



Rev. Dr. David G. McQueen, of Edmonton, the youngest and only surviving brother of Mr. McQueen, was also present at the funeral. In connection with Mr. James McQueen's passing, it is worth while recalling that as late as 1912 there were four brothers of the family present as Elders or minister at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church held at Edmonton. They formed a notable group. Dr. D. G. McQueen, who was Moderator of the General Assembly that year, as noted above, is the only one of the four brothers now surviving. It happened that the editor of this Magazine attended that Assembly—even then we foresaw that in

many ways the interests of the great grain-growing Province of "Sunny Alberta" and those of the Province of British Columbia, would become inseparable—and at the time we had a picture made of Dr. McQueen in his Moderator's robes, which picture it seems opportune to reproduce here. Dr. McQueen is well known throughout the province of Alberta, and indeed in the whole Canadian West, as one of the Western Canadian Presbyterian pioneers.

Having been the youngest of a family of ten, Dr. McQueen is considerably the junior of the brother regard for whom brought him back to Vancouver for the funeral within a fortnight after his return to Edmonton from the Coast.

—D. A. C.

A POEM

A Poem should be like a spring
With a pellucid beauty fraught,
Where to the mind's eye words may bring
The depth and clearness of the thought;
Or like a clear on-flowing stream,
Its pebbled banks with moss o'ergrown,
With shady pools and moonlight gleam,
And with music of its own.

—EDWIN ENOCH KINNEY

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The New President of Vancouver Institute

The Vancouver Institute, organized some years ago, is now one of the leading institutions in the city under the auspices of which lectures on various literary, scientific and other subjects, have been given on Thursday evenings during the winter months in the Physics Room of the buildings at present used by the University.

The lectures are usually of a popular as well as educational kind, and the attendance has often so crowded the available accommodation that it has sometimes been cause for regret that it was not possible to arrange to have them given in a larger and more central hall.

Mr. W. R. Dunlop, who is the president of the Institute for the 1924-25 season, is well known in Vancouver literary circles. Like many other men prominent in the life of Western Canada, Mr. Dunlop was born in Scotland, his father having been a minister of the Presbyterian Church there.

Before he came to Canada the new president was twenty-one years in Natal, South Africa, and in Durban took an active interest in the changes and developments preceding and following the war of 1899-1902. In view of his activities in recent years in connection with Vancouver Debating League, of which he was latterly president for several years, it is not surprising to learn that he was for two years honorary secretary of "Durban Political Association," and that he took part there in the pre-Union agitation in 1909-1910, and saw Union established. His travelling experiences in that part of the world include the circling of the African continent several times—going out by the West coast and homeward by the East.

He came to Vancouver city in 1912, and, following his appearance in debating circles, he has earned a position for himself as a lecturer on literary and historical themes. He was one of the many litterateurs whom Mr. R. W. Douglas, until recently Librarian at the Carnegie Public Library, invited to contribute to the Saturday evening lecture programmes; and he has also lectured with much acceptance before Vancouver Scottish Society, Shakespeare Society, Women's Educational Clubs, Vancouver Institute, etc. Naturally he is frequently in demand at Burns banquets to propose the "Immortal Memory" of Robert Burns.

Mr. Dunlop's own lectures reveal wide reading on his part and a pains-taking research affecting his subject, and his expository gifts are supplemented by the rare ability to sing as well as lecture, and, as a consequence, he himself sometimes gives appropriate illustrations in song in the course of his lectures.

As BRITISH COLUMBIA MONTHLY readers must have observed, he has occasionally been a valued contributor to this magazine, and such an article as that under "The Old Academy" must have had a general as well as a particular appeal to all who cherish memories of school days.

A well-practised speaker and a cultured gentleman, Mr. Dunlop may be relied upon to keep up the status of Chair-



MR. W. R. DUNLOP,