

F. W. Bobbett, formerly Vice-President of the Spokane Falls and Northern Ry., a subsidiary of the Great Northern Ry., U.S., has left Spokane, Wash., for St. Paul, Minn., to assume the duties of cashier of the system. This change was delayed by the death of Assistant General Superintendent Downs of the Great Northern, who had been named as his successor. H. A. Kennedy, Mr. Downs' successor, has been elected to the vice-presidency of the western line, relieving Mr. Bobbett.

C. T. Malcolmson, chief engineer and manager of the department of machinery and electricity for the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition to be held at Charleston this winter under state and national auspices, is a graduate of the Armour Institute of Technology, of Chicago, with the degree of electrical engineer. He was born at St. Thomas, Ont., Jan. 31, 1872, and graduated from the Collegiate Institute at London, Ont., before going with his relatives to Chicago.

G. H. Webster, C.E., who has been appointed General Tie Agent for the C.P.R. was born at Creemore, Ont., Jan. 31, 1857. He entered railway service in 1872, since which he has been consecutively May, 1872, to Jan. 31, 1879, articled student Northern Ry. at Toronto; Jan., 1879, to April, 1882, assistant engineer Northern and Hamilton and Northwestern railways; April, 1882, to April, 1883, engaged in private practice in Winnipeg, Man.; June, 1883, to June, 1885, Assistant Engineer Manitoba and Northwestern Ry.; June, 1885, to July, 1900, Engineer-in-Charge same road; July, 1900, to Oct., 1901, Resident Engineer of main and branch lines on Western Division C.P.R., east of Moose Jaw.

Wm. Whyte, Assistant to the President C. P.R., had a short rest at Winnipeg after his recent trip across Siberia, and reached Montreal Oct. 1, to present his report to the President. The main object of Mr. Whyte's trip was to report on the trade requirements of Russia, and to discover what field there was open to Canadian commerce, via Vladivostok and the Trans-Siberian Ry., with a view to the establishment of a line of steamers from Vancouver to the Siberian port. Mr. Whyte has prepared a voluminous report on the subject which is under consideration by the President. Mr. Whyte has been asked to address the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at Montreal on Nov. 5 or 6. It is probable that his report will be made public shortly.

N. S. Dunlop, who has been appointed Tax Commissioner for the C.P.R., was born near Almonte, Ont., Jan. 17, 1861. He taught in the public schools of Lanark county for seven years, and having learned shorthand, went to Toronto in 1886, and took a position in a law office. He became Secretary and then President of the Canadian Shorthand Society; in 1888 he entered the office of the solicitors of the C.P.R. at Toronto, and in 1890 was placed in charge of the Co's. assessments and taxation in Ontario; he also had charge of gar-

nishee matters, inquests, investigations, etc., and did the expert shorthand court work for the Co. In 1893 he was elected to the council of the Canadian Stenographic Reporter's Society, subsequently becoming Secretary and afterwards President.

J. J. McCarthy, General Western Passenger Agent of the West Shore Rd. at Chicago, Ill., died in that city Oct. 19, after a lengthened illness. The funeral took place in London, Ont., Oct. 23, and was attended by a large number of railway officials. Mr. McCarthy was born at London, Ont., 1862, and entered railway service as office boy Great Western Ry. of Canada there, since which he has been consecutively in various clerkships and emigration agent same road; seven years joint passenger agent at Niagara Falls, N.Y.; four years travelling passenger agent New York Central and Hudson River and West Shore Rds.; to 1897 Canadian Passenger Agent same roads, and Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Rd. at Toronto; and from 1897 was at Chicago.

D. H. Purdon, now residing in Toronto, but formerly train despatcher on the C.P.R. at Winnipeg, is President of the Brandon and South Western Ry. Co., which holds a Dominion charter, and in that capacity had some dealings with S. Johnston, a contractor. In the course of negotiations the latter was in Aug., 1900, given a contract for the building of 100 miles of the line, and put up \$400 in cash and \$1,600 in promissory notes with the promoter, with the understanding, as Mr. Johnston says, that the cash and notes would be refunded if he didn't receive notice by July 1, 1901, when to begin work. He claims he did not receive any notice and that he subsequently found that Mr. Purdon's charter did not cover the 100 miles mentioned in the contract. As a result, Mr. Purdon was arrested in Toronto in Oct., on a charge of fraud and was committed for trial.

W. S. Kinnear, who has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Canada Southern division of the Michigan Central Ry., was born at Circleville, Ohio, May 25, 1864. He entered railway service in 1883 as axeman on construction Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Rd., since which he has been consecutively Sept., 1883, to Oct., 1884, rodman and draftsman on construction and transitman on location Southern Kansas Ry.; Oct., 1884, to April, 1885, rodman and assistant engineer on construction Kansas City, Clinton and Springfield Rd.; April, 1885, to April, 1886, assistant engineer maintenance of way Missouri Pacific Ry. at Kansas City, Mo.; April, 1886, to Aug., 1897, division engineer and office engineer Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Ry.; Aug., 1887, to Jan., 1889, in private practice in civil and hydraulic engineering at Los Angeles, Cal.; Feb., 1889, to Feb., 1890, office engineer, assistant engineer and acting Chief Engineer North and South American Construction Co., Santiago, Chili, South America; Feb., 1890, to April, 1895, assistant engineer maintenance of way Michigan Central Rd.; April, 1895, to

Jan., 1896, supervising engineer on construction Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Ry., at Hamilton, Ont.; Jan., 1896, to Oct., 1901, principal assistant engineer Michigan Central Rd., at Detroit, Mich.

Lacy R. Johnson, who has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of Rolling Stock for the C.P.R., was born at Abingdon, Berkshire, Eng., June 22, 1855, and educated at Abingdon grammar school. He entered railway service as apprentice at the Great Western Railway works, Swindon, June 1, 1870, serving till Dec. 20, 1875. He was Chief Engineer and Foreman of Mechanics, Jan. 1, 1876, to Aug., 1876, at the Royal arsenal at Woolwich; as fitter and erector Sept., 1876, to Nov., 1878; Manager of Davis & Sons engineering works, London and Abingdon, till Aug., 1879. In Sept., 1879, he went to India as draughtsman on the Scinde, Punjab and Delhi Ry., and was afterwards foreman of machine and erecting shops on same road. He left India Mar., 1882, on account of illness and entered the service of the G.T.R. at Montreal as draughtsman in June, 1882, left that Co. and entered the C.P.R. service as general foreman at Carleton Jct. Nov. 2, 1882. He was appointed Assistant Master Mechanic of Eastern division at Chapeau Nov., 1885, and in May, 1886, was appointed Master Mechanic of the Pacific division at Vancouver. With the advent of the Co's steamships on the Pacific, his duties were extended over the engineering department of the ships. He spent different winters in Hong Kong, superintending alterations and repairs to some of the Co's ships. In April, 1901, the C.P.R. having purchased the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co's fleet, he was appointed Superintending Engineer of both fleets, and severed connection with the locomotive and car department, being attached solely to the marine department. On Sept. 1 he was moved back to the locomotive and car department as Assistant Superintendent of Rolling Stock at Montreal.

RAILWAY APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

Algoma Central and Hudson's Bay Ry.—

C. L. Vaughn is reported to have been appointed Car Accountant at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., with charge of all car accounting as well as the distribution and movement of cars.

Canadian Pacific.—W. Cross, heretofore Consulting Mechanical Engineer of the C.P.R. Western lines at Winnipeg, has been appointed Engineer of Tests, with headquarters at Delorimier avenue shops, Montreal. He will look after the testing of materials and special devices for locomotives and cars, reporting to the Superintendent of Rolling Stock.

G. H. Webster, heretofore Resident Engineer of the main and branch lines of the Western division, east of Moose Jaw, has been appointed General Tie Agent for the entire system, with office in Montreal. His duties include the purchase of all track ties, piling,

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Locomotives,
Steam Shovels,
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Picks, Shovels,
Wheelbarrows,
Track Tools, Barrett-Jacks, Relaying-Rails**