated with the proceedings.

The following is the declared total value of our machinery exports since 1875:-

| 1875 | ,£9,100,000 | 1886 | £10,133,869 |
|------|-------------|------|-------------|
| 1876 | 7,200,000   | 1887 | 11,145,745  |
| 1877 | 6,722,868   | 1888 | 12,902,625  |
| 1878 | 7,497,959   | 1889 | 15,254,658  |
| 1879 | 7,279,205   | 1890 | 16,413,424  |
| 1880 | 9,263,516   | 1891 | 15,820,316  |
| 1891 | 9,960,206   | 1892 | 13,887,357  |
| 1882 | 11,962,660  | 1893 | 13,917,543  |
| 1883 | 13,443,554  | 1894 | 14,205,215  |
| 1884 | 13,093,464  | 1895 | 15,215,110  |
| 1885 | 11.074.651  |      | •           |

Average value per annum on the 10 years 1886-1895..£13,892,586

-- Machinery Market, London, Aug. 1st.

The Electrical Engineer, July 22nd, says that according to the "Journal des Economistes," France, the ordinary freight charges per ton on railways, are, per 100 miles:—

| United States | \$ .40       |
|---------------|--------------|
| Holland       | .78          |
| Belgium       | .80          |
| Germany       |              |
| France        |              |
| Russia        | 1.20         |
| Italy         | 1.25         |
| Great Britain | 1.40         |
| •             |              |
| Average       | <b>B</b> .97 |

This shows an average of two cents a mile, as compared with eight cents in 1850. It says: While in every country the henefits resulting to the community from the construction of railways have been equivalent to an annual dividend of forty or fifty per cent, on their cost, the results to the capitalists and shareholders who provided the necessary money have been by no means encouraging. If we take the average returns of net receipts for a series of years, we find that only in two countries did they reach five per cent., the average for Europe being less than four per cent. (3.7), and for the world only a fraction over three per cent., as shown in the following table:—

| United Kingdom     | 4.1 |
|--------------------|-----|
| France             |     |
| Russia             | 3.3 |
| Austria            |     |
| Sweden             |     |
| Bolgium            | 3.1 |
| Canada             |     |
| India              | 5.2 |
| Australia<br>Egypt |     |
| The world.         |     |

so much of its own initiative to knit closer by every practical in the following table the annual values are given of the and political means the bonds of union between itself and the imports and exports of these sixteen countries on the average mother country. Of this we feel assured, from past experience, that the active association of Canadian statesmen with any average annual volume of such foreign trade:—

| Country.          | Imports.      | Exports.    | Total Trade |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Uruguay           | £5,018,133    | £6,325,511  | £10,343,643 |
| Japan             | 7,167,818     | 7,639,046   | 14,806,861  |
| Denmark           | 16,350,012    | 11,923,945  | 28,258,957  |
| Sweden            | 19,159,297    | 16,130,875  | 35,200,179  |
| China             | 20,288,303    | 15,567,426  | 35,855,729  |
| Argentine         | 21,871,460    | 18,929,671  | 49,801,131  |
| Canada            | 22,882,528    | 20,596,180  | 43,478,705  |
| Austria-Hungary . | 25,599.058    | 31,382,469  | 56,781,518  |
| Spain             | 33.316,871    | 31,355,792  | 64,672,632  |
| Italy             | 52,249,889    | 38,391,230  | 90,641,113  |
| Belgium           | 61,771,448    | 53,517,116  | 115,288,564 |
| Netherlands       | 104,898,018   | 88,612,938  | 193,510,956 |
| United States     | 153,279,096   | 168,513,480 | 321,792,576 |
| Germany           | 180,486,313   | 153,490,366 | 333,976,679 |
| France            | 208, 158, 562 | 177,377,454 | 385,531,010 |
| United Kingdom    | 404,658,849   | 295,615,915 | 700,274.794 |

Below another table is given showing the excess of imports over exports, or the excess of exports over imports, as the case may be in each of these countries:—

| •               | Excess of                               |                          |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Country.        | Imports over<br>Exports                 | Exports over<br>Imports, |
| Urnguny         |                                         | £307.378                 |
| Japan           |                                         | 471,228                  |
| Denmark         | £4,426,067                              |                          |
| Swedon          | 3.028,422                               | • • • •                  |
| China           | 4,720,877                               |                          |
| Argentine       | 2,941,789                               |                          |
| Canada          | 2,286,348                               | • • •                    |
|                 | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | 5 000 ms                 |
| Austria-Hungary | 1 4424 (1774)                           | 5,983,402                |
| Spain           | 1,961,979                               | ***                      |
| Italy           | 13.858,659                              |                          |
| Belgium         | 8,254,332                               |                          |
| Netherlands     | 16,285,080                              | • • • •                  |
| United States   | • • • •                                 | 15,234,384               |
| Germany         | 26,995,947                              |                          |
|                 | 30,776,108                              |                          |
| France          |                                         | •••                      |
| United Kingdom  | 109,042,934                             | • • • •                  |

-The Machinery Market, London, Aug. 1st

lan Maclaren's new short story, the last he will write until after his American visit, has been secured by the Ladies' Home Journal, Philadelphia, for publication in the October and November issues It is called "The Minister of St. Bede's, and is said to be in the brightest and eleverest Maclarenesque vein. Besides its than as a delightful romance, the story is said to be notable for the admirable character that the author has created for the chief personage—the minister of St. Bede's, as the loyal lover of an humble Scotch lassic.

## MR. CASTELL HOPKIN'S SPEECH AT THE LONDON CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

In the official report of the Third Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire held in London in June last, Mr. Castell Hopkins, representative of the Canadian Manufacturer' Association, is reported as follows:—

Mr. Castell Hopkins, Toronto (Canadian Manufacturers' Association): Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—I should like to represent to you as I understand them the views of the manufacturers of Canada in the first place, and the views of the people of Canada in the second place, and the views which I think we in this Congress ought to represent and embody in what we propose to do during the next few days. You have heard something from our friend Mr. Cockshutt of the struggles which we in Canada have had to face. You do not, I think, fully realize that the people of Canada have to stand under the pressure of seventy millions of people upon their southern borders; that that pressure has been continuous during the last fifty years; that since your declaration in favor of free trade and your doing away with the preferential policy which you had previous to that period, Canada has been more or less under the influence of elements hostile to its commercial develop-

ment under British auspices. The general effect of that has been that the industries of Canada did not till within ten years have an opportunity of properly developing. We had, Sir, a revenue tariff for ten or lifteen years, and the Right Honorable gentleman who honored us by presiding this morning frankly asks us to return to the revenue tariff. Well, Mr. Chairman, under that revenue tariff the import trade of Canada with Great Britain decreased from sixtyeight millions of dollars to thirty millions of dollars as the result of the failure in the prosperity of the country and the inability of the people to buy the goods which England had to sell them. Under the protective tariff which followed, British imports of goods have steadily increased, and as the prosperity of the country grows they will continue to increase. The manufacturers whom I represent at this meeting hold a capital of seventy millions of pounds, and they represent an output of one hundred millions of pounds. The capital is invested and used in the Dominion of Canada. During the last ten years, with an increase of British trade, the countries of British trade, the ty has developed, and we have increased our importation of British ish goods. You may perhaps think I am speaking from a selfish standpoint. I am not. We have had shipowners addressing you; we have had gentlemen represented personally in the interests of free importation addressing you; we have had gentlemen who have put forward the shibboleth of free trade as a principle upon which we must live, and upon which we must die.

I have heard that a great man and the shibboleth of the shibboleth o many people are very nearly dying for it in this country. I do not know whether it is a fact or not, but that principle, however, whatever it may have been, is not a sacred one. When free trade was inaugurated in this country it had a great effect upon the development of years—but with it ment of this country for a certain number of years—but with it came the discovery of gold; with it came the discovery and utilization of steam, and with it came other elements which made England land for the time being the great commercial and financial power of the world. changed; tariffs have changed; tariffs have changed; tariffs have changed. The tariffs of the world are directed against you in England. Formerly you were able to master those countries, and their tariffs were under your thumb. Those conditions in the conditions of the tions have absolutely changed now. You have to face conditions in many absolutely changed now. in which the whole world is hostile to you, in which your great Colonies do, as they do at the present moment in Canada, purchase eight pounds per head of your goods per annum, and in Australia purchase forty pounds per head of your goods per annum. They come to come to you and ask you to give them a preference, to increase their population by that preference, and enable them to trade with you on that basis in preference to countries like the United States, which that basis in preference to countries like the United States, which buy from you at the rate of two pounds per head per annum. There are a great many things to consider in this connection. Canada has one influence permeating its whole politics and the whole discussion of its future—that influence is the desire of approximately approxima proximating closer and closer to Great Britain. The other influence, and r and I may tell you that it is not a small influence, is the American influence. influence in that country. It is an influence which you must consider the future to look forward sider. Do you want as business men in the future to look forward to the under a McKinley or some similar tariff? Do you want as Englishmen to look forward to the whole North American Continent, united under the North American Continent, under the Munroe doctrine with the South American Continent, shutting out British goods! Or do you want to help us in Canada in one in our ambition to assert our rights to appear as a power which will a substitute of the substitute of will develop steadily in the direction of free trade, though at the present moment we are not able to act upon those principles? I am here speaking as the representative of manufacturers whom you would suppose to be selfish in asserting the protective principle. am here under instructions from them to say that they are willing to accept and to advocate a substantial preference for the British and County and to advocate a substantial preference for the British and County and th ish and Colonial products entering Canadian ports. (Hear, hear.) Am I offering you nothing, is the Canadian manufacturer offering you nothing, is the Canadian manufacturer offering you nothing, when he offers you a substantial reduction upon your goods: goods in return for preference upon some of the food products you bay from Canada? Is the Canadian manufacturer offering you nothing when the control of the we say, ... in Canada ! Is the Canadian manufacturer one ring you we we say, ... and are we in Canada selfish when we say to you in the time of war, "You are importing from foreign countries you in the time of war, "You are importing from foreign Russia, twenty-five milconutries, notably the United States and Russia, twenty-five millions of lions of quarters of wheat per annum, and your total of wheat per annum, and your total of wheat per annum. Annum, of food upon which your people live, is twenty-nine milhons, so that you have a margin of four million quarters of wheat between that you have a margin of any war, in which Russia and between starvation in the event of any war, in which Russia and the United Co. How are the United States are primarily and jointly interested." How are men that to prepare for that future? Do you know as commercial inch that to prepare for that future? then that you were within an inch, if we may use such a phrase, of war with the control of the c war with the United States a few months ago? (Cries of "No, 10,") I assert it conclusively and assuredly. (Hear, hear.) We I assert it conclusively and assuredly. (Hear, hear.) We know the situation in Canada. We read the American press and we know situation in Canada. We know the American press and the know the American press and the know the American press and the know the American pressure and the know t we know something of American politicians. We know the American voter We realize in full the hostility of the majority of the

American people; and though the American travellers, the American men of culture, and the American men of letters who know something of the mother country are not in favor of war, the majority of American people are.

The Chairman: I think this is travelling somewhat beyond what is either correct or expedient.

Mr. Hopkins: I shall not say any more than this-that the possibilities of war with any country is something which financial and commercial men must consider; and in outlining and developing the policy for the future, you, as commercial men, are not wise, you are not guiding yourselves according to what should be the case, you are not judging cautiously and carefully of your chance in commercial warfare, if you do not look out for the possibilities of war with other countries. When you are feeding a great mass of people as in England you ought to support a policy which will help to guarantee that the food you require for those people will come from within the Empire and save you from danger of having at a certain crisis to starve half of your people for a short or long period as the case may be. (Cheers.) Now I will just say this much further. With regard to the American and British elements in our country, the British element makes this offer to you; the American element has distinctly introduced several times- i shall not speak of party politics because I will not name any party or any party leader, but it has introduced into the Canadian House of Commons and advocated upon Canadian platforms for at least six years a policy by means of which your goods will be shut out of the Dominion by the adoption of the American tariff and we shall have free trade with the United States. I ask my friends here who represent the iron trade of this country and who sell to us now one-half of our total import of iron, what they would feel if that half of our total import of iron at the present moment were transferred bodily to the United States? I ask them to look into the future and see how much more they would like, how much better they would like, to have the iron imported from the United States to be transferred to them. I say that under the preferential trade arrangement that assuredly can be done. There are a number of manufactured goods which we import from the United States, and which under the preferential trade arrangement we are willing to import from Great Britain. Is not that an inducement to the British manufacturer? Is it not an inducement when you consider the fact that the Canadian population may amount to twenty or thirty millions in the future, and that the market would be of infinitely more value to you than the market of the United States? What we would ask you is that you should develop this phase of the question slowly and gradually-not to approach it at a jump, not as Mr. Chamberlain in voicing that great imperial aspiration which all British statesmen are now following and which the Colonies recognize and rejoice to see-not by assuming that we, with our limited financial possibilities, could at once jump into a free trade system-for that would be absolutely impossible. We are willing to approach it by degrees, we are willing to give you substantial preference in our markets if you will give us a small preference upon some specified articles, not raw materials. What is the use of free traders here What is the use of free traders here speaking of our desire to tax raw materials for manufactures? We do not want you to do it. We do not ask you to do impossibilities. Give us a preference upon one, two, or three, or four, or more food products which you import and which you desire, which are not raw materials properly considered. Do that, and I venture to say that we in Canada, and that the majority of the Australasian Colonies will offer you preferential duties upon your manufactures. Is it too much to ask that we should have a Congress of delegates from all parts, called by the Government of this country, to consider this suggestion, to embody it in some practical detail; as the last Congress in 1887 when it arranged with Australia in sharing in the defence of guarding its shores with a fleet; is it too much to ask that this should be done? Is it too much to embody this principle in a Resolution? I think not. It is not a question of free trade or protection, it is a question of Empire. It is a question of the state of tion of doing your best in the first place to promote the welfare of your Empire, and in the second place to promote your own commercial and financial interests. In this connection let me urge the importance under this commercial system which we desire of directing your financial investments not to Turkey, not to Russia, not to the United States, not to the Argentine Republic, but to Canada and to countries under the British Crown. (Cheers.) What we want is development. That development will conduce to your interests and the interests of the British Empire. country and develop our vast resources stretching from ocean to ocean, from the United States to the Far North. Help us to deocean, from the United States to the Far North. velop our millions of acres of wheat land. Twenty-five thousand farmers in the province of Manitoba last summer harvested thirtyone million bushels of wheat. Can you picture the possibilities there? Send us out population, send us out money, send us your wealth and support. Do this by a preferential system within the

Empire, slowly at first, gradually extending, giving a certain amount of protection to the interests of the Colonies and the mother country at first, but gradually extending the area of free trade possibilities—the revenue possibilities of free trade—and in the long run the interests of those who worship free trade and who regard it as the centre of all their thoughts and inspirations will be advanced. All we desire is your support in introducing the beginning of a policy which, in the long run, will conduce to the greatness and the advance of the country, will conduce to the increase of colonial population, colonial wealth, and colonial trade, will conduce to the financial interests of the manufacturers, and in the long run to those of the shipowners of this country and to the people of the Empire as a whole—to the workingmen of the cities and towns of this great mass of humanity in the old land. This is what we ask in the interests of the Empire, in the interests of trade and commerce. We press it upon your consideration. (Cheers.)

#### MANGANESE ORE FROM NOVA SCOTIA.

Consul Young of Windsor, N.S., reports that the Tenny Cape manganese mines, situated at Tenny Cape, Hants County, N.S., about one mile from good shipping, produce manganese ore of the best quality, and the quantity seems inexhaustible. The ore is noted for its crystals, and is specially suited for use in the manufacture of glass. The mines have been worked to a limited extent, with but little intermission, for about thirty years. About two years ago a new company was formed with a large capital, for the purpose of mining and selling the ore. Heretofore, not more than seventy-five tons was the average output, but with improved appliances a much greater output is expected. At one time this ore sold in New York as high as \$140 per net ton, and has sold as low as \$75 per ton. The quality of the Tenny Cape ore is said to be unsurpassed, and therefore it is sought for by dealers who require manganese of a high grade.

#### FACTS ABOUT ALUMINUM.

Aluminum, lately looked upon as a scientific curiosity, and costing three shillings an ounce, is a metal destined soon to rank next to iron in its usefulness to mankind. Chronologically, the first article made of aluminum was a baby rattle, intended for the infant Prince Imperial of France in 1856. Its lightness, brightness and ring fitted it admirably for such a purpose; but only a prince could afford such a rattle in those days. Since that time this interesting metal has descended from fashionable articles of jewellery, imperial eagles, sword handles and military buttons, down to aluminum surgical instruments, horseshoes, racing yachts, golf clubs, and cooking utensils, which last adaptation bids fair in a short time to overshadow all the rest.

The reason of this great advance in the use of aluminum is that it can now be produced at a little over one penny per ounce, and also the peculiar and valuable properties of the metal itself. these days of economising labor, a metal one-third the weight of lead is sure to obtain a hearing in commerce. A racing horse shod with aluminum shoes carried only a little over the weight of one iron shoe, and, other things being equal, will win the race. Dental plates cast in aluminum have only a fraction of the weight of gold plates, but they possess the additional advantage of producing no disagreeable taste in the mouth. If a carpet tack is held in the mouth and touches a gold plate, a bitter sensation is at once felt, due to the electro-chemical action set up between the metals and the saliva. Aluminum, on the other hand, is tasteless. This innocuousness gives aluminum exceptional advantages for use in surgery, and patients on whom tracheotomy has been practiced are now having aluminum tubes inserted in their windpipes, instead of silver ones, as was previously customary. These tubes are very light and easy to carry, and after a long time they are found to be covered by a very thin enamel or coating of alumina, almost invisible, and which is absolutely harmless to the patient. Under the same circumstances a silver tube would be blackened and corroded by purulent matter.

Aluminum, in addition to its lightness and incorrodability is also a splendid conductor of heat, and it looks as if nature had reserved it as the metal in which we are to cook our food. Unlike copper, it is absolutely free from poison and will not taint or spoil food. Although certain acids attack aluminum, nothing a man can eat effects it in the least degree.

Bulk for bulk, aluminum is already cheaper than copper. It forms about one-twelfth part of the earth's crust (iron coming next), for every common brick contains between one and two pounds of metallic aluminum. The difficulty of extracting it from the crude clays which contain it has hitherto ruled its cost, for it is not found

in nature in its metallic state. The chief waterfalls of the world are now being harnessed to extract aluminum from its ores. For example, the Great Niagara, the falls of the Rhine at Neuhousen, some Norweigan falls, and recently the Falls of Foyers, near Inverness, are busy producing aluminum by electro-metallurgical processes in such large quantities and at such a comparatively small cost that this useful metal is sure to become more and more widely employed wherever articles are required that will not tarnish, and where lightness combined with strength is desirable.—Good Words.

#### LIQUID FUEL IN DAILY USE.

The use of liquid fuel is becoming more and more an everyday occurrence. The Great Eastern Railway have built a large storage plant for this form of fuel at Stratford. Twenty-five locomotives are now fitted with oil burners under the Holden system, and twelve stationary burners with three furnaces at the shops burn the same sort of fuel. The oil arrives at Stratford in large quantities, old locomotive tenders being employed to transport it. There are thirteen storage tanks, which are placed on low ground not very far from the main line. The oil flows to them by gravity. The tanks have a peculiar rectangular shape; nine of them hold 3,000 gallons each and the remaining four 2,500 gallons.—Invention.

#### THE SOLDERING OF GLASS.

Margot has been making some very interesting investigations upon the subject of the soldering of glass, and has established the fact that an alloy composed of ninety-five parts of tin and five parts of zinc will melt at 200deg. C., becoming firmly adherent to the glass, is unalterable, and exhibits an attractive metallic lustre. An alloy containing ninety parts of tin and ten parts of aluminum will melt at 390deg. C., and also forms a very strong solder for glass, being likewise possessed of a very stable brilliancy. With these two alloys always ready to hand, we may claim to have discovered a means of soldering glass as easily as soldering any two pieces of metal, and the operation is easily performed. When the glass is heated in a furnace the soldering can be accomplished by rubbing the surfaces with a rod of either of the above-named solders. The alloy as it flows can be evenly distributed with a tampoon of paper or a strip of aluminum, or with an ordinary soldering iron.—Invention.

#### GAS MOTORS ON STREET CARS.

A recent issue of the Manufacturers' Record referred to a gas motor which has been applied to a street car by Thos. C. Pole, of Washington. Mr. Pole has calculated the cost of his motor as compared with the cable and other systems, and he gives the following figures: The cost of operating a cable-car line, exclusive of repairs, is estimated at eighteen cents per car per mile, while to construct the system costs \$100,000 per mile. The underground electric system costs \$140,000 a mile, while the cost of operation is fourteen cents per car per mile. The overhead trolley line costs from \$15,000 to \$50,000 per mile for the road, while the cost of operation is ten cents per car per mile. By using the gas-motor system, the inventor claims that it costs \$5000 to equip a mile of line after the rails are laid, while to operate the car costs but two cents per car per mile. The Pole system, it is stated, is similar to that in use in Dresden, Germany, which is giving much satisfaction.

#### RAILS FOR JAPAN.

The fact has just come out that the Carnegie Steel Works have received an order for 9,000 tons of steel rails from Japan, for which they bid in competition with English firms. Precisely what the bids were is not known, but the assurance is given that the American price is considerably lower than that offered in England. The freight charges from here are higher. This is something of a surprise here among those who have heard of it, and it is probable that it will greatly encourage the iron dealers, who, during the recent depression have been among the most acute sufferers from stagnation. The order is not for projected railways, but to supply the ordinary requirements of existing lines, a fact which is thought to give a special significance to the transaction. A government representative from Japan is on his way here whose mission it is to examine railway systems of this country with a view to ascertaining whether it would be wise to adopt any of the methods employed in this country which are different from those in vogue in the East. A principal object of his observations is to look into

the matter of gauges, as the government is considering the advis-

ability of changing the gauge now used in Japan.

This is not the first order received in this country for steel rails from Japan.

The Illinois Steel Company sent 10,000 tons about six many the steel rails from Japan. six months ago, and it is understood that they gave complete satisfaction both in quality and price. The dealers here are hoping that new field for their product is to be opened up in the Orient. Li Hung Chang, who is on his way to this country, has declared that he will advise the Emperor of China to lay railways all over that coun-

#### UNITED KINGDOM.

The Board of Trade Returns for June summarise the imports and exports as below for the first six months of the year in comparison with 1895:

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| Manufactured Articles                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |              | 20,372,387 +<br>40,623,053 + |                        |
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The first six months of 1896 make a good record for the Foreign Commerce of Great Britain, the aggregate value of imports and exports being 5 per cent. larger than the average for preceding five Years, for the same period.

#### NEW METAL IN DEMAND.

French inventions frequently call into use natural products which had previously possessed no practical value. This is illustrated by trated by the rare metal, thorium, discovered by the great chemiat h ist, Berzelius, early in the present century. When burned the metal emits a light more brilliant than that of burning magnesium, but until the recent invention of incandescent gas burners, in

which the flame is encased in a metallic mantle no use was discovered for it. Upon experimenting with various substances it was found that the oxide of thorium, called thoria, makes the best mantle for such burners, and a demand being thus created for it the value of thoria suddenly sprang from almost nothing up to \$250 per pound. Then a search began for new sources from which thoria could be obtained, and this search is not finished. Originally the new metal was found only in certain rare minerals in Norway. Recently it has been discovered that the mineral "monazite" contains a liberal quantity of thoria and monazite is found in North Carolina, Canada and Brazil. The price of thoria is now much lower than it was at first, although it still commands \$15 or \$20, or even more, per pound, the price fluctuating with the supply.

#### ELECTRICALLY HARDENED STEEL.

Steel, heated and then quenched in a bath through which an electric current is made to pass, is said to acquire extraordinary hardness, the invention being due to a Swiss engineer named Faux, inhabiting Strassburg, who made the following demonstrations before a commission of engineers. A drill thus hardened passed through a piece of chilled cast iron twice as quickly as it would have done if hardened in the ordinary manner. A circular saw, similarly hardened, cut through iron bars with extraordinary facility. With shears of this electric steel, an ordinary steel bar thirty-five mm. wide and eighteen mm. thick (1\frac{3}{8} in. by 23-32 in.) was cut through cold; and this operation was repeated five times with the same bar. A table knife cut through an iron wire of 11 mm. diameter, eleven times running, with the same facility as it would have cut a piece of string if only hardened in the ordinary manner. Examination, by the magnifying glass, of the tools prepared by this method has revealed no change of structure.—American Manufac-

#### ALUMINUM BRONZE CASTINGS.

Some rules are given in a contemporary for obtaining the best casting with aluminum bronze, in order to avoid the difficulties which are so frequently met with in melting. An essential point mentioned is the special care to be taken not to overheat the metal, the fact being that, if it be heated to too high a temperature, the aluminum will oxidize, the oxide which is thus formed making the entire casting what artisans term "dirty," and the metal will also be spongy from the presence of large amounts of occluded gases. The scum, too, which floats on top of the melted bronze in the crucible must be prevented from going into the body of the casting, this being practicable by providing the casting with suitable skim gates. The greatest trouble in making a bronze casting, however, arises from the shrinkage of the metal-which is very great —a difficulty which is overcome if the casting have a large sinking head and "risers," it being necessary, however, in many cases to make the sink head fully as large as the casting.—American Manufacturer.

#### THE NEW METAL LUMINUM

Which we lately noticed in these columns as a metal for bicycle frames, is occasioning such as active market that the Swedish makers cannot turn out sufficient for the purchasers. Each frame is cast in one piece, when it is put through a test which brings to light any flaws that may exist. A weight of 2,000 pounds is placed upon ladies' machines, and to ensure the strength and efficiency of gentlemen's machine each frame has to undergo a strain of 3,000 pounds before it is passed on to the shops. A recent inspection which was made at the works showed that the frames were exceedingly good, for a few were selected promiscuously, and when struck rang out as clear as a bell. A new feature of the 1897 model machine will be the casting of a gear case which will be one with the frame. The new manufactory has its home in England at Birmingham, with Accles Limited, and it is understood that this metal will provide facilities not only for cycle manufacturers, but in the small arm, ammunition, and sewing machine lines; motor cars will also probably have a look in

#### CHEAPER ENGLISH STRUCTURAL SHAPES.

At last it seems as if British manufacturers were about to wipe out the reproach that has attached to the remarkable growth of the consumption of Belgian beams, girders, and pillars in this country. Of these various products of Belgian origin we are now consuming from 70,000 to 80,000 tons a year, and this trade has been allowed to grow up year by year until it may be difficult to dislodge it. But it will probably be slowly wiped out, as it certainly ought to be. There are now four or five large firms engaged in the manufacture of beams and girders, notably the Glengarnock Iron & Steel Co., the Leeds Steel Works, the Frodinghau I Iron Co., the Shelton Bar Iron Co. and Dorman, Long & Co. All of these firms have made special provision for the girder trade, and it is no secret that some of them, at least, can produce girders as low as £3 10s. to £3 15s. per ton, which is, we believe, a lower figure than they can be produced for anywhere in Belgiam. English manufacturers have the command of cheaper pig than their Belgian rivals. In some cases the pig is charged to the steel works in this country at no more than 33s. per ton.—Engineering Review.

It is reported that American made shoes have found a liberal market in England. Germany is also buying shoes from Uncle Sam's manufacturers.

The National Industrial Review, referring to the rapid and remarkable increase in the foreign commerce of Japan, says that in the last decade it has jumped from \$75,000,000 to \$300,000.000. In textile fabrics the exports now reach \$25,000,000, ten years ago were only \$500,000. The Review thinks that both Europe and the United States will find Japan a sturdy competitor.

An agreement has been entered into between the town of Midland, Ont., and the Mamiou Wood and Pulp Company, in accordance with which the company is to erect and run a pulp mill in Midland in consideration of tax exemption and other privileges granted by the town. Midland is in the centre of a fine pulp wood country in north central Ontario, and is well situated for shipping both by rail and boat.—The Paper Mill.

The town of McDonald, Pa., comes to the front with a proposed new industry in the shape of a paper shirt factory. J. S. Johnson is the projector, and the garment he proposes to make is to be worn between the under and the outer shirts as a protection against the frosty winds of winter. He is now having paper manufactured especially for this purpose, and expects to be able to give employment to about twenty women.

The depression in the iron trade is being felt by the vessel or ners of the lakes. Twelve big steamers have gone out of the ore carrying trade, and are tied up for the remainder of the sesson. Others will follow them soon. The docks at Lake Eric ports are piled full of ore which cannot be moved, and the steamer owners fear the rates have fallen so low that there is no profit in the ore carrying trade.

There has been made at Warrington for the new Glasgow (Scotland) subway what is claimed to be the largest rope ever used for had age purposes. It is about seven miles long, is four and five-eighth inches in circumference, and weighs nearly sixty tons. It has been made in one unjointed and unspliced length of patent crucible steel. When in place it will form a complete circle round Glasgow, crossing and recrossing the Clyde in its course, and will run at a speed of tifteen miles an hour.

There are in the United States, it is stated, 200,000 machinists, 10,000 tool makers, 25,000 boiler makers, 10,000 pattern makers, 750,000 carpenters and joiners, 200,000 masons and bricklayers, 50,000 contractors and builders, 50,000 plumbers, gas and steam fitters, 150,000 stationary engineers and firemen, 100,000 locomotive engineers and firemen, 50,000 electric railway and light employes, 50,000 cabinet makers, carvers and wood-workers, 50,000 civil, mechanical, electrical, and mining engineers.

The New York Evening Post publishes a contribution from a correspondent on Asbestos, who says that it is found in all quarters of the globe, but, from a commercial point of view, the valuable qualities are found in Russia, South Africa, Italy and Canada. Formerly, Italy was the principal source of supply, but the trade is declining. Now Canadian asbestos has taken first place both as to price and quality. The uses to which this article is now applied are constantly increasing, and it promises to become an important item in Canada's trade.

The statistics of electric railways and tramroads in existence in Europe on January 1, 1896, according to the Industric Electrique,

show that the number of railways in working order in Europe was increased from 70, in 1895, to 111, their total length from 700 to 902 km., the expability of the central stations from 18°150 to 25°092 kilowatt, and the number of motor carriages or locomotives from 1236 to 1747. Germany appears at the head with 406 km. of electric roads: then a long way down the list France with 132 km., and next England and Ireland with tog ther 107 km. (A kelometer is equal to 3,280 feet, 10 inches. 0°02137 indes).

Every year the returns of the Suez canal traffic prove the increasing value of that waterway to Britain and provide a strong argument for her control over Egyptian affairs. For the year ending June 20th, 3,434 ships, with a tomage of 11,833,637 passed through, of which seventy-two per cent. was British. German vessels numbered 314, French 278, Dutch 192, Italian seventy-eight, Austrian seventy-two, Spanish thirty-three, Norwegian fifty-seven, Russian thirty nine, Turkish thirty-six, and United States only five, while British vessels numbered 2,318. Of war vessels England sent through thirty-two, France twenty-one, Italy twelve, and Germany nine. The time now required to traverse the eight-seven nules average eighteen hours forty-four minutes.

Some of our textile machine shops, says the Industrial Record, are building machinery for export, some for England and some for the Continent. Quite a considerable quantity of American machinery is going into the Chemnitz district of Germany. Apropos to this, we note by recent consular reports that American shoes are being received with marked favor in Germany, and that during the past year an association of manufacturers in Boston has opened at Berlin a store for the sale of men's, women's, boy's and gri's shoes, and it is stated that the sale of these has been considerable, the demand seemingly coming from those who desire a first-class article, they being selected in preference to those made in Great Britain or at home.

The firm of William Baird & Co. are now rebuilding some if their blast furnaces at Eglinton Iron Works, Kilwinning, Scotland, and have recently completed an extensive plant for the recovery of ammonia and tar from the distillation of the blast furnace gases. All the blast furnaces of Scotland are now fitted with ammonia plant, except two works, and it is probable that these will be similarly equipped before long. The effect of this installation is to reduce the cost of the iron by at least 85 cents a ton. The recovery plants, on the other hand, have added a considerable amount to the investment made in Scotch iron works. The average cost of such a plant is about \$300,000, and some of them have run up to \$400,000. Messes, Dempster & Co., of Manchester, have likely up a number of the leading plants. The Gartsherrie firm, which led the way in this branch of enterpise, has its own special system.—Iron Trade Review.

A recent statement of the Minnesota Iron Company shows that it total production in the fiscal year ended December 31st, was 2,005,776 tons. This compares with 1,309,575 tons in 1894, and 830,649 tons in 1893. The company owns the Duluth & Iron Range Railroad, the main line of which is 175 miles long, also fire ore docks, one merchandise dock and complete equipment of rolling stock. The capacity for handling iron ore is from three to three and one-half million tons per year. The railroad company has a land grant calling for some 610,000 acres, of which 300,000 acres have been deeded. The iron company owns or contrib through sub-companies 41,550 acres and has under lease 3,130 acres, mostly of mineral lands. It also owns, through the Minnesota Steamship Company, eight steel steamers and four steel consorts, and will complete another consort in August.—Iron Trade Review.

Sir Henry Bessemer and Sir William Siemens have been repreached with inventing and introducing processes that have precically ruined the manufactured iron industry of the United Kingdom, says an English Exchange. To a large extent this has redoubt been the case. The production of wrought iron during the last fifteen years has dropped from 2,7-0,000 to 1,200,000 tors, while the production of steel has more than doubled. But ever this movement, revolutionary and disastrous as it has been, he not been unattended with its compensations. The basic process of steel making is now largely carried on by the aid of puddlers tay which would otherwise have been waster product, but which is no eagerly bought up by basic steel manufacturers at 5s. to 6s. per ton. It is usual to employ from 50 to 70 per cent, of puddlers tap per ton of basic iron produced in the blast furnace. This substance usually contains from 45 to 55 per cent, of iron; and from three to six per cent, of phosphorus, and it is the latter metalled otherwise not only useless but deleterious, that chiefly makes the product valuable. It is the presence of the large reserves of paddler's tap in Staffordshire, etc., that has enabled the pig iron trace in these districts to keep alive,—Iron Trado Review.

#### CANADIAN COAL

menths of the present year the figure is 187, quoran mercase of 19,000 tons over 1895. It rill not be surprising, however, if the present and is flowing months show a falling off, as the covi dealors here say that the great manufacturing concerns are so uncerta it as te what the future has in store for Canasian industrial establishments that they are going dowly regarding the purchase of coal. At of forest, in which grow all the varieties of many has 15,000. France 11,000; Austrasthe present time there are about twenty chony, as well as rosewood, satin wood and lungary, the second bargest Continental regular steamship liners engaged in carrying, mahogany. coal to the St. Lawrence, and these do not include outside steamers which only make a using four-bladed propellers on our boats.

The last annual report of the British directors of the Sucz Canal gives a table showangle trip. The others are engaged by the and decided to try six bladed ones. After sage crip. The others are engaged by the and decided to try six bladed ones. twelve to sixteen trips, beginning the first of ing up Canada's inter-provincial trade, there Witherbee, running on Lake Champlain. are about eight belonging to Canadian firms, viz.: The Coban, the Bonavista, the Cacouna.

would be completely destroyed, and its importance may be understood from the fact locometive and train of the weight of the No industry is more completely the creasing that the disbursements of each vessel in the National Policy than the coal Montreal at each trap teach about \$1,290, 70 miles an hour, show that, without introde of Cape Breton and the St. Lawrence while the amount pail at the port of shipters. During the months of May and June, 1895, the quantity of coal brought to Montreal at each trap teach about \$1,290, 70 miles an hour, show that, without intended from the mines of Cape Breton reached Breton each season of 1895 some 634,753 tons of Cape indicating that much higher speeds are real from the mines of Cape Breton reached Breton ceal was brought to the port of Montreal and 725,000 tons, while during the opening real and 725,000 tons in all, including the months of the present year the figure is 187. Inorts of Onebec, Three Rivers and Sorol. ports of Quebec, Three Rivers and Sorel.

and decided to try six bladed ones. After the trial I found the six bladed propeller to the following figures are taken: May and going into other trades the first of bladed one in both power and economy. The bladed one in both power and economy. The beautiful bladed one in both power and economy. The boats which I refer to are the Cook and J. G. be twenty live per cent, better than the four-

The capital stock of the London and viz.: The Coban, the Bonavista, the Cacouna, the Cape Breton and the Louisburg to the Dominion Coal Co.; the Acadian to Dolis \$505,000,000, which is the greatest corporbell's; the Polino to the Messrs. Ross, and the Tiber to Archibald & Co.; while the romaining twelve are English ships that go but in winter and come back to the St. Its revenue is \$6,500 every hour. Lawrence in summer. The smallest steamer in the trade this season is the Cohan, carrying 1,100 tons of coal, while the Murcier is the largest, carrying 3,670 tons. If the duty on American coal were removed this trade the trade this trade the first and the St. It spends \$130,000 a month on American coal were removed this trade the special stock of the London and London and Northwestera Radway Company of England
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Calculations as to the speed of an electric

One hundred and nine thousand locomotives are at present running on the earth, The quantity of pulp now produced in Canada is estimated at 170 tons per day, of which on the average 100 tons are exported.

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do well in our own country, and now that the Light Railway Bill has passed the Grand Committee on Trade, we may hope to see some of these lines laid within the year.—

The amount of raw sugar which has come into the port of Montreal this season exceeds in quantity that of any previous year. Ever since the opening of navigation sugar ships have arrived both thick and fast. Next to the coal trade, which is virtually local, as the cargoes come either from Sydney or Glace Bay, and a round trip can be made in ten days, the sugar cargoes to this port exceed both in tonnage and numbers that of any other product. From July 23rd to date no less than 41,277,061 pounds of raw sugar have arrived in this port. Every available space in both the St. Lawrence and the Canada Sugar Refineries is packed with the raw product.

Japan at present imports kerosene oil largely from this country. According to a statement made by a good authority, the United States will soon lose this trade. Petroleum fields have been discovered in Sumatra and the output in one district alone is 6,000 barrels daily. Dr. Muir, who is managing an oil refinery in the Sumatra fields for a Dutch company, is in the United States, and he predicts that, within five years, Japan will take all her kerosene oil from the Eastern source of supply. The Dutch will not allow Americans or other foreigners to enter their territory. It is believed that other rich fields await development. -Buffalo Express.

been rapid, and all things considered has been

remarkable. It is a big jump from \$75,000,000 to \$300,000,000. This is not a case of whistling for the wind, but of putting the shoulder to the wheel and by dint of energy, enterprise and commercial aggressiveness reaching out for and securing the golden apple of success. The export trade in textile fabrics alone is placed at about \$25,000,000. Some ten years ago \$500,000 represented this branch of exports. In some lines it would seem to be certain that both Europe and the United States will yet find a sturdy competitor in Japan—at least so far as Asiatic markets go.

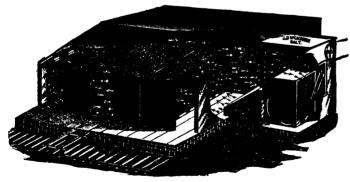
The Pall Mall Gazette says: "In view of the probable election of McKinley and a higher tariff, a number of English manufacturers are projecting branches in the United States. We know that quite a number of invitations have come from America since the St. Louis convention, with the object of inducing English manufacturers and capitalists to construct woollen, worsted, cotton, lace and silk mills in good locations. On the strength of McKinley's popularity, an American corporation, in fact offers to build and equip mills to lease, with the option of purchasing, to reputable English manufacturers. The offer has been provisionally accepted in three instances, two of which are worsted men, and in the other a lace maker, and a second firm of lace makers has purchased the Mineola curtain mills near Philadelphia.

A Times telegram from Melbourne dated June 11th, says:—"Mr. G. Turner, Premier of Victoria referring to Mr. Chamberlain's idea of an Imperial Zollverein, said the Min-The progress made by Japan during the istry would not accept the Free Trade prolast decade in extending foreign trade has posals, on the ground that they would be injurious to local factories, which were founded

in the belief that Protection would be maintained. Differential duties of thirty or thirtyfive per cent. on British goods against forty or forty-five per cent. on foreign goods would be worth considering; but absolute Free Trade between Great Britain and Victoria was hopeless at present. Mr. G. Turner declined to initiate a request to Mr. Chamber lain to summon a conference on the proposed Zollverein, but said if other Colonies moved in the matter the Cabinet would consider it. Mr. G. H. Reid, Premier of New South Wales, declined to speak. Mr. C. C. Kings ton, Premier of South Australia, said that he would consult his Cabinet.'

If the object in using woolen yarn is to make a plain cloth, such as a Doeskin or Superfine Black Broad, where it is requisite to hide the make of the cloth, then in order to obtain this result the weft requires to be twined the opposite way to the twine of the warp, in order to afford the greatest facility for the fibres mingling quickly, and felting and forming one homogeneous mass, hiding every vestige of the "make" or frame-work of the fabric. In the fancy cloth you require to preserve as much as possible the individu ality of the threads for the sake of the pattern, in the plain cloth you require to lose it as quickly as possible in order to obtain the closeness of face and cover for the finisher to operate upon, and to do this the folds of the twine in the weft require to meet with, or fall in with, the folds of the twine in the warp, and not cross them at right angles as in the fancy cloth. By using opposite twine for warp and weft in a fancy cloth you get closeness and evenness of face as in the plain cloth, but you sacrifice distinctness of pattern in doing it.—Vickerman.

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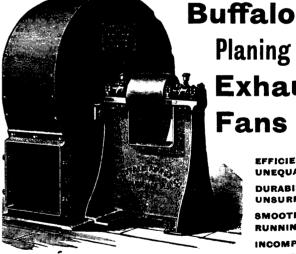
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Speaking of the benefit of the protective policy as applied to Canadian industries, the Boston Advertiser says: "An instance is furnished in the annual statement of the Canadian Cotton Goods Mills Co., which has just been made public. This is one of the largest industrial concerns in the Dominion, and its report shows that its profits for the year were \$253,000. Most of this has, however, been used in improving the property and machinery of the company, so that no dividend has been declared. The report also states that in the past four years the company has expended \$550,000 in new machinery. The same state of things has existed in a large portion of the industries of Canada and has necessarily resulted in a great increase in the number of hands employed in them, and in the volume the of wages paid."

The excellent opportunities, says the New York Shipping List, for the investment of large capital in the cultivation of sugar beets in the Western States and manufacture of sugar, so as to be independent of Cuba and other foreign sources of supply, have borne fruit. An immense enterprise of this character is about to be undertaken by Claus Spreckels, of San Francisco, assisted by New York capitalists, who placed \$10,000,000 at his command. Thousands of acres in the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys of California, which have been devoted to the culture of wheat, barley and oats, were pur-

chased by Mr. Spreckels a few weeks since for the exclusive growth of sugar beets, and we understand that seed has already been planted on most of the land for this season. Mr. Spreckels is now on his way to France and Germany to inspect the factories there, and upon his return he promises to erect one of the largest plants in the world to absorb the supply of beets, which will be taken care of in the meantime by other sugar houses on the Pacific coast. The aim is to send regularly to the States on the Atlantic coast raw beet sugar to the value, at least, of \$50,000,000, in addition to supplying all the consumption on the Pacific coast, which has been increased by the advance in the fruit industry.

Rumor has it that a revolution in the iron trade is impending in the shape of "ductile cast iron." This is iron made by a new process that will, it is said, combine all the good points of both steel and iron. This new iron offers endless possibilities. Will it be used for black plates instead of steel? Will it settle the endless galvanized iron vs. galvanized steel question?—American Artisan.

The "Kreuz Zeitung" says that Austria proposes to create an international union to protect the central European grain producers against American competition. This proposal is made in view of probable aggressive economic legislation on the part of the United States.

"Within the last twelve months several experiments have been made by German firms to replace animal power by electrical power in agricultural operations," says the Philadelphia Record. "The German Government have now joined the ranks of the experimenters, and are carrying out some extensive trials of electric plows at the Sillium

estate, near the Upper Hartz. Some information has been furnished by an electrical manufacturing company, of Berlin, who have also made experiments with electric plowing apparatus. The power required for this machine was eleven kilowatts when ploughing a width of twenty-four inches, and a depth of fourteen inches, at the rate of eight yards per minute. The area ploughed in a ten-hours' working day at this rate would be seven and one-half acres. The apparatus is so arranged that parallel to the motor car there runs at the other side of the field a car carrying the other end of a wire rope. The plough is hauled along this rope to and fro, and both cars are slowly moved on. The greatest difficulty seems to lie in fixing and moving the pulley car. The pressure employed is that of the usual trolley wad standard, namely, 500 volts."

One of the important occurrences in the woolen manufacturing industry is the expiration of the patent upon the Bramwell feed, which must eventually be followed by a large reduction of price, and the general construction of these machines by other builders. Several firms in the United States are now making these machines.

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The following items of information, which are classified under the title !! Captains of industry," rolate 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.

If a new manufacturing enterprise of any kind is being started, or an electric lighting plant instituted, or an electric railroad, or a telephone, or a telegraph line is being constructed; or a saw mill, a woolen, cotton, or knitting mill; or if any industrial establishment has been destroyed by fire with a probability of its being robuilt, our friends should understand that possibly there may be something in the event for them. Do you catch on to the idea?

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Hamilton, which made an offer to the city Company will shortly comment to pump the water from the Beach has of an addition to their factory. purchased the Morning Star grist mill at Decew's Falis for \$14.000. On the site of mill the company will erect a central power station, getting its power, of which there is abundance, from Decew's Falls.

The New Brunswick Cold Storage Company, St. John, N.B. is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$300,000.

The Georgian Bay Lumber Company's mill at Port Severn, Ont., was fired by lightning and completely destroyed on the 16th instant. Loss \$50,000.

Mr. Goo. McAllister, Bloomingdale, Ont., has bought the Guelph heading and stave mill, Guelph, Ont.

Messra W. Bailey & Co., broom manufacturers, Kingston, Ont., are negotiating with Work has been commenced on the con-other cities with a view to transferring their sumptive sanitarium at Gravenhurst. There turers, Kingston, Ont., are negotiating with business from that city. The factory employs 50 hands who draw in annual wages \$12,000.

The McClary Manufacturing Co., London, Ont., has been awarded the contract for putting in two furnaces at the Strathroy public schools.

T. Bergeron & Co., St. Louis de Mile End, Quebec., have formed a partnership for the manufacture of boots and shoes.

The Standard Fibre Lining Co., Ltd., Merritton, Ont., is applying for incorporation to carry on business as manufacturers of fibre lining pulp and paper. Capital stock is **\$4**0,000.

The valuation roll of Victoria, B.C., has risen, according to the Western World, from \$5,178,000 in 1876, to \$23,067,402 in 1896.

The town of Wellington, B.C., has under consideration the construction of a water. works system.

The city engineer of Windsor, Ont., has been instructed to prepare plans, etc., for a system of sewers in the southwest part of the city, to cost about \$8,000.

Tenders for the construction of reservoir, valve well and gate house in connection with the water works are invited by J. N. Armstrong, town clerk of North Sydney, N.S.

Messrs. E. H. Thomas & Co., manufacturers of brooms, Norwich, Ont., are enlarging their buildings and putting in a 20 h.p. engine and boiler.

will be required for it an electric light plant with a capacity of 400 lights, and a steam plant to supply power for same and for operating laundry machinery, ventilators,

The Klock Lumber Co., Klock's Mills, Ont., intend rebuilding on a large scale to replace the mill recently burned at Aylmer. Ont.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., purposes spending B.C., is being incorporated with a capital \$30,000 on a waterworks system.

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H. J. Hill, Manager, Toronto. Messrs. J. Cawthorpe & Son's mills at Ridgetown, Ont., were destroyed by fire August 17th. Loss \$18,000. The mills had been only recently refitted with new machinery at a large expense.

For the third time this year a raft, containing 0.000 cords of pulp wood, was towed from Georgian Bay to Wisconsin, through the Smits of Mackinaw recently.

The West Wellington Coal Company, Vancoaver, B.C., is being incorporated with a outlast stock of \$500,000.

The following foreign companies have been organized to do business in British Columbia:

-The Noble Five Consolidated Muning Company, Spokane, Wash., capital stock, \$1,200,000; British Northwest Gold Mining Company, Seattle, Wash., capital \$5,000,000; Eastern Star Gold Mining Company, Spokane, Wash., capital stock, \$500,000; and Rob Roy Gold Mining Company, Spokane, Wash., capital stock, \$500,000.

In a very short time now the Grand Trunk will commence the work of removing the car glops from Toronto to London. Tenders for the new building to be erected at the latter paint will be opened next week and the contacts let at once. The Grand Trunk architects have been on the ground for several days past, and the work on the buildings is to be rushed, so that they may be ready for eccupation in November. The employees at Brantford, such of them as are to be transferred, will also be removed to London at the same time the Toronto employees go.

Word comes from the Bothwell (Ont.) oil solds that of the ten recent tests made all have been successful. Two of them are over three hundred barrels. Never in the history of oil testing have such results been obtained. The total yield daily is nearly 1,000 barrels. Mr. Hiram Walker will erect a refinery.—Free Press.

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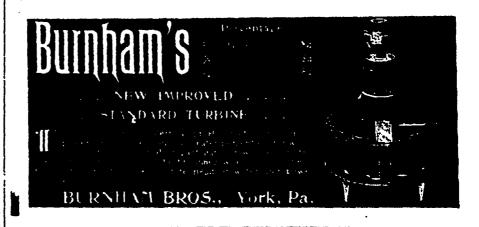
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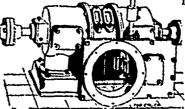
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John McLeod's tannery, Kingston, Ont., was destroyed by fire Aug. 14th. Loss \$20,-

The Maritime Cold Storage Company, St. John, N.B., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$90,000.

The work of re-building the Gananoque Wheel Works will be proceeded with at once. Material is now being placed on the ground.

J. Walshaw's woollen mills, dry house and saw mill at Bolton, Ont., were destroyed by fire August 11th. Loss, \$25,000.

The Hawkesbury Milling Company's oat meal mill and kiln at Hawkesbury, Ont., were destroyed by fire August 15th.

The Guelph Norway Iron and Steel Company, Guelph, Ont., at a late meeting of the shareholders decided to issue \$25,000 of first preference stock, the company to guarantee six per cent. interest thereon.

The Montreal Terra Cotta and Lumber Company's factory at Maisonneuve, Que., has been damaged by fire.

Pepin, Villeneuve & Company's saw mill at St. Jerome, Que., was destroyed by fire recently.

Over eight million feet of lumber was cleared from St. John, N.B., for British ports during the wock ending August 15th, and six cargoes from various maritime ports for South America.

The first regular annual meeting of the Manitoba and Northwest Millers Association will be held at Brandon, Manitoba, on September 1st.

The Edmonton Milling Co., Edmonton. N.W.T., are building a new elevator.

Mr. Carson, of Miami, Man., has recently built an elevator at Rosebank, Man., with a capacity of 40,000 bushels.

The Northern\_Elevator Co. are building a new elevator at Deleau, Man.

The Ogilvie Milling Co. will erect in Winnipeg at once a large building at their mill of ground, requiring some 300,000 feet of lumber. This building will be for storage purposes. The commany property purposes. The company propose erecting a barrel factory at an early date as an addition to the plant in Winnipeg.

The Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Monttreal, will creet three elevators in Manitoba this season, one at Boissevain, another at Neepawa, and a third not yet selected.

The Fredericton (N.B.) Gleaner, July 30th says:-"Of the lumber cut on the head-waters last year, some 17,500,000 was hung up. Mr. Dickey has a large quantity hung up. The estimate is 5,000,000; Kilburn and McIntosh for 4,000,000: Stetson for 4,000,-000; Nobles for 3,000,000, and Canliffe for 1,500,000. This makes 132,500,000 cut on the headwaters last year. Nothing can be done with the stranded logs until next spring. On the Tobique waters there are 6,000,000 stranded logs, which will have to remain where they are until next year. Of this amount, Mr. R. A. Estey has 2,000,000, Upham 2,000,000, A. J. Beveridge, 1,000,000, and D. Fraser & Sons 1,000,000. The water in the river has fallen so much of late that 4,000,000 of the corporation drive have been hung up near Grand Falls, and cannot be gotten into the booms until a rise of water, which some of the lumbermen look for in

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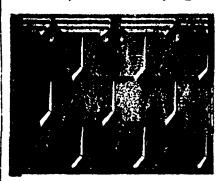
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Measra William C. Wilson & Co., Toronto, inform us that they have just received from the Peerless Rubber Co. of New York, one ton Rainbow Sheet and a quarter ton of Eclipse Gasket Packing. This is the second consignment this firm has received within the last four months making a total of 4,000 lbs. of Rainbow Sheet and 1,000 lbs. of the famous Eclipse Gasket. They are in a position to fill orders of any quantity.

Messrs. Samuel Rogers & Company, Toronto, and branches at various towns in Outario, the Rogers & Morris Oil Company, Ottawa, Messrs. Fairbank, Rogers & Company, Petrolia, Ont., Hamilton Oil Works, Hamilton, Ont., and Rogers, Robertson & Company, Montreal, have all been united into one concern under the style of the Queen City Oil Company. The business will be enlarged, and its interests considerably extended.

The Lozier Manufacturing Company, Toronto, is being incorporated to take over the manufacturers, Toronto Junction, Out , and to manufacture in addition, motor vehicles, tubing, typewriters, etc. Capital stock \$500,-

United States consul James B. Taney writes the Department of State, Washington from Belfast, Ireland, that the Canadians are making great efforts to introduce household and office furniture in all parts of the Kingdom. One agent of an Ontario firm, within a week, took orders for about \$5,000

the last month: Mesars. Buntin & Red, toris, B.C., one 3 h.p. motor and 6 h.p. motor. | track-laying will be proceeded with.

The Bondholder Mining Company, Vancouver, B.C., capital stock, \$1,000,000; the business of H. A. Lozier & Company brycle | Rainy Day Gold Mining Company, Rossland, B.C., capital stock \$600,000, and the Albambra Gold and Copper Mining Company, Victoria, B.C., capital stock of \$600,000 are being incorporated.

The Huron and Ontario Electric Railway Company are slowly but steadily completing arrangements for the construction of the are making great efforts to introduce house-hold and office furniture in all parts of the Kingdom. One agent of an Ontario firm, within a week, took orders for about \$5,000 Walkerton, is president, Dr. Rollston, of Walkerton, is president, and Mr. A. McK. Cameron, of Meaford, secretary. The road Cameron, of Meaford, secretary. road. According to the act of incorporation, Cameron, of Mexford, secretary. The road will extend from Port Perry to Kincardine, The boiler in A. W. Billingham's saw-mill at North Forks of Old Man's River. 40 Priceville, through Meaford, Owen Sound, miles from McLeod, N.W.T., exploded on Aug. 15th, killing three men and wrecking the other extending from Walkerton through the other extending from the extending fr The following are some of the motors in earth, with a connection between Lucknow stalled by the Kay Electric Mfg. Co. during and Kincardine through Ripley. The entire length of the road will be something over Toronto, 4 h.p. motor; Central Press 300 miles, and motive power for its operation Agency Co., Toronto, one electrotyping dynamics, mo; Linden Creamery Co., Toronto, one 5 h.p. motor; Wehrle Brush Co., Toronto, one 5 h.p. motor; Mr. Hutchison, wood bonds to the extent of \$10,000 per mile for yard, Toronto, 10 h.p. motor; Steel-Clad construction purposes, and \$6,000 additional for each mile double-tracked. At a meeting land dynamo and 1 h.p. 4-male motor; Mr. ing dynamo and 1 h.p. 4-pole motor; Mr. A. Moore, Toronto, one 2 h.p. motor; Mr. Woods, printer, Toronto, one 2 h.p. motor; Mr. New York firm. It was stated that most of Kemp Mfg. Co., Toronto, two 6 h.p. motors; McLean Publishing Co., Toronto, one 6 h.p. motor; Mr. B. Lindusin, Toronto, one 2 h.p. motor; Mr. B. Lindusin, Toronto, one 2 h.p. motor; Mr. H. R. Cuddon, St. Catharines, one 3 h.p. motor; Mr. G. C. Hinton, Vietoris, B.C., one 3 h.p. motor and 6 h.p. motor.

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The Pacific Coast Portland Cement Company, Vancouver, B.C., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$500,000 to take over the coment works of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and other works.

The Port Arthur Pulp Timber Company Port Arthur, Ont., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$200,000, to manufacture and deal in timber, to construct electric light and power works, etc.

The Chaudiero Machine and Foundry Company's works at Ottawa were damaged by fire, August 15th, to the extent of \$8,000.

The Manitoba creameries have just begun their shipment of butter to China and Japan, and they are likely to build up a big and protitable trade.

A vote taken on the 17th instant at Huntsville. Ont., on a by-law for water-works and electric light resulted in its adoption.

The machinery of the new acetylene gas works Merritton, Ont., was started August 17th, and the first calcium carbide ever produced in this country was made. In comphance with a request from the Bureau of Mines Mr. Wilson, the inventor of the new as will make an exhibition at the Industrial Fair, showing lamps lit by the gas.

have been awarded the following contracts: Bank of Toronto Building, London, Ont., twin elevators for Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company, Chatham, N.B., hydraulic passen and parts. They will also make the Diamond ger elevator for the Welland House, St. bicycle for the trade. Catharines, Ont.; two elevators (belt power) for the Cobban Mfg. Company, Toronto, Ont.; factory elevator for the Tudhope Carrialway was opened for traffic on the 12th instant. riage Company, Orillia, Ont.: one electric elevator for T. B. Greening, wholesale merchants, Hamilton, Ont.; three Hale hydraulic gage an expert to examine the vicinity for elevators for the Kingston and Toronto In-

sane Asylums; one elevator for Parson Produce Company, Winnipeg, Man, one electric elevator for Crompton Corset Company, Toronto, Ont.

At the next meeting of the finance committee of the Winnipeg City Council a request of the Union Shoe and Leather Company for exemption from taxation for twenty years on their industry will be considered. The com-pany propose to extend their business by erecting a new factoryata cost of \$10,000 and equip it with machinery, etc., which will cost \$20,-000 more. The industry will employ steadily from lifty to sixty workmen which is a much larger number than are now employed .-Winnipeg Commercial.

Capitalists in Chicago are joining with Chatham (Ont.) capitalists in the erection of a monster cold storage warehouse in the latter city.

The Toronto Steel Clad Bath and Metal Company, Toronto, are now manufacturing cast iron enamelled baths. They have been since May last building and completing the furnace and plant for this work, and are now turning out enumelled baths as good as any in the United States or England. They are the first to make this kind of bath in Canada.

The Diamond Machine and Tool Company. Messrs. Leitch & Turnbull, Hamilton, Ont., ave taken Mr. R. N. Sterling, of Hamilton, earlier awarded the following contracts:

-one electric passenger elevator for new last of Toronto Building, London, Out. the company will put in some new machinery, and go into the manufacture of bicycle fittings and parts They will also make the Diamond

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The Chatham (Ont.) City Council will en-

Stanley Bros.'shingle mill at North Claren don, Que., was recently destroyed by tire.

Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch, Galt, baye been awarded the contract for putting in a new steam pump for the Galt waterworks,

The London (Ont.) City Council has approved the scheme for the construction of a sewage farm, and the ratepayers will vote on the question on September 2nd.

The Canadian Rand Drill Company, Sacr. brooke, Que., are supplying the compressor plant for the Georgia Mine, Rossland, B.C. and also that for the Slocan Star Mine, Nel. son, B.C.

Messrs. James & Reid, Porth, Ont., have commenced the manufacture of bicycles.

Mr. Walter Williams, Buckingham, Que, is transforming a pulp mill into a chemical

Japan's Diet voted \$45,000,000 for the con. struction of railroads, telegraphs and cables at its last session, and \$97,000,000 for the construction and purchase of war materials and ships. Since January, 1895, \$600 (00),000 has been invested by Japanese in banks, railroads and other companies

The Mica Boiler Covering Company were awarded the contract for covering the boilers and steampipes for the new steamer "Corons," the pipes in four of the Poront schools, and for two hoilers at Lachine, the property of the Wedell Dredging Company of Trenton, Ont.

The Lamont Glass Company, of New Glas gow, N.S., manufacturers of glass chimners, fruit jars, bottles, etc., have doubled their works during the past two years, and now employ seventy hands, with a pay-roll of \$500 a week. They contemplate going into the manufacture of electric light bulbs and shades.

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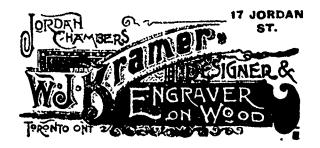
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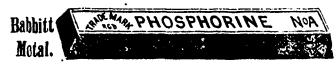
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The Rathhun Company, Descronto, Ont., are building twenty-five cars for the Intercolonial Railway.

Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son, glove manufacturers, Acton, Ont., have created a department for the manufacture of traveling bags.

The Wm. Hamilton Manufacturing Company are now at work on a large order for the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, being eighteen sets of gearing for their pulp mills. The company turned out an order for twenty-five sets of these gears last year, and the order this year is simply one given to complete the equipment of the large pulp mills as originally planned. The Wm. Hamilton Company are also building a complete saw mill that goes to British Columbia, and another complete mill that goes to Mana, N.B.

Ripans Tabules cure bad breath. Ripans Tabules cure biliousness. Ripans Tabules: one gives relief. Ripans Tabules cure indigestion. Major George Stewart's planing mill at Courtright, Ont., was fired by lightning and destroyed on Aug. 8th. Loss over \$2,000.

Ross Bros.' mills at Buckingham, Que., were destroyed by fire Aug. 6th. Loss over \$50,000.

A sash and door factory is being built at Halleybury, Man.

L. McConnell's new saw mill at Nottawasaga River was recently destroyed by fire. Loss \$5,000.

Chatham, Ont., will spend \$30,000 for waterworks improvements.

Truro, N.S., will spend \$7,000 in the construction of a waterworks system.

The town of Woodstock, N.B., has voted \$10,000 for completion of its sewerage.

The town council of Amherst, N.S., is anxious to correspond with capitalists wishing to promote a grist mill and a wooler mill in that town.

The railways and canals department has prepared plans for the enlargement of the Galops Canal at Iroquois. The work will cost about \$1,750,000.

The St. John Rolling Mills and Bolt Works Company, St. John, N.B., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000.

Thackeray & Rollin's sash and door factory, Pembroke, Ont., was damaged by fire August 8th.

The Capital Cash Register Company, Ottawa. Ont., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$15,000 to manufacture cash registers.

The Benjamin Manufacturing Company, Yarker, Ont., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$20,000 to manufacture vehicle wheels and carriage material.

The Self-Loading Car Company, Montreal, is being incorporated.

The Winnipeg Rubber Company, Winnipeg, Man., has been incorporated.

The Kingsville (Ont.) woollen mills have again resumed work, after a suspension of several months.

News comes from Bothwell, Ont., that the town is full of strangers anxious to invest in oil lands. All the wells are pumping large quantities of oil, and many new ones are being drilled. It is reported that a well on the Goodyear farm will flow more than 200 barrels a day.

The city engineer of Victoria, B.C., has been instructed to prepare plans for re-building the Point Ellice bridge. The estimated cost is \$20,000.

Kalso, B.C., purposes installing a waterworks system to cost \$31,000.

The Brantford (Ont.) Electric Light Company propose putting in new machinery to cost \$25,000.

T Downs, Coloury, Ont., will build a brewery at that place.

James King, Sarnia, Ont., will re-build his flour mills burned sometime ago.

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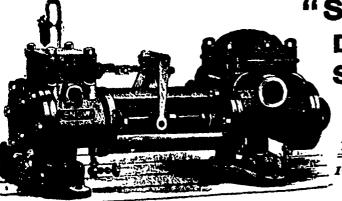
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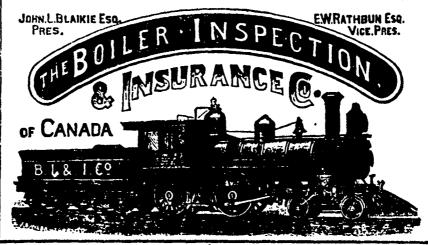
#### BUFFALO'S ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

It is promised, as the result of a test made last Sunday, that electric power from Niagara Falls will be furnished to Buffalo manufacturers before November 1st, and at a price less by one half than power now costs in that city. Contracts for the work were to be let Ontario Government gave a bonus of \$20,000, during the last week, the transmission line and the Dominion another bonus of \$32,000, to be large enough for 20,000 horse power. The Belmont mine will be worked by the So much for the business side of the enter-American company who have leased it, and prise. The scientific side is of equal interest,

over long distances. The scientific triumph is Teala's. The power will be transmitted to the Buffalo city line by overhead conductors. From the dynamo it will pass through a transformer which will give it a much higher voltage, and in that condition it can be safely and economically transmitted, to be transformed again at the Buffalo station to a direct current ready for use. The higher the contage the less the less. Some idea of the value of the new system can be had by comparison. The two-phase system transmits power so that there is a loss 400 times greater in the transmission of 500 volts than in the transmission of 10,000 volts. Nikola Tesla was at the Falls on Sunday and witnessed the successful test of his two-plass transformers. -Buffalo Express.

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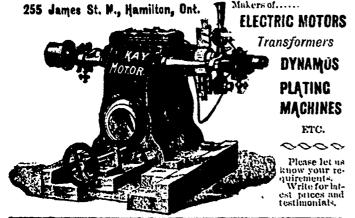
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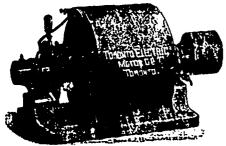
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ade out, as you may judge from the following outline of work which we are now carrying out. We are replacing seventeen alternators by five 300 kilowatt, two-phase generators, doing away with all line shafting, belting the generators directly to three engines, which practically makes 600 kilowatt units on two of the engines; the many advantages to be gained by doing this are obvious. We are building an entire new switchboard

for serving light and power from the same two-phase circuits. This switchboard con-struction, we think, is as good as can be found. It consists of a white oak frame work, covered with a layer of asbestos; over the asbestos is a layer of mica and for mechanical protection the edges are protected ted to this city at a pressure of 10,000 volts. 52,463 Tongue, A. B. McKay, London, Ont.

THE RE-CONSTRUCTION OF THE with angle fibre. Upon this board will be DOVAL ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.'S | mounted the different instruments, switches, This framework is mounted on an iron structure with slate base, the whole overlooking all of the generators and ongine room.

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In connection with this we are making preparations to receive power from Chamble Falls, located fifteen miles from Montreal. This will allow of our present stoam plant being used as spare capacity, also the present 300 the sum of twenty-five cents each, kilowatt generators, which we are installing will, more than likely, be used as synchron
52,460 Washing machine, A. I ous motors for operating our city lighting are machines.

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Yours truly,

(Sgd.) BREITHAUPT BROS. & HALL

PETROLIA April 22, 1896,

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Yours faithfully.

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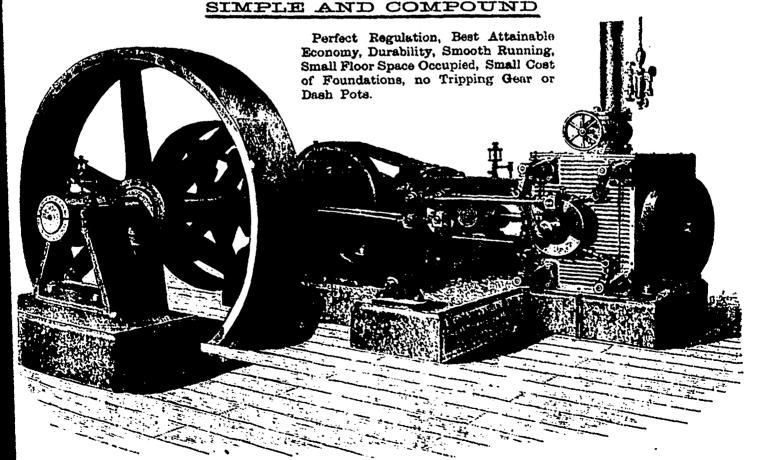
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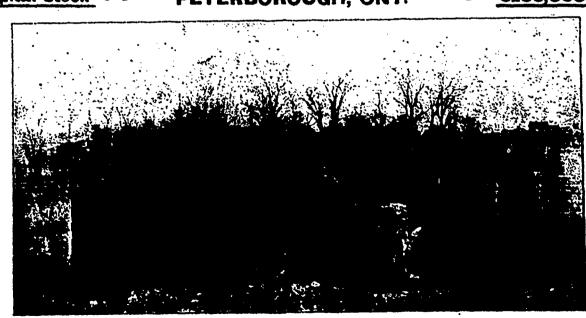
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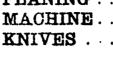
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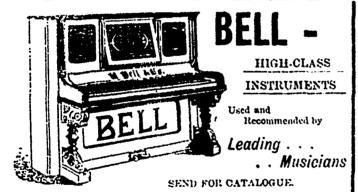
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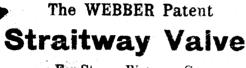
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