EDMONTON NEWS

LOCALS

An effort is to be made to establish a local lodge of the order of the Sons of Temperance. Members residing in the city are asked to forward their names to W. R. Knight, 1277 Seventh street. Rev. A. D. MacDonald, of Lamont, is the D. M. W. P. for Alberta.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place during the ensuing year, between Dr. R. C. T. Stevens, of Olds, elder son of Sir John Stevens, of Bath, England, and Kathleen Edith, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Francis Marten Cameron, M. A. Oxon., and of Mrs. Cameron, of Oxford, England.

The city hospital desires to thank the following persons who so kindly furnished music to the patients on Christmas day: Miss Buck, Messrs. L. Turner, G. Turner, J. Scones and S. Bond. The hospital also gratefully acknowledges the following donations received on Christmas eve: Front Ladies' Hospital Aid, 2 doz. roses, holly, 2 plants; Salvation Army, apples, oranges, grapes and pears; Aitken Bros., 1 case apples; Messrs. Lundy & McLeod, ½ doz. teapots, 1 tray; Mrs. Hehsdoerfer, 1 ham; Gallagher & Hull, 1 turkey, 1 goose; Campbell & Ottewell, City Flour Mills, 300 lbs. flour; Alberta Milling Co., 100 lbs. flour; Mr. Graham Walker, 1 case apples; Mrs. Emery, $5 for toys for children.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

Grace Methodist Church Sunday School held their annual Christmas entertainment Tuesday. The church auditorium was crowded with parents and friends of the Sunday school. The programme consisted largely of the rendering of the beautiful cantata "Around the World with Santa Claus." The scholars responded enthusiastically last evening to the call that had been made on them for contributions of clothing and Christmas dainties for the poor of the city. The goods are being distributed today.

BOOKS FOR NEW LIBRARY.

Premier Rutherford on his return from the east last week brought with him a number of valuable books and documents for the Canadian section of the university library. The premier has undertaken to secure and to contribute the historical documents, and other books for this section of the university library. It will take about ten years to obtain all the volumes which a properly equipped Canadian section in a library embraces, and will cost several thousand dollars.

A GRIFFIN BANQUET.

A party of representatives of the J. Y. Griffin Company, who are on a visit to the packing plant from various points in the West, was entertained dat Hutry's cafe Tuesday by C. H. Bradley, general manager of the plant. The guests were: Messrs. M. Oppenheimer, Vancouver; Arthur Pierson, Victoria; E. L. Nance, Calgary; Arthur Price, Fernie; J. P. Slade, Nelson; W. H. Haight, Winnipeg; J. Reichenbach, of New Westminster. The local representatives present were R. B. Hunter, J. A. Smith and D. B. Mullen. The dainty banquet was followed by a musical programme and several speeches by the visitors.

PRISONER DEPORTED.

Walter Sheppard, a prisoner in the Alberta penitentiary, left the city Tuesday in charge of Mr. Sumner, of Winnipeg, deporting officer in connection with the Immigration Department. He is being sent back to England as being an undesirable citizen. Sheppard was sentenced at Macleod to two years' imprisonment in the Alberta penitentiary for obtaining money by false pretences. He was brought here on April 9th. Since that time he has been in bad health, suffering from consumption. He was in such a state that the authorities deemed it advisable to deport him. He will be taken to Winnipeg, and after New Year's Day will be sent through to St. John, N.B., and thence to England.

COMMITTED ON FORGERY CHARGE.

On a charge of obtaining money under false pretences by means of forgery a man named F. W. Burch, who has frequently been convicted before, both in the Edmonton and Strathcona police courts, was Wednesday committed for trial by Magistrate Wilson in the police court. In the capture of Burch the police think that they have secured the man who is guilty of many of the recent forgeries that have been reported. The charge on which this morning's hearing took place was of passing a forged cheque signed by the A. McDonald Co. on a Jasper avenue meat shop. There are other charges pending.

Tuesday Clarence W. Wilson, charged with beating Geo. Yuments, was fined $50 and costs of $13.80 or three months' imprisonment. He paid the fine. His comrade, Mike Simmons, was dismissed. From the evidence it appeared that a woman who had been living with Yumens left him and some time later came back with Wilson and Simmons for the furniture. Yumens had paid part of the cost of the goods and demanded a settlement. Thereupon Wilson turned upon him and battered him badly about the head and face. When the complainant appeared at the police court yesterday he was still bearing the marks of his ill usage.

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PERSONALS.

Dr. R. G. Brett, of Banff, is in the city today registered at the Alberta Hotel.

Dr. P. Quesnel, of Daysland, was in the city yesterday a guest at the Hotel Cecil.

C. Hiebert, M.P.P., of Didsbury, is in the city today registered at the Hotel Cecil.

Miss Morris, of Pefferaw, Ontario, is the guest of Miss Webb, of Heminck street.

Major J. Emslie, of Belvedere, came into the city yesterday and is a guest at the Castle hotel.

Mr. R. Percy Barnes left last night for Toronto, New York, Boston and other eastern cities.

F. P. Lendon, editor of the Stony Plain Gazette, was a guest at the Brunswick Hotel yesterday.

Malcolm McCrimmon left for Winnipeg last night accompanied by his daughter, Miss McCrimmon.

H. S. Halcroft, Dominion land surveyor, returned to the city yesterday from the Peace River district, where he has been engaged in subdividing lands.

R. R. Keely, former city engineer in Edmonton, has returned to the city from the Okonogon valley in British Columbia, where he spent the summer and fall.

M. S. McCarthy, M.P., of Calgary, came up from the south yesterday to attend a meeting of the executive of the Conservative association, and is a guest at the Alberta Hotel.

Hon. W. T. Finlay, minister of agriculture, came up from the south yesterday and is a guest at the Windsor.

C. Marker, of Calgary, superintendent of provincial creameries, is in the city today, registered at the Windsor Hotel.

Senator Jas. A. Longheed, of Calgary, came up from the south yesterday and is registered at the Alberta.

J. Reichenbach, representative of the J. G. Griffin Co., of New Westminster, B. C., is a guest at the King Edward Hotel.

G. R. Bagnell, travelling passenger agent of the C.P.R., with headquarters at Calgary, is in the city to-

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Duncan, Miss Margaret Duncan and Miss Thelma McDonald, of Regina, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hargare, 803 Victoria avenue.

C. H. Webber, Sturgeon, leaves this morning for Chicago, where he will remain for about a month. Mr. Webber conducts an auction business in the Sturgeon district and his services are being sought by some of his acquaintances in his former home near Chicago.

CITY OF PROMISE.

On January 16th the Monetary Times will issue a special number which will be essentially Edmonton, "The city of promise and performance," as it is called. Twenty-four pages will be devoted to Alberta's capital. This special number will include a character sketch of the city, a famous explorer's Mackenzie River story, special articles on the coast and lumber industries, railroad development, opportunities for investment and the agricultural possibilities.

NEW YEAR'S RALLY.

The Methodist Sunday schools of Edmonton, Strathcona and vicinity will hold their first annual rally in McDougall Methodist Church on New Year's morning. The program, which has been arranged by the committee of which A. Butchart is chairman and R. J. Robinson secretary, is as follows:—10 a.m. to 10.25, selections by orchestra; 10.30, hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"; prayer, Rev. H. E. Gordon, Strathcona; hymn, "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"; responsive readings, specially arranged; hymn, "The Maple Leaf for Ever"; chairman's remarks, A. Butchart; chorus, Grace Church boys; object talk, Mrs. E. E. Marshall; hymn, "Terrible as an Army with Banners"; collection, voluntary by Professor Hunt; quartet, Campbell sister, Wesley Methodist Church; National Anthem.

ENTERTAINED AT STRATHCONA.

The young people of the Queen's Avenue Presbyterian church journeyed by street car to Strathcona, where they were entertained at something in the nature of a surprise party, by the Young People's Guild, of Knox Presbyterian church.

The following young people took part in a most enjoyable program: Violin solo, Mr. Markle; solo, Miss Stirling; reading, "An Invalid in Lodgings," Miss Heathcote; instrumental solo, Miss Beatty. The ladies' quartette sang "Last Night" very effectively.

Rev. Mr. Flemming spoke a few words of welcome to the visitors. Mr. Harlow, of the Edmonton Y. M. C. A., occupied the chair. After the program refreshments were served.

Fully 100 Edmontons crowded the street cars at 11 o'clock to be taken home. The car was stalled after going some distance and after waiting for over two hours the young people were taken to their homes in the city transfer buses.

ADVERTISING EDMONTON.

The C.P.R. recently appointed F. W. Peters, of Winnipeg, C.P.R. industrial agent for the purpose of giving authentic information about the cities of Western Canada. The Edmonton Board of Trade has forwarded copies of literature for distribution to Mr. Peters. Statistical information about Edmonton is also being prepared and will be sent to Mr. Peters shortly for reference. The copies of the literature sent includes: "Twin Cities of Alberta," "The All Red Route to the Arctic via Edmonton," "What to See when in Edmonton," "List of Members of Edmonton Board of Trade," "City of Edmonton's Annual Report, Oct. 31st, 1908," "Edmonton Guide and Companion," "Edmonton, the Agricultural Possibilities of the Surrounding District," "Edmonton, 1909, Illustrated and Statistical Calendar," "Large Panoramic View of Edmonton."

BANQUET BY RETIRING MAYOR.

Wednesday retiring Manager McDongall entertained the council of 1908, with several other friends, to dinner at his handsome residence. There were present Mayor-elect Lee, Aldermen McInnis, Manson, Armstrong, Agar, Fraser, Commissioners McNaughton and Butchart, City Solicitor J. C. F. Bown, Street Car Superintendent Taylor, Edward Bellamy, J. H. Gariepy and Matthew McCauley, first mayor of Edmonton. Alderman Anderson was absent because of illness, and Alderman Gariepy was out of town. Music was furnished by Lagourgue's orchestra and a pleasant time was spent in speeches and music until the midnight hour.

WORK AMONG INDIANS.

Arrangements are now completed for a convention of the workers amongst the Indians of Alberta, commencing on Wednesday, January 6, and continuing throughout the day, in the educational room of the Y. M. C. A. building here. The program is not ready for publication but some of the most prominent workers are already pledged to present such subjects as: The Duties and Responsibilities of an Indian Agent; The Missionary Effort on Reserves; The Work of Hospitals on Reserves; The Educational Work Amongst Indian Children.

This is an effort to test the convention idea amongst workers in the various branches of the Indian department in this province. The question of provincial organization will also be discussed.

JOINT MASONIC INSTALLATION.

A joint banquet of the Acacia Lodge No. 11 of Strathcona and Edmonton Lodge No. 7 was held in Hurry's cafe, Edmonton, Monday. The feature of the evening was the installation of officers for the ensuing year for both lodges by Worshipful Brother Dunlop, of Edmonton. Speeches were delivered by the retiring officers and the officers elect. The events of the evening were interspersed with music and songs. The toast list at the banquet included "The King and the Craft," "The Grand Lodge of Alberta," "Sister Lodges," "The Retiring Officers," "The Newly Elected Officers," and "The Junior Warden's Toast." The successful banquet closed with the national anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."

The Strathcona delegation left the banquet hall about 2 p.m. and were compelled to walk home in the storm.

The officers elected for the Edmonton Lodge were as follows:

Master elect—T. M. Turnbull.
Senior Warden—Dr. Darling.
Junior Warden—C. E. McDonald
Secretary—D. Dyer.
Assist. Secretary, W. C. Inglis.
Treasurer—John A. McDougall.
Senior Deacon—H. Williams.
Junior Deacon—J. Wilson.
Senior Steward—John McKenzie.
Junior Steward—T. M. Grindley.

The Strathcona lodge elected the following officers:

Master elect—V. McElroy.
Senior Warden—G. W. Marriott.
Junior Warden—J. Gallagher.
Secretary—E. J. Flabim.
Treasurer—W. H. Sheppard.
Senior Deacon—Stewart Hill.
Junior Deacon—Dr. Marion.
Senior Steward—W. Jackson.
Junior Steward—A. G. Baalim.
Tyler—J. Roberts.

THE MARITIME CLUB.

The Maritime Club to the number of 150 members assembled in the Empire block Monday, and were most enjoyably entertained by the New Brunswickers. The program was furnished by former residents on that province, and included a most happy speech by His Honor, Lieut. Governor Bulyea.

"The Maritime Club" said His Honor, "is to be congratulated on its most successful organization. This is largely due to its high aims and purposes. It is fit and proper that we should organize for social purposes. We should always keep green in our memory the provinces of our birth, because of their traditions and because of the toil and trials of our forefathers in paving the way for the prosperity of their descendants. He had travelled a great deal throughout the west, but for natural scenery he would have to go back to his native province. Because the maritime provinces are contracted in area, their young people seek the opportunities offered in the Western provinces."

His Honor closed by renewing his congratulations to the club and extended to it his best wishes. He hoped it would continue in its prosperity.

The musical program was contributed to by Miss Victoria Johnstone, solo; Mr. McNally, reading from C. G. D. Roberts; Mrs. Freeze, solo; Miss Johnston and Mrs. Freeze, duett; Mrs. Wetmore, solo and selections by male quartette.

A vote of thanks was tendered the New Brunswick members for their excellent entertainment. Mr. Grant, Mrs. Massie and Mrs. Mitchell received the guests and His Honor Judge Taylor occupied the chair during the program.

BOOSTERS AT PENNY ARCADE

In two cases at the Police Court recently an easy way of earning money for those who are on the inside and of fleecing the unknowing ones was revealed. The latest trade is that of "booster" at the Penny Arcade, and at the Police Court Wednesday afternoon William Spratt admitted he was a "booster," whose business was to decoy the onlookers to play for watches and other large stakes. If the "booster" won it led the victim on, and if he lost the house made good what he had paid in. For this business Spratt was paid $1.50 a day. He said that a man named Smith and another named Mike Witte followed the same line. Last week in a case where a lad named Reece confessed to stealing a tent the lad also admitted that he was a "booster" at the same place. Before Magistrates Wilson and Belcher Wednesday afternoon Witte was convicted of stealing $50 from the pocket of an onlooker named Olensky. The evidence showed that on the afternoon of Dec. 23rd the money was taken from his pocket by Witte, who made a dash to the rear and along the bank of the Exchange Mart, where he was pursued and captured after a hard fight. The evidence for the defence was contradictory and Witte was fined $75 and costs.

C.N.R. MACHINE SHOPS CLOSED.

The C.N.R. machine shops have been closed down for a few days, but will be re-opened early in the new year. A large number of men wished to lay off for the holidays, and the master mechanic thought it a good time to effect a general cleaning up. As a result, the shops were closed and men are now engaged in repairing the boilers and the machinery of the workshops. Last spring the shops were closed for some weeks, but this year the work is so heavy that there will be no let up during the winter and spring months.

BUILDING BY-LAW FINISHED.

All the clauses of the new building by-law have been considered by the city council and the by-law has now been finished in as far as the present council is concerned. The ideas of the council have been embodied in the present draft, which will be redrafted by the city solicitor and rearranged in the proper order. When the new draft is ready copies will be submitted to the insurance section of the Board of Trade, the city architects, and the Board of Fire Underwriters for their further suggestions. It is not probable that the final consideration will come up for a month or so longer.

ROUNDING UP FORGERS.

During the past few weeks the city police have been conducting an energetic campaign of investigation into a very large number of forgeries that have been committed in the city recently. Two of the alleged forgers have been rounded up and are now behind the bars at the police station. On Wednesday F. W. Burch was committed for trial on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences by passing a worthless cheque, and this afternoon R. Hockley and J. E. Theriault will press similar charges against a man named Louis John Pierson, who was arrested on Wednesday. It is said that the police have upwards of a dozen charges against Pierson, for whom they were looking for some time. There is a very prevalent practice among city merchants to accept cheques without knowing the parties who present them, and as a result a large number of people have been the losers.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school of First Presbyterian church was held in the basement of the church Tuesday evening. There were over 250 present including a large number of the Sunday school scholars, their parents and teachers. Tea was served from 5 to 7 and an excellent programme was provided in the evening. H. W. B. Douglas, superintendent of the Sunday school, acted as chairman. The program consisted of the following numbers, all of which were excellently well rendered:

Opening chorus, Miss Fraser's class; recitation, Vera McRae; dialogue, Ethel McKenzie and Leona McIntosh; recitation, Helen Morong; dialogue, Miss McIntosh's class; song, Clifford Crafts; recitation, Albert McKay; recitation, Jessie Bruce; recitation, Miss Armstrong; dialogue, Mrs. Poucher's class; recitation, Ruth McKay; song, "Ten Little Dalsies," Miss Harley's class; recitation, Garfield McConnell; dialogue, Miss McKinnon's class; piano solo, Ellen Montgomery; recitation, Margaret McMillan; recitation, Lloyd McKae; instrumental duet, Misses McCrimmon; recitation, Anna Mitchell; duet, Ethel Barker and Russel Stewart.

MONDAY'S BLIZZARD.

Central Alberta was visited by the storm king Monday night and the resulting blizzard was as severe as has been seen here for some time. At seven o'clock the wind began to blow and the heavy fall of snow was sent skurrying in every direction. Streets running north and south had the full sweep of the gale from the north and gave little opportunity for drifts to be formed. On the street running east and west and especially on Jasper avenue, the snow piled up to a depth of three feet in some places.

The street railway system was soon put out of the running. By ten o'clock there were three cars stalled between First street and Fourth street on Jasper avenue. One car took two hours to come the distance between Eighth street and First street. Communication between Edmonton and Strathcona was discontinued early in the battle, the Storm King proving that the city must provide suitable weapons if the snow is to be successfully combatted. About 100 young people of Queen's Avenue Presbyterian church spent the evening in Strathcona, and on the return car were brought to a standstill just out of Strathcona. For two hours the people waited in the car and finally were driven to their homes in the city transfer sleighs. A number of Strathcona people were in Edmonton attending the Masonic celebration and other attractions and those who did not secure livery rigs were compelled to walk home.

C. N. R. Blockaded.

The C. N. R. line also temporarily succumbed to the snow storm. The train from the east due here at six o'clock in the morning was three hours late at Fort Saskatchewan and arrived at First street station shortly before noon. Train No. 2, which left Edmonton for east Monday night is now stuck in the snow at Kitscoty, and had to remain there until the arrival of a snow plow from Battleford. Kitscoty is 155 miles east of Edmonton.

The storm did not reach the southern parts of province until Tuesday but Monday it spread over a wide area east and west. It was accompanied pretty generally by a decided fall in temperature.

Falliere's Assailant Is Royalist.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Investigation shows that Mattis, the unemployed waiter who attempted to pull the beard of Presiden Fallieres on Christmas day was connected with a Royalist organization known as the "yellow syndicate." The police have closed the office of the paper published by the syndicate and will make a thorough scrutch the premises. The editor of the paper defied the police who broke into his office.

HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The following is the standing of the students of the Edmonton High School for the fall term. Names are given in order of merit:

Standard VIII.—Elsie Robinson, May Kennedy, Margie Chegwin, Edith Brenton, William S. Tull, Jessie Kimball, Elizabeth Bell, Lulu Sproule, Edith Paskins, James McQueen.

Standard VII.—Bernice Blackett, Mary Kelly, Marion Fife, Jessie Steele and Bessie Jaffray equal, Lena Rose, Milton Brown, Esther Ryckman, Fulton Gillespie, Maytie Bennett, Earl Drader, Vivian Fundy, Jean Welbourne, Elna Christensen, Harold J. Dean, Edna Clark, Charles Moller, Howard Taylor, William Jones, Lizzie Johnston, Alice McConnell, Hamilton Lackey, Pearl McConnell, Bessie Forin, Flossie Wilson, Annie J. Hackett, Rena Cowan, Wm. Armour, Phoebe Curran. The following having been unable to take the whole examination, are not classified in the above list: Hazel Gould and Florence McConaghy.

Standard VI. A—Catherine Weir, Mabel McLean, Marian Carrell, Louise Trelle, Carrie McKay, Olive Clay, Court May, Fred Batson, Roy Goodridge, Bertha Clarke, Joanna McGillis, Pearl Watt, Mae Linden, Minnie Hammond, Carrie Pheasy, Margaret McKinlay, Katie McKinlay, Daniel Fraser, Mary Millar, James Cornwall, Emily Hutchings, Clifford Anderson, Mabel McMillan, Charles Dowling and May Tidsbury equal, Annie Sutherland, Russel Farrell. The following students in Class A were unable to take the examinations: Pearl Hutchings, Lyon Barrow, Harry Hunt, Elsie McDonald, McIntosh McDonald.

Standard VI. B—Catherine McCallum, Annie Bellamy, Edna Tharp, Flora McLellan, Lottie Cowan, Vera May, Jean Dawson, Arthur Huff, Helena Williams, Ethel Smith, Belle Ramsay, Ada Entwistle, Florence Francis, Lily Grindley, Laura Spiesz, Albert Tidsbury, Fresno Blowey, Mary McDonald, William Schroter, Arthur Manford, Lillian Wood, Otta Bentley, Eddie McDougall, Marjorie McQueen, Fred York, Arthur Davidson, Marion Peacock, Lily Greenfield, Fred Ross. The following students, having from illness or other causes been unable to take the entire examinations, are not classified in the above list: Gretna Mercer, Percy Belcher.

B. C. INDIAN A CENTENARIAN.

Death of Oldest Inhabitant of That Province at North Vancouver.

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Vancouver, Dec. 30.—An Indian named August, probably the oldest inhabitant of British Columbia, died last night at North Vancouver, aged about 100. His wife, wrinkled and worn, is still alive, and is only a few months younger than her husband. The old man had long since lost a detailed track of his years. Curiously enough, he was born just where he died, but at a time when no one dreamed of North Vancouver. August remembered well going on hunting and fishing trips in the early part of last century, when, so far as he knew, there were no white people on the coast at all. He was at Nanaimo and Victoria when Five Forts were established.

BAPTIST MINISTER SENTENCED.

Preacher Who Abducted 15 Year Old Girl Goes to Penitentiary.

Poitiac, Ill., Dec. 28.—Rev. H. H. Goodin, the Baptist minister, who was arrested in the Michigan hotel in Chicago, Dec. 17, in company with fifteen-year-old Anna Blanch Edgington, of this city, was this afternoon sentenced to the penitentiary at Joliet by Judge Patton in the circuit court of this country to an indeterminate sentence, to be not less than one year and not more than ten. Goodin expressed his desire on Saturday to plead guilty to the charges of abduction should a special grand jury be called. His desire was conveyed to the judge presiding, who at once issued an order for a special grand jury.

A SHAM BACK-HANDER.

Young Man Made His Nose Bleed to Make Fraud Appear Real.

Woodstock, Dec. 29—After several days investigation into the mystery surrounding the "Black Hand" letters that have been sent to Henri Craig Cooper, Roy Ingles has confessed that he was the one who sent the letters. He was placed under arrest. Ingles appeared at Craig's home with a note on Christmas eve. He was bound tightly and blood was flowing from his face. He said he had been held up and robbed of $50 by fiv emen. He produced a note in which Mr. Craig was threatened with death if he did not send $1,000 by the bearer to the five men who were waiting. Ingles confessed that he had tied himself up, made his nose bleed and then carried the note he had written to Craig.

Caught With the Goods.

Regina, Dec. 27.—After an all-night vigil of over eight hours, Sergeant Burrows, of the city police, this morning effected the arrest of John Chambers in an empty house. He is believed to have been implicated in a series of burglaries which have taken place in Regina during the last ten days. The proceeds of one of the burglaries were discovered on the premises, and the prisoner admits having committed that burglary, but disclaims all knowledge of the others.

Sunday School Students' Parade Disappointing.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The Sunday school children's parade in favor of license reduction this afternoon disappointed the promoters. There are 30,000 school children in Toronto, but only 1,500 turned out. Sixty vehicles, mostly vans and wagons, and several autos, full of children, drove through the principal streets bearing banners inscribed "Vote for Reduction" and shouting "Rah, hah, vote for reduction."

Blizzard at Moose Jaw.

Moose Jaw, Sask., Dec. 30—One of the worst blizzards in recent years has been raging during the last eighteen hours. The storm is moderating but the mercury registers 17 below zero. All the trains are late.

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FOR FINANCIAL LEGISLATION.

Matters That Are Likely to Engage Attention of Financial Commission.

New York, Dec. 30.—Any of the big New York financiers who were unable to go to Washington to express their views on ending financial legislation while the national monetary commission was sitting in regular session there, will be given an opportunity to place their views before that body in this city during the coming week. There will be no formal meeting of the whole committee, but a sub-committee of three—Senators Aldrich and Teller and Representative Vreeland—will meet informally at the Hotel Plaza tomorrow to discuss their work with any financial authorities who have suggestions to offer. It is likely that many prominent bankers will take advantage of the opportunity to make known their views at this time, and a number of writers on financial subjects are expected to call upon the commissioners.

From an unofficial source it was learned that the commission has compiled much of the data collected by its members in the course of their tour of England, France and Germany last summer. This data will probably be submitted to leading American bankers, and is likely to form the basis of much of the commission's future work.

Other matters that are likely to engage the attention of the commission include the work of the comptroller of the currency and the bank examiners under his control, and the relations of the trust companies to national banks.

COLORED GUESTS BARRED.

Four Actors Refused Admittance at First Class Ottawa Hotel.

Ottawa, Dec. 31—Four colored vaudeville actors, playing this week at a local theatre, have been refused accommodation at the Windsor hotel, and the interesting question has been raised, whether any hostelry has the right to refuse to take in guests who are respectable and can pay their way. John Grimes, the proprietor, says it is not the custom for first-class houses to receive colored players so far as he knows.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The general Baptist laymen's convention opened here today. It was decided the laymen of the church must start a wave of enthusiasm amongst all the male adherents of the Canadian Baptist churches for the evangelization of the world. It was agreed to raise funds by the weekly offering system, separate collections to be taken up for separate missionary schemes. Suppers are to be held at intervals in every Baptist church in Canada and missionary addresses made to arouse enthusiasm.

Mayor of Ottawa by Acclamation.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Charles Hopewell has been elected by acclamation mayor of Ottawa. During the past year Mr. Hopewell was a member of the board of control. The new board of control will be selected from the following: Controllers Hastey, Champagne and Davidson, and Aldermen G. H. Wilson and Messrs. P. M. Draper and ex-Ald. C. C. Pepper.

Shoplifting in Calgary.

Calgary, Dec. 30—Wm. F. Wooton and his wife were arrested today, charged with shoplifting. Hundreds of dollars worth of goods were found in their room. It is thought that much of the stuff has been shipped out already. The prisoners are from Winnipeg.

Rev. Robert Pearson Accepts.

Calgary, Dec. 29.—Rev. Robert Pearson, assistant pastor of Central Methodist Church, has accepted the call from Grace Methodist Church, Edmonton, to succeed Rev. James Tuttle, subject to the decision of the stationing committee.

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New Brunswick Politician Dead.

Dalhousie, N.B., Dec. 28—Hon. John C. Barbarie, formerly active in provincial politics, and a member of the legislative council of New Brunswick at the time of its abolition, is dead, at the age of 74 years.

INTERVIEW MACKENZIE OF C. N. R.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29—Premier Rutherford and Attorney General Cross had an interview lasting two hours, this morning, with President Mackenzie, of the Canadian Northern railway, regarding branch-line construction in Alberta. At the conclusion of the interview neither party would hand out any details, a general statement being made that the interview was satisfactory, and that the Alberta government has resolved on an aggressive policy of branch railway construction, which will be the principal matter before the legislature when it is convened next month.

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CALGARY TO HA... A UNION STA...

Report That G.T.P. and C.N... Negotiating for the Purcha... Land—A Big Fire.

Calgary, Jan. 4.—There app... be good foundation for the... that the Grand Trunk Pacific... Canadian Northern are neg... with the government for the p... of the Royal Northwest M... Police Barracks property in th... east the eastern end of Eighth... The railways intend to use th... perty for a Union station... negotiations follow the energe... tude of the Alberta governme... wards branch railway develo... under which the railways con... in the terminal yard on entra... this city as soon as they can p... the steel.

There seems good ground f... statement that the Canadian N... will build in two branches... Saskatoon and from Vegreville... the Grand Trunk Pacific will... here from Hardisty. This... give railway facilities to a larg... of fine agricultural lands, wh... velopment is now crippled by... of transportation facilities.

The biggest fire since the... works burned broke out in S... night, shortly after eleven o'clo... destroyed the Western Milling... pany's elevator and warehouse... its contents of flour, wheat an... The loss is $50,000, fully cove... insurance. The blaze broke o... the roof and fanned by a brig... baffled the efforts of the brig... save the building. The firem... alizing that the elevator was d... centered their efforts on savi... $150,000 mill, about ten feet d... and succeeded.

The conflagration was one... most spectacular ever seen in... gary and gave the fire brigade... night's work. The men from o... tion were on duty all day S... flooding the smouldering debris... vent the big mill catching. W... estimates are given of the quan... grain in the elevator, but the... probably less than ten thousand... els. The night was bitterly... but the water pressure was goo... the brigade earned unstinted... ums for their work in saving th... The elevator will be rebuilt.

VANCOUVER ELEVATOR BU...

$200,000 Fire Destroys Grain house of Vancouver Milling

Vancouver, Jan. 3.—In a... gale this evening the fire depa... waged a winning fight against... which did $200,000 damage and... ened several sawmills and oth... dustries located in the imm... neighborhood. The wheat elev... the Vancouver Milling Company... totally destroyed. The blaze wa... fined to the main elevator, the... ing plant a few feet away being... The blaze started at 7.30 o'clo... in fifteen minutes the top of the... tor had fallen in like an egg... Several cars of gasoline stand... the siderack nearly caught fir... were drawn out by a locomot... fore much damage was done. S... times the warehouse of the In... Oil Company caught, but the fi... finally confined to the elevator... building destroyed tonight was... ed a year and a half ago by J. R... and associates of Calgary. It... tained thousands of bushels of... ta grain.

$15,000 Fire in Amherst.

Amherst, N.S., Jan. 2.—Fire... day destroyed the stock of Col... Co., gent's furnishings. The... $15,000.