

EDMONTON NEWS

LOCALS

The City of Calgary has received an offer from Wood Gandy Co., Toronto, for \$754,000, 4 1/2 per cent. debentures, to run twenty years, for \$750,000, which is equivalent to 100.67. The offer will be accepted.

CALGARY'S FINANCES SOUND.

It was pointed out before the municipal committee of the city of Calgary on the occasion of the request of the Calgary delegation for an increase in the borrowing power of the city, that the city's financial position is in a most commendable manner.

WILL PREACH ON 21ST.

The new pastor of the First Baptist church, Rev. F. W. Patterson, of Calgary, will assume charge of the Edmonton church on February 21st next, preaching his first sermons on that date. The reverend gentleman will say farewell to Calgary on the previous Sunday.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST CLOSED.

The subscription list for the Fred Cross fund has been closed, as sufficient money has been subscribed to send the family back to England. Between \$100 and \$500 was subscribed without difficulty. The family will leave the city today on the C.P.R. A detailed statement of the money received and expended will be published later.

PREPARING FOR CONFERENCE.

The Edmonton chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew are making good progress towards insuring the success of the conference to be held in Edmonton on Feb. 18 to 21. They are outlining a good provisional program and have the different sections and list of speakers mostly completed. The following are some of the speakers: The Very Rev. Archdeacon Lloyd, of Prince Albert; Rev. Canon Webb, of Calgary; Rev. C. Carruthers, of Lloydminster; Mr. St. Davidson Pickett, of Moose Jaw, and several other prominent churchmen of the west.

WINNIPEG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Winnipeg, Feb. 1.—The first session of the Winnipeg stock exchange opened this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Transactions were brisk, and the market was made the first bid, while the first sale was made between G. W. Allan and R. T. Riley, being twenty shares Northern Trust at 110. The day's quotations were: Canadian Fire, 120 bid; Canadian Pacific, 171 bid; Northern Trust, 110 bid, 112 asked; Standard Trust, 115 bid; Winnipeg, Electric, 154 1/2 bid; British Columbia Loan, 125 asked; Commercial Loan, 100 asked; Empire Loan, 110 asked; Great West Loan, 110 bid, 120 asked; Home Savings, 110 bid, 120 asked; Home Bank, 115 asked; Northern Crown, 93 bid.

LAO STEE. ANNE LIBERALS.

At a meeting held at Lao Stee, Anne recently, a Liberal association was organized with a large and enthusiastic membership. Hon. C. W. Cross, attorney general, was elected honorary president, and H. Williams, secretary treasurer.

Y.M.C.A. ANNUAL BANQUET.

The first annual banquet of the Edmonton Young Men's Christian Association will be held in the Association gymnasium on Friday evening, February 21st, at seven o'clock. Addresses will be delivered during the evening by Dr. H. M. Tory, President of the Y.M.C.A., Calgary; C. R. Sayer, of the Canadian West Y.M.C.A. committee; J. W. Ward, secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at Edmonton, and others.

DISTRICT COURT SITTINGS.

There was no session of the District Court today, the cases still remaining to be tried at a later date. The case of Wade vs. Jackson and the G.T.P. has been brought before the court. The case of Oliver vs. Brick, adjourned from last court, is set down for trial on February 4th. On February 5th the following cases will be heard: H. W. Laird & Co. vs. J. McGregor Gardner; Worsley vs. Brunton; and Bank of Hamilton vs. McInnis Lumber Company.

TWO FIRE ALARMS.

The west-end fire hall responded to a call at 2:25 on Saturday afternoon from box 22 for a blaze in the Troy laundry. The trouble was caused by an explosion of gasoline, but there was no serious damage. A Sunday afternoon at 3:50 a call came in from the C.N.R. for a fire in a freight car which was in the Troy yards. There was no serious damage.

KILLED BY ELECTRIC CAR.

Word has been received in the city of the death of a few days ago of Norman Pooley, of Montreal, Mr. Pooley, who is the only son of Mr. Pooley, of Montreal, and a graduate of McGill University, came to Edmonton about two years ago to accept a position with the engineering department of the city. He had here he made a large number of friends, all of whom will regret to hear of his sudden death. Mr. Pooley was killed by a street car on the corner of Spruce and Hamilton streets. He was walking along an electric car track and was struck by a trolley. He was killed instantly.

SUPREME COURT ON TUESDAY.

On Tuesday morning the regular session of the Supreme Court of Alberta will open in Edmonton. The chief justice, Mr. Justice Stuart, will preside. A number of interesting cases are on the list for trial. The session promises to be rather lengthy. The criminal docket is light. Four cases are on the list for hearing. The charge of murder, preferred against Thomas Oliver, will be withdrawn. The case against Louis F. Pearson, the following cases are set down for trial at 10 o'clock: Criminal Cases: (a) Rex vs. Thompson, stealing horses; Rex vs. Charles, stealing horses; Rex vs. Chase, J. Clark, false pretence and stealing horses.

CONVENTION NEXT WEEK.

The Northern Alberta Epworth League and Sunday school convention will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 2nd and 3rd in McDougall Methodist church, Edmonton. There will be present in a grand rally representatives of the Edmonton, Fort McMurray, Peace River, Battle River and Wetaskiwin districts with Rev. John A. Doyle, vice secretary for Sunday schools and Epworth League, as leader. The sessions will open on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock and conclude on Wednesday evening. Most will be furnished with the choir of the church at each service.

WELL RECOMMENDED.

Concerning Rev. F. W. Patterson, of Calgary, who has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church, Edmonton, both the Calgary News and Herald have published favorable references. The News says: "Rev. Mr. Patterson has definitely decided to go to Edmonton. Well, we are sorry, but here's hoping Edmonton will accord him the support he is worthy of." The Herald says: "The decision of Rev. F. W. Patterson to remove to Edmonton will be learned with much regret not only by the members of his congregation here, but also by those of Edmonton who will be benefited by his services."

WILL BUILD LARGER SHOPS.

Within the next two years large extensions will be made to the Canadian Northern Railway shops in Edmonton. The line is extended westward and branches in the Troy and westward from Edmonton, this city will become an important railway centre. Large shops will be built here, where the engines, cars and general rolling stock of the line in Alberta will be kept in repair. The enlarged shops will employ in the neighborhood of 200 men. At the present time there are about 80 men at work in the shops. About 20 have been laid off during the month of January while business is slack. The new shops will be again about the last of February. The remainder of the force will be kept steadily at work throughout the winter.

FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL.

One of the most successful fancy dress carnivals of the season was held in the Thistle rink Friday evening. The carnival was held in aid of the Auxiliary of All Saints' Church. The attendance eclipsed that of any similar affair in the city. About 1,000 spectators. Many of the costumes were excellent and displayed great originality. Prizes were offered for the best costumes, and the judges—Mrs. Bowler, Mrs. Mackay, and Mr. Frank Sommerville—had a hard task selecting the winners. The following were the prize winners: Best Lady Costume—Percy Hardisty. Best Gentleman Costume—Mrs. Blackburn, as an Indian woman. Best Gentleman's Costume—Mr. Brown, as a Fiji Islander. Best Lady's Costume—Mrs. Lander, as "Mrs. Wiggs." Gentlemen's Comic Costume—Uncle Sam. Girls under 16—Miss Florence McKay, as Britannia. Boys under 16—Norman York, as a Spaniard. Girls under 12—Isabella York, as a Fairy Bon-bon. The features of the evening were the window display of the university. Fully one hundred guests were in attendance throughout the evening. Dr. Tory, President of the University of Alberta, contributed to the programme of the evening by a most appreciated address on the "Evolution of the Teacher." He showed how the sphere of the teacher has been moulded by the state of society, by the attitude of the public mind, and by the content of the subject matter taught. The status of the teacher was evolved through these several gradations in the ancient Greek world, and it is being evolved in the social organisms of the world today. The address was concluded by several remarks of the pedagogic to be applied without as well as within the school room. The social hour was found to be most enjoyable and was the means of bringing the teachers of the Edmonton schools into greater harmony with one another. Refreshments were served on beautifully arranged tables by the lady teachers of the Queen's Avenue school.

QUEEN'S AVENUE RECEPTION.

The Edmonton Teachers' Club which has been organized to develop a wider circle of contact with the educational fraternity of the city and to fuse the educational forces of the community for more co-operative endeavor, held its initial gathering in the Queen's Avenue school Friday evening. Principal MacGregor, Miss Clewin, Superintendent McLean, and Mrs. McCaig received their guests in the beautifully decorated gymnasium on the top floor. The gathering was extended to the friends of the teachers, to the members of the Board of Trustees with their wives, and to the professional staff of the university. Fully one hundred guests were in attendance throughout the evening. Dr. Tory, President of the University of Alberta, contributed to the programme of the evening by a most appreciated address on the "Evolution of the Teacher." He showed how the sphere of the teacher has been moulded by the state of society, by the attitude of the public mind, and by the content of the subject matter taught. The status of the teacher was evolved through these several gradations in the ancient Greek world, and it is being evolved in the social organisms of the world today. The address was concluded by several remarks of the pedagogic to be applied without as well as within the school room. The social hour was found to be most enjoyable and was the means of bringing the teachers of the Edmonton schools into greater harmony with one another. Refreshments were served on beautifully arranged tables by the lady teachers of the Queen's Avenue school.

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PASSES TO FILTRATION TANK.

From this second chamber the already partly filtered water passes to the filtration tanks, eight in number, each with a capacity of 500,000 gallons of water per 24 hours. These tanks are partially filled with sand, have cement bottoms and are constructed of wood. Here the water passes through a series of filters till at the end it passes out to a settling water tank. It is made up of 175,000 gallons. Each of these tanks are the special manufacture of the Roberts Company and are thought by the local authorities to be considerably inferior.

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