PERSONAL.

CHARLES SMITH, K.C., has been appointed secretary of the Quebec Harbor Commission.

W. W. BROOKFIELD, of Welland, Ont., has been appointed good roads superintendent of Welland County, to succeed the late Major James Sheppard.

CHARLES F. SPROTT, of Burnaby Lake, B.C., has been appointed a member of the North Fraser Harbor Commission to succeed Robert Abernethy, who has resigned.

R. F. RANDOLPH, of the Bethlehem Steel Company, has been engaged by the Dominion Steel Corporation, Limited, Sydney, N.S., as general superintendent of all steel work.

WILL H. BALTZELL has been appointed chief engineer of the Canadian Steel Corporation, Limited, with offices at Ojibway, Ont. This is the Canadian branch of the United States Steel Corporation.

E. P. MATHEWSON has resigned as manager of the reduction works of the Anaconda Copper Company to accept the position of general manager for the British America Nickel Corporation of Sudbury. Ont., with headquarters at Toronto.

Lieut. J. T. WALKER, a young Toronto architect, who for about four years was employed with Messrs. Darling and Pearson, and immediately before enlistment was in the educational department at the city hall, is reported missing since September 20.

Capt. W. J. LOUDON, son of Mr. J. S. Loudon, assistant manager of the Standard Bank of Canada, Toronto, was wounded in action on October 21st. Capt. Loudon is by profession a civil engineer and has been employed in the construction of several lines of railway.

W. C. HAWKINS, of Hamilton, Ont., managing director of the Dominion Power and Transmission Co., and F. W. TEELE, of Boston, Mass., formerly vicepresident and general manager of Porto Rico Railways Co., have been elected to the board of the Southern Canada Power Co.

ALLAN PURVIS, general superintendent of the Eastern Division, Canadian Pacific Railway Co., has been appointed to temporarily succeed Mr. J. T. Arundel, general superintendent of the Ontario Division, who is absent on account of illness. J. H. BOYLE will succeed Mr. Purvis on the Eastern Division.

Col. G. G. NASMITH, C.M.G., director of the Health Department, Toronto, is returning home from the front, his work there having been practically completed. Since the outbreak of the war Col. Nasmith has been rendering valuable services in sanitary work for the C.E.F., both at Valcartier and in Europe.

H. R. MacMILLAN, chief forester of British Columbia, has recently returned from a trip to England, South and East Africa, India, Australia and New Zealand, and expects to leave shortly for China and Japan. He was sent out by his government to investigate trade openings in connection with the lumber industry and his advance report is said to be most favorable.

OBITUARY.

WILLIAM HORNER, builder and contractor, of Winnipeg, Man., passed away recently at the age of 56 years. ROBERT HASTWELL, superintendent of the International Malleable Iron Works at Guelph, Ont., passed away recently following a short illness. Previous to coming to Guelph Mr. Hastwell was for twenty-five years in the employ of the Illinois Malleable Iron Works.

Word was received last week by relatives that Capt. FRANK ROSS NEWMAN had died as a result of wounds. Capt. Newman was born at Montreal 38 years ago, and was educated at the Montreal High School. He became associated in 1903 with the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., Limited, as manager of their Winnipeg branch. Four years later he joined the staff of Caverhill, Learmont & Co., Winnipeg, and remained with that firm until 1911, when he returned to Montreal and subsequently rejoined the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., Limited, as manager of the Toronto branch.

At the ontbreak of war he joined the Queen's Own and went overseas in May, 1915, as quartermaster and captain of the 19th battalion. He left England for France in September, 1915. Last summer Capt. Newman was ill for two months with trench fever. Upon his return to the front he was made adjutant of his battalion, but he had not occupied his new post for more than two weeks before he was wounded in the knee and in the face by shrapnel.

He was transferred to a London hospital, where it was reported that he was progressing favorably. Tetanus resulted, however, and the end came rather suddenly. The report of his death was a shock to a large number of friends among the engineers and contractors throughout Ontario and Manitoba. He is survived by his mother and a sister, and by two brothers, Mr. J. G. Newman, of the McClary Manufacturing Co., and Lieut. H. Newman, of the reinforcing company of the 5th Royal Scots, now awaiting orders to proceed overseas.

CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS, TORONTO BRANCH.

Before the Toronto Branch, Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, on November 9th, Mr. William Storrie, A.M.Can.Soc.C.E., will read a paper on the drifting sand water purification plant at Toronto Island. Mr. William Gore, member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, the inventor of the system, will be present and will explain the design. Free discussion is invited.

COMING MEETINGS.

ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY ELECTRICAL EN-GINEERS. Annual meeting at La Salle Hotel, Chicago, October 30-November 4. Secretary, J. A. Andreucetti, C.J.N.W. Railway, Chicago.

AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS. In Chicago, November 13. Secretary, J. F. Callbreath, Munsey Bldg., Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL COMMERCIAL GAS ASSOCIATION. Convention in Atlantic City, N.J., November 13-18. Secretary, Louis Stotz, 61 Broadway, New York City.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY COM-MISSIONERS. Convention in Washington, D.C., November 14. Secretary, W. H. Connolly, Washington.

KANSAS GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION. Annual meeting in Lawrence Society headquarters in Kansas City, November 16-17.