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LOCAL.

The secretary of the Fort Saskatchewan sports committee reports that the losses will not be as large as at first anticipated, though the accounts are not yet all balanced up.

Islay will hold the second annual Dominion day celebration on July 1st, when a full list of sports will be run. A baseball tournament is arranged and a big day is anticipated.

Inspector Jarvis, of the R.N.W.M.P., Regina, well known in Edmonton, will take the place of Inspector Shaw at Calgary, who resigned some weeks ago to accept a commission in the Strathcona Horse at Winnipeg.

Oliver Allen, the North Dakota man who came to the police station several days ago suffering from delusional insanity, has been taken to the R. N. W. M. P. barracks and will come up again for hearing on Friday.

J. N. Pomerleau, proprietor of the Richelieu hotel, left last night for Millarville, Sask. Mr. Pomerleau has bought a number of lots in that town and purposes building a large hotel there. He will be away several weeks and will visit Winnipeg also before returning to Edmonton.

R. H. Birchford, of Winnipeg, arrived in the city Saturday and it is understood, has charge of the first of the survey parties of the Alberta and Great Waterways railway. General Manager James and Consulting Engineer Dr. Waddell, are expected in the city in the next two weeks.

CUSTOMS BUSINESS.

Customs receipts at the local office for May amounted to $19,125.87. Express parcels cleared for May 1909, 286, for May 1908 218.

WILL BE DEPORTED.

James Webb, a convict at Edmonton Penitentiary, who has been serving a sentence for horse stealing near Medicine Hat will be deported to his former home in Spokane, Washington whence he came just before he committed his crime. Deportation officer Downie, of Winnipeg, left for the United States this morning with Webb in charge.

The three Stettler cattle thieves, Irwin Holt, Lewis Salway and James Holt, were taken to the penitentiary yesterday to serve sentences of nine, five and two years respectively. Dubois goes to the barracks at Fort Saskatchewan for nine months and Cardinal for three months.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

A very sudden death took place yesterday afternoon in the person of Miss A. McCrae, assistant principal of McKay avenue school. While preparations were being made to remove her from the General hospital, where she had undergone an operation for appendicitis to the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Ramsay, she suddenly collapsed and died just as the doctor reached her bedside. The deceased came to the city about seven years ago and was an efficient member of the public school staff. The funeral took place Tuesday at 1.30 and the remains will be forwarded to Belleville, Ont., for interment.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Building permits for the month of May totalled $386,005. Among the recent permits which came in on the last day of the month were the following:

T. M. Grindley, residence on 21st street, Groat estate, to cost $8,250.

J. S. Smith, residence on Tenth street, lot 19, block 9 H.B.R., to cost $2,900.

T. Johnston, residence on lot 4a, block 2, R.L. 16, Julian street, to cost $1,800.

Muttart Brothers, residence on lot 21, block 16 H.B.R., 17th street, to cost $2,700.

Mrs. J. Raymond, three residences on lots 9 and 10, block 11, Groat estate, each to cost $1,500.

McDougall & Secord, elevator and repairs to the Empire Block, corner Jasper and First, to cost $5,600.

READY BY SATURDAY.

The long suffering public who have endured the muddy water from the Saskatchewan will soon be favored with a much purer fluid. Commissioner McNaughton stated this morning that the new filtration system would be ready by next Saturday at the latest. Men will be worked this week, day and night, to make up for time lost by the recent rains. It was at first expected that the system would be ready by May 1st, but there have been several delays.

OPENING H. B. ERSERVE.

As a result of the negotiations between the city and J. W. Anderson, Winnipeg, head of the land department of the Hudson's Bay Company., during his recent visit here arrangements have been made for opening up several streets in the Hudson's Bay reserve. Norwood boulevard, which is 100 feet wide will be opened and graded to the western boundary of the reserve, and Ninth street which is also 100 feet wide will be opened up north to Alberta Avenue. There is also a possibility that other streets will at once be opened up through the property of the Hudson Bay Company.

A QUICK SHIPMENT.

The two new "pay-as-you-enter" cars for the Edmonton street railway reached the city Monday afternoon over the C. N. R. and are now at the car barns awaiting fitting up. The care made an exceptionally quick trip over the C. N. R. They were forwarded from Port Arthur on the night of the 26th, making the run from that point to Edmonton in less than five days. This is one of the quickest shipments of freight on record from the east and indicates that the Canadian Northern is offering strong inducements to beat out its rivals in freight as well as in passenger transportation.

THE NEW MARKET.

The question of the erection of a new market building is now hanging fire, pending the taking of the vote upon the proposed expenditure for the purchase of the Queen's Avenue hay market site. Mayor Lee stated this morning that whenever the matter was voted upon, if the purchase was endorsed the new market building would be considered by the council. It is useless to take any action at present, according to the mayor, for if the by-law is turned down the present block will have to be used for disposal of hay.

ACTION OVER RIVER GRAVEL.

His Lordship, Mr. Justice Scott, handed out judgment Tuesday for the defendants in the case of the Edmonton Concrete Co. vs. L. Cristall and A. Cristall. The plaintiff company had contracted with the Northern Dredging Co. to supply them with gravel. This gravel was piled along the edge of the river near the company's dredge. Some time in February the defendants sent three teams down to the river and removed part of this gravel notwithstanding the fact that the plaintiffs had put up a notice to the effect that the gravel belonged to them. The plaintiff secured an interim injunction to prevent the defendants from removing any more of this gravel and brought action against them for damages for the gravel already taken away.

The defendants claimed that the gravel in question was not the property of the plaintiff company, but was the property of the crown and that they had an equal right to with the plaintiffs.

Mr. Justice Scott held that the plaintiffs were not in possession of the gravel in question. He stated in giving judgment that to hold that their contract with the Dredging company gave them the right to the gravel would be equivalent to holding that the plaintiffs could take possession of all gravel bars in the river and prevent any other persons using river gravel. He accordingly gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

BIG FAIR OPENING TODAY.

The Alaska, Yukon and Seattle exposition was opened Tuesday at Seattle, by President Taft, from Washington. The province of Alberta is being represent at the big fair by the Attorney General, Hon. C. W. Cross.

TWO ECLIPSES THIS MONTH.

Two interesting spectacles in the astronomical world will occur during the coming month. These events will be eclipses of the moon and sun, the former on next Thursday and the latter on June 17. The moon will rise totally eclipsed on Thursday, visible throughout the Dominion of Canada, and its totality will last about one hour, while the sun will only be in totality near the north pole.

Chief interest will be the lunar eclipse which will be visible over half of the earth. Only a few white men, namely, Commander Robert M. Peary and his crew, will have an opportunity of observing at totality the eclipse of the sun. While this eclipse will be visible in its partial eclipse, the region near the North Pole is the only part of the globe where it will be seen as a total eclipse.

THE IMMIGRATION HALL.

Figures for the month of May as contained in the report of Mr. W. J. Webster, government immigration agent at Edmonton, show but little decrease fro mthose of April. The report forwarded today to the immigration department at Ottawa is as follows:—

Immigrants arrived	223
By ocean travel	113
From the United States	81
From Canadian points	29

These figures by no means indicate the number of intending settlers entering the Edmonton district during the month, but merely give the number of those availing themselves of free accommodation at their disposal in the immigration hall. The department answers the inquiries of five times the number putting up at the hall.

Mr. Webster remarks in his report: "Many immigrants who come to this cit ygo to hotels and boarding-houses. Most of them call at the immigration office for information, and when informed that they may make use of the accommodation of the hall are surprised at the comfortable temporary quarters they may have free of charge. A number leave the hotels and put up at the hall. Some means should be provided whereby the accommodation of the hall may be better advertised."

The figures for the month of May are not as large as those of the corresponding month of last year, but this is accounted for by the fact that pre-emption land is no longer to be had in this vicinity and immigrants go east and south to secure it.

The immigrants who arrived during the past wee kare chiefly from the United States and England. The figures for the week ending May 29 are as follows:

Immigrants received	36
No. of Immigrants in hall at end of week	51
Immigrants left during week	58

Most of those who left went to search for homesteds and left their families until their return.

MONTHLY STATISTICS.

The monthly statistics for May tells the same story of progress in Edmonton that has characterized the previous records. In no way is the advancement of the city more evident than in the figures of each month.

Following are the more important statistics:

Post Office Returns.

During the month new post offices have been opened in the following places:

Peguis (May 15th) sec. 10-54-7-W-4, A. P. J. Monkman, Friday at 13.30 o'clock from Vermilion.

Veillette (May 15), sec. 28-59-13-W-4, Geo. E. Veillette, Saturday at 14.00 o'clock from Saddle Lake.

Smoky Lake (May 15th), sec. 26-59-17-W-4, Dverniczuk, Tuesday at 13 o'clock from Pakan.

Hay Creek (May 15th), sec. 16-59-25-W-4, A. J. Marshall, Monday and Friday at 7.00 o'clock from Edmonton.

Fort McMurray (June 1st), unsurveyed), Wm. Gordon; in summer from Athabasca Landing; in winter from Edmonton.

Prairie Grange (June 1st), sec. 16-39-7-W-5, W. S. McKenzie, Tuesday at 7.00 o'clock from Stauffer.

White Court (June 1st), sec. 6-60-11-W-5, W. L. White, Monday at 10.00 o'clock from Green Court.

The frequency of mail service has been increased in the following places:

Bittern Lake and New Sarepta to twice per week.

Entwistle and Wabamun to twice per week.

Edgerton Station and G.T.P. Station to six times per week.

The name of the office at Lesser Slave Lake has been changed to Grouard.

Post offices have been transferred as follows:

Hunka—To Iwan Wakaruk, vice John Whitford, resigned.

Highland Park—To E. A. Hanson, vice E. A. Hanson, resigned.

Lougheed—To A. C. Walmsley, vice A. F. Leedholm, resigned.

Mewassin—To Hugh Burton, vice H. H. Adkins.

Blackfoot Hills—To D. N. Beaton, vice Geo. Truscott, resigned.

Millet—To J. W. West, vice W. H. Blades, resigned.

Sylvan Lake—To Alex. Loiselle, vice M. Roze des Ordons, resigned.

Bank Clearings.

Edmonton bank clearings for May totalled $3,794,559, a big increase over May, 1908, when the total was $2,972,637.

Customs Returns.

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Building Permits.

The building permits for May totalled $368,005, an immense increase over May, 1908, when the total was only $77,362. The total was $210,890 for April, also an increase over April 1908, when the total was $197,453.

Land Office Returns.

The Dominion Land Office returns for the month of May show a slight decrease over the corresponding period in last year, largely owing to the land being taken up in the district. Following are the official figures furnished:

Homestead entries granted—May, 1909, 414; May, 1908, 502.

Applications for patent granted—May, 1909, 157; May, 1908, 147.

Letters received—May, 1909, 4,940; May, 1908, 3,883.

Letters sent—May, 1909, 4,775; May, 1908, 3,155.

NEW MORINVILLE CONVENT.

P. Maisonneuve, contractor, and his wife and family have gone to Morinville for the summer months. Mr. Maissonneuve has been awarded the contract for the new $20,000 brick convent at Morinville. Work has already been started on the foundation, and it is expected that the structure will be completed by the first of September. The building, which will have large boarding accommodation for pupils, will be up-to-date in every respect.

LARGER CORRALS FOR BUFFALO

The recent wet weather has made it necessary to enlarge the corrals of the buffalo now at Lamont ready for shipment to the new stamping grounds at Battle River. The superintendent, El Simmons, has fenced 100 acres, adjoining the corrals at Lamont, and has turned the buffalo into this pasture. The mud had got so deep in the corrals that any hay thrown into them was thrampled in the mud and the buffalo were deriving no benefit therefrom. There is considerable good grazing on the ground fenced in, and the buffalo are able to eat the hay given them, thus a saving in cost of feed is derived. Five men are guarding the pasture night and day, where the 365 animals are now confined, to prevent any escape.

COMPENSATION CASE.

Judgment was reserved by His Honor Judge H. C. Taylor in the case of Allan Murray vs. Foley, Welsh & Stewart, an application under the Workmen's Compensation act for compensation for injuries received. J. R. Boyle appeared for the applicant and O. M. Biggar for the defendant company.

Murray, was employed by Foley, Welch and Stewart on the G.T.P. grade west of Edmonton. He alleges that he was knocked off a bridge by a cable, sustaining injuries for which he claimed damages under the Employers' Liability Act.

Mr. Biggar on behalf of the defendant company, argued that this case would come under the Dominion Public Works Health Act and not under the Workmen's Compensation Act. The latter being ultra viries in this case. Mr. Boyle claimed that both sides applied. Judge Taylor reserved his decision in the case.

DEFENDANT WINTS SUIT.

At the District Court Monday His Honor Judge Rowland Winters handed out judgment in the case of the Pacific Line Stock Company vs. C. H. Rodway, in favor of the defendant. This was an action to recover the amount of a note given by the defendant for live stock insurance.

Judge Winters in giving judgment stated that he found that the plaintiff association was insolvent and not in a position to pay indemnities guaranteed by the policy. The note sued upon was given in respect of the premium payable in respect of the insurance policy, and the consideration for this note failed entirely. He accordingly gave judgment for the defendant with costs and dismissed the counter claim.

This case was of unusual interest as the Pacic Live Stock Company is said to hold the notes of a number of other Strathcona farmers for live stock insurance.

WANT RADIAL CHARTER.

If the proposition which was submitted to the city council Monday is adopted by the city, Edmonton, within the next year or two, will likely have a number of suburban street car lines connecting the most important outside points near at hand with the city system. A company is now being formed with large capitalcapital who will approach the council with a proposition for a number of suburban lines.

At the present time Edmonton holds two radial charters, granting it the privilege of building a radial line, eighty miles in any direction from the city. The company will ask that it be given one of those in order that it may start work at once.

The gentleman who is promoting the scheme and who represents French capitalists, is Mr. Boutinel. It is understood that the company will agreed to construct a line to be operated on an hourly schedule this summer, between Edmonton and St. Albert, and they will also proceed at once towards the crection of a line through the Rabbit Hill country, south-west of Strathcona, out towards Pigeon Lake, as an ultimate destination.

The company will ask running rights over the city system, giving the privilege to the municipality of collecting fares when the city limits are reached.

It is understood that the company has an abundance of capital available and will enter into a contract to commence immediate construction.

DR. McQUEEN GOES EAST.

Rev. Dr. McQueen left the city Sunday evening by the C.N.R. for the east. He will go direct to Hamilton, Ontario, to attend the meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly in that city. During his stay in Hamilton he will be the guest of Rev. Dr. Lyle, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church. After the meeting of the assembly, Dr. McQueen will attend a re-union of the class '84, which is being held at the University of Toronto during convocation week. Some sixty members of the class will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their graduation.

From Toronto, Dr. McQueen, who has had the honor of being elected a delegate to the Pan-Presbyterian Council, will go to New York to attend the convention, which is being held there this year. Four years ago Dr. McQueen represented Presbyterians in Canada at the quadrennial conference in Liverpool, England.

The services at the First Presbyterian Church during Dr. McQueen's absence of three or four weeks will be conducted by the Rev. John Duclos, of Norwood Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Mr. Forbes, of Fort Saskatchewan. It is probable that one of the visiting members of the Methodist conference in Strathcona will preach at the services next Sabbath.

Bruiser Killed.

Savannah, Ga., May 31—James Kurliazes, known to the sporting world as "Greek Jimmy Ryan," died in St. Joseph's hospital from concussion of the brain. He was injured Friday night while engaged in a prize fight with "Young" Evans before the Southern Athletic club, falling and striking his head on the floor. Evans is in custody pending an investigation.

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