Around the City

WRESTLING TONIGHT.

Saturday's Daily)

Setter and Vallee, the local wrestlers, who are to meet Chas. Moth, in the opera house tonight put the finishing touches on their training this morning and are confident they can stay with Moth more than the hour in which he agrees to throw them each twice.

Moth is quite as confident he can put away his opponents handily in the hour.

The contest is billed to start at 9 o'clock sharp.

B. C. RETURNS.

Saturday's Daily)

Local interest in the B. C. elections is intense, as there are many British Columbians in the city. Arrangements have been made by the Hub Cigar store Jasper avenue, to get a special associated press wire on the results, direct from the campaign headquarterrs in Vancouver.

There will undoubtedly be a large gathering of B. C. men at the Hub tonight to hear the returns. Five minute bulletins will be received, covering every constituency in the province. The returns should commence to come in shortly after 7 o'clock.

YOUNG FRENCHMAN INJURED.

Saturday's Daily)

Victor Chamoux, a young Frenchman who has been two years in this country was the victim of a painful accident yesterday. As the result of a kick from a horse he is now being treated in the public hospital for a compound fracture in his leg just below the knee. The break was set and dressed last night, and today the injured man is doing well.

Mr. Chamoux who had been employed in a large business house in France was until recently connected with the C.N.R. and is now connected with the Imperial stables.

A REAL ESTATE CANARD.

Saturday's Daily)

A report was current on the street this afternoon that the Government had decided to change the site of the Provincial Parliament buildings. Mr. John Stocks, the deputy minister of public works, when interviewed by the Bulletin made this statement hat any such rumor or report was absolutely without foundation. The government will stick to the plans and proposals that have already been given to the public through the press.

HOSPITAL NEWS.

Saturday's Daily)

The Austrian settler, Ontor, from Vermilion who has been treated for some time at the Misericordia Hospital for frozen feet, has now lost the second foot by amputation. The operation was performed yesterday.

LOCALS.

Saturday's Daily)

—S. B. McKnight has gone to the Coast on a business trip.

—The next sitting of the Legislature will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

—John C. Saul, manager of the Edmonton department of the Morang Publishing Co. Toronto is in the city.

—Mr. H. A. Craig who is in charge of the stock judging schools arrived in the city last night from Innisfail.

—The Driving Club's matinee races on the river this afternoon were postponed on account of the cold weather.

—Dr. Riddell, of Alberta College, will address the Canadian club on Monday next on "Some Phases of Higher Education in the West."

—A meeting of those interested in the formation of a historical society for Edmonton will be held in the Prince Arthur Cafe on Monday, February 11.

—Dr. D. J. Gorgin, who was a number of years superintendent of education for the North West Territories is in the city and is staying at the Alberta.

—Mr. W. A. Hubbard of the Canadian Stock and Grain Co., has joined the Union Realty Co. The interests of the Canadian Stock & Grain Co. in Edmonton will be looked after by Mr. Dousley.

—The city engineer has a staff of men at work today trying to locate a break in the water pipe on McDougall street. The break caused quite a cave in at the corner of Rice street and McDougall avenue. It is expected repairs will be complete this afternoon.

—Howard Haywood, Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, will give a descriptive lecture on a "Tour through the British Empire" on Thursday evening February 7th, at 8 o'clock sharp. The lecture will be illustrated with limelight views of Canada, New Zealand and Australia.

—W. E. Ellinger and W. G. McCarter of Ohatan near Dayland, are in Edmonton today. They state the C.P.R. has found it necessary to operate a snowplough on the Wetaskiwin branch nearly every day for the past few days, and at present Dayland is getting a three-days-a-week train service.

—Some eighty or more of the students at Alberta College were treated to a skating party on the college rink last evening, followed by a lunch served in the college dining room. The affair was gotten up by a committee of the young ladies and gentlemen and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

—Prompt action by one of the employees prevented a blaze in the gents' furnishing department at J. H. Morris & Co.'s store yesterday afternoon. Some waste paper that had fallen behind one of the radiators ignited, but was put out by the chemical extinguisher before any damage was done.

—The meeting to be held in Rennie's hall, north of Hudson's Bay Store on Monday evening next, is open to the public. Mr. John McKeague, who is to deliver an address on Government and Municipal Ownership has been a resident of New Zealand for over twenty years. He has been connected with the Government there for some time and should be in a position to give an interesting discourse on what is now a very important subject to the people of Edmonton.

Saturday's Daily)

R. F. Warren of Wetaskiwin is at the Cecil today.

H. E. Rilcout of Calgary is a guest at the St. James.

J. Plaintz left yesterday on a business trip to Winnipeg.

Jacob Stirks of Spruce Grove is a guest at the St. James today.

H. Z. Wicker is spending a few days with friends at Lloydminster.

Jos. Steffes, one of Morinville's general merchants is at the Jasper today.

John Halstead, district freight agent of the C.P.R. at Calgary, is at the Alberta.

D. J. McKinnon of Lamont is with Edmonton friends today. He is at the St. James.

Miss M. Rushton of Leduc is spending the week end with Edmonton friends.

R. Beatty and Jas. Desmond of Sedgewick are city visitors for a few days they are at the Cecil.

F. G. Borington and J. B. Herbert of Pine Lake are city visitors today. They are at the Queens.

J. K. Burgess, of the legal firm of Burgess & O'Brien, Wetaskiwin is a city visitor today, at the Alberta.

H. K. Adams and W. C. Schultz of Tofield are business visitors in the city today. They are at the Queens.

Michael McNeil, who conducts a general store at Lavoy is in the city for a few days. He is at the St. James.

C. G. Cunningham, maagern of the Northwest Electric Co.'s plant at Calgary is in Edmonton today. He is at the Cecil.

W. H. Dounelly, manager of the Calgary branch of the Dingle & Stewart brokerage house of Winnipeg, is at the Alberta today.

Rev. T. C. Buchanan, superintendent of Methodist missions for Alberta is spending a few days in Edmonton. He is at the Queens.

Mrs. A. R. Turner and two children arrived from Vancouver yesterday and are at the Pendennis. Mr. Turner arrived from the Coast some weeks ago to manage the commission business of J. Y. Griffith & Co.

G. H. Suckling, manager of the Edmonton branch of the Nordheimer Piano Co., is away on a business trip to Victoria and other B.C. points.

C. W. Marshall, manager of the Acme leaves today for a month's trip to the east. He will visit Toronto, Montreal and New York in the interests of the business of the company.

(Monday's Daily)

—The legislature will meet this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. John Umbach left this morning for Edison, to take charge of the planing mill of McInnis & Lyons.

—The Supreme Court opens tomorrow in the court room, Sandison block. Hon. Justice Harvey will preside.

—Dr. Connell has removed from his office in the Norther Bank Chambers to his new residence on Fifth street.

—Mrs. R. Whillans, of Tofield, and mother of Mr. R. W. Whillans, of the Journal news staff, died at her home in Tofield, on January 29th.

—Morton & Adams of Tofield brought to the city last Saturday a load of fowl weighing 690 lbs, all of which was sold to the Gallagher-Hull Co. The fowl were all of their own raising.

—The advertisement inserted in last two evenings' papers relative to the exchange of a lady's muff at the afternoon tea given by Mrs. Holland Ross, was not inserted by Mr. or Mrs. Ross, although its reading might lead to that inference.

—J. B. Whitford and Chas. Brown, of Hamilton, Ontario, have purchased Hamilton Ontario, have purchased the candy manufactory formerly owned by Walter Wilkins, on Rice street, where they intend to conduct a wholesale manufacture of candies and confectionary.

—An open public meeting will be held this evening in Renny's Academy. An address will be given by Mr. John McKague on Government and Municipal Ownership. Mr. McKague is a newspaper man of experience who has spent several years in New Zealand where public ownership has been so successful.

—The circular advocating the organization here of an Historical Society is meeting with hearty encouragement, and numerous signatures have been already made to it. A meeting for organization of the society has been called for the night of Monday, February 11th at 8 p.m. in the Prince Arthur cafe.

—H. A. Craig, who is in charge of the stock judging schools that are being held throughout the province left yesterday morning for Lacombe where the school will be in progress for two weeks, after finishing at Lacombe on the 15th, the school will open in Edmonton on the 18th and continue for two weeks.

—The Bulletin received a post card today from Mr. R. Secord from Los Angeles, California. Mr. Secord has good reason to congratulate himself upon selecting this winter for a trip to the Sunny South. The gummery scenes upon the post card he has sent the Bulletin look pretty enticing with his thermometer about thirty below.

—Mr. S. and W. J. Williamson have taken over the east end butcher business formerly conducted by R. T. and S. W. Williamson. The west end branch is now in charge of J. Nettlefield and Alf. Tait, two employees of the firm. They will continue the business in the present premices until the old shop in the burned Chisholm block is ready for occupancy.

—Mr. J. N. Smith, from North Battleford, arrived in the city this morning to assume duty as day operator at the Canadian Northern office in the Norwood Block. Mr. A. Robinson, from the Canadian Northern general offices in Winnipeg, also arrived this morning, to take the position as night Telegraph and express agent for the Canadian Northern, vice G. W. Stevens, who has resigned to join the staff of the Saturday News.

IN THE CHURCHES

(Monday's Daily)

Mr. R. B. Chadwick, secretary of the Edmonton Y. M. C. A. will conduct a series of studies on the Life of Paul every Sunday afternoon in First Presbyterian church.

Rev. C. H. Huestis, M.A., will address the Young Men's Club of Queen's avenue Presbyterian church this evening on "Brains and How to Use Them."

Rev. Dr. Chown, of Toronto, preached in Grace Church last night.

McDougall Methodist Sunday school are organizing a class to take up slight singing, under the leadership of Mr. Chisholm, of Alberta College, the first meeting of which will be held in the lecture room of the church after four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

The Young Men's Club, of McDougall church will hold their monthly "Manhood" meeting on Thursday evening. Dr. Riddell will deliver the address.

The Ladies' Aid of McDougall church will meet on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mr. (Dr.) Nichols.

The ladies of St. Joachim's church will hold a social in Unity Hall, Sandison Block, on Tuesday evening.

The Queen's avenue Presbyterian church has secured the services of Miss Eva Scythes, as soloist and soprano leader in the choir.

SMIGORONSKI TO STAND TRIAL

(Monday's Daily)

At the police court Saturday afternoon, John Smigoronski, the Galician charged with passing a forged cheque for $30 in the store of John I. Mills was sent up for trial. This evening the adjourned cases against three Chinamen for selling liquor in unlicensed premises will be heard by Magistrate Wade.

MOTH WINS WRESTLING MATCH

At the Setter and Vallee vs. Moth handicap wrestling match at the opera house Saturday night, attracted a fair sized audience and the line of sport provided by the mat artists gave general satisfaction.

Moth won out, though it looked for a time as if he was going to get the small end of the money.

It took Moth 14 1-2 and 18 minutes to conquer Setter and 19 1-2 and 61-2 minutes to get the decision over Vallee. Moth triumphed on every occasion with his half-Nelson, which was the only hold he worked to any extent. Setter had slightly the best of Moth in length but in weight Moth looked many pounds the heaviest of both.

At the opening of the show Vallee challenged Moth to a boxing match, which Moth promptly accepted at the close.

RHODES' SCHOLAR

(Monday's Daily)

The committee for the selection of the Rhodes' scholar for Alberta and Saskatchewan have chosen C. E. Adamson.

The successful student is the son of A. J. Adamson, M.P., late of Rosthern and now of Winnipeg. Mr. Adamson, who received part of his education in Regina, is at the present time a student at St. John's College, Winnipeg, where he is now in the third year of the philosophy course.

As is pretty generally known, one of the stipulations made by Cecil Rhodes in connection with the scholarship bearing his name was that they should be awarded to men of some athletic as well as bookish ability. In addition to being a scholar of no mean ability, Mr. Adamson certainly also fills the latter requirement, having always, both at school and college, distinguished himself in the world of sport actively participating in Rugby and association football, hockey and nearly every other kind of athletic pastime. Slightly under twenty years of age, there is little doubt but that Mr. Adamson when he takes up his residence at the ancient seat of learning on the banks of the Thames, which is is understood he will do this fall, will be a credit to Regina and the Province of Saskatchewan. The scholarship is good for three years at Oxford University, the alma mater of the illustrious donor.

COAL DEALERS SEEK A REMEDY

(Monday's Daily)

The following letter has been forwarded by the coal dealers of Edmonton to the Railway Commissioners at Ottawa:

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned coal dealers and shippers of Edmonton in the Province of Alberta do hereby complain of the unjust treatment accorded to us by the Canadian Northern Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway in compelling us to furnish doors or boards for the interior of the doorway of cars given us to load and ship coal in. The majority of the cars are grain cars. When these are loaded with grain the railway companies furnish the inside doors, what they term "grain doors" free of charge. We consider that we are entitled to be furnished with these the same as the grain dealers.

We are frequently furnished with stock cars and have to bear the expense of boarding between the slats to prevent the coal from running out in transit.

We would respectfully ask your early best consideration and make it compulsory for railway companies to treat us the same as grain dealers.

THE MATS COAL CO.,
FRANCIS L. OTTER,
H. HOLDEN, Pres.
JAS. BREHAUT,
J. J. DENMAN, Trustee,
Sup. to Edmonton Coal Co.
MILNER & CO.
FRASER & FREEMAN

C. N. R. LINE OPEN AT THIS END

(Monday's Daily)

The situation on the C. N. R. at this end of the line at least, is looking better than it has for some days past. The train that left Winnipeg last Monday morning, pulled in at five o'clock this morning after a hard trip as far as Battleford. From that point, however, she moved along without any lengthy delay.

This morning at 10.15 a train left for the east. One is expected to arrive here tomorrow evening, while another that left Winnipeg on Sunday night will pull along later.

The line to the Mcdnville mines has been opened up and coal for use on the railway will be taken out today.

Supt. Carey will at once proceed to open up the Stoney Plain branch on the arrival of a plow that is now down the line.

Mr. C. D. Rogers of the Imperial Life returned to the city this morning by the C.N.R. Mr. Rogers left Winnipeg seven days ago for Edmonton and reports that many of the small towns along the C.N.R. will soon be up against the problem of starvation if the weather does not soon moderate. Between snow and frost the C.N.R. have an almost impossible task in moving their trains. It is a common occurrence for an engine to die out in the open prairie where the track is perfectly clear.

WILL ENFORCE SANITARY LAWS

(Monday's Daily)

The new medical health inspector, Dr. Irving, recently appointed by the council, has taken hold of sanitary questions with a firm hand and proposes to bouseclean the town and get for Edmonton a clear bill of health before the spring comes.

Notices have been issued to householders through the sanitary department to the effect that garbage, ashes and all that sort of thing must be kept in proper receptacles and other arrangements made to comply with the act. The notices are as colorless and staid as such official notices usually are, but the doctor says they mean every word they say, and failing compliance forthwith, some householders may have to tell the Cecil about it.

Speaking of the general health of Edmonton Dr. Irving says the town is fairly free from contagious diseases. During the month of January there have been only two cases of diphtheria, two cases of measles, and one of scarlet fever. There were thirty-one cases of typhoid, but a big proportion was from country districts and a large part of the total number have already recovered.

Some difficulty has been found in stopping persons from drinking water contaminated by sewerage just below the town, but notices prohibiting the using of such water have been placed along the banks of the river.

HOSPITAL NEWS.

(Monday's Daily)

The severe weather continues to add to the list of those badly frost-bitten. One such case had to be refused at the Public Hospital yesterday. This institution is very limited in accommodation, the number of beds being lately increased by careful planning and management from 25 to 29. Yet the superintendent is obliged to turn away several cases weekly.

(Tuesday's Daily)

—St Paul's Episcopal Church, Kinistino avenue is now supplied with electric lights.

—The Alberta Land Co., under G. S. Montgomery have opened an office at 215 Jasper avenue.

—The Wholesale and Retail hockey teams of the Ross Bros. hardware store played a game at the Thistle rink last night by a score of 2—0.

—A parcel of ladies laundry containing collars, etc., was found on Sunday in front of W. C. Crafts pool room. Same can be had at Bulletin office.

—City Council this evening. The circumstances connected with the sewer pipe contract will form the subject of the head of the commissioners. The report re site for the incinerator will be brought down.

—The social to have been given on Tuesday night, February 5th, in Unity hall, has been postponed owing to the continued severe weather. The ladies who had promised assistance are asked by the convener to note the postponement. The social will take place in the course of a few weeks.

—Messrs. Garlepy & Lessard have issued quite an attractive calendar illustrating Edmonton as a railway centre with trains on the C.P.R., C.N.R., G. T.P. Ry., and Jim Hill's road, the G.N. R., approaching the city, while prominently on the street corner stands the fine large building owned by this firm. The well known faces of Mr. J. H. Garlepy and Mr. P. E. Lessard adorn the top of the Calendar.

(Tuesday's Daily)

C. A. MacMillan is a Calgary visitor this week.

Jas. McKinley of Athabasca is registered at the Castle.

L. A. Goodridge spent several days in Winnipeg last week.

F. Webb was with Winnipeg friends a few days last week.

J. H. Paquin, and H. Halliday of Morinville are at the King Edward.

O. G. Adams and W. J. MacColum, of Calgary are at the Cecil.

R. J. Torrie and Emil Gaze of Lamont were at the Queens yesterday.

J. M. Swiggett, of Swiggett & Folk, Joliet, Ill., is a guest at the Alberta.

S. Tomlinson of Spruce Grove is a visitor here today. He is at the Castle.

J. G. Matheson of Calgary was in the city yesterday. He was at the Cecil.

Chris. Motten and L. Legraisen of Viking are registered at the Pendennis.

W. J. Manning of Red Deer is here today. He is a guest at the King Edward.

J. H. Selleck and W. B. Jamieson of Clyde are guests at the Jasper today.

C. B. Stine of Beaver Lake, accompanied by his two sons are at the Jasper today.

A. B. McNight and A. Whitworth are spending a few days in Calgary this week.

John Yost and J. A. Gile of Stony Plain were in Edmonton yesterday, at the Queens.

P. J. Robinson and C. Grummett were Winnipeg visitors a few days last week.

A. M. Anderson, general Merchant at Leduc is in Edmonton today, at the Windsor.

W. T. Gundy of the W. J. Gage Co., Toronto, is in the city and registered at the Alberta.

D. S. Irwin, Lloydminster and T. J. Cunningham of Vegreville are registered at the Imperial.

Miss N. Johnston returned yesterday from a couple of months' vacation with friends at Vegreville.

F. W. Ervin of the firm of Ervin & Walker, lumber dealers, Vegreville is in the city today. He is at the Queens.

J. B. Myrum, who conducts a general store at Lamont, is spending a few days in the city. He is at the Queens.

J. L. Levasseur, the liveryman of St. Albert, with H. Levasseur of the same town, are at the St. James today.

Leon Bauclaire of Fort Vermilion arrived in Edmonton yesterday and will spend a few days in the city. He is at the Imperial.

Jas. H. Wood, J.P., who runs the boat building business at Athabasca Landing, accompanied by B. Gyto, are at the Imperial.

Dr. Wilson returned yesterday from his trip to Japan and the Hawaiian Islands. Messrs. Secord and York are expected next week.

L. Jobin of Lesser Slave Lake is spending a few days in Edmonton. He arrived in the city yesterday and is Registered at the Cecil.

E. H. Riley, M.P.P. for Gleichen, returned from Hillhurst yesterday, where he had been spending over Sunday. He is at the Windsor.

J. R. Burgess of the legal firm of Burgess and O'Brien, Wetaskiwin, is here today for the sitting of the Supreme Court. He is at the Alberta.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, superintendent of Presbyterian Missions in the Northwest, is at the Windsor today. He has just returned from a visit to the missions in B. C.

Dr. H. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson and Mr. R. Secord, of Edmonton, who have returned from a trip to the Hawaiian Islands, left on Friday for the east.—Vancouver World.

J. A. Simpson, M.P.P., Innisfail N. S. Rosenroll, M.P.P., Wetaskiwin; J. R. McLeod, M.P.P.P., Ponoka, who spent the week end at their homes returned to the city yesterday. They are at the Alberta.

BRINGS BLOOD POISONING.

A young plasterer named Coutts was removed yesterday by private ambulance from First street to the Misericordia, suffering from a bad case of blood poisoning in his hand. An injury had been received during his work on some occasion, but it was so trivial that he cannot recall the circumstances.

Being uncared for, however, the hurt turned to blood-poisoning, and there is a possibility now that he may have to lose a finger. A doctor had been consulted only a short time before going to the hospital.

Groceries! Groceries!

IF IT IS GOOD TO EAT WE HAVE IT

WE have just received and placed in stock a Car-load of First Quality Goods, including all the best brands of Canned Fruits and Vegetables.

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(Successors to McDougall & Secord.)

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GREAT McEWAN.

(Tuesday's Daily)

The Great McEwan and his company opened a week's engagement to a crowded house last night. McEwan's entertainment was as interesting as ever, his experiments in mind-reading being wonderful demonstrations of his ability. The feature is magic was the "Levitation" during which a lady is placed in a trance, put in a casket and on a brightly lighted stage, raised high in the air and a hoop passed entirely over her body. This one experiment caused much speculation, as to how it was accomplished.

Hypnotic demonstration concluded the entertainment, a large class working well under the direction of the talented operator. Florence McEwen sang well and looked charming while Mr. Price pleased the audience with his songs and stories. A change of program is promised for tonight.

WITH THE CHURCHES.

(Tuesday's Daily)

On Thursday evening an interesting and instructive lime light entertainment will be given in St. Paul's on behalf of the church building fund. The views which will be exhibited, are descriptive of Canada, showing a number of important scenes from Ottawa to Vancouver, via Montreal, Niagara Falls, the beautiful Muskoka, and Algonquin Park districts. Leaving Canada, Australian pictures will be presented, followed by scenes illustrating life among the Maories of New Zealand. The views will be explained by Mr. Howard Haywood, who as a traveller, has a thorough knowledge of the subjects that will be illuminated, and there is no doubt a pleasant evening will be spent by all who attend. It may be added that Mr. Harwood is already in Edmonton, so that arrival by train has not to be depended upon for carrying out the entertainment.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

(Tuesday's Daily)

The regular meeting of the Edmonton Camp, Woodmen of the World, meet in regular session on Wednesday evening, February 6th, at 8 o'clock in Oddfellows' Hall, Norwood block. The newly elected officers will be in their places. As there are to be twenty or more persons to be admitted to the order, among whom are a large number of ladies, it is desirable to have a large attendance of members.

An orchestra is being formed among the members and as there are some first class musicians in the Order good music may be expected.

It is expected that the meeting following will be an open meeting to which invitations will be issued, and a splendid program will be presented finishing with a dance and supper. All Woodmen in the city are invited to be present on Wednesday evening.

IMPERIAL LIFE.

(Tuesday's Daily)

Policy-holders of the Imperial Life are to be congratulated on the splendid showing made by this vigorous Canadian company in 1996. On another page of this issue a statement of the year's operations is given in more extended form. Among the most prominent features of the report are—

Assets, $3,322,882.83; reserves, $2,461,836.00; surplus on policy-holders' account, $725,866.96. These are of course with every insurance company, the three items of paramount importance, and it is satisfactory to know that in each of these items the increase in 1996 was the largest in the company's history. The rate of interest realized was also very good, averaging over 5 3-4 per cent. The death losses for the year were stated to be greatly below the tabular expected mortality. It is a noteworthy fact, and one much to the credit of the company, that notwithstanding the accomplishment of these splendid results, the expenses of management were $59,000 less than those of the preceding year.

FIRST BANK AT PRINCE RUPERT.

Montreal, Feb. 4—The Canadian Bank of Commerce has opened a branch at Prince Rupert, the Pacific coast terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway.

Western Items

Alberta Advocate—The Penhold Rifle Association's annual banquet on Friday evening last at the Imperial Hotel was a great success.

Macleod Gazette—A new brick making plant is to be established in the town of Macleod at once. The promoters have applied for and obtained from the Council a lease of and permission to use some of the town property.

Southern Alberta News—Mr. Farrel of Farrel and Rader, an old timer of Pincher Creek had his eyes curiously A lighted lamp was brought too close A lighted lamp was brought too close to a pipe supposed to be empty of gas, while Mr. Farrel fixed the gas apparatus.

Moosomin Spector—A public meeting called by Mayor Neff was held recently in the council chamber to consider the establishment of a free library and reading room. The meeting was highly favorable, and a committee appointed to estimate the cost.

Saskatoon Phoenix—W. W. LaChance, architect, is returning from an extended visit to the eastern states, where he has been looking into modern hospital construction and will bring back the latest ideas which go to the making of a model institution of this class. Mr. La Chance has the plans completed for the new civic hospital for Saskatoon.

Exchange—Capt. Campbell, an old Hudson's Bay officer is dead at the age of 86. He came to Red River in 1857 as an officer in the detachment of the Royal Canadian Rifles who came to Fort Garry by way of York Factory, and on the disbandment of the garrison, joined the Hudson's Bay Co. He served for forty years in the MacKenzie River district, being in charge for twenty three years. He retired in 1901 and has since resided in Winnipeg.

Vermilion Signal—Just as the paper is going to press, it is learned that the Dominion Lands Office will be opened in Vermilion on or about Feb 1, the Signal having been shown a letter to that effect dated Jan 19, and signed by Hon. Frank Oliver, addressed to the secretary of the board of trade. There will be general rejoicing throughout the district over the establishment at last of this long prayed for and greatly needed convenience. The local agent it is understood will be Harry Bowtell.

Battleford Press—As we go to press the bell is tolling for the funeral of Chas. Nolin, late of Goose Lake, which took place today to the Battleford cemetery. The deceased was an old timer in this district and was widely known and respected. In the early days of Manitoba he was minister of agriculture and was otherwise prominent. He was 72 years of age.

Qu'Appelle Progress—A new building 144 ft by 101 ft. is to be erected at Regina to be used as a show and sale ring and for stabling accomodation. In the centre will be a show ring 89 by 39 feet, which will be admirably adopted to judging the horses and cattle and make a first class sale ring.

Prince Albert Advocate—Prince Albert is to be on yet another railway line. The Winnipeg and Northwestern Railway Co. is seeking incorporation from the Dominion parliament, the object being to build a railway from Winnipeg northerly between Lakes Winnipeg and Manitoba to and along the Carrot River Valley..

News of the District

LAC LA NONNE

Correspondence.

The Rev. A. A. Cramp, Anglican minister, who has been attending to the spiritual wants of the settlers of Lac La Nonne and the district as far as the Pembina, the past summer and fall month, has been recalled by the Bishop of Calgary to a more lucrative post at Ponoka.

A union church is now in contemplation, to be built somewhere near the lake.

Settlers are happy here. No coal to buy at Prairie prices.

EDISON

Correspondence.

Edison, Feb. 1.—At midnight, January 21, the large two-storey house of the Edgsons burned. Mrs. Charles Edgson, the mother, was fatally burned.

The origin of the fire is not absolutely clear but it is believed that the cat brushed some fancy Christmas decorations against the stove pipe, setting fire to them.

John Edgson at the time the fire started, was sitting talking with a friend.

They looked up and saw fire falling from the ceiling, and made all haste to rouse the sleeping family, who escaped in little more than their night clothes. All attempts to check the fire were useless as the entire house was ablaze in a few moments.

Mrs. Edgson went back to get something and was so smothered in smoke that she fell. Frank Edgson went to her rescue and both were dragged out of the flames choking. Mrs. Edgson was badly burned about the head and arms. As soon as possible, she, with Mrs. John Edgson and sister, Miss Jennie Curl, were put into a cutter and taken about a mile to a neighbor's house. Here all was done that could be done for her. Dr. Morris chanced to be at the mill and they had him come. Her son Charlie, who looks after the mill and all her children who are here came in and did all they could to know them and make some final requests. But the shock was too great and she breathed her last about six that evening. The affair seems especially sad as just a week before the fire Mr. Charles Edgson, her husband, died, and a week preceding this John Edgson lost his only little son.

There are now in three graves the two grandparents and two little grandsons (one babe having died a month before.)

In thinking of the loss of kin which the Edgsons have sustained we are apt to forget that in the fire they lost all the house contained, much of value, as John Edgson was for the time making that his home. Besides two fine organs and a range, there was much good furniture and clothing. A hundred dollar order of goods had been received from Eaton's the night before. Eight hogs dressed that day were in a back room. The cellar contained 800 bushels of potatoes, several barrels of apples, some canned fruit etc. They saved one rocking chair and a few old coats.

The Edgson brothers John, Charlie, Arthur and Frank, are the best known people in the settlement. Theirs was the first English-speaking family here. Four years ago when so many of us came up here to a strange land theirs was the first home we entered. A glad welcome and cheery smile from all the family made many a poor home-sick heart to rejoice. When the rest of us were living in tents how we enjoyed a few hours under their hospitable roof. How well I remember the first greeting of Mrs. Edgson, "Poor, weary, hungry travellers," and we had thankful hearts for the warm supper and dry socks which hung ready. They were always ready to do a kindness and in their sorrow the entire settlement has a deep interest and sympathy. They have lost father and mother, so have we all; financially, they have sustained a great loss, but with the bright hopeful energy which is their characteristic they will soon be on their feet and going ahead.

A subscription was mentioned, but they say no; but the neighbors are helping in a small way, loaning something and giving and doing what we can to show our good will. In Ontario Mrs. Edgson has a mother and married daughter.

Victoria News—Dr. J. A. C. Willoughby is the purchaser of the Victoria Gardens, one of the most beautifully situated properties in Victoria. It is considered likely that Dr. Willoughby will build a large hotel for tourists here.