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SCORE OF LIVES LOST IN WRECK

Steamer Hestia of Donaldson Line Driven to Destruction in Shoal in Bay of Fundy.

East Port, Me., Oct. 26.—The North Atlantic annual toll of human lives and vessels received the first tithe of the winter season from its tributary, the Bay of Fundy today, in the loss of at least a score of souls and the destruction of a shoal inside of old Proprietor's Ledge, off Seal Cove, Grand Manan, of the Donaldson line steamer Hestia, bound from Glasgow for St. John and Baltimore.

Four of the victims, young school laddies, were passengers on the ill-fated steamer and the others were members of the crew. Capt. Newman and twenty or more members of the crew were last seen this morning in a ship's boat, which was being tossed and buffeted on the aggravated sea, making still more dangerous the ever treacherous tides, which rush in and out of the Bay of Fundy.

Only Six Saved.

Of the forty persons who were aboard the steamer when she piled up on the shoal at one o'clock this morning, only six are known to be saved. They were forced to cling to their impaled craft, shifting their precarious positions often, as the steamer was being tossed by the seas. It was not until 3 o'clock today that life savers from the Seal Cove station were able to man their boats and reach the stranded vessel.

Great Gale Raging.

Those known to be saved are: Third Mate Stewart, Second Engineer Morgan, and Seamen Keen, McKenzie, Smith and McVicker. A heavy northwesterly gale is believed to be responsible for the Hestia's fate, although it is supposed that a mistake of the man at the wheel in believing that he had picked up Gannet Rock light, while really discerning the gleams of the light house on Machias Seal Island, several miles southwest, carried the ship many miles off her course.

NAVIGATION OF SASKATCHEWAN

Prince Albert Board of Trade Take Up Project.

Prince Albert, Oct. 27.—The board of trade have re-organized and propose taking up many important matters during the winter months. R. H. Hall continues as president, and J. E. Bradshaw, M.P.P., as vice president. The board propose taking up the proposition of making the Saskatchewan river navigable from Winnipeg through to Edmonton, and will draft a resolution to the government urging the attention to this project. The island, half a mile up the river, will be converted into a summer resort and pleasure boats will be placed on the run between the city and the proposed park.

Candidates in B.C.

Victoria, Oct. 27—There was a lively convention at Metchosin last night when Harry Helmoken, ex-M.L.A., was chosen by the Conservatives in a close competition with Harry Pooley son of the former speaker, T. Gifford was nominated by the Westminster Conservatives and S. J. McKenzie will oppose in Delta, John Oliver, leader of the Opposition.

New Spanish Commander.

Paris, October 26.—A dispatch from Madrid to the Journal says General Weyler, formerly captain general of Cuba, has been appointed commander in chief of the Spanish forces at Catalonia.

Announcement

Commencing January 1st, 1910, all subscriptions to the SEMI-WEEKLY BULLETIN must be paid strictly in advance.

Subscribers will be notified at least thirty days before their subscription expires, and unless the same is paid promptly THE BULLETIN will be discontinued one week after subscription is due.

SUPEROR JUNCTION DIVISION COMPLETED

This 250 Miles Section of National Transcontinental From Winnipeg East is Ready to Handle Share of Wheat Crop—District Engineer Poulin Makes Report After Traversing Line.

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—Wheat can now be hauled over the division of the N.T.R. between St. Boniface and Superior Junction. This was the word brought home by S. F. Poulin, district engineer, from an inspection trip over the new line. Mr. Poulin and his secretary, Mr. Sandsbury, left St. Boniface, on October 9, in a G.T.P. private car and reached the Redditt divisional point after a fairly fast trip about 30 miles an hour. The distance between Redditt and Wabigoon river was traversed before nine o'clock in the morning of October 10. The Wabigoon river was crossed on a temporary bridge. An engine and car were waiting on the farther side and took the party to Pelican falls, the eastern terminus of the division.

From mile 249 to mile 80, the first lift of ballast is practically completed, leaving about 55 miles on the J. D. McArthur contract which has yet to receive the first lift. There are five gangs working on that 55 mile stretch, which means that the work of completing the first lift along the whole of this contract will occupy a little over a week. Mr. Poulin says, in his report: "I see no reason why by November 10 at the latest, the whole 249 1-2 miles between Pelican Falls and Winnipeg should not be in such a state that it can canvey trains at an average speed of 25 miles per hour. Some of the rock cuts and tunnels, of which latter there are four along the division, are impressive. Several of the cuts are 85 feet in depth.

From Winnipeg River to Dryden the road passes through a fine lake country. The falls of the Winnipeg river have a drop of six feet and a width of about 500. The Wabigoon falls have a 20 drop in one place and a short distance farther down the river, a drop of 34 feet. These facts show immense possibilities for the development of water power. Good tie timber and cordwood are available in abundance along practically the whole route except the first 20 miles after leaving St. Boniface. The slopes adjoining the track are clothed with jack pine, spruce, birch, poplar and tamarack. From miles 78 to mile 81 there is a belt of red norway pine, extending northwest and southeast for about five miles, comprising about four square miles of timber. Along the east end of the line there is scattered timber suitable for pulpwood."

Ask for Their Dismissal.

Nanaimo, Oct. 26.—Socialists have asked for the dismissal of Mine Inspectors Shepperd and Dick, on the ground of alleged carelessness preceding the recent explosion at Extension.

NEW FACULTY IN ALBERTA COLLEGE

The Establishment of a Theological School Celebrated by a Banquet In the College Hall.

The establishment of a theological class in connection with Alberta College, which will shortly be affiliated with the University of Alberta, was celebrated last night at the College Hall by a banquet at which were present almost one hundred guests.

The chair was occupied by Judge Taylor, chairman of the governing board and among those present were Lieutenant-Governor Bulyea, Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Hon. W. H. Cushing, Dr. Tory, Rev. G. W. Kerby, Calgary; John A. McDougall, M.P.P., Commissioner Butchart, Supt. McKee of the Strathcona public schools and other prominent men.

Members of the Class.

The members of the theological class, thirty-two in all, were also in attendance. The class is as follows: Cyril Easom, Walter Davidson, John G. Rogers, Geo. A. Kettlys, S. Hosford, H. Evers, Percy Halstead, J. L. Wright, Chas. E. Rogers, F. S. McCall, G. D. Misener, J. M. Woggett, A. E. Ottewell, R. P. Richards, R. E. Randall, Sam Webster, Fred Cook, J. M. Fawcett, John D. Lord, Wm. Berry, W. T. Young, G. A. Hipkin, F. Claydon, C. J. Bailey, D. Simpson, A. J. Law, L. W. Ridley, G. F. Driver, R. H. Bailey, J. W. Wright, Norman Priestly, H. B. Clark.

After an enjoyable repast had been served a number of speeches and a musical program were given. An address was presented by the students to the board and Principal Riddell delivered an able address on "The Place of the Theological College in Modern Life."

The Program Given.

The remainder of the program was as follows:

Solo ..... R. E. Randall
Address ..... Lieut-Gov. Bulyea
Piano solo ..... Prof. V. P. Hunt
Address ..... Premier Rutherford
Song ..... Miss V. B. Smith
Address ..... Dr. Tory
Address ..... John A. McDougall, M.P.P.
Violin solo ..... V. C. Markle
Address ..... Rev. Kerby, B.A., Calgary
Address ..... Prof. Miller
Song ..... Alberta College Quartette
Address ..... Geo. A. McKee, Strathcona
Address ..... Hon. W. H. Cushing

Rapid Growth of College.

The growth of Alberta College has been a phenomenal one. It was opened on October 5th, 1903, in the large rooms of W. Johnstone Walker's store, with no students. In November 1903, it moved to the Masonic hall, Second street. In Octobr, 1904, it opened classes in the main building here. In the summer of 1905 the main building was enlarged so as to double the capacity. In 1907 the old McDougall church was converted into a residence, with accommodation for twelve students. In 1908 McDougall hall, with residential accommodation for thirty boys was erected; in 1909 the principal's residence was made part of the residence for the girls.

In 1903-1904 the income and expenditure totalled $6,000 and there were 73 students; in 1908-1909 the income and expenditure totalled $44,000 and there were 450 students enrolled. This year the total has already reached 250.

The future plans are to move the Theological College to the University site in Strathcona, and there to erect a buiding costing $100,000, and make it a home for the theological work and for all Methodist students attending the University, as well as for all others who wish to avail themselves of a home under Christian influence.

JUDGE CENSURES CITY.

Regina Fails in Suit Against Garrett for $900.

Regina, Oct. 26.—By a decision handed out in the Supreme court this afternoon the case of the City of Regina vs Garrett is decided in favor of the latter and the city pays the costs. The city sued Garrett for some $900 alleged to be due on property bought at a city sale. Garrett had the title to the property and claimed to have paid the city treasurer. The city treasurer set up the claim that the money was never paid. In giving judgment Judge Prendergast characterized the evidence given by the plaintiff as being shady in the extreme and further commented on the manner in which the case had been handled for the city, in the failure to call important witnesses from the treasurer's offices who were in a position to throw considerable light upon the matter.

Vancouver's Railway Terminal Co.

Vancouver, Oct. 26.—The city council today decided to ask the Grand Trunk Pacific, Canadian Northern and any other railroads coming to Vancouver to submit offers for what part of the city's portion of False Creek flats they may require for terminal purposes. The council also considered the Great Northern railway's recent proposal that the city make a grant of sixty-one acres for the exclusive use of the Hill lines on the north side of False Creek. It was decided to propose the swapping of the land owned by the city and the Great Northern, which will, in the opinion of the aldermen, make a better deal for both parties.

G. T. P. RUNS FASTER THAN A MILE A MINUTE

Bulletin Special.

Winnipeg, Oct. 27.—"The road-bed on the Grand Trunk Pacific between Winnipeg and Wainwright has no equal on the American continent. It even now rivals the New York Central, which is admitted to have the finest roadbed in America. On our return trip from Wainwright to Winnipeg, we made many miles at a rate of a mile in 56 seconds."

This statement was made by Jno. M. Barrell, of Minneapolis, one of the most prominent grain men in America, who with Geo. Carruthers, of Montreal, and Jno. T. Clark, general manager of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, have returned from a trip over the line to Wainwright for the purpose of looking for advantageous elevator locations.

ENTIRE QUESTION OF REFORM IS REOPENED

Winnipeg Alderman Causes Sensation by Violently Charging Crown Prosecutor With Making a Farce of Recent Prosecution of Bawdy House Keepers.

Winnipeg, October 26.—"That the results of the recent prosecutions against bawdy house keepers is encouraging to criminals and discreditable to the city.

"That proceedings by summons instead of by arrest were extraordinary and false and the various manoeuvres of the crown prosecutor throughout were a travesty on prosecution, utterly at variance with the dignity of the city.

"That we find this segregation district is still open and running in defiance of the law and that no adequate efforts have been made to wipe it out.

"That the clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Board of Police Commissioners forthwith."

This was Alderman Willoughby's resolution, violently charging Crown Prosecutor H. W. Whitla with flagrantly ignoring the instructions of the Police Commission, in regard to the disorderly houses in the city and the inmates thereof, which last night caused a sensation in the city council meeting and reopened the entire question, which was thought to have been settled to the satisfaction of everybody. It was seconded by Alderman Gowler.

Alderman Willoughby introduced the resolution and was determined to put it through the council. Argument overrode him, however, and he agreed, eventually, to leave it as a notice of motion. The reading of the resolution came as a thunderbolt and surprised all the members present, leading into a hot argument which each individual, with the exception of the mover and seconder of the resolution, seemed anxious to avoid. A delegation from the Anti-Segregation League sat in the council chamber to listen to the proceedings, but when they saw the council was determined not to take the matter up, and go into it in detail, they withdrew.

WEDNESDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, October 27.—Wheat markets opened sharply higher this morning on unexpected strength in Liverpool, caused apparently by covering of short sales on a report issued by Broomhall of expected larger shipments from Russia. Later considerable pressure developed in Chicago and prices eased off a little, but Winnipeg market held firm or better export demand and rallied some just before the close. Liverpool closed ½ to ¾d higher, Chicago unchanged to ⅜ lower, Minneapolis ⅛ higher and ⅛ lower, Winnipeg ⅜ to 1c higher.

Winnipeg closing prices are: Futures—October 97⅝, November 97¼, December 94⅝, May 99.

Oats—October 35, November 34⅛, December 33¼, May 35⅞.

Flax—October 1.56½, November 1.53, December 1.44½.

Cash wheat—No. 1 Northern, 97½; No. 2 Northern, 95¼; No. 3 Northern, 94; No. 4, 91; No. 5, 83; No. 6, 78½.

Oats—No. 2 C.W., 34½; No. 3 C.W., 33½.

Barley—No. 3, 46¾; No. 4, 44¾; rejected, 42.

Flax—No. 1 N.W., 1.56½; No. 1 Manitoba, 1.54½.

PLANS OF THE LAST DREADNOUGHT STOLEN

London, Oct. 26.—A big sensation was created in political circles tonight by a report that the plans for the last Dreadnought launched, which should have been returned to the admiralty, have disappeared. It is feared they have been sold to some foreign power, perhaps Germany. Naval Minister McKenna is to be questioned in the House of Commons on the subject on Thursday.

MORE DISASTROUS FLOODS IN MEXICO

Two Lives Lost, $5,000,000 Crop Damage, Thousands of Cattle Drowned.

Mexico City, Mex., Oct. 26.—An estimated crop loss of five million pesos and two persons killed, with many others missing from the hundreds of homes washed away, and thousands of head of cattle drowned, are the known results of a disastrous cloudburst and storm that broke over Tabasco yesterday following twenty-one days of incessant rain. Rivers are out of their beds, towns are inundated, thousands are homeless and no relief is yet in sight.

From north to south, extending across the state from the Mecalapa and the Grijalva rivers, which take the two names after forking near Hinaguillo, to the banks of the Usumacinta, which for a short distance marks the boundry between Chipais and Cuatemala, the country is a waste. Only mountain villages and plateau farms escaped the waters.

Five hundred families are homeless in the city of Atasta alone. Other cities and towns inundated are Huinaguillo, Tenosqui, Jalapa, Tlacotalpam, Tlapa, Santa Rosa and a number of smalled villages along the Mescalapa river, while on the south border of the state Jonuta, Balacan, Carmen, Palizada and Santa Rita, in the valley of the Usumacinta river, are badly damaged as the result of the floods.

PERJURY IS NOT PROVEN

Mayor and City Clerk of Prince Albert Acquitted of Charges.

Prince Albert, Oct. 26—Mayor McDonald and City Clerk Davidson appeared in police court this morning charged with perjury. After a long session Police Magistrate Lindsay dismissed the charge against the mayor and H. L. Jordan as counsel for B. C. Beatty who laid the charges, immediately asked that the charge against the city clerk be withdrawn. Evidence adduced was very unsatisfactory and the magistrate was asked by City Solicitor Doak to censure Beatty for bringing the charge from malicious motives. Postmaster Stuff and J. E. Bradshaw, M.P.P., gave evidence as to procedure of the council when they were mayor, and alderman Coster testified as to the delivering of the telegram which was not recorded on the minutes of the council. The report of C. H. Mitchell was not read before the council but had been taken up by the special committee appointed to deal with it. It was filed. The magistrate held that the evidence did not in the least show any signs of concealment. City Solicitor Doak apologized for taking up the time of the court on such a paltry charge. He said that he would not go so far as to say that Beatty was insane but stated that in his mind he had not the slightest doubt but that Beatty was not quite sound of mind. Alderman Holmes said that when the telegram was shown him he considered it was a piece of impertinence for Beatty to butt into civic affairs, and that the waste paper basket was the proper place for it. Beatty was censured on all sides. The entire case ended in a fizzle. He made a hurried exit when leaving the room, stating that he lacked a lawyer. H. L. Jordan, of Saskatoon, was his lawyer. A charge of malicious prosecution may be laid against Beatty. The mayor and clerk were cheered when the magistrate dismissed the charge.

PRAISE FOR PROF. OSLER.

Canadian Who Has Acquired Fame in Science is Landed.

Canadian Associated Press.

London, Oct. 27—At the opening winter session of the London School of Tropical Medicine, Professor Osler delivered an address on "The Nation and the Tropics." The American ambassador occupied the chair and in introducing the lecturer said he excelled as an example of what America could do with a Canadian when it caught him young. McGill University brought him into prominence but he reached the climax of his fame at John Hopkins University.

After Prof. Osler had explained what science had done for the empire and civilization, the foremost possibilities of which were still open he concluded his address with a vigorous denial of the idea that England was decadent. At the annual dinner of the London School of Tropical Medicine. Dr. Miers, replying to a toast on behalf of Prof. Osler, who was unavoidably absent, said that one of the best things which had come out of Canada to England was Prof. Osler.

Bishop Sheepshanks, who labored in British Columbia several years has resigned on the ground of age.

The Times says the governor-generalship of Canada, when Earl Grey retires will be offered to a member of the British cabinet.

Civic Officials Wanted to Fight.

Toronto, Oct. 26—Mayor Oliver and Alderman Foster, nearly came to blows after today's council meeting. The mayor thought a remark made by Alderman Foster ment a reflection on himself, and board of control. Alderman Foster apologized. Mayor Oliver aftrewards said he would have punched him if he had not. 1Ad. Foster replied that the mayor might beign now. The two were separated by Aldermen when a battle was imminent.

Serious Floods in Sussex.

London, Oct. 27.—The heavy rains that have been flooding Sussex resulted today in the sweeping away of a bridge near Roberts and the wreck of a good trains which plunged into the swollen stream and was was drowned. Heavy damage was done throughout the district.

Dr Samson Given Two Years.

Perce, Que., Oct. 27—Two years at St. De Paul penitentiary was the sentence handed out by Judge Tessier upon Dr. Samson, convicted of manslaughter in connection with the death of his wife at Grand Rivers.

SAYS THE EDMONTON ALDERMEN RIDE FREE

Startling Statement Made by Alderman Brocklebank at Calgary City Council Meeting — No Passes Given in Edmonton but Aldermen Are Known to Conductors.

Bulletin Special.

Calgary, October 27.—Last night's council meeting saw another move made toward rescinding the street railway passes for aldermen. Alderman McChell tried to get the motion through to rescind the passes, but the council turned him down cold, saying press comment was not going to scare them. Alderman Brocklebank said other cities carried aldermen free, even Edmonton, where, although the aldermen did not get regular passes, yet they were known to the conductors and it was about the same thing.

The term of office for commissioners wil lexpire on December 31st and new commissioners will be elected.

Alderman Reilly tried to put a motion through to have the government urged to buy the city hall and change it into a jail, as the building is no use in its present state and a jail is needed badly. This seemed to take well with the aldermen, but was finally defeated by a close vote of 5 to 6.

A blaze in the city storehouse yesterday afternoon caused a loss of about $1,000. The building was insured, but the stock was not. The fire started, it is supposed, either from spontaneous combustion or a match in a pile of oakum.

Thomas Turnbull, for several years colporteur for the Alberta auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, has resigned to accept the position of secretary for charity work of Edmonton and district.

Intercolonial Demoralized.

Halifax, N.S., Oct. 26—Further reports are coming in of the damage done by the rainstorm of the first of the week. It is the worst in the history of the eastern section of the Intercolonial railway. Today the whole train service is demoralized. Some of the washouts are 200 feet long.

Interdicted Man Fined.

Kingston, Oct. 26—"I got it from a bottle of liquor which my wife procured for our dying baby," was the reply which a man on the prohibited list made to Magistrate Farrell, when asked where he had secured liquor. He was fined $10 and cost.

Eggs 40 Cents Per Dozen in Toronto.

Toronto, Oct. 26—"Strictly fresh" eggs areselling in Toronto as high as 40 cents per dozen. aLst year eggs did not reach the 40 cents mark until January. It is said eggs will go to 50 cents by mid-winter.

$15,000 Fire at Kingsbury, Que.

Kingsbury, Que., Oct. 26—Fire this evening broke out in the big Williamson & Crombie mills and caused damage of from $10,000 to $15,000.

SURPLUS OF POST OFFICE $809,237

Post Master-General's Annual Report Shows Revenue Largely Exceeds Expenditures.

Ottawa, Oct. 26.—The annual report of the Postmaster General covering the last fiscal year, shows that the number of letters and post cards handled in the mails during the year increased by 18,905,000 or over four per cent as compared with the preceding twelve months. The number of post offices increased by 656 and there was an increase of 2,034 miles in the extent of the system over which the mails were carried.

The revenue of the department for the year was $809,237 in excess of the expenditure. The stamp issue totalled $9,916,011, an increase of $530,000 or a little over six per cent. The introduction of one-cent drop letter rate in cities was responsible for a very large increase in letters for local delivery. The total number of one cent stamps issued was 51,536,000.

NEW STEEL ON C.N.R.

Between Winnipeg and Port Arthur 80 Pound Rails Have Been Laid.

Port Arthur, Oct. 27—"There are only about 15 miles more of steel to lay," said Supt. Murphy, who has returned from a trip up the line, "and then all the line between Port Arthur and Winnipeg on the C.N.R. will be laid with 80 pound steel. The piece to be still laid is between Banning to a point four miles west of Laseine. The completion of this work will mean a great deal for the Canadian Northern. The heavier steel and improvements made in the roadbed and track ballasting will enable dispatchers to give trains, both passengers and freight, faster running time. Meets can be made more expeditiously, thus doing away with long waits that have often occurred to trains held in side tracks and the result will be a great saving of time generally over the first district and a better handling of freight and passenger traffic all over the system."

Senator Ratz Files Defence.

Berlin, Oct. 26.—Senator Valentine Ratz today filed his defence in the charge that he agreed to recompense the late Samuel Merner's family by giving them a yearly allowance if Senator Merner would resign and Ratz get the seat. Senator Ratz claims there was no agreement of such a kind, and that such an agreemnt would be for the sale of an office in the gift of the crown and as such would be void as being against public policy.

Herbert Gladstone to Accept Peerage.

London, October 26.—Herbert Gladstone, son of the Grand Old Man of English politics, will accept the peerage which his father consistently refused. It is stated authoritively that Herbert Gladstone has been selected for the post of first governor-general of the Union of South Africa and he will receive a baronetcy before his appointment.

C. M. Hays in Chicago.

Chicago, Ills., October 26.—Chas. Melville Hayes, who will succeed Sir Charles Rivers Wilson as president of the Grand Trunk Railway system at the first of the coming year, arrived in Chicago tonight for the purpose of attending a meeting of the Milwaukee and Grand Haven Car Ferry line.

THE ALBERTA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION BEGINS TO-NIGHT

The First Cathering Will be a Convention Tea Given in the Thistle Rink at Six O'clock by the People of Edmonton—It is Expected That Over 200 Delegates Will be in Attendance at the Meetings.

This evening at six o'clock in the Thistle Rink the first gathering in connection with the Alberta Sunday School convention will be held. It will take the form of a convention tea served by the people of Edmonton as an evidence of their welcome to the visitors, the number of whom will reach about 200 from all parts of the province.

At this tea the address of the President, Rev. A. C. Farrell, of Medicine Hat, will be given. A welcome will also be extended by Mayor Lee, Archdeacon Gray and A. Butchart, and will be responded to by Dr. Scott, of Calgary.

There will be no session tonight but the delegates will attend the special Sunday School prayer meetings throughout the city.

Tomorrow morning the regular day sessions open in the First Presbyterian church at nine o'clock. At half past twelve there will be a Canadian Club luncheon in the Thistle Rink, at which Marion Lawrance the International Sunday School secretary will speak.

On Thursday and Friday nights the mass meetings will be held in the Thistle Rink where music will be furnished by the massed choir of over 500 voices directed by Professor Excell, and Marion Lawrance will deliver an address.

Today the arrangements are being completed for the billeting of the delegates who will be made at home in Edmonton and Strathcona by the members of the different churches.

Refused to Take Up Gauntlet.

Hamilton ,Ont., Oct. 26.—The expected opposition to the report of Chancellor McKay, of McMaster University at the Baptist convention this afternoon failed to materialize, those who have been fighting the position, McMaster has taken on modern theological questions, refusing to take up the gauntlet which Chancellor McKay threw down. The convention unanimously endorsed the Chancellor's report, which included a statement on the question of the University's attitude towards Biblical questions.

Cut His Way Out of Jail.

Ottawa, October 26.—By cutting a hole in the two inch plank wall of the cell in which he was confined, large enough to admit his body, John Seymour, alias Wm. Hamilton, held at Chesterville on the charge of horse stealing, made his escape in the early hours today. He is still at large.

FIVE HUNDRED MILES OF NEW TELEPHONE LINES BUILT

Farmers in Various Sections of the Province Are Being Supplied With Telephone Connections—Several New Toll Lines and Local Exchanges Have Also Been Installed.

The appropriation of $600,000 made by the Alberta legislature for the extension of the provincial telephone system has been practically exhausted, so great has been the expenditure on new lines for this year.

This information was given to the Bulletin this morning by Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of Public Works. Asked for particulars as to what has been undertaken, Mr. Cushing said that on rural lines constructed to date 500 miles have been completed radiating out from the various points in the province. This has given telephone connection to 500 farmers direct to their residences. If fine weather continues for another month or six weeks it is expected that another 200 miles of rural phones connecting up 200 farmers telephones will be completed.

Of the long distance pole lines Mr. Cushing said that 150 miles had been constructed, including lines from Stettler to Botha, Edmonton to Tofield, Sunnyslope to Three Hills, Curlew to Trochu Valley, Sedgewick to Hardisty, and extra wire circuit from Edmonton to Fort Saskatchewan; two extra wire circuits from Calgary to Macleod; extra wire circuit from Edmonton to Calgary; extra wire circuit from Red Deer to Calgary.

New Toll Line.

"Another phase of the work" said Mr. Cushing, "has been the construction on a proposed Calgary-Gleichen toll line, also an extra wire circuit from Macleod to Coleman to accommodate the business which will arise when the connection with Kootenay Telephone Company in B. C. is made. New toll offices have been opened at Botha, Frankburg, Hardisty, Lougheed, Three Hills, Trochu, Cooking Lake, Ministik and Toefield. New local exchanges have been opened up at Sedgewick, Bowden and Granum.

Large increase of business have necessitated reconstruction of the exchanges at Medicine Hat, Wetaskiwin, Claresholm, Lloydminster and Nanton. At Lethbridge it has been found advisable to install full new Automatic System, likewise An Automatic Branch Exchange in the East End of Calgary."

"Even though our amount for the telephone expenditures is about overdraw," said Mr. Cushing, "we are not stopping at all, but are continuing to extend the system wherever the need is made apparent."

The Canteen is Abolished.

Melbourne, Oct. 27.—The defense bill passed the committee stage in the House of Representatives with a new clause prohibiting the use of intoxicants in naval and military canteens.