EDMONTON NEWS

LOCALS

Rev. Dr. Bryce, of Winipeg, will lecture in First Presbyterian church Wednesday on "Pioneer days in Manitoba."

The meeting of the executive of the Edmonton Liberal club, which was called for Thursday evening, has been indefinitely postponed.

The interurban street cars can now be distinguished at night by the red glass in the roof at each end. The cars are also placarded with "Edmonton" and "Strathcona" at either end.

On New Year's Eve a masquerade ball will be given in the Mechanics' Hall, Third street, under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Foresters. The wearing of fancy dresses is optional.

Excellent skating on the Saskatchewan has been found in considerable stretches, and teaming, too, is also safe and easy. The prevailing mildness of the weather kept the stream open and unsafe much later than usual.

The application of Messrs. McCullough and Peacock for a hotel license at Meighers on the G.T.P., which was to be considered by the commissioners at Fort Saskatchewan on Monday last, has been withdrawn by the applicants.

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Women's Press club at Winnipeg last week Mrs. Balmer Watt, of the Edmonton Saturday News, was elected vice-president of the western section of the club for the ensuing years, succeeding Agnes Deans Cameron.

Col. E. B. Edwards has received a wire from the militia department, Ottawa, to the effect that the clothing and arms of the 101st Canadian Fusiliers of Edmonton, had been shipped and would arrive here in time for the opening of the School of Instruction on January 4th.

In the report of Mr. and Mrs. Walker's golden wedding an error was made. It should have read that the reception in the hall in Fort Saskatchewan was given by all the members of their families instead of by Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Walker. Mr. F. A. Walker asked that this correction be made.

W. T. Tomlinson, superintendent of the Canadian White Co.'s contract on the G.T.P. grade at Wabamun Lake, left Monday for Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he will spend the Christmas holidays. The company have finished their contract at the lake, which included a cut and fill about eight miles in length.

The young ladies' Bible class of McDougall Methodist church, at the close of the lesson on Sunday afternoon, presented their teacher Mrs. (Rev.) Marshall, with an address and a silver fern dish. The gift is an expression of the appreciation which the young ladies feel for the faithful work of Mrs. Marshall. The class is now probably the largest west of Winnipeg.

The marriage took place in First Presbyterian church at noon Tuesday of George C. Clark of the International Harvester Co., with headquarters at Wetaskiwin and Miss I. Grace Spottiswood of Kemptville, Ont. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends by Rev. Dr. McQueen. Mr. and Mrs. Clark left this afternoon on a trip to Chicago, New York and Montreal.

At the Police Court Wednesday, the case against Hugh McCulla, who has been held on suspicion of forgery, was dismissed. Several forged cheques were found in his possession and he admitted having fitted them out, but there was no evidence that he had endeavored to pass them. He stated that he had a mania for writing out cheques and attaching other persons' names.

Mr. Thomas Roy, of Spokane, Washington, is here in the interest of the Robina Silver Mining Co. Mr. Roy is expert of the company and was in conference last night with Father Bouchard, who is also interested in the same mine. Mr. Roy's visit here is strictly on mining business. Mr. Roy is a man of many years of mining experience, and is also interested in other mining properties in Idaho, where he is well known among mining men. For the last few years Father Bouchard has had some mining interests with Mr. Roy in Idaho and Washington.

Mrs. Caroline Purdy, an octogenarian living on First street, made the remark some time ago, in a jocular way, that she would take a ride on the Edmonton street car if she were given a pass. A friend related her remark to Mayor McDougall and he immediately wrote out a pass good for a round trip from Edmonton to Strathcona and return. Mrs. Purdy was presented with the pass in a neat frame and so highly does she prize it that she says she will take the ride on the car but will not part with her pass for a good deal. This is probably the first and only pass that will be given over the Twin City Radial railway.

FELL OFF A STREET CAR.

Monday night a young lady named Miss Edith Miller, of 142 Syndicate avenue, fell off a street car about ten o'clock near the corner of Sixth street. She was picked up unconscious and taken to the office near by of Dr. H. R. Smith, where it was found that she had received a severe scalp wound which necessitated several stitches to close it up. After the wound had been dressed she was removed in the city ambulance to her home, and with the exception of the cut and a bad shaking up is none the worse today for her accident.

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W. B. Harrison, of Henwood & Harrison, has gone to Moscow, Idaho, where his marriage takes place on Dec. 26th. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Harrison will take up their residence at 365 Eighth street in the house formerly occupied by C. L. Carsley.

ALBERTA LUMBER.

The Monetary Times, which has of late been devoting considerable space to Edmonton comments as follows on the new Edmonton Board of Trade calendars and the method of sending them out:

"The Edmonton Board of Trade have issued an excellent calendar for 1909. With typical western generosity it is sent out rolled around Alberta pine. Each wooden roller weighs 1 15-16 ounces. Five hundred calendars will be sent broadcast. Thus 69 35-64 pounds of Alberta lumber will silently testify throughout the Dominion to the resourceful province's forest wealth."

CAR FRIGHTENED TEAM.

A rather exciting runaway accident occurred at the corner of First and Jasper avenue Tuesday which fortunately was not serious. W. Lemon, stableman for Hardisty Bros., was driving one of the firm's dray teams along the street. At the corner of First and Jasper they became frightened at a car and dashed across the corner. The heavy dray struck the corner of the National Trust Company's building, tearing a portion of the woodwork away. Lemon was thrown out and received a slight cut on the head, but was not seriously injured. Moffat's ambulance was called, but it was found to be unnecessary. The team was caught before they could get far away.

SLEEPING CAR QUARANTINED.

On Monday night Dr. Whitelaw, medical health officer, was called out of bed by a telephone message announcing that a case of measles had developed in one of the sleeping cars of the train coming in over the C. N. R. that reached the city yesterday morning. The doctor at once made enquiries and found that the girl ill with the disease had been isolated in the stateroom of the car and was under the medical attendance of Dr. H. R. Smith, who was also on the train. When the train reached Edmonton the passengers were disinfected and the patient removed to the hospital. Yesterday the car was fumigated and is now ready for use again. During the fumigation a pot of formaline boiled over, destroying the carpet of the car and the railway company are now threatening to sue the city for its value.

TELEPHONE ADDITIONS ARRIVE.

Just in the nick of time the additions to the automatic telephone equipment came to hand Monday and will be set up at once. The new supplies consist of two switchboards, each for one hundred lines, with the necessary cables and the first and second selector boards. There are also forty wall telephones and another consignment of sixty is expected to arrive in the course of a day or two. The present system has just about reached its capacity, and, with applications coming in at the rate of three or four a day, some of the applicants will have to wait a short time for their instruments. The Chicago Automatic have offered to send a man free to install the new apparatus, and this offer, of course, has been speedily accepted. Superintendent Cumming estimates that all the new equipment will be ready for service before the New Year.

POULTRY FANCIERS MEET.

A strictly business meeting of the Twin City Poultry and Pet Stock Association was held in the Mechanics' Hall on Monday evening. The session lasted from 7.30 to 12 o'clock, and was one of the most enthusiastic the association has ever held. A. W. Foley, provincial poultry superintendent, was in the chair.

The meeting was given over to a lengthy discussion on the classes of the by-laws, which are being drafted. Other matters were the appointing of committees and the arranging of details for the general poultry show, which will be held on January 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th in Edmonton. Another general meeting will be held before the show to deal with show matters, and the executive will hold special meetings each week to complete all arrangements. Dr. A. W. Bell, manager of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, has been selected as judge.

SPANNING THE SASKATCHEWAN.

Stretching for a span of 900 feet across the Saskatchewan river is the telephone cable, which gives direct communication between Edmonton and Strathcona. Four towers, two on the Strathcona side and two on the north side, near the foot of Fourth street, stand like the giant piers of a railway bridge. The telephone cable runs horizontally across the river, and midway between the towers the support of the cable is secured by suspension cables from the top of the towers. As these swing out over the river and above the telephone cable they are drawn together midway and form a tangent. This scheme was devised by Mr. Higman, the construction engineer, to reduce the sway of the cable to a minimum. On account of the great length of the span any other principle would be impractical.

The towers on the Strathcona side are 52 feet 6 inches in height and those on the Edmonton side 35 feet. Each tower is anchored in the rear by a rod buried to a depth of eleven feet in concrete. Each rod is able to bear a strain of 18,000 pounds.

The present suspension cable has taken the place of the temporary cables across the river, and since the permanent connection between the two cities the service, by reason of a large number of circuits, has given the best of satisfaction.

WHALEN-FREDERICK.

A quiet wedding took place at Grace Methodist church on Monday afternoon at 2.30, when Mr. George Robert Whalen, of Edmonton, was united in marriage to Miss Emma Clara Frederick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Frederick, of Namayo avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. S. Tuttle in the presence of only a few friends. Miss Florence Frederick acted as bridesmaid, while the groom was supported by Mr. Earl Mann. The happy couple left on the afternoon C. P. R. train for Banff.

THE ORATORIO "MESSIAH."

The dates for the production of Handel's oratorio, "Messiah" have been set for Tuesday and Wednesday, January 26th and 27th, in the First Presbyterian Church. Last year the seating capacity of the church was so overtaxed that it has been decided to give "The Messiah" two nights. Mr. Jackson Hanby, under whose baton this excellent work is being produced, has succeeded in assembling a splendid chorus of eighty voices, who already have the work well in hand. The soloists have also been well chosen. They are: Soprano, Miss Ethel Webster (late of London, England); contralto, Miss Constance Buck (gold medallist Alberta Musical Festival); tenor, W. J. Hendra (gold medallist Alberta Musical Festival); bass, Thomas H. McGee (late of Glasgow, Scotland, and gold medallist of the Alberta Musical Festival). Miss McGuire will be the organist and Mr. Vernon W. Barford, pianist and accompanist.

TENDERS FOR NEW CARS.

The contract for supplying the four new street cars recently ordered by the city council has been awarded to the Preston Car Co., of Preston, Ont. This company has been recently organized and has at its head one of the best car construction engineers in the Dominion. The company was particularly anxious to get this contract as it is a keen competitor of the Ottawa Car Co., who supplied the other cars, and wishes to show the superiority of its manufacture by contrast with those already here. The tenders received were as follows:—

Preston Car Co., $3,225 f.o.b. Edmonton.

Ottawa Car Co., $3,528 f.o.b. Edmonton.

Brill Car Co., Philadelphia, $4,050 f.o.b. Edmonton.

St. Louis Car Co., $4,985 f.o.b. Edmonton.

These tenders are for the body of the cars alone. The motors will bring the cost of each of the cars to be provided to about $5,400, the amount estimated by the superintendent.

It is the intention to run these new cars on the Jasper avenue line and they are being built having in view the traffic on this route. They will have larger vestibules than the ones at present in use and it is probable that logitudinal seats will also be placed at each end to allow of their being more quickly emptied. The new air brakes will not first be put on these cars but on the ones that run between the two cities.

A NEWSBOYS' DINNER.

There will be an unique gathering in the Salvation Army on New Year's day at 5 o'clock, when tea will be provided and afterwards an excellent entertainment given to all the newsboys and girls of school age, who are engaged in selling or delivering papers in and about the city. This is not to be exactly a gathering of waifs and strays although there are some even in this great western capital. It is to be a convivial feast in the truest sense, at which these boys and girls are invited to partake of the pleasures that will be provided for body and mind. The tickets are free and can be obtained on personal application between Monday, Dec. 28th, and Thursday, the 31st at the hour of five o'clock, from Mrs. Herman Kruger on Bellamy street, or Miss C. McKay, of Norwood, who are the officers of the army junior work in the city. A big crowd is expected and a right royal gathering of these young folk will be witnessed.

On Christmas morning at 11 o'clock Mr. Travis-Barker will lecture in the Army barracks, the subject being The Babe of Bethlehem. Howard Stutchbury, with the assistance of a choir of choral singers, will render music specially adapted to the occasion.

The work on behalf of the poor and sick for which Mrs. Travis-Barker and Mrs. Page have been canvassing the city, has resulted in a wonderful and totally unexpected response by the generous public. One hundred baskets will go out averaging in value $4 each. The officers in charge, Adjt. Scott and Captain Myram, have spent many days in visiting tents, shacks and other homes in an effort to find the poor and in almost every instance the most deserving have been the most difficult to find, as is usually the case. The most serious cases are where sickness has incapacitated the bread winners of the family.

HARRISON—BERRY.

A quiet and happy wedding took place at Banff on the 16th inst., when Mr. Will Harrison, of Banff, and Miss Florrie Berry, of Edmonton, were joined together by the Rev. Basil Way in the English Church. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Ernest Berry, of the post office staff, while her sister, Ethel, acted as bridesmaid. Mr. Sam Howard assisted the groom. After the ceremony the merry party drove around the mountains and then to the future residence in Beaver street, where an entertainment wound up the happy event. The bride was the recipient of many useful presents.

The prevailing mild weather has affected the coal trade on the market square to such an extent that those engaged in the hauling of coal are becoming discouraged. The practice for many of the teamsters has been to go to the mouth of a coal mine in the vicinity of Edmonton and secure a load at $1.75 per ton. This will sell on the market square to city consumers at from $3.25 to $3.50 per ton. But, though Edmonton people may need plenty of coal before the winter is over and the price may run up sharply, procrastination rules at the present time and there is no law compelling people to buy their coal when there is plenty of it to be had and when the prices are at the rock bottom figure.

During the past week the opening of a new mine has resulted in a quantity of surface coal being offered on the market square at $2.50 per ton. This is inferior coal and is not to be considered as in any way an index to the coal quotations.

NEW FIRE LIMITS.

The city council was engaged this week in further discussion of the draft of the new building bylaw which the council intend to pass before going out of office next week. Last night good progress was made and tonight there will be another session.

The most important matter considered last evening was the fixing of the first-class fire limits. They are enclosed in the following boundaries: Commencing from a point at the corner of Jasper avenue and Grierson street, where the old immigration hall now stands, north along Kinistino to Rice, west on Rice to McDougall ave., north on McDougall to Elizabeth, west on Elizabeth to First; along Athabasca avenue to Fourth street, south on Fourth to the lane north of Jasper, west along that lane to Seventh st., thence south to the lane south of Jasper, thence east to Second street, thence south to College avenue, thence along College avenue to the brow of the hill on McDougall, thence along the brow of the high bank east to Namayo, thence along Jasper to the place of commencement.

In these first-class fire limits brick or stone buildings, not less than two stories high, with stone foundations, and at least eight foot basements, and fireproof roofs must be constructed.

Other matters discussed last night and passed upon were the regulations to be observed before occupation, the duties of the building inspector, expiration of permits when work is not begun in three months, covering and construction of roofs, factories, stores and workshops, sale of fireworks and other explosives, fire escapes, elevators, etc.

A clause of the new bylaw provides that no one shall start a building costing over $1,000 until he deposits a block plan showing the levels with the street grade line which shall be procured from the city engineer on payment of a small sum.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments, new school districts, etc., appear in the last issue of the Alberta Gazette:

Stock Inspector.

Charles F. Gibson, of Holmstead.

Fire Guardian.

J. G. Savage, of Dorothy.

Game Guardian.

Swan Starksen, of Garrington.

New School Districts.

The following new school districts have been created:

The Hazel Bluff School District—Senior trustee, C. E. Hall, Pembina.

The Meighen School District—Senior trustee, I. Breiton; Harland.

The Heatherbell School District—Senior trustee, J. A. Morrison, Cummings.

The Fordville School District—Senior trustee, Henry Ford, Priddis.

The Normana School District—Senior trustee, J. E. Lotzer, Bavit.

The Ford Park School District—Senior trustee, J. A. Rutherford, Sion.

The name of The Lake Bluff School District No. 1896 of the Province of Alberta has been changed to The Provost School District No. 1896 of the Province of Alberta.

Empowered to Borrow Money.

The following school districts have been empowered to borrow money:

The Duvernay School District; $800 to purchase a site and erect a schoolhouse; treasurer, F. X. Boileaux, Duvernay.

The Green Acres School District; $1,500 to fence a site, build and furnish a school-house and erect outbuildings; treasurer, Homer Jackson, Sterlingville.

The Ukraina School District; $1,100 to purchase a site, erect and furnish a schoolhouse; treasurer, Daniel Buzubiak, Mundare.

The Sunny Side School District, $500 to purchase a site, build and furnish a school-house; treasurer, T. A. Vanarsdale, Caroline.

The Wabash School Distriact, $800 to purchase a site, build and furnish a schoolhouse; treasurer, J. W. Shutt, Swallowhurst.

The Westminster School District, $1,000 to purchase and fence a school site, build and furnish a school-house and erect out-buildings; treasurer, T. Van Delinder, Calgary.

The Ryley School District, $1,500 to purchase a site and erect and furnish a school-house; treasurer, C. M. Watson, Ryley.

The Cayley School District, $3,500 to purchase a site, build and furnish a school-house.

The Rosenheim School District, $800 to purchase a site and erect and furnish a school-house; treasurer, Nick Beiver, Provost.

Certificates of Incorporation.

The following companies have been incorporated:

The Coal Exchange, Limited, Edmonton.

The Edmonton Poultry Raising Co., Ltd., Edmonton.

The Mercantile Protection & Secret Service, Ltd. Calgary.

The Hammer Hardware Co., Ltd., Olds.

The Seller, Gillis Co., High River.

The Calgary Paving Co., Ltd., Calgary.

PIANO RECITAL.

Mr. Vernon Barford's eighty-fourth pupils' recital was given on Tuesday evening in the presence of a large number of parents and friends of the pupils. As usual at these recitals, last evening's programme took a wide compas and included pieces by Q. Loplp, Schubert, Cheminade, Pauer, Sapellnikoff, Joncieres and other composers. The numbers were highly meritorious and received the attention and applause they deserved. In the order as here given the several groups of pupils performed: Misses Pearl McAlpine, Bessie Cope, Margaret Pace and Myrtle Grierson (two pianos); Miss Ethel Weeks; Misses Helen Montgomery and Gretna Mercer (two pianos); Miss Jean Dawson; Misses Nesta Mercer, Helen Dawson, Helen Webster and Maxine Morris (two pianos); Miss Edith Astley; Miss Edna Grindley and Nora Campbell (two pianos); Miss Lillian Grindley, Miss Gretna Mercer; Miss Helen Montgomery; Misses Winnifred Perkins, Jeanette Walker, Lillian Grindley and Ethel Weeks. In addition to the piano numbers by the pupils were two vocal solos by Miss Alice Pinckston, her second song being "The Caterpillar and the Rose," composed by Mr. Barford, which was heartily applauded.

CONVENTION AT CITY MISSION

The workers and friends of the City Mission, 110 Bellamy street, purpose (D.V.) to have eight days of special services in the mission, from Dec. 27th till Jan. 3rd, 1909. Three services daily, 10.30 a.m., 2.45 and 7.30 p.m. This special rally is for the extension of the Master's kingdom in Edmonton. Ministers, workers and friends of all denominations cordially invited to attend and participate in services.

AT THE HOTELS.

Brunswick — L. Hollis, Stoney Plain; J. Endes, C.N.R.; A. D. Gilmier, H. Carlson and Ernest Carlson, Pembina River; John Wirsking and John McTavish, Monpato, Minn.

Castle—A. M. Clare, Stoney Plain; Phil Purpui, C.N.R.; Jas. Lamfier and Wm. McCasple, Poynton; T. N. Seteon and N. W. Priestly, Lac Ste Anne.

Windsor—O. Nelson and J. Johnson, Lobstick; A. Berwickow and P. Selm, Lobstick; P. B. Austin, Celesta, B.C.; Charles E. Wilkins, Yokohama, Japan; C. Hind and wife.

King Edward—Isaac Culver, Marshall; B. P. Alley, Lashburn; Harry Nechier, Thorold; Arthur Beerson, Montreal; George Griggs, Spokane; F. B. Moore, Vancouver; K. A. Ramsay and Edgar Butterfield, Stoney Plain; E. E. Martin, Vegreville.

Imperial—J. T. McRae and S. Logan, Ray; J. P. Healy, C. Christian and S. Beach, Bon Accord.

Alberta—Miss W. West, Seattle; E. Hamein, Lac Ste Anne; T. R. McMurray, Entwistle; Jos. Desmond, Calgary; G. B. Watson, Granbrook, Z. Malhoit, Calgary.

Queen's—J. H. Clark and M. Burrell, Conjuring Creek; Wm. L. Grant and Mrs. A. B. Johnson, Stoney Plain; J. W. Le Hame, J. A. Fraser, D. G. Munro and R. Turnath, Erskine; R. P. Ottewell, Clover Bar; A. S. K. Reed and wife and Fred Wm. Calmar; J. M. Strain, Millet; F. Graves, Calgary; Julius Mcilike, Greencourt; Louis Nevell and wife, Ottawa; A. B. Wheeler and Archie Benson, Didsbury; Mrs. D. B. Whiting, London.

Pendennis—T. Bryle, Stoney Plain; D. Graham, New Norway; F. Condon and P. Frame, Orpheum; Ben S. Horton, Sydney Farmer, Sterling Atwood and Roy W. Hoag, Des Moines.

Cecil—S. W. Perkins, Wetaskiwin; James Ryan, North Edmonton; G. S. Stanwood, Clinton; Ont.; Sam Bouchard, St. Emile; L. L. Howes, Calgary; T. A. Roy, Spokane; D. S. Quimet, Innisfail; L. A. Guenette, Devil's Lake.

St. James—L. H. Adair, Peace River; Kelly L. Weaver, Montgomery; F. Murchison, Winnipeg; James McKay and wife, Okotoks; W. D. Graham, Calgary; Duncan Gilles, Stettler; C. A. Phillips, Calgary; R. N. Whillans, Tofield; A. J. Haggarth, Regina; J. Little, Fort Arthur; Mrs. A. G. Foster and Mrs. R. W. Splain, Maidstone; Mrs. L. C. Brockway, Togo; R. H. Gibboney, Ranturly; T. H. Coutts, Brandon.

STRATHCONA NEWS

CONTESTS IN STRATHCONA CUP SERIES ARE NOW ON.

Games for the Big Trophy Donatsd by Lord Strathcona are now in Progress—Each Rink Plays Every Other Rink in the Club.

The big curling competition of the season, the contests for the Lord Strathcona trophy is now in progress at the Strathcona Curling rink. In this competition each of the eighteen rinks plays one game with every other rink and the players with the greatest number of wins have the trophy. This means that each rink will play seventeen games in the series which will be continued well on into January. Following are the results of the games up to the present:

W. H. McMahon defeated G.F. Downes by a score of 11 to 6.

J. M. Douglas defeated R. J. McDonald by a score of 14 to 4.

O. Torgerson defeated J. C. Bowen by a score of 13 to 11.

J. B. Miller defeated J. S. McWithey by a score of 15 to 4.

J. M. Kinnear defeated G. W. Marriott by a score of 22 to 6.

J. F. Weir and Ed. O'Donnell, game protested on account of one of the players not being duly qualified, will be played over.

R. B. Douglas defeated A. McLean by a score of 14 to 7.

A. J. McLean defeated W. J. Congdon by a score of 17 to 7.

W. H. Sheppard defeated G. Thompson by a score of 15 to 10.

G. W. Marriott defeated J. S. McWithey by a score of 12 to 0.

J. M. Kinner defeated R. J. McDonald by a score of 12 to 2.

J. B. Miller defeated Ed. O'Donnell by a score of 13 to 10.

O. Torgerson defeated J. F. Weir by a score of 14 to 6.

W. H. Sheppard defeated W. J. Congdon by a score of 12 to 8.

R. B. Douglas defeated A. J. McLean by a score of 10 to 8.

W. H. McMahon defeated A. McLean by a score of 11 to 9.

G. F. Downes defeated J. M. Douglas by a score of 12 to 11.

W. J. Congdon defeated G. Thomson by a score of 15 to 4.

J. B. Miller defeated G. W. Marriott by a score of 10 to 8.

J. M. Kinnear defeated J. S. McWithey by a score of 14 to 3.

W. H. Sheppard defeated A. J. McLean by a score of 13 to 10.

Monday Night's Games.

J. F. Weir defeated J. C. Bowen by a score of 13 to 3.

G. F. Downes defeated A. McLean by a score of 10 to 9.

W. Congdon defeated R. B. Douglas by a score of 11 to 8.

R. J. McDonald defeated G. W. Marriott after two extra ends by a score of 11 to 10.

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STRATCONA COUNCIL HAVE LITTLE BUSINESS.

The Aldermen Decided Last Night to Sell Some More Debentures at the Excellent Price now Being Offered—Council Adjourned After an Hour's Session.

Tuesdays meeting of the Strathcona City Council was brief and there was little business of importance to come before the board. It was almost half past eight when Mayor Duggan took the chair with Alds. Bush, Cameron, Sheppard, Tipton and Richards present and an hour later at half past nine an adjournment took place. The most important item of business of the evening was the decision to sell $16,000 waterworks debentures and $15,000 on the hospital debentures at the price now offered of about 93 per cent. They pay 4 1-2 per cent.

The Communications.

H. R. Mountifield, Edmonton, secretary of Western Timber and Mines, Ltd. wrote stating that the company were willing to sell their stone quarry fifty miles up the river. They had expended $5,000 in development but owing to shortage of money were unable to proceed. They offered the quarry for $15,000. The letter was filed.

Hopkins & James, architects, Edmonton, wrote again inclosing their bill for $2,450 for plans of the new hospital and asking that $1,500 be paid on account. The letter was tabled pending the report of the solicitor.

Harvell, Stokes & Co., Winnipeg, who recently furnished a pump for the power house, wrote accepting the offer of $448 made and instructing that the money be paid to the Northern Crown Bank at Edmonton. The money was ordered to be paid.

Chris Young wrote asking for an increase of $10 per month from Jan. 1st. The matter was allowed to stand over till the new council.

Two letters were received with reference to post office sites. T. P. Malone offered lots 16 and 17 block 50 opposite the C.P.R. station but his letter was filed with the remark by Ald. Bush that the city was not selecting post office sites.

A petition was received from a number of ratepayers that the question of post office sites be again taken up and another plebiscite be taken on the two most popular locations. The communication was referred back to the petitioners and they will be informed that it is not sufficiently signed to justify the council taking further action.

The Accounts.

Dominion Express	$ 4.25
C.P.R. Co.	26.82
Police Dept.	10.40
Chronicle Co.	3.75
Govt. Meter Inspector	12.00
W. J. Birnie Browne	102.50
H. F. Sandeman	102.50
Donnan Lumber Co.	38.70
Total	$403.42

These accounts were ordered to be paid.

Ald. Sheppard inquired if the council thought it desirable that the $16,000 four and a half per cent. debentures for waterworks extensions which had been issued some time ago should be disposed of. Two offers had been received, each equivalent to about 99 per cent. These debentures are now being held by the Imperial bank as securities.

Several of the aldermen thought it advisable to accept one of the offers now being made. It was pointed out by the mayor that 6 per cent. was now being paid at the bank for the money which was guaranteed by the debentures.

Ald. Sheppard said that municipal debentures are being asked for now in preference to industrial debentures and he thought it would be advisible to get clear of all possible of the debentures now on hand while the demand existed.

It was agreed that the $16,000 debentures be sold at once; also that $15,000 of the hospital debentures be sold to pay the cost of the site purchased from John Walker. The finance committee was instructed to make arrangements for the sale.

The mayor suggested that at the next meeting each of the committees bring in reports of the number of men in their employ.

Ald. Richards said that the matter had come up in his absence at last meeting but it had been brought to his attention since. In the electrical department the staff had been reduced as much as possible and now there were only one or two employed.

Ald. Bush said he had been looking into the water and sewer department and would be prepared to make a report at next meeting.

Mr. Turner superintendent of waterworks said he had only one man in his employ and he did not see how he could be done without.

Court of Revision.

The council then went into committee as a court of revision with Ald. Richards in the chair. The assessor reported on four appeals as follows:

Magrath, Hart & Co., on the property at the corner of Main street and Whyte avenue, occupied by the Dominion Bank. They claimed that they were assessed for 116 feet frontage when there was only 107 feet. The assessor said that the assessment was only for 105 feet so the assessment was confirmed.

Donald Ross for sidewalk on River lot 17. He claimed he was assessed for 1232 feet when he only had 800 feet. The trouble arose over a part of the land purchased by the E.Y. & P. The city engineer was instructed to arrange the measurements and the assessor will report at next meeting.

This ended the business of the evening and the council adjourned at 9.30.

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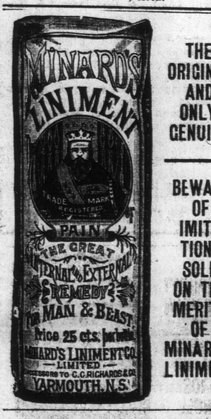

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