WITH THE FARMERS

47 BUSHELS TO ACRE.

Lethbridge, Alta., August 25.—It would be hard to beat the crops in this district. Kenny Brothers have threshed their wheat. It was the first crop on the land and went 47 bushels to the acre. A. L. Warner's farm produced thirty-seven bushels to the acre and George B. Snapp's thirty-nine bushels.

WEEDS MUST BE DESTROYED.

For refusing to destroy noxious weeds on his property after notice was given him by the local weed inspector, information was laid against E. Kirstin, of Gleichen, and he was fined $20 and costs. Several others have been found guilty of a similar offence and were called upon to pay a fine. This should be a warning to all farmers and others who have not complied with the instructions given by the weed inspectors.

FAVOR EMBARGO REMOVAL.

Ottawa, Aug. 21—Replying to questions regarding the cattle embargo, W. Henderson, of the Scottish agricultural commission, expressed the opinion that the time is now opportune for representations to remove the restrictions. In view of the fact that two million cattle were slaughtered under regulations he could see no reason for the embargo which in addition to inconvenience, affects the price of cattle. Personally, he thought the cabinet were a unit in favor of doing away with the embargo, but the stumbling block was the attitude of the Irish members.

OUR CHEESE TOO EXPENSIVE.

Ottawa, Aug. 24—P. B. McNamara, Canadian trade commissioner, at Manchester, reports that owing to the high price of Canadian cheese it is being neglected in the North of England this season, the home article being cheaper. McNamara adds that wholesalers and retailers have the impression that Canadian cheese is held up by forces they cannot control and are content to leave it alone unless compelled to buy.

On the other hand the report says there is no Canadian butter on the market, though there is room for it at present. Trade depression continued during July in Britain. For seven months ending July, the imports decreased $35,492,000, exports decreasing $71,892,000. Trade analysis show that inactivity extends to all branches.

WHAT SELECTED SEED WILL DO.

W. C. McKillican, of the seed branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, came up from Calgary this week to interview several members of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, who reside in the Edmonton district. Yesterday Mr. McKillican called on Wm. Keith and Peter Hecko, of Clover Bar, and today was out to see Wm. Meneely's farm near Edmonton. These men have fields of grain that were sown from carefully selected heads of wheat, and the result has been that their wheat fields are of a very high standard of excellence both as to the yield and the grade of wheat. Mr. McKillican spoke enthusiastically of the winter wheat harvest which is just being completed in the southern part of the province. "I have seen the country from Cardston to Edmonton," said Mr. McKillican, "and think that the prospects for the farmer and rancher are unusually bright."

MONDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Aug. 24—Markets were somewhat erratic over a range of 3-4c in American wheat with the exception of Minneapolis, Sept. which sold as low as 1 1-2c under Saturday's close. Prices at no time exceeded Saturday's figures and the close is fractionally lower. August wheat held firm and advanced 1-2c, closing at 110 1-2. Liverpool closed 3-8 which offset the decline in American markets Saturday.

Fort William stocks of wheat decreased 106,803 bushels leaving 568,647 now in store. American visible decreased wheat 634,000, and oats increased 623,000.

World's shipments last week 7,312,000.

Weather conditions have been perfect over the spring wheat belt with no frosts reported over Sunday.

Winnipeg, cash wheat: 1 hard $1.11 1-2, No. 1 northern $1.10 1-2, No. 2 northern $1.07 1-2, No. 3 northern $1.04 1-2; No. 4, 86 1-2.

Oats—No. 2 white 41 1-2.

Barley—Feed 42, rejected 41.

Flax—No. 1, N.W. 124.

American options—Chicago, Sept. 92 5-8; 93, Dec. 93 3-4, 93 7-8, May 98.

Minneapolis, Sept. 99 1-4, 98 7-8, Dec. 97 3-4, 97, May 102, 101 3-8.

WE USE BUTTER AT HOME.

London, Adg. 24—The Colonial Dairy Produce Review states that the Canadian butter exports last year was the smallest known since 1895. Three years ago it reached its highest level, 15,140 tons. Last year it fell to 1,862 tons. The quality again showed an improvement over previous years, and as the refrigeration on board the steamers to the United Kingdom and on landing at the wharves here is now perfectly up to date Canadian butter ought to further improve in quality and bring higher prices in our markets. Some inferior quality which yet comes is due to damage caused by want of proper refrigerating arrangements before it is shipped and the remainder to the defects in its manufacture which are avoidable if proper care be taken.

There has been a steady decrease in cheese from Canada and the United States, this decrease giving opportunity to New Zealand to make up some deficiency. Imports from New Zealand have advanced in the last ten years from 5,879 tons to 152,152 and an improvement in the quality continues to be shown. The Canadian improved methods of curing and better market arrangements have added largely to the better quality which now prevails in this article. Australia last year sent small shipment of cheese to London and the quality was very satisfactory. One shipment from New South Wales was superior in quality to the best Canadian owing to its being made on the English cheddar principle and approached very closely to English conditions of manufacture in having the milking herd close to the factory door so that the milk was always in sweet condition when it came under the cheesemakers control.

PARALYTIC GETS DIVORCE.

Toronto Woman, While in Hospital, Secures South Dakota Divorce.

Sioux Falls, S.D., Aug. 25—With Judge Frank B. Smith sitting at the foot of her bed, an attorney on either side, and the court stenographer sitting close to her head to hear her low-spoken story and a uniformed nurse standing guard, Mrs. W. G. Line, of Toronto, Ont., today was granted a divorce. She lay helpless on a cot in the Dunham hospital, a victim of paralysis. This is the first time in the history of the South Dakota divorce industry that the court adjourned to a hospital to hear an application for divorce.

HAVE FAITH IN FERNIE.

Good Business Being Done in Real Estate.

Fernie, Aug. 25—A large number of women and children left during last week for England, where they will remain during the winter. This will greatly lessen the burden of some here in providing shelter for their families.

Real estate seems to be booming in and around Fernie since the fire, and many lots have been sold at advanced prices. The Coal Co.'s lots, within the city limits, have nearly all been disposed of, and everyone seems to have faith in the prosperity of the city.

The weather during the last 24 hours has been much cooler, occasional showers having fallen today.

WHALE AND STEAMER RACE.

But Big Mammal Attempts to Cross Bow and Meets Disaster.

Montreal, Aug. 26—The steamship Kensington which has arrived here from Liverpool reports a remarkable incident at sea. While nearing the banks of Newfoundland a big sperm whale was noticed racing alongside the liner, and for upwards of half an hour a merry contest took place in full view of the hundreds of passengers who cheered the big mammal lustily. Slowly the whale gained on the liner and then made a fatal move. It tried to cross the bows of the steamer. There was a slight jar and all that was left of Mr. Whale was a few scattered pieces while the Kensington plowed on leaving in her wake a blood-stained sea.

ANOTHER STAGE HELD UP.

Lone Bandit in Montana Relieves Passengers of Their Valuables.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 25—The lone bandit who held up sixteen stage coaches in Yellowstone yesterday, robbing 125 persons of $10,000, held up another stage today, getting $1,500. Ten people were in the stage. From the description they furnished, the officials say it is the same man who committed both robberies, and they have redoubled their efforts to catch week, probably Monday, to investigate all night but being mounted on a fleet horse, his superior knowledge of the country enabled him to elude his pursuers. Today, while the soldiers were peeking around his rocky retreat the bandit, many miles away, robbed another coach. Four women were in the coach. One who fainted from fright was not molested. The other three were compelled to give up all their valuables. The passengers were lined up in a row and one of the men forced to do the collecting, then all were forced back into the stage, the robber firing two shots made them drive away at full speed. No resistance was made.

ROBBERY AT NEW WESTMINSTER

Driver of Rig Hit on Head With a Board.

Vancouver, Aug. 25.—Thieves stole four diplomas from the office of Dr. MacKenzie last night. It was evident that they were after nothing else, for the papers were carefully stripped from the cardboards in their frames, and will probably be used for fraudulent purposes, with the name erased.

James Haines, driver for the Fashion Livery stables, in New Westminster, was the victim of a cruel and successful highway robbery on Saturday evening, while driving along the Johnston road in a surrey. Haines had been driving a person out to his home, and was returning to town, when a man came out of the woods, grabbed the horse's bridle, stopping it, and immediately hit Haines over the head with a board. That was all Haines remembered till some time later. When he came to his senses he was still in the buggy and the horse was tied to a tree at the side of the road. His pockets had been searched and three dollars in silver taken.

BETTING ON THE NOD.

Empire City Race Track Officials Warned to Exclude Bookmakers.

New York, N.Y., Aug. 25—A crushing blow will be struck at the sorely hampered racing game tomorrow afternoon if the ultimatum issued to the Empire City Racing Association by Yonkers officials today is lived up to at the race course. The notice calls the attention of the racing officials to the fact that bookmaking is being engaged in on their grounds by notorious character and says these people must be excluded. No names are mentioned but it is expected the police officials will furnish them. None of the officials of the course would say what action they will take in this matter. Today the cashiers were warned not to pay off or collect at the track but to transact that part of their business somewhere else. In consequence no money was in sight, all betting was on the nod.

A Long Canoe Voyage.

Halifax, August 25.—Henry A. Wood and Mrs. Wood, of New York, arrived at Charlottetown, P.E.I., today, after a canoe voyage from New York. The only portion not paddled was a few miles across New Brunswick from the Bay of Fundy. The couple were only a little over three weeks coming from Gloucester, Mass., to Charlottetown.

SAW FOR HIMSELF NORTH'S NEEDS

Minister of Public Works Returns From Unique Tour of Inspection.

Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works, returned to Edmonton last evening, after one of the most unique trips that has ever been made into the north country. Other heads of departments have proceeded as far as Athabasca Landing, but Mr. Cushing is the first minister of the crown who has toured the country away and beyond as far as the Peace River Crossing.

"I was given a hearty greeting everywhere I went," said Mr. Cushing to the Bulletin this morning. "The entire trip of 400 miles from Edmonton to the Peace River Crossing was replete with many pleasant experiences both on the boats of the Northern Navigation Company and on the overland portages. Almost everything that has been said about the Peace River country can be corroborated, and on the other hand a great deal can be denied.

Danger of Frost.

"For instance," said Mr. Cushing, "there are settlers scattered all through the whole country, and some of them have fine farms, demonstrating that wheat, fruits and all kinds of garden vegetables may be grown there, but owing to the undeveloped condition of the country very heavy frosts have been experienced during the whole of August. With the advance of civilization and the subsequent breaking up of the immense forest areas, the country will become less and less subject to frosts during the summer season. There will not be much progress in this direction until a railroad pierces that great country and enables the produce of the farmers to be marketed beyond the limits of the valleys."

"Where does settlement seem to be most progressive?" Mr. Cushing was asked.

"There are odd settlers all the way to the Landing," replied Mr. Cushing, "but you do not see many beyond the Sturgeon River. A great many are pushing into the country from the Landing to Lac La Biche."

"Will your trip result in any immediate extension of public works in the country," asked the Bulletin.

"Not necessarily," replied Mr. Cushing. "My trip was merely a tour of inspection, to see for myself what has already been done in the matter of roads and bridges, and to learn what the future needs of the country may be. I found three weeks too short a time to do this satisfactorily, and I would like to spend three months in the country. I can say, however, that there is a great deal to be done in the proper time and season."

Settlements Prosperous.

"I found the various settlements to be very prosperous and enjoyed the hospitality extended to me on every hand. I visited the Prairie River Valley, where Allie Brick, the member for that constituency, has a splendid farm. Several meetings were held in the course of the trip, one at Lesser Slave Lake and at the Landing, where a banquet was tendered me. Here I was presented with an address in the Cree language and one in French."

A MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

Swallows Poisons and Slashes His Wrist—Has Plenty of Money.

Chicago, Aug. 26—With $2,044, in his possession and with not an ounce of baggage a man supposed to be Jos. M. Krewer, a lawyer of New York city ended his life at the Grand Pacific Hotel by swallowing arsenic, chloroform and carbolic acid and slashing his left wrist with a penknife. Deep mystery surrounds the real identity of the suicide and the motive for ending his life. A large amount of money was found in his possession, nearly all being $50 bills. There were thirty-five bills of this denomination. The balance of the money in $10 and $5 bills.

STOCK YARDS BURNED.

Union Yards in Toronto Suffer $125,000 Damage.

Toronto, Aug. 25—Fire at the Union stock yards this evening caused $125,000 loss. It destroyed sheep and cattle pens, covering 500,000 square feet and eight residences, 500 tons of hay, 96 lambs and four bulls burned. The fire started at 6.45 p.m. and was under control at eight p.m. The water pressure was bad but the city department sent aid and did valuable work. The insurance is $90,000. The stock yards will be rebuilt.

A PENNILESS DUCHESS.

Duchess of Manchester Being Sued for $175 for Toilet Requisites.

Dublin, Aug. 25—The case of A. A. Rogers against the Duchess of Manchester, formerly Helena Zimmerman, came up yesterday before the master of rolls. The plaintiff's counsel moved for an order to compel the defendant to attend for examination in regard to her means. Rogers is a chemist of Oxford street, London, and he obtained judgment against the duchess for $175, chiefly for toilet and nursery requisites. The sheriff of County Galway, where one of the Duke of Manchester's seats is situated, made a return, saying he could find nothing to seize. The master of rolls refused the application for the duchess' presence, stating there was no urgency. It was stated that the duchess was living in good style in London.

Chances Favor Devlin.

Ottawa, Aug. 25—The Liberals of Wright county will meet in convention in Hull, Sept. 7th, to nominate a candidate for the Federal house. Messrs. E. B. Devlin, the present member, G. E. Fontaine and ex-Ald. Ste. Marie, of Hull, will go before the convention with chances in favor of the nomination of Devlin.

OTTAWA'S CANDIDATES.

Conservatives Nominate Dr. Chabot and Thos. Birkett—Nominations Elsewhere.

Ottawa, Aug. 25—At the largest Conservative convention ever held in Ottawa tonight Dr. Chabot was nominated for the Federal house by acclamation and Thomas Birkett, ex-M.P., selected on the first vote. The figures were Birkett 450, P. D. Ross 150, Fred Cook 140.

The nomination was made unanimous and both candidates volunteered their heartiest support to the nominees of the convention. The only feeling shown by the candidates came from Birkett, who suggested that he, being a native of Ottawa and Cook being an Englishman, had a better right to the nomination. Cook, in reply, said that he had lived longer in Canada than England and that any man who became a good citizen of the Dominion had a right to ask for the suffrages of the people.

Other Nominations.

Hensall, Ont., Aug. 25—South Huron Conservatives nominated John Shermitt, of Stephen, for the House of Commons.

Galt, Ont., Aug. 25—South Waterloo Conservatives have nominated Geo. Clare, M.P., for the House of Commons.

Dresden, Ont., Aug. 25—East Kent Conservatives will leave the nomination of a candidate for the House of Commons to their executive. They may not have a candidate.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

Mrs. Easton, Calgary, Sustained Severe Shock—House Wrecked.

Calgary, Alta., Aug. 25—Mrs. Easton will spend some time in the hospital as the result of an electric shock received during the storm yesterday. Two or three other people, who were in the house at the time, were knocked down, and a child in the arms of one received a cut. Mrs. Easton was considerably burned down one side of her body. Her clothing was torn by the bolt and her shoes and stockings burned off and torn. She was in a semi-conscious condition for some hours but is doing nicely today. Dr. McNally was called and he had Mrs. Easton removed to the hospital. The bolt in striking the house knocked the chimney off, broke several windows, tore a lean-to down and upset the front steps. Mrs. Easton and the others are extremely fortunate in escaping with their lives.

FOUNDER OF FRANK DEAD.

H. L. Frank, One Time Mayor of Butte and Prominent Politically.

Butte, Aug. 25—H. L. Frank, for the past 30 years one of the most prominent figures, politically and in a business way, and one of Butte's most highly honored pioneers, died in Cincinnati, Ohio. Announcement of his death came in a telegram to his brother, Louis Frank, and the latter left at once to attend the obsequies. The cause of death was not made known in the telegram.

H. L. Frank was born at Gallapolis, O., July 5, 1852, and was, therefore, at the time of his death 56 years old. He left the east for Butte in 1878 and shortly after his arrival in the big copper camp he engaged in the wholesale liquor business. In 1895 he was elected mayor of Butte and served two terms, declining a third term. He was a member of the constitutional convention and represented Silver Bow county in the First and Second Montana state legislatures. In 1901 he was a candidate with John MacGinnies and Walter Cooper for the United States senate. He received all but three or four of the votes necessary to an election, and during a most dramatic scene in the session he pleaded with his followers to cast their votes for Paris Gibson so that the deadlock might be broken. Paris Gibson was elected.

During his latter years he engaged in coal mining in Canada, and established the town of Frank, Alberta, near his properties. At the time of his death he was the owner of the Southern Cross gold mine near Anaconda, as well as considerable property in Butte.

Did Not Like Branding.

Golden City, Mo., Aug. 25—Alleging that four of his ribs were broken and that he was otherwise injured when he resisted efforts to "brand" him, John Gresel, editor of the Golden City Register, has brought suit against members of the Modern Woodmen of the America camp here, asking $10,000 damages. The attack occurred, Mr. Gresel says, in his petition, on April 10th, while he was taking the second degree in the Woodmen initiation ceremonies.

German Steamer Makes Record.

Plymouth, Aug. 25.—The North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II. has established a new record in time elapsed and average speed for any vessel over the long course, 3,080 miles, from Sandy Hook to Plymouth. She made the distance in five days, nine hours and 55 minutes; an average speed for the run of 23.71 knots an hour.

Typhoid at Military Camp.

Ottawa, Aug. 25—The eight cases of typhoid that developed at Petawawa military camp were all contracted before the men arrived in camp, seven from Quebec and one Ontarian. All are doing well in the Pembroke hospital and no outbreak is anticipated, as sanitary arrangements are excellent this year.

Failed to Heed Warning.

Winnipeg, Aug. 25—Harold, the sixteen-year-old son of G. D. McKay, president of the dry goods firm of McKay and Williams, in exploding a small bore cartridge with a hammer at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, the bullet pierced or grazed his heart, entering his breast from left to right. The lad frequently exploded cartridges with a hammer although warned it was dangerous.

Capt. Donnelly Dead at Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., August 25.—Captain Thomas Donnelly died here this morning after a lingering illness.

TORN BETWEEN TWO OPINIONS

Leader of Opposition Would Prefer to Contest Halifax But Fears Result—Election News.

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—The government will not be able to definitely decide on the date of the general election for some time yet, pending a report as to the promptness with which the revision and printing of the voters' lists, etc., is being carried on. Every effort is being made to facilitate the work of completing the multifarious details involved in getting the machinery of the Election law ready to put into operation, and it is probable that everything will be in readiness for polling by the last week in October or the first week in November.

In Carleton County, some of the local Conservatives are speculating on the possibility that R. L. Borden, the present representative of the constituency in the Commons, will decide to again contest his old seat at Halifax in an attempt to win back the prestige lost by his defeat in his home city at the last general election. Borden has as yet made no pronouncement on the question, and in consequence the party nominating convention for Carleton is being delayed.

Meanwhile some of the leading Conservatives of the county are making it known that they are aspirants for the party nomination. Edward Kidd, ex-M.P., who gave up his seat in 1904 to his defeated leader, is anxious to again represent the constituency, but will bow to the wishes of Borden in the matter. Others who are looking for the nomination are Clarke Craig and Fred Henri, ex-wardens of the county.

Borden, it is stated, would personally prefer to attempt the redemption of his old seat at Halifax, but advices from the party there are divided as to the wisdom of having him risk another defeat.

INNUENDO AND INSINUATION

By These Methods H. B. Ames Seeks to Show Timber and Land Frauds—Makes Not Single Charge

Fresh from his recent campaign in the Province of Saskatchewan, where he lent his assistance to Haultain in an effort to discredit the Scott administration by befogging the provincial issue with wild stories of timber steals and land grabs, of the Federal administration, stories which found no credence in the minds of the people of that province, as evidenced by the magnificent majority of twelve piled up by the Liberals of Saskatchewan Mr. Herbert B. Ames, Conservative member for St. Antoine division of Montreal, appeared before an Edmonton audience in the Opera House last night. Mr. Ames brought with him all the prestige of the millionaire shoe manufacturing firm of Ames, Holden Co., of which he is a prominent member, a firm which has amassed immense wealth as a result of the high protective tariff at the time its friends the Conservatives were in power. While Mr. Ames skilfully avoided extended reference to the tariff last night he admitted in the course of an unexpected question from a member of the audience that he was one of a delegation that some time ago had waited upon the government to urge an increase of the duties. To advocate in this part of Canada increased taxes upon western farmers would mean political suicide to Conservative candidates in the West, so Mr. Ames did not tell the Edmonton people that he was a high protectionist whose policy is to acquire wealth for the manufacturers of Canada by taxes wrung in the form of duties from the tiller of the soil.

The Oft-Repeated Lecture.

Last night's lecture of over two hours was the same, almost word for word, as assisted in bringing nothing but discredit upon Mr. Haultain and his friends in Saskatchewan, who sought to use Mr. Ames' story to their advantage in the recent elections in Saskatchewan. For the past month every joke has been repeated from town to town, and even the old story of Lincoln and the five-legged lamb has been from night to night pressed into service to retain the attention of the audience.

There are two notable features in connection with Mr. Ames' oft-repeated story. In the first place it deals almost exclusively with the doings of a past administration of the Department of the Interior, and covers the period from 1900 to 1904 when Mr. Sifton was minister of the interior. This fact was strongly brought home to the audience in a question asked by John Galbraith. He inquired: "Did any of the alleged transactions to which you have referred take place since Hon. Frank Oliver became minister of the interior?"

To which Mr. Ames replied: "No," and there was great applause. But he went on to state that Mr. Oliver by accepting office had made himself responsible for the misdeeds of a past administration.

Address Was All Insinuation.

It was also noticeable that Mr. Ames, in his remarks, pursued the same course as marked him last session in the House of Commons. His address was made up almost entirely of innuendo and insinuation, and almost every sentence was ended by the question: "Isn't that suspicious?" Mr. Ames entirely neglected to tell his audience that J. G. Turriff, who came in for the brunt of the blame, had made an emphatic and explicit denial on the floor of the House that he had ever favored any of the tenderers for timber limits, that Mr. Turriff's secretary in the presence of whom all the tenders were opened, had sworn that all the transactions were perfectly regular, and that Mr. T. A. Burrows, whose name was prominently connected with many of the tenders, had positively stated upon the floor of the House that he had obtained no undue advantage in making his tenders. Mr. Ames accepted those statements when Parliament was in session, but now he chooses to cast discredit upon them.

Neither did he tell the audience last night that Mr. Turriff had challenged him to make specific statements in connection with his insinuations, and he had sat silent in his seat. All these facts as well as many more, were carefully suppressed.

Applauders Carefully Placed.

The Conservative organizers showed considerable foresight last night in the placing of the applause starters. In the gallery one group was located, while those who had acted as ushers in the early part of the evening were scattered throughout the remainder of the building, and at every possible occasion broke out in uproarious demonstrations. In this regard the meeting was a success.

When Mr. A. Williamson Taylor, president of the Conservative association, took the chair at 8.30, the hall was well filled with members of both political parties. Upon the platform, besides Mr. Ames, were J. D. Hyndman, Lucien Dubuc, H. L. Landry and other prominent members of the party in Edmonton. Mr. Taylor, in briefly introducing the speaker of the evening, said his address would be divided into three parts. Ten minutes of introductory remarks would first be made, then the lights would be turned down, and Mr. Ames would speak for three-quarters of an hour on the timber lands. An intermission of five minutes would follow, after which the speaker would take up the administration of the agricultural lands, the grazing lands, the irrigation and coal areas and the inland fisheries.

Introductory Remarks.

Mr. Ames, upon rising, was greeted with well arranged applause. Some might think it presumption, he said, for him to come all the way from Montreal to Western Canada to tell the people about their timber, their lands and their fisheries. He would not think of going to N.S., N.B., or P.E.I. on a similar errand, for there they had the administration of their own resources. In Alberta and Saskatchewan, however, when provincial autonomy was granted, the Federal government had retained control of those sources of wealth, and so he had come 2,000 miles all the way from Ottawa to tell of the discussion that had taken place in Parliament at the capital on these resources. He did not intend to speak of legislation, he did not intend to speak on the platform of R. L. Borden, nor would he speak on the general administration of the government. Each of these questions would take hours to discuss. Instead he would deal with those matters in which the Federal Government was acting in the capacity of trustee or guardian for the people of the prairie provinces.

The Timber Lands.

Then the lights were turned down and the lecture proper was begun. Views were thrown on the canvas showing the growth of timber in different parts of the West and the topography of the country was outlined. Proceeding, Mr. Ames claimed that the government should have obtained valuations of all timber lands before offering them for sale by tender. He did not tell that the regulations under which the crown lands were administered were inherited from the Conservatives nor that the Conservatives had given away 23,000 square miles of lumber for nothing to nearly all its Conservative friends, and disposed of 29,000 square miles at fifteen cents a mile. Nor did he state the fact that the Liberal government had not given away an acre and had sold six thousand square miles at an average of $89 a square mile. Neither did he tell the audience that the regulations of the Conservatives had been abandoned, and new ones had been introduced by Hon. Mr. Oliver, upon which no attack had been offered by the Opposition. He entirely ignored the fact also that in 1883, 10,326 sq. miles had been given by the Conservatives to their friends, including J. H. G. Bergeron, member for Beauharnois, who toured the West last year with Mr. Borden, and Mr. Ward, of Durham.

Proceeding with his address, Mr. Ames claimed that what he termed the "inner circle" of the government were unusually successful in their tenders for timber berths and to prove his contention he threw upon the screen views of tenders received from different parties for timber berths. He did not venture to assert at any period of his lecture, however, that the tenders had been awarded to any but the highest bidder.

The attention of the audience was then turned to part of the timber supply of Manitoba. The first to be discussed was the Cedar Lake limit, and Mr. Ames claimed that insufficient time was given for tenders for this limit, which was awarded to A. W. Fraser, Ottawa, for $500. Amid exclamations from several Conservatives, Mr. Ames stated that the reserve was worth $500,000. He absolutely ignored the fact that this same Cedar Lake limit had been given as a present by the Conservatives to one of their friends, Mr. Perley, M.P., for Argenteuil, and he had thrown it up as useless after holding it a year. Neither did he say when contending that the time for receiving tenders was too short, that the average seven weeks period for advertisements was the same under Conservative as under Liberal regime. To have stated those facts would have revealed to all the fallacy of his contentions.

Passing on from the timber tracts of Manitoba, the speaker came to the upper Saskatchewan, but before entering into the questions of tenders for those reserves he told of the obstruction tactics of the Conservatives at Ottawa and their efforts to secure the original documents. The position of his party he illustrated by cartoons of the Toronto News, but in dealing with the original documents question he made no reference to the valuable originals that Conservative members in the past had obtained from the departments at Ottawa, and had kept for years or had never returned.

Mr. Ames, while not openly asserting that there was anything wrong with the tenders of the Imperial Pulp company for limits on the North Saskatchewan nor at Prince Albert, still continued to throw suspicions on the transactions, again claiming that insufficient time had been allowed for the calling of tenders for the berths.

This portion of the address was concluded by the flashing upon the canvas of the resolution brought before the House on the 19th of May last, calling for further investigation, and the return of lands to the people where any fraud might be found.

In the intermission that follows to allow those who wished to retire, a number of questions were asked by John Galbraith and J. Burtt-Morgan. The latter, a well known Conservative speaker, wished to know what Mr. Borden, when he got into power, would do with those terrible timber thieves, and Mr. Ames promised that dire vengeance would be wreaked upon them.

The Agricultural Lands.

In the second period of his limelight lecture, Mr. Ames completely ignored any reference to the Oliver Land Bill of the new regulations with reference to lands, adopted recently by the department.

He asserted that in the past there had been bogus homesteading, and insinuated that the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company had been guilty of fraud in procuring concessions from the government. The same innuendoes were cast at the transactions in connections with the grazing leases of the South Alberta Land Company, and the Galway Horse and Cattle Company. In all of these the audience were kept completely in the dark with regard to the explanations of A. J. Adamson, M.P., the member for Humbolt, whose name was frequently mentioned and whose explanations would have made clear many of the points which Mr. Ames purposely obscured.

The irrigation leases in the Medicine Hat, Lethbridge and Calgary districts, the coal rights in southern Alberta and the foothills, and the leasing of the inland fisheries of the north were briefly touched upon by the speaker, who presented the Conservative side of the case with due disregard of the facts as set out by the government.

Mr. Ames closed with a statement of three classes of people who heard his lecture, viz., the man who don't believe a word of what he said, the man who said the Conservatives did far worse before 1896, and the man who heaped personal abuse upon himself. To each of these he addressed a word of advice. The photos of Mr. Borden and Mr. Hyndman, and a plea for support to them brought to a close the lecture.

Mr. Hyndman followed briefly, after which there were the usual cheers, and the crowd dispersed.

President Was Baron's Friend.

Oyster Bay, N.Y., Aug. 24—President Roosevelt today received a cablegram announcing the death of Baron Von Sternberg, ambassador from Germany. The President sent his widow a cablegram of condolence and authorized the state department to send a formal message. The President expressed himself as greatly grieved because of the Baron's death. The President said he had been on terms of close personal friendship with the Baron and esteemed him as a man as well as an accomplished statesman.

Big Fire in Constantinople.

Constantinople, Aug. 25.—The fire in the Stamboul quarter of Constantinople has been extinguished. It is estimated that more than two thousand buildings were destroyed. A number of firemen, women and children are reported to have been killed. The homeless number about 7,000.

Presented With Silver Service.

Regina, Sask., Aug. 25.—The staff of the agricultural department presented Hon. Mr. Motherwell on the occasion of his marriage with a silver tea service and signet ring to himself. The presentation remarks were made by E. J. Wright, senior member of the staff, and the deputy provincial secretary.

Prominent U. S. Financier Dead.

St. Louis, Aug. 25—Jacob C. Vanblarcom, president of the National Bank of Commerce at St. Louis, one of the best known financiers of the middle west, died this morning of Bright's disease, at his summer home in the Adirondacks, near Old Forge, N.Y., aged 60.

Eighteen Killed in Collapse.

Chelsea, Mass., Aug. 25—Eighteen men are reported killed and a number injured in the collapse of a brick block on Chelsea square at noon today. Ten dead and seven badly hurt already have been taken out. The men working inside were thirty-five in number when the front wall collapsed.

Ambassador Run Down by Cyclist.

Mexico City, Aug. 25—David E. Thompson, American ambassador to Mexico, was run down by a bicyclist in the center of the city yesterday and suffered a fracture of one arm and contusions of the face. His condition is not considered to be serious.

To Contest Strathcona.

Wetaskiwin, August 24.—At a meeting of farmers held here on Saturday, J. G. Anderson, of Angers' Bridge, was chosen as an independent farmers' candidate to contest Strathcona constituency in the Commons.

Poor Health Led to Suicide.

Ottawa, August 25.—W. Brooks, 58 years old, drowned himself in the Rideau Canal this morning. He had been in poor health for some time, and was subject to fits of despondency.

A Conservative Nominee.

Guelph, Aug. 24.—John Newstead, mayor of Guelph, was nominated by the South Wellington Conservatives for the Commons.

STRAYED—ABOUT MAY 15TH FROM S.E. 1-4 of 8-60-25 west 4th, one dark bay mare, about 800 lbs, white on hind fetlock; had halter on, brand on left flank; also one dark bay yearling colt with star on forehead; also one light bay yearling colt with light star on forehead and white dot over nostril, white hind feet. Ten dollars reward for information or return to C. F. Nelson, Clyde, Alta.

DIST

RED DEER.

Bulletin News Service.

Henry Reinholt has resig the Memorial Hospital Boar H. Illsey has been appoint the vacancy.

Jack Irwin, of the C.P.R. o has been at the hospital for week suffering from rheuma is able to be around again, to his duties today.

M. A. Munro has left for visit to his brother at Lethb

W. J. Stephenson, of We is the guest of his brother, T rctary Stephenson.

The creameries from Red district shipped 20,000 lbs. of Calgary last week.

Red Deer Socialists are a a picnic at Evarts for Lab September 7th. Sports con games, horse races and athlet will be held.

Jos. Wallace, J.P., fined Dearhorn, a fashion demons presenting Morton, Brown C ronto, $10 and costs for selli in Red Deer without the license.

Carpenters are busy puttin fronts in the buildings occ Mar Lee as a Chinese restau in that occupied by Harold jeweler. These changes wil improve the beauty of Ross

Miss Pearl Graves, daug Elias Graves, and who former ed in Mrs. Jarvis' millinery opening up a millinery store fail.

The town council have n offer to the Western General Co., Ltd., for the purchase entire plant, consisting of rea buildings, machinery, poles, fixtures and everything now name of the above company offer is 100 cents on the doll cash valuation of the plant, being offered for the franch the proposition is accepted, will be submitted immediately people to raise the desired amo

The Red Deer lacrosse club to Calgary on Friday, the 28 to play the High River team intermediate championship berta. The boys have been ing faithfully for this mat should give a good account o selves. Two of them ran out van Lake, 15 miles, in two ho ten minutes, as a wind getter.

The citizens of Red Deer wer ed on Monday when they lear the sudden demise of Mr. Duston at his home on McLeod He had been confined to his only the past week, and nothi ous was anticipated. The c his death was the bursting of artery near his heart. Deceas born in Durham, in the provi Quebec, but lived the greater his life in Eau Claire, Wis where he carried on the busi a general contractor and sash a factory, and from which place l to Red Deer about six years a was in his 67th year and was mincer Methodist. Besides h he leaves one son, Arthur, to his loss.

The handicap shoot of the Club on Friday afternoon las very successful, although th shots carried off the greater the prizes, partly due to their cap, but mostly to their good ing, the old shots falling down badly. The ladies supplied lu the shooters and made the af much more pleasant by thei sence. The following are the winners:

Event No. 1—J. A. Carsw W. P. Helliwell, 3 Fred Lund.

Event No. 2—1 L. M. Gaetz, Carswell, 3 R. R. Randall.

Event No. 3—This was only Class B shooters, and the wim received the silver medal don R. Plaxton, diplomatic championship of this class h Wilson, 2 W. L. Gibson, 3 R. R dall.

Event No. 4—1 R. R. Randa M. Gaetz, 3 J. F. Gaetz.

Event No. 5—1 J. M. Marr, 2 Randall, 3 J. F. Gaetz.

Consolation—1 W. Huskins, 2 Plaxton, 3 J. D. Kennedy.

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NORTH BATTLEFORD.

Bulletin News Service.

A. E. Tod, manager of the branch of the Canadian Bank o merce, has returned after spen holiday at points in Ontario.

Miss Jones, sister of C. J. Jo visiting in town, the guest o Elva Millard.

The Misses McNally left last nesday for their old home in where they will enter high which opens about September

The North Battleford school re-open on Monday. Mr. Hu newly-appointed principal, is in Miss Hayes, one of the membe the teaching staff, returned after spending the summer a home in Ontario.

J. G. McDonald has return town after spending some ti Prince Albert and Saskatoon.

O. W. Wakelin, druggist, re sold out to Norville Brown, of ford, who will take charge abou tember 1st. Mr. Wakelin c plates going west to British Colu where he may locate permanen

T. J. MacEachern and W. D lerton have gone to Banff, where will spend a holiday.

E. E. Colbeck is building a c block on Main street. The fir will be used for post office an toms purposes.

North Battleford, August 25.

VEGREVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.

Bert Carr, from Dekalb, Illinois has been visiting his brother, of baseball fame, leaves for hom next Wednesday. He is greatly pressed with the country and likely come back again to live.

Mrs. D. McFarlane left the hos yesterday for her home at Warw

The Indian children from Fish lake reserve were in town eral days ago on their way to th dian school at Red Deer.