

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

PORT SASKATCHEWAN.

Bulletin News Service. At the manse on February 14th, the marriage took place of Robert Chlassen of Edmonton to Leona, daughter of the Chaplain, Miss Karolina Thompson was bridesmaid and E. N. Chlassen, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride was given away by her father, Rev. A. Forbes, M.A., performed the ceremony in the presence of several friends of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Chlassen will reside in Edmonton.

The hospital began here Wednesday morning with a large number of outside nurses in attendance, there being two from Lloydminster; one from Vegreville, four from Edmonton. Up to the present the Fort has lost to Vegreville and Edmonton. Playing will continue until Thursday evening, before the various prizes will be awarded. A number of ladies are watching the games with interest.

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A serious fire broke out on Mr. Logan's house last Sunday morning, and all efforts to save the building were in vain. The fire started from a stove, and spread rapidly, but nothing there was saved. However, everything downstairs was safely removed from the house by the crew of men who had hastened to assist in extinguishing the fire. There was no insurance on the building.

The Vermilion Presbytery meets here next week. Arrangements are being made for its accommodation at the ministers' hotel.

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CONTENT. Bulletin News Service. Johnnie Roselle delivered some nice wheat to Mr. Tait this week.

The Literary Society met the Great Bend Boys' Club in a debate last Saturday, the topic being Legal vs. Medical Profession. Messrs. Andy Brodie and Harry Amerton defended the legal side and Messrs. Roy Johnson and Charles Norton the medical.

Great Bend secured a decision in their favor. Messrs. De Pastore, Gilbert and Walker were the judges.

Mr. McFadden went to Alix on business today.

Mr. Streich, who sustained a painful injury to his eye last week, has gone to Calgary and may have to undergo an operation.

J. P. Moore visited his homestead last Sunday.

PERPETUAL BOND ISSUE.

G. T. R. May Sell Stock up to \$800,000 Annually. Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The railway committee of the House of Commons today discussed and passed a bill respecting the Grand Trunk railway's bond issue.

The company is authorized to issue perpetual consolidated debenture stock bringing interest at 4 per cent, but the annual amount of such interest is not to exceed \$500,000.

It is also authorized to issue 4 per cent guaranteed stock, but this, along with that previously authorized, is not to exceed \$22,500,000 sterling.

There was considerable discussion as to the purposes to which the money was to be applied, and Wm. Wainwright explained that it was intended to be used for general improvements, such as roads, double-tracking, sidings and other improvements, and also for the purchase of land and other property.

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COXEY'S ARMY RECALLED.

Lieutenant in Famous Brigade Marshall's Boston Outfit. Boston, Mass., Feb. 18.—Marshall by Morrison I. Swift, once a lieutenant in General Coxey's army, 300 unemployed marched today to the State House and crowded into the largest committee room to urge legislation for the appointment of a commission to investigate the question of state provision for the unemployed. The parade started in front of the Free Employment Bureau on Canadian street and passed up Washington street to the State House.

The men in line ranged in age from 17 to 70. About a dozen men told pitiful stories of illness, poverty and destitution as a result of failure to find work.

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THE LINES WHICH C.N.R. WILL BUILD

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J. W. Woolf, member for Cardston, laughed at the boasts of the previous speakers when Cardston takes all the first prizes for wheat. He dealt with the lines in the charter affecting his constituency and emphasized the fact that all run through districts hitherto not touched by railways.

The member for Lacombe thought that all parts of the province are good and that all will give equally good accounts of themselves when they acquire railways. Railways, he said, will increase the products of the country fifty-fold.

Member for Sturgeon. "It is not often," said Mr. Boyle, member for Sturgeon, "that the second reading of a bill for a railway charter causes so much interest. The C.N.R. need have no fear of running a line through the Sturgeon country as the land to the north of the Saskatchewan is equally as good and as productive as that to the south."

Chairman Mayhew strongly condemned this practice of the railway companies and expressed the opinion that they should be compelled to fence their right of way as the construction of the line proceeded. He stated that complaints of this nature were being received from farmers all over the country.

Mr. Tate promised to bring the matter to the attention of his company, and expressed the opinion that they would be quite willing to comply with the wishes of the railway commission in this respect.

A complaint was entered by the Fullerton Lumber and Shingle Co., of Vancouver, B.C., alleging discrimination against forest products entering Edmonton.

Geo. H. Shaw appeared in reply to this complaint on behalf of the C.N.R. He stated that there was a charge of \$10 per car for switching from Strathcona to Edmonton. There was a 1/2 mile of track, a 1 per cent grade, sharp curves and a road bed, which was difficult to keep in repair, all of which justified the charge.

Moreover, the charge was considerably below that allowed by the railway commission.

The matter will be further argued before the board of railway commissioners at Vancouver.

New Spark Arrested Explained. A. G. Harrison, secretary of the Edmonton board of trade, made application to the commission to have their expert examine a new device for preventing the throwing out of sparks from locomotives where lignite coal was used. He stated that this device was now in use on the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company's engines in the southern part of the province and was proving very successful.

In one case where it was used, no fire occurred from the throwing out of sparks.

Mr. Hall, inventor of the appliance, was present and explained the nature of the invention.

The bill was referred to the consideration of the railway commission. It will probably be used on all locomotives in the west, thus allowing the use of lignite coal as fuel during the winter months of the year.

The complaint of the Central Alberta Stock Growers' association alleging unreasonable delay on the part of the C.N.R. in regard to the transportation of live stock, and discrimination in the matter of personal transportation was referred until the next sitting of the commission in Edmonton, as the matter of reciprocal demurrage is already under consideration at Winnipeg.

The application of J. Gainer & Co. of Strathcona, for a lower minimum rate for live hogs in double-decked cars, also for an order authorizing the C. P. R. to rebate to the applicant the cost of two extra car loads of live hogs shipped from Wetaskiwin and Strathcona to Victoria, was not received and was accordingly dismissed.

Complaints of alleged delay in the delivery of express parcels preferred by H. A. Gaspell and Dr. C. M. Cobbett were abandoned.

Fire at Winnipeg Barracks. Winnipeg, February 19.—At three o'clock this morning the trumpets of Fort Osborne sounded the fire alarm, and the troops and firemen from the three barracks succeeded in containing the fire to the stores building, where it originated. The damage to the building is only about \$500, but uniforms and other stores were damaged to the value of about \$2,500.

Gets Divorce and Alimony. St. Louis, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Wm. J. Kemp, jr., wife of the millionaire brewer, today was granted a divorce and \$5,000 a year alimony.

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