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## MEN OF TO-DAY

Publicist and Manufacturer

F all men who have made a name for themselves in the city of Toronto, none has a more enviable reputation than Mr. W. K. Mc-Naught, manufacturer, member of parliament, hydro-electric commissioner and good citizen generally. The story goes that "W. K." came to Toronto from the county of Huron in the year 1868 with the avowed purpose of going across the line to fight with the Northern army in the Civil War. But he didn't go. It may have been that a pair of bright female eyes caught him, or—well, however that may be, he became junior clerk in the jewellery establishment of Robert Wilkes, M.P., in 1868. In nine years he struck out for himself. In 1885, he left Zimmerman, Mc-Naught & Lowe to join the American Watch Case Company of which he is now president and managing

As a youth, he was an enthusiastic volunteer and lacrosse player. He even wrote a book on lacrosse. Also, he went to England with the Canadian Lacrosse team of 1883. Later he turned his attention to the National Club, of which he is a past president, and to the Manufacturers' Association, in which he has long been a leader, if not the leader. In all this unselfish work, he proved himself to be a patriot in the best sense of the term. He talked "made in Canada" long before the phrase became popular. His work in con-nection with the Toronto Fair is among the most important of the tasks which he has accomplished. He was president in 1902-03-04, and transformed it from a county fair into a national exhibition. Even to-day there is no greater influence, no more untiring worker on the board than "W. K."

It was only the other day that he took up politics and was elected a member of the Legislature for North Toronto. Immediately he came into prominence on legislative committees. He was appointed on the Hydro-Electric Commission, with Hon. Adam Beck and Hon. J. S. Hendrie, to work out a publicly-owned and municipally-operated supply of electric power from Niagara Falls and elsewhere. He has been a keen student of electric power for years and has a childlike and abiding faith in Sir James Whitney's policy to give the people of Ontario cheap power and

Mr. McNaught's chief characteristics are a lowtoned, mellow voice and the power of defeating those who have opposite views to his without making them

feel hurt. He wields tremendous influence with all men with whom he comes in close contact, though he is less magnetic and influential with an audience. As a bender of men, he has few peers in the city in which he lives.

### A Progressive Engineer

HE city engineer of Fredericton, N. B., Mr. A. K. Grimmer, has been appointed to a position on the staff of the University of Manitoba. Mr. Grimmer has had as long an experience in



Mr. Robert Bogue, President Saskatchewan Municipalities

engineering as a young man can ever get. He was born at St. Andrew's, N.B.; entered the University of New Brunswick in 1900,

and five years later got the degree of bachelor of engineering. Already he had done much practical work; land surveys, the erection of the Salmon River bridge, the extension of the New Brunswick coal



Mr. W. K. McNaught, M P.P.



Mr. A. K. Grimmer, City Engineer, Fredericton, N.B.



Mr. R. H. Williams, Mayor of Regina.

and railway from Chipman to Minto; besides serving a year on the Canadian Pacific survey in Ontario. Afterwards he was appointed camp draughtsman on the Transcontinental Railway survey from Plaster Rock to Grand Falls in New Brunswick. After graduation he became engineer in charge of the Glenn extension for the York and Carlton Railway and then returned to the university for a post-graduate course and as lecturer on materials and cement testing. He was made assistant engineer on construction of the sewerage system and filtration plant for the city of Fredericton, after which he was appointed city engineer of the capital city. He is an expert on filtration systems which he has studied extensively in the United States.

#### The Scotch Treasurer

THE secretary-treasurer of the Union of Saskatchewan Municipalities, recently in convention in Regina, is Mr. John Kelso Hunter, who was born to finance in Glasgow and educated at Glasgow University. He served a law apprenticeship in the office of the late town clerk of Glasgow and while in that office Mr. Hunter was a side partner in law of Mr. "Bob" Edwards, the author of the Calgary Eye-Opener and other papers of the prairie. After thirteen years service for the corporation of Glasgow, Mr. Hunter came to Canada and went west. That was back in the early eighties. Along with the late Alexander Begg, historian, he founded the Arcadian near Yorkton, Sask. Ten years ago he went to settle in Regina, one of the staff in the land titles office. He was made deputy-registrar of Regina when Mr. Forbes, then in the office, succeeded Mr. Justice Newlands, removed to the Yukon. In 1903 Mr. Hunter became the secretary-treasurer and assessor for Regina, being also in true western fashion secretarytreasurer for the hospital, board of trade and the agricultural association. Since the organisation of the Union of Saskatchewan Municipalities, Mr. Hunter has been permanent secretary-treasurer. At the recent convention he introduced the discussion on uniform municipal accounting as per the report presented by the Union of Canadian Municipalities in session last month at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

#### Eight Times Mayor of Moosejaw

MR. ROBERT BOGUE, of Moosejaw, was the third president of the Union of Saskatchewan Municipalities. He came from the township of Westminster near London, Ont.; received his early education in Brockville and commenced his business

career in Bowmanville, Ont.; went back to the picturesque town on the St. Lawrence—then a pretty village. In 1876 he went into hardware along with the late Mr. James Smart; firm Bogue & Smart; and in six years Mr. Bogue went to Manitobatime of the boom. A few years in the frontier city and in the town of Brandon, and Mr. Bogue pulled stakes Moosejaw, which



Mr. J. Kelso Hunter, Sec - Treas, Saskatchewan Municipalities,

was then in Assiniboia. One of the many remarkable things about Moosejaw is that eight times Mr. Bogue was mayor of the town. This is probably a record unequalled in the West even by the versatile Mr. Cousins of Medicine Hat, whose career was outlined on this page a month or two ago. The West is developing a large number of men who, separated from the humdrum of the East, discover that they have powers of