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## NOTES ON TIIE PIG IRON TRADE OF sSgq.

At the annual mecting of the General Mining Association of the Province of Quebee held in Alontreal, January 9, Mr. Gioorge E. Drummond, vice president of the Association, read a paper on the Pig Iron Trade of isof which undoubtedly possesses a great deal of interest for our readers, and we are under obligations to Mr. Drummond for a corrected and revised copy of the same.
It should be noted that as regards some of the Canadian furnaces, the particulars of which are given by Mr. Drummond, particularly those of the Canada Iron Furnace Company, at Radnor Forges and Drummondville, Que., and of
the New Glasgow Iron Coal and Rai':vay Co., the public would not have been able to obtain tnis information from Government returns for some months to come. It is the aim of the Mining Association of Quebee to have the returns from the various banches of tine mining industry each year at a date not hater thav Januars so.

Following is Mr. Drammond's papar:
The year $\$ \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{t}$ is not likely to go down to history as a year of unparalleled success in the iron irade of the world. In common with nearly all other leading irdustries, that of iron has been working on "rough ground." In the United States, now the lea ang iron market of the world, the shadow of the panic yea- of 1893 seems to have darkened every avenue of trade and commerce, and not least of all the iron industry. Tite exhaustion following on so severe a shock, of itself prevented any very rapid recuperation at the commencement of the year. At the commencement of 1894 the outlouk was gloony enough, and as the year wore on it brought with it a lohes series of troubles calculated to prevent reviving confidence and enterr: se.
Amorig the difficulties referred to, the depletion in the Government gold reserve, beginning in January, led to enormous issues of bonds, which, of course, went to prolong the season of depression. Then the coal and railway strikes and finally the great uncertainty of the tariff question. This combination of adverse circumstances all tended to bring about an unparalled shrinkage in values, affecting everything in the iron line from the raw material to finished product, and of course served to restrict the purchasing power of the people.
New and econonsic methods of production were introduced wherever capital permitted, but withal the work from the first has been unprofitable to capital and labor. Many works have been kept in operation simply to keep the men emplojed, even if at what a year or two ago would be called starvation wages.

Despite all this the feeling of hopefulness has never died out, and, at the close of the year the output of pis iron in the several districts repored shows an increase over the production of $\mathrm{a}_{93}$, whth many more furnaces in operation.
There is a more hopeful feeling abroad, brought about in a great neasure by the result of the recent elections in the United States, and $1 \mathrm{~S}_{95}$ opens with numerous enquiries from consumers, who are not unlikely to be good buyers in the near future. While the experience of the last two years in the iron 2rade, and in fact all other trades in the United States, has not been a pleasant one, yet the enforeed "breathing speli" is not unlikely to prove a blessing in disguise. Great economy has been practiced in all branches of trade and this must result in good. For instance, the Railway Companics have been so economical that their rolling stock has run down to a great extent, and they must very soon come into the market as large buyers. When they do the whole tone of the iron trade will be strengthened, and it is hoped that eapital and labor will be able to carn at least a fair return.
The course of the British iron market during 1894 was marked by the great strike among the Scotch coal miners, which lasted for several months, beginning in July and not coming to an end before October. It appears to have been altogether uncalled for, and did not awaken the public
sympathy as did the English coal strike of the previous year．The result，however，was that the Scotch iron trade was brought almost to a standstill while it lasted，and it will be a long time before the lose of trade can be made up．For serer three months hardly a furnace was in blast in Scotand，but，owing to the fart that the great propor－ tion of the foundries，rolling mills，and other consumers of pig iron were also idle for want of coal，the local demand iar iron was light，and prices did not advance to any ap－ preciable extent．Warrnats remained stationary abut 42，－ to 43 －and the closing price on $3^{1 s t}$ December was close on $4^{2}$, ＇．The effect．however，on special or shipping brands of iron was to advance the price of these about 5 －to $7 / 6$ per ton，owing to their scarcity．No．I＂Summerlee＂was sold as high as 5 S，6 in Glasgow，the highest poin it has touched for the past two years．Several brands were en－ tirely unobtainable．It shows that the Scotch market no longer controls the iron trade of the world，for such a scar－ city happening ten or twenty years ago would have sent prices up to an alarming extent．As it was，howerer，the production and consumption of iron for 1894 shows a large decrease on the previous year，the figure being as follows：

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The consumption also shows a decrease，and whilst tak－ ing all British made iron into the calculation the consump－ tion only fell 41,657 tons behind that of 1893 ，yet the decrease in the consumption of Scoth iron，owing probably to the strikes and consequent high prices of coal，was 125,657 tons．
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English irons，that is those made in the Middleshoro＇ district，remain almost unchanged，and a large quantity finds its way into Scotiand．

Bar iron and manufactures of mild steel，such as plates， angles，etc．，have remained practically unchanged during the year，but，owing to the quiet state of trade prices，clos－ ed a few shillings lower than the opening figures of the year．The change that has come over the trade in these goods is very marked．A few years ago almost the entire requirements of the country in mild steel，and all the bar iron that was not produced in this country，came from Great Britain．During the year just ended the importa－ tions of these goods from Great Britain were practically nothing．Prices on the American side have been forced down，by keen competition，to such an extent that all the steel plates，and the great proportion of the angles and other shapes now come from Pittsburgh，at prices which the English manufacturer cannot touch．

The same general features of reṣtricted production and consramption brought about by the depression in trade，
obtains in the iron markets of Germany，Sweden，France and Belgium，with the exception that the returns irsm Belgium evidence an increase in the output，altheugh the constimption has been unsatisfactory：

In sympathy with the ecadition of the iron trade clse： where the Canadian iron industry has felt the depresson is some degice．The battle over the tariff question that was fouglt at Ottawa throughout the winter months， had the effect of retarding the progress of the industry；and it may be safely claimed that the first half of the year＂as， to a certsin extent，lost in uncertainty．
Happily the Dominion Gevernment decided that the in． dustry should be encouragred．This restored confidence， anditie iron masters to io upthe work promptly．The efle．ts， however，of the deprs：sinn in the United States had atry marked efloct on tre trade of the last six months of itiof． The overstocks 0 ：the Ams．ici－iron furnates were thrown into the Canadian marl：et，and American pig iron found is way as far east as Montreal，at prices that，under ordmary circumstances，would be quite impossible，and that eer． tainly did not return any profit to the American manufac． turer．In many cases the bankrupt stocks held by Amen－ can banks were thus unloaded，presenting a formidabl： competition to Camadian iron masters．Aside from this， the general depression affected the largest consumers in Canada，such as the railways，and the consumption fell short of the ordinary requiremerts．

Linder the existing circumstances，and compared with the state of the trade in the United States，Great Bratun， and ele，where，the Canadian iron incustry made tery good progress in 1894，ot least demonstrating that those now interested in the manufacture of iron have thrown themselves heartily into the work of development，even under most adverse circumstances．

In Nova Scotia the New Glasgow Iron，Coal and Kait－ way Co．have kept their furnace in full blast from the be ginning of the year，and their record of output for 1804 compares most favorably with that of 1893 ．The record is as follows：－


The affiliated company of New Clasgow have goni on steadily extending their operations in the Sieel Depar ment．

The l．ondonderry Co．，who seek their principal markes for pig iron in Ontario，have perhaps felt the American competition more keenly than ．he New Glasgow Co．，but they have done comparatively well for the times．
The Pictou Charcoal Iron Cu．，at Bridgcville，were in operation for several montes of he year，and，allinugh closed down at the present moment，will show a fair out－ put．

The same applies to the work at Drammondville in the Province of Quebec．
At Radner Forges，the operations of a．．e Cinada lrea Furance Co．in all branches will surpass the recurd of 1 Sos． In the Charcoal Iron department the output is practicalis the same as last year．

In August last the Company，after a continuous cam－
paign of nearly two years, found it necessary to shut down for relining of the furnace, and the campaign for 1894 was
from this, and similar causes, reduced to a period of a lit-
tle over nine months. In this nine months the Company
produced of high class

| Charcoal Iron |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ore made | 7, i 78 net tons, | 660 lbs. |
| ${ }^{\text {Charcoal }}$ | 15,866 " | 1033 ، |
| Cordwood | .663,2691/2 bus'hels |  |
| $A_{n}$ | 23,3631/2 cords. |  |

$A_{n}$ average of some 650 men and 300 horses were em.
ployed throughout the year, in the field and at the works.
The work of prospecting has been carried on vigorously
$a^{2}$ in the past, and the ore fields extended and perfected
${ }^{\text {over }}$ a very large territory.
The Company have found competition very keen during
ed year, but the high quality of their iron has command-
${ }^{c} \mathrm{on}_{n}$ a steady market for it. The auxiliary businesses in
and the value of the Company have all shown progress,
ly to the falue of the industry to the Province, and especial-
demonstrated.
Aside from the difficulties experienced by Canadian iron
masters
Masters in meeting the panic prices of their American
rivals, another grave difficulty has recently arisen by the
entitled, "Re drawbacks on import goods used in Cana-

$\mathrm{C}_{0} \mathrm{un}_{\mathrm{cll}}$ was passed with a view of encouraging the expor-
tation of and
tation of agricultural implements to foreign markets. The
Principle of encouragement was perfectly correct, but the
way in which
Which it which the enactment is framed, and the manner in
of the Canarks, are most detrimental to the development
$A_{s}$ it standian iron industry in its broadest sense.
foreign itands to-day it obliges Canadian consumers to use
the encouragemerial before they can avail themselves of
out altogragement offered by the Government, and it bars
ing illustration the use of Canadian raw material. A strikWestern plow of this was given a few weeks ago, when a nace companimanufacturer wrote to one of the iron fur$\mathrm{C}_{\text {anadian }}$ material at that much as he desired to use ican, yet, material at competitive prices with Amertralia yet, inasmuch as he exported largely to Aus$c_{a n}$ irond Great Britain, he was compelled to use Amerithe $\mathrm{D}_{0 \text { mind }}$ steel, so as to take advantage of rebates from Another Canion Government.
recently, Canadian manufacturer when absent from home What as received a letter from his house reading some'We 'Weg to advise having just received an order for plows outgoingent to Australia. The shipment must be made by compelled to steamer, and we deeply regret that we have been steel in stock, hence we must, as we have no American
bate." It is quite evident we must sacrifice the ordinary re${ }^{i_{0 n}}$ Order-in-Council that the manner in which the Domined upor-in-Council was drawn up, and is now being act-
rectified is merely an error, but it is one rectified immerely an error, but it is one that should be
tection and ediately, as it simply serves to nullify the pro-
granted by encouragement to the Canadian granted by encouragement to the Canadian iron industry $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{ession}^{2}}$ of Parliament.

To be entirely consistent with their policy of encouraging the manufacture and use of Canadian iron made from Canadian ores, the Government should so frame the Order-in-Council in question that manufacturers of agricultural implements be entitled to what the duty would have been had they imported the raw materials used in their machines, but leaving them entirely free to use Canadian raw materials, in other words, the encouragement should rather take the form of a bonus than an actual rebate of duties.
So long as the Order-in-Council remains as it is to-day, and the present condition of the American iron market exists, Ontario agricultural implement manufacturers will prefer to. confine their purchases to American iron and steel, so that they will be relieved from the trouble and annoyance of locating specific importations of iron and steel necessary in making out papers calling for the rebate of duties.

Among other important Legislative enactments of the year is one passed by the Liberal Government of Ontario, and which reflects great credit on the wisdom of the Legislators of that Province. For some time bac'z the Ontario Government have been making a very full investigation as to the importance of the pig iron industry in the proper development of the mineral wealth of the Province. Their investigation has finally culminated in the passage of an Act, now in the Statute Books of Ontario, entitled "An Act relating to mines and mining lands," by which Ontario appropriates the sum of $\$ 125,000$ to aid miners and producers of iron ore in developing the ore deposits of that Province.

Clause 12 of the said Act authorizes the Treasurer of the Province to pay out to miners, or producers of ore, upon all ores which shall be raised or mined, and smelted in that Province, for a period of five years from ist July, 1894 , the equivalent ef $\$$ r.00 per ton on the pig metal products of such ore, this to a maximum amount of $\$ 25,000$ per annum.

In better times the effect of this Act would likely have been ere this the formation of companies for the erection of several furnaces in Ontario. As it is, a coke furnace of large capacity is now being erected at Hamilton, Ont., and it is expected that it will be in blast during the ensuing summer. Other furnaces are talked about, and there is not the slightest doubt but that Ontario, hitherto so dilatory about developing one of the greatest natural wealths that she possesses, will very shortly, under such wise legislatures as the Act referred to, come to the front in the manufacture of iron in Canada.
It will be in the best interests of Quebec if its Legislators will meet the action of Ontario promptly, and not only preserve to the Province the credit of having been the first iron producer, but to-day the largest producer of high class charcoal iron within the limits of the Dominion.

Quebec possesses such a great wealth of the very highest class of ores and wood necessary for the manufacture of charcoal, that it only remains for her Government and people to give the industry every sympathy, and at least give the same support as that offered by her sister Province Ontario.

AMERICAN PRODUCTION OF PIG IRON IN 1894.
The American Iron and Steel Association have received from the manufacturers complete returns of the production of pig iron in the United States in 1894, and also complete returns of the stocks of unsold pig iron in the hands of makers or their agents at the close of the year. The following facts are obtained from The Bulletin of that Association :-

The total production of pig iron in $189+$ was $6,657,388$ gross tons, against $7,124,502$ tons in $1893,9,157,000$ tons in 1892, 8,279,870 tons in 1891, and 9,202,703 tons in 1890. The production in 1893 was $2,032,498$ tons, or over 22 per cent. less than in 1892, and the production in 1894 was 467,114 tons, or over $61 / 2$ per cent. less than in 1893 . The production in the first half of 1894 was $2,717,983$ tons, and in the last half it was $3,939,405$ tons. In the following table is given the production of pig iron by half years during the last four years, in gross tons.

| Periods. | 1891. | 1892. | 1893. | 1894. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First half. | 3,368,107 | 4,769,683 | 4,562,918 | 2,717,983 |
| Second half | .4,911,763 | 4,387,317 | 2,561,584 | 3,939,405 |
| Total. | .8,279,870 | 9,157,000 | 7,124.502 | 6,657,388 |

The production of pig iron in the last half of 1894 , large as it was as compared with that of the first half of the year, was not so large as in the first half of 1893 , or in either of the halt years of 1892 , or in the second half of 1891 , or in either of the half years of 1890 , or in the second half of 1889 . The total production of pig iron in 1894 was the lowest yearly production since 1888 .

The number of furnaces which were in blast on June 30 , 1893, immediately after the panic of that year, was 226 ; by December 31, 1893, the number in blast had fallen to 137 ; on June 30,1894 , there were only 108 in blast ; on December 31, 1894, the number in blast had increased to 185.

Statistics of unsold stocks of pig iron do not include pig iron sold and not removed from the furnace bank, nor pig iron manufactured by rollıng-mill proprietors for their own use. The stocks of pig iron which were unsold in the hands of manufacturers or their agents on December 31, 1893, and which were not intended for their own consumption, amounted to 662,068 gross tons ; on June 30,1894 , they had fallen to 517,036 tons ; on December 31, 1894, they had risen to 597,688 tons-an increase from June 30 of 80,652 tons. The increase in stocks since June 30 has been chiefly in the charcoal State of Michigan, in the Lehigh Valley, in the Shenango and Mahoning valleys, and in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania.

In addition to the stocks of pig iron above noted as unsold on December 31, 1894, there should be added 63,640 tons in the yards of the American Pig Iron Storage Warrant Company which haspassed out of the hands of the makers, making $66 \mathrm{I}, 328$ gross tons which may be said to have been then on the market, against 575,866 tons which were similarly held on June 30,1894 . The total quantity of stocks in warrant yards on December 3I was the largest yet recorded, amountin a $_{5}$ to 11,200 tons.

There has been a steady increase of unsold charcoal stocks in the hands of makers muring the last four halfyearly periods, as will appear from the following figures :-

June 30, 1893, 184,536 tons; December 31, 1893, 207, 181 tons; June 30, 1894, 229,705 tons; December 31, 1894, 250, 183 tons.

## A CHAPTER ON SUGARS.

The Monetary Times has what it calls a chapter on sugar, that contains many facts and suggestions that should impress themselves upon the minds of the public. After giving quotations which Toronto jobbers are now offering sugars to the trade, and which, we understand, are lower than ever before, we are told that the reduction, in face of the already low prices at which domestic sugars have been selling, might have excited comment were it not for the fact that everyone knows that the product of German refiners has been gradually replacing domestic sugars, in spite of the low prices at which the latter have been offering.

Following our contemporary :
But the Canadian refiners are made of stern stuff, and are not willing to stand idly by and see their product driven from the market. They have sought to meet the Germans with their own weapons, viz., low prices. As a result the trade never bought sugars so cheaply as to-day. The German refiners have the advantage of a bonus upon exports amounting to $211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per 100 pounds, which goes a long way in reducing the protection ( 54 c . per 100 pounds) afforded Canadian manufacturers by the tariff. And although there may be some difference of opinion as to the advisability of a protective tariff for Canada, there can be but little question that to remove protection from those industries in which other countries are offering ${ }^{2}$ bonus upon exports, is to but bring about the annihilation of the home manufacture of these goods.

There is a surplus of granulated sugar in Germany at -present. When the German government began to assist the sugar refining industry, the natural consequence was a plethora of refineries arising on every hand. When the talk arose of free sugar in the United States, additional encouragement to refine sugar was given to the Germans; and still more factories were built ; and the capacity of the German refineries is now several times greater than the needs of the home market. Prices of granulated sugar in Germany have sunk to a hitherto unheard-of level, and in order to relieve, if possible, the home market, the large refiners have been ferreting out every possible source of outlet. In consequence scarcely a vessel arrives in $\mathrm{Ne}^{W}$ York from Hamburg that does not carry several hundred bags of granulated sugars shipped upon Canadian account.

The German granulated beet sugar-at least that sent to our markets-does not compare in quality to the extra standard grades of Canadian granulated. But this is an age of cheap commodities. Price, not quality, is the con sideration uppermost in the consumer's mind when mak ing a purchase, and the merchant himself is not loath to buy goods " at a bargain" when he has the opportunity. But two can play at the game of making cheap goods, and one of the refineries has very recently placed an "off granulated" sugar upon the market. It sells as low as the German article, and those jobbers who handle this grade quote it at $35 / 8$ cents per pound. This sugar stands a good test, rising so high as 96 , it is said; and the one difference between it and sugars of the first grade lies in appearance. When placed side by side, the comparison is very disadvantageous to the latest arrival upon the sugat market.

There are those in the trade who predict trouble in the future because of the manufacture of this low grade article. But the whole blame must rest with the retail trade and the public. The call has been for cheap sugar, and they
have it now both as regards price and quality. The company who reline this sugat consider that they have done all in their power to prevent a confusion of grades by plainly markiny the nature of the contents of each ' irrel. But some confusion must nevertheless inevitably arise. In respect to package, this second grade domestic gramulated sugat is superior to the Germanarticle, ats it is put up only in the best Camadian barrels, while the German sug.tr arrives either in bags or large unwieldy barrels which poorly stand so long a voyage.
It should be borne in mind that sugar is sugrar, that is to say, there is no distinguishable difference between refined sugar whether made of cane or beets ; and also that the consumer, all other things being equal, does not discriminate between them. Taking simples of each sort, cane and beet sugar, samdard gramulated, and experts can discover no difference.
The Monetary Times tells us the season of sugar being so cheap now is because Germany bonuses the export of refined beet sugar to theextent of 211 ; cents per 100 pounds, and that Canadian refiners, who are made of stern stuff, are not willing to stand idly by and see their product driven from the market-that they meet the Germans with their own weapons, viz.: low prices. Of course the Cinadian refiners do not propose to lose money in their business, elen if they do cut prices; but it is evadent, as this journa! has for years contended, that the refiners made more money in their business, because of the high tariff, than they ought to be allowed to make. We have repeatealy shown that refining sugar could be land down in Canada quite as cheaply as in the C'nited States; that Canadian refined has always been as good as imerican refined, and better than German refined, and that the cost of refining in Canada is quite as low as in the Lnited States; and yet The Empire call; the McKinley tariff, that imposed a duty of only Sto per ton on refined sugar, the most objectimible kind of class legislation, and opposed to the true interests of the country, but has nothing but praise for the Canadian tariff that gave Canadian refiners protection to the evtent of $\$ 16$ per ton. It is said that the Amersan refiners became lords, barons and millionaires from a business that was protected only Sio per ton; and it was the profitsCanadian refiners have made by a duts of 60 per cent. greater than the Amer:canduty by which they are now showing the atern stuff they are made of by naking an inferior grade of refined sugar and selling it at very low prices, hoping thereby to drive cheap German sugar from the Canadian market. This is an exhibition cf anselfish patriotism that the sugar consumers of Canadit will value at its true worth.

We are told, too, that the German export bounty of $21 / \frac{1}{2}$ eents per ixc pounds goes a long way in reducing the protection of 64 cents per 100 pounds afforded by the tariff io Can. dian reliners. Our contemperary should bear in mind that it was but quite recently that the Canadian duty was redueed from So cents per hundred pounds; the difference beiny much greatur than the MeKinley duty of $\mathbf{5 0}$ cents.

Mention is made of the fact that there is a surplus of gramulated sugar in Germany at present, that when the German Government began to assist the sugar refining industry, the natural consequence was a plethora of refiners arising on every hand. Our friend seems to misapprehend the sttuation, and we will state for its information that for
many years Germany has been carrying a surplus of sugar -in fict has been manufacturing it for export ; and if the abundance of refineries in that country may properly be called a plethora, it is just what Germany hats been struggling for. 't tloes not require the memory of an old man to remeniner the time when Engrland and Scotland about supplied the world with refined sugar, and how that British industry has almost ceased to exist. The German Government discotered that the agricultural industries of the country were not in a flourishing condition. They had previously discoverd that the soil and climate were well adapted to the cultivation of the sugar beet; and it had been demonstrated that that article could be made a prating crop. At that time Germany was dependent to a large extent upon Great Britain for sugar-cane sugar, and it "has a yuestion whether, instead of sending money out of the countryto support British refineries and Colonial and Spanish cane fields, it would not be better to establish an industry that would give increased employment to the people, keep the sugar money at home, and finally to export sugar. The latter was the course adopted, and we know the result. The German system of bounty on the export of refined bect sugar produced in the commtry in cluded a graduated scale which at first was very much Wigher than it is now, is gradually being reduced, and will soon be extinguished; and this system is one of the grandest exhibitions of the benefit of protection ever presented to the world.

It is a mistake, too, to say that the talk of free sugar in the U'nited States induced (iermany to give additional encouragement to the home production of beet sugar ; and it does not exhibit intimate dequaintance with the facts to suppose that the German sistem included producing only for the home market. The Germans do not have to ferret out sources of outlet for their sugar. They intended to become masters of the situation, and that is what they are to-day. Geimanactivity has given a wonderful stimulus to the prodution of sugar all over the world; and it is this enlarged production, together whth new methods of cultivating both the beet and the cane, and of transforming their saccarine matter into edible sugar that has made the article so cheap.
The Monetary Times condones the act of the Canadian refiners in producing an inferior quality of sugar for the purposs of meeting in this market an equally inferior qualit of Cierman sugar. It tells us that this is an age of cheap commodities; that price, not quality is the consideration in the mind of the consumer, and that as two can play at the game of making cheap groods, one of the Canadian refineries has placed an "off granulated" on the market. It also tells us that this infertor article when placed side by side with first grade, shows to gieat disadtantage, the refiner considering that he has done all in his power to prevent confusion of grades by plainly marking the nature of the contents of the barrel. This is gratuitous information to any one vistung stores where sugar is suld, for dealers loualy prociamin the papers and otherwise that they are retailing standard Canadian granulated sugar at lower prices than such sugar can be bought for from the jobbers, and the public are asked to believe the falsehood when the contaning barrel is shown almost
identical in appearamee with that which contains standard sugar, a scheme well calculated to deceive the unwary, and to which the refiner aboresaid has willingly and knowingly lent himself. It is nonsense for the defenders of this fraud upon consmers to place their hands upon their hearts and declare that thes have done all in their power to prevent confusion of grades, when the inferior Canadian article is put up in the best Canadian barrels, as the Monetary times says it is, white the "erman sugar comes packed either in bags or large unwieldy barrels.
The remedy for this deception is for Canada to do just as Germany has done and is doing - to bonus the beet sugar inductry until we can supply our own wants at least.
GROHTH ILWD POPLLARITI of ELECTRIC RALLIIAIS.

The rapid strides which hate been made during the past decade to the practical application of electricity, in almost a multitude of ways, and espectally in electric transit, give to the trolley system a supremacy over all local and suburban systems, which at once commands universal recognition from every quarter of the globe.
Writing of the unparalleled development of the trolley system, Mr. W. C. Sherman, of Toronto, says :
Until very recently the name and history of the imentor of the eiectric railway has been wrapt up in almost complete obscurity. Authentic reports credit the priority of invention to Thos. Dasenport, a self-educated blacksmith, of Springfield, Mass., who as early as $1835-3$; constructed a model of an electric railway, which model still exists. To give details of his strugrsles, successes and failures would mean to occupy much valuable time and space entirely beyond the scope of this article. Following Davenport's invention, in the same year ( $1 \mathrm{~S}_{37}$ ), came the electric telegraph by l'rof. Morse, thus marking, at this period, the first important era in the history of electrical development. In 1840, now over fifty years ago, Mr. Davenport published in New York a weekly journal, known as The Electric Magnet and Mechanic's lntelligence, which was printed on a press driven by one of his own electro-magnetic engines. When Mr. Davenport arrived in New lork he was offered for his railway model $\$ 350,000$, but refused it with the hope of doing better in Europe. He consequently took his model to England, and, having set it in operation, gained the attention of Michael Faraday, who became cieeply interested in the invention. One day it occurred to Mr. Faraday to tast the power of the machine, so he took a broom that was in the room, pressed it against the flywheel and stopped the motor. .'fter this Mr. Faraday refused to invest, or to recomnend it to others, so Mr. Darenport had to bear the expense and receive nothing for his trouble. Though many promising experiments were made shortly after Davenport's failure ; still the name of electromotor lad become a synorym for humbug and fratud, and it was consequently impossible to find any who were willing to invest capital in its development.

The invention of the electric railway in its modern form has beenascribed to Stephen D. Field, now of Stockbridge, Mass., who in 1877 completed plans for equipping the electric railway which has been regarded by competent
judges superior in miny respects to any system which hin yet been brought before the public. At that time there were no dy namos made in America suitable for furnisham sufficient power to run an electric rathay. He accordinst! ordered one from Europe which, alter a long time, wa completed and shipped to San Francisco on a sailing ver. sel. The ship was wrecked on her voy age and his maclune went to the bottom of the sea. Not yet discouraged he ordered another one, which eventually reached him in gued order and enabled him to commence his long delayed ex. periments. He tried first an electric elevator in which he was suceessful. In 1879 , having exhausted his resourci. he came to New lork, bringing with him plans, with wheh he hoped to enlist capital to continue his work. He wa, not successful in obtaining sufficient means to propel! develop his invention; he became involved in tedinus, lar. assing and expensive litigation with wealihy corporations, and his health failed him at a ritiod time, so that for gur, he was incapacitated from active work and was comse quently unable to complete his plans.
The name of the late Charles J. Van Depoele, perhip:, stands next in importance to that of Field, in the det clop. ment of the electric railway in its modern :orm. Although he had experimented with electric motors as early as isit. and had satisfied his friends in regard to the feasibility of electrical traction, he seems to hate given no public dem. onstration of his system until 1883 , when he exhibiteda car in operation in Chicago. The year 1885 saw the completion and successful operation ot the first road at Suati Bend, Ind., where he ran trains of five cars, thus demonstrating in actual practice a principle that had been almos universally denied in theory. He afterwards sold his, patents to the Thompson-Houston Co. and entered intu their employment, where he spent the lasi few years of his life.

Throughout the annals of the world's industu. 1 l history, the development of the trolley system stands without a parallel. The first electric road in the United States, rurning regular trips, was set in operation in the city of Cleve land, July 27, 1884. At the Toronto Indusirial Exhibition in the same year ( $1 \mathrm{SS}_{4}$ ), a train of cars driven by a thirty horse-power e!ectric locomotive was successfully operated, carrying thousands of people, from the entrance of the grounds to the main building, a distance of about s.we feet. Although in the year 1856 , there existed throughout the whole world a limited list of only twelve or thirtien electric roads including all systems, the electric railway dia not become a practical commercial success until 1 SSS, what Frank Sprague opened for traffic, at Richmond, Va., 2 road built upon a large scale, overcoming the difficultiesd lengths, grades and curves, which up to this date had beta considered as the grentest obstacles in the successful oper ation of electric railways.

In this age of high pressure and keen commercial competition there is perhaps no one factor which has such an important bearing upon the growth, progress and prosper. ity of our towns and cities as a developed street railwar. The call for an efficient and rapid transit, at a moderate cost, can only be satisfied by the trolley system: Whit the average rate of a horse car is from four to six miles pat hour, the rate of an electric car will vary in the same time from six to twelve miles. In comparing the two rates d

Speed, a person would travel in one hour (at the lowest calculation) at least three miles farther by using an electric car, or would gain in actual time $1_{5}$ minutes. To a business man this means considerable. It not only means a Vast saving of time, but it also gives him a greater radius
from his place from his place of business in which to select a home. With
these advantages, alung with many others not allow us to consider, we are others which space will learn that the trolley system has practically superseded to other form of street railway propulsion When we street railway propulsion.
States carry twice as many passengers as all the the United
combined, and that the ratio of increase in local traffic exceeds that of population, we can form a just estimate of
the imporatic the importance that should be attached to a rapid, efficient
and saie and saie service. The total street railway traffic in the United States for the year 1890 alone exceeded by many siderably the total population of the globe. To-day conmileage of there than one-third of the total street railway or, in other words, in States is operated by electric power, the trolley system has superseded all other systems heretofore in use. While the
the United Statey system has made unbounded strides in made in Canates during the past three years, the progress greater. Thada has been proportionally as great if not sources, The following statistics, gathered from reliable ada during the the development of electric railways in CanIn September, past three years.
rail September, 189 I , the total number of miles of street operated by horses and 39 miles by electricity miles were number of cars in Canada was 624 , of whices by electricity. The total by horses and in Canada was 624 , of which 562 were run in Canada was 62 by electricity. The total number of roads and 7 by was 2 I , of which 14 were run by animal power Motor cars 44 , $\mathrm{tistics}^{2}$ with 44, and trailers i8. Comparing the above stastreet railway mileage November '94, we find that the total ${ }^{\text {to }} 372$ miles, or 169 milese Canada has increased from 203 creased from or 39 to 343 miles. The electrical mileage has inhorsed from 39 to 343 miles. The mileage operated by
ber of decreased from 164 to 3 I miles. The total nuinber of cars has ineased from 164 to 3 I miles. The total nuinof electric mos increased from 630 to 1,006 . The number number of hotor cars has increased from 44 to 505 . The number of horse cars now in operation is 178 . The total the principal cities in Canada has increased from 21 to 28 . In superseded animal power, while the trolley system has been constructed, electricity being adopted in every in-
stance. There for street There are now only 153 horses used in Canada eration in the railway work. There are 130 motor cars in opWhen the city of Toronto alone.
dian el we consider that this great development in Canaperiod of three railways has been accomplished in the short indus of three years, can we not form an ideal picture of of a most progress which during the next ten years will be $N_{E W S} S_{A P E R}$ radical and revolutionary character.
Several days ago a most offensive advertisement appear-
ed $\begin{aligned} & \text { in many of the newspapers of Canada, particularly the }\end{aligned}$
daily papers of Toronto, which has called forth a severe and merited rebuke from the gentleman whose name was most unwarrantably used. The nature of the offense con. sisted in what purported to be a telegram from Ottawa in which the name of Dr. Montague, a member of the Dominion Cabinet, who has recently been ill, was coupled with a certain patent medicine, the owner of which claims will cure such diseases, and which the telegram stated the medicine had cured. It was a gross breach of propriety to thus publish the name of a gentleman without his consent, and no interpretation of the ethics of journalism will countenance it. Three or four days after the commission of the offense a telegram was sent out from Ottawa to the effect that the previous one had created a feeling of intense disgust there (the place of residence of Dr. Montague) and that he had instructed his solicitor to issue writs against the parties issuing the advertisement and also against the papers publishing it ; and it was only then that to save themselves from damages some of these delinquent papers found time to plead the baby act. The Globe has this to say of the incident :-
The Globe regrets exceedingly that in common with other newspapers it inadvertently admitted into its columns on Saturday last an advertisement in which the recent serious illness of Dr. Montague, M.P., was made an excuse for mentioning the name of that gentleman.
And The Empire this :-
[As this advertisement was, through oversight, not scrutinized before insertion, it got into print without the manager of the paper being aware of it. It is needless to say The Empire thoroughly agrees that such a reference to a public man in a patent medicine advertisement was most indecent and improper, and regrets that the advertisement slipped into these columns-Ed. Empire.]

And that is about all they could say. These journals profess to be great sticklers for the proprieties of the profession, and often declare in loud tones that they are the champions and upholuers of newspaper ethics; yet here we see perhaps a dozen or more of the virtuous ones lending themselves to the publication in their columns for a money consideration, of stuff that the office boy would have had sense enough to deposit in the waste paper basket. The Globe charges the delinquency to inadvertence and The Empire to oversight. Queer, isn't it, that the intelligent managers of so many newspapers should have been guilty of delinquency and oversight in the admission of objectionable advertisements when there was money in it for them, no matter how much annoyance it might occasion others. It is a lamentable fact that Toronto daily newspapers particularly have adopted just this plan to advertise the business of their customers, as may be observed at any time, where among news telegrams and items of general interest are interspersedcunningly worded business advertisements of patent medicine vendors, or any others who may be willing to pay for such preferred locations at so much money per line. Funny, tou, that the intelligent editor, business manager and all the rest of the staff of these papers could not discover their offense, although several days had intervened, and not until a solicitor had been instructed to enter suit for damages. This is an occasion that ought to be taken advantage of by the Canadian Press Association to make a strong effort to amend the code of newspaper ethics. The old one seems to be irreparably in tatters.

## ARCHITECTS AND ARCMITECTVRE.

The Cutario Association of Architects held a meeting in Toronto a few days ago, at which some papers relating to the guild were read, some discussion had thereon and on the recent fires in this city, a dinner was indulged in, an election of officers had, and also an adjournment.

We collate a few notes from facts stated in the city newspapers while the meetings of the Association were being held.

The Association appointed a committee to draft a new building by-law requiring more perfect conditions for the prevention of fire. The Council of the Association has extended this committee, and when it formulates suitable conditions, these will be subnitted to a general meeting of the Association in Tcronto, before offering them as a suggestion to the City Council.

Speaking to a representative of the press, a member of the Association said: "Our object is to raise the standard of proficiency in our profession, and we are seeking to bring that about by an amendment to our Act of incorpnr ation, which will render an examination compulsory for those who seek admission to the profession. This step we consider is mainly in the interest of public safety: We do not object to builders putting up houses, so long as they, do not call themselves architects, or attempt to practise as such; but we do say that where there is so much at stake, it is nothing but right that measures should be taken to allow none but those who are properly qualified to undertake the duties of an architect."

About this time an inquest was being held by the Coroner to discover the causes leading up to the death of fireman Bowrey, who was killed by the falling of a wall of The Globe building when that structure was destroyec by fire early in January. During the inquest William Stone, manager of the Toronto Lithographic Company, which occupied tiae second and third flats and parts of the first and fourth, deposed that there was about 40 tons' weight of machinery on the third flat. When the building was reconstructed in 1890 an inside framework of iron and wood was put up, and iron pillars ran down the length of each flat. Witness remembered speaking to architect Know as to the strength of the building, and he said all the machinery in Toronto could be put on that third flat with perfect safety. The vibration had been very slight. The Globe had also had the buitdiag inspected by Mr. Burke, and he had said it was perfectly safe. John W. Siddall of the architect firm of Siddall $\mathcal{E}$ Baker, who succeeded to the business of Knox, Elliott \& Jarvis, the architects of The Globe building, produced the plans of the building, and gave details as to the method upon which it had been reconstructed. The whole weight of the floors and their contents was carried on an inside iron and wood framework running clear from the basement to the roof, and entircly independent of the walls. In his opinion the building was perfectly safe for the purposes for which it was used, and in case of fire as safe as most buildings in the city. It was not claimed to be a fireproof structure, and many non-fireproof buildings $\because: . \cdot$ safer than those said to be fireproof.

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Globe building with perfect safety. The building had been inspected by another architect, Mr. Burke, who declared it perfectly safe. In the upinion of Mr. Siddall, another architect, the building was perfectly safe for the purpose for which it was used, and, in calse of fire, as safe as mont butildings in the city. Mr. Siddall's testimony was grsen after the destruction of the buidding.

It was in evidence that within twenty minutes after the first alarm was given almost the entire north wall of the building fell into the street, and the entire structure was total wreck.

The architects whose names are here mentioned ats hat. ing expressed opinions regarding the architectural sulfich. ency of The Globe building are, or have been. members of the Ontario Association of Architects, and all sland high in their profesion. These gentlemen considereda building perfectly safe that tumbled into the street in twenty minutes after the appearance of fire withi .ts walls, yet they consider themselves competent to formulate a new fire by-law which they want the City Council to adopt. They are the ones, to:, who want an amendment to the Act of Incorporation of their Association which will compel all builders who construct houses to underge an examination as to their proficiency as architects. They are very generous, however, in stating that they do not object to builders putting up houses so long as they do not call themselves architects or attempt to practise as such.

In view of the facts one might naturally enquire who are properly qualified to undertake the duties of an architect?

## THE GROIVTF OF MANUFACTURES.

Mr. George Johnson, Dominion statistician, replies 4 The Globe in regard to the census of the growth of manufactures, saying that in its recent article it has forsultid that there were on!; four Provinces in 1871, and hais in consequence most amusingly compared the development of the mechanical and manufacturing industries in 18S: in all the eight Provinces with the results as obtained in is;: in four Provinces. Of course, the growth in 1881 as com:pared with 1871 under this comparison would she" a greater percentage gain than would the growth of 1 igys ia the eight Prci.uces when compared with the eight lrovinces in IS81. Mr. Johnson proceeds to state the matte currectly. Making the year 1871 the datum line, the manufactrring and mechanical industries of the four Prorinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick increased in the twenty years $1871-1891$ as follows:-


Between 1871 and 1881 the capital invested. in manefacturing and mechanical industries in the four Provinci increased 163 per cent., leaving 220 per cent, as the ir crease in the next ten years, 1881-91.

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represent the increase in the last ten years of the twentyyear period.
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Between $1^{\times 71}$ and 1881 the value of the additional raw material used consequent upon the development of manufacturing was incrensed by 40 per cent., leaving 54 per cent. to represent the increase which took place in the last hatli of the twenty-year period.

Between 1871 and 188 : the value of the products made in the mechanical and manufacturing establishments of the four Provinces increased 35 per cent., leaving 67 per cent to represent the increase of the last half of the twenty years.
Taken in the large these figures show that the manufacturing ard mechanical industries of the four Provinces did about double the business in the last half of the twenty-year period that they did in the first half.
The following are the figures upon winich these results are based:-


## SH.IRCO.IL A.VD ITS BEARING ON THE UTIJIZATION OF OCI FORESTS.

One of the most interesting papers read at the recent meeting of the Ceneral Mining Association of the Province of Quebec, held 1. Montreal, January 9, was :hat prepared by Mr. T. J. Drima.and of that city, and read by Mr. George E. Orumnond, vice president of tha: Ascociation, upon tne minufacture of charcoal and the utilization of Canadian fo. sts which, and is as follows:
In asking the attention of this Mining Association to a paper on a forest product, I think perhaps it is best at the outset to remind you that, as so far charcoal is the only known fuel natural to this Province for the smelting of iron ore; this important product of the mine must be governed by the product of the forest. If we cannot produce cheap charcoal, and if we cannot see a supply ahead, then any attempt to establish an iron industry in this Province, on anything like an extensive scale, would mean failure. The importance of this question of the production of charcoal and its encouragement, and the conservation of woods for its manufacture, therefore, cannot well be over-estimated. Canadians have truly a magnificent national asset in their forests, and every care and thought should be given to the question of how it may be utilized.

It will be unnecessary for me to dilate on the forests of
the Dominion. While the variety of trees is not as great, still the area under timber in Canada is certainly equal to that of the United States, and the woods are useful and valuable. In our own Province there are probably not more than fifty or sixty species, but they have already yielded a large covenue to the country, and with proper care they will continue to do so for generations to come. In fact, with a climate like ours, our supply should be unending, as it is in every way favorable to the growth of forests, and if a proper system of sutting is followed, and due care given by the government through a system of inspection, new forests will spring up to replace the timber removed, where the land is not put to agricultural or other purposes. To preserve these forests, and to utilize them to the best advantage to the country, should be both a national and provincial care and, if necessary, vast districts should be set aside and reserved for this purpose, over which the Government should exercise full control.

We have forest wealth now, and so, as I have said, what we must consider is how we cain utilize this to the best advantage to the nation. In considering this, it seems to me that as in the case of private assets, we must consider each class of wood separately, and try and find out in what way these woods can be utilized so as to return the greatest benefit in cash and labor, and in my opinion, we should not be content to be simply "hewers of wood" and allow others to reap the benefits derivable from the labor that may be employed in bringing any of our woods to a higher state of finish and value, but should encourage, by legislation and otherwise, the manufacture within our own boundaries of whatever articles the variety of woods of our forests may be suitable for.

If we are to advance in wealth and population, if we are to build a nation, we must be able to offer fair work and fair wages, and to do this we must develop our natural resources, more especially in those directions that require the greatest amount of labor. When we have labor and the producing power of the earth working together, whether in agriculture, mining, or the utilizing of cur forests, we are doing this, and the higher the point to which we can bring the earth's product, with the consequent increase of value through extra labor expended within our own boundaries, the better for our country, So, I reason, that if instead of shipping our forest products in practically a raw state, we can carry the process of finishing to a higher stage, then our forests will of a nec̣essity yield us so much greater benefit. To a very large extent the value of a forest tree is the value received for the labor expended in hewing it. into square timber, sawing it into boards, or turning it into an article of furniture, an it stands to reason that the tree that was by Canadian labor transformed into furniture, has yielded more than its fellow that was exported in the form of square timber, or that a spruce tree shipped in the form of paper yields more than if it had left Canada in the form of sawn logs or even pulp. As with our soft or merchantable woods, so with the unmerchantable or hard woods. If we burn these woods to clear the land, it means dead loss, or if we use them for domestic fuel, the return is small, and if we turn them into charcoal and export the charcoal in that snape, the value to the country will not be very great; but if we
use these woods in such a manner as to develop an indus-' try that must otherwise be non-existent, then we have obtained something worth while, and so I hold that by burning into charcoal and using that coal for the smelting of iron, the value of the cord of wood to the country becomes the value of the labor expended in producing the amount of pig iron that quantity of wood will smelt, in other words, the value of a cord of wood for domestic purposes to the farmer would be say $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2.00$, and would yield nothing beyond that to the country. But if that cord of wood is burnt into charcoal, and by that fact an iron industry becomes possible, then as it takes from two to two and one-half cords of wood to obtain sufficient charcoal to produce one ton $u$. iron, so it must be plain that a cord of wood utilized in this way brings through the labor consequent on raising the ore, flux, etc., and smelting, say from $\$ 6$ to $\$ 9$ per cord, according to the class of ore smelted and wood used. In making this statement, I am, of course, dealing principally with our Province of Quebec, where the conditions are such that without charcoal an iron industry cannot be commercially established, and where, with proper attention, consideration, protection and enco:ragement towards the utilization of what are known as unmerchantable and waste woods, insuring a long and regular supply of charcoal, a charcoaliron industry can be developed as great and as important to the Province and the Dominion as that industry has been, and is, to Sweden and the United States.

Now that I have given in a general way my ideas as to the utilization of our forests, and the bearing those forests
have on the iron industry in this Province, I will, in as fem words as possible, explain the different systems of manu. facl are of charcoal generally followed, giving particularly the practice adopted at the works with which I am identi. fied.

In cutting wood for pit burning, the custom in Sweden is to cut the logs in about 9 foot lengths, but in our owa experience we have found it better to cut to shorter lengths for reasons hereafter given.

For kiln burning, the general practice in the C'nited States is to cut to 4 ft . lengths. Formerly the cutting to lengths as well as the felling was done with the axe, but latterly the saw has been brought into general use, with a view not only to quicker work, but to prevent waste. The value of the saw in cutting the cord wood to lengtb is considerable, for the axe chips represent a very material loss. The axe seldom makes a cut at an angle less than 45 degrees, so that in practice as much wood is cut away as remains in the two adjacent points, and the loss of chips in cutting to four foot lengths with the axe, amounts io fully from 8 per cent. to 10 per cent. according to the size of wood cut.

In the Province of Quebec, when we first took up the charcoal iron industry, we found that the practice was to work wholly with the axe, and to cut to 3 ft . lenglths, and we saw that this must be changed, as the loss was considerable in labor through cutting to such short lengths, and as already pointed out the loss in chips also was nat. urally very great. We had a great deal of prejudice to overcome, but we are now making for kiln purposes soldr

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4 fl . wood and our men are using the satw for cutting to length. And we find that not only do we effect economy for reasons given, but our men are able to earn, working in pairs, with the saw, better wages than they formerly could, working singly, with the axe.
In burning into coal two systems are generally followed, viz., pit or meiler burning and kiln burning, and in the United States retort burning has been attempted. This is carried on, I believe, on a small scale at present, but I do not think it bas ever proven to be a commercial success although perhaps if given full trial it might be found to be more conomical than it has so far proven to be.
Two styles of kilns are generally used, the rectangular and the beehive. The latter has been found to be the most satisfactory, and has practically superceded the rectangular kiln. In our own experience, the rectangular kilus have given us good results both as to clurability and the making of conl, but we have found them more difficuit to keep air tight than the bechive, and that they also require more experience and cate in handling, being more suhject to cracking and opening through being affected to a greater extent by expansion and contraction. They have also to be well bound with heavy frames of wood, which are affected by weather and time and require replacing.
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When in operation, it is necessary that the burner watch the rectangular kilns very closely, owing to there being a greater liability to burn down to the centre than in the behive kilns. The form of the latter giving solidity while the action of expansion and contraction from heat and cold is not so great, and the beehi'e kiln is therefore easier te keep atir-tight, and for these reasons the coal produced in the bechive is more uniform.
Apart from the question of coal, the beehive kiln is much easier to keep in repair, as it is not necessary to have any wood frames or binding. The wood can also be handied somewhat cheaper and faster in the beehive than in the rectangular and owing to their greater liability to straining from expansion and contraction already referred to, the rectangular kilns require ahsut two or three days longer to cool, and therefore cannot be turned over as often as the beehive, and for general results the latter has been found to be the most suitable.
In our rectangular kilns, an opening is left from the front door to the centre of the kiln. This is made by piling the cord wood in such a manner that a canal of say 12 in. square is left in the middle of the kiln leading from the door to the centre. At this point a sort of crib work is built, known as a chimney, leading to the top of the kiln. On all sides of this dry wood, or brands, is piled so as to fire easily. A small. quantity of split brands is then placed in the hole in the centre. The wood on all sides is ranked in the same manner as cord wood and is piled as closely as possible. Along the top of the kiln the lighter wood is laid, and this for two reasons. First, it is easier


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to handle, and secondly, the fire will run through it quicker than thrcugh the heavy timber which is left in the centre of the kiln, then a tair quantity of light wood (or brands) is placed along the bottom and at the ends. When the kiln is closed and ready for firing, the top door is opened, and a piece of oily waste is inserted by means of a long pole to the centre of the chimney. The draft to the top of the kiln carries the fire upward and along the top, and once fairly started, the top door is closed and the air is allowed to draw down to the lower vents, three rows of which are open around the base of the kiln. These vents are operated by the burnef in such a manner as to draw the heat from point to point of the kiln, and thus to cook the whole mass. The direction and force of the wind have a large bearing on the tanipulating of the heat, and will driv it from one side of the kiln to the other, hence the holes have to be closed and the windward side protected to prevent combustion, as otherwise the wood would become overheated and be reduced to ashes. The condition of the coal in the kiln when approaching the finishing point is generally determined by the color of the smoke and sometimes by the insertion of an iron rod at various points to ascertain by feeling the condition of the wood cr coal. This latter mode is only occasionally resorted to.

The same mode of piling and firing applies to the beehive kilns as described in regard to the rectangular. The fire is started at the bottom and allowed to burn upwards. Once fairly started among the light or dry wood, the kiln is closed, and as thegases escape from the wood they practically supply sufficient heat to cook the cntire
mass. Care must be taken at all times to prevent too great a supply of air to the kiln, and thus caluse combus. tion.

The properly cooked kiln should contain only the ashes made by the wood that surrounds the chimney with a little from the dry or light wood oin the top, the combur. tion of which has supplied sufficient fuel to heat the mass and cause the drying and evaporation of water and gas in the whole.

What a charcoal burner must keep before him all the time is that the wood is to be cooked and not burned, so that every care must be taken to prevent combustom and sufficient heat must be introduced into the kiln or the chimacy or canal leading to it, or by the combustion of a small quantity of light or dry wood on top to crek the whole mass. The light wood, of course, will be consumed, but in the meantime it should have imparted sutiocient heat to the the rest to diaw off the water and the lighter gases.
The burning of charcoal is more or less a process which distills or throws out the undesirabie gas learing the mass of wood. charred to the centre. If this could be carried out to perfection, the coal should be solid without any breaks or cracks or tendency to fall to pieces.
Both our beehive and rectangular kilns have a capacity of about 55 cords, and they generally take trom ten to fourteen hours to fill, according to the class of wood handled, and from five to six days to burn, which is again largely governed by the class of wood. The bechive kilns take about eight days to cool and can be easily dis.

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charged in one day. The rectangular kilns generally take two or three days longer to cool, as already stated, owing to their being more affected by expansion and contraction. In our kiln work we use cord wood all the way from a limb of $2 \mathrm{I}-2 \mathrm{in}$. in diameter up to the trunk of the heaviest tree that is too solid or knotty to be split with the axe, so that in our practice there is practically no waste wood, as we use tops, lops, and everything.

In Sweden the coal is very largely manufactured in pits and this has been carried on on quite a large scale also in the United States. One advantage of the pit system is that farmers and others can do coal burning on their own lands and obtain the results of the labor, and at the same time the cost of transportation is naturally greatly lessened, as forty bushels of charcoal can be transported for considerably less than a cord of wood, of which it is an average equivalent. In general results throughout the United States it would seem that the quantity of coal per cord obtained by pit burning has not been equal to the quantity obtained in the kilns. The general average seems to be about thirty-five bushels per cord from pit burning as against about forty bushels from the kilns. In my opinion this is very largely due to lack of care or knowledge on the part of the pit burner, as with the same care and attention, and with a thorough knowledge of the work, there does not seem to be any good and valid reason why the results as to quantity should not be about equal. Apart from this, however, in our own experience of pit burning, the coal produced was of a better quality than that obtained in the kilns, (i.e., where the work was well
done.) We found the coal dense and close, and practically solid to the centre, and this class of coal develops at least 15 per cent. to 20 per cent. more gas than the ordinary coal obtained in kiln practice. It will not consume as rapidly, and gives a greater and more enduring heat, and has proved itself as economical even where an equal quantity per cord was not obtained, as compared with kiln practice. In manufacturing coal in pits, the process of firing is practically the same as that practiced in kilns, a canal being made to the centre in which to insert the fire and a chimney built on the top along which light wood (or brands) is placed.

The whole is then covered with eight or ten inches of evergreen branches, leaves and sand or earth. After the fire is thoroughly started, the top or the centre over the chimney will fall in, owing to the total consumption of the wood at that point, and a supply of hard wood is kept on hand, which is driven into this hole as soon as the covering shows a tendency to fall in. After it is thoroughly refilled, a fresh covering is put on, then vents are opened along the sides towards the base. The condition of the coal inside is ascertained by feeling with an iron rod, and as the burner finds it at any point properly cooked he can open it and withdraw a portion of the coal covering the balance rapidly and carefully again in the same manner as at first. This process is kept up until he knows by the color of the smoke and by the inserting of his try rod that the whole is properly cooked. It is all then carefully covered in and allowed to cool and die out.

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constant watching，owing to the liability to fire．As I have already said，the practice in Sweden is to use wood for pit purposes in nine or ten foot lengths，and when we took up the question of getting the farmers and others in our district to make coal in this manner，we had them fol－ low the usual Swedish process in cutting，but from various reasons，principally owing to the density of our woods， the burning of shorter lengths hats proved more satisfactory， and ur best results have been obtained from wood cut in four or five foot lengths，and a portion of it split，and also by using smaller pits．

The pits which we first operated contained as much as forty－seven to fifty cords，but the results were unsatisfac－ tory，the process proving too slow and too many brands being made．The coal obtained，however，was fairly good． Our burners then resorted to smaller pits containing from 20 to 25 cords of 4 ft ．wood．These burned faster and gave better coal．Where our men had had experience in the work，the coal was clean and solid，and as pointed out， gave better results in the furnace than ordinary kiln coal．

In pit and kiln practice，we tave used the following woods：－Maple，birch，beech，soft maple，white birch， tamarac，hemlock，balsam，and in point of value they can be reckoned in the order named．Our principal consump－ tion has been in maple，birch and beech，with which our district abounds．In practice in kilns and in pits both，we have found it possibie to use 25 per cent．to 30 per cent． of soft wood，but for furnace purposes we prefer not to gro above that as the conimede from the softer woods is more friable and will not carry a heavy burden of ore．

In the United States attempts have been made to mann－ facture charcoal in retorts or closed vessels in which the wood is placed，and the charring done by external heat． In a report on this system made by a prominent expert， he mentions that one system is to erect a furnace，and sup． ply it with a number of versical sylindrical vessels，which are handled with a crane．The vessels are filled with wood，tightly sealed，lifted into the furnace，and connect－ ed by means of nozzles with conduits leading to conden－ sers．After the fire has been maintained a sufficient length of time to properly char the wood，the vessel is lifted ont and allowed to cool，another taking its place in the fu：－ nace．In this method the retorts serve also as cooling vesseis，but they must be handled，and the outlets for gases must be disconnected and closed at each change．

Another plan consists of a cylindrical retort hung from trunnious over a furnace．It is raised to a vertical pons－ tion to receive the charge of ：wood，and reversed to din－ charge the charcoal into the cooling vessel，where the process is completed．The difficulty in filling these re－ torts and maintaining them，makes this plan undesirable．

A system largely employed in North Pennsylvania ：and South New York，consists of a series of cylindrical vessels set permanently in a horizontal position over furnaces． These retorts are filled with wood either thrown in，or，in improved retorts，placed in a crib which has been preti－ ously loaded．When the carbonization has proceeded sul－ ficiently，the coal is withdrawn into a cooling tank，which is hermetically ：ealed，until such time when the danger of the mass taking fire is greatly reduced．

Other forms have also been followed, but as far as I cin ascertain, none of them has ever proved commerially successtul, and the old-fashioned kiln and pit system still seems to be for general charcoal purposes the most economient, and in fact, the only system by which charcoal can be sucesssfully manufactured for greneral commercial purpones, or at least for the manufacture of iron.

Or late years considerable attention bas been given to by-products obtainable in the manufacture of charcoal, and it has been found that with a chemical plant attached to a buttery of kilas, that every cord of wood ean be so handled that the exact weight that went into the kiln will practically be taken out, when everything is taken into considcraton. What by-products can be drawn from a charcoal kiln would be too numerous to mention. In fact there seems to be very little that cannot be taken out of the wood in this was, but for commercial purposes the promeipal by-products, and those to which most of the compume, using a chamical plamt have given their attention, is the proluction of woo 1 alcohol and acetate of lime, and these have been found to be, I believe, profitable, and it is rery probable that within a very short time every battery of kilns will hatre its Abemeal plant at: oining, and the smoke that is now watel will be dra:va down and distill. ed. so that nothing will be lost. When this is done, the value to the country of a cord of wood will naturally be larsely increased.
Sow that I hate roughly outined the systems followed in the making of charcoal, 1 must ask your parmission to wath on the value of the comntry, and to this Province in
particular, of charcoal making, and the principal industry connected with it, and on the difficulties in the way of its deve'oponent, and to ask your consideration and assistance towards oyercoming those difficulties and developing the "Charcoal industries."

In colonizing our wooded lands, the value of the charcoal industry will be readily seen. Heretofore, and with grood reason, the settler looked upon the wood on his lands, (from which as at general thing, the lumbermen had removed the merchantable limber) as a detriment, and he (the settler) had very little to hope for until he had made a respectable clearing and put in seed for his first crop. If he was within one or two miles of rallway commanication, it might be possible for him to sell a certain amount of se lected wood to cord wood merch.ants. They did not take the run of the forest, nor would they accept branches or knotty sticks, or anything of that kind, so that at the outside the could very seldom afford to team the wood more than a mile or two, and even than, owing largely to .ine arn unt of waste, his remaneration was very small. Gith 'is c'urcoal iron industry in the district, atl this is changed, and the settler, on taking up a piese of wooded land, finds ready at his hand a crop that will yield goid returns from the day he first swings an axe, whether he delivers his wood at kilns for burning, or at the nearest railway station in the form of cord wood, or whether he burns it himself, he can utilize practically everything, as the furnate companies can take practically all classe; of wool grown in this Province, and they are ready to aceept the tops and branches, the large knotty


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sticks that cannot be split, and everything in the shape of sound wood. In our long winter months he can fell trees, saw them into cord wood, and team to the nearest wood depot, or he can, with the assistance of his sons, and what help can be obtained, burn the wood on his own farm in pits, and he can work at it all the year round if he desires, or during his slack season, and earn good wages whether he makes cord wood or coal.

When I speak of the importance of the fact of charcoal kilns or pits being able to utilize tops and branches and knotty pieces, etc., I think you will understand how very important this is to the settler when I say that as an actual fact, in the average forests only about one-third of the wood felled is fit for merchant cord wood, and of the balance the settler can use a portion for his own purposes, but the great bulk has to be chopped into suitable size for piling and burning, and then watched carefully in the spring, or almost as much attention given to it by a careful settler, as if he was burning for charcoal purposes, owing to the danger to the surrounding forests from fire, so that the making of merchant cord wood cannot be considered as remunerative to the settler in comparison with the making of wood for charcoal purposes. Then, too, there is this burning of refuse, and I think you all understand what the danger in that is. If the settler is careless, his spring "bonfire" means the destruction of miles of valuable timber, for the settler's "cleaning up" fires have certainly been instrumental in causing more forest fires than anything else we know of.

Where the charcoal iron industry exists, the wood that
was formerly a detriment becomes a valuable asset to the settler, and he realizes it, and knowing it to be an assur' ance of abundant and remunerative labor, he becomes ${ }^{2}$ caretaker of our forests instead of a danger, for with good cause the owners of timber limits have grown to look upon the settler as something to be kept out if possible, through fear of the effects of his spring burnings.

Where wood can only be sold in the form of merchant cord wood, as I have already pointed out, it would scarcely pay the settler to locate further back than say two miles from the railroad line, if he was looking forward to obtaind ing anything for the wood he cut, but where charcoal iron industries exist, the better average price obtained allows of his teaming his wood greater distances, and if he burns into charcoal, he can afford to transport that material evelt farther.

The value of the charcoal industry to the farmers of the district is, of course, the same, to a large extent, as that derived by the settler. During slack seasons they $c$ ad make wood and coal on their own lands at remunerative figures, or they can arranye to work on adjacent landsi and use their horses during the winter months for team ing their own wood or coal, or that of neighbors, and where they are not desirous of working on their ow, lands, they and their sons can find work in contractors camps, either felling, or teaming, or burning.

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ershate, untortanately, atrood many shack seasoms, and I thak it is laregely due to this fiat that farming has not beenas remumerative as it might be. There are so many months in the yar when there is nothing for the farmer to do, and he has to live during hose on the results of the oher months. Now if he is an industrious man, and here is a charcoal iron industry in the district, he can fill in every day of his off seasons. As 1 have said, in wintir be can fell wood, hurn charcoal, and team either on hn own or neirhboring lands, and in carly spring time, if he has conlined himself to cutting wood during the winter, he an burn his coal then, and in the summer time, from secd time to harsest, he can find employmen in the ore fiedd, raising ore and temming, and in or: own St. Maturice district he cam, in moit catses, mate and wath ore on his own land, and the result in hat district is that both settlers and farmers are prosper us, and reports which we hate received direct from the fat mers themselves, and from the cures of the district go to show that since the estatlishatent of our works in the St. Maturice distriet the asrr:calurists have reaped harse and lasting benelits. They have obtained plenty of remmerati:e labor during off seanon:., and a grood market for whatever produce they have raised on the farms.

The Province of Ouebee, as 1 think wats very fully pointed out in a paper last year, hats very matural requirements for the production of charcoal pis iron, and the value of such an industry to the Province and the Dominion must be fully recognized hy everyone. We hate the iron ore, and while we hate neither coal nor natural gris, we hate
plenty of hard and ummerchantable, or waste wrods, and this fact makes it possible for the establishment of an iron inclustry of the greatest value, and I see no reason why such an industry should not be carried to a successlul iscue, as it has been in Sweden and the United States What is wanted, however, is the assurance of an adequate supply of charcoal, both for the present and the future. To do this, some steps must be taken by our Government to conserve certain woods or portions of forests, so that this industry can be established on a permanent basis How this cal be done is something that will have to be carefully thought ont, but if it is slone, the value to cianada will be great. If it is not, then we will have watsted a very larse proportion of ourforest weath, for that is wasted which is not used to the best advantage, and I hold that more profit can be derited from our tumerchamtable and wate woods by utilizing them atbel conserting them to the development of the charcoal fron industry, than in any other way. If this is done, the establisiment co the industry is possible and certain, if it is not, then it can only be carried on in a very desultory way.

One of the principal dificulties that stand in the way of the establishment of the charcoal industry in some of the distriets is the lact of large tracts of land being held by limit holders. Limit rights were originally intended to consey an area walued for its merchantable timber alone, yet the limitholders, even in cases where the merchantable timber has ben removed, still retain possescion and control, with the result that the hard and unmerchantable wool cannot be utilized. The oaly way by which these

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woods can be diverted is by actual settlement, and, as in a great many cases, the land may not be suitable for agricultural purposes, the wood, it these conditions are to exist, is practically inaccessable.

Another great difficulty is the lack of knowledge in regard to charcoal burning. Of course, so far as kiln practiee is concerned, men can be readily obtained, or educated to good practice, but for pit burning it is necessary that at much broader system of education than could be carried on by a private enterprise should be adopted, as a knowiedere of pit burning would be of the greatest value to our settlers and farmers in the wooded districts.

Now, these two questions are, I hold, Provincial and National ones, and these dificulties should be considered and overcome by our Governments.

In Sweden there are national schools for charcoal burning, which have done and are doing good work in training men and spreading information throughout the country as to the most economical systems of making charcoal, especially in pits. Buth the Dominion and Provincial Gorernments should follow this example, and disseminate useful information on the subject among ti.2 agriculturists, especially in the wooded districts and where charcoal consuming industries have been or can be established. This should be done by lectures, papers, and in every prateticable manner. The practice especially of pit burning should be taught in our agricultural institutions, and certainly no mining school should be without a coarse in charcoal burning, and when development comes, as it surely should come in a land of wood anit iron, national
schools should be established, as in Sweden. Our Governments have spent large sums in this way on dairy practice, and we all know that the results have been profitable and satisfactory, and I believe that if the same course is adopted in regrard to charcoal makingr, which is a farmer's and practically a domestic industry, the results will be aiso to the national good.

Steps should also be taken to prevent the locking up by speculators or others of woods suitable for charcoal purposes, and whore this evil exists, as in the cases I have re ferred to, it should be overcome by just changes in the present laws if necessary. I do not believe that in the case of the limits any value was considered or paid for, nor was it intended to convey to the limit hoders the unmerchantable woods for which lumbermen and others purchasing these limits have no use. This is proven by the fact, I consider, that at all times the Government has reserved the right to settlers taking up any portion of the lank, the only reservation ial favor of the limit holder being in regratd to the merchantable wood, which he is given : certain time to remore. I therefore hold that under all circumstances, and especially where the lands are not suitable for agricultural purposes, and the unmerchantable wood camnot be realized on through the setter, the Government should have the right to divert ummerchantable wood to other purposes when and where it is deemed advisable.
When ant enterprise that requires this fuel can be started in any district, it should be especially encouraged by the setting aside of wood lands to insure a continued supply
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and by assistance in teaching the principals of "burning" to the inhabitants of the district, and by rebating of stumpage dues where the wood is used for charcoal purposes, and encouragement given in every practicable manner within the powers of the Dominion or Provincial Governwent.
The industry is, and must always be, if successful, a settler's, a farmer's, and a peoples home industry, and for this reason it is especially deserving of national support and encouragement.

Our farmers should be taught and enabled to use to their own and the nation's profit, everything the land has to give, and here are mighty crops wasting, burning, and rotting, that properly used might here in Canada, and especially in the Province of Quebec, be made as in Sweden, the mainstay of a nation.
This is a "burning" question. Let us hope it will not remain a "burning shame," but in the near future become a "burning" success.

## EDITORIAL. NOTES.

A National Rural and Agricultural Exhibition will be opened March ist at Montevideo, under the auspices of the Uruguayan government, to which also foreign built cars, wagons, axles and carriage parts will be admitted, says an exchange. Section 27 of the exhibition will be devoted to these exhibits, which will be classified as follows: Wheelbarrows, carts with two wheels, carts with four wheels, bans, cars; other apparatus corresponding with them in
the vehicle line In order for Canadian manufacturers to exhibit it would be best for them to send such goods a they deem most suitable for that country in care of the $\mathrm{lirf}_{\mathrm{r}}$. fish Consul marked "Exposition National, Montevideo," in addition to their own marks, and stating particular, prices. discounts, commissions allowed to dealers, and sadi other information as may be deemed necessary. They should also authorize the Consul to plate the goods in proper hand to represent the manufacturers at the exhibition, and thereafter if suitable and necessary. This, of course, will invole expenses, ta cover which provision would have to be made by the consignors. United States Consul Sham. at Montevideo, believes there is a good field for the sate of American carriages in that country, and this exhibition will afford an opportunity to bring such products before the Uruguayan public to the very best advantage.

Nobody wants to see the German system of prosecutions for lase majesty transferred to this country, but it must b: admitted that our American way of treating our National Chief Magistrate in political caricature goes to the opposite extreme. If the rule in the Kaiser's dominions is harsh and oppressive, cur pictures of our President descend from disrespect to ribaldry. After all, the President is President, and it hardly becomes us to portray him, day alter day, in posture and apparel, not merely ridiculous but insultiag. It may be effective, and no doubt is, in spread. ing irreverence, -but respect for the law and its officer certainly needs no diminution in this country at present. The Manufacturer.
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Mr. (ieorge Johnson, the Dominion statistician, hats been commissioned by Mr. Stantord, the well-known publisher of geographical works at Charingr Cross, London, Ens., to write a work on Canada, to be published in the series known as the "Compendium of Geography and Travel."

The financial statement of the Toronto Railway Company was submitted to the shareholders at their ammal meeting last week. The past year's business showed a net profit of $\$ 250,095.18$, as against $\$ 22,859.81$ in 1813 . It hath been the policy of the compans to eapend their surplus earnings in sumiciently providing power, cars, car houses, machine shops, etc., so that in the extensions of the road, bonds of the company, which can be issued at $\$_{3,500}$ a mile, would provide sufficient capital for its reyuirements. As a result of this, when present contem-
plated expenditures are completed, for which the company has lunds on hand, the compans will hate so per cent. more power than ordinarily reguired, as well ass 30 per cent. more cars, suflicient tools and machinery and ample car houses. The Toronto and Mimico Electric Ratway and Liyht Company's property, valued at $\$ 35.9^{2}+. q^{6}$, has been purchased and pad for out of the surplus earnings of the company. This property paid a 3 per cent. dividend on its cost, and a surplus of $\$ 2,502.5 \mathrm{~S}$. The groses carn-


 expenses in $1 \mathrm{~S}_{9} 2$ were $7 \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{O}$ per cent.; in Sg ), 59.07 per cent., and in 1894 , $5+$ per cent. The company canried $2 .,-$ ( $009,3,3^{s}$ passengers, as compared with 21,215,010 in 1593 . The number of transfers issued in $189+$ was $7,4,8,171$, atrinst $S_{1+477,1+7}$ in $\operatorname{sis} 93$.

Considerable discussion is being had as to whether the bounties granted by Germany on exports of sugrar are fixed amounts, or varying according to conditions, as was formerly the case. Ep to August 1 , isss, the factories paid a material tax upon all the beets worked, and certain rebates were allowed on all sugars exported. The bounties consisted of the difference between the material tan paid and the rebate granted, and this difference varied according to the percentage and quality of the surgar obtained from the beets. Hence the bounty was an indirect one. This law was repealed, and a new law came into force on August 1, 1888. By. that Act the old material

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tas on the beets was abolished, and a direct tas of is marks per 100 kilograms (about Sl.ot per 100 pounds) was imposed upon all sugar retained for home consumption. A fixed rebate was establisher on exports of sugar, which for the four years from lugust i, issis, to July 3 I , 1Sy2, wats estimated to be e.full to 2.12 marks par ion kilograms of rall sugar, about 23 cents per 100 pounds. From August 1,1892 , to July 31,18$)_{5}$, the rebate was established at 1.25 marks per 1 oo kilograms or $13{ }^{\prime \prime}$ '2 cents per too pounds of raw sugar not under go deg., and on refined sugrar not under 95 deg., 2 marks or 21' ${ }^{2}$ cents per sos pounds. From dugust 1 , 1895 , to July 31,1897 , the rates of bounty are to befurther relucel th 11,15 and 19 cents, respectively. After 18.97 no bounties are atlowed.

China is seeking peace with Japan. Commercial restrictions are said by experts to constitute an effective preparation for war, but they seem to have been of little use in the case of China.- Toronto Globe.

Sure enough. But China never profited by her opportunities and Japan did. Thus the difference. The opportunity was of great use in the case of Japan.

It is not often that it is possible for us to present to our readers the statistics of the production of per rron in both Canada and the United States for a calendar year so soon after its expiration as we are able to do in this issue, where the production in Canada in iSgt is given in detail in the report furni:hed us by Mr. George E. Drummond, of the Camada Iron Furnace Company, that of the United

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States being obtained from the statisties grathered by . Mr. James M. Swank for the American Iron and Steel Association, and published by him in The Bulletin of the Assoclition. In friew of the political situation in both countrev this information regarding this great staple industry , .tnnot but be of great value.

The farmers in the vicinity of Grand Valley, Ont., h.us agreed to cultivate some 300 acres of fax for the next two years to encourage the erection and operation of a has mill at that place; and they have called a meeting to be held at that place on February 2, to make arrangement, if possible, with any available person to erect such a mill. All persons in that vicinity are invited to attend the mesting, the understanding being that if no suitable arrange. ment is then arrived at, a committee will be appointed to look after the matter. In the meantime information woncerning it may be obtained of Mr. John P'ark, East l.uther, Ont. We are informed that the soil in that vicinit! is eminently well adapted to the cultivation of flax. Girand Valley has a population of about 1,000 persons. The Casadian Maseracturer hopes that the proposed mill will be built, and that from this beginning it will rapidly grow and become a large factory for the production of binder twine and other cordage, and thus give emplayment to a large number of people, not only in the grewth of the flax, but also in its manufacture into cordace, yarns, etc.

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Condensed Milk Company, at Truro, N. S., were the only concern in Canada manufacturing the article. A correspondent called our attention to what was sadid to be a fact that the . Iymer Cimning Company, of dyimer Ont., were aho producers of condensed milk, but applitation to that concern for intormation does not confirm the ieport. It is guite remarkable that Canada with all the possessed factitios for the business, and in the lace of a large and lanatice foreign demand, can boast of but one large condensed milk factory.

W the Mckinley Act The Empire says it "was not protextion but dass legislation of the most ubjectionable kind." Here is a distinction without a difference. The Globe.
of course it was class legrislation of the most objectionable kind to impose a duty of $\$ 10$ per ton on refined sugar as wa. done in the Mekinley Act, but it was the supreme of chalted statesmanship to impose aduty of Sio per ton on the same sort of sugar, as was done in the Canadian tariff Under the objectionable class legishation of the Mokinley tarill the poor man in the Lented States could hate free sugar on his breakfast table, because unrefined brown sugar of number 16 Duteh standard, which is a whelerome and edible article, was admitted duty free in that country ; hut not so in Canada where no hisher grede than number if Dutch standard, an article entirely unfit for food until refined, was admitted free. The obnowious chass legistation of the Melintey tariff promised a bonus ditwo cents per pound for fifteen years to American farmers to encourage the sugar beet industry; but Canadian
farmers never had any such promise extended to them. Mrs. Malaprop stated a pungent fact that comparisons ate odorous. The Empire should be carefin about drawing comparisons.

I telegram from Ottawa a few days ago states that Mr. Andrew Onderdonk, to whom has been awarded the contract for the construction of the Batsam Lade division of the Trent canal had signed the same in which is a clause which obliges the contractor to employ none but British subjects on the work. The matter of some such arrangement was pressed upon the minister by several members ot parliament, and Hon. Mr. Hargrart was not slow to adopt a sugresestion which so forcibly commended itself to his judsment.

The Hamilton Herald arrees with The Peterboro' Times that the Corservative foliey needs "bright y oung Conservatives with political aspirations." The Herald says:

If there is one thing more than another that the Conservative party is in urgent need of just now it is new blood, and the young Conservatites with political aspirations should get themselves ready to take a hand in the game when the cards are dealt for the coming elections. Death has made such sad havoc in Conservative ranks of late, and is so likeIt to make more at no distant time, that it is obvious that there must be a great many important changes in the personnel of the leaders of the party when the new Parliament meets. It is only stating a generally recognized fact to say that there is not one man on the Conseriative side of the House of Commons who is of really conspicuous ability.

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kind for anything ; yet it is remarkable that, composed as the Conservative delegation in Parliament is of hoary heads, their constituents continue to return them just as often as election day occurs. It is true, though, that if Toronto at the next election should return a few live, energetic youngsters who can diseuss the National l'olicy from a practical standpoint, and not from that of the pedagrgue and the old togy, the situation would be much improved.

The first number of the Imperal Institute Journal has just been issued. Its object is to supply the Fellows of the institute with information of the prospective arrangements in regard to meetugss, etc., and to enable those unable to attend the institute to pernsereports of the various lectures and addresses that are delivered. Another important ferture is to publish the data obtained by the commercial in elligence department, which was formed some time ago, with the object of encouraging, as far as possible, the development of trade between the Mother Country and the colonies. Considerable attent on is also devoted to emigration matters, and there is no doubt that in this connection the colonial exhibits will be most useful as supplementing the information so widely distributel by the va ious colonies. It camot be said that The Journal is likely to form very light reading, but the facts and figures that it will circulate must prove useful in furthering the objects for which the institute was organi\%ed.

The Patrons of Industry are making a sensible move in proposing to add the manufacture of agricultural imple-
ments to the business of the Farmers' Binder Twine Com. pany. The biggest part of the price of a farm implement goes into the hands of the manufacturer and sellinit asont, and high interest on the notes that are given in licu of cash, and into a variety of other chammels, all of which would be stopped up were the farmers to purchase directly from a co-operative concern. A lower tariff on agricultural implements will not, as fire as we can see, give them cheaper machines, at any rate not the farmers in Ontario. But co-operation in production ought to make a greal dif. ference in the price. The Pacrons can bring down the price of farm implements from $\therefore^{5}$ to 50 per cent. if the organize a system that will dispense with manufacturer' profits, agents' profits, advertising and such like charises. -Toronto World.

Why not a- . ne Ontario Govermment to manuliature agricultural implements in Central Prison, the same as binder twine? The Toronto Globe tells us that although the manufacture of binder twine by prison labor is "romewhat socialistic," yet it is "beneficent socialism;" and if it is a beneficent act to make binder twine br comvict labor, why not extend the beneficence to include asmal. tural implements and everything else that the farmer requires:
1)r. Parkhurst starts out as a writer for women in the Fohruary l.adies' Home Journal in at way which promises to he most inerert ing. For his first article he coins a new word, Andromanian, by Whach be destgrates the type of womatl who watis to be maman and apes the ways of men. That he is not in sympathy whth them s evident, and his promise of disenssing the women who wat to sote, who want to preath and who desire to be in business in bre tuture Jourmal artieles gives further evidence of his deep interest in human. ity. Reginald de koven, the composer of Robin Hood, is promanent with hes men song, Roses of I.ove, of wheh the full manc is suen.


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Guling for liebruary presents a choice variety of seasonable read ing. The coments are as follows: - With Gun and l'alette Among

 Junco br Therese Guerin Ratndall ; dll ddenture with a Tarpon, by Ficd l. Wedls; A ligginia Turkey, be Arundell Mulville; Irish Hound and Hantums, by Thos. S. Blackwell; A Jmior l'romenade, by Walter Camp: Miniature Yacht Modeling, by Pramklin Basslord; Grateo Romp: Biames in California, by drthur Inkersley : Lena's World Tour Awhed Curling in the Northwest, by Ily. J. Woodside; National andot Cow tort state, by Capt E: IE. Hardin; Witch Lite by Rubert (i. Denig and the untal editoriah, puems, records, ete.
Scribnets Magasime, in its Febratry number, has begun Geore
 stand to-day at the head of the English writers of liction. The sec and ertiole in The dre of Iiving series, by Rubert Grant, dincusses the quation of The Dwelling ; thall it be in city, or subarb, or in the real country; the disadvantuges of being a commuter, and what the daughers of the family grain by it. Joln R. Spears has an article entithal The End of the Continem, describing a recent royage which he made in the wake of the oldotime South Sea peddlers and whichten along the coast of Patagonia, through the Strats of laggellan and along the waters of the Cipe Horn Arehipelago. Dr. Chatle L. Dana, in an article entilled Giants and Giantism, annomeses an impurtimt discotery, the result of several years of investigration-that is, that" riantism "is a disease. The number has a poem by lire Harte entifled i Question of Priviloge, in which he returns to the namare of the youth and reports the proceedings ing the unigue lan. grage of Trublinl James. The frontispiece of the number is a portrat of the late James Anthony Froude, engraved by Gustav kruell.
One of the most energetic and wide awake journals that reathes this office is the Petrolea . Idsertiser. In Notember it catme ats a special edition rery profusely illast ated and eneedingly athatime in appearance, and later, in Dec amber, in its Christmis edition it

Was yuite up to the stomdard of ans of the big city papers, the hatftone work beine werv time and healibital. Ol course such work can not be produced wh any but a fors-class priming olfice with first elass materals and by the hathd of first-class workmen and we congratulate out contemporars upon having demombated that its anice
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"The lnsentions, Reneaches and Writings of Nikola Terta," by Thomas Commerlurd Martm, publehed by The Electrical Engineer, …', has met with remarkable naceest. The firat edition appared duthe fantary, isof, athd the secomi wis completely exhanhed be fore the done ot the dear, several order, come bemes an hand for the third, which is nows about being issued. It is rarcly that lechnicat books hane such at recephos. The weleome aceonded to the wotk abroad hav aloo been mont cordial. It has been fatorably rencowed by the lachmical press of England, Germany, lrance, Nussia, Italy, and ohher countries; and an atherorized German trandation is now being bronght out by the well-known house of It: linapp, of latle. The book embracer all Mr. Teslats inventions and acearehers made kmomn up to dite, and includes hin oncillator, or new electamal grenerator, which lie is rapiolls bringing to a hagh piteb of efticemey and conoma. The more importatht parts of the book hate had the benefit of Mr. 'le la's personal revision. It miy be added, for those interested in the career of the joung insentot, that an artacte on him, by Mr. Martin, appeared in the Century Magazane for lebruary, i\&ot.

## CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY.

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The Natural Gas and Oil CJ., of Ontario, are applying for incor poration withat capital stock of $\$ j 00$, ooo for the purpose of acyurmes in Esex, Ont., and elsewhere in the proviace, lands on whels ton ank wells for natural gats, oil and other minerals; the constructang of . dy appliances and machinery requiredm subing wells and the ohntame of gits, on and other minerals, and of storing, refining or othernme treating the same, of selling and otherwine disposing of and supplagy the same through pipes, etc., for heating, lighting, manulacturmi and other parp.ene, and generally to carry on the basaness of obtan-
 etc. The chief place of busilless to be in Wialkerville, Ont.
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In sirtue of a by-law, which wats fasoratly soted upon by the propurty hokders of Sherbiooke, Oue., afell days ago, a bouns of Sjun, …" with twenty years exemption from tavation was gianted the Jenckes Machine Company of that place. The Company binds itself hovgond S: 5,000 in new buildings, S50,000 at plat, securmg a bonat fide submeribed capital of $\$ 150, v o s$, and emphogeng at least two hamdred men for a period of twent y ears. The Jenckes Machme Compans, of which Sylvester 13. Jenckes is the presideat and manat ger, and J.M. Jenckes is the secretary, bas gradually developed an indartry of the first importance to C.anad.t, and especailly to the miner, whom they sepply largely with mos of the varmons machasery they reguire It is understood that wouh on the new bubldugs, when are to he completed within eighteen months, wall be begun at once and finished mush before the fixed period.

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The Vontreal Bridge Compan! latse called for temders for the erection of what the promoters (latan will be the mont grgantic
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 to the sembern shote of the river. 'Jo be buite on the cantilever splem, it will afiord wot only ratwaty communication with the city, but aho will emable the country tathets and pleathere sederes to come and lease the aty at pleavere. lhe bedge sto be of crgantic proportions. It, length will be about two male divided in spans as
 cach, 15 vinduet spans on the soulh side of 250 feet cach, and 18 viaduct spatsi on the Montreal side of 240 to 260 fe et each. The height of the carringe soad on the large sathlesers span above the water level will be ahout 1 sof fert, a higher attitude than that of the great Brooklvn bridge. The bridye will be so comotracted as to allow of a domble line of a ailusy trak, a donble track for electric tram-ciars, wo roadways for carriage vehichos, and footpaths for passenger traflic. Over the matn cantilever all these will be on the same platform, but on the obler portions of the bridge separate roadwiys, one above the other, will be prosided for the railroad and vehield trafic. The termini will be groded to suchan extent that the ascem and descent of the bridge will mot prove arduous nor of a great amgle. The whole cost of the structure is estimated at about $\$ 6,000$, ono, exelusive of terminal facilitien, whieh will moreatse the expendituse by ahout $\$ 2,000,000$. The bridese is wot intended to be used by any one milway or corporation, in fact, th is expected that all the mailuays comserging at Nontreal will be able tonceure the right of wave over the mighty atructure. The bridye is to be practically atn anvilliary to the Atathtic and Lake Superion Railuan, which is about to buid an evtemsion of the present terminus of the liate des Chaleurs Railnay to derp water at baspebiac, where wonnection will be made with $\mathrm{Si}^{\circ}$. lohnis, Nifl., by a line of ocean teamers. Work is expected to commence on the St. I.ambert-I.et is section during the coming spring.

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Messis. A. C. Leslie \& Co., Manufacturers' Agents, who have heretofore maintained offices in both Montreal and Toronto, have sent us a circular bearing date Toronto, January 23, 1895, in which they say : "As you may already know, it is our intention to close our Toronto office at the end of this month. Kindly note that after that date all correspondence should be addressed to us at $4+5 \mathrm{St}$. Paul Street, Montreal. This does not mean that we are in any sense giving up our Western connection, as we will make arrangements to be well represented in Western Ontario. For the present, our Mr. WV. S. Leslie, who has been in charge of our Toronto office, will cover the ground. We are now in a position to place import orders for all kinds of iron and steel, as well as American fencing wire, to better advantage than ever before. Our samples of cutlery are also excellent
value, and we intend to devote special attention this value, and we intend to devote special attention to this line and hope to improve it still further." This concern have had offices in Toronto for nearly eight years, and have a large connection with both merchants and manufacturers all through Western Ontario.

The Packard Electric Co., Montreal, have sent us a neat little pamphlet of some 60 pages having reference to the Packard lamps, transformers, appliances, etc., manufactured by them. In a preliminary chapter regarding lamps we are informed that the Packard lamp has been on the market since 1890 , in which time it has gained
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ity and give the consumer an article that "one's faith can be pinned to." Packard lamps are never sold under any other name, and can be obtained only from the company or their authorized agents. Do not be deceived, they say, by the representations of irresponsible agents that they can furnish the Packard lamp with another label or no label on it, or the "same lamp as the Packard." These representations are false and intended to mislead. The boo: which is got up with exceedingly good taste and attractiveness, gives illustrated des-
criptions of the Packard goods, also codes by which they may be criptions of the Packard goods, also codes by which they may be
ordered.

The Standard Silver Company, which some months ago bought out the plant and business of the Acme Silver Company, Toronto, have started operating the same. Mr. A. T. Thomas, who is president of the Manhattan Silver Plate Company of New York, is president also of the Toronto concern ; the vice president, Mr. G. C. Edwards, is president of the Holmes and Edwards Mfg. Co., silverware manufacturers of Bridgeport, Conn., and Mr. William K. George is secretary and manager of the Standard Silver Company.

Mr. Peter Hay, Galt, Ont., manufacturer of machine knives, has sent us his 1895 illustrated catalogue and price list having reference
to his products. The articlesalluded to include planer to his products. The articles alluded to include planer knives, small straight knives, moulding knives, nutreing, tenoring, shingle jointer and other irregular shaped knives; Crossley stave jointer, tobacco and splint knives; shaper, mateher, stave and stave jointer knives; vencer, cheese, box, hoop and paper cutting knives; gauge lathe knives, leather splitting knives, leather knives single, or both sides, beveled; shear blades for cutting metal, straw and ensilage cutting knives, bark grinding and bark peeling knives, wood chopping knives, rag knives, meat chopping knives, circular cutters, mortise chisels, and special knives of all kinds.

The Toronto Steel Clad Bath and Metal Co., Toronto, have sent us a handsome morocco bound memorandum book, such as they distributed to the members of the Ontario Architects' Association at their convention recently held in this city. It is very tasty and contains many suggestions as to the excellence of the goods manutactured by this company. Regarding the desirability of their metal bath, the memorandum contained a small pamphlet which says:The fact that the least possible woodwork in a bath room is a "desideratum" is instanced by the use in all better classes of houses and buildings of slate, tile, marble, porcelain, etc., not alone in the fixtures but also on the floors and walls of bath rooms and lavatories. Why is this? Because woodwork, be it ever so carefully seasoned, oiled or treated, will in the humid and changing atmosphere of a bath room absorb some of the moisture and harbor impurities, which a non-absorbent material cannot do. This is especially noticeable when wood is used in the actual construction of the bath itselt, such as the old style "boxed in," the fibre, and kindred kinds. To obviate all these difficulties the steel-clad bath was designed, and it is amply fulfilling all expectations. It is all metal (except the narrow wooden capping on top) and is therefore free from any objections urged against other baths as above cited. No woodwork (other than above exception) is used or necessary in connection with these baths, and this is the fact which it is the purpose of this little pamphlet to emphasize. The perfection of sanitary science is demonstrated by the steel clad bath.

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AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS:
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Miscellaneous
Purposes : : : : : :

OSHAWA - - . ONT.
SMITH'S FALLS
Malleable . .
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Capacity
2,000 Tons..

WILLIAM H. FROST
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SMITH'S FALLS: Ontario, Can.


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[^1]:    Something entirely new，and superior to the ofd style buckets，mado in three sizes． They are superior to tho ordmary flaring English buckei，being of greater capacity They are stronger in shape，consequently more durabic．
    They will not slop over，nor tip over，owing in the wide bottom．
    They nest very closeanil firm，which protects them in shipping．
    The ran 18 in one preco rith the body，consequently camot get knocked off． They are galvanized，and not lead coated．
    －．for sale by all wholesale hardware and thware houses．－

