

Freight, J. T. Waters; Washington, H. G. Henderson.

Great Northern of Canada.—W. A. Kingsland has been appointed Auditor. He was in the New York Central audit department for about 10 years.

Intercolonial.—Early in Dec. there were a lot of daily press rumors about changes on the I.C.R., to the effect that C. Schrieber, Deputy Minister of Railways, was about to be superannuated, that A. Davis, C.E., of Montreal, was to be appointed General Inspector of the I.C.R., & that W. Wainwright, or F. H. McGuigan, of the G.T.R., would succeed D. Pottinger as General Manager. All of them were denied by the Minister of Railways. The absurdity of the rumor about Messrs. Wainwright & McGuigan should have been its own contradiction, as neither of them would leave better positions for the less satisfactory service of a Government road.

Michigan Central.—T. C. Beal has been appointed Travelling Freight Agent, with office at Chicago, vice H. Shearer.

Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie.—G. R. Huntington has been appointed General Superintendent, with headquarters at Minneapolis. F. W. Curtis has been appointed Superintendent Wisconsin & Peninsula Division, vice G. R. Huntington.

New York Central.—W. Randolph has been appointed Excursion Manager with headquarters at 377 Main street, Buffalo. His territory comprises the country tributary to the main line of the N.Y.C. from Syracuse to Buffalo & Niagara Falls, & the western division branches.

Northern Navigation Co.—J. R. Promberger has been appointed Manager, with headquarters at Collingwood. For about a year he has been Freight Agent of the C.P.R. at Fort William, having gone there from Milwaukee.

Northern Pacific.—General Superintendent Kimberley having retired on account of ill health, Assistant General Superintendent Law has been promoted to succeed him.

Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co.—H. F. Chaffee, heretofore City Ticket Agent at Montreal, has been appointed Western Passenger Agent at Toronto, effective Feb. 1.

J. F. Dolan, City Ticket Agent at Toronto, has been appointed to succeed H. F. Chaffee as City Ticket Agent at Montreal. Effective Feb. 1.

Mainly About People.

M. R. Davis has been appointed Inspector of Hulls & Equipments of Steamboats, with headquarters at Kingston, Ont.

H. Phillips, who was travelling secretary to C. M. Hays on the G.T.R., has gone with him to the Southern Pacific.

J. J. Anderson, heretofore C.P.R. Ticket Agent at North Bay, has been appointed Ticket Agent for the T.H. & B.R. & the C.P.R. at Hamilton.

Mrs. Magrath, wife of the Land Commissioner of the Alberta Ry. & Coal Co., at Lethbridge, is spending the holiday season with her mother, Lady Alexander Galt, in Montreal.

F. E. Ward, at one time employed in the G.T.R. offices at Montreal, has been appointed General Superintendent of the Seattle & Northern division of the Great Northern Ry.

A. E. Domville, Manager of the St. Thomas Car Wheel Co.'s works at St. Thomas, Ont., has been appointed General Manager of the Griffin Car Wheel Co. at Barrow-in-Furness, Eng.

H. C. Hammond, of Osler & Hammond, Toronto, & of Osler, Hammond & Nanson, Winnipeg, & President of the Calgary & Edmonton Ry., spent part of December in Winnipeg on business.

W. H. Chaffee, recently appointed Clerk & Treasurer of the Central Vermont Ry., is a native of St. Albans, Vt., & has been in the Treasurer's Department for some time. He was formerly in the G.T.R. service in Montreal.

J. L. Weller has been appointed Engineer of the Welland canal, vice W. G. Thompson, resigned. Mr. Weller has recently been in charge of the Government work at Port Colborne & was formerly Assistant Engineer of the Cornwall canal.

W. Stitt, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the C.P.R. at Winnipeg, will leave early in Jan. for Australia to look into matters connected with the Co.'s passenger business. He will return via China & Japan & will be absent about four months.

Sir Wm. Van Horne, C. R. Hosmer, R. B. Angus, E. B. Osler, & W. D. Mathews, all directors of the C.P.R., are applying for a Dominion charter for the Pacific Coal Co., Ltd., with a capital of \$4,000,000, & head office at Montreal, to carry on business as colliery proprietors, coal & coke manufacturers, smelters, etc., in the Northwest.

J. N. Hill has been elected President of the Montana Central. This is believed to be one of the steps in the plan of J. J. Hill, President of the Great Northern system, to relieve himself of the burden of the management, taking for himself the Chairmanship of the directorate. L. W. Hill has been made President of the Eastern Minnesota, & it is thought President J. J. Hill will retire in favor of his sons from the presidency of the Great Northern.

Frank Scott, recently appointed Treasurer of the G.T.R. lines east of the Detroit & St. Clair Rivers, has been in the employ of the G.T.R. since 1879. He entered the Audit department as a clerk in 1879 & was transferred to the Treasurer's department & appointed Secretary Stores Committee & Board of Audit in 1892. In 1893, when C. Percy was made Treasurer, to succeed R. Wright, Mr. Scott was promoted to the position of Assistant Treasurer, which position he has filled ever since, until Mr. Percy's resignation gave him the Treasurership. In 1897 he was also appointed Secretary of the Superannuation Association.

Wm. Wainwright, recently appointed General Assistant & Comptroller of the G.T.R. System, was born in Manchester, Eng., April 30, 1840. He was educated in his native city & entered the service of the Manchester, Sheffield & Lincolnshire Ry., as junior clerk in the accountant's office, in 1858, subsequently becoming senior clerk & Secretary to the General Manager, resigning these positions at the suggestion of Sir E. Watkin, then Chairman of the M.S. & L.R., & Superintending Commissioner of the Grand Trunk Ry. He came to Canada in 1862 as senior clerk in the Chief Accountant's office of the G.T.R. in Montreal, which position he held one year, & was thereafter successively 3 years Managing Director's Secretary, 6 years senior clerk Managing Director & in charge of Car Mileage Department, 8 years & 5 months General Passenger Agent, May, 1881 to Jan., 1891, Assistant Manager, Jan., 1891 to May, 1896, Assistant General Manager, May, 1896 to Dec. 31, 1900, General Assistant. From April, 1883 to Sept., 1885, he was also General Manager of the North Shore Ry. He is a director of the Guarantee Co. of North America, & of the Montreal Telegraph Co., also a Director & Vice-President of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co., & Vice-President of the Grand Trunk Insurance & Provident Society, & of its Superannuation Society. In religion he is an Anglican. He married first, in 1867, Rosabelle Hilda, daughter of R. Arnold, of Toronto, who died in 1876, & secondly, Mary Emily, sister of his first wife. He resides at 165 Metcalf St., Montreal, & is a member of the St. James & Rideau clubs.

Dominion Atlantic Railway Meeting.

A special general meeting was held at 6 Great Winchester St., London, Eng., Dec. 14. Mr. Kemp, who presided, in the course of some preliminary remarks referred to the way in which the Co.'s traffic was steadily growing, & to his own & to his colleagues' faith in future development. They believed good work was being achieved for the large territory which their system served. The directors desired to take powers mainly for the purpose of mortgaging the Co.'s fleet when they thought necessary, & they also thought it would be convenient at the same time to ask for further powers to issue the balance, £90,000, of the 4% 2nd debenture stock. Mr. Kemp referred to the negotiations which took place in the spring & summer with the Yarmouth Steamship Co., with a view to the acquisition by this Co. of that Co.'s vessels. Reference has been made before to the severe competition to which the Co. had been subjected; & in accordance with the shareholders' wishes, Mr. Ronald went to Canada shortly after the last annual meeting. The directors very carefully considered their colleague's report on his return, & they agreed with him that the best method of procedure was to make to the Yarmouth Co. an offer for the purchase of all its ships, &c., subject to the shareholders' consent. They offered the Yarmouth Co. in the end \$350,000. The Yarmouth Co. actually introduced a bill into the Dominion Parliament seeking powers to sell their undertaking to this Co. On June 26 a resolution was passed by the Yarmouth Co. declining this Co.'s offer, but in July the President of the former Co. put himself into personal communication with the directors of this Co. He (Mr. Kemp) was introduced to that gentleman by one of the most important stockholders in the Co., & at the suggestion of the President of the Yarmouth Co. the Board somewhat altered its terms, offering \$250,000 in cash, instead of \$175,000, & the balance, \$100,000, (secured on the Yarmouth Co.'s ships), to be paid in 2 years instead of 3, & the rate of interest to be 5% instead of 4%. According to the President of the Yarmouth Co., the matter was practically agreed & the directors were assured that they would have no further trouble. Whatever this gentleman's intentions might have been, he could only say that when they waited on his Co., in Nova Scotia, to take steps to carry through the arrangement, they were told that the President had been neither authorized nor instructed to agree to terms. The directors were proceeding on the policy, expressed to the shareholders several times, of confirming in the hands of this Co. the control of its trunk business.

The several resolutions submitted to the meeting were passed unanimously.

T. R. Ronald, Vice-President, in addressing the meeting, spoke of the satisfactory condition of the Co.'s property.

The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That this meeting, having heard the report of the directors as to their negotiations for the acquisition of the Yarmouth Steamship Co.'s vessels & business, & the course of such negotiations, hereby approves of the action of the directors in relation thereto, & that the best thanks of the proprietors be given to the directors in connection therewith." The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the officers of the Co.

Not Up-to-Date.

Railway Agent—Our railway, madam, is strictly up-to-date in every respect.

Madam—Nonsense! Look at this woman on your excursion folder. Her sleeves have been out of style for three years.