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GREAT TRAFFIC BRIDGE OPENED

Premier Rutherford Parts Ribbon Which Formally Opens Medicine Hat Traffic Bridge.

Medicine Hat, May 14—The largest traffic bridge in Alberta was formally opened here this afternoon in the presence of several thousand residents of the city and district. The ceremony was performed by Hon. A. C. Rutherford, premier, who parted the ribbon closing the approach at the south end. The ribbon was then cut into badge lengths and distributed, the first being pinned to the first ministers lapel with a handsome gold clasp, presented by the city.

The premier briefly addressed those present, intimating that to the Hon. W. T. Finlay's persistence much of the credit was due for the early appropriation which had been made for the work by the Alberta government, the sum of $5,000 appearing in the first estimates. Great applause broke forth when he christened it the Finlay bridge. Hon. W. H. Cushing and Hon. W. T. Finlay also spoke. Shortly afterwards, about two hundred of the city's guests participated in a steamboat ride up the river, and in the evening the same number sat down to an excellently served banquet which was tendered to the premier and his colleagues in the city hall.

The bridge is 900 feet in length, exclusive of the approaches and is 26 feet wide. It is supported on five concrete piers rising forty feet above the river bed with foundations extending to a depth of 25 feet below that level. The superstructure is of steel and consists of five arches each 30 feet high and 180 feet long. Today it was handsomely festooned with bunting and flags.

PRINCESS OF WALES INDIGNANT.

At Opening of Franco-British Exhibition She Had to Walk In Mud.

London, May 15. — The Princess of Wales made little effort to conceal her anger over the opening of the Franco-British exhibition yesterday. Owing to the incompleteness of the grounds she had to walk in the mud over her shoe tops while the rain drenched her gown. The Princess [illegible] in a single sentence, "I pronounce this exhibition now open." Later the Prince expressed his indignation to the Duke of Argyle, who is a director of the exhibition.

It is reported that yesterday afternoon the Duke of Argyle after the ceremony told Imre Kiralfy, the manager of the Exhibition, what the Prince thought of his management. The Duke and Kiralfy had a heated argument and, it is stated, the Duke struck Kiralfy. Kiralfy was summoned to Buckingham today. After leaving the palace he returned to the exhibition grounds and the force of workingmen was increased; Kiralfy denied the story of the row. Instead of a row he said he and the Duke had tea.

P.R. LOSER AGAIN.

Plaintiff Wins For Fourth Long Legal Combat.

May 13.—The supreme nada has dismissed with peal of the Canadian Pa- y company against the the supreme court of ch confirmed the verdict t the second trial of the ght by Charles Hansen company for damages for eg cut off by a box car at ation, owing to the negli- company's servants. ef Hansen vs. C.P.R. is iliar one in legal circles, ts of the case have been re than once. At the first Mr. Justice Harvey and a ntiff was awarded $3,500. nts appealed, and a new rdered. At the second ore Mr. Justice Stuart the plaintiff was awarded defendants again appeal- supreme court of Alberta e verdict of the jury. latter decision the de- nts appealed to the su- of Canada, where, as al- , their appeal has now sed with costs, and the e second jury stands. aintiff James Muir, K.C., lan, K.C., acted as coun- rials at Red Deer; J. D. Red Deer, being his soli- efendants were represent- A. Lougheed, K.C., and ett throughout the pro-

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ANOTHER HIGHER CRITIC.

Prof. Wenley Says Materials for Biography of Jesus do Not Exist.

Detroit, May 15—Prof. R. M. Wenley, Ph.D., of the University of Michigan, speaking before the Episcopal Church congress yesterday morning on historical fact and Christian validity, said that as the problem of the Old Testament is settled for this generation he would tackle the New.

"The operation of historic-critical methods," he said in part, "has made a vast change in the perspective in which we must set primitive Christianity. One good of this movement has been to make the Bible a familiar book again, yet on the whole, its consequences count heavily on the negative side and bear hardly on natural piety. It seems that we know very little, in strict historical parlance, either of the authors of the New Testament or of Jesus. In sport, the materials for biography of Jesus do not exist. My own conclusion is that this negative process is destined to travel even farther, and it may very well be that when criticism comes to clarify its evidence and reconstruct the situation from an exact historical standpoint we shall stand aghast, stricken and helpless."

SASKATOON--LACOMBE BRANCH OF THE C.P.R.

Construction of This Branch Has Not Been Abandoned—Cattle and Grain Trade Opened Up Will Be of Immense Value—Grades are Easy.

Saskatoon, May 15.—That the C. P. R. have by no means abandoned their branch from Lacombe eastward is now stated on good authority. The big pioneer railroad concern will extend that line east this year and if possible join it up at a point on their Wetaskiwin line, just west of Saskatoon. The advantage of that move to the C.P.R. would be that the larger proportion of the cattle trade now going east on the main line would escape the heavy grades between Regina and Brandon. For on the line from Saskatoon east via Lanigan and Yorkton, all heavy and continuous grades will be eliminated.

Have Terminal Facilities.

More than that the terminals at Saskatoon will be made such that good provision will be had for unloading and feeding cattle and stock, which in addition to the good facilities for car and engine repairs and the direct short haule to the east will lead the C. P. R. to [illegible] the Lacombe line in here as soon as possible.

Added to that is the important fact that by bringing the Lacombe branch into Saskatoon the line would tap the rich Goose Lake country and even enable the company to take out many trains of wheat every year from that district alone, and therefore from a freight point of view it is desirable that the line be switched this way.

The C.P.R., however, fully intend to join up Moose Jaw and the Lacombe branch in order to have a direct connection from the Soo line into central Saskatchewan.

First Train Over New Bridge.

The new C.P.R. bridge was tested yesterday, when the first freight train passed over it.

This afternoon a special is expected over the new line with some C.P.R. officials on board, including General Superintendent Jamieson and Supt. S. Maharg, of the Saskatoon division. This will be the first passenger train to cross the new bridge. It is understood that a move will be made by the C.P.R. to at once resume steel laying westward from Asquith and that the work will be rushed with all possible speed.

CANADA LEADS EXHIBITION.

The Franco-British Exposition Formally Opened By Prince of Wales.

Montreal, May 15.—A London cable says: Heavy skies and pitiless rain outside increased the appreciation of brightness and gaiety inside of the palace at Shepherd's Bush, when the Prince and Princess of Wales came to open the Franco-British exhibition to-day. As the Prince entered he might have asked, as the King of the Belgians asked at the inauguration of Antwerp exposition: "Gentlemen, am I asked to open the exhibition or the boxes?" Hardly any exhibitors are ready at Shepherd's Bush. All that can be said is that Canada is as well forward as any, and will, in a fortnight's time, make an impressive show. Canadian government, Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk exhibits promise exceedingly well.

BLACK PAPER, WHITE INK.

Wisconsin Paper Manufacturers Have a Scheme to Reduce Cost of Newspapers.

Appleton, Wis., May 16—Wisconsin manufacturers of print paper have put forth a proposition which, if adopted, will, it is said, revolutionize the print paper industry of the country and the newspaper industry as well. They propose that newspapers in the future be printed in white on black paper instead of in black on white paper, thus bringing about a saving of millions of dollars annually in pulp wood, assisting in the preservation of forests and reducing the price of newspaper to about one-half the present price.

Black paper can be made of old newspapers and almost any fibrous stock, while white paper requires spruce and hemlock wood. Wisconsin paper manufacturers will try to interest eastern manufacturers and if possible bring about concerted action with the publishers of the country.

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(Established 1886)

Women's Print and Sateen Wrappers

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1.25 to 3.50

W. Johnstone Walker & Company
267 Jasper Avenue East.

FREIGHT RATES TO BE REDUCED

Edmonton Will Benefit as Distributing Centre by New Reduction in Freight Rates

On Wednesday, May 25th, another substantial reduction will be made in the freight rates prevailing on the C. N. R. from Minnesota and Wisconsin to Edmonton. This move will bring this city one step nearer the position of the leading wholesale and distributing centre in the west. This reduction amounts to from 4 to 8c per 100 pounds, according to the class.

J. G. Gillis, contracting freight agent on the Canadian Northern railway at Edmonton, has announced the reduction in freight rates which takes effect on May 20th. The following are the old and new rates per 100 pounds in the different classes, showing the reduction:—

Classes.	1	2	3
Old rate	$2.55	$2.13	$1.71
New rate	$2.47	$2.07	$1.65
Reduction	.08	.06	.06
Classes.	4	5	6
Old rate	$1.28	$1.15	$1.00
New rate	$1.24	$1.11	.94
Reduction	.04	.04	.06
Classes.	7	8	10
Old rate	$0.71	$0.62	$0.58
New rate	.67	.62	.55
Reduction	.05	.00	.03

Benefit of New Rates.

This new rate applies on the same classes governed by the Canadian classification. The rates apply not only locally from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Minnesota Transfer, Duluth and Colquet, Minnesota, and Superior, Wisconsin, but also as proportional rates on practically all traffic coming from points in the United States, East, west and south of St. Paul.

As an example of the advantage of bringing in freight over the C. N. R. line Mr. Gillies pointed out that the mileage to Edmonton by way of Emerson on the C. N. R., is 1,267 miles. On the C. P. R. the mileage to Edmonton by way of Emerson is 1,465 miles, and on the C. P. R. by way of the Soo line and Portal, it is 1,358 miles.

ARMOURS FOR ENGLAND.

Great American Meat Firm May Establish Retail S.

London, May 16.—Charles N. Bowerman, who represents the great market district in the House of Commons, has notified Winston Churchill, president of the board of trade of his intention to question him in the House on May 18 regarding what steps he proposes to take to prevent Armours of Chicago from establishing in this country retail stores for the purpose of supplying meat direct to consumers. This query is based on the statement that Armours are raising 5,000,000 new capital for the purpose of dotting London and the provinces with their own retail stores, the idea being to avoid tolls and charges levied at the Smithfield Market. Mr. Bowerman says the putting into effect of this scheme would destroy the business of English butchers and meat salesmen.

Anglicans Have 35,000 Adherents.

Saskatoon, Sask., May 15.—The synod of the Anglican diocese of Saskatchewan did good work yesterday and will get through business by noon today. The reports of the Indian mission board showed 35,000 adherents in the diocese. The synod appointed M. M. Goldie of Montreal Theological college, secretary-treasurer of the diocese. Yesterday afternoon the discussion on the report of the committees was continued and almost all were adopted. The proposal of the students of the diocesan theological college to have one of their number on the board of governors was turned down after a long discussion. Last night a big missionary meeting was addressed by Rev. DePencier until recently of Brandon, and other members of the synod.

CONFIDENCE MEN WORKING ALBERTA

Clever Game Manipulated by Drafts Has Been Attempted in Calgary.

Calgary, May 14.—There are some shippery confidence men working out of Calgary, through Alberta, and the fact that they have not as yet "stung" anyone is due to the vigilance of the banks. Several times attempts are known to have been made to work their slick game, but no account has yet been heard where they have succeeded, although there have been some narrow escapes.

The game is as follows: A well dressed man rides from point to point in Alberta or Saskatchewan. He opens up a conversation with some likely-looking passenger, and in the course of the conversation he finds where said passenger is from. Gradually he grows more friendly and a little more confidential. At last comes the parting. The well-dressed man of the world expresses a sudden weakness for his new-found acquaintance and asks him to write his name in his note book, so that in case he wanted to communicate with the guileless passenger he could do so. The passenger writes his name and address and then departs, possibly forgetting all about his casual meeting in a few days.

But the well-dressed man does not forget. He has taken the first step towards succeeding in his crooked scheme of securing a living without working. He wanted the other man's signature and he got it.

After he has secured the signature only a few days pass until a draft, signed with the name of the guileless passenger, is received at one or other of the banks here. This has occurred more than once. The crook mails the draft, with instructions to have the money forwarded to some hotel in the province. Then he wires that hotel, whichever it is, and instructs the management to forward the draft to him at some other point, always using the name of the innocent dupe.

Failed So Far.

These attempts have thus far been nipped in the bud and no one is yet the loser except the smooth one himself. Once the deal was caught in this way. The draft was sent to one bank. The management of the bank knew that another local bank handled all of the business of the man whose name appeared on the draft. Thinking that he had filled out a wrong blank by mistake, he forwarded the slip of paper to the bank of which the customer was a patron. The manager of the bank at which point the supposed signer of the draft lived happened to be in the city and thought it strange, for two days before he had been talking to the customer on the street in his own town.

Inquiries were made and the draft found to be fictitious. The police were notified, and the hotel to which the money was to be sent was watched closely, but the crooked gentleman must have smelled a rat, for he did not materialize. This is only one instance of the work which either one very lively man or else a gang are attempting to do in Alberta. The authorities hope to have them before they do any damage.

King Permits the Marriage.

Rome, May 16—The Duke of the Abruzzi arrived here this morning from Naples. He went at once to the Quirinal and had a long conference with King Victor Emmanuel regarding his marriage to Miss Katherine Elkins, daughter of Senator Elkins, of West Virginia. It is announced that an agreement was reached on this subject with the duke's brothers during a recent conference with them on board the battleship Regina Elena.

HAULTAIN GIVEN THE LIE DIRECT

Morang Co, Wire That His Charges About Readers Are Absolutely False.

Regina, May 16.—The following telegram was received to-day by Mr. Calder:

"Toronto, Ont., May 15th, 1908.

"The Hon. J. A. Calder,

"Minister of Education, Regina,

"Honorable Mr. Haultain's speech reported in Winnipeg Telegram of the 12th inst., stated that the reader contract has been re-let to the American Book Company, and also states the company is financed by American capital. Both statements are absolutely false. The American Book Company have no connection whatever with the readers, and there is not one cent of American money invested in the Morang business. You are personally aware of the falsity of the other charges made in the speech. Would like you to insist that Mr. Haultain undertake to prove charges contained in his speech or withdraw the same. Letter will follow.

"JOHN H. MOSS,

"Solicitor for Morang Educational Co., Ltd."

The Year's Estimates.

The estimates for the year ending February, 1909, were brought yesterday and on motion of Hon. Mr. Calder referred to the committee of supply. The credit balance brought forward from last year amounts to $329,494, and is made up, first of $328,326 advanced from income for expenditure on capital account pending the issue of debentures and second of cash in the bank $1,167. The total estimated revenue is $2,471,079, not including the supplementary revenue collections estimated at $300,000; and the current expenditure, $2,374,592, leaving an estimated surplus of $35,000 upon last year's estimate.

For the fees estimated to balance expenditure, $20,000 has been provided for seed grain advances, $1,267 to reimburse the Prince Albert board of trade for expenditure made to provide relief during the fuel shortage in the winter of 1906-07, $255 being one-third of the expenditure by the city of Regina to provide relief on account of the snow blockade on the C.N.R. during the same winter, $100 as the province's contribution towards the national memorial to Professor Alexander Bell, the inventor of the telephone; $10,000 towards the commemoration of the founding of Canada and the preservation of the Quebec battlefields.

There were arrears of collections upon supplementary revenue to the extent of $65,000, of which since the close of the year $44,111 has been collected, and an advance to the fund to this amount is provided. A provincial voters' list is to be made up and $20,000 has been alloted for this purpose. The construction of rural and public telephones systems has been provided for to the extent of $250,000, chargeable to capital and $30,000 for maintenance and operation of telephones chargeable to income.

Grants For Agricultural Scholarships.

The amount towards the agricultural scholarships has been increased to $2,000 and $500 is down for domestic science scholarships. The latter is a new departure. The grant towards the provincial fair is $4,000 and $5,500 is given to promote Farmers' Institute work.

The expenditure under the Agricultural Societies Act is estimated at $38,500, an increase of $14,500 upon the last year. It is proposed to give $1,000 to assist and encourage the horse breeding industry. A grant of $40,000 is made to the University of Saskatchewan, also $1,180, being the proportion of last year's revenue from the succession duties payable to the university.

A decrease of $20,000 upon last year's figures under the heading of public improvements is chargeable to income and an increase of $303,926 on the construction of public buildings and improvements is chargeable to capital. The amount provided for legislative and departmental buildings and grounds in $200,000, being $50,000 less than last year. No provision is made for a fall session.

On motion by Hon. Mr. Calder for the third reading of the free text book bill, Mr. Haultain moved an amendment to have the bill referred back to committee for the purpose of striking out the clause confirming the Morang contract. The House divided, and the amendment was defeated by 15 to 7, Messrs. Brown and Argue being absent.

Insolvent Broker Offers to Settle.

Montreal, May 14.—F. W. Boschen, the Montreal broker, whose failure was announced yesterday, is now in New York, and has wired offering to settle for forty cents on the dollar.

ALBERTA'S HISTORICAL PAGEANT AT CALGARY

Preliminary Arrangements for Great Demonstration at Dominion Fair Are Completed—Committees Organized to Carry Celebration Through.

Calgary, May 15.—All the preliminaries are over and now the great Alberta historical pageant for Dominion Day, which is to be the leading attraction for the exhibition, is away to a good start. A meeting of the committee appointed was held yesterday afternoon, and a very successful meeting it was, too.

The meeting was held in the city hall yesterday afternoon and was fairly well attended. It had been decided at a previous meeting that the pageant should be proceeded with if the committee could raise $1,000. The finance committee, consisting of J. E. Irvine and Ald. Stuart, announced that they had been able to raise $927 and they hoped to be able to put it up over the $1,000.

It was decided then that the organization work should proceed.

After some discussion it was decided that there should be a revision of the prizes for the floats and for the other displays in the parade. The sum of $10 will be given to every national float in the parade. In addition three prizes, $25 and $15 will be given the three best displays.

A letter was read from the Canadian club stating that the members would be responsible for the Canadian float and that they would not compete for a prize. The club would be unable, however, to look after the Imperial float.

The committee decided to offer $50 to the veterans to arrange the Imperial float, on the understanding that they, too, would not compete for a prize.

It was decided to offer prizes of $25, $15 and $10 for the best athletic clubs in uniform and that a grant of $5.00 should be given to every club entering.

After some discussion, I. S. G. Van Wart moved that a committee of management be appointed, and the work be left entirely to that committee. He named Col. Walker, I. G. Rutle, Rev. G. W. Kerby, J. E. Irvine, Alderman Watson, Alderman Stuart, Capt. Smart, Dr. McDougall, W. M. Davidson.

A meeting of the committee was held directly after the general meeting, and was organized.

The committee passed a vote of thanks and appreciation of the very excellent work that had been done by G. Stanley Rees, who first suggested the idea of a pageant.

Dr. Scott was asked to act as secretary, and H. B. Wilson, assistant secretary.

Three committees were appointed. Chief Smart was appointed chairman of a committee to look after the national floats. Upon this committee were appointed in addition Rev. G. W. Kerby, J. E. Irvine, Dr. Scott and Mr. Lambert.

Crispin Smith was made chairman of a committee to look after the Indians and oldtime features of the programme. With him will be associated Rev. Dr. McDougall, I. G. Rutle and Ald. Watson.

The other committee to look after the athletic sports and miscellaneous features were Col. Walker (chairman), Ald. Stuart and W. M. Davidson.

AUTOS FOR FIRE BRIGADE.

Montreal's Fire Chief Advocates Trial of One In Congested District.

Montreal, May 16.—Chief Benoit has returned from his visit to Springfield, N.Y., to which place he went to inspect the automobile used by the fire brigade.

He had experience of a squad motor which he says is the very thing for Montreal. It carries six men, six chemical fire extinguishers, and has room for several hundred feet of hose. It travels at forty miles an hour.

The chief will urge the installation of such a machine at No. 1 station, to serve the congested district. The total cost would be about $5,000.

If it proved satisfactory, it is the intention of Chief Benoit to ask for two or three more machines of the same make for use by himself, Deputy Chief Tremblay and one or two of the more central stations.

OBSTRUCTIONISTS ARE RESPONSIBLE

Premier Laurier Pricks Fosters' Criticism on Protraction of Marine Inquiry.

Ottawa, Ont., May 14.—As a matter of courtesy and in the hope that sober second thought might induce a more reasonable frame of mind in the blind Opposition, the government today acceded to the Opposition's request for a cessation of hostilities, and comparatively non-contentious bills were on the agenda for today's sitting of the House. It was a truce by courtesy, yet, as matters developed, it only served to emphasise the nasty temper of the Opposition. Any suggestion of amicable relations were quickly dispelled by Hon. G. E. Foster, who affected great concern because of possible protraction to the inquiry into the charges affecting the marine and fisheries department, owing to Mr. Justice Cassels' decision to give first attention to his court duties.

A few days ago Mr. Foster's chief desire seemed to be to discredit the inquiry about to be undertaken by Mr. Justice Cassels and to place obstacles in its way, but today he appeared to be consumed with anxiety because it was not proceeding fast enough. Apart from this glaring inconsistency his criticism of what he called the government's inaction laid itself open to censure on other grounds and the premier did not fail to take advantage of the opening.

Opposition's Inconsistency.

The member for North Toronto had sought to place the responsibility for the delay on the shoulders of the government. Why had they not appointed a deputy to do the work and let the inquiry proceed, he asked. This was just the opportunity Sir Wilfrid wanted. For days, he said, the government had been endeavoring to get ahead with some of the bills on the order paper, and among these was a bill amending the Exchequer Court and providing that the registrar of the court might take over the duties of Mr. Justice Cassels whenever it was deemed necessary. Time and again the government had attempted to proceed with these bills and to secure the appropriations necessary to carry on the business of the country, and at every step they had been met with the most deliberate obstruction. If there had been a delay in connection with Mr. Justice Cassels' inquiry the responsibility rested, not on the government, but on the Opposition, for the bill which would expedite the investigation would be put through just as soon as the Opposition provided the opportunity.

Obstructionists Discomfited.

This declaration was loudly cheered by the Liberal members and the discomfiture of the Obstructionists was complete. As a matter of fact, the Exchequer Court bill was introduced later in the session and passed.

As further indicating the irascibility of the Opposition, there was sharp clash between Mr. Foster and S. J. Jackson, of Selkirk, for which the former was primarily responsible. He had charged J. G. Cyr, member for Provencher, who is absent on account of ill-health, with having secured his election by fraudulent means, and when Mr. Jackson attempted to read a letter from Mr. Cyr denying the allegations in vigorous terms the member for North Toronto appealed to the speaker for protection, which was granted.

As a result of the truce, several bills, including the bill respecting the board of railway commissioners, and, as already stated, the Exchequer Court Bill, were passed.

To Make Another Effort.

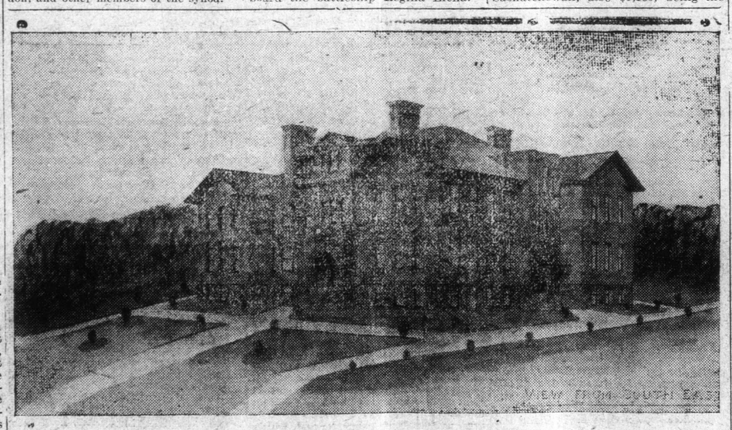
Important developments in the political situation are expected within the next few days. It is the government's intention to move the House into supply tomorrow and a strong effort will be made to impress upon the Opposition the necessity of securing appropriations necessary to meet the demands of the civil service and government works. It is understood, however, that the Conservatives are disposed to continue their obstructive tactics regardless of the consequences, although a section is credited with being in favor of a more conciliatory course. The government, on the other hand, is determined not to submit to the dictation of a minority and will spare no effort to press the supply through. If they fail in this the government responsibility, it is recognized, will be placed on the Opposition, and it may then be found advisable to leave the issue in the hands of the people. Meantime, it may be explained, that while the Conservative members are prepared to deprive the civil service of their salaries, to disorganize the postal and customs services and generally to play havoc with the business of the country, they themselves will not suffer, since their subventions are secured by statute and are not dependent upon the passage of supply.

Tokio Elections Quiet.

Tokio, May 16. — The elections today passed off quietly in Tokio and it is believed the same conditions prevailed in the provinces. The absence of excitement is unprecedented. The official results will be announced at once.

Only Two Autos in Race.

Paris, May 16.—The Paris committee in the New York-Paris auto race has been officially notified that all cars were withdrawn, except the American Thomas and the German Protos, which was thirty days behind.



THE NEW NORWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Being built in Norwood Boulevard, at the head of Syndicate avenue. This school, work on the foundation of which is now being rushed forward, will be the best equipped, largest and most modern of the up-to-date schools which Edmonton now possesses. It will be built of pressed brick with full front of Tyndale stone.

The building will be three storeys high with full basement. The classrooms will all be on the two lower floors, and will be ten in number. On the top floor will be the auditorium capable of seating 500 people. In the basement will be the lavatories and the girls' and boys' recreation rooms. The working flats will be exceptionally complete with respect to waiting rooms for teachers, library and reading rooms for the pupils.

The aim of the school board is to afford the best advantages for successful teaching by means of modern equipment, general lay out of classrooms, and facilitis for the recreation as well as the study of the pupils.

The school will cost upwards of $60,000. The architect is Roland W. Lines ,and the contractors Phcasey & Batson, who now have a large number of men employed on the building.