

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS ARE INTERESTING

Ratepayers Sit Till Late Hour Listening to Committee Reports—Year's Review

That Regina citizens are taking a keen interest in municipal affairs was in evidence on Thursday evening last when the seating capacity of the city hall was taxed to accommodate the ratepayers assembled to hear civic affairs discussed in connection with the reports of the various committees of the city council. From the incidents which attended the general debate in which aspiring candidates took part, it is evident that the storm centre of the contest for aldermanic honors will be ward 2. The fight in ward 3 will rank next, and the run for the mayoralty will take third place.

The public meeting was called to order by his worship the mayor who reviewed the work of the whole council for the past year. He admitted the progressive policy pursued, but he is of the opinion that owing to the tightening of the money market it is wise to be cautious in the matter of new public improvements for the next year or so. There must be sewerage extension, however, and the subway on Albert street must engage the attention of the next board. His worship announced himself as a candidate for the coming year and said that his nomination papers were already signed by P. McAra jr., and F. N. Darke.

Finances
Ald. Peverett, chairman of the finance in presenting his report dealt with the debenture question and then switched on the spur track system. He contends that he is not delaying the scheme adopted by the C.P.R. and afterwards declined by them. Mr. Peverett has consulted with Mr. Woodman the well known engineer and the railway commission, regarding the 25 per cent. curtailment and they endorsed the city's plans as quite feasible. Ald. Peverett stated that the C.N.R. people have agreed to operate

to the upper flats of several buildings of the city. He thought that the surplus steam from the incinerator could be utilized for heating the city hall.

Fire, Light and Power
Ald. Ball for this committee reported that the electric light service has increased from 304 in 1905 to 900 applications this year. With regard to the fire department he was of the opinion that Regina's record is perhaps the best of any city of Canada, for during the year, there has been only 24 fires and the total loss has been only \$1,400. Respecting the power he said that notwithstanding the reduction in prices there will be a small surplus this year. Ald. Ball testified to the proficiency of the chief electrician, Mr. Bull and Fire Chief White.

CITY HALL
Ald. Wilkinson presented a very lengthy report which covered all the details in connection with the construction of the new civic pile. He was unsparing in his criticism of the architect for omissions in connection with the specifications. His committee has had to make good the defects referred to. The total cost of the building to date has been \$153,689.87. There will be a public opening in which every citizen will be able to participate.

Health Department
In connection with this very important department Ald. Thomson referred to Regina's consolidated health by-law which he thinks is as good as any other of the kind on the continent. He took up the work of reform which got him into a little trouble with a section of the community, but he felt that if he did his duty he would meet some criticism at first, but he did not care particularly if his object was attained, and the change that has taken place in the sanitary conditions of the city

Abstract Cash Statement

The following abstract cash statement has been prepared by the city treasurer to be distributed among the ratepayers at the public meeting on Friday evening:

	Dr.	Cr.
Cash on hand Jan. 1, '07		\$ 6,974.78
Overdraft Jan. 1, '07	\$107,371.79	
Finance	55,700.75	306,840.01
Works	355,324.60	12,637.17
Cemeteries	5,849.10	488.00
Markets	19,973.70	898.90
Parks and Boulevards	2,242.30	10.00
City Hall	54,458.34	1,112.20
Health and Relief	32,295.15	437.65
Fire, Light and Power	91,780.57	48,357.15
Waterworks	89,036.84	18,756.68
Reception	1,547.70	225.00
Cash on hand, Oct. 31, '07	2,303.60	
Overdraft, Oct. 31, '07		406,626.38
Outstanding Cheques, Oct. 31, '07		13,975.52
	\$14,384.44	\$314,384.44

the spur track system on the plans of the city and he is in favor of letting that company into the wholesale district from their north line.

Regarding the finances of the city he was sure that Regina is not embarrassed to any extent for while the borrowing capacity of the city on the present assessment is \$2,200,000, only 11 per cent. of that amount has been utilized. He has been somewhat of a "kicker" at the board with regard to certain expenditures, but he has not stood in the way of public improvement and to serve Regina's best interests has been his only aim.

Board of Works
Ald. Gillespie was very brief in presenting his report which consisted chiefly of figures. The following streets have been paved this year, all south of the track: Albert, Smith, Broad, Cornhill, Eleventh, West, El, Seventh, Lorne, Hamilton, Oleser, Scarth, Tenth, Twelfth and Victoria. Asphalt block pavement \$45,419.20; Bitulithite \$86,824.68; Cressedo block \$94,951.80. Concrete curb and gutter \$24,696; Sidewalks \$28,478, or a total of \$300,364.68.

Markets
Ald. Kramer advocated a market building being provided. He quoted the receipts from the market for the past month as being \$100. He dealt with the construction of the exhibition buildings which are second to none west of Toronto.

Waterworks
In connection with his report Ald. Wright advocated laying a second pipe line as far as the compensating basin. This would obviate the necessity of paying from \$12 to \$15 per day as at present for pumping water

BAPTIST ORGANIZATION

Western Provinces Consolidated—Election of Officers

Calgary, Alta., Nov. 21.—The Baptist convention of western Canada was made an accomplished fact this morning by the adoption of the following resolution:

"That we, the accredited delegates of the Baptist Churches of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta and British Columbia, in convention assembled this twenty-first day of November,

shows that his committee is meeting with results. He has a very efficient officer in Mr. Bertwhistle who has done his duty faithfully. Regarding the incinerator Ald. Thomson said that he believed it adequate to the needs of the city and by working for three days a week it will consume all the refuse matter gathered in.

Parks
Ald. McDonald reviewed the work of his department in regard to the city boulevards and Victoria and Wascana parks. The former park had been proceeded with on the plan of Mr. Todd, the landscape architect. Spruce trees have been planted but the contract for the other trees and shrubbery has not yet been accepted by the council. The city parks when completed according to the plans will be a credit to the city.

Reception
Ald. Cowan dealt with the work of his committee during the past season which consisted in meeting visitors and entertaining guests including the legislature and organizations of various kinds. In connection with his position as a candidate for the mayor's chair, he went into the municipal problems confronting the city, and outlined his policy with regard to next year's work. He would make the sewerage extensions necessary to make the system productive, but would cut out the paving for a couple of years.

Cemeteries
Ald. Ball reported for this committee in the absence of Ald. Kusch, who is yet confined to his home through illness.

Chas. Willoughby and R. Sinton spoke briefly. They are candidates in ward two.

1907, in the city of Calgary, do now approve of the action of the joint committee on the Union of Baptist convention of Manitoba and the north-west and the Baptist Convention of British Columbia, in organizing a Baptist convention of western Canada, and do ratify the same; and further that we now proceed to a discussion of constitution prepared by the committee."

At 10 o'clock Rev. D. B. Harkness, of Winnipeg, offered a report on the committee on constitution, and the report was adopted unanimously with but few amendments. The constitution is drafted along lines of the conventions of Ontario and Quebec and the old northwest constitution.

Home Mission Board
Home mission report was read by Rev. W. T. Stackhouse, superintendent of home missions. The work done in individual fields is not discussed in the report, facts of a general nature being given more attention. Special mention was made of the intention of the board to enter upon an evangelistic campaign, which would reach every church in convention. This afternoon satisfactory reports were received from Brandon and Oskanagan colleges, also from the public board and committee on Baptist Union.

The convention closed tonight with an address from Principal Sawyer, Oskanagan college, Supt. of Missions Stackhouse, and Dr. McDiarmid, the latter strenuously criticizing the council board of Manitoba university for opposing the university charter for Brandon college.

Election of Officers
The convention elected officers as follows: President H. E. Sharpe, Winnipeg; vice presidents, Premier Rutherford, Alberta, A. Hoggart, Vancouver; Dr. S. J. McKee, Brandon; Treasurer, S. Blackhall, Winnipeg; secretary, J. P. McIntyre, Winnipeg; auditors, J. E. Allan and J. McCracken, Winnipeg.

Executive Committee, three year term—Revs. P. H. McEwen, Vancouver; C. W. Jackson, Brandon; F. W. A. Vauche, Grand Forks; A. N. McDonald, Edmonton; T. M. Marshall, Prince Albert; Dr. McDiarmid, Brandon; Messrs. W. A. McIntyre, Winnipeg; G. F. Stevens, Winnipeg; Thos. Underwood, Calgary.

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BIG REVENUE REPORTED

The Interior Department Report Shows Much Money from Administration of Public Domain—Immigration Falls Off

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—The annual report of the minister of the Interior for the nine months period ending March 31st, says the general result of the year's operation, both from a financial standpoint and as regards the opening up and the settlement of the vacant land of the Canadian west have been highly satisfactory.

The homestead entries for the nine months were 21,647. This is a falling off as compared with the previous year, basing the estimate of the total number of entries during the twelve months ending June 30 of this year, upon the monthly ratio of the previous nine months, the result would be 28,856, as compared with 41,869 during the year ending June 30th, 1906. It should, however, be borne in mind that the months of April, May and June are those during which the largest number of entries are usually made, consequent upon the large influx of settlers at that period of the year.

There has been a decrease in the area of the lands disposed of by the railway companies during the past year compared with 1906, but there has been a steady advance in the value since 1906, when it was \$3.46 per acre, to 1907, when it was \$6.00 per acre. As the value of the land is generally accepted as an indication of the prosperity of the country this advance is very satisfactory when considered in connection with the general development of the country.

Commenting on the immigration statistics of the past year, the deputy minister observed that "The views in the light of past events, the immigration methods followed by the department would appear to have been productive of the most beneficial results, and until it can be demonstrated that other means could, with advantage to Canada, be devised and adopted to foster Anglo-American immigration to this country, I would not recommend that any change be made in the policy now in force."

The sales of Manitoba school lands amounted to 125,088 acres, at an average price of \$12.20 an acre. In Saskatchewan the average price was \$14 an acre. There were no school lands sold in Alberta during the period mentioned.

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BOUNDARY EXTENSION

Manitoba Will Be Enlarged, Also Ontario and Quebec—Land Bill Up Again—Sessional Program in Speech from Throne

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—The parliament of Canada was opened this afternoon by Earl Grey, who accompanied by Lady Grey and the vice royal party, arrived at the parliament buildings at three o'clock under military escort.

The speech from the throne, read by His Excellency the Governor-General, was as follows:

Hon. gentlemen of the senate, gentlemen of the House of Commons.—Again in meeting you at a period most convenient for the dispatch of business, it gives me great pleasure to be able to congratulate you on the remarkable expansion of the trade of Canada with other countries, the total trade far exceeding that of its predecessors.

A gratifying result of this expansion was that the revenue of the last fiscal year of nine months was more than sufficient to meet expenses of the consolidated fund, national continental railway, capital and special outlays, all expenses of the Dominion of over \$3,000,000 to be applied on the reduction of the public debt.

The stream of immigrants coming into Canada continues to increase in volume, the year now drawing to a close showing a larger number than any preceding year, and it is gratifying to observe the many coming from the British Islands.

The Dominion has been blessed by a long series of prosperous years and though at present moments its business interests are being restricted by the financial stringency which prevails throughout the world, I feel assured that this unfavorable condition will be temporary and that the limitless resources of Canada and the world wide recognition of them, give us ample guarantee of continued material progress.

The conference held in London in the months of April and May between the government of the United Kingdom and the governments of the British dominions beyond the seas, satisfactorily dealt with many subjects in which the empire at large is interested. A copy of the minutes of the proceedings will be laid before you.

Two of my ministers duly authorized by His Majesty and acting in conjunction with His Majesty's ambassador at Paris have recently negotiated a convention with the government of the French Republic respecting the commercial relations between France and Canada, subject, however, to the approval of the French chambers and the parliament of Canada. A copy of this convention will be submitted to you immediately and you will be asked to give it your sanction.

The government of Newfoundland, having become involved in a controversy with the United States as to the true meaning of article one of the convention respecting fisheries, concluded in the year 1818, between the United Kingdom and the United States, and Canada, being also interested in the question at issue, my government has joined with the government of Newfoundland in an agreement to refer all matters of difference arising under said article to the Hague tribunal.

The difficulty of obtaining labor and materials at a time of great business activity has somewhat retarded the construction of the national transcontinental railway. Nevertheless, great progress has been made both on the eastern division, and on the prairie section of the western division. A section of the latter of about 250 miles has been available for handling the traffic of the present season. Contracts for a portion of the prairie section west of Edmonton are about to be let and immediately steps will be taken for the commencement of the work at both the eastern and western ends of the mountain division. Thus in a short time the whole work from Moncton to the Pacific coast will be under vigorous construction.

The unexpected influx of immigration from Oriental countries into Canada aroused a strong feeling of opposition. A member of my government has been deputed to proceed to Japan to confer with the Japanese government on the subject.

The sudden cantilever bridge in course of construction across the St. Lawrence in the vicinity of Quebec may be regarded as a national calamity and the event has evoked much sorrow for the lives which were lost on that occasion. A commission has been appointed to inquire into the causes which led to the disaster. When received the report of the commission will be laid before you, and mission will be laid before you, and it will then be necessary to devise the means for the completion of the bridge within reasonable time. It is most gratifying to find that

notwithstanding the large reductions of postal rates which have been made the revenue of the postoffice department has continued to increase rapidly. The receipts of this branch of the government business will enable the department to make provision for the extension of postal facilities throughout the Dominion.

The time has arrived when public interests require that telegraph and telephone companies holding federal charters should be placed under government control. A bill will be introduced for that purpose.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons, the public accounts for nine months ending 31st March last, will be laid before you without delay. The estimates for the coming fiscal year will be submitted for your approval at an early day.

Hon. gentlemen of the senate, gentlemen of the house of commons.—Among the measures to be submitted to you is a bill for the extension of the boundaries of Manitoba and of the other provinces, also a bill to provide for the issue of government annuities for old age, a bill respecting insurance and bills to amend the election act and the Dominion lands act.

I commend to your thoughtful consideration the several subjects to which I have referred and I trust that deliberations you may be guided by divine light.

The University

The first meeting of convocation of the University of Saskatchewan has been fixed for January 8th next at Regina at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Arrangements are being made to hold a general meeting of the evening of the above date and invitations have been extended to distinguished representatives of other Canadian universities to be present and address the gathering. Correspondence has taken place with the different railway companies relative to securing as favorable rates as possible for the occasion.

Definite announcements respecting the program at Convocation and at the public meeting in the evening will be made at an early date. Any person wishing further information is asked to correspond with D. P. McColl, registrar, Department of Education, Regina.

The attention of graduates in the province is called to a motion passed at a meeting of the senate held in

Regina on November 13th, to the effect that all graduates in the province who are entitled under the provisions of the University Act to register themselves as members of the first convocation and who failed to do so and who are desirous to obtain degrees from the university of Saskatchewan are requested to send to D. P. McColl, Registrar, Department of Education, Regina, satisfactory evidence of their qualifications on or before the 31st day of December, 1907.

SID PORTER'S NEW JOB

Well-known Regina Man Appointed Deputy in Railway Department—Expert Knowledge Not Wanted

One of the last things which Premier Scott did before he left for Europe was to turn his railway department over to S. P. Porter who as a telephone and railway expert will hold the position of deputy commissioner of railways. Mr. Porter has been for some time homestead inspector for the Dominion government but he resigned that office about four months ago.

Francis Dagger has been investigating the telephone question for the provincial government, and on his advice the province will undertake to build telephone lines. No such man as Mr. Dagger, will be retained by the government, however, expert knowledge being only necessary to know whether the people want government phones. Before Mr. Dagger's services are dispensed with, however, he will no doubt advise the government regarding the necessary legislation which has been foreshadowed for the session next March.

The government organ after referring that Mr. Porter "knows the country like a book," says that the government in Mr. Scott's absence will put the railway department on a "concrete" base—and not bituminous base as Mr. Motherwell will probably suggest.

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EARL GREY'S APPEAL

On behalf of Needy Consumptives

Strong words of Canada's Governor-General

At the official opening of the King Edward Sanatorium for Consumptives, near Toronto, His Excellency delivered an address that must have an important bearing on the future of the sanatorium movement in Canada. We quote:—

"The proceedings this afternoon commenced with a beautiful and reverent prayer from your old friend, Dr. Potts. He prayed that the light of the Lord might shine upon us. That prayer is abundantly answered. He also prayed that the White Plague might be removed. Well, whether that prayer will be answered or not depends upon yourselves."

"Is it not a standing shame and reproach to the governments and individuals that there is not more care taken by the people of Canada to protect themselves against the curse of consumption?"

On his way out to the King Edward Sanatorium, so named by permission of His Majesty King Edward VII—the Governor-General's car was stopped in its progress outside the Canada Cycle & Motor Co. by a large crowd of its employees. A contribution of one hundred dollars was handed the Governor-General, a donation to the Toronto Free Hospital for Consumptives.

"'Twas a kingly gift," said His Excellency in making acknowledgment. "I will tell the King."

Addressing the large audience that attended these opening exercises, referring to this event, Earl Grey said: "Ladies and gentlemen, when the workingmen of Canada are setting an example of this character, I hope you will not be slow to follow, and I trust that the example of the Canada Cycle & Motor Co. may be followed, as I am sure it will, in every factory and manufacturing industry throughout the land."

Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives

An institution that has never refused a single applicant admission, because of his or her inability to pay. Seventy-five patients can be cared for to-day. Accommodation could be provided for three hundred if the required money were forthcoming. To make this possible, our appeal is for \$50,000, to be used in extension of buildings and maintenance of patients.

Where will your money do more good? Every community and every individual is interested.

His Excellency Earl Grey has shown his interest and sympathy in the work at Muskoka for needy consumptives, by accepting the position of Honorary President of the National Sanitarium Association.

Contributions may be sent to Sir Wm. R. Meredith, Kt., Chief Justice, Osgoode Hall, Toronto; W. J. Gage, Esq., 34 Spadina Ave., or J. S. Robertson, Sec'y-Treas., National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Canada.

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Mack Sing
Mack Sing, the man in custody for months charged with the Fortune through mental porridge, a Thursday, the well known British prisoner who exists the poison into the diet of "not guilty" public sentiment to fo it is believed that the missing Charlie Mack Sing was Mr. for the prisoner put for the life of his section was vigor Alex. Ross assisted the Chief Justice the trial in charge pressed upon them not conclude beyond doubt that the poison in the oat was there, then him guilty.

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