NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

VEGREVILLE.

Bulletin Special.

J. J. Stanton has leased A. M. Thompson's building on the corner of Main street and First avenue and will handle farm machinery. Mr. Thompson retains the Sawyer Massey agency.

Herrach, the fancy skater, appeared on the local rink and performed some good stunts.

On Sunday, the 7th inst., a memorial service to the memory of the late Mrs. David McFarlane was held in the school house at Warwick. Preaching from Philippians 1:23, W. T. Crowl said: "Those of you who were present at the funeral service in this place on Friday could not help being impressed with the spontaneous grief manifested by every member of that assemblage at the loss the community had suffered in the unexpected removal of one who by her gentle, kindly and unselfish nature had endeared herself to all who knew her. From her training as a school teacher she possessed the art of anticipating what would be conducive to the happiness of the young people of this settlement, who always received a warm welcome to her home. The deepest sympathy was extended to Mr. David McFarlane in this the hour of his irreparable loss, for it was a household word, David McFarlane's devotion, attachment and tender care for his wife."

In conclusion the speaker said: "And it came to pass that the manly arms of those who knew her best should be called upon to carry hence towards yonder lonely hill the precious dust of a devoted wife, a loving mother, a kindly neighbor and friend. Side by side with her little child she now lies, and over their graves the prairie grasses will wave and flowers shall blossom in the summer's sun, the willows will sing to the playing of the winds and the fowls of the air with harmonious notes shall join in sweetest melody. Mid signts and sounds as these we lay in sleep our beloved dead until the day break and the shadows flee away."

Vegreville, March 11.

GLENFORD.

Bulletin News Service.

One of the features of social life in the northwest is what is known as "surprise parties." Such was the nature of a gathering held on Saturday, February 27th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, tp. 55, sec. 22 The people of Glenford and district had arranged to "surprise" Mr. Smith in celebration of his birthday, and about forty people gathered for the occasion. After greetings had been exchanged and refreshments partaken of the evening was spent in mutual enjoyment. Familiar songs were rendered, selections were given on the gramophone, and games were participated in until midnight. Rev. R. Clegg was present at the gathering, being on his way to Glenford for the Sunday's appointment. Realizing that owing to the late hour, many of the friends would probably return home, attendance at the service at Glenford on Sunday morning would be somewhat inconvenient, he suggested that service should be held before the people separated. This suggestion was heartily agreed to by all the friends and consequently at midnight service was conducted.

Glenford, March 9.

RED DEER.

Bulletin News Service.

Recent arrivals to our town and district include Mrs. Cornett from visiting friends in Ontario; Mrs. M. A. Mumro and children, after spending the winter in the east; H. Main, of the Bank of Commerce, who was called east on account of his father's illness; J. R. Golden, of Windsor, Ont.; and Percy Kent and Leonard Hornett, back from England.

W. Wright, formerly accountant, has been promoted manager of the Imperial Bank here, and Mr. A. H. Weaver, of Prince Albert, has taken the position of accountant.

At a convention of the Socialists in the Red Deer riding, Donald McClure was unanimously selected as the Socialist candidate. Mr. McClure is a well-known farmer of this district. A platform was drawn up and meetings arranged for throughout the constituency, as the party purpose putting up a strong fight in the coming campaign.

There was a large crowd present at the Liberal smoker last night in the Alexandria Hall, when addresses were given by Messrs. Biggar and Parlee, of Edmonton, and P. J. Nolan, of Calgary, in support of Mr. Moore and the Rutherford government.

The new lending and reference library in connection with Dr. George's museum is now open. It comprises about 500 volumes. Those which will be lent to subscribers consist of over 200 volumes of the most popular books of the day, consisting of encyclopaedias, Bible dictionaries, many historical volumes, works on natural history, biographies, etc. The terms will be $1 a year subscription and 5c per volume for each week.

On Wednesday evening the best carnival of the season was held in the rink here. The ice was covered with young and old in every kind of costume imaginable. Probably the most interesting feature was a football game with brooms on the ice, between two teams of the business men of the town. Following is a line up of the teams:

Coote's Team—W. Talbot, goal; W. T. Coote, point; H. L. Gaetz, cover point; L. J. Porter, centre; Mr. English, right wing; Pat Murphy, left wing; J. Roughton, rover.

Hambley's team — S. McKenzie, goal; B. Macleveen, point; W. Wilson, cover point; W. McKinnon, centre; C. E. Hall, right wing; I. Hambley, left wing; H. Huskin, rover.

No goals were scored, but the spectators decided that Coote's team won on points.

Red Deer, March 13.

ONOWAY.

Bulletin News Service.

Jacob Rutherford, of Glenford, has been appointed commisioner of oaths.

Last Monday many people in Onoway and district were disappointed when on calling at the post office they were greeted with the exclamation, "No mail." This had come about through the alteration in the Lac Ste. Anne postal service which is now three times per week and consequently not working in with the regular mail days here, Monday and Friday.

A meeting of the school trustees was held on Monday. The delegate to the convention at Strathcona gave his report. Tenders were received for cutting firewood, 20 cords, and it was decided to paint the school as soon as the materials could be got together.

A meeting of the Liberals of Onoway was called on Wednesday afternoon at the post office to elect delegates to the convention to be held at Lac Ste. Anne. W. P. Beaupre and James Priestley were appointed chairman and secretary, respectively, and were selected delegates to the convention.

Onoway, March 10.

WINTERBURN.

Bulletin News Service.

Among the new arrivals in this section this spring is Mrs. R. J. McLellan, of Dundas, Ont., who has come to spend the summer with her two sons, Robert and John. Mrs. McLellan spent a few weeks with her sons last year and was very much taken with this district. Her boys have a fine half section, and they intend extending their farm operations considerably this coming season.

Mr. Ernest Webbourne, who left home last fall, owing to ill health, to stay for a while in the Hawaiian Islands, has entered the large mercantile establishment of his uncle in Honolulu. He sends back glowing accounts of his present surroundings and will likely remain permanently in his present situation.

Winterburn, Mar. 11.

VEGREVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.

A splendid reception was given Senator Talbot, Friday evening, in the Town Hall. The spacious hall was fairly well filled. On the platform were C. Gordon, president of the local Liberal Association; G. Robertson, president of Vegreville constituency Liberal Association; J. J. Stanton, ex-president of the Farmer's Association; A. E. Russell, J. H. Goodwin and T. Sharlebois. Mr. Russell, the first speaker, drew comparisons between Alberta and Nova Scotia, and though a new man in the West he heartily endorsed the educational policy of the government and thought it compared favorably with any other province in the Dominion. He dealt with the compensation act and showed from a legal standpoint how it would work out satisfactorily. Mr. Stanton, as an old-timer, took up and discussed the settlement of the country, the hardships the pioneers underwent and the vast improvements made on roads and bridges by the Rutherford administration. Mr. Clements, another old-timer, spoke on the advancement made in education. Mr. Robertson in a forceful speech endorsed the policy of the Rutherford administration and declared that irrespective of party, the people should return it to power. Dr. Goodwin took up the Red Deer platform. He handled the subject very satisfactorily. Mr. Balaam, secretary of the Farmers' Association, was called for and rose amidst cheering and stated that it was reported that he was going to support Mr. Fine, the Conservative candidate, but it was wrong. He could not go back on Jim Holden and would vote for him and support him. Senator Talbot upon rising to his feet was given a fine reception which lasted for some minutes. The Senator was in fine form and after a few preliminary remarks launched out on the land question. The arguments advanced were new to many. The Senator explained how the lands in the North West were acquired by the Dominion Government by purchase from the Hudson Bay Co. If the Provinces had the control of the lands the system of free grants to the settlers would have to cease. The Province could not afford to give the land away for nothing, while the Dominion Government could. The Dominion Government could afford to spend millions of dollars in giving the lands away. Every new citizen paid some customs duties on the clothes he wore, the food he consumed, or the implements or tools he used. In that way every citizen of this country was a source of wealth to the Dominion Government.

If the Province had the land the free grant would have to cease, the settlement of the west would be checked and the prosperity of the whole of Canada would be retarded. If the Province had the land there would be no large annual grants of money in lieu of the lands. So, in order to get the large sums of money needed for schools, roads and bridges, we would have to sell the lands. Speculators would thus get the land and when the actual settlers wanted to purchase they would have to pay dearly for it. So long as the Dominion government continued the Liberal policy of "the land for the settler," then it was by far the best for the Province, and for the whole of Canada that the present system be continued. Again, if the Province administered the land the Dominion government would have to abandon its immigration policy. Each province would have to have its immigration department. This would lead to disunion, would cause confusion and would retard settlement in the west. The Senator maintained that any literature that was intended to induce settlers to come to Western Canada should be Canadian literature, that any agents sent out to induce settlers to come here should be Canadian agents, and above all the settlers brought here should be encouraged to become Canadian citizens.

The Senator concluded by stating that the Dominion Government had a revenue from the lands, timbers and coal of Alberta of a little more than $700,000 but the disbursement in connection with the same lands, timbers and coal was over $800,000 yearly. So that the Dominion Government loses $100,000 yearly in administrating these lands.

The arbitration case over the windmill at Roses stable was argued before Magistrate Clements at the police barracks, Saturday. The Russian, who ran against the mill is to pay the cost of replacing it, as it was through negligence in leaving his team untied that cused the accident.

R. L. Hughson has returned from Ontario bringing back with him a registered shire stallion. He bought the animal from Drury & Son, Charing Cross, Ont., paying the handsome sum of $2,000. The animal is a light bay and will be four years old in June. He took eight first prizes including two at the Western fair at London. His dam took first prize for the sweepstakes at Buffalo.

Vegreville, March 13.

RAY.

Bulletin News Service.

Wilfrid Gariepy, of Edmonton, and Omer St. Germaine, Morinville, addressed a large meeting in the Schoolhouse on Thursday evening, when political questions were discussed. There were representatives from St. Albert, Riviere Qui Barre, Morinville, and Villeneauf, and the surrounding country. Mr. A. McDonald was chairman of the meeting.

The farmers are now busy hauling grain to the McLeod.

William Glenn, who is now visiting in South Dakota, is expected back shortly.

Angus McDonald is now busy hauling material for construction of a big barn, which he intends building up this spring.

It is believed that "The Alberta North Western" is surveyed to pass through Ray, at all events pretty close to it.

Mr. McGillis is boring for water. He went down 300 feet and struck an abundant supply of water. In boring he went through two layers of coal, one of 10 feet and the other 5 feet. The 10 feet seam was struck at 160 feet.

John Angus McLay has just returned from Macleod.

Ray, March 13.

WABAMUN.

Bulletin News Service.

The Wabamun branch of the Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform League held its annual meeting on Monday evening. The officers elected were: President, W. K. Shields; vice-president, Mr. Alfred Root; secretary-treasurer, Mr. S. W. Eakins, B.A.; education committee, Mr. D. H. Lent, Rev. Leversedge and Rev. W. E. S. James. The meeting decided to urge the annual convention of the league in Wetaskiwin this month to endeavor to obtain from the government a law making the requirement for getting a liquor license the same as is now in vogue for abolishing it. The question of supporting a temperance candidate was discussed.

Next Sunday the Methodist services of the district will be taken by Rev. F. W. H. Armstrong, B.A., of Stoney Plain, Last Wednesday, Rev. C. W. Campbell, D.D., secretary of the Alberta auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society, held a meeting in the Wabamun School-house. A Wabamun Society of the Stoney Plain branch was formed and Mr. Alfred Root elected as representative on the executive.

D. H. Lent held a political meeting in Dunn's Hall on Saturday night.

W. Scovil transacted business in Wabamun this week and left, with Archie Ogilvie, on Monday for his tie camp on the Athabasca River. Mr. Scovil is deputy returning officer for the most westerly polling station.

Mrs. Francey returned on Saturday last from a very enjoyable three months' trip to Cobourg, Ontario.

Peter Gunn held a political meeting in Wabamun in Dunn's Hall, Tuesday night. Mr. Nixon addressed the meeting.

Mr. Rathbun, of Deseronto, and Mr. Franklin, of Edmonton, visited town on business this week.

T. Doyle, barber, left on Wednesday to visit his old home in Nichols, Michigan.

Wabamun, March 10.

BLACKFALDS.

Bulletin News Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmer left last Friday for Fort William, Ontario, where they will make their home.

J. Ennis returned Saturday from Manitoba, where he has spent the winter with friends.

Robert Golightly returned from Armstrong, B.C., where he has been for the last year.

Rev. A. D. Richards, of Stettler, preached at the Methodist Church Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Bowen, of this place, filled his pulpit in Stettler and delivered a lecture on Monday evening on the Bermuda Islands. Rev. Mr. Marks, of this place, is assisting in revival meetings near Ponoka this week. Mr. Yeo, from Manitoba, is staying a few days at the home of A. A. Woodle, west of town.

Miss Ada Brown and Miss Margaret Hill were visiting and shopping in Lacombe Thursday.

Mrs. Fisher and family left Monday to join her husband at Armstrong, B.C.

Blackfalds, March 11.

WABAMUN.

Bulletin News Service.

Mrs. F. Pegorim started last Monday for a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. S. Morton, in Edmonton.

Wabamun is again without a tonsorial artist, Mr. Doyle having taken his departure for Edmonton on Wednesday last.

The advance guard of pleasure boats for the local beautiful lake arrived last Tuesday, when Fred Good's fine gasolene launch was brought here. It is rumored that Lorne York will purchase the boat. Several other boats are scheduled to arrive from Edmonton before the sleighing disappears.

J. H. Morris and friends are having a large house-boat built, in which they expect to enjoy all the pleasures of home on Wabamun lake the coming season.

Mr. Fuller, of Mewassin, has bills out for an auction on his place on April 1.

There was a well attended and very enthusiastic meeting in the interest of Peter Gunn, held at Dennis' hall last Tuesday evening. On Thursday evening a similar meeting was held at Rexboro. If one can judge from appearances, Mr. Gunn will be almost the unanimous choice of the electors of the district. Mr. Gunn has long been a faithful and successful worker in the best interests of the district, and is endowed with a genial, whole-souled personality which makes and keeps all his acquaintances warm friends and ardent supporters.

Wabamun, March 15th.

VIKING.

Bulletin News Service.

A very successful box social was held in the Thompson hall last night in aid of the band. There was a large attendance and a very pleasant evening was spent.

The band under the direction of Bandmaster Hilliker is making good progress and residents expect to hear some delightful music in the near future.

Contractor Thorpe is making good progress with the Viking Hotel. This will be one of the finest hotels on the line, large, roomy, beautifully furnished and equipped with all conveniences. Manager Peacock expects to open up about the 5th of April.

Contractors Coombs and MacDougall are putting up a fine new store for Mr. Campbell, who expects to open up 1st of April. Mr. Campbell's store will be 36 by 60, with dressmaking and millinery rooms upstairs.

The hockey boys are giving a dance on the 17th of March.

The Viking drug store has opened up a new drug store.

Viking has every line of business well represented. There are one good hotel, two hardwares, four general stores, two drug stores, boot and shoemaker, harness shop, two implement dealers, two lumber yards, barber shop and pool room, two restaurants, laundry, two doctors and a livery stable.

Senator Talbot spoke here tonight to a large audience in the interest of J. B. Holden.

Viking, March 13th.

ARDROSSAN.

Bulletin News Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods of Clearwater spent a few days at the home of their neice, Mrs. Angus McKinnon, last week.

The enumerators for the coming elections have been out this week getting their lists ready. Geo. A. Clapp and Mr. E. O. Andrews were the workers in this district.

Mrs. Hanson returned home on Tuesday from British Columbia, where she has spent the past four months visiting her son. Her grandson accompanied her home.

C. Martin who has been freighting in the north, has returned to Mr. Pukelow's camp.

The regular meeting of the Literary Society was held at the home of Councillor Lackey on Wednesday. Despite the cold night, a very good number turned out. E. O. Andrews occupied the chair. The following program was rendered and was appreciated by everyone present: Opening chorus, "Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond," essay on the "Life and Works of Alfred (Lord) Tennyson;" reading, Cora W. Vance, "Lord Ludford;" solo, Councillor Lackey, "The Bridge;" reading, Rev. J. M. Fawcett, "The Charge of the Light Brigade;" reading, Miss L. R. Clapp, "A Welcome to Alexandra;" solo, J. M. Fawcett, "Somewhere," reading, Miss E. C. Lackey "Crossing the Bar."

On Wednesday night March 24th the society will meet at the home of Thomas Vance, and will be in charge of the social committee. The society will be at home to the members of the Brockville Glee Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Clapp spent a few days in the city this week visiting friends.

Mrs. Thos. Vance, who has been visiting relatives at Cobden, Ont., for the past three months, returned home on Thursday night. Mrs. Vance is not very well at present.

Mr. Fenton and Master Vernon Vance of Edmonton, called at the home of Mr. Thos. Vance on Thursday.

Rev. W. G. W. Perrine, field secretary, of the Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform League preached in East Clover Bar school house last Sunday morning. The address was, of course, on temperance and was very much appreciated by those who heard him.

A large dance was given on Friday night at the home of Mr. M. Hunton.

Miss Stitles of Leduc arrived on Thursday to spend a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. S. Beggs.

The debate in East Clover Bar school house on Thursday night between W. R. Ball and P. C. Hamilton on the subject of compulsory ball insurance was decided by open vote in favor of Mr. Ball. Mr. Hamilton made a good defence and would have won the debate had the audience not been worked up over Mr. Ball's eloquent address.

Ardrossan, March 13th.

MANSFIELD.

Bulletin News Service.

A meeting of enthusiastic Liberals was held today for the purpose of organizing a Young Liberal Association, in order to better rpepare to assist the Rutherford government on March 22nd. The meeting was called to order at 1.30 o'clock. E. C. Simmons was elected president of the association. He gave an extensive review of the progress of Alberta under Liberal Administration. As honorary presidents the following gentlemen were elected: Hon. Frank Oliver, Premier Rutherford, W. H. White and A. F. Walker.

Mansfield, March 16.

RYLEY.

Bulletin News Service.

Miss Jean Boyle, of Edmonton, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Goodall.

R. Pozer, returning officer, accompanied by Mrs. Pozer, were in town Friday.

W. Kennedy and J. Thorsley are on a business trip to Wetaskiwin and Taber.

Building operations are seriously handicapped by the scarcity of lumber.

Mrs. P. Feree and daughter arrived by Tuesday's stage from South Dakota.

Mrs. John Goodall returned from Edmonton Tuesday last accompanied by her sister.

Ben Bendickson went to Edmonton via Vegreville stage Monday.

J. McLeod was in Camrose Monday and Tuesday last week.

P. P. Kjosness, Jr., of Martins, was in town over Sunday.

Ryley hockey club goes to Bruce on Tuesday evening to play Bruce and Vegreville Wednesday.

The Ryley hockey club met Tofield at Tofield Wednesday last and gave them a surprise. By superior playing Ryley made the score 3 to Tofield's 1.

J. B. Holden, Liberal candidate in Vegreville, gave an address to a large audience here on Saturday on the issues of the present campaign. About sixty electors were present. A review of the work he has accomplished shows he has been alive to the wants of his constituents. The telephone will be here this spring. Roads will be built north, south, east and west.

Ryley, March 15th.

SION.

Bulletin News Service.

On Friday the 5th inst. a well attended meeting was held at the residence of Mr. F. Cozens, of the supporters of Mr. McKenny, convened for the purpose of electing five delegates to attend the convention to be held at Manola on the 10th inst. when the following were duly elected delegates: F. Cozens, J. A. McDonald, S. E. Harold, Ben Priestley and H. Parkes.

At the Sion Hall on Monday, the 8th inst., was held a meeting in support of Mr. McKenney's candidature, and notwithstanding the short notice given, of this meeting there was an extraordinarily large attendance of electors, about seventy being present. W. Hodgkinson was elected chairman of the meeting and at once explained the reason of this hastily called meeting. Rumor had it that Mr. McKenney was not a government candidate, but that Mr. O'Connor was the government candidate, which as the chairman put it, seemed rather "queer," and it was considered the best way to clear the atmosphere by having Mr. McKenney's explanation of the whole affair. The chairman read telegrams and sworn testamentary evidence that the report was a false one; that Mr. O'Connor was not the government candidate, and that Mr. McKenney was and had the full support in as far as that could be given, of the Rutherford government and who wished him success.

Mr. McKenney then addressed the meeting saying how surprised he was at the statements made by his friend Mr. O'Connor and his supporters, and that he himself had no intention otherwise than contesting the constituency on his own personal merits if they considered him not a fit and proper person to represent them, then send him going; but, on the other hand, if they considered that he had faithfully carried out the trust imposed upon him at the last election and which he had faithfully tried to do, then he asked the electors to return him again to the Alberta Legislative Assembly as their member. (Applause, and "We'll do it.")

Mr. McKenney further endorsed what he had said when he last addressed the electors at Sion, that the district should shortly have the telephone service, that the roads and bridges would be but in as far as the Alberta Government funds would allow; it could not all be done in a single year, but took time, but that everything would be done as speedily as possible, and he also said the railway near as would be started this year.

Sion, March 8.

PADDLE RIVER.

Bulletin News Service.

The new Government truss bridge over the Paddle is under construction. It is being placed on the site of the previous structure, on the Klondyke trail, and should prove a great boon, not alone to the settlers of this district, but also to those further north.

Paddle River is to have an up-to-date social hall at an early date. A frame building will be erected, and work is to commence at once. The following officers have been elected in connection with the undertaking: President, A. W. Smith; secretary-treasurer, D. G. O'Brien; committee, S. Hately, A. Fothergill, P. Auld, R. Crichlow, work foreman, D. McGibbon.

A political meeting for the purpose of selecting delegates for the Liberal convention was held at H. Crichlow's store on March 8. H. Hately and F. Speck were chosen in H. W. McKenney's interest.

A. Tuttle and H. Pare are at present freighting goods from Edmonton for their new store.

Paddle River, March 8th.

WETASKIWIN.

Bulletin News Service.

The concert given by the Wetaskiwin amalgamated choir on March 5th was largely attended, and the program rendered by the choir, under the direction of Claude Hughes, was greatly appreciated. The choir are practising the "Crucifixion," which will be given on Good Friday. The programme given at the concert Friday night was as follows: "God Save the King," "O Gladsome Light" (Sullivan), "Jesu, Word of God" (Gounod), "God is a Spirit" (Bennett), "Daughter of Jairus" (Stainer), "Te Deum in F" (Smart), "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel), "Abide With Me" (Monk), "Sevenfold Amen" (Stainer).

Miss Lila Dickson, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. L. Stidson, returned on Thursday afternoon to her home in Winnipeg.

The lecture given in the Alexandra School Assembly Hall on Friday evening by Professor Alexander, of Strathcona University, was greatly appreciated by those who attended. Several musical numbers were rendered during the evening. Miss Redden and Miss Grace Spencer opened the programme by playing an instrumental duet, which was well received. Mr. T. W. Hogg also delighted his hearers by singing "My Ain Folk." The last number was a ladies' quartette, "Spring Song," exceptionally well rendered by Miss Kolb, Miss Dudgean, Mrs. Horner and Miss Redden.

G. H. West left Friday afternoon for a short business trip to the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Henwood, of Edmonton, are guests at the home of J. H. D. Benson, Beatrice street.

Mr. Marshall, of Bachellor, Marshall & Co., of Calgary, was in the city the first of last week, with a view of tendering on any cement walks the council intend laying this summer.

J. W. Hey spent Sunday in the city.

J. Gainer & Co. have sold their business block on Railway street to W. J. MacNamara.

Mr. Haddin, of the engineering firm of Galt & Smith, met the city council on Wednesday last relative to his firm undertaking the construction of the water works and sewerage systems. Mr. Galt, the senior member of the firm, will be here in a few days, when it is probable satisfactory arrangements can be completed and work started at once.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gleeson left on Wednesday for Vancouver, where they will reside in future.

H. G. Neelands, former resident of this district, but now of Nelson, B.C., is renewing acquaintances here.

Mr. Carroll is completing the audit of the city books for 1908 and will have the work completed in a few days.

C. E. Compton and H. J. Montgomery made a business trip to Daysland on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKinley arrived in the city on Thursday and are receiving the congratulations of his many friends.

Mrs. Hugh Balsillie, of Sedgewick, is visiting at the home of her father, W. H. Eggleston.

Miss Kate Burgar, of Edmonton, spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Rubbra and son and Miss Ada Legge have returned from a three months' visit to Ontario.

J. F. Fowler has returned from a business trip to Winnipeg and has purchased the interests of his partner, T. G. Brun, who is retiring from the business.

A man named Brown expired very suddenly Friday morning at the Alberta Hotel. The cause of his death was Bright's disease. Up to this time the authorities have not been able to find any relatives.

A political meeting in the interests of J. G. Anderson, independent candidate, was held in Angus Hall on Friday evening and was largely attended. In the absence of the Liberal candidate, C. H. Olin, A. S. Rosenroll represented his interests at the meeting, which was presided over by M. E. O'Brien.

The addition of schoolroom, which is being added to the Presbyterian Church is nearing completion and will be ready for use by Easter. The building is 18 x 30 and is being built by Mr. Rintoul.

The Alberta Musical Festival, to be held in Edmonton on May 4th and 5th, is being looked forward to with joy. A number have expressed their intention of going, and it is probable that there will be a number of competitors enter from here.

Two rinks of Edmonton curlers came down this morning and are playing a series of matches with local rinks.

Wetaskiwin, March 15th.

NOT LANDSCAPE GARDENERS.

Hat Trimmers Refuse to Work on New Peach Basket Hats.

New York, March 13.—Those enormous inverted peach basket hats with the vast quantities of "Garden sass" trimmings, including everything known to millinery horticulture, are responsible for a strike. The strikers are he hat trimmer of an establishment in this city, and here are sixty of them. They were employed to trim hats from models at $2.25 a dozen and until yesterday was satisfied with these rates.

But when the rates were made the peach basket headgear had not reached America. All the girls were at work when the proprietor of the shop entered the room, bearing aloft one of the new garden truck "creations" from Paris. He told the girls they would have to get to work trimming hat alike that. They protested, saying they were hat trimmers, not decorators or fruit stand arrangers. They demanded $2.50 a dozen for such hats. The proprietor was firm and the girls struck.

May Rebuild College.

St. John, N.B., March 16. The trustees of the Consolidated Agricultural School at Kingston, N.B., which was burned recently, will confer with Sir William MacDonald and Professor Robertson here on March 8. H. Hately and F. Speck were chosen in H. W. McKenney's interest.

A. Tuttle and H. Pare are at present freighting goods from Edmonton for their new store.

Paddle River, March 8th.

A CANARD FROM CANTON.

Report That Germany Intends to Seize British Islands in Pacific.

Canton, March 15.—A significant move of Germany's Pacific squadron has just come to light, which supports the warning that Great Britain should closely watch Germany's growing power in the Pacific. Late in February the cruiser Leipzig, the flagship of Admiral Koeper, left Manilla without the admiral, who, it is reported, with a force of men and seevral of the Leipzig's guns, secretly went on board a collier which quietly left Manilla laden with stores and a large flag pole.

The destination of the collier is unknown, but it is believed she is bound for some islands in the Pacific for purposes of annexation, the suspicion being that Germany intends extending her sphere of influence on the Pacific by raising her flag on some islands claimed by Great Britain.

VICTORY WITHIN THEIR GRASP.

Insurgents in Congress Lose By Democratic Revolt.

Washington, D.C., March 15.—The House of Representatives today re-elected Joseph H. Cannon, if Illinois, as speaker for the fourth consecutive term. With unimportant amendments the rules of the present Congress were adopted for the conduct of business during the sixty-first congress. The insurgent Republicans and their allies in the Democratic party were slaughtered in the fight to take from the speaker his autocratic power in the house by 21 Democratic bolters, led by John J. Fitzgerald, of New York. The insurgents went down to defeat with a final loss of one of their number, Stevenson, of Minnesota. Speaker Cannon will announce the new committee on ways and means tomorrow. It will consist of the present members with three new appointees to fill vacancies. The Payne tariff bill will be referred to the new committee by the old committee. It is expected to be reported out late Wednesday or Thursday. The contest over the adoption of the rules in the House today was the most spirited that has been seen in many years. Twice the Democrats and insurgents had victory in their grasp, only in the end to see it snatched from them by the Democratic revolt.

SUICIDE AT RED DEER.

Man Named Brooks Hanged Himself in a Barn.

Red Deer, March 13.—A man named George Brooks, about 25 years of age, employed by D. A. McKinnon a few miles east of Red Deer, committed suicide today by hanging himself in a barn during the absence of Mr. McKinnon. Coroner Dr. George was sent for and on his arrival there found the body still hanging. The coroner decided an inquest was not necessary after learning all the facts, as it is considered the man was not responsible for his actions. It is understood that he came from Newark, Ontario.

New Lodge of I.O.O.F.

Schriober, March 16.—A new lodge of the Independent Oddfellows was instituted here tonight. A special car from Port Arthur and Fort William assisted at the initiatory ceremonies.

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LACOMBE JUDGING COMPETI

One of the most interesting f of the short course school at L conducted by the provincial ment of agriculture was the competitions which marked th ing of the school on Saturday.

The grain judging, which o all morning, was conducted by srs. Hutton, MacKillican and B son. The grains judged were and winter wheats, oats and There was also a competit identification of weed seeds. ternoon was taken up by the c tions in live stock judging. B dairy cattle were first judge the students taking dairy cat the other half beef, twenty being allowed for judging and the reasons for their placings.

The cattle for beef judging kindly loaned by Mr. Palmer ford breeder of Lacombe, and excellent specimens. The dairy were loaned by Mr. White, th stein breeder, also of Lacomb sent in three very choice you of that breed. These were so quality, size and conformation was no easy matter to place Mr. Geddes was in charge of t and Mr. Craig of the dairy c tion.

Afetr the cattle came the lig heavy horses, which were jud the same way by dividing t dents and changing them abo

The light horses were loa Messrs. Hutton and Scott a heavy horses by Mr. Hutton experimental farm, and were i class valuable animals. Mr. Wright, of De Winton, took ch these classes. After the judgi completed the students were d od to be at the old school hou o'clock and hear the results day's competitions, but the were so uniformly good that about 6 o'clock before the ex finished their arduous task an out who the winners were for ferent prizes.

Students Express Thank

This interval was occupied b speeches by the students. Es good were the addresses giv Messrs. Grant, Carman and Sr., who said they wanted to their hearty thanks to the depa for holding the short course combe; to the staff for their ing courtesy and painstaking and to the board of trade and of Lacombe for their generosity viding cheap transportation a commodation for students fro side points.

Dr. Sharp, the mayor of La presented the following award

A silver cup given by M. D. of Calgary for best judge of b tle was won by Leonard J. He Bowness, Calgary. When the had made the presentation the body of students gave the three hearty cheers.

O. Rosenberger, of Airdrie, ceived a silver cup given by Wright, of De Winton, for t judge of light and heavy hors

F. H. Duckett, of Lacombe, fortunate winner of two silve one given by Mr. Puffer, of L the local M.P.P., for the best grains, and also the one give J. Tregellus, of Calgary, for be of dairy cattle.

W. R. Winslow, of Lacom the recipient of the cup don year by Mr. Hutton to the lo cultural association open only dents residing within the a which the society operated, to be won twice before becom property of the winner. Mr. won it last year and is now t er.

Grand Challenge Troph

The grand challenge troph ted by the Lacombe board which has to be won three t fore becoming the property o ner, was this year won by A. of Red Deer, for receiving the number of marks for all the tions. He also received the go al which goes with the trop Harding, of Lacombe, rece silver medal for second larges gate of marks, and P. M. Ba of Lacombe, the bronze m third place. These medals w donated by the board of trade

Although those attending th ranged in age from youths j school to those well past mid it was noticeable that the were all young men, and so interesting facts in this co may be noted.

Leonard Hettall, winner of for judging beef cattle, is years of age and has only come to Canada from Lond land. He had never touche animal until he arrived at L in fact had hardly seen one came to this country, yet by course he was enabled to p cattle, and give his reasons ing so better than any of competitors, many owning lar of pure bred beef animals. majority having lived on their lives.

F. H. Duckett is a young attended the first day's lect did not intend to take all, he was unable to do so. He ever, so impressed with the what he learned, that he de take the entire course. He li distance from Lacombe, and he had to do his chores morn evenings he did not miss a s ture.

"It meant early rising and ing to bed, and I have bee late some mornings, but I w mined to get all I could o classes. I feel rather mean two cups when some of th have worked just as hard as and have none," was what M ett said on leaving the class

Young Men Are Winne

A. S. Ross is quite a young is going to do his very best to permanent owner of the pro holds this year. Mr. Ross warmly congratulated for th he has made.

O. Rosenberger is a young was only able to leave his h at Airdrie for one week, but