### NEWS OF THE MONTH IN BRIEF.

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PERSONAL MINION.

THE death in Colorado of Miss Evelyn Durand, a talented writer for the Toronto press, whose sister is "Pharos" of The Globe, has been the cause of much regret in newspaper circles.

Mr. McClelland, of The St. Catharines Star, has been appointed city clerk.

R. J. Moore, of The North Bay Times, has been married to Mrs. E. McTavish.

There is a rumor that J C. Roger will succeed S. E. Dawson as Queen's Printer at Ottawa.

W. R. Stewart, of The Montreal Star, has been appointed New York correspondent of The London Daily Express.

Harold Sands, of The Kaslo Kootenaian, has joined The Vancouver World.

George King, formerly editor of The Oakville, Ont., Standard, has just been elected Mayor of Dauphin, Man. Like most editors, Mr. King takes a prominent part in public affairs generally. He was one of the leading spirits in establishing the new hospital at Dauphin, and is its first president.

#### THE LIBEL LAW.

Hon. F. W. Borden has withdrawn his suit against The Parrsboro' Leader on satisfactory explanations being made.

Two suits are reported from Winnipeg, one against The Free Press by Joshua Callaway, the other against The Telegram by H. Perrin. Both complain of personal references.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court at Toronto has given judgment ordering Mayor Macdonald to answer certain questions in connection with his libel suit against The Sheppard Publishing Co.

#### BUSINESS MATTERS.

The Berlin Express has ceased publication.

The estate of The Chatham Banner is expected to pay 50c. on the dollar.

O. Turgeron, M.P. for Gloucester, N.B., has transferred The Bathurst Courier to Alphonse Turgeon, who retains the previous proprietor as editor.

At the annual meeting of The Quebec Chronicle shareholders the following were elected directors: Hon. John Sharples, president; J. T. Ross, vice-president; Hon. V. W. LaRue, C. A. Pentland and Wm Price. Horace Wallis was reappointed managing director, and D. Watson, secretary.

#### IMPROVEMENTS AND SPECIAL ISSUES.

The Ingersoll Sun has moved into a new office, and is putting in an electric motor and new material.

A new Gordon press has been put in The Wingham Times office owing to expanding business.

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