

Around the City

DESIRE TO CONTROL SUNDAY CAR OPERATION

Thursday's Daily. The routine business of the council at its meeting Tuesday evening was heavy. A communication was read from the Warren Bitulth Paving Co. asking the privilege to transfer their contract to the Western Paving Co. On the mayor explaining that the company to whom it was sought to transfer the contract was a subsidiary company of the Warren, the transfer was permitted.

STILL ANOTHER VICTIM

Thursday's Daily. The mines have claimed another victim. Mr. George Oullette, aged 25 years who came from St. Pierre de Brandon, Quebec, a few months ago and was employed in the mines at Clover Bar, died yesterday of typhoid at the General hospital, where he has been under treatment for the past three weeks.

MUNICIPAL WORK IN PROGRESS

Thursday's Daily. As the spring draws on the work around the city offices is becoming larger and larger. Preparatory to the large undertakings upon which the city is entering during the present year, the city engineer, Mr. R. K. Kelley, is having made a preliminary survey of the city. The engineer is engaged on the preliminary survey of the city. The engineer is engaged on the preliminary survey of the city.

THE HIGHWAY TO PEACE RIVER

Thursday's Daily. Mr. L. Malhotre, resident engineer of the department of public works, Ottawa, stationed at Calgary, leaves today for the Little Slave river. Mr. Malhotre goes up to inspect proposed improvement of navigation on the Little Slave. It is understood the department of public works purposes spending a sufficient amount of money to make this portion of the Little Slave navigable.

ALBERTA'S SURPLUS IS NEARLY HALVED

Thursday's Daily. That the surplus of Alberta is in a wholesome condition is abundantly attested by the accounts of the table at yesterday's session of the legislature. The receipts of the year 1906, including the balance in hand on Dec. 31, 1905, of \$473,232.66, were \$1,833,311.65. The total expenditures for the year aggregated \$1,319,229, leaving a surplus of \$514,082.66.

FRANCHISE NOT EXCLUSIVE

Thursday's Daily. There is one point that is exceedingly important to the public, and that is, that the reasons for the company undertaking this work is any other than the direct gain from the sale of gas. The fact is, however, that the men forming this company are those with the greatest interests at stake in the city, and that the benefits that will accrue from the development of the natural product of our country and especially of the Edmonton district, will be shared by the entire community.

CAUSES OF DELAYS

Thursday's Daily. Up to the present time the company have put down two holes, one to 1100 feet and one to 1000 feet. The first hole was abandoned because of the insurmountable difficulties and work on the second has for some time been delayed. At the telephone building work is progressing on the foundation and it is expected to be ready for the laying of the trunk sewer which will be carried on at any time.

HAVE FOUND GAS

Thursday's Daily. It is very hard to give an idea of the great difficulties that have to be dealt with in these deep wells in new countries, and although this country shows promise as regards natural gas, the drilling has proved very difficult and although the company have found gas in both wells put down, they have exceeded the time limit of the franchise.

ITS FUEL VALUE

Thursday's Daily. Natural gas has a great fuel value and can be used as a fuel generally on account of its low price, and as such would greatly fortify and reduce the expense of electric lighting, water supply and street railway operation, and in this way would assist the municipality although the franchise is owned by a company. It is a condition that artificial gas can never fulfill on account of its high cost. When this alternative have had an opportunity to consider the terms of the gas franchise and have learned how perfectly the city's interests are protected, and when the taxpayers consider that local capital has been so largely

AMBUANCE CASES

Thursday's Daily. A young girl named Cassinly who removed this morning by the Red Cross ambulance from a house on McCall street, where she has been under treatment for the past three weeks.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Thursday's Daily. Mr. Oullette, a miner from Clover Bar, died at the General Hospital this morning.

SUDDEN DEATH AT BANK

Thursday's Daily. The employees attending business at the Northern Bank this morning about eleven o'clock were shocked by the almost instantaneous death of John Von Gruenigen, a man of about fifty-five, well known around the city.

NOXIOUS WEEDS BILL

Thursday's Daily. The first real discussion of the day by the committee asked leave to sit again on the bill, which had been left over from the previous session and to find the botanical name of cockle, passed with that addition. A few changes were made. A clause was added to give the farmer the right to secure the screenings from his grain cleaned at the elevator. With relation to thrashers it was stipulated that threshed grain should contain not more than 100 seeds of noxious weeds to the 1,000 of grain. Further, all screenings from the thrasher shall be destroyed by the farmer within five days after it is threshed, and no removed in close woven sacks.

TWO SPROUS PROPOSITIONS

Thursday's Daily. E. A. James general manager of the C. N. R., who is now en route to Winnipeg, after paying an official visit to Edmonton, speaking of the difficulties against which his railway had had to contend this winter, said that it was no exaggeration to say that they would result in a clear loss to the C. N. R. of a million dollars. Frequently during the last few months they had been paying as many as a thousand snowshovelers at the rate of \$2 per day, not to speak of other expenses. It had been a frightful winter for the different officials and the train crews and road men.

THE LABOR PROBLEM

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THE ROLLING STOCK DIFFICULTY

Thursday's Daily. As to rolling stock, Mr. James said that the C. N. R. had every other rolling stock in the province, not only in Canada, but in the States, was up against a serious obstacle in the form of a law which had endeavored to place an order for a hundred engines with the Baldwin company and had been paid for that order, but they had not yet been delivered. As a matter of fact the C. N. R. had been buying all they could get for the last five years, and generally speaking at 25 per cent more than it was worth. Just now they had 75 engines on order and they could continue to increase the rolling stock so far as opportunity offered.

PROVIDING FOR COMPULSORY INVESTIGATION OF LABOR DISPUTES

Thursday's Daily. The speaker took the chair at eight o'clock. Mr. Puffer (Lacombe) continued the debate on the bill, arguing that there was no use of so many clauses without a penalty to secure their enforcement. He sympathized with the old-timers in clinging to old customs, but the world was moving and we must adopt modern methods. This was quite evident in other lines of legislation. Great expenditures were being made on the highways and great numbers of settlers coming in from other provinces where such laws prevailed and who had little reverence for the customs of the old timers.

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