

the early history and construction of the Intercolonial Railway, his intelligent and very useful contribution to the construction of the first transcontinental railway, and his eminent services in respect of the Pacific cable connecting the Australasian and the Canadian colonies entitled him to high rank among the pioneer builders of the Empire, and gave him a distinguished place in the history and development thereof. As a man and a citizen he had enjoyed long years of respect and esteem, and had contributed worthily to the upbuilding and ideals of the communities in which his labors were so faithfully bestowed."

A drowning fatality occurred at Hamilton, Ont., last week, when Mr. Clyde Robinson, of the Canadian Westinghouse Co., lost his life. The deceased was a graduate of the University of New Brunswick, with the degree of Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering. His home was in Harvey, N.B.

The death occurred on July 19th of Mr. J. Frank Chapman, general manager of the Thousand Islands Railway and the Oshawa Railway. The deceased, who was 52 years of age, entered the employ of the former railway when 17 years of age. He was general manager of the Bay of Quinte Railway, prior to its being taken over by the C.N.R. He was a past president of the Canadian Freight Association.

The death occurred on July 25th of Mr. William R. Willoughby, superintendent of the Marble Rock plant of the Gananoque Water Power Company.

VANCOUVER BRANCH, CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS.

At a special meeting held a week ago the members of the Vancouver Branch of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers paid tribute to the work of Mr. G. R. C. Conway, for several years chairman of the Branch, who resigned recently as chief engineer of the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. to establish an office as consulting engineer in Toronto.

The establishment of a provincial division was also discussed, and Messrs. R. H. Hayward and A. D. Creer were elected delegates from the Vancouver Branch for a provisional committee to consider such an organization.

DEMAND FOR STEEL CAR RAILS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

According to the report of Mr. J. E. Ray, Canadian Trade Commissioner at Birmingham, Eng., the municipalities of Great Britain periodically call for tenders for street car rails, and as contracts are frequently placed with United States manufacturers there appears to be no reason (except it be that of cost) why Canada should not endeavor to procure some of such contracts. The most conspicuous difficulty to surmount is that of delivering quotations on time. When tenders are called for there is always a time limit for delivery, usually from two to four weeks from date of issue. Apparently the one course open is for manufacturers of rails to be represented in England by a capable firm in constant touch with municipal requirements, as business would necessarily have to be transacted by cable. Several municipalities state that they will be pleased to give Canadian manufacturers an opportunity to quote when they are again in the market.

ENGINEER FOR DAVIDSON, SASK.

Mr. Arthur J. Robertson, town clerk of Davidson, Sask., is receiving applications for the position of engineer and electrician for that town. One experienced with gas producer plants is preferred.

COMING MEETINGS.

PACIFIC HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION.—Fifth annual meeting to be held in San Francisco, Cal., August 11th and 12th, 1915. Secretary, Henry L. Bowlby, 510 Chamber of Commerce Building, Portland, Ore.

PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS.—Annual Convention to be held in Ottawa, Ont., August 24th to 27th, 1915. Secretary, Chief James Armstrong, Kingston, Ont.

NEW ENGLAND WATERWORKS ASSOCIATION.—Annual Convention to be held in New York City September 7th to 9th, 1915. Secretary, Willard Kent, 715 Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.

AMERICAN ROAD BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION and AMERICAN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION.—Pan American Road Congress to be held in Oakland, Cal., September 13th to 17th, 1915. Secretary, American Road Builders' Association, E. L. Powers, 150 Nassau Street, New York, N.Y. Executive Secretary, American Highway Association, I. S. Pennybacker, Colorado Building, Washington, D.C.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS.—Annual convention to be held in San Francisco, Cal., September 16th to 18th, 1915. Secretary, Charles Warren Hunt, 220 West 57th Street, New York.

AMERICAN ELECTROCHEMICAL SOCIETY.—Twenty-eighth annual general meeting to be held in San Francisco, Cal., September 16th to 18th, 1915. J. M. Muir, 239 West 39th Street, New York City, Chairman of Transportation Committee.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS.—Convention to be held in San Francisco, Cal., September 16th to 18th, 1915. Secretary, Calvin W. Rice 29 West 39th Street, New York City.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.—Convention to be held in San Francisco, Cal., September 16th to 18th, 1915. Secretary, F. L. Hutchinson, 29 West 39th Street, New York City.

INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING CONGRESS.—To be held in San Francisco, Cal., September 20th to 25th, 1915. Secretary, W. A. Catell, Foxcroft Building, San Francisco, Cal.

AMERICAN ELECTRIC RAILWAY ASSOCIATION.—Annual convention to be held in San Francisco, Cal., October 4th to 8th, 1915. Secretary, E. B. Burritt, 29 West 39th Street, New York.

NATIONAL PAVING BRICK MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.—Annual convention to be held in Dayton, O., October 11th and 12th, 1915. Secretary, Will P. Blair, B. of L. E. Building, Cleveland, O.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS.—Annual convention to be held in Dayton, O., October 12th to 14th, 1915. Secretary, Charles Carroll Brown, 702 Wulsin Building, Indianapolis, Ind.