

Peterborough, vice Wm. Rudkins, resigned.

Howells Frechette, of the Department of Mines, was married at St. George's Church on December 15th to Lena Derick, niece of Mrs. Charles E. Pearson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Snowden, assisted by Rev. Canon Hannington.

E. Blake Robertson, assistant superintendent of Immigration, has returned from Vancouver, where he was engaged in special service.

F. K. Bennetts, assistant clerk of the Privy Council, journeyed to Victoria to swear in the new Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia.

Dr. T. B. Flint, clerk of the House of Commons, and Mrs. Flint, are spending the holidays at Yarmouth, N.S.

Nathaniel Mills, Postmaster of the House of Commons, is spending Christmas in Chicago.

W. E. Tupper, of the Department of Trade and Commerce, who has been in Ottawa and Montreal for some time, has returned to Nova Scotia.

James Lawson, collector of Customs at Bridgeburg, who has been seriously ill for six weeks, is recovering.

Louvigny de Montigny, of the Senate staff, is confined to his home by illness.

Obituary.

Lieut. Edmond Bonnelle, of the 36th Regiment of French Territorials, was killed at the Marne at the end of October. News of his death reached his brother, George Bonnelle, of the Post Office Department, but a short time ago. Lieut. Bonnelle lived in Ottawa for some years, and was a student at the Collegiate Institute.

Captain William McClain, some time an officer of the Customs, died in Toronto on December 7th. Deceased was born in Monahan, Ireland, in 1823, and was consequently 92 years of age. He came to Canada in 1827, grew up in York (Toronto), was a lake captain for ten years, retired to a farm in Simcoe, was warden of the county and a captain in the militia. He was married in 1847, and his wife sur-

vives him, after a married life of sixty-seven years.

Nettie F., wife of J. Fred Richards, of the Department of Customs, died on December 12th, after a lengthy illness, aged sixty-one years. The funeral was held in Fredericton, N.B.

Reuben Spooner, of Kingston, who died on December 9th, as the result of an accident, aged seventy-eight years, was the father of John H. Spooner, collector of Customs at Regina.

James Alcock, for thirty years a member of the Customs staff at Sarnia, dropped dead from heart failure in his office on December 16th, aged sixty-nine years.

Frederick Fulford, late of the Government Printing Bureau, died on December 10th, aged forty-nine years.

Harry James, of the Government Printing Bureau, died on December 11th, after a long illness, aged forty-three years. He was, twenty years ago, a famous lacrosse and rugby player.

Athletics.

The Civil Service Hockey League of Ottawa has again got under way for the season. For a time it looked as though there would be no series this year, but that energetic member of the Service, Mr. T. V. Doyle, of the Customs Department, got busy, and the result is that a league of five clubs has been formed, with every prospect of a successful season. These clubs represent the following Departments:—

Customs.

Interior.

Printing Bureau.

Post Office.

Observatory and Geodetic (new team).

The officers elected were as follows:—

President, T. V. Doyle.

Vice-President, M. Morris.

Sec.-Treas., R. J. Bennett.

There are many excellent players on the various teams, and some first class hockey is looked for. Unfortunately, the schedule of matches had not been drawn