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Local and General

Mr. and Mrs. Legrow of Lajord were in the city Thursday last.

D. H. Donaldson of Bethune was in the city over Sunday.

Geo. Ens, M.L.A. was in the city last week.

H. M. Cherry, of Calgary, was in the city this week renewing acquaintances.

W. T. Hawker, the popular C.P.R. yardmaster has gone east to spend Christmas with his family.

Hon. A. Turgeon returned last evening from Prince Albert where he spent a few days with his family.

E. L. Olson of Kinistino, travelling salesman for the J. I. Case Co., was in the city Tuesday.

J. M. Young who has been confined to his home through illness is able to be around again.

The federal parliament when it adjourns tomorrow will stand adjourned till Jan. 8th.

Mr. MacGlashen, of the Hutchinson-MacGlashen Co., has returned from the south and has entered upon his architectural work here.

E. M. Tracksell has returned from the coast where he left Mrs. Tracksell for the winter. He has gone east on business for their new firm.

The board of trade will hold a general meeting tomorrow evening when the report of the tariff committee will be received dealing with the new railway tariff schedule.

Ald. Thos. Wilkinson and wife have gone to Grand Rapids, Mich., being called there by the death of her father, W. B. Holman, a well known capitalist of that city.

Engineer Hinchey, charged with manslaughter, has been admitted to bail himself in \$5,000, and two sureties at \$2,500 each. The case will come up at the next sitting of the supreme court.

In order that the Regina Relief Society may send Christmas cheer this year they call on the generous public to send donations to St. Paul's church school room on Tuesday morning, December 24th, where hampers will be made up and distributed.

The Regina Relief Society are in need of a quantity of children's clothing which will be thankfully acknowledged if sent to 2163 McIntyre Street.

Ed. Morris, the C.N.R. fireman who was picked up in the yards here Thursday evening died in the hospital Friday. Deceased was struck by the westbound local. His wife and family live in Winnipeg.

The National Manufacturing Co., dealing in cream separators, steel ranges, weigh scales, etc., have located in the new Smith block on Rose street. W. H. Scott is the local manager.

The 16th Mounted Rifles will give an elaborate ball in the King's hotel on Friday evening next. Those who wish to procure tickets may do so from any member of the committee.

Thos. Sales of Langham who was a delegate to the convention of agricultural society delegates gave The West a call on Friday. Mr. Sales returned home Saturday.

The concert in Rae street Methodist Church Monday evening was most successful. Mayor Smith occupied the chair. The program was as follows: Chairman's address, orchestra, solo, Miss Connoley, reading, Mrs. A. D. Wright, piano duet, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, address, Rev. C.W. Brown, solo, Mr. Flowers, violin solo, Mr. Stockins, address, Rev. Van Tilton, cornet solo, Mr. Sheppard, accompanied by orchestra, reading, Mrs. Wright, solo, Miss Connoley, selection, orchestra.

G. H. Wright of Givry was in the city today en route to his old home at Mount Forest, Ont., where he will spend the winter.

Mrs. M. Little has gone east for a visit with her parents.

Although we are so near Christmas the farmers are still at work on the land. Discing seems to be their chief industry at present and if this weather continues, they will all have their land in good shape for seeding, as soon as spring comes.—Estevan Observer.

J. Brooks, blacksmith of Bethune, was thrown from an automobile last week and was badly shaken up. The car hit a stone a few miles from the town.

The hotel Kaiser in Germantown was given a license at the sitting of the commissioners here last Friday. There are now ten licensed hotels and five wholesale liquor stores in this city.

Mrs. Thos. Sanderson, wife of the member for Kinistino, left here last Thursday for the coast, where she will make an extended visit. Mr. Sanderson accompanied her as far as the city.

E. L. Elwood and D. Mundell returned from Arcola last Thursday where they had been attending court. They left for their homes at Moosomin on Saturday. T. D. Brown of this city was also at Arcola for a couple of days.

E. A. McLorg was yesterday sworn in as a district court judge, the oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Wetmore. Mr. McLorg declined the appointment when his name was first announced, but afterwards accepted.

Judge Johnstone was thrown from an auto car at Arcola last Thursday and was so badly used up that he has been confined to his bed with an injured leg. He was not able to finish the court work at Arcola, and the election court at Prince Albert has been postponed two weeks from the 17th inst.

R. J. Mackenzie, superintendent of construction on the C.N.R. was in the city last Thursday over the Regina-Brandon line and went north to Prince Albert. He will undertake the laying of steel this winter for thirty miles on the Hudson's Bay line which branches off the Prince Albert line at Elomamm. The company has ninety miles of the line graded.

W. J. Wells, travelling passenger agent for the C.P.R. was in the city last Wednesday evening having come in over the Arcola line. Mr. Wells has his headquarters now at Brandon. He stated to The West that the excursion traffic this winter has reached record figures notwithstanding the scarcity of money. More people went East this year to spend Christmas than ever before.

For Christmas and New Year holidays the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. announce a rate of a fare and one-third for the round trip. Tickets on sale for Christmas, December 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25; for New Years December 28, 29, 30, 31 and January 1. Final return limits in both cases January 3rd.

Without doubt one of the most attractive grocery stores in the Canadian west was opened on Saturday last in the Darke block, 11th avenue, when to the first strains of Laubach's orchestra the doors of the Star Provision Co., Ltd., were thrown open to the public. The store contains three departments, bakery and confectionary, meats of all kinds and groceries. The grocery department is equipped with Walker bin fixtures and the handsome show cases are both useful and ornamental. The stock in this department is the best and is well displayed. The bakery and confectionary department is a new feature and while their product was not on the market a few days ago they have a good assortment and a very tasty display. In meats and fish a replete stock is carried. Messrs

Carrothers and Wakefield are to be congratulated on their business enterprise. They are still continuing their south Railway street branch store.

W. Galloway of Lajord and his brother, J. W., of Waterloo, Iowa, were in the city last Thursday on business. The former is one of the largest farmers in the province, and the latter is a manufacturer. J. W. sold over 3,000 bushels of oats grown on their farm at Lajord to Minnesota farmers for seed purposes at \$1.20 a bushel. The seed was brought from that state a couple of years ago and it so improved on our land that the Minnesota farmers gladly paid a big price for the Saskatchewan product.

The city council held the last meeting of the year on Tuesday evening. They have amended the arrangements regarding the city debtore sale. The paper will now be put on the market at five per cent and will not be redeemed in installments but on maturity. A sinking fund will be created for the purpose of retiring the debtorentures at maturity. The change will have to be endorsed by the people.

Geo. Hamilton, a farmer of Lumsden whose mind has become deranged and who was in the custody of the police in the valley town, booted from the law officer as the passenger train drew under the wheels with the result that he is now in the general hospital here and will not recover. Both his legs and his left arm are almost cut off and his head is seriously injured. Dr. Martin met the train here and took the man in charge. He is in care of Constable Jarvis, R.N.W.M.P.

A Washington dispatch says that Sir Cecil A. Spring-Rice, K.C.M.G., now Great Britain's envoy extraordinary to Persia, is to be the next British Ambassador to the United States. James Bryce, now holding that important diplomatic post, is soon to be recalled. The foreign officials at Washington believe that Mr. Bryce is to return to England in no way discredited, but simply because the British government desires to be represented in Washington by a personal friend to Mr. Roosevelt, and because Mr. Bryce has no heart for his American diplomatic work. Sir C. A. Spring-Rice is a brother of G. Spring Rice of this district.

The almost sudden death of John Stratton of Brat's Lake occurred at his residence Friday last. Mr. Stratton had been confined to his bed only a few days and was in Regina a week before. While in the city he called at The West office and appeared to be in bright spirits and good health. On his return home, however, the effect of an abscess on the brain compelled him to go to bed, and he lived only a few days. Deceased was an old resident of the Regina district and a brother of Mrs. T. J. Little and E. Carrothers of this city. He was in his 39th year and leaves a wife and five children. The funeral took place on Sunday to the Regina cemetery from the home of T. J. Little, Hamilton street.

An interesting legal case was decided in the attorney general's department here last week by Hon. J. D. Cameron, Winnipeg, Wm. Martin, Regina and W. A. D. Lees, Fort Saskatchewan, arbitrators. The case was pertaining to the cost of a C.N.R. bridge over the river at Fort Saskatchewan. Under the Territorial government, Mr. Haultain and Mr. Bulyea agreed with the C.N.R. that if they built a double structure bridge at that point, they would receive the sum of \$47,000 from the territorial government. This money was not claimed until after the passage of the autonomy bills, and the Alberta government was billed with the amount, but they claimed that the two provinces were responsible because of the clause in the autonomy bill dividing equally the assets and liabilities of the old territories. Both Mr. Haultain and Mr. Bulyea were called to give evidence. The Alberta side of the case was looked after by Attorney

General Cross of Alberta, while Frank Ford deputy attorney general appeared for this province, and Mr. Franks looked on for the C.N.R., but he had no part in the case. The arbitrators decided that the provinces were jointly liable for the amount.

Several thousand bushels of potatoes have been shipped from Caron the past two weeks. Most of them have gone to Regina. H. E. Clausen, John Wilson, Lou Nesbitt and Thos. Gwin are among the heaviest shippers.—The Caron Enterprise.

John Reid of Fort Francis is in the city accompanied by his daughter on a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. Kinnon.

Rev. C. R. Littler, of St. Chad's hotel, addressed the Canadian Labor party on Sunday afternoon on social problems.

His Worship, Mayor Smith drove the last spike on Wednesday last connecting the C.N.R. through line with the C.P.R. Arcola junction. The line will be formally opened in the spring.

F. Hunter has sold his livery and horses to Millan Bros. of Ottawa, and has leased them his barn. Mr. Hunter will go east and bring a car of cattle west.

The Anglican church people north of the track are negotiating for the little Albert street school to be used for church purposes. St. Chad's Hotel having become too small owing to the growth of the congregation.

The 16th Mounted Rifles ball will be under the patronage of Lieut. Gov. and Madame Forget, while Mrs. (Major) Whitmore, Mrs. (Lieut.) Tott, and Mrs. (Commissioner) Perry will be patronesses.

In Van Valenburg's drug store on 11th avenue may be seen interesting curios from the Philippines and Borneo. These things are the property of Dr. Morrell who was for some time in these countries, serving in the Philippine wars.

Notwithstanding that the temperance and reform conference repudiated government control of the liquor traffic at their meeting here last week, Rev. E. A. Henry adheres to this policy as the best means of dealing with the restriction of intemperance at present.

The fourteen year old son of R. Rowe of "The Bluffs" was brought here last Thursday by Inspector Heferman to be sent to the Brandon asylum, the young fellow being insane. The little girl whom he forced outside some time ago has not yet been found.

At the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Licensed Victuallers Association held here last week Clayton Peterson of this city was elected president, E. C. Matthews, of Moose Jaw, vice president, and F. G. Arnold was re-elected secretary. A smoking concert was held by the association in the Wascana hotel.

Francis Dagger returned to the city Saturday from Saskatoon to spend Sunday with his family here. Mr. Dagger states in connection with the telephone policy of the government that they will not operate local exchanges but will bring the rural lines in so that local private or municipal concerns will be organized. Where the Bell Co. is at present operating, the government lines will no doubt be connected with their exchanges. This scheme explains the statement of Mr. Motherwell at Caron recently when he said he did not believe in the government competing with private interests in these matters.

Commissioner Perry of the R.N.W.M.P., visited Battleford on his trip through the province visiting barracks and deciding what improvement is necessary. He states that very few extensive improvements will be made to the Battleford barracks during the coming summer.—Saskatchewan Herald.

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