

PERSONAL NOTES

J. H. HANNA, secretary-treasurer of the Calgary Public School Board, has been appointed secretary of the Calgary Board of Trade.

SIR LOMER GOUIN has retired from the premiership of the province of Quebec, after successfully administering the affairs of the province for fifteen years, and according to latest advices, has accepted a position on the directorate of the British Empire Steel Corporation. "In 1905," said Sir Lomer, in a statement regarding his resignation, "after



having been called upon to form a government I drew up a program which, since that time, has appeared to carry weight and which affected every branch of the administration. During fifteen years, I have had the signal honor of enjoying the most complete confidence of our population. I feel that I should now confide to other hands the work of peace, concord and prosperity which the Liberal party has

striven to accomplish in this province since 1897." Besides being premier and attorney-general for Quebec, Sir Lomer was also a prominent business head, having been identified with many industrial and other undertakings in the province. He is a director of the Royal Trust Company; director of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank; director of the Mount Royal Assurance Company. He is particularly interested in the pulp and paper industry in Quebec, his name having been mentioned in connection with recent important developments. He will also be connected with "La Presse," the Montreal afternoon daily. The Hon. Louis A. Taschereau is mentioned as his successor to the premiership.

ROBERT GRAY, of Chatham, Ont., one of the leading business men of the western part of the province, and president of the Gray-Dort Automobile Company, has been appointed to the directorate of the Standard Bank of Canada.

CARL RIORDON, an outstanding figure at the present time in the pulp and paper industry in Canada, and vice-president of the Riordon Company, Limited, has been appointed to the directorate of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, replacing the late John McKergow.

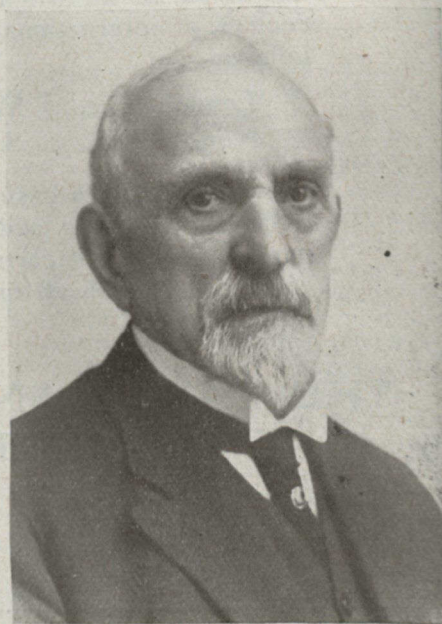
W. P. KIRKPATRICK, former manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Saskatoon, Sask., has returned from a business trip to Havana, Cuba. Mr. Kirkpatrick left Saskatoon last November, and during his stay in Havana,

succeeded in establishing a branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce there.

MAJOR R. T. MACKEEN, who has been with the Royal Insurance Company since March, 1919, has been appointed assistant manager in charge of life business for Ontario. Previous to joining the Royal Insurance Company, Mr. MacKeen served in the Canadian army, and after being invalided was for two years vocational officer for Quebec.

MR. J. W. SCOTT, of Listowel, Ont., was head of the private banking firm of J. W. Scott and Son, which has just been purchased by the Bank of Montreal. The actual transfer was made on May 31st. Mr.

Neil L. Scott, son of Mr. J. W. Scott, remains as manager of the branch. Mr. J. W. Scott is one of the oldest and best-known private bankers in the Dominion, having conducted a large private banking business in Listowel for nearly fifty years, as well as having offices in Palmerston, Clifford and Atwood, and with the late J. A. Halstead, in Mount Forest, Shelburne and Wingham. Mr. Scott has large business interests outside of banking, and, with T. L. Hamilton, who has been with him for nearly thirty-five years, will continue to look after these, with offices over the Bank of Montreal.



OBITUARIES

WALTER M. CAMPBELL, assistant secretary of the North American Life Assurance Company, Toronto, died on July 11th, at the age of 49 years, after a lengthy illness. Mr. Campbell had been connected with the company for 29 years.

JOHN FARLEY, K.C., one of the oldest and best-known barristers and residents of St. Thomas, Ont., died on July 10th after a brief illness. Mr. Farley was born in Missouri Township 83 years ago, of Irish parentage, his parents settling in Ontario in the early fifties. He graduated in law in 1862 and practised his profession in St. Thomas over 50 years.

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE

A notable year of progress is recorded in the annual report of the Sun Insurance Office, which is printed elsewhere in this issue. The company, which was organized in London, England, on April 7th, 1710, has been conducting fire insurance business in Canada on a large scale since June 3rd, 1892. According to the latest available figures, assets held solely for the protection of Canadian policyholders amount to \$673,018, while total Canadian assets are \$979,649. The head office of the company for Canada is at Toronto, and Lyman Root is manager.

The Canadian figures for 1919 show that net cash received for premiums amounted to \$741,903, while in the previous year the figure was \$712,182. This result is more favor-

able when it is taken into consideration that the ratio of losses to premiums was considerably smaller, the figure being 46.03 per cent., as compared with 52.13 per cent. in 1918. Gross amount of risks taken during the year totalled \$93,413,893, as against \$87,963,278 in the preceding period.

The total business of the Sun Insurance Office is world-wide in extent. Premiums to the amount of \$11,333,095 were received on fire account, and losses totalled \$5,360,690. The funds total \$20,118,340, of which the fire fund, to the amount of \$12,533,240, is the largest. Included in this total are also the paid-up capital of \$2,400,000, the profit and loss balance of \$2,204,860, an investment suspense fund of \$375,000, and a war contingency fund of \$125,000, indicating that company has assets much greater than the necessary reserves, as well as being one of the oldest insurance companies in the world.