SHEEP COMMISSION VISITS EDMONTON.

Investigating the Status of Sheep Raising Industry in Canada on Behalf of Dominion Government—

W. T. Ritch and W. A. Dryden, members of the Sheep Commission touring Canada for the Dominion Government opened the Edmonton night and opened the Edmonton session of the commission in the City council chamber at ten o'clock Friday morning.

The purpose of the commission is, by a thorough investigation, to discover "what is wrong" with the sheep industry of Canada and to report to the government the best means of rectifying it. It is the business of the commission to tour Canada and collect all available information on the industry, its history, its drawbacks and failures, and afterwards to make a tour of the United States, and also of other countries where sheep raising has become more or less of a national industry. For this work, the government have chosen a commission of two men—one a wool expert, W. T. Ritch, and one a farmer, W. A. Dryden, of Brooklyn, Ontario, son of the late Hon. John Dryden, at one time Ontario's minister of agriculture.

Mr. Ritch has had experience in handling wool in many parts of the globe—in Australia, the Argentine, and in Europe; while Dr. Dryden has a thorough practical knowledge of Canadian conditions. It will be the business of the commission to make an exhaustive study of the sheep business in Canada, with a view to ascertaining the causes of its failure and by an investigation into conditions in other countries discover the means best adapted to putting it on a firm footing. Discussing the results reached by the commission up to the present, Mr. Ritch said this morning: "The evidence is a tale of woe, from one end of the country to the other. Canada has but a paltry two and a half million head of sheep, while a poor country like Russia has sixty million, and a new country like the Argentine has managed to get together seventy-six million. When Canada's population was five million she had three million sheep, now she has half a million less."

"What is wrong?" Mr. Ritch echoed to the reporter's question. "Well, there are various causes. The indifference of the people principally. The industry has been much neglected. Other things have been boosted, cattle raising and wheat growing, and other branches of farming—all at the expense of the sheep business."

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

The first session of the commission in Edmonton was opened in the council chamber yesterday by W. S. Stevens, live stock commissioner for Alberta who read from a report of the submitted to the minister of agriculture at the close of the past year. During the year an investigation was made into conditions under which sheep raising could be carried on in Alberta and it was found that in Southern Alberta there were large sections of suitable summer range in the valleys of the mountains, which might be used for grazing large flocks of sheep. This investigation was being continued during the coming summer through the country north of the main line of the C.P.R., where it was thought that similar conditions prevailed. The range was, however, being rapidly taken up and new conditions would be brought about.

Mr. Stevens emphasised the need of protecting sheep against the coyote as a preliminary to stocking the country with sheep. Coyote proof fencing, the price of which was being gradually reduced, was one of the first essentials. Mr. Stevens quoted from reports giving approximately the number and distribution of the sheep of the province.155,301 in Alberta; 55,000 in one district (Lethbridge), two districts with none; one with only 50; and a great many with less than 100.

Evidence was also taken of several who had had experience in raising sheep. Mr. Geo. E. Root, Pomoka, who had kept sheep in large numbers in Montana gave a very interesting account of his experience. Henry Jamieson of Red Deer, thought Alberta one of the best countries in the world for sheep.

F. H. Herbert, Strathcona, told of a small flock of Oxford grades he was keeping, and expressed his belief that they paid him better than any other branch of farming. The main difficulty was the coyote; a bounty was given intermittently but for two different years the expropriation had given out and a temporary cessation of the bounty had to be announced. He thought there should be a permanent bounty on coyotes and that woven wire fence should be admitted duty-free from the State. A standard cheap rate for the transportation of pure-bred stock would also help the sheep breeders to improve their stock. Mr. Herbert also complained of the price paid in Alberta for wool, that it was about one half the market price. He thought the Government should step in and do something to help the sheep grower.

Wm. Keith, of Clover Bar, a pioneer in the Edmonton district gave an account of his experience with sheep of his neighbours had been the same. "The best thing you can do for by the coyote and the flocks of most of most of neighbours had been the same. "The best thing you con do for the sheep industry, is to exterminate the coyote," was the way Mr. Keith expressed his opinion.

The difficulty of the bounty system drew some remarks from Mr. Stevens who expressed it as his opinion that a bounty should be put on in summer when the coyotes are young and the pelts least valuable.

A. G. Harrison, secretary of the sheep breeders association, was called on during the discussion to give the views of that association. Mr. Harrison told the commission the three points along which the sheep breeders thought reforms were desirable—bounties on coyotes, standard cheap rates for the importation of pure-bred stock and cheaper woven wire fence.

IMPOSSIBLE IDEALS.

German Chancellor Sees No Hope For Financial Arbitration and Disarmament.

Berlin, March 20.—Discussing the proposed extension of international arbitration in the Reichstag today, Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg classed universal arbitration and universal disarmament as ideals impossible of realization.

EASTERN MEN BUY REAL ESTATE

Capitalists From Orillia, Ontario Purchase City Park Annex For Large Sum

One of the largest real estate deals of this year was put through Wednesday when J. J. Thompson and Geo. H. Clark, of Orillia, Ontario, purchased from the Magrath-Holgate Co. Ltd., all the unsold portion of the City Park Annex, comprising 823 lots, for $125,000. The City Park annex, which originally consisted of 1152 lots, lies north-east of the Exhibition grounds, bordered on the south by Alberta Avenue and on the west by Norton street, up which the street cars run to North Edmonton. On the north the subdivision is bounded by the property of the Swift-Canadian Company, and on the east by the City Park annex addition. The lots are 32 x 123. The price paid is approximately $150 per lot.

Purchasers of this property are well known Ontario men, Mr. Thompson being the head of large lumbering interests, and Mr. Clark, the public magistrate of Orillia. They have been in the city about a week and made the purchase after a careful survey of the situation.

This large purchase is in keeping with a pronounced improvement in the prices of property in the eastern part of the city, which began with the increasing activity of lots on Namayo avenue.

"I find most of the speculation in the east end now, and just as I predicted, Namayo avenue values have taken a rapid rise, said Mr. Magrath to the Bulletin this morning.

He estimates the increase in value of Namayo avenue property north of Norwood boulevard at from 40 to 50 per cent. In the last two months it has, he says, gone up more rapidly than First Street. The south-west corner of Picard street and Namayo avenue, four blocks south of the boulevard was sold by Magrath-Holgate to a customer ten days ago for $4,000. Yesterday this corner, a double one, was resold for $10,000.

ARTIFICIAL LAKE AND DRIVEWAY.

Property Owners Plan Large Improvement Scheme for District South West of Strathcona.

The creation of an artificial lake a mile long, by the damming of the White Mud Creek, and the construction of ten miles of turn-pike road along the bank of the Saskatchewan river and through the country south-west of Strathcona; these are projects which holders of extensive properties in the city to the south propose carrying out this spring. Money sufficient to the purpose is said to have been subscribed by the parties interested, and the work of road building will begin next month.

The river driveway will be a continuation of the road now being built along the river bank by the municipality. It will start from Sixth Avenue south, which is now a graded road, and will follow the bank for a distance of about three miles. On the section line south of Garden Park, between sections 11 and 14, and 12 and 13, it will turn east to run up Burr street, on the east side of Grand View Heights. A road will also be built up the east side of Garden Park to the river bank.

The White Mud Creek, which runs in a secondary valley, will be dammed near the mouth with a dam 20 feet high, which will raise the water for a distance of a mile from the outlet of the Creek into the Saskatchewan. The artificial lake thus created will be about 200 feet in width. The main bed of the valley, on either side of the lake, will provide picturesque camping and picnic grounds. The road along the river bank will be carried over the top of the dam.

In anticipation of these improvements, property to the southwest of Strathcona has been selling rapidly in the last few days. L. T. Murray, the owner of Garden Park, and who gave the above information to the Bulletin, has sold 130 lots in this division during the last four days, at $50 apiece. On Monday the price of the remaining lots will be raised to $100 each. Acreage in the vicinity of the White Mud Creek is selling, too. Mr. Murray last week sold 124 acres west of Grand View Heights for $18,600; 36 acres adjoining Grand View Heights, on the west, for $7,200; and the south-west quarter of section 13, township 52, for $12,800

NEW POWER PLANT.

Excavation for Plant to Supply Heat and Light to Provincial Parliament Building—Progress on Building.

Workmen are now engaged in excavating the site for the plant which is to supply the new legislative buildings with heat and electric power. It is to be built on the river bank below the old Hudson's Bay Fort, out of sight and out of sound of the stately edifice, the needs of which it is designed to serve. There will be no heating apparatus in the big building. Steam pipes laid in an underground conduit from the power plant to the rear of the building will provide the necessary heat. The wires carrying the electricity for lighting, elevator operation and ventilation purposes will also be laid underground.

Tenders for the plastering work to be done in the south wing of the building, in which the legislative chamber is situated, have been called for. This wing of the building is to be ready for occupation this fall. Besides the legislative chamber it contains more office space than the building occupied at present. The flooring of the south wing is now all in place.

PLANNING FOR G.T.P. HOTEL AT EDMONTON

Winnipeg, March 29—General Manager Chamberlain of the G.T.P., who left last night for Montreal, will bring back with him plans for the G.T.P. hotel here. He will also discuss with the architects the preliminary plans for the hotels at Regina and Edmonton.

The new time table of the C.P.R. will be noteworthy by reason of a renumbering of the transcontinental trains

BUILDING PERMITS.

Edmonton Ranked High Among Cities For Percentage Increase During February.

Toronto, March 31st—Construction for April, reviews the building situation thus:—

Fewer losses than were noted in the previous month, and a substantial improvement as compared with the corresponding period of last year, is the summary of Constructionis report in brief for building operations carried out in twenty-three representative Canadian cities during the month of February. In reviewing the situation, the same accelerating tendency is observed as that which obtained at the beginning of last year, and this in itself is a pretty reliable indication that the volume of work ahead is to assume greater proportions than has ever been attained in a like periodbefore. Permits issued in the twenty-three centres referred to amounted to $4,051,198, as against $3,169,137 in the same month of last year, which represents an average of gain of 34 per cent.—a most satisfactory showing to say the least, especially so, when one takes into account the heavy operations which were carried on right up to the close of the fall season.

Ontario, as in the previous month, experienced the hardest rub, five of the seven losses noted falling in this province. Ottawa dropped behind to the extent of 33 per cent., and Fort William and London registered respective decreases of 31 and 35 per cent. The losses noted in the case of Stratford and St. Thomas, while indicating a large decrease per cent., are really unimportant. On the other hand, Toronto has a total of $969,950, which is 13 per cent. better than her corresponding amount; Hamilton doubled her previous figures by undertaking work aggregating in cost $75,450, and Windsor and Brantford succeeded in surpassing their former mark to the extent of 614 per cent. and 180 per cent. 'n order named.

In the West, a marked onward movement was in evidence on practically all sides. Lethbridge's set back (20 per cent) alone is the only thing which prevented the centres reporting from having a perfect score. Vancouver not only surpassed the million mark, but again has the highest total for the month registered in the Dominion. Everything seems to indicate that Vancouver is just entering what is to be a period of growth that will be much more marvellous and rapid in every way than even the high state of development through which it has already passed. While les pronounced from an investment standpoint, Victoria's total of $132,940, representing a gain of 20 per cent, shows excellent progress, and as much can be said regarding the total of Calgary ($383,660), and the amount of Winnipeg ($412,600), both of which reflect a most satisfactory and wholesome condition. Edmonton, also, with a gain of 187 per cent. notes a substantial upturn; Regina is ahead by 104 per cent. and Moose Jaw tacks on a gain of 27 per cent., although in the latter case the corresponding amounts are quite small

Without the figures of Montreal the Eastern section would be rather slimly represented, although it is known that a large number of place in both Quebec and the Maritime Provinces are undertaking considerable construction work. Halifax and Sydney put in a somewhat quiet month and St. John faile dto report. Montreal, however, issued permits amounting to $642,428, as compared with $274,930 in February of last year, and has the third largest total in the list. Advices to hand state that Montreal has a big building year in prospect. In fact, reports from practically all sections predict big things, and unless industrial disturbances interfere with conditions, the record for each and every month from now on should double that registered in the year just passed.

Berlin, Ont.	$ 8,600	
Brantfor, Ont.	6,000	140.85
Calgary, Alta.	333,660	96.50
Edmonton, Alta.	**83,825**	**187.74**
Fort William, Ont.	25,775	
Halifax, N. S.	6,000	
Hamilton, Ont.	74,450	100.40
Lethbridge, Alta.	30,000	
London, Ont.	13,195	
Montreal, Que.	642,428	134.44
Moose Jaw, Sask.	10,200	27.50
Ottawa, Ont.	64,500	
Peterboro', Ont.	4,200	
Stratford, Ont.	700	
Toronto Ont.	969,550	12.63
Regina, Sask.	67,975	14057
St. Thomas, Ont.	1,800	
Sydney, U.S.	2,030	
Vancouver, B.C.	1,047,790	18.95
Victoria, B.C.	132,940	20.51
Windsor, Ont.	37,150	614.42
Wnnipeg, Man.	412,600	27.75
	$4,051,958	34.14

BANK CLEARINGS.

Returns for the Week From the Leading Business Centres in Canada

Toronto, March 30.—Following are the bank clearings for the week for the principal points in the Dominion:—

	Week ending— Mch 31, 1911	Mch 31, 1910
Montreal	$46,993,611	$27,789,531
Toronto	34,134,763	23,191,517
Winnipeg	17,058,198	11,778,412
Vancouver	9,193,784	6,250,367
Ottawa	3,179,397	2,510,367
Calgary	4,745,022	1,938,439
Quebec	1,897,075	1,598,159
Victoria	3,620,832	1,260,327
Hamilton	1,769,510	1,253,124
Halifax	1,270,698	1,340,537
St. John	1,264,310	1,057,724
Edmonton	**1,913,728**	**970,622**
London	1,200,140	1,018,479
Regina	1,131,871	577,814
Totals	$128,322,949	$82,405,224
Brandon	389,822	
Lethbridge	510,420	
Saskatoon	886,118	
Brantford	429,479	
Moose Jaw	578,998	

Died From Injuries.

New York, March 30.—The death today of Sarah Kupla, a sixteen-year-old girl who jumped from the eighth floor of the Asch building during Saturday's fire horror, brought the list of victims up to a total of 144. The girl's back was broken and she had been unconscious ever since the leap.

PAID YEAR'S RENTAL ON NORTHERN OIL CLAIMS

American-Canadian Oil Co. Pays Rental, Amounting to $4,600, on Claims Staked in the Athabasca Country.

Wednesday the first year's rental was paid on thirty-eight oil claims recently staked in the neighborhood of Pelican Rapids, on the Lower Athabasca, the rental per claim being $120, and the whole payment totalling $4,600. These claims were staked by a party sent out under Dr. Pahl, in the interests of the American-Canadian Oil Company.

Mr. Conant and his party found indications of oil. The party returned to Edmonton on February 28th, and on the same day the oil claims were all registered at the Land Office and $5 each paid down to hold them for one month. It is understood to be the intention of the company to make a thorough investigation into the possibility of the discovery of oil in paying quantities in the north.

DEATH OF DANIEL E. NOYES.

Another of the old-timers of the Edmonton district passed away Wednesday in the person of Daniel E. Noyes, who has given to the northern post of Noyes Crossing its name. The late Mr Noyes was taken ill last November and gradually sank till the end came

The deceased was born at Chillendon, Vermont, on Nov. 4th, 1868. In 1858 he crossed the Panama Isthmus and went to the California gold fields. From there he came to Edmonton in 1866. In 1868 his marriage took place to Adelaide V. Brazeau, second youngest daughter of the Hudson's Bay factor of that name.

In 1872 he went to Jasper House in the Rocky Mountains, where he spent two years building boats. In 1874 he came back to Edmonton and made his home here and at St. Albert. He started the stopping place which bears his name in 1876.

In 1894 he was made a justice of the peace and the following nine years were spent in trading with the Indians of the Rockies and foothills.

After a visit to his old home in 1898 he returned to Edmonton. He purchased a steam engine and sawmill. These he erected at Noyes Crossing and later started a hotel there with his two sons, Wallace and Daniel.

In 1906 he was appointed postmaster at Noyes Crossing and in 1908 he retired from the hotel and went into private life.

He leaves to mourn his wife, five daughters and seven sons. The daughters are Mrs. Robt. Vader, Noyes Crossing; Miss Simon Bouvick, North Edmonton; Misses Ella, Margaret and Mary, Noyes Crossing. The sons are George, Daniel and Wallace of Noyes Crossing hotel; Robert, Alfred, David, and Richard of the same place. He has also two sisters, Mrs. W. Walker, Chittendon, Vermont, and Mrs. A. Dodge, of the same place; also one brother Hiram Noyes of Rutland, Vermont.

RIFLE MATCHES.

The March matches in the gallery and miniature series of the Canadian Rifle League, were shot by the 101st at their Armoury on Thursday and Saturday of last week, when some very fine scores were put on, as shown by the detailed statement below

This concludes the series, but the standing of the team will not be known for some time as returns from the whole Dominion have to be compiled before this can be established.

In the scores of this month, in each series only three shots were outside a one-inch circle, although ten men shot in each, showing not only a high state of proficiency on the part of those whose names appear, but one or more 49's were counted out in the gallery and 92 in the miniature.

The results are as follows:

Gallery Match—Possible 50.

Lieut. R. H. Stewart	50
Capt. T. A. Osborne	50
Capt. Geo. A Reid	50
Lieut. E. A. Brown	50
Col.-Sgt. Wm. Balfour	50
Sergt. A. P. Penny	50
Corpl. J. H. Regan	50
Capt. C. K. Flint	49
Sergt. Wm. Richards	49
Pte. I. T. Hall	49
Team total	497

Miniature Match—Possible 100.

Lieut. R. H. Stewart	100
Capt. F. A. Osborne	98
Col.-Sgt. Wm. Balfour	98
Pte. W. E. Hagman	98
Cpl. J. H. Regan	97
Pte. J. T. Hall	96
Capt. C. K. Flint	96
Lieut. E. A. Brown	95
Capt. Geo. A. Reid	95
Sgt. W. Adamson	93
Team total	966

SUPREME COURT JUDGMENT.

Judgment for the plaintiff in the case, Alberta Land Corporation, Ltd., vs. John Saunders Ford, has been given by Mr. Justice Simmons, who heard the case at the sitting of the Supreme Court in Edmonton last month. The action was for the balance of purchase money due under an agreement for sale of land. The plaintiffs are a corporation having their head office at Toronto. On May 12th, 1906, the defendant agreed to purchase from them section 3, township 45, range 13, west of the fourth meridian, for $7,040, payable $1,173.33 in cash and the balance in five equal annual instalments with interest at six per cent. At the time action was entered against the defendant, two payments were in arrears, viz., May 12th, 1908, and May 12th, 1909.

The defendant claimed that in the purchase of the lands he dealt with the Alberta Land Company, Ltd., a company with head office in London, England, and that he was lead into the contract with the plaintiff company by mistake and error, and in the belief that he was dealing with the Alberta Land Company, Limited, and not with the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs had an agent in England, one Macdonald, who was authorized to accept applications from prospective purchasers, submit these applications to his principals in Toronto, and when approved by them to complete the contract with the purchaser and remit the payments to his principals.

The relations of Macdonald and the London Company were not very clear, but it appeared that he was connected with the London company, as on September 25th, 1907, the London company sent Mr. Ford, a son of the defendant, a receipt for the amount of a payment made on September 4th, 1907. Also on May 18th, 1906, the same London company, in a letter signed by Harold Cousins, secretary, on their letterheads, undertook to purchase back the lands if the value had not risen in the meantime.

The plaintiffs, however, had no knowledge of the London company—never authorized them to act as plaintiff's agents, and the defendant signed an application in the regular way to purchase the lands from the plaintiffs, which was duly submitted by their authorized agent, Macdonald, to them at their head office at Toronto and accepted, and the money paid on the execution of the agreement duly forwarded by Macdonald to them.

The plaintiffs were found in no way implicated with or responsible for the acts of the London company. The defendant, apparently, was induced to purchase the land on the representations of his nephew, one Allen, and there was nothing in evidence that Allen was an agent of the plaintiff company.

Judgment is given for the amount of the plaintiff's claim and interest from July 13th, 1909, and costs.

NEW CHURCHES FOR CALGARY.

Calgary, March 29—The Presbyterians and Baptists have sold their church grounds in the center of the city and will move to other portions of the city where they will build larger edifices on less expensive property.

Now the Roman Catholics have to enlarge. Rev. Father Lewis, parish priest of St. Mary's church, said this morning that they should decide to either pull down the present building known as St. Mary's church, on the corner of First street west and Eighteenth avenue, or build an extensive addition to the present church this fall. The congregations have now grown so large that the capacity of the auditorium is no much more than two-thirds what is required.

Concerning a rumored sale of the property to the C.N.R., the parish priest stated today, however, that the present site still belongs to the Catholics of the city and would belong to them in the future. The C.N.R. had never approached them in regard to a sale, and the new building or the addition to the present edifice would be located on the grounds they now occupy and own.

Hon. G. H. V. Bulyea, Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, has consented to officially open the horse show on the evening of April 18. The entries for their horse show close March 31.

The Dominion Sheep Commission arrived in the city this morning, and held a meeting. The commission consists of William Dryden of Brooklyn, Ont., and W. T. Ritch, of Ottawa. Yesterday the sheep commission met at Lethbridge and they will be here today and tomorrow. After leaving Calgary they will meet again at Edmonton, March 31st and April 1 and will then continue their tour to Vancouver.

SERGEANTS OF 101ST HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

Officers of 101st Fusiliers and Alberta Dragoons Were Entertained at Third Annual Banquet Given by Sergeants Mess of 101st Regiment —Most Successful Function.

The third annual dinner of the sergeant's mess of the 101st Edmonton Fusiliers was held in the Royal George Hotel last evening. The function proved to be most successful. Among the guests of the evening were Colonel Edwards, commanding officer of the regiment, and other members of the officers' mess, Major Jamieson, officer commanding the 19th Alberta Dragoons, together with other officers and members of the sergeants' mess of that regiment.

Col. Sergt. Balfour, retiring president of the mess, occupied the chair, and at the close of an excellent dinner opened a fine programme of speeches and musical numbers by proposing the toast to "The King." "Our Country" was proposed by the vice-chairman, Col. Sergt. Brunless, and responded to by Capt. Harwood of the 101st. Major Jamieson in a very happy speech proposed "Our Regiment," evoking hearty applause by his reference to the pleasant relations which existed between the two regiments, the good feeling which he displayed being heartily reciprocated by Col. Edwards, who responded on behalf of the 101st, of which he is the deservedly popular commanding officer. A fine tribute to the sergeants of the 101st was paid by Capt. Reid of that regiment, who proposed the toast "Our Mess," a fitting response being made by Sergt. Major Howland. "The Sister Corps", proposed by Col. Edwards, was responded to by Major Therriault and Lieut. Baty, both of the Alberta Dragoons. "The Ladies" was proposed in a graceful speech by Sergt. DeChene, the response being made by Sergt. Dredge. A very hearty vote of thanks to the hosts was passed with enthusiasm, and the final toast on the list "Our Next Merry Meeting" was proposed by Col. Sergt. Campbell.

The speeches were interspersed with an excellent selection of songs, pianoforte solos, and recitations, the popular bandmaster of the 101st, Capt. W. Harry Watts, presiding at the piano. P. K. McGregor won repeated encores for the several songs which he contributed. Sergt. Shewell and Sergt. Coles of the Alberta Dragoons, both won well-deserved applause for several fine songs. Lieut. Baty, of the Dragoons, and Sergt. Major Howland of the 101st, also contributed songs, and Lieut. Elliott of the 101st, a very fine recitation. The gathering broke up at 1.30 a.m. with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Value of Seal Catch.

Halifax, N. S., March 31—The aggregate value of the Magdalet seal catch this year is approximately $43,000. The total catch is placed at 32,100, the smallest for many years. Sealers report that the fisheries are a failure owing to so much ice.

SADDLERY CO. TO BUILD $100,000 WAREHOUSE

Great West Saddlery Buy Fourth St. Property for Site—Jasper Avenue Site Reserved—Contracts for the Building to be Let This Week and Operations Begun Next Week.

E. F. Hutchings, of Winnipeg, manager of the Great West Saddlery Co. has purchased Lot 161, Block 3, on the east side of Fourth street, and the company will erect immediately a five-storey warehouse to cost in the neighborhood of one hundred thousand dollars. The property was purchased from the Western Realty Company, the price paid being $15,000, or $300 per foot frontage. Tenders are to be called for and contracts let today and it is expected that work will be begun next week.

It was the original intention of Mr. Hutchings to erect on Jasper avenue the warehouses required by the growing needs of the Great West Saddlery Company, and for this purpose a site was purchased recently between Seventh and Eighth street, on the south side of Jasper avenue. It was, however, decided that Jasper avenue property was too valuable for warehouse purposes and the company will hold that property in reserve. After looking over the wholesale section, Mr. Hutchings selected the property on Fourth street, which was purchased. Workmen will be on the ground in the next few days to begin operations.

NORTHERN GRAIN SAMPLES

J. L. Cote, M.P.P., for Athabasca handed over to the board of trade Wednesday some fine specimens of northern grain. One sample was wheat grown by F. Gavard, and the other oats, grown by Fred Beaudy, both of Grouard.

The oats are particularly fine, being large, well matured, and clean.

To Represent Japan.

Tokio, April 1—The armored cruiser Kurama and the protected cruiser Tone, left here today for England to represent Japan at the coronation of King George.

Killed by Explosion.

Kiel, Germany, April 1—Three blue jackets were killed and four others injured in an explosion of methylated spirits aboard the ironclad cruiser Yorck of the German navy today.

Nuckles Employment Agency
Headquarters for Farm, Railroad and Domestic Help
305 First Street, Edmonton

TWENTY-FOUR YEARS AGO.

Taken From the Files of the Edmonton Bulletin for Saturday, April 2nd, 1887.

Fraser & Co.'s mill began grinding night and day this week.

A. H. Ovens shot a timber wolf north of Little Mountain last week.

Ball last night in the big hotel, small attendance, but first-class music.

Rev. Pere Remas, of St. Albert, left for Battle river by Thursday's stage.

Tone Brothers, of 53-22, have purchased a span of Clydesdale mares from J. Pollock for $500.

The Calgary Tribune mentions that A. Taylor, of Edmonton, went east on March 14th.

R. Dennison returned from a trip to Ottawa on Monday's stage, accompanied by his brother.

Five cents a pound was offered last week by the H.B. Co. for freight from Calgary to the Landing.

W. Maloney and D. McLeod left for Calgary on Sunday. The former goes to Ontario to purchase brood mares.

During the season of 1886, the H.B. Company expended $3,000 in improving the road from Edmonton to the Athabasca Landing.

Edmonton school tax rate has been struck at four mills on the dollar, which will raise $1,500 for the current year. The rate last year was eight mills.

Constable T. P. Carney, of Fort Saskatchewan, lost a cow this week by drowning through a hole in the ice of a lake near W. Walker's place.

Constables Edward Cullen, David Scott, Thomas Lanaway and Glassford will leave G division of the police on the 12th inst., having served their five years' term.

Fraser & Co. sent two additional men to the Landing on Thursday, to assist in erecting a warehouse for the H.B. Co., 30x40, at the Grand Rapids of the Athabasca.

Fresh roll butter is in the market at 50c. No native tub butter. Manitoba factory tub at 40c by the pound and 35c by the tub. Fresh eggs fairly plentiful at 40c a dozen. Beef is up to 13c by the carcass and scarce. Fresh pork 12c and plentiful. Potatoes 50c a bushel and plentiful.

The Indians of the Battle river are reported to be in good heart and preparing for a faithful spring work. The Stoney band lost about 30 members by measles and whooping cough last winter, but all are free from disease now. The bands generally are increasing in numbers, the births exceeding the deaths.

The Indians of Ermine Skin's band at Bear's Hills were greatly exercised lately over some supposed practice of witchcraft among them by an old woman, a member of the band. She was reported to be "making medicine," and had several members of the band under the influence of her enchantments. The belief in witchcraft, though decreasing, is still strong among the Indians and is hard to overcome.

A violincello for the string band that is beginning to be organized here, arrived by last stage. It made its first appearance at the ball on April 1st and was voted a grand success.

FINNISH IMMIGRANTS.

Applying for information at the Immigration Hall on Friday, Dunnar Rehn, a Swedish Finn, informed the agent, W. J. Webster, that he represented sented a number of Finns now living in New York state, having decided to come out to Alberta, had clubbed together and paid his expenses to Edmonton to make investigations. If his reports are satisfactory, the whole number will move here from a little colony on the co-operation. Mr. Rehn is now making inquiries as to where land suitable for homesteading can be obtained. All the men, he states, have sufficient capital to start in a substantial way.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Building permits issued this month totalled $270,000. The total for March 1910 was $262,215. With the exception of the McCauley School no permits for the larger buildings which are to be erected this spring, were taken out during the month

C. E. Carroll has taken out a permit for a residence to be erected on Twenty-Fourth street, lot 1, block 18, Groat Estate, at an estimated cost of $4,500.

D. McClenaghan, 1046, Fourth street has taken out a permit for a residence to be erected on Nelson street, lot 179 block 8, H.B.R., at an estimated cost of $2,000.

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NUCLEUS OF D COLONY IS E

French-Canadians Along Lines of and C.N.

Montreal, April 4.—A tlers for various points Saskatchewan and Alber by the Grand Trunk toda homes along the line o Trunk Pacific in the fa west. Almost all of these Canadians about half o French-speaking people f England states, reigntrial The rest are Canadians points in this province.

The first special train ture station at 9-45 this will carry chiefly New En people for points in S The party will be in cha Gagne, a Saskatchewan who has made specialty o compatriots from the N states to settle in the C especially Saskatchewan. months past Father Gag working amongst the p eastern states and section organising parties to sett chewan, and the success with is shown by the no ple he will take out toda

The second train will le aventure station at 10-30 and will be board for Alberta. The train will ca hundred persons in char Ouellette, who is a coloniz ary for the Province of the settlers will find hom points, chiefly along the Grand Trunk Pacific, a Northern railway.

To Found Dutch C

Whitinsville, Mass., A Hollanders, residents of left town today with the children for Alberta. C they, with another party will found a Dutch colo miles west of Edmonton. inspirile party will meet countrymen at Montreal

RAILWAYS FIGHT THE TAX ON M

Four Railway Companies Montreal's Attempt to on Mileage—Millions Involved.

Montreal, March 31.—T ous increase in the taxatio companies during business of Montreal which is fore the proposal for the cit trackage on a mileage t strenuously fought by th concerned.

It is claimed by the c that according to its cha has the right to levy a t railroad lines in its terri ation of seven thousand every mile of track. The Northern, and the Montr railways are the compa derived from article 261 derived from article 261 o but the railway compan around that they have F ers by which they are b the Provincial by-laws.

The Canadian Pacific ha tracks in the city. The p tax would mean, theref railway would have to co half a million annually treasury, in addition to taxation. The Grand Tr equal mileage of tracks, while the Canadian North to increase its mileage proximately that of the panies. The case will co recorders court next wee

MANY LAWYERS TO DEFEND

Two Firms Have Alread to Look After His One Firm Already in tion—Some of Inve Secrecy.

Montreal, April 3—T can have the pick of a or all of them to defe comes back, is the si stands today. So far t been definitely asked o the defence and one o ready in touch with S firms have been asked selves in readiness for it is needed.

The real reason in s cases is said to be not love of the wizard of deisre for secrecy on some of those who w with Sheldon and do their names to appear proceedings as in any w with the wizard. Not th ings were in any way il have no craving for pub

Several erstwhile cli wizard have consulted the latter have been watch his interests fro he is brought back t