## PERSONAL NOTES

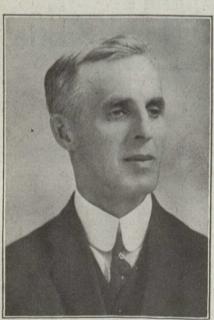
H. B. SMITH, president of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, Limited, and a director of the Canada Steamship



Lines, has been made president of the Halifax Shipyards, Limited, succeeding Roy M. Wolvin, who has retired owing to the pressing duties of his position as president of the Dominion Steel Corporation. Mr. Smith was born in Owen Sound, Ont., in May, 1864, and in the earlier part of his business career practised In 1899 he law. retired from that profession and has since been engaged in extensive business operations. He is also president of the Steam Navigation Company of

Canada, Limited, and vice-president of the Parry Sound Iron Company, Limited.

J. C. SAUNDERS, formerly assistant deputy minister of finance, has been promoted to the position of deputy minister in succession to T. C. Boville, C.M.G., who has been superannuated. Before joining the finance department, Mr.



Saunders was in the office of the mechanical superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway at Moncton, N.B. He relinquished that position in 1887 to go to Ottawa, and after holding various positions and acquiring a good general knowledge of the workings of the finance department was attached as clerk to the treasury board. Later on he became assistant to the chief accountant of the department, and soon after was

chief accountant and Dominion bookkeeper. In January, 1917, he was promoted by Sir Thomas White to the position of assistant deputy minister of finance in place of H. T. Ross, who resigned to become secretary of the Canadian Bankers' Association. He has held that position until his present promotion to deputy minister of finance, which has been given from the 1st of April, 1920, on which date the late deputy minister of finance, T. C. Boville, retired on superannuation.

VERE C. BROWN, western superintendent of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has resigned from that position to become executive manager of the National City Bank, of New York, to which position he was elected on September 14. Mr. Brown began his career as clerk with the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company, London, Ont., and was with that company from 1882 to 1889. In 1889 he joined the Canadian Bank of Commerce as clerk at the head

office and in the same year was appointed assistant inspector. In 1903 he became inspector, and in 1907 chief inspector, which position he held until 1911, when he was appointed to the superintendency of the central western branches. Mr. Brown has for a number of years been one of the outstanding figures in western Canada, not only as the supervisor of an important banking institution but as a public-spirited and very able man who could seize upon the points of interest common to the bank



and the farmer and could utilize them for the development of During the period of his superintendency, the country. which began in May, 1911, he had devoted himself with untiring energy to building up the western business of the Canadian Bank of Commerce upon a sound, substantial basis, and has directed an expansion of banking activity, which is indicated by the growth in the number of branches under his jurisdiction from 115, when he assumed office as superintendent, to 197, at the present time. The superintendency of the middle west has now been divided into two parts. C. W. Rowley, manager at Winnipeg, has been appointed superintendent for Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and J. B. Corbet, senior inspector of western branches, becomes superintendent for Alberta and the Peace River district. C. G. K. Nourse, of Calgary, suceeds Mr. Rowley as manager of the Winnipeg

## **OBITUARIES**

W. P. Tolmie, who had been deputy provincial treasurer for Manitoba for more than thirty years, died in Winnipeg on September 10. Mr. Tolmie was born in Smithville, Ont., in 1850.

ROBERT MOON, who for the past twenty years had been Toronto agent of the Dominion of Canada Guarantee, Accident and Insurance Company, died at his home, 62 Concord Ave., Toronto, on September 15, after a lingering illness.

JOHN MACFARLANE, who for many years has been identified with the paper trade in Canada, and who at the time of his retirement from active business in 1912 was president of the Canada Paper Co., Ltd., died in Montreal on September 6th.

Hon. S. N. Parent, ex-premier of the province of Quebec, died in Montreal on September 7th, after a long illness. He was born at Beauport, near Quebec, in 1855, was mayor of the city of Quebec in 1894, and occupied the civic chair until 1905. In 1897 he entered the provincial government of the Hon. F. G. Marchand as commissioner of lands, mines and forests. Upon the death of Mr. Marchand, in 1900, Mr. Parent was called upon to succeed him as premier of the province, which office he held until 1905, when he retired, to be succeeded by Sir Lomer Gouin.