EDMONTON RADIAL RAILWAY CLOSES A YEAR'S OPERATION

Almost One Million and Eight Hundred Thousand Passengers Carried—Despite Lack of Power and Frequent Ties Up the Department Will About Break Even on Expenditures and Receipts.

With the end of the present week the first year of the operation of the Edmonton Radial Railway will have come to a close. The year has been a unique one in the annals of street car operation in many ways.

In the twelve months almost a million and eight hundred thousand persons have been carried and not one of them has been injued. There have been practically no accidents, and two or three wagons slightly injured in collisions have been the only damages as the result of the operation of the system.

From a financial standpoint, the record will be almost as remarkable. It is something more than passing strange that in the first year of the running of a street railway, exepnditure and receipts should be kept about even, but this has been the case in the Edmonton street railway, and the year's financial statement will probably show a small balance on the right side.

Lack of Power a Handicap.

When it is taken into consideration that the lack of power since the first of November, 1908, has been a tremendous handicap, that for hours, and sometimes for days, in almost every month of the twelve, the cars have stood idle, owing to the absence of electric energy, with conductors and motormen drawing their pay, while no receipts were coming in, it is almost too much to expect that operations should be carried on with a profit. Such, however, is the surprising fact, and it is learned on good authority that the financial statement, to be issued shortly by Superintendent Taylor, will be a most gratifying one to the citizens, and more especially so to those who have looked to the street railway to give another demonstration of the success of municipal ownership of public utilities in Edmonton.

Many Passengers Carried.

The books of the department show that during the twelve months there have been carried, approximating the totals for the remainder of this week and Sunday, 1,798,248 passengers.

The largest total of any one day was 13,801, on October 1st, the day of the laying of the corner stone of the new Parliament Buildings.

The total gross receipts for the twelve months are in the vicinity of $75,000.

The total number of passengers carried for each month during the year is as follows:

November, 1908	37,362
December	95,000
January, 1909	76,670
February	99,989
March	142,409
April	152,293
May	162,911
June	182,806
July	204,546
August	193,704
September	220,628
October	210,000

January a Bad Month.

In January the power was particularly bad and the same conditions prevailed for several days during the present month. August was the holiday month in Edmonton and consequently a fall off in receipts appears.

A recent number of the Railway and Marine World gives statistics of the fifty-three street railway systems now in operation in Canada for the year ending June 30th, 1908. They reveal a surprising but gratifying showing by this city. These statistics, which are the latest available, show that in number of passengers carried Edmonton occupies sixteenth place, out of the fifty-three, and in gross receipts twenty-first place. Had the Edmonton system the opportunity to handle freight, mails, express matter, etc., between Edmonton and Stratheona, a much better record would have been made in the gross receipts.

Freight Swells Receipts.

Almost every electric railway looks to the freight for a large part of its profits, but the refusal of the Strathcona council to allow the building of a spur line to the C.P.R. freight sheds in the southern city has resulted in a considerable lessening of the receipts of the system.

The records of the American and European lines show the same gratifying results for the Edmonton system and give convincing proof that Edmonton's record in street car operation, as in other lines of municipal endeavor, should be a source of pride to her citizens.

From Two Cars to Ten.

Operations were started early last November, and at first only two cars were run between Ninth street and the car barns, on Syndicate avenue. Then came the operation through Norwood to Alberta avenue and west to 21st street. On December 5th the Strathcona service was inaugurated, with one car at first, then two and now three are in continuous service in the afternoons and evenings on the interurban line.

From two cars in the first month there are now ten in continuous operation. When the system was inaugurated in November, 1908, there were eleven miles of track, and now there are fifteen miles. The full stock of the system is twelve passengers cars and orders have been placed for six more large cars. In addition to these, there are a large sweeper and freight car and a big sprinkler.

Immediately upon the new power being supplied, by the middle of November at the latest, the First street and Vermilion avenue route will be put into operation, with a car running over it to the corner of First and Jasper. This will add to the mileage as well as to the receipts.

The street railway starts upon the second year of its operation under the most favorable circumstances. In a few days there will be an abundance of power for operation, bringing faster cars, greater mileage and better accommodation. The result will be greatly increased receipts. The next twelve months will also see a freight service inaugurated. The second year should thus show an even better record than the one just closing. Under continued judicious management there is no reason why this should not be the case.

GRAIN RATES ON A. B. C. ROUTE.

Petition is Presented to Railway Commission at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Oct. 27.—Representatives, professional, civic and rural, from Dawson down to the international boundary, greeted the railway commission at its session in the city hall today. The various applications were discussed and considered with such rapidity that the commission concluded their work this afternoon and will proceed to Victoria tomorrow.

Late this afternoon the Vancouver board of trade presented a petition dealing with the question of freight and grain rates from Calgary. Councillors of survey, Langley and Burnaby took up most of the time this morning in complaints against the Great Northern and the V. V. & E., of inadequate service and station and crossing facilities. Upon four of these the board of officials will report. The commissioner's orders will follow.

F. T. Congdon, M. P., of Yukon, brought up the question of the White Pass and Yukon route, and presented the position of the Dawson board of trade with regard to it. But that question was adjourned for furher consideration at Ottawa. Congdon maintains that northern rates are too high.

From Vancouver's point of view, the most important questions considered at this morning's session were the city's request for crossings over the C. P. R. at Clark drive and Point Greys opposition to the crossing of Granville street by the branch from the Lulu Island line into Shaughnessay Heights. The first was adjourned for decision at this afternoon's session, to see whether the railway had any other proposition to submit. In the second case the commissioners decided in favor of the railway.

Bank Wreckers Must Stand Trial.

Washington, Oct. 27.—Lawrence O. Murray, comptroller of the currency, denied today that the comptrollery office had promised immunity to Barney Grossman, the Pittsburg man, who is under trial on the charge of aiding in the wrecking of the Farmers and Drovers National bank of Wayesburg, Penna.

TO BE DEPUTY MINISTER

Of Department of Marine—Is Qualified to Direct Construction of Canada's Navy.

Ottawa, October 27.—It is definitely decided that Mr. George J. Desbarats, who has been acting deputy minister of the Department of Marine and Fisheries since the retirement of Colonel Gourdeau, will be confirmed in the position. His appointment as deputy minister will be gazetted shortly. Mr. Desbarats, as agent of the Marine Department at Sorrel, has had a large experience in ship building work and is well qualified to supervise, under the Minister of Marine, the arrangements for the building of Canada's new war vessels.

He is one of the most efficient and valued officials in the civil service and his promotion is the direct reward of merit. When the investigation into the conduct of the departmental branches was held under Mr. Justice Cassels, everything at the Sorrel branch, under Mr. Desbarats, was found to be absolutely satisfactory.

Died From Blood Poisoning.

Waskada, October 28.—David Jack, aged 33, a married man with two children, who was injured by a gunshot wound in the wrist last Friday while duck shooting, and who refused to have his arm amputated, died this morning. Gangrene set in last night but the operation came too late.

AN UNKNOWN MAN KILLED

Mangled Remains Found on C.P.R. Tracks at Regina.

Regina, Oct. 27.—The mangled body of a young man was found lying alongside the track near the C.P.R. water tank this evening. There was nothing on the body by which it could be identified, and the head was so mangled as to be unrecognizable. Though not definitely known, it is believed the man was run down by extra freight No. 596 and an enquiry is being made at Moose Jaw to ascertain whether the train shows marks to bear this out. The body is that of a young man about 25 years old, clean shaven, with dark hair, 5 feet eight inches in height, and weighing 140 pounds. In his pockets were $73 and a gold filled Waltham watch bearing the initials J. M., case No 505,820, made in 1907. The movement is No. 13,175,508.

At a late hour tonight the body was seen by the conductor and brakeman of the C.P.R. train working between here and Brandon, the engineer of which a man named Chas. Ingram, is missing, though ordered out for duty early this evening. The men were unable to positively identify the body, though inclined to believe that it was that of Ingram, who was a stranger with no friends in the city. Ingram is said to have a brother employed in the Winnipeg electric light department and steps will be taken to see if he can identify the body.

OFFICIAL INSPECTION OF SHORT LINE TO WINNIPEG

Wetaskiwin, Oct. 29.—The official train of inspection over the new C. P. R. line from Saskatoon to Wetaskiwin, which will make part of the short C. P. R. line from Winnipeg to Edmonton, arrived here this evening. Second Vice President Whyte was met by the Mayor and City Council and the Board of Trade. He stated that the road would likely be open for traffic this year and that an extension westward would be made in the near future.

INTERESTING FIGURES IN POST OFFICE REPORT

Since 1900 There Has Been a Steady Increase in Use of Money Orders—Toronto Leads Canadian Cities in Receipts—18 New Postal Savings Banks Established.

Ottawa, Oct. 27.—In addition to the figures as to the revenue and expenditure and the increase in the quantity of mail handled, the annual report of the Postmaster General contains a great deal of interesting information. The figures for 1900-1909 period indicate a steady increase in the use of money orders and postal notes. In 1900 only $17,499,045 were transmitted in this way. Since then there has been a steady increase, year by year, the money transmissions for the year ending June 30, 1909, totalling no less a sum than $57,740,622.

During the year there was an increase of 18 in the number of post office savings banks. There was, however, during the year, a falling away of 9,796 in the number of depositors and of $2,373,800 in the amount of deposits which totalled $45,190,484.

Increase in Letters.

The total number of letters posted during the year was 414,301,000 and of these 91,108 were sent to the dead letter office, or one in every 4,547. The proportion of unpaid letters sent to the dead letter office is steadily decreasing. In 1896 it was one in every 364 letters mailed.

Toronto is the banner Canadian city in the matter of gross postal revenue, he total for the year being $1,513,310. Monreal was a bad second, with receipts of $963,729. Winnipeg takes third place with a gross income of $580,385. Figures for other well known Canadian cities were: Quebec, $152,324; Ottawa, $199,394; Hamilton, $184,746; London, $141,985; Port Arthur, $21,560; Fort William, $24,679; Halifax, $113,555; St. John, $109,900; Brandon, $48,307; Portage la Prairie, $23,344; Calgary, $99,075; Moose Jaw, $25,601; Regina, $71,662; Saskatoon, $25,344; Edmonton, $67,716; Vancouver, $205,935; Victoria, $88,895; New Westminster, $22,595; Nelson, $24,127; Cranbrook, $10,117.

Must Have Our Own Line.

A remarkable sequel to the deputation which waited upon the government last week to ask for its subsidy to the Canadian steamship line from Atlantic ports to Australia, came to Ottawa today in a report from J. S. Larke, trade commissioner at Sidney, N. S. W. He reports that the congress of chambers of commerce of the Empire was a great success and that Canadian delegate more than held their own. He adds a business man in New Zeland cabled to the Canadian delegates asking them to request congress to pass a resolution favoring a Canadian subsidy to a direct line from Atlantic ports on the ground that the New York shipping and the steamship commission had put up rates on Canadian freight, and that the only salvation for the Canadian trade was a Canadian line. Unfortunately the request came too late, and no action was taken.

Hanbury Williams' Successor.

It is officially announced that the Earl of Lanesborough will succeed Sir John Hanbury Williams as military secretary to Earl Grey for the balance of his excellency's term. Sir John Hanbury Williams will be able to leave for Scotland to take up his new military duties for Christmas. The Earl of Lanesborough was born in 1865. In 1888 he entered the Coldstream guards, became captain in 1898 and served in South Africa with distinction. He was the seventh Earl of the title which was created in 1756, having been preceded by the title of Baron Newton-Butler, in 1715, and Viscount Lanesborough in 1728. He has one son and several daughters.

To Increase Allan Subsidy.

The result of the consummation of the France-Canadian treaty will probably be an increase in the subsidy paid to the Allan company for its services between Canada and France. For a service of 15 trips, the government had been paying a subsidy of $200,000, and when the subsidy expired it was tentatively renewed pending the fate of the treaty. Now that the treay is certain to go into effect, a fortnightly service may be put on with a corresponding increase in subsidy.

GENERAL BOOTH HAS LOST SIGHT OF ONE EYE

London, Oct. 27.—General Booth, head of the Salvation army, has resumed his activities, appearing for the first time since he underwent an operation on his eyes, at a largely attended meeting of Salvationists at Clopton, which he addressed with his customary cheerful energy. He lost completely the use of one eye and the other is imperfect, but his doctor has told him that it may last for five years.

UNIONIST WON IN BERMONDSEY

The Result of the Election Yesterday Surprise to All the Parties.

London, Oct. 29.—The result of the Bermondsey by-election was a substantial Unionist victory, but the government defeat is not quite so decisive as was hoped for by the Conservatives. The figures are: J. Dumphreys (Unionist), 4,278; S. L. Hughes (Liberal), 3,291, and Dr. Salter (Socialist), 1,278. In the last general election the Liberal majority was 1,759. The Unionists carried the constituency in 1900 by 300 majority. In yesterday's election the government's strength was divided by the introduction of a Socialist. Otherwise Hughes would have won by about 400 majority, as probably none of the Socialist votes would have been cast for the Unionist candidate.

Even admitting this, the Unionist gains are great enough to indicate that a general election at present might result in the return of a Unionist majority in parliament. This is so palpable that it may now be expected that the House of Lords will not hesitate to throw out the budget, either by amendment or a direct vote, and a government defeat at the ensuing election may be expected. It remains to be seen whether the government will now stick to its announced intention to make an immediate application to the court if the House of Lords refuses to accept the budget.

Great Interest in England.

No by-election in recent times aroused such intense interest throughout England as that in Bermondsey. The correspondent happened to be in an audience of 4,000 in a music hall when the result was announced. It was received with wild enthusiasm with no signs of dissent.

The Unionist press is greatly gratified with the election result. In the lobbies it is Unionist opinion that the victory has sounded the death knell to the budget. The radical press on the other hand while admitting "it might have been better," profess satisfaction that the figures show a majority for the budget and free trade.

London is calm, or rather confusedly quiet about the result. It appears that the vote is a complee surprise to all parties in the fight. The Unionists in their hearts expected to be beaten, while the Liberals expected to win in spite of alienation of votes by the Socialists. Both sides are therefore disappointed. Unionist leaders, while smiling outwardly over the sweeping victory, regard it in reality as the pulling of the election out of the fire.

Liberals Uncertain.

On the other hand,, the Liberals and the Socialists are not now as certain as they were that the country will vote for the budget when it is given the chance. Bermondsey, however, has always been a doubtful constituency at the best. It has alternately returned Liberal and Unionist candidates until three years ago when it had a Liberal landslide. John Dumphreys, the successful candidate, is one of the most popular men in London and well known to the Bermondsey constituency, where he is commonly called "Our Jack." Beyond a certain amount of this popularity and the reputation that goes with it, Mr. Dumphreys has no particular history. In the fight just closed, he was at a trifling disadvantage in the speech making, being, as it was said, "on the other side." He is pleasant, hearty in his simple and bluff protestations as a friend of the people, looking down upon them from a high point of view. He has preached the doctrine of tariff as an offset to a confiscatory budget taxation and has been listened to with interest.

Christened Food Taxer.

Sticking to this text, he has evidently persuaded his people that the foreigner will take over the burden of existence and the British working man will once more live at his ease. His opponents christened him the "food taxer," but the programs seems to have missed fire. Mr. Hughes, who tried for the Liberals, is an outsider to the borough and did not make what was considered the best fight in the world. Dr. Alfred Salter, who stood for the Socialist Laber people, is a member of London county council for the borough of Bermondsey, and well known as a settlement worker in the neighborhood. Dr. Salter is a practicing physician, a theoretical Socialist and therefore warmly in favor of the budget. He is not only in favor of the budget but would "out budget" the budget, if he could.

To his influence is due the drawing over of the Socialist party of some of the most desirable members of the Liberal party, the most recent of these converts is Rev. W. K. Dunn, superintendent of the Bermondsey Methodist Mission, and a fellow member with Dr. Salter, of London council, but in the Liberal interest. Mr. Dunn is one of the most influential workers in the borough. His public addresses are attended by thousands of the poor. His recent complete and public surrender to the dogmas of Socialism made a deep impression on thousands of Liberals, not in Bermondsey, who had been wavering.

London, Oct. 28.—The Bermondsey by-election today, the centre of the nation's political interest for the time being, was almost stopped by the suffragettes. Two women entered each of the different polling boths and before they were overpowered, has smashed bottles of corrosive acid over the boxes of ballots as a protest against the exclusion of women from the franchise. The women were arrested with difficulty after great damage to the ballots.

The Bermondsay election is looked upon as likely to throw some light on the attitude of the artisan classes to the budget and has aroused great interest. Throughout the campaign the suffragettes have been active, hampering leaders of all parties except the Socialists.

The constant procession of house to house canvassers has kept this section of London on the jump and residents have been hiding in their homes afraid to answer the bells. The carrying of the suffragettes tactics to the general public and giving all a dose of the medicine hitherto reserved for the political leaders and office holders, is a new feature of the women's fight.

Reject Lord's Amendments.

London, Oct. 27.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that on November 5 he would move for the rejection of all of the House of Lord's amendments to the Irish Land bill. The premier said the House of Commons would adjourn on November 5 until November 23. This prevents a general election before the new year. During the adjournment of the Lower House the budget will be in the hands of the Lords.

Alex. Ure Replies to Balfour.

London, Oct. 27—Alexander Ure, Lord advocate for Scotland, in a speech at Rochdale today replied to the attack made upon him yesterday by ex-Premier Balfour, in connection with the statement made by Mr. Ure that the old age pensions feared that in the event of the Conservatives regaining power their pensions would be stopped. Mr. Balfour denounced the Lord Advocate for uttering a frigid, calculated lie," which amounted to a crime against the poor age pensions.

Mr. Ure today declared that Mr. Balfour had violated all the decencies of public discussion. His attack was outrageous, abominable and full of vile and degrading epithets. If there were a bit of truth in Mr. Balfour's charges, he (Ure) must necessarily withdraw from public life, and be doomed to perpetual dishonor. But there was not a vestige of truth in them, and he therefore applied to Mr. Balfour his own language. He dishonored his profession and his position in the country. He was sorry Mr. Balfour was a Scotchman.

Mr. Ure gave a version of his utterances on the pension matter that differed from the reports in the newspapers.

Military League in Control in Greece.

London, Oct. 27—According to the Athens correspondent of the "Telegraph" the Military League, which dominates the government, presented an ultimatum to the Premier demanding the abolition of superfluous posts in the navy and the removal of many exalted but unqualified officers. The cabinet promised to accede to the demands and introduced a bill to that end in parliament, but the League declared that it was inadequate. Negotiations will be resumed today, when the cabinet will certainly yield, the demands, although irregular in form, being reasonable in substance. The only alternative will be a dictatorship and the premier is anxious to avoid a violent overthrow of the constitution.

ENCROACHMENT OF ROMANISM

Baptist Convention in Hamilton Fears Advance of R. C. Church in West.

Toronto, Oct. 27.—The Baptists now in convention at Hamilton are fearful that the encroachments of Romanism in the West will undermine the standing of the denominations there. Rev. W. T. Graham, of Toronto, moving the acceptance of the report on missions said: "The Canadian people will make a mistake if they allow Rome to get control of this country. Rome is becoming very aggressive. They were bound to capture in the new West what they have lost in the old east. We must meet Romanism as it has always been met, by strong aggressive Christianity. I have no objection to offer to Rome preaching what she believes. It is an ancient Baptist principle that every church has a right to preach what it will without interference. The Baptists would not if they could stop by act of parliament tomorrow the encroachments of the' Romanism. We have never used the state for religion and never will. Rome has never neglected an opportunity to do so.

Insult to Canada.

"The joint toast given by the lieutenant-governor of Quebec at the Roman Catholic plenary council banquet at Quebec, to the King and the Pope, was an insult to Canada. We ought to meet them on their own ground and tell the people that we have something better to offer them than the church of Rome. The day has not come yet in this country when we, or the Presbyterians either, have to ask the church of Rome for the right to preach to certain people. We want Rome to understand today that this is a free country, and we will go where we like, and will preach what we like. I would like to appeal to your heroism, young men, to your Canadian patriotism, I want to ask you to consecrate your life to save our country from the encroachment of Romanism. We don't want men in the home mission fields to feel that they are burying themselves. Some men will never come to the resurrection of power until they are buried. There is no field too small for the man who loves God's work, so long as there is one unsaved soul."

The report was seconded by Rev. A. L. Huddlestone of St. Catherines who made an impassioned appeal that Baptists would respond to the great appeal from the West.

RUSSO-JAPANESE ENTENTE

Prince Ito's Fatal Visit Said to be in Connection With This.

Paris, Oct. 28.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Petit Parisien says that important negotiations are pending between Russia and Japan designed to establish a broad general accord between the two governments. The object is understood to be the The deceased was of Irish descent and ably modifying the situation in the far east. Prince Ito's journey to Harbin, where he met his death, was undertaken, not merely to pay a visit of courtesy to M. Kokovsoff, the Russian minister of finance, and to discuss with him certain economic questions of secondary interest, but was intended in additiin to lay down the preliminary conditions for the proposed general accord between the two powers.

SUFFRAGETTES THROW ACID ON BALLOT BOXES

Tries to Destroy Ballots But Result is That Election Officers Are Burned—Hose Turned on Prisoner by Keepers Who Were Barred Out.

London, October 29.—Mrs. Chapin, a suffragetter, furnished an early morning thrill at the Bermondsey by-election yesterday, when she smashed a bottle containing corrosove acid on a ballot box. Her intention evidently was to destroy the ballots in the box as a protest against the exclusion of women from the right of franchise. What she accomplished was the painful burning of some of the election officers and the assurance of her own arrest.

Slipping into one of the booths where perhaps a thousand ballots had been deposited, Mrs. Chapin drew from under her cloak a bottle in which ink had been mixed with corrosive acid, and before she could be stopped hurled the bottle on to the box. The glass broke in many pieces and the flying acid splashed on the election officers. A number of them were so severely injured as to require medical attention.

About the same time a similar outrage was attempted at a nearby booth by a young girl who wore the Suffragette colors.

In the latter instance little damage was done, beyond the burning of the finger tips of the election officers, who removed the bits of broken glass. So far as could be ascertained, not much acid reached the ballots in either case.

Replying to a question by Keir Hardie, the Laborite member and a strong defender of the rights of Suffragette prisoners, Home Secretary Gladstone admitted in the House of Commons today that the report of a visiting commitee showed that the fire hose had been played on a Suffragette prisoner, who had barred out the warders from her cell. In this case the hose was brought to a window of the cell and directed at the Suffragette, who had persistently refused to open the door.

Mr. Gladstone said he deeply regretted the circumstances and or ered an immediate inquiry. On learning the facts he said he ordered the release of the prisoner, and this had been done.

DROWNED IN PUBLIC FOUNTAIN

Intoxicated Man Falls Into Two Feet of Water.

Montreal, Oct. 26.—An extraordinary fatality occurred here this evening when an unknown man was drowned in the fountain on Victoria square, in the very heart of the city shortly after nine. The man, evidently a laborer, had been seen by carters at the cab stand an hour before, evidently very drunk, and with friends, who, after making ineffectual efforts to get him to go home, had left him. Nothing more was seen of the man until a little girl today told the police of the salmon that she had seen a body floating in the pond. Two carters hastened to the spot and saw a body floating face downward in the water, which is about two feet deep. They, with a policeman, dragged the body out found it was the drunken man they had seen before. He had evidently sat on the coping, falling into the water and been too overcome with liquor to help himself. The body was taken to the morgue, but nothing was found on his clothes which could aid in identification.

WINTER CARNIVAL AT MONTREAL

Citizens Will Hold Another Fete Similar to Last Year.

Montreal, Oct. 27.—At a well attended meeting of business men at the Windsor Hotel this evening, it was decided that Montreal should again have a winter carnival this season, with an ice palace and a big programme of winter sports. It was determined to hold the carnival earlier this year than last, so as to ensure steady cold, and the fete will be held the last two weeks from January 24 to February 6. It is expected that the movement will meet with general support and prove successful despite the determination of the railways to have nothing to do with it. An influential committee was appointed, including such well known men as ex-Mayor Laporte, James Morgan, President E. Herb Brown, of the M. A.A.A., C. C. Roland, and others.

CALGARY Y. M. C. A. RAISE $50,000

Campaign of Past Few Days Has Successful Result.

Calgary, Oct. 29.—Beatrice Omalley, the 17-year-old daughter of an optician here, was reported to police last night as lost. The police found the girl this morning in the Salvation Army rescue home, where she had gone beause her father scolded her.

The Y. M. C. A. campaign to raise $50,000 for the completion of the building ended last night and was successful, the amount being several hundred dollars above the amount with more money coming in.

Mysterious burglaries of the early summer, when a number of pawn shops were broken into, appears to be about solved. A number of articles claimed to be the stolen property of the shops entered, have been found in the possession of Nibs Olsen. He is the man who robbed a number of guests in the Victoria Hotel about a month ago. The cases are being tried now.

Brantford Congratulates Hays.

Brantford, Ont., Oct. 27.—The Brantford board of trade passed a resolution congratulating Charles M. Hays on his elevation in the service of the Grand Trunk Railway company. The negotiations for the main line here were conducted through Mr. Hays.

MARKS CLOSE OF OFFICIAL CAREER

Hon. W. T. Finlay Given Farewel Banquet by Staffs of Governmental Departments.

Some measure of the esteem in which the Hon. W. T. Finlay is held, in the closing days of his term of office, by those associated with him in the Department of Agriculture and the provincial secretary's department, was shown Thursday in a complimentary banquet which was tendered in his honor at Hurry's Cafe.

The sincere tribute of respect, such as falls to the lot of few public men, was most suitably expressed by the touching addresses of the evening and by the presentations made on behalf of the staffs of the two departments over which the honored guest of the evening has had such efficient control. G. P. Bertin shaw of the Department of Agriculture read a beautifully illuminated address and Miss Nelson presented Mr. Finlay with a gold headed cane. On behalf of the Provincial secretary's department Miss Neff read a similar address which was accompanied by a valuable suit case presented by Miss Brown.

Expressive Words of the Guest.

"I am at a loss to find words to express my gratitude for the honor which you have done me this evening" said Mr. Finlay. "Some five years ago when our honored premier asked me to accept the position as minister of agriculture, I did so with a due sense of the responsibilities which it entailed. Since then I have daily realized that the work of the department is the most important in the government of this province. My first care was to call to positions of trust in the department men of experience and ability. I believe now that those who are occupying such positions are a credit to the government and to the country.

During my term of office I have tried to do what was right and at all times to be courteous. I am proud now that I am leaving active interest in the departments to know that I have the kindest regards of those who have been associated with me in the cause of agriculture. Life is a matter of sunshine and shadow. The shadow of my life is the ill health which requires me to withdraw from active life, but the sunshine is to meet with you here tonight. I shall keep your tokens of esteem and the memory of your honor and kindness to me as long as life shall last."

The Toast List.

The toast list was ably presided over by Harold W. Riley, deputy provincial secretary, who was supported by J. A. Jaffary, in the unavoidable absence of Geo. Harcourt, deputy minister of agriculture. The toast to "Our Province" was eloquently proposed by H. A. Craig and responded to by C. P. Marker, J. P. Cleal and Benj. Lawton. W. F. Stevens in proposing the toast to "Our Guest" paid a touching tribute to Mr. Finlay, assuring him that his administration of the department of agriculture in all its branches, has won for him the highest regard of the departmental staff and of the farmers of the province. The toast was responded to by J. A. Jaffray, Dr. D. G. Revell, A. W. Foley, Dr. Barrow and J. McK. Dickson. The health of the ladies was proposed and drew a neat reply from H. G. Turner. Representatives of the local papers were present and responded to the toast to "The Press."

The speeches were very well supplemented with a reading by Miss Wetherald, a song by H. G. Turner, and a violin solo by G. Markle, Miss H. M. Holdsworth acted as accompanist at the piano.

Great regret was expressed that the absence through illness of T. B. R. Henderson, chief weed inspector, and C. C. Wilson, Geo. Harcourt, deparment minister of agriculture was absent due to his attendance at the convention in Billings, Montana.

Biographical Sketch.

The honored guest of the evening was born at Lisburn, Ireland, on July 12, 1856. He emigrated to Montreal in 1874, reached Winnipeg in 1882 and Medicine Hat in 1883. In 1902 he was elected to the Territorial legislature and appointed minister of agriculture and provincial secretary for Alberta on September 1st, 1905. He was elected to the new provincial legislature in November 1905 and was re-elected in March 1909. He resigned office on account of ill-health on November 1st, 1909.

BODY OF HESTIA'S CAPT. FOUND

Lighthouses on Bay Found to be Working Well.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 29.—The only development in the Hestia story today locally was the probable identification of one of the bodies washed ashore near Yarmouth, as that of Captain Newman. The local agents of the Donaldson line received word that Capt. Newman left the ship in the same boat with Chief Engineer McNair. Before leaving the captain secured as many of his papers as he could, and put them in his pocket. Such papers were found on the corpse at Yarmouth, and a further indication of identity is that McNair's body was found near by. The Dominion government steamer Lansdowne returned to port tonight, after having inspected the lights down the bay. Capt. Burns reports that all were found working well.

Mover and Seconder of Speech.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 28.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has invited Mr. Ecrement, M. P. for Berthier and Geo. Kyle, M.P. for Richmond, N.S., to move and second the address in reply to the speech from the throne when the House opens

SPORTING NEW

HOCKEY.

(Saturday's Daily.)

HOCKEY CLUB ORGA

The annual organization m the Edmonton Hockey clu last evening in the parlor young mens' Liberal club. ing was largely attended marked by the great enth the members over the pr the club for the coming y sident Stewart occupied and reviewed the work of year. Several members wh the games in the East ren the great interest display Edmonton team. The secre his annual report, giving a plete account of the trip showing that it had been a success. The treasurer's rep ed that the club had gon

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Yesterday Elected Presiden Edmonton Hockey Cl

$585 on the season. This w darly good showing in vi few games played here. Bo were adopted.

Short speechs were made ber of the members all v unanimous opinion of the that a team should be sent year again if the challeng cup were accepted, of wh was no reasonable doubt. tary had been in communic last year's players and all able with the single exce Patrick. There was a possi even his services might be The selection of a manager mittee was left to the in-co cutive. The officers electe year 1909-10 are as follows

Hon. president—A. M. St President—George P. Mc First Vice-pres.—Chas. M Second vice-pres.—Chas. Third vice pres.—J. B. M Secretary—Alf. J. Kemp. Treasurer—Frank L. Day. Executive committee (inc eighteen)—J. W. Mould, White, R. Mays, J. Mans McKinley, C. H. Bélanger, Kinton, T. M. Turnbull, J. J. C. McDonald, Dr. Sir O'Hara, John Revillon, Jos R. Secord, T. S. Thompson, Holly Ross.

STANLEY CUP REGULA

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 29.—Th cup trustees are determined the method of competition trophy to a basis where t tions will not only be fai defender as well as the c but will eliminate all dis features, such as acquiring for the sole purpose of pl the cup, contract breaking, features to which the grea emblem has been a prey in that end it is probable tha lowing suggestions, which ar ing discussed by the trustee through, and should have th effect. The suggested deci for a challenging club to fil davit with the trustees tha players have been with t throughout a season. This fers to the team that con playing for the cup at the e season. But where a club lenged and its team will not the commencement of the season, the club must have affidivit's with trustees tha players who will take pa series have been signed u season.

In the event of any club faith with the trustees, will never again be allowe pete for the cup. And any p takes part in a cup serie wards breaks his contract club, will be barred from pa ticipation in cup games by

FOOTBALL.

OLD COUNTRY RESU

London, Oct. 27—The resul matches played in the Engli League yesterday were: First Chelsea 2, Preston North End division—Gainsboro Trinity 1, ter City 3.

JENNING'S EARNING

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 28 Manager Jenning's salary fro troit Baseball club is a sec thing of his relations with th become known. He draws a of the earnings and in the th he has been manager, has take salary and profits $41,500; 1907; $14,000 in 1908, and $1 year. For 1910 he wants enou him $30,000 provided he wins pennant. An official ann places the earnings of the cl league season at $165,000, inc world's series' profits, which w $20,000.

TURF.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Newmarket, Oct. 27.—O holding going after the ste pour of the past few days weights had all the best of Houghton meeting today Cambridgeshire was carri Christmas Daisy almost as