

MANY APPOINTMENTS MADE BY EXECUTIVE

Inspector of Tramway for Province Named—Many Promotions in Civil Service Announced

The session of the provincial executive yesterday was chiefly notable by reason of the large number of civil service appointments decided upon, to take effect naturally with the opening of the new provincial fiscal year, today. One of the most interesting of these appointments was that of William E. Lam, a well known electrical expert of Vancouver city, to act as tramway inspector for British Columbia under the special legislation in this connection adopted at the recent session of the house. Another new appointment is that of J. P. McLeod of Greenwood, to be inspector of legal offices; while William E. Graves was named as assistant to the inspector of offices generally. W. J. Goepel. The vacancy in the sheriffship of Nanaimo, created by the retirement upon superannuation of Sheriff Drake of that city, is filled by the promotion to be sheriff of the coal city of Comox, Charles J. Crawford, whose former position is taken by George Hannay.

The great majority of other appointments decided upon are also in the nature of official promotion, and in accordance with the spirit and letter of the civil service act. The principal of these appointments are as hereunder: To be government agent at Wilmer, George F. Golden; to be government agent at Golden, J. Scott; to be medical health officer for the district in question, Dr. G. B. Henderson of Creston and Dr. Fraser of Masset; C. L. I. to be judge of the small debts court at Fernie; Stipendiary Magistrate Alexander of East Kootenay city.

Changes.
Of greater local interest, perhaps, are the following promotions: In the civil service for this and neighbor cities: To be deputy registrar of the supreme and county courts, W. M. Macdonald; to be chief clerk in the land registry at Vancouver, (vice F. X. Martin, superannuated), R. F. T. Granger; to be a clerk in the registry of the supreme and county courts, Victoria, O. H. Humphreys and David Scott; to be clerks in the legislative library, Victoria, Miss Stella M. Gilbert and Joseph Shines; to be a clerk in the assessor's office, Victoria, Mark S. Harby; to be agent at Vernon, Charles A. Pope; to be a clerk in the office of the provincial mineralogist, Harold Nelson; to be acting government agent, etc., for the Cariboo district, Reginald S. C. Randall of Barkerville; to be a clerk in the assessor's office, Westminster, Robert S. Sayre; to be clerk in the audit office, at Victoria, Cecil Paget Ford; and to be messenger in the statistical bureau, David D. Nairn.

Of "outside" appointments there may also be mentioned those of Aid. Johnson and John B. Smith as police commissioners of Fernie; Aid. B. H. Hornum and Joseph Shaw as police commissioners of Cumberland; and Aid. Busby and Lamont Rose as police commissioners of Nanaimo; Aid. White and Robert Fernie as license commissioners at Comox; John P. Watson and J. N. McFarland; and Aid. Bennett and E. J. Cavalek as license commissioners for Nanaimo.

The executive also decided yesterday upon the removal to Rock Creek of the Mining Recorder's office. Heretofore maintained at Camp McKinney, it is expected that the salaries of the chief of police at Rupert and of the constables distributed throughout the northern districts, will shortly be increased with recognition of the higher cost of living in these localities.

General French's Visit.
OTTAWA, March 31.—General French will arrive in Canada about May 20, and will be here until endeavor to see as many Canadian sights as possible. If it can possibly be arranged, a tactical field day will be held in Ottawa on May 24, at which General French will be present.

Verdict Shortly Expected.
VIENNA, March 31.—The verdict in the case of Lieutenant Hotfichter, Austrian staff officer with cyanide of potassium, is expected shortly. Several newspapers published statements that his guilt has been proved by the Lieutenant Hotfichter tried to smuggle out of the prison in order to find what evidence of the family magistrates. Other circumstances are divulged to strengthen the supposition that Lieutenant Hotfichter may have addressed the letters containing the potassium cyanide.

Differ as to Tariff Reform.
DUBLIN, March 31.—A resolution in support of Tariff Reform was proposed at the last meeting of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, as follows: That the council of this chamber do adopt all possible means to obtain from Parliament such tariff reform as will secure for Great Britain and Ireland fair trade relations with foreign countries, and thus promote the cultivation of the land, the development of agricultural, rural and industrial employments, the encouragement of home production, the employment of the people, the improvement of trade and commerce, and the general well-being of the population.

An amendment to the effect that the chamber be requested to commit itself to tariff reform for Ireland and the rest of the empire, was also proposed and a resolution was passed.

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G. T. Pacific Loan.
LONDON, March 31.—The Bank of Montreal Grand Trunk Pacific loan of \$25,000, four per cent. first mortgage bonds, which are guaranteed by the Province of Saskatchewan, has been underwritten.

German Congo League.
HANOVER, Germany, March 31.—The German Congo League was organized here today. Its purpose is to promote the establishment of such negotiations in the Congo basin as are contemplated in the Berlin Congo Act of 1887.

Nanaimo Statistics.
NANAIMO, March 31.—Statistics for the month of March in Nanaimo district returns for Nanaimo district totaled \$7,137.12. During the month there were 20 births, 9 marriages and 16 deaths. Twenty mineral claims were recorded. Sixteen cases were dealt with in provincial police court and 18 cases in the city police court.

"Yellow Dog" Paid Well.
NEW YORK, March 31.—How well Buckley, accelerator of insurance legislation, and the late "Andy" Hamilton, former keeper of the life insurance "Yellow Dog," worked shoulder to shoulder oiling the legislative wheels at Albany for good and substantial consideration was brought out today at the evidence showed, received no less than \$5,999 from insurance companies in 1901.

SETTLERS WANT TRAIL BUILT

Cape Scott Residents Petition Government to Construct a Road from Cache Creek to Fisherman's Bay

Through the instrumentality of the Vancouver Island Development League a petition has been presented to the government from the settlers in the Cape Scott district asking that a trail over which horses can travel be constructed from Cache Creek to Fisherman's Bay. The government is at the present building a road from Shushar, the Cape Creek, and it is the intention of the settlers that the trail will run right across the northern side of the island. Hitherto the only means of communication in that district, for either mail or the bringing in of provisions, has been by gasoline launches. These have been lost, the last one going down, and resulting in the drowning of two persons. Since January 14th the last settlers of the Cape Scott district have been without mail, nor have they been able to get in their provisions. The district is peopled by four families and three single men. In the extreme northern end of the island there are 60,000 acres of good agricultural land, all of which is reserved for pre-emption. With each settler taking up 160 acres a population of from 300 to 400 could be supported in the district. Formerly there was a considerable settlement in that neighborhood, but through lack of transportation facilities it dwindled away. Now, according to information received in the district, a number of families from Idaho are ready to pre-empt the land and are ready to pre-empt the land and are ready to pre-empt the land.

In the district there is a good schoolhouse already built, and the establishment of a school is promised by the government. A large amount of the island is cleared, the soil being a good black loam capable of growing almost anything. Fish and game abound in the vicinity, which is described as a paradise for hunters and sportsmen.

New Mill for Kenora.
KENORA, March 31.—One hundred thousand dollars has been subscribed towards the capital of the Royal Canadian Flour Mills Co., who will erect a mill here of 5,000 barrels a day capacity.

Miners Killed by Explosion.
WILBURTON, Okla., March 31.—Six miners were killed here today by an explosion in the Great Western Coal and Coke company's mine No. 2. The explosion is supposed to have been the result of a shot going off prematurely.

Senate Amendment Objected to.
WASHINGTON, March 31.—Objections being made to an increase by the senate to the extent of \$25,000 of the appropriation under which the state department may increase trade relations, the diplomatic bill was sent back to conference by the house after all amendments except that one had been agreed to.

Ask Armour's Extradition.
NEW YORK, March 31.—Request papers for the extradition of J. Ogden Armour, of Chicago, who was recently indicted by the Hudson County, N. J., grand jury, for conspiracy in controlling the prices of meat products, were filed with Governor Fort at Trenton, N. J., today, by Prosecutor Garret of Jersey City.

LONDON, March 31.—The Western Land Company's profits last year were £485 sterling. The sales amounted to £471 acres, for which £7,813 sterling was obtained. The average price per acre for the year was £16.5, while the cost per acre was £11.84. The large coal field in the vicinity of the company's lands. New capital will be provided for.

WATERBURY, N. Y., March 31.—That is the intention of the international paper company to make a permanent record of the striking paper resolution adopted yesterday by the board of directors and sent to the various directors have arranged to purchase a large coal field in the vicinity of the company's lands. New capital will be provided for.

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POSTPONE ACTION ON TRAMWAY TANGLE

Provincial Government Still Has Under Consideration the Petition for the Reservoir Commission

Owing to the absence from the city of one of the ministers, Hon. Price Billson, who does not return until today from his Easter visit to his home in the Okanagan valley, consideration of the petition for the Reservoir Commission has been postponed until the next full meeting of the cabinet, which is set for the 12th instant. It is, however, learned in relation to this matter of so very great importance not only to Vancouver and its environs but to the entire province, that the opinion of Attorney-General Bower differs widely from that of Mr. L. G. McPhillips, K. C., who as counsel for the interested company, at the last meeting of the executive, some consideration was given to the petition, and that his clients have full authority under section 41 of the Tramways Act to build and operate lines in any part of the province during an indeterminate period and without compulsory consultation with interested local bodies. A decision as to the tenure of the company's franchise in Hastings townsite and the adjacent D. L. 101 is now confidently expected at the next regular meeting.

Another matter which it had been thought would be brought before the executive yesterday but was not, was in respect to the petition delivered to the premier on Tuesday evening last, in which certain citizens of the capital urge the appointment of a second Royal Commission, this one to make investigations particularly as to the responsibility for the Smith's Hill reservoir blundering, but with elastic powers the exact nature of which would seem to be somewhat indefinitely suggested even to the petitioners themselves. The prayer of the petition is still receiving consideration by the premier, and a decision may be looked for within the ensuing few days. While Hon. Mr. McPhillips, pending consideration of the matter, has nothing whatever to say, it would appear to be a very general impression that this commission will not be granted, it being felt that the city must obtain a very large amount of detrimental advertising. The city council, too, which must be taken as placed in the majority of the city, is of the opinion that the city must obtain a very large amount of detrimental advertising. The city council, too, which must be taken as placed in the majority of the city, is of the opinion that the city must obtain a very large amount of detrimental advertising.

She Will Balloon.
BERLIN, March 31.—Dorothea von Ende, the wife of a retired major living at Wiesbaden, has applied for and received a balloonist's license. She is the eighth officially qualified German woman balloonist, and although she took up ballooning only a year ago, is already the holder of eighteen different accredits.

He Joked With Corpses.
LONDON, March 31.—The story of a man who joked with a corpse was old at Grimby at an inquest on Joseph Curry, who committed suicide by hanging himself at the Prince of Wales theatre during the performance of "The Gay Lord Roderick."

William Steers, the theatre watchman, said that in making his rounds towards the capital at midnight he came across a man half upright in the carpenter's shop. Thinking it was one of the stage hands trying to give a trick upon him, he commenced joking with the man, but, receiving no answer, went closer and found that the man was hanging dead from a rafter, his feet just clear of the ground.

Deceased, who was a brother of the managing director of the theatre, had been addicted to drink. The jury decided that he committed suicide while of sound mind.

Wins Huge Lottery, Prize.
PARIS, March 31.—M. Bonnard, a salesman of the handkerchief department of one of the great Paris stores, has won the \$100,000 prize in the French state lottery. After taking of his fellow shop assistants, M. Bonnard had a presentiment that, following the common superstition that another person is lucky, got a friend to buy him another ticket. As he was home the other morning to walk to the railway station, as he had one of the lottery tickets, he found himself opened it and found himself the winner of \$100,000. That morning M. Bonnard, and arriving at the railway station, handed in his resignation at the handkerchief counter. Since then he has disappeared, the show of the lottery prizes, M. Bonnard has married and has a little boy of eight.

Goldwin Smith and Disraeli.
The name of Professor Goldwin Smith, who is reported to have sustained a serious leg accident in Canada, should have been a warning to the interest for Englishmen. Something of the forty years ago Prof. Smith was Regius Professor of History at Oxford. He was also an ardent politician of advanced Liberal views, and a friend of Disraeli.

For some reason or another he came the pet aversion of Disraeli, and to others to him as leaving the Old World in mistletoe hopes of being better appreciated in the New. Disraeli, who also nicknamed him the "wild man of the west."

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Dr. McPhee of Eslington is opening a drug store at Kitislaas.

Work has begun for the reconstruction of the Whitehorse shipyards.

Chilliwack's board of trade is latest organization of the kind to undertake a publicity campaign.

The Bank of Montreal will erect a reinforced concrete building in Eslington by this summer.

F. E. Tiley has been appointed a clerk at Penticton at a monthly salary of \$50.

A private telephone system for the police department has been installed in New Westminster.

The Fraser River Mills propose large improvements during the coming summer involving an expenditure of \$250,000.

T. E. Crowell has been awarded a contract to build a \$15,000 residence for R. C. Buchanan, of the Bank of Montreal, on his ranch at Long Lake.

The C. P. R. is making arrangements to have its present station premises at Kamloops moved back 100 feet from the present main track.

The marriage of Mr. Frank Porter of Cobble Hill, and Miss M. B. Rougher of Dunsmuir, was solemnized last night at a few days ago.

Mr. J. A. Mara has sold to the city of Kamloops a block of waterfront property which will be used as a river side park. The price paid was \$4,000.

Out of respect for the late registrar G. W. Chisholm there will be no sitting of the County Court at Chilliwack until May 5th.

F. W. Walker, for the past few months acting divisional superintendent of the P. C. R. at Nelson, has been appointed instructor of new rules at Vancouver.

Nanaimo residents, regardless of political affiliations, approve the appointment of the late registrar G. W. Chisholm as the new sheriff of the County of Nanaimo. The sixteen candidates for the office.

Vancouver's health committee has decided to take no action respecting the proposed new hospital outside the city, holding that responsibility here is provincial.

Baron Daisuke Kitchin of the Imperial Japanese University at Tokyo, and ex-minister of education in the Japanese Government, is to be the guest of the Canadian Club of Vancouver at a luncheon on Tuesday next.

J. Dewar, the man under the bed of Prince Rupert, who was captured while intimidating a lady hotel boarder with a brace of revolvers, has decided to take a speedy trial.

Immigration to Nelson and the surrounding district promises to be exceptionally heavy during the coming season. Every mail from the Old West brings inquiries to the secretary of the Nelson Board of Trade.

New Westminster celebrated the opening of the trans-Strasfer bridge with a free traffic bridge with a torchlight procession and speeches by Mayor Lee, Mr. J. D. Taylor, M. P., Mr. Lee, Mr. McKenzie, M. P., and a number of others.

Vancouver's city council has authorized Mayor Taylor to apply to the Attorney-General for a writ of mandamus to compel the city council to employ certain real estate speculators in subdividing and offering for sale property outside the city limits not suitable for the purposes for which they had been advertised.

The bar of the Inverness Hotel at Vancouver, which is the property of the license commissioners of the Provincial City until full investigation has been made of the circumstances of the death of Amel Shihben, who died after a fall from the bar while allegedly in a semi-intoxicated condition.

In connection with the retirement from the Provincial service upon superannuation of Mr. J. M. Macdonald, chief clerk in the Land Registry Office, Vancouver, a speech was made by the retiring official, and a testimonial of their friendship and esteem, accompanied by a beautiful silver loving cup.

James Percy Robertson, a C. P. R. brakeman, fell from a freight train near Golden a day or so ago, his left leg and left arm being caught by the cruel wheels and severed from the body. The unfortunate man was taken to the hospital at Golden, but succumbed to his injuries a few hours later.

Captain A. Cameron of the steamer New Era has been committed for trial at Vancouver on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of engineer Bramwell on February 26th. Trouble occurred between the steamer and the tugboat, and the tugboat was struck by the steamer, but the engineer was drowned.

Whether an injunction will be sought by New Westminster to prevent the Vancouver Power Company from prosecuting its work at Coquitlam Lake, pending a ruling on the ownership of the land in dispute, will depend upon the length of time it will take before the case reaches the Exchequer Court, according to the statement of Mayor Lee of the Royal City.

A coroner's jury at Vancouver has found that Koji Kato, the Japanese boy killed by a tramcar on Thursday last, met death by accident, while expressing the opinion that the driver of the car might have been avoided had the car been better equipped. The practice was no other than that of riding bicycles being permitted to "hang on" to cars in motion.