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New Offices Established

City Council Proceeds in Legal Form

Report on Gas Question

At the adjourned meeting of the City Council on Thursday evening there were present: The Mayor, Aldermen Robertson, Morrow, Spencer, Collier and Howson.

The first business was the repeal of bylaws 111, 112 and 113, relating to the appointments of treasurer and clerk. A bylaw to accomplish this was introduced by Ald. Spencer. Ald. Morrow strongly opposed the making of a change at the present time. He understood, he said, that the auditor recently engaged by the city had expressed the opinion, (in private conversation), that the offices of secretary and treasurer were better not amalgamated. The city were paying this man $1,000 a year and it would be unwise for them to make the proposed change until they had received his advice. If after the change had been effected the auditor should bring in a report to the effect that the offices should remain as they are today, the council would be placed in a ridiculous position. It would be better to leave this matter over until a report had been received.

Ald. Howson asked the Mayor for light on the question. Had the auditor given any such advice?

In reply the Mayor stated that he had had a long discussion (official not private) with Mr. Henderson, who had merely said that in some cases" it was preferable to keep the offices separate. The reason for this was that one official served as a check upon the other. But, the city were supposed to be dealing with honest men. With proper regulation the work of the offices could be much more efficiently carried out under the proposed arrangement. It was for the council to take facts as they found them, and when they came to look into the present condition of things they must admit that it was far from satisfactory. During the last week, said the Mayor, he had received many complaints about accounts being rendered twice and the general feeling in this city was that a change was urgently needed. As for this "street corner talk," it was unworthy of consideration. It might be—it probably was—selfish in intention, there was possibly a desire to create a position for certain men.

Ald. Morrow stuck to his guns. He did not think any harm would be done by leaving the matter over. He understood that Mr. Henderson had recommend that the offices in Lethbridge be divided. He did not get his information regarding Mr. Henderson's attitude, in any barroom.

A protracted discussion ensued, in the course of which Ald. Collier remarked that he did not think it had been necessary to send to Winnipeg to get men to tell us how to run the city. He thought the auditor was appointed to audit the books.

The bylaw passed its first and second readings and was considered in committee.

An unanimous vote is necessary for the passage of three readings of a bylaw in one sitting, so that it will be necessary to wait until the next regular meeting to abolish the two present offices and create a secretary-treasurership. Ald Morrow was against the bylaw.

Speaking of the number of offices which had in the past been made by resolution, the solicitor said that the practice was not proper. A bylaw was necessary for the creation of each office. This raised another question. The city bylaws were in a most unsatisfactory condition. In some cases they were conflicting, in others indefinite, in others obsolete. A revision was absolutely necessary, and in this matter an admirable plan had been adopted by Lethbridge. Every bylaw in the city's book, with the exception of money bylaws and such as affected private interests had been repealed. New bylaws had then been enacted, embracing all that was desirable in the old ones.

After the matter had been thoroughly discussed the council decided to authorize the solicitor to carry out a revision. With the assistance of the chairman of committees and of the city officials the set of new bylaws will be formulated in such a way that very little work will be entailed to the council. The sum of $300 will be paid Mr. Mahaffy for this special work.

During the discussion as to new appointments, it transpired that the action of the council in committee on Monday night was irregular. All the names in the applications should be read before the council and should be voted on separately in order in which they are brought up.

Ald. Spencer gave notice of introduction of a bylaw for the creation of the office of secretary-treasurer at the next regular meeting of the council.

The clerk reported that the committee of last year's council, (Aldermen Spencer, Penhale, Huckvale and Baker), which had been appointed to go into the matter of a site for the Southern Alberta Land Co., had gone out of office without bringing in a recommendation. As one of the old committee, Ald. Spencer, stated that no opportunity had occurred to interview Mr. McGregor. The Mayor and Aldermen Howson, Spencer and Robertson were named a committee to act in conjunction with the Board of Trade in interviewing Mr. McGregor.

Ex-Ald. F. G. Forster addressed the council in behalf of the application of the Medicine Hat Printing and Publishing Co., for 5 cent rate for gas. He explained that as a member of the old council he had not desired too talk too much upon the question. Now, however, he was in a better position to do so. It appeared to him that some confusion arose as to the intention of the bylaw covering this matter from the fact that one solicitor had framed it up for one council while another interpreted it for another body of men. He would submit a definition of the term "manufacturer" as given in the most up-to-date and accredited dictionary. To manufacture was to "engage in producing something by industrial art." Mr. Forster proceeded to draw an analogy between the turning out of the finished product of a lumber factory and of a printing office. Both were equally "manufactures." In the former case rough lumber was turned into valuable articles by a mechanical process; in the second paper, practically worthless in the first place was greatly enhanced in value. This company's application was made purely as a matter of principle, since the difference in the rate would mean little more than $50 a year. A newspaper did its share, for the advancement and advertising of a town. Some industries of this nature should be encouraged. Of these at the present time sufficient appreciation was not shown.

The Mayor endorsed Mr. Forster's last remark. He pointed out that the matter might be dealt with when the bylaws came up for revision. As no capital invested Ald. Morrow said the committee were satisfied as to the company's qualifications but the question arose, was this a manufacturing concern?

Motion by which superintendent of public works and teamster were appointed (Aug. 27, '02 and Jan. 13, '02) were rescinded on motion of Ald. Howson. Also on Ald. Morrow's motion, office of meter clerk was abolished.

The following report from the engineer was read by the chairman of the gas committee, Ald. Morrow.

Alderman Morrow,
Chairman of Gas Committee.

Dear Sir,—The shortage in gas supply this winter has brought home the necessity of having sufficient wells to meet the requirements without over loading them. Apart from the inconvenience caused by having an inadequate supply of gas a great many false impressions are spread abroad regarding our supply of gas on account of having an insufficient number of wells. In view of this fact I would strongly advise the sinking of another well this year. No doubt you are aware that the C. P. R. have secured a gas flow of 24 million cubic feet per day from a 10 inch well sunk to a depth of 1900 feet at Bow Island. Before striking the flow they passed through four other flows the second of which appears to be the flow which we are using here. The closed in pressure is 800 pounds. It appears reasonable that we by going deeper may get the same flow as the C. P. R. have struck and I would recommend that in our next well we go to a depth sufficient to enable us to get the same flow as the C. P. R. have got at Bow Island.

If Medicine Hat is to go ahead as indications seem to predick it will be necessary for us to drill wells from time to time, and, in view of this fact I would consider it advisable for the city to look into the proposition of securing a rig and doing its own drilling. I would consider it good policy for the city to have sufficient wells, so that there will always be a reserve of gas on hand. In conclusion I would recommend that before going any further into the matter, that the council secure the service of a competent gas expert for consultation re drilling.

Yours Respectfully
W. P. MORRISON,
City Engineer.

As to the city's doing its own drilling, the council seemed to be in favor of this course being taken, provided a good man could be secured to do the work. This, as Ald. Howson pointed out, would be the chief difficulty. Gas drilling, moreover, was a very risky business.

Other subjects of discussion were the John McDougal Co., pump, which it is claimed, is still working unsatisfactorily, and the question of selling certain blocks of debentures. Applications will be received on Feb 15, for the sale of $15,000 and $7,500 blocks in connection with the sewer pipe proposition and the spur track.

Evidence will be collected for the purposes of evidence before the Railway Commission next month.

Public Scavenger Recommended

Arrangements for Big Convention

No Comissioner to be Appointed

The regular meeting of the council was held on Monday night the 18th inst., in the city hall. There were present: The Mayor, Aldermen McKay, Robertson, Morrow, Spencer, Collier, Howson, Penhale.

The Board of Health wrote recommending the appointment of a public scavenger and a sanitary inspector who should be engaged about the 1st of April for a period of a few months; the city to pay one half the cost of work done in each case and the landlord one half. The extension of the Main Street sewer to the outlet and the laying of a sewer from the Montreal Street school along Montreal Street to the settling tank were also advised.

Speaking on the question raised in the report Ald. Penhale took the view that it would not be right to dump the garbage on the nuisance ground out in the open prairie. Discussing the general question of the sanitary condition of the city he opined that the city water had been unfairly blamed for the typhoid epidemic during the fall of last year. It was a fact that twenty-four out of the seventy-five cases of fever were traced to a local restaurant which had a cesspool at the back of the premises. The communication was referred to the health committee.

E. J. Fewings wrote asking permission to use the city hall for the annual meeting of the Hospital Board on the 8th of February and inviting the council to appoint one of their number to the board of health. Permission granted and Ald Howson appointed.

The solicitor wrote anent the News application for manufacturers' rate for gas. There were no cases on record of an interpretation of the term "manufacturer" as applied to a newspaper publishing office, in the English court, and in the United States courts, one or two conflicting views had been taken. Under a clause quoted from a law cyclopaedia the products of a printing office were described as a manufactures only when they consisted of printed matter, such as books, blank books, bill heads, etc., but when these were auxiliary to the editing and publishing of a newspaper the establishment could not be described as a manufactory. Within the meaning of the gas bylaw, The News could not be considered as a manufacturing establishment. Some discussion took place on the report which was eventually adopted.

The deputy minister of public works wrote advising the city that the application for the construction of a spur track along the road allowance should be made by the C. P. R., when immediate consideration would be given the matter. Received and filed.

Gorman, Clancey & Grindley wrote asking to be allowed to tender on rails, etc., for the proposed spur track. Filed.

W. D. Lighthall, honorary secretary-treasurer of the Union of Canadian Municipalities wrote as to the holding of the Convention in Medicine Hat this year. It was desired if possible to keep the expenses of each delegate down to $100 and with this object in view the government of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta were being requested to ask grants of $1,000 each. The council decided to endorse this suggestion and request the Edmonton authorities to give the grants. Ald. Penhale expressed the general opinion of the council when he said that the holding of the Convention here would be one of the best advertisements this city would ever get. The council ought to get busy and make a success of it; and the citizens on their part should show hospitality and entertain the delegates to the best of their ability.

Mayor Milne and ex-Mayor Cousins were appointed Medicine Hat delegates to the Convention.

Gas commissioners reported in favor of vesting the control of the department under the city engineer.

Committee appointed to go into the matter of engaging a municipal auditor, recommended Henderson & Co., chartered accountants of Winnipeg. The auditing will cost $1,000.

Ald. Howson read the report of the committee for investigation into the question of a public works commissionership. It was not considered advisable at the present juncture to appoint a commissioner, but, as a considerable waste of time resulted under the present system, with departments under different heads, full control of construction, maintenance, etc., should be given to Engineer Morrison. If necessary the engineer should be allowed an assistant. The committee further recommended the appointment of a man to act as fitter, his duties to be the laying of all mains and the turning on and off of gas; two meter readers, who should also take charge of the repairing and changing of meters, cleaning and repairing of street lamps and attend to all regulator stations and wells. They advised the passing of a bylaw defining the duties of the engineer.

Ald. Spencer and Ald. McKay were of the opinion that the committee had not gone so deeply into the question in hand as they might have done. If the city's work were to be looked after as it should be a commission would be required. As it was, Engineer Morrison had found last summer that he was unable to give proper attention to his office work as he was so frequently compelled to be outside looking after the work of his department. It would be a mistake said Ald. Spencer, for the Council to cut down the expense too far, sacrificing efficiency. Ald. Howson pointed out that the engaging of an assistant later on would relieve the engineer of many of his present duties. He would take his instruction from the chairmen of the various committees and his appointment, the Mayor pointed out, would be at the pleasure of the council.

Committee for investigation of question of fire chief, etc., reported progress.

The Mayor reported the suspension of Superintendent Porter. The matter was afterwards gone into in committee of the whole and the Mayor's action sustained. Mr. Porter's reinstatement was advised and carried out.

The following appointments were made in committee of the whole: Secretary-treasurer, F. F. Fatt, assistant secretary-treasurer, Edward Roberts.

Notices were given by Ald. Collier of bylaws to be introduced. These will deal with, hawkers and pedlars, licensing of theatrical shows, the sale of cigarettes, the making and selling of bread, the licensing of the businesses of palmist, fortune-teller, etc., licensing of all kinds of jugglery and similar shows.

Referring to the license fee which the Salvation Army had been compelled to pay in accordance with the city's bylaw covering entertainments Ald. Collier moved that the fee ($5) be donated to the Army. This was carried. A letter was read from the officer commanding in which she stated that the fee was paid under protest. None of the Army's entertainments were given for the purposes of private gain, and no license fee had ever been demanded in any other part of the Dominion.

Ald. Howson gave notice of introduction of bylaws covering the appointment of an engineer-commissioner, and the extension of the sewer and water systems.

Sewer Pipe bylaw passed its third reading. Two slight changes had been made since the agreement was up before the ratepayers at a public meeting. The "exemption from taxation" clause was made to apply only to properties mentioned in the agreement.

At the conclusion of the council meeting the Mayor signed the agreement.

Accounts recommended for payment.

Post Office	$ 4.00
T. Morrey	7.50
Fire Brigade	111.25
H. Baker	3.00
F. S. Pingle	5.00
John Benson	5.00
E. Roberts	15.00
F. S. Pinco	3.00
Treasurer's Expense Ac.	72.97
W. A. Begg	25.00
L. H. Alexander	3.71
M. C. Sackrider	11.60
J. J. Hewitt	6.90
"	5.40
"	2.75
John Hay	7.00
Milling Co.	22.32
Long & Co	1.00
A. P. Burns	110.00
J. A. Conn	1.50
H. C. Cooper	29.00
"	1.00
Marshall Hardware	199.25
"	1.20
"	51.05
Stweart & Tweed	1.52
"	6.51
"	1.90
Canada Fairbanks Co.	439.98
"	8.50
"	30.00
"	45.00
Jas. Morrison	1.50
Lethbridge Iron Works Co.	35.00
McColl Bros.	85.00
Walton Hardware	.10
"	8.15
"	6.40
"	2.95
"	21.00
G. M. Johnston	3.50
A. P. Burns	6.55
Harrison & Co.	20.50
"	59.60
L. Foster	8.45
Canada Fairbanks Co.	12.20
A. Patterson	30.00
Stewart & Tweed	4.18
W. Barrie	219.00
Marshall Hardware	11.25
Freight Charges	30.49
"	1.46
Walton Hardware	3.33
G. W. Elliott	3.75
H. W. Ireland	3.00
J. J. Hewitt	.20
John Hay	8.40
Penberthy Injector Co	2.50
G. Schmelzer	21.15
J. Rutherford	38.50
Jas. Rae	90.00
"	44.45
"	6.65
"	7.38
"	2.55
"	16.10
"	17.12
"	90.00
"	201.95
"	.40
"	76.53
"	4.20
"	57.03
"	.30
"	.40
"	45.00
"	18.05
"	3.00
"	2.15

The Council adjourned till Thursday evening.

Another False Rumor

Conductor Has Not Disappeared

It has been reported that Conductor Bone of the silk train mixed up in the wreck at Sidewood disappeared the day of the accident. As a matter of fact Bone did not disappear at all, unless disappearance means not leaving his address for every minute of his existence. Far from disappearing, Bone gave evidence at the inquest as exclusively reported in last week's Times. He was in the city for a day or two after the accident, and has been here a couple of times since with no evidence of hiding himself.

Bone is a single man, most of whose time is spent in Calgary. He knew that the accident meant dismissal, and as there was nothing owing him, he had no reason for staying here. It is probable that he is available any time he is wanted.

BECOMING YOUR COMPETITOR

Every non-progressive merchant becomes your competitor when you cease to advertise aggressively. When a merchant "slows up" in his advertising, then the merchant who never had the courage or foresight to advertise adequately becomes a real competitor.

Even the merchant who never advertises at all reaps a certain amount of profit from the slowing up process of the live store.

Not many merchants of course, who have at any time set the pace for progressive advertising, will be content to take a backward plunge into the company of the non-progressives, of the little merchants, the easily satisfied ones, the unawakes. But that is just what the "live one" does when he cuts down his advertising appropriation.

CHARGE DISMISSED

The charge against Samuel Kahnback of Irvine, for alleged cattle stealing was withdrawn on Friday last. Pete Anderson was also charged with fraudulently harboring a steer, the property of John Frisk, and refusing to deliver up the same to its proper owner. An adjournment of the hearing was made until 2 p. m. on Thursday. Meanwhile Armstrong is out on his own recognizances.

WEDDINGS

DOONAN—LEFLAR

The marriage took place on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at the home of the brides father, 207 Main St., of Mr. Christie Doonan of Swift Current, and Miss Bertha Leflar, second daughter of Mr M. Leflar of Medicine Hat. The Rev. A. C. Farrell performed the ceremony, at the close of which a wedding supper was partaken of by the number of relatives and friends present.

In the evening the happy couple left for the west. They will afterwards take up residence in Swift Current.

The many presents of which the bride was the recipient showed the great popularity gained by her during her short stay in the city. Among them was a fur-lined coat the gift of the groom.

McLEAN—NESBITT

(Woodstock Sentinel-Review) Monday, Jan. 18th—At three o'clock this afternoon at the residence of Mr. Monteith M. Nesbitt, 497 George street, Woodstock, occurred the marriage of his only daughter, Louise, to Mr. James McLean, manager of the Merchants' Bank at Leduc, and son of Mr. Alex. McLean, U. E., of Edmonton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. G. Wallace, rector of New St. Paul's in the presence of the bride's immediate relatives. The bride who is a great favorite, looked very sweet in her wedding gown of white satin embroidered with pearls and made in princess style. Mr. and Mrs. McLean left on the 5.10 G. T. R. train for a short honeymoon, after which they will return to Woodstock and spend some days with her parents here before leaving for their new home in the west. Mrs. McLean's going away gown was of brown broadcloth and a mink toque and mink furs, added the finishing touch to a very smart and becoming gown. The best wishes of a host of friends follow Mr. and Mrs McLean to their home in the West, where Mrs. McLean will be a great acquisition to the musical and social circles of their new home. The out of town guests were Mrs. and Miss Sovereign of Waterford and Mrs Waldock of Medicine Hat.

A Close Fight

Liberal Party Leads by Small Majority

Ottawa, Jan. 19—With the single exception of Yukon figures for votes cast at the general elections are now all in. Owing to the number of independent candidates in the field an absolutely accurate classification of votes is difficult to get at. The following table, however, indicates pretty fairly the trend of voting:

Province	Lib.	Con.	Ind.
Ontario	228,500	235,509	2,730
Quebec	150,844	126,424	10,734
Nova Scotia	56,588	54,500	
New Brunswick	40,716	34,945	
P.E.Island	14,496	14,286	
Manitoba	30,915	25,071	
B. C.	22,227	17,002	[illegible]
Alberta	23,777	19,746	2,429
Saskatchewan	33,415	25,563	494
Totals	587,064	563,547	24,893

Independent column includes Verville, Labor, Maissoneuve, Joe Martin, Vancouver, all Socialist candidates in British Columbia and Independents, Laborites and Socialists elsewhere.

PRIZES PRESENTED

FOR Y. M. C. Races

A very successful entertainment was given in the Y. M. C. gymnasium on Thursday evening when the distribution of the prizes for the New Year's day races took place.

The chair was occupied by Mr. C. E. Neff. Interesting addresses were given by Mr. J. T. Hall on "The relation of athletics to business life," and by Mr. Benson on "The value of the principle which govern the athletics." The musical part of the programme was furnished by Miss Eveline Rae and Mr. Sansom, and was highly appreciated.

At the close of the entertainment the prizes were presented to the successful athletes. The cup donated by the Y. M. C., was presented to Mr. Gordon Rebur, (winner of the men's road race) by Mr. M. A. Brown, President of the club. Mr. Neff presented the men's second prize, a solid gold signet ring, won by Mr. J. Todd. The ladies' prizes were presented by Mr. J. T. Hall. These were, 1st prize, locket and chain won by Miss Marguerite Nicholson. 2nd prize, one dozen photographs won by Miss Jessie Carle; 3rd prize leather handbag, (given by Mr. H. Morrow), won by Miss Minnie Kennedy.

The prize for the boys' race, pair of hockey boots, won by Earle Morris, was presented by the Rev. A. C. Farrell, the donor.

Mr. A. M. Wright donated the men's second prize; Mr. J. G. Stoddart the ladies' first prize; Milne's portrait studio the ladies' second prize.

IN READINESS

...The city have obtained options on all the land required in connection with the Sewer Pipe proposition. The matter of the spur track will be brought before the Railway Commission which sits in Medicine Hat on Feb. 15th and 16th, and it is anticipated that everything will be clear for the company to go ahead when Mr. Newell returns to the city next month.

H. G. BAXTER BURIED

The funeral of Henry G. Baxter, who died here on Jan. 12, '09, was held in Minneapolis on Sunday, Jan. 17th. The Morton Post No. 9, of that city had charge of the service. The beautiful and impressive service of the Grand Army was read, the Ladies of the G. A. R. also taking part. The coffin was draped with the flag of his country. National President Mrs. Annie Ayres, of Chicago, placed the flag upon the breast of the deceased as a symbol of loyalty. Beautiful floral offerings were presented. The interment took place at Lakewood Cemetery. Mr. Baxter was 84 years of age and served his country for a term of 4 years. He leaves a wife, two daughters and a son.

NEW INSPECTOR

[illegible] Plume, has been appointed inspector of homesteads for this district. He will probably move into the city. His work will be the inspection of the manner in which homestead regulations are being filled. The Times has fought for this for more than a year and if the duties of the office are fulfilled as Mr. O'Connor can fill them, Medicine Hat will profit more than from all the industries in sight.

Thirty men turned out on Sunday afternoon to organize a men's Bible class in the Baptist church. Mr Sleight acted as chairman of the meeting until the election of the President of the class. After the adoption of the class constitution the following officers were elected:

President—Mr. Hopper.
Vice-President—Mr. N. M. Lean.
Teacher—Mr. Sansom.
Secretary—Mr. Ware.
Treasurer—Mr. Miers.
Chairman Membership Committee—Mr. Marshall.
Chairman Entertainment Committee—Mr. Sleight.
Chairman Devotional Committee—Mr. Neff.
Chairman Visitation Committee—Mr. Lloyd.
Organist—Mr. Hulbert.
Assistant Organist—Mr. Blue.

The class will meet on Sunday afternoons at 4 o'clock.

APPRECIATED

That the clubbing offers presented by The Times are in a class by themselves is evidenced by the number of subscribers who are taking advantage of them. During only 3 days last week no fewer than 22 clubbing papers were ordered in The Times office, many of them being new subscribers.

As a sample of the special terms The Times has been able to make exclusively with outside papers might be mentioned The Times, The Daily Winnipeg Telegram, The Farmers Handbook; all for $2.75; The Times and The Daily Calgary Herald for $3.00, the price of the Herald alone.

Mr. Burton
At the Opera House tonight.

HOMESTEADER FROZEN

In Mysterious Manner Overcome by Cold

Not Far From Several Houses

No details of the death of J. F. Holden which was announced in last week's Times, could be inserted in that issue. It appears that the deceased had gone from a homestead where he was living with his uncle, John E. Holden, and Mrs. Holden, and their family, to Frank Logelin's three miles away, about 4 in the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 14. At 5 he left to return to his uncle's apparently in the best of health and spirits. Mrs Logelin could see him from her window for almost two miles of the distance, and during that time he stuck to the trail.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Holden were somewhat anxious later in the evening when the young man did not return, but naturally concluded that he had talked with the Logelins' until too dark to return and had remained for the night.

The weather was clear and not exceptionally cold, but at 11 p.m. a blizzard sprang up and continued all the next day. The uncle did not feel worried on Friday as he knew his nephew would not start out in the storm. However when he did not appear early on Saturday, a visit was paid to Logelin's where it was found that he had left on Thursday afternoon.

Immediately search parties were formed and the prairie was thoroughly ridden and walked over for three Logelin's hired man found the young days. On Monday evening Mr. man frozen to death lying on the prairie within a mile and a half of Logelin's and off the trail.

From conditions it is thought that the young man was taken sick and had wandered from the trail and struck towards the Logelin house since Mrs. Logelin had seen him beyond where he was found. In his sickness he had been unable to fight off the cold, even with the unusually heavy clothing he wore. Every evidence of the body when found pointed to sickness, and as the evening was clear, and he should have been home before it was really dark, he must have gone out. He was [illegible] and [illegible].

The deceased was 21 years of age next month, and leaves parents and two sisters in England. He came to this district two years ago, but a year here went to the States where he accidentally met his father, a Washington State both returning here last year.

The body was interred by Rev. Mr. Clark, on Wednesday in Hillside cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. J. E. Holden of Seven Persons on behalf of himself and of the father, mother and family of the deceased, desires to express his thanks to those who so kindly assisted in the search for the body of the unfortunate J. T. Holden who was frozen to death last week.

New Industry

Messrs, Percy Yeo and L. Lowenthal of this city have gone into partnership in the manufacture of household ammonia and bluing. The new firm goes under the name of The Domestic Manufacturing Co. They have secured a contract for the general hospital. The works are at 500 South Railway St.

"THE DEVIL"

"The Devil" presented by W. L. Stewart and Leah Stoddart at the Opera House last week was a decided success. An unusual number of the best seats were taken, and lots of appreciation was shown. While not a pleasing plot, Stewart, as the Devil under the name of Dr. Miller, made such a strong part of his character that the unpleasant theme and ending were almost forgotten. The devil as a hero is a novelty; "Faust" differing considerably.

Mr. Stewart's little before-the-curtain roast to some ignorant boor who had undertaken to smoke during the performance, brought applause.

GOOD FARMERS NEEDED

In the course of his sermon on Sunday evening the Rev. J. W. Morrow made incidental reference to the crop possibilities of this district. He had, he said, recently compared the statistics of rainfall around Medicine Hat and around Lethbridge. For the former the average over a number of years was heavier by 3 inches than the Lethbridge district, where farm land had how risen in price, in some cases as high as $50 per acre. There was no reason why Medicine Hat should not accomplish even greater things. Three men who had taken up farming in a scientific manner had reaped a high average per acre, last fall. Only good farmers were needed to build up an agricultural community.

Poultry meeeing tonight at 20 o'clock, at the Board of Trade building