

Alumni.

C. J. Curtin, B.Sc., '07, has gone to Coleman, B.C., to accept a position as mine surveyor there.

K. S. Twitchell, B.Sc., and Colin Orford, B.Sc., '08, have been granted the degree of M.E.

Mr. A. A. Fleming, B.Sc., '07, superintendent of the International Portland Cement Co.'s works at Hull, Que., has been purchasing real estate in Ottawa. Wonder why?

The new directory of graduates and alumni of the School of Mining has just been issued. Other faculties depend entirely upon the annual calendar as a means to discover the whereabouts of other students, but this departure on the part of the Engineering Society and the Mining Faculty is a good one, and might well be imitated by the other faculties.

The engagement is announced of Miss Grace Louise Connor, M.A., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Connor, Kingston, to Mr. William Walker Swanson, M.A., Ph.D., Professor of Political Science, Queen's University. The marriage will take place in July.

Book Review.

History of Canada, Part I: New France; being Vol. V of a 'Historical Geography of the British Colonies'; by C. P. Lucas, C.B., of Baliol College, Oxford. Publishers for Canada: Oxford University Press, Toronto. Price, \$1.50.

THIS little volume of three hundred and fifty pages treats particularly of one aspect of the early settlement of Canada, that of colonization. It does not pretend to give any fullness of historical detail—this can be obtained from many other books—but to trace out carefully the methods adopted by the French in the early colonization and opening up of Canada, to contrast them with those of the English in peopling the New England and southern colonies; and to follow out the influence which the geography of the countries concerned had on the immediate and ultimate results of the colonization. The book is well written and the paragraphs are well titled along the margins of the pages. In order to fully appreciate what the book intends to convey, one has to bring to its perusal a fair knowledge of the history of New France and of the English colonies along the New England coast. The dissimilarity in the development and conditions of growth of the English and French colonies, due to the difference of the spirit in which the colonization was effected, is very well brought out; and it is shown that the advantage possessed by the English settlements in respect of this was a very great factor in determining the final supremacy of the Anglo-Saxons in America.