

Canadian Northern Ry. Construction.

Track was expected to be laid to Fort Saskatchewan, Alta., by the end of Oct., and into Edmonton early in Nov. The bridge at Fort Saskatchewan was expected to be ready by the end of Oct., and about a week's work on tracklaying would take the rails into the town. The bridge, however, is only a temporary one, the permanent bridge not being expected to be completed until the spring. It will be a double-decked bridge, the lower deck being used for general traffic and the upper deck for trains. The contractors for the substructure, May, Sharpe & Co., will build three concrete piers each about 60 ft. in height, and two abutments. The steel superstructure will be placed by the company's bridge gang. The work is to be completed in Mar., 1906. Rapid progress has been made on the roundhouse and station at Edmonton, and it is expected to have them completed by the end of the year.

A branch is under construction to Morinville, Alta., and it is expected to get 25 miles of grading westerly through Stony Plains done this season.

At a point about six miles of Battleford, on the line to Edmonton, the company is constructing a large bridge to replace the temporary structure now used. It is expected that the bridge will be completed by Jan. 1, 1906.

W. Mackenzie, President, has completed a trip of inspection over the line, driving into Edmonton, Oct. 6, over the 60 miles of grade then practically ready for the rails.

National Transcontinental Railway.

The Transcontinental Railway Commissioners left Ottawa, Sept. 29, on a trip to the Maritime Provinces. From Quebec they travelled to Riviere du Loup, thence via the Temiscouata Ry. to Edmundston, N.B., and on by the C.P.R. to Grand Falls. From this point they went to Plaster Rock, via the Tobique Valley Ry., and then along a portion of the projected route of the Eastern Division to Fredericton. St. John was the next point visited. Messrs. Young and Reid went to Chipman, where the Central and the St. John Valley routes meet, and Messrs. Parent and McIsaac joined them later on. A visit was also paid to Halifax and Sydney, and later on a trip was made to Prince Edward Island, where they went over the railway, leaving Charlottetown for Ottawa, Oct. 9.

The offices of G. C. Dunn, Division Engineer, will be moved Nov. 1, from Fredericton to St. John, N.B.

Work has been commenced on an extension of the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Ry. from Falls View to Montrose, Ont. It is stated that this extension will be the connecting link between the N., St. C. and T. Ry., and the projected Toronto and Hamilton Ry. The company has also started work upon the improvement of the line in the vicinity of Merriton. Several of the trestles there will be filled, and others are to be replaced by steel bridges. (Sept. pg. 427.)

The sittings of the Board of Railway Commissioners in the West have been concluded, and A. C. Killam, K.C., Chairman, and Jas. Mills, Commissioner, have returned to Ottawa. The orders of the Commissioners upon the matters brought before them will be decided upon and issued in due course. On arriving at the Pacific coast the Commissioners held sittings at New Westminster and Vancouver, and returned east via the Crow's Nest Pass line, holding a session at Nelson, B.C., Sept. 27; and another at Regina, Oct. 5. The sittings at Winnipeg were resumed Oct. 10, and occupied some time.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE.

C. M. Gartshore, third son of J. J. Gartshore, died at Eglinton, Toronto, Oct. 3.

D. McNicoll, Vice-President C.P.R., is building a large residence in Westmount, Montreal.

D. D. Mann is preparing to erect a residence at Scarboro Heights, Toronto, to cost about \$150,000.

S. G. Sheppard, for many years a director of the Quebec Central Ry., died in London, Eng., Oct. 9.

F. W. Churchill, C.P.R. ticket agent, Collingwood, Ont., returned from a trip to the Pacific coast, Oct. 3.

R. G. Reid, President Reid-Newfoundland Co., who spent the summer in Europe, has returned to Montreal.

W. V. Morgan, who will be installed Lord Mayor of London, Eng., Nov. 9, is a director of the Hudson's Bay Co.

R. Miller, C.P.R. agent, Windsor St. Station, Montreal, returned to duty Oct. 20, after a holiday in New Brunswick.

E. J. Odium, C.E., for nearly 30 years in charge of the Welland Canal, died at St. Catharines, Ont., Sept. 26, aged 58.

R. Bourne, civil engineer, and at one time Professor of Mathematics at St. John's College, Winnipeg, Man., died there Sept. 26.

P. Sise, son of C. F. Sise, President Bell Telephone Co., was married to Miss P. Porteous, at St. Petronille, Que., Sept. 27.

H. K. Wicksteed, consulting engineer to Mackenzie, Mann & Co., has removed his offices from Parry Sound, Ont., to Toronto.

L. C. Charlesworth, formerly with the Ontario Bureau of Mines, has been appointed Director of Surveys for the new Province of Alberta.

A. Piers, Manager C.P.R. Steamship lines, Montreal, sailed for England on the Lake Manitoba, Oct. 19, and expects to return about Dec. 3.

Angus Sinclair, contractor James Bay Ry. construction, has rented Mr. Justice MacMahon's house, 185 Beverley St., Toronto, for the winter.

W. A. Gourlay, engineer in charge of location, Ingersoll-Stratford branch C.P.R., was married at Lindsay, Ont., Oct. 18, to Miss T. E. Macdonald.

The Marchioness of Donegal arrived in Montreal Oct. 8, and paid a visit to A. R. Creelman, K.C., chief solicitor to the C.P.R., before going west.

Sir Wm. C. Van Horne, Chairman of the Board, C.P.R., has been elected a member of the re-organized board of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, New York.

Barlow Cumberland, Port Hope, Ont., Vice-President Niagara Navigation Co., has been elected a director of the London and Canadian Loan and Agency Co.

A. H. Wittmaak, C.P.R. Ticket Agent, Hespeler, Ont., has returned home after having been operated upon for appendicitis at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph.

A. T. Tomlinson, member American Society of Civil Engineers, has been transferred from J. G. White & Co.'s New York office to the Canadian White Co.'s office in Montreal.

Jas. Sclater, for several years C.P.R. ticket agent at Vancouver, B.C., and latterly in the Assistant General Passenger Agent's office, there, has retired from the company's service.

A. Elliott, formerly connected with the Harris Car Works, St. John, N.B., and latterly foreman of the erecting shops at Amherst, N.S., for Rhodes, Curry & Co., died there Oct. 6, aged 70.

The engagement is announced of E. F. Fauquier, railway contractor, Ottawa, to Miss Ethel White, eldest daughter of Col. F. White, C.M.G., Comptroller Northwest Mounted Police.

The marriage of Miss M. Cumberland, daughter of Barlow Cumberland, Vice-President Niagara Navigation Co., to H. Wether- spoon, of Montreal, is fixed to take place at Port Hope, Ont., Nov. 1.

H. D. Lumsden, Chief Engineer, Transcontinental Ry. Commission, has bought a house in Ottawa. Mrs. Lumsden, who spent the summer at their house at Orillia, Ont., with her family, has returned to Ottawa.

W. E. Boyd, who died at Montreal, Oct. 9, aged 71, was the last Canadian member of the Average Adjusters' Association of Great Britain. He was connected with shipping interests in Montreal for about 50 years.

Hugh Calderwood, ex-Manager of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., and Mrs. Calderwood, have removed from Collingwood to Toronto, and taken up their residence in Mrs. Calderwood's former home, 18 Madison Ave.

S. N. Parent, Chairman National Transcontinental Railway Commission, was given a public dinner Oct. 19, by the citizens of Quebec, on retiring from municipal life in Quebec city, and political life in the Province.

G. H. Ham, of the C.P.R. head office staff, sailed from Montreal on the Lake Champlain, Sept. 28, for a trip to England and is expected to return to Montreal early in Nov. He is reported to have greatly benefitted by his trip.

J. Currie, formerly in charge of the Canada Atlantic Ry. blacksmith shop, Ottawa, was presented with an address and a watch, by the employees, and an ivory rule by the heads of other departments, on his leaving the service, Oct. 1.

W. W. Price, for 45 years station master on the I.C.R. at Petitcodiac, N.B., died there Oct. 10, aged 77. He was father of the late J. E. Price, General Superintendent I.C.R., and of C. W. Price, Train Dispatcher, I.C.R., at Moncton, N.B.

J. W. Smith, formerly General Assistant and Purchasing Agent Canada Atlantic Ry., has been appointed Manager of the Colonial Lumber Co., Ottawa, of which E. J. Chamberlin, formerly General Manager Canada Atlantic Ry., is President.

D. Steele, Roadmaster, Reid-Newfoundland Co.'s railway, was recently making an inspection trip on a motor car, when he collided with a section hand-car, and received serious injuries. The section men were able to jump clear of their car before the collision.

The engagement is announced of H. Carre, C.E., late of the C.P.R. field engineering staff, to Mrs. Jas. Reid, of Vancouver, B.C., widow of the late Senator Reid, of Quesnelle, B.C. The marriage will take place in Nov., at Vancouver, where Mr. Carre will reside in future.

E. H. McHenry, formerly Chief Engineer C.P.R., and now Fourth Vice-President New York, New Haven and Hartford Rd., has been given charge of the construction and maintenance of way departments, in addition to his former duties in connection with the electrification of the line.

A committee representing the Summer Resort Keepers' Association, has been formed to arrange for a memorial to the late A. P. Cockburn, Manager of the Muskoka Lakes Navigation and Hotel Co., who was largely instrumental in opening up the Muskoka country to tourist travel.

W. F. Taylor, who has been appointed General Storekeeper I.C.R., was born at Hillsboro, N.B., Aug. 20, 1856, and had been in the employ of a local manufactory from Aug., 1877, to Mar., 1904. He was appointed