

EXECUTING TIMES

(Tuesday's Daily)
In the central hall a half-
minute for a few seconds
which nearly turned the lights
into a half grey. About 3.30 in
the evening an electric light
went out with the telephone wire
and a current into a bunch of wires
to the central. It was raining
and conditions were just right
for grand pyrotechnic display. The
hit the central office with a
bang. There was a flash
momentarily blinded the he-lio
and a report like a six-inch gun
the smoke cleared away it was
seen that twenty instruments were
burning, but nobody hurt. The
men are busy today putting
fixes.

CONDUCTOR KILLED

(Bulletin Special)
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C. N. R. Welcomed

St. Albert People Rejoiced by the
Realization of the Hopes of
Years

(Correspondence)
St. Albert, Sept. 27.—At an early hour
this morning the Canadian Northern
Railway construction train made its
way into St. Albert. Mr. Jule Chave
having the honor of driving the silver
spike.

This quiet hamlet, which has the dis-
tinction of being one of the earliest
settlements in the Northwest—over fifty
years ago since the picturesque spot
was selected by the late Fathers to be
the capital of the Catholic church in
the far west—today its long silence was
ruefully broken by the most welcome of
all sounds—the cars.

It was indeed interesting to hear old
remembrances rehearsed by the many
old timers who came to witness the
first train cross the Sturgeon river.
They recounted their experiences from
the days of the buffalo to the present.
The marvellous change which had taken
place within their own knowledge,
fittingly described by words and ges-
tures. From the past the conversation
naturally drifted to the future. What
place would St. Albert occupy ten years
hence? Would it be content to remain
as in the past, "One of those little
places that have risen half up the hill
beneath the blazing sun, and there sat
down to rest as if it were a cliff no
farther, upward, come what may?"

THE WEALTH OF THE NORTH

Prince Albert, Sask., Sept. 19.—Many
and varied are the resources of the
great north land of Saskatchewan. As
seen by Mr. Alex. McGehee of Colton,
who has just arrived home from a
long trip through it. Mr. McGehee
was through the north and west of
the Province, and left Prince Albert on
June 28 to count heads in that section.
From Edmonton he took stage to At-
lantic Landing, there hired a canoe and
two men to take him to Lake Athabasca.
They ran him the rapids on the
river, and saw some of the best moose,
elk, caribou and wolverine were
just coming in. So plentiful are these
that the hunters get the ducks for
them, and bags of 50 to 200 birds a
day are common. From Ft. Chipewyan,
the party crossed the river to a good
high wind while returning. The mis-
sion tug was taken by Mr. McGehee up
the river to Fort McMurray. To get
the steamer back to the Landing he
had to take a three days' walk across
a portage, which he estimated variously
at from sixty to ninety miles.
For one hundred miles or so the
Athabasca runs through a swamp.
There are about a hundred and
sixty-three miles below the land-
ing to Fort Mac. There are thirty miles
below Fort McMurray, there is a strong
flow of the pithead in places black
rivers of it can be seen. The water
down the mountain side. There are
indications of petroleum fourteen miles
below Fort McMurray and boring is
going on. At Fort McKay there are
coal deposits which are being utilized
locally. Mr. McGehee saw a gas well
at Pelican. There is one that has been
burning for eight years. The noise of
it can be heard half a mile away.
Through an eight-inch pipe the gas
shoots up into a flame of 15 to 20 feet,
and water comes boiling up with it.
There is a gas spring below Grand
Rapids, where a kettle can be boiled
easily; and Mr. McGehee found several
other indications of gas. At Salt River,
seventeen miles from Fort Smith, salt
is being mined and used for a cen-
tury. There is a large number
of settlers going into the Peace River
country. Mr. McGehee was in the
vicinity of the Peace River, where
a commercial enterprise in the district north
of the city has also been started.

COMING TO EDMONTON

Monon, N.B. Transcript: There was
a very pleasant function held at the
Royal Hotel here last evening when
the leading citizens and personal
friends gathered to pay a tribute to
Mr. H. H. Parlee, a barrister and county
councillor who leaves for his
future home in Edmonton, Alberta.
The guests numbered nearly three
hundred, and the evening was
most enjoyable. Mr. Parlee was
presented with a beautiful
present. Mr. G. W. Fowler, M.P., pres-
ident, having at his right the guest of
the evening, Mr. H. H. Parlee, and at
his left Mr. T. H. Parlee, who was the
junior member of the firm of Fowler,
Jonah and Parlee. He spoke of having
watched his career from a boy at
school to that of a law student in his
own office, and then as partner. His
progress had been rapid and earned by
industrious industry. As law part-
ners their relations had ever been
pleasant, and the firm with regret
learned of his intended departure for
a new and larger field. The presence
of so many of the leading business men
of Sussex there last evening, testified to
the esteem for Mr. Parlee and the re-
spect for his departure, was restricted to
no limited circle. It was general. He
was a young man of great promise
and as all knew, he would have made
his mark in this province had he re-
mained. They all felt, he certainly
would succeed where he was going. Af-
ter a few additional remarks in a sim-
ilarly complimentary strain, on behalf
of the friends of Mr. Parlee, he pre-
sented him with a tangible token of their
friendship and esteem.

LAVOY ITEMS

Lavoy, Alta., Sept. 24.—A farming
district that can produce sixteen hun-
dred bushels of oats from twenty
acres must be all right. Practically
135 bushels to the acre; that is the
record furnished by Mr. McNutt of La-
voiy and it is one that is hard to
beat. It certainly shows that Lavoy has
as good land as the best and shows why
a great many settlers and business men
are settling in this town and have
great faith in its future. They con-
sider that with railway communica-
tion, good lands and a good class of
settlers coming in there is no reason
why Lavoy should not become a town
of prominence and a commercial cen-
tre for the farming district of St.
Paul's Crossing, White Fish Lake,
Saddle Lake, and St. Paul de Mettes
together with the un-named farming dis-
tricts opening up to the north and
to the south. A government road is to
be built due north to St. Paul de Mettes,
taking in the Dryville and other set-
tlements. Lavoy has a daily mail ser-
vice.
It is convenient badly needed is
an agent at the C.N.R. depot. The C.N.R.
has built a good depot and why
the people are not provided with an
agent is one that they can under-
stand. The business of the place cer-
tainly demands one as there is now
a great deal of both passenger and
freight traffic.
There is good hotel accommodation
provided at the Palmer House owned
and conducted by J. Cyre.
The principal business firms are:—
A. Gouley, manufacturer and dealer
in harness and saddlery; W. J. San-
ford, general merchant; H. B. Hughes,
general merchant; Bond Bros. num-
ber and implement dealers; A. G.
V. Trading Co., general merchant; A.
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of oats and barley and the saving of
lumber, but they anticipate putting in
a flour mill before long. W. C. Bur-
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was not to be set aside, and he
would ever hold the town and county
in the most cherished remembrance.

Mr. Parlee will join the firm of Tay-
lor & Boyie, barristers, Edmonton.

VEGREVILLE

(Tuesday's Daily)

Vegreville, Sept. 24.—The elections
for the first mayor and council of
the town were held today, a good
vote was polled. Clement was el-
ected mayor by acclamation and Mes-
srs. McKenzie, Gordon, Thompson
and Abbott, will form the first coun-
cil. The vote polled was as follows:
For mayor, Clement 119, for coun-
cillors, McKenzie 100, Gordon 103,
Thompson 89, Abbott 86, Truemp 85,
Wozin 70, Smith 65, Reid 54, &
Wm. Parker, the grain merchant,
has his new 30,000 bushel elevator
nearly completed and will be buying
all kinds of grain inside of two weeks.
Another elevator will be built soon by
the British American Elevator Co.
Another industry that deserves men-
tion is the Lidybank creamery, owned
and conducted by W. Curtis. Mr. Cur-
tis is thoroughly master of his business
and has the best equipped private fac-
tory in the west, capable of producing
ten tons of butter per week.

Vegreville is blessed with good hotel
accommodations. The Queen's and the
Alberta are both fine hosteleries with
services and cuisine second to none.
There are two banks in town the
Canadian Bank of Commerce and the
Merchants Bank, both enjoying a gen-
erous patronage.

One thing that impresses a visitor is
the up-to-datedness and big stocks
carried by the merchants. The larger
stores carry stocks that compare favor-
ably with the city stores and this sys-
tem should hold the trade at home.
Prominent among the firms are: Cle-
ment & Son, wholesale and retail
merchants; McKenzie & Fraser, gener-
al merchants; Alanson, Gully & Co.,
hardware and furniture; Allen & Pea-
cock, men's furnishings and general
merchants; Morton & Walker, hard-
ware and harness; Reid & Rose, deal-
ers in teas and general merchants;
Miller & Co., general merchants; Jas.
Spelman, manufacturer and dealer in
harness and saddlery; Geo. Ferris, con-
fectionery; Vegreville Electric Co.,
stationary, C. G. Walker, furni-
ture and undertaking; Mrs. T. J.
Tate, millinery; I. D. Worth, jeweller
and stationery; J. W. Smith, Pioneer
meat market; Vegreville Electric Co.,
S. C. Parker, manager; Ashdown &
Milne, tinners and plumbers; Vegre-
ville Lumber Co., F. W. Ervin, man-
ager; D. R. Fraser & Co., lumber, J.
Inkster, manager; Landry & Morris-
son, lawyers; Kincaid & Middleton,
real estate; Albert Land Co., real
estate; Vegreville Land Co., real
estate; Jackson & Gouling, real estate;
Vigier livery; Queen's livery; Vegre-
ville Carriage Co., S. T. Gross, prop-
rietor; Trump & Bellisle, blacksmiths; F.
J. Morrison, blacksmiths; T. J. Tate,
shaving parlors; Vegreville Implement
Co., Eugene Clarke, manager, hand-
ling the International Harvester Co.'s
goods; A. M. Thompson, dealer in
Sawyer-Massey, Massey-Harris goods;
and general implement dealer; Ed.
Poulin, general merchant; L. Goulet,
jeweller; A. R. Wright, photographer.
The medical profession is ably re-
presented by Drs. Rush, Kippen and
Field.

Among the old Edmonton people
who are doing well are Mr. McKen-
zie & Fraser, Mr. Arthur
Miller of Miller & Co., S. T. Gross,
proprietor of the Carriage Co., S.
T. Gross, proprietor of the Carriage Co.,
Mr. Milne of Ashdown & Milne and
F. W. Ervin, manager of the Vegre-
ville Lumber Co., formerly with
Cushing Bros.

GETS FIRMAL RATE

Strathcona, Sept. 15.—(1 p.m.) recent
discussion on and agitation in
regard to the proposed route of the
Grand trunk canal, in the
vicinity of Strathcona citizens. The
visit of Messrs. Hays and Morse, of
the Grand Trunk Pacific, on
Monday, will therefore be result-
ing news when the following result
of an interview with these gen-
tlemen and Mayor Sheppard, and
Messrs. Hays and Morse, on
Monday, appeared in the issue of the
"Plaindealer" this evening, and caused
much speculation and comment in
business circles:
"Mayor Sheppard of Strathcona, has
a brief interview with Messrs. Hays
and Morse, of the Grand Trunk Pacific
while they were here for a few minutes
on Friday last.
"Mayor Sheppard asked them what
their plans were for serving Strath-
cona when their line was built in this
region. They replied that the first
place they hoped to gain a share of
Strathcona's business by bearing the
transfer charges of the C. P. R. to the
high level bridge, when built, and
later, when their main line is com-
pleted, and they can turn their atten-
tion to the building of branches, they
will build a branch into Strathcona.
"Mayor Sheppard expressed the belief
that such arrangements would not be
very satisfactory to Strathcona ship-
pers, and that the G. T. P. could not
expect to get business from this town
which could be placed with any other
company.
"Mr. Morse justified the course of the
G. T. P. in choosing the Clover Bar
crossing, asserting that he had not
broken faith with Strathcona, contend-
ing that he had never led the people
to suppose that their main line would
go through this town.
"Mr. Sheppard, in commenting upon the interview,
the Plaindealer adds:
"At this early date it is difficult to
realize how much the proposition of
Messrs. Hays and Morse, to build the
Grand Trunk Pacific into Strathcona,
but it looks good to us. If they are
prepared to pay all C. P. R. trans-
fer charges between Strathcona and
Edmonton on incoming and outgoing
freight, whether through or local or a
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cy of H. B. Hughes and secretary-
ship of Wm. Reid. It should be a suc-
cessful one.

A creamery will be in operation next
spring. It is being built by E. In-
gham, formerly of Leopold.

With a good community around a
planting, wise awake lot of business
men, good water supply and the in-
crease in the price of hops, a good
reason to believe that the future of
Lavois is assured.

Strathcona Sept. 25.—By-law No. 145
relating to protecting signboards came
into force today. A marked improve-
ment is noticeable on Victoria street,
especially and merchants are to be
complimented on the prompt acquies-
cence to the law of the town council.
Miss Henderson, who recently resigned
of from the millinery opening in To-
ronto, opened her millinery season to-
day (Wednesday).

This afternoon a young lad, the son
of a well-known business man, was
severely bitten by a dog. Several
complaints have been lodged regarding
the number of vicious canines that
prowl round Strathcona and prosecu-
tions are, we believe, being taken.
The Strathcona football club are
training hard this week in view of
their game with Edmonton at the
fair here next Tuesday.

Mr. T. M. A. Whitehorn, who was
on the staff of the City Transfer Co.,
leaves this week for New West-
minster to take up his duties as
manager of the Brackman-Ker Co., during
T. W. Lines trip to Europe.

A very large party weighing 41-2
lbs was taken from Mr. Fred Garbe's
garden this week.

Messrs. G. L. Forts and Thos. Daly
left yesterday afternoon for New West-
minster to put the Strathcona and
Edmonton exhibits in order for the fair
opening next week. Master Reggie Forts
also went with them.

Mr. W. Young and family arrived
here from Montreal this week.

Fremier A. C. Rutherford has pur-
chased the half section farm of Wm.
Baseandall, through T. G. Tipton &
Sons, real estate company. The farm
is situated about six miles east of
Strathcona, has over two hundred acres
under cultivation, and is regarded as
one of the best in the district.

Estimate value of property ex-
posed for sale at auction. (Only one
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Estate \$2,280,664.
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Personal estate \$121,785.
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The assets owned by the municipality
in connection with the assessment roll
to \$38,215.00. Considerable of an in-
crease has been added owing to the
installing of water works, and elec-
tricity lighting. Brokers since assess-
ment was made. Waterworks increas-
ed value of machinery to \$250,000.
Previous assessors' debentures
July 15th, 1901 \$8,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal instalments of
principal and interest.
Sept. 15th, 1902 \$9,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of interest and principal.
Sept. 15th, 1904 \$20,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of principal and interest.

Sept. 15th, 1905 \$10,000.00 4-1/2 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of principal and interest.
All matured instalments have been
paid.

A new electric lighting system is be-
ing installed at a cost of \$35,000, and
a water works system at a cost of
\$88,000 and a sewerage system at a cost
of \$55,000 of which \$16,000 is charge-
able to the municipality at large and
the balance to property benefited. Of
this sum \$20,000 has already been paid
to the municipality at large and the
balance is not offered for sale
at the present time.

VEGREVILLE

Sept. 22.—A western
cowboy on a trip to the East was
asked his opinion of the country, and he
said: "You will see more cows and less
butter, more rivers and less water,
less farther and less than in any
region. They replied that they had
fit some parts of the west but it cer-
tainly cannot be applied to that won-
derfully rich and fine farming coun-
try of which Vegreville is becoming
the metropolis. Vegreville is the
example yet seen of what the west
can do if it is given railway connec-
tion. On the second day of Nov-
ember in the year of 1905, the first
building was started and since that
day there has been a continual procession
until today there are dozens of business
blocks, two line hotels and residences
by the score, with a population close
on the thousand mark.

"But," says the Vegrevillite, "we're
only commencing to walk. Just watch
us grow." And with the country they
have at their back there is no reason
why they should not be ten or even
twenty thousand strong in a few years.
Already there are schemes afoot and
plans being projected for improve-
ments opening up a new and sprightly
system, etc. The Vegreville Electric
Co. managed by S. C. Parker is doing
wiring and work preparatory to the
installation of an electric system. Of
course, no other scheme has been
proposed. The new council gets down to business and
the question of municipal or private
operation of all improvements is de-
cided. A glance at the map and an
estimate of the extent of the country,
of the richness of the soil, of the calibre
of the people who till the soil, should
set aside all doubts as to the future
prosperity and acquisition of Vegre-
ville. To the south are the communi-
ties of Martins, Beaver Lake, Viking
and Gilpin, to the north are Whitford,
Sole Lake, Andrew, Shandro, Paradis
Crossing, Broadsville, Poserville,
Warwick, Saddle Lake and Big Lake

Strathcona, Sept. 25.—Mr. Robt.
H. Inglis paid Strathcona a visit
on Saturday.

Mr. Sidney Betts, of the Imperial
Bank is spending a vacation at
Clover Bar.

Two exciters and one generator
for the electric plant arrived here
last week, while the boiler, which
has been supplied by Messrs. R.
Armstrong & Co., of Amherst, N.
S., arrived at the C. P. R. depot
today.

Mr. C. Taylor, the electric su-
pervisor, left on Friday for Regina
on business.

Dr. Moore, of Toronto, is to give
lectures here in October under the
auspices of the Agricultural De-
partment, and the medical health
officers of the province will be pre-
sent.

In the absence of Rev. W. H.
George, Assistant Minister Mr. Jas.
Mason, recently from England, oc-
cupied the pulpit of Holy Trinity
church on Sunday evening.

Rev. Prof. Bryce, of Manitoba
University, delivered an eloquent
sermon at the forenoon service of
Knox Presbyterian church today,
and Rev. John Griffith, of Honan,
China, preached in the evening. At
both services there were large con-
gregations.

This afternoon, Mr. Stewart Hill,
the advance agent for the lacrosse
team, left for Vancouver via the C.
P. R.

STRATHCONA FINANCES

Strathcona Plaindealer.—The follow-
ing is a statement prepared recently
by the secretary-treasurer of the town
of Strathcona showing the assets and
debenture liabilities of the municipali-
ty for the information of any who
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ing the town's financial standing.
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to \$38,215.00. Considerable of an in-
crease has been added owing to the
installing of water works, and elec-
tricity lighting. Brokers since assess-
ment was made. Waterworks increas-
ed value of machinery to \$250,000.
Previous assessors' debentures
July 15th, 1901 \$8,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal instalments of
principal and interest.
Sept. 15th, 1902 \$9,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of interest and principal.
Sept. 15th, 1904 \$20,000.00 5 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of principal and interest.

Sept. 15th, 1905 \$10,000.00 4-1/2 per cent
payable in 20 equal annual instalments
of principal and interest.
All matured instalments have been
paid.

A new electric lighting system is be-
ing installed at a cost of \$35,000, and
a water works system at a cost of
\$88,000 and a sewerage system at a cost
of \$55,000 of which \$16,000 is charge-
able to the municipality at large and
the balance to property benefited. Of
this sum \$20,000 has already been paid
to the municipality at large and the
balance is not offered for sale
at the present time.

VEGREVILLE
Sept. 22.—A western
cowboy on a trip to the East was
asked his opinion of the country, and he
said: "You will see more cows and less
butter, more rivers and less water,
less farther and less than in any
region. They replied that they had
fit some parts of the west but it cer-
tainly cannot be applied to that won-
derfully rich and fine farming coun-
try of which Vegreville is becoming
the metropolis. Vegreville is the
example yet seen of what the west
can do if it is given railway connec-
tion. On the second day of Nov-
ember in the year of 1905, the first
building was started and since that
day there has been a continual procession
until today there are dozens of business
blocks, two line hotels and residences
by the score, with a population close
on the thousand mark.

"But," says the Vegrevillite, "we're
only commencing to walk. Just watch
us grow." And with the country they
have at their back there is no reason
why they should not be ten or even
twenty thousand strong in a few years.
Already there are schemes afoot and
plans being projected for improve-
ments opening up a new and sprightly
system, etc. The Vegreville Electric
Co. managed by S. C. Parker is doing
wiring and work preparatory to the
installation of an electric system. Of
course, no other scheme has been
proposed. The new council gets down to business and
the question of municipal or private
operation of all improvements is de-
cided. A glance at the map and an
estimate of the extent of the country,
of the richness of the soil, of the calibre
of the people who till the soil, should
set aside all doubts as to the future
prosperity and acquisition of Vegre-
ville. To the south are the communi-
ties of Martins, Beaver Lake, Viking
and Gilpin, to the north are Whitford,
Sole Lake, Andrew, Shandro, Paradis
Crossing, Broadsville, Poserville,
Warwick, Saddle Lake and Big Lake

Edmonton will be the commercial
centre of all, as well as being the
most convenient postal centre.

J. B. Holson, member of the pro-
vincial legislature, is an admirer of
the government is building graded
roads away to the north making for
Lac La Biche and to the northeast to
wards Broomeville, in both cases
passing through some fine farming dis-
tricts and this good wagon communi-
cation will tend to hold the trade for
Vegreville.

The town is plentifully supplied
by water, Wm. Pierce of Edmonton
has a well boring outfit here and
without exception all the wells are pro-
ducing good flows of fine, clear water.
Many of them are overflows and con-
stant pumping has no appreciable ef-
fect on the supply.

MUNDARE NEWS
Mundare, Sept. 22.—Mundare still
continues to grow with a prelateness
and energy that augurs well for its
ultimate success as a flourishing town.
Mundare is one of the newest town-
ships on the Canadian Northern and its
phenomenal growth in the last two
months clearly proves that it has the
natural resources necessary to the par-
ticular and substantial growth of any
town. The new
are spring from the open prairie, all over
the country must depend entirely upon
the surrounding agricultural country
for their support and few towns have
tributary to them as large an area or
as many people as Mundare. About
sixty miles of well built Government
road lead to Mundare from north and
south.

This road taps a fine grain grow-
ing and stock district as there is in
the country, which for years has been
thickly settled with a fine and
industrious class of people. Prior to the
building of the Canadian Northern
railway the settlement were in the
neighborhood of a hundred miles from
the nearest railway point, and they
therefore more fully appreciate the
road and the substantial town which
is growing up at its terminus.

The latest acquisition to Mundare is
the lumber of which was
shipped from Edmonton a few days
ago. This elevator will be completed in a
few days and will be in operation in
a few days. It