

Imperial or Dominion Parliament," he said, "has any power to abolish the commission that constitutes that tribunal. Three were appointed by the President of the United States and three by the King on the recommendation of the Governor-in-Council of Canada—that is, practically on the recommendation of the Canadian Government. They were appointed under terms of the Waterways Treaty, which was signed in 1909 and ratified in 1910, and one of its provisions is that the treaty shall remain in force for five years from the exchange of ratifications and thereafter until terminated by twelve months' notice by one or other of the high contracting parties. The treaty, therefore, remains in force at least until the year 1916, and the commission, which is an essential development of the treaty, also remains in existence until that year at least. The personnel of the commission, the individual members, may, of course, be changed at any time by the National authorities by whom they were appointed; but the commission itself rests upon the foundation of a solemn treaty entered into by the two countries and cannot be put out of existence until the treaty itself comes to an end."

Toronto, Ont.—A deputation from the district between St. Thomas and Windsor, representing all the cities and the municipalities, waited on Hon. Adam Beck and the Hydro-Electric Commission at the Parliament Buildings recently and advocated the southern route as near to the lake as possible as the most advantageous one for the route of the proposed transmission line that is to convey between 25,000 and 30,000 horse-power to the various municipalities between these two points. It is proposed to build an electric railway along the right of way. Hon. Adam Beck explained that three or four routes had been suggested, and that the most advantageous one would be selected.

Ottawa, Ont.—In view of the new loan and subsidy, which the Canadian Northern interests are now busy negotiating, and which the government is proposing to grant, the question was asked by A. K. Maclean, of Halifax, as to what amounts have been paid since August 28, 1912, by the minister of finance and the receiver-general to the Canadian Northern Company from the proceeds of the authorized loans. In answer to the question it was stated that from the date mentioned until March 20, the Canadian Northern had received from the Dominion treasury \$6,901,991.25 from the proceeds of loans authorized in connection with their line from Montreal to Port Arthur. The maximum amount payable is \$35,000 per mile for 1,050 miles.

Winnipeg, Man.—The Canadian Domestic Engineering Company, Limited, announces the opening of a branch at Winnipeg, in the Alfred Building. The western manager is Frank W. Walker, M.E., of Winnipeg. Mr. Walker is a McGill graduate, and was formerly with Babcock & Wilcox Company, and more recently with the Transcona Shops.

PERSONAL.

DR. HARRIS LOGAN has been appointed medical health officer of Niagara Falls, Ont.

MR. ANGUS SMITH has resigned his position as city engineer of North Vancouver. His resignation will take effect at the end of April.

MR. HENRY JUNGEMAN, formerly with the Motive Power and Inspection Department of the Harriman Lines, has been appointed railway representative of the Tate-Jones & Company, Inc., of Pittsburg, Pa.

J. C. DUFRESNE, M.Can.Soc.C.E., M.Can.Mi.Inst., formerly of Penticton, B.C., is now associated with the consulting

firm of Cummins & Agnew, Vernon, B.C. Cummins & Agnew make a specialty of municipal and irrigation work.

ARTHUR H. BLANCHARD, M.Can.Soc.C.E., professor of Highway Engineering in Columbia University, on March 31st delivered an illustrated lecture on "Highway Engineering in Europe and America," before the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences.

MR. JOHN A. BENDEL, M.Am.Soc.C.E., New York State Engineer, Albany, N.Y., on March 20th delivered an illustrated lecture on "Inter-relationship of Highways, Waterways and Railways" before the graduate students in Highway Engineering at Columbia University.

JAMES COWIN, manager at Winnipeg for the C. A. P. Turner mushroom system of construction, has left Canada to take charge of Mr. Turner's affairs in Texas. A. W. Fosness and S. J. Sievers, both of Mr. Turner's head office at Minneapolis, have taken charge of the Winnipeg office.

MR. H. R. PARSONS, C.E., graduate of the University of Michigan, has been appointed city engineer of Peterborough, Ont. Mr. Parsons was for six years employed as assistant city engineer of Ottawa, being in charge of the construction of pavements, sewers and waterworks systems in that city.

W. J. WELLER, provincial bridge builder for Manitoba, has been appointed superintendent of construction of bridges on the main line of the C.N.R. at the coast, and has left to commence operations. Mr. Weller has been with the G.T.P. for some time and for many years was connected with Mackenzie and Mann interests.

W. H. BREITHAUP, C.E., is continuing the engineering office in which he was formerly associated with the late E. H. Keating. Chas. B. Kingsley, C.E., will be associated with Mr. Breithaupt. Mr. Breithaupt is a member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers and also of the Institute of Civil Engineers of Great Britain.

VIRGIL BOGUE arrived in Victoria, B.C., recently for a consultation with the minister of railways, Hon. Thos. Taylor, respecting work for which he is the consulting engineer in British Columbia. Mr. Bogue, whose headquarters are in San Francisco, recently reported upon the projected dock improvements for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company at Prince Rupert. Recently the Canadian Pacific Railway Company engaged Mr. Bogue to report upon the projected Rogers' Pass tunnel, for the construction of which tenders are now being called.

OBITUARY.

ALBERT G. MACFARLANE, district engineer of the National Transcontinental Railway, dropped dead in his room at the Russell House on April 4. He was a native of Almonte, Ont., and had been at various periods in the employ of the Parry Sound, Midland, Algoma, and Canadian Northern Railways. He was 52 years old.

GEORGE P. BROPHY, C.E., superintending engineer of the Ottawa River works for 36 years, one of the founders of the Ottawa Electric Street Railway and Lighting Companies, and a figure in the local financial world, died at Ottawa on April 4th. He was 65 years of age. As superintending engineer Mr. Brophy was actively identified with important government projects all over the Dominion. Besides being a director of the Ottawa Electric Company and the Ottawa Electric Railway Company, the deceased held extensive interests in British Columbia and other provinces.