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NEW YORK LIFE TO MEET IN VICTORIA.

The Western division of the New York Life Insurance Company will hold its annual convention in Victoria this year, probably during the first week in September, according to advices received by Alderman Alex. Peden, the company's local representative.

It will be the first gathering of its kind that an insurance company has ever held in the Province, and the choice of this city as the 1918 convention city is taken as a signal honor. The Western division of the company extends from Los Angeles north and goes east as far as Boise, Idaho. All New York Life agents in that territory who have written \$100,000 worth of insurance during the year are entitled to attend the sessions, and it is expected that several hundred will make the trip.

Alderman Peden, who has attended every convention of the company since he became associated with it in 1912, has continued to boost for Victoria at every opportunity. The convention comes to Victoria as a direct result of his efforts.

The convention will probably last about five days, and details are now being worked out to give the delegates a good time while in the capital city.

Mr. Henry Howes, special agent of the Continental Insurance and Fidelity-Phoenix Insurance Companies recently returned from a trip through the Interior.

Mr. Fred A. Burgess, insurance manager of Waghorn, Gwynn & Company and president of the Mainland Fire Underwriters' Association, recently returned from a holiday in the East. While there he visited Toronto and Montreal and called upon the insurance managers of the companies he represents in British Columbia.

Mr. R. Bruce Abel, Inspector of H. Bell-Irving & Co., has returned from a trip to the Interior in connection with risks held by his companies.

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