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Monday 8th.
May.

Coupling on main line shafting in machine shop broke yesterday, Sunday at 4 A.M. and bent two lengths, but Buchanan got on the job right away and with some other willing men they took the shafting down, straightened it in the blacksmiths fire and got it running at 4 P.M. Sunday. This was very quick work for what seemed to be a very bad smash. The shafting has given no trouble since.

We also had two moulders work on Sunday moulding parts for the third cutting off machine, so that we can cast them to-day.

Attended the Huron & Erie and find our Debentures will likely be half renewed in the Old Country.

Tuesday 9th.
May.

Subscribed \$350.00 to the Military Fund of the Y.M.C.A. at the front. The citizens subscription will likely total \$9,000.

Went over plans for Western Extension with Mr. McBride, it will have double windows and an 13" walls North and South and a 9" wall at the West end.

Cariss sent a 10 H.P. Upright Boiler to fill an order for a party 150 miles below Quebec in place of a 10 H.P. Dairy as called for. His mind must have been wool gathering at the time to issue cards for such a most unaccountable mistake. Plant has taken the matter up and is shipping a 15 H.P. Dairy boiler from Montreal, we to pay freight down and back on the Upright to get out of the scrape.

One of our so called machinist's broke a 21" Gisholt to-day which will take four days to put it in order again, sheer brute force in boring shells without a particle of common sense brought this about.

Wednesday 10th.
May.

Contract with the Imperial Munition Board for 60 Fr. shells arrived, and was duly inspected and signed and sent to them two days afterwards. We now have everything very clear for a good hard summers work.

Mr. Morgan returned at noon to-day and has brought four Gisholt lathes from the New York Machinery Company - as follows -

#2946. One 41" Gisholt Turret Lathe.	Price, \$2300.00
f.o.b. cars Jersey City	
#3573. One 28" Gisholt Turret Lathe.	Price, \$2500.00
f.o.b. car Jersey City	
#3662. One 21" Gisholt Turret Lathe.	Price, \$1900.00
f.o.b. car Jersey City	
#3663. One 21" Gisholt Turret Lathe, having cramped on the end of the ways 14-230.	Price, \$3000.00
f.o.b. car Reading, Pa.	

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Also five engine lathes from A. A. Williams Machinery Co. as follows -

One 24" x 12 London lathe)	
One 24" x 10 " ")	
One 24" x 8" McKee & Bertram Make.)	\$3100.00
One 20" x 10" " " " ")	
One 18" x 6" London lathe)	
One 24" x 10" Bertram " ")	

Above to have countershafts & all parts new with them, f.o.b. Toronto.
 \$3900. Cash, balance one 4.5 & 5" Thread miller complete.
 You will note that we have got rid of our milling machine for boring and
 threading base of 4.5 shells, it cost us \$650.00 and we got for it
 \$300.00, we consider ourselves fortunate to get rid of this special
 machine even at such a great loss.

Thursday
11th. May.

Went over our building of Messrs. Holmes & Morgan and concluded to extend
 it 73 ft. West, put in a blow off wall, change delivery gate to Waterloo
 Street as per plans submitted by Mr. McBride.

Received \$5000.00 on account of shells to-day.

Will make a 3 x 3 x 9 foot oven for drying 5" shells from prints given
 us by Lyall & Company, Montreal. This is absolutely necessary as air
 drying is too slow to get our output, will heat this up by gas.

Sam Cook started to take boiler out of Oakwood, he got it out and back
 to the shop on Friday. It was rusted through to the thickness of 25¢
 piece and a wonder it has worked at all for the last two months. Shipped
 carload of 950 shells.

Got a wire from Sarah of New York advising of her safe arrival and
 answered back to West Chester our congratulations.

Friday 12th.
May.

Paid \$2700.00 to 150 men including \$1100.00 for piece work.
 Mr. Leonard returned from New York after seeing the carload of
 machinery duly packed and shipped.

C. N. Plant wires that he has got Clark's order for 2 - 72" x 18'
 boilers, we will have to make up on to complete this from plates and
 tubes on hand, fortunately.

Big boring mill broke its fourth pinion shaft to-day, fortunately it is
 well forward with its work on shells.

Saturday 13th.
May.

Commenced clearing away for Western Extension. Shipped 954 - 5" shells
 this will make 1904 for the week which is the most we ever shipped in
 that time.

Open tenders on the Western Extension and after thinking the matter over
 concluded to give it to John Hayman & Sons at \$4099.00 on conditions
 that the cement floor be finished on the 30th. The roof on on the 27th.

and the whole building complete in every detail on June 3rd. I feel
 that we have put the work into first class hands and this program will not
 delay Mr. Morgan in installing machinery, shafting and pulleys'.

Other tenders were as follows -

Baunders & Reboon	-----	\$4217.00
Harry Hayman	-----	4300.00
S. Willis	-----	4433.00

Sunday 14th.
May.

Went to the works instead of to church and found Maitland with 8 men
 clearing away pulleys and shafting for the Western Extension. Morgan also
 came down and we made some notes regarding the contract and phoned McBride.
 We had a conversation also as regards shafting and how to drive it, which
 I will advise you later.