AROUND THE CITY

LOCALS.

J. W. Brighton, of Ottawa, and son, arrived in the city to-day to reside.

Mrs. James Chisholm, who has been ill for some time of typhoid fever at the Public hospital, returned home yesterday in a convalescent state.

Constable G. F. Tyler, of the R. N. W. M. P., at Lac Ste. Anne, is in the city today. Constable Tyler has been transferred to Stoney Plains, for which place he leaves tomorrow. He will command the detachment there.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has extended his patronage to the amateur play, "Mr. Bob," to be given under the auspices of "Beaver House" Chapter Daughters of the Empire in the Edmonton Opera House, January 20 and 21. The officers and members of A B C and E squadrons C.M.R. will attend in uniform and will also furnish ushers, making the event not only more brilliant, but also enhancing its patriotic character.

James Jaylor, the miner who was badly burned about his head, shoulders and arms, on Tuesday afternoon by the explosion of his lamp at the Parkdale mine, never rallied from the shock and passed away yesterday afternoon at the Public hospital where he had been taken immediately after the accident. The funeral arrangements will be made later.

There are now three prisoners in the cells at the police station awaiting trial. They are Thomas Templeman, charged on complaint of John Cameron with having stolen goods in his possession; Erick Lordlund charged with having stolen an overcoat of Jas. Hostyn's at the Edmonton, and John Cucmoie, hearged with having stabbed Andrew Nepruck. Templeman's case comes on for trial at 11 tomorrow, Lordlund at 7 tonight, and Cucmoie's at three o'clock this afternoon.

The ladies of Edmonton are following in the footsteps of other cities and forming a curling club. In the east the number of lady curlers has grown so that they have a large bonspiel every year in Montreal, when the championship of Canada is decided. The Edmonton ladies met yesterday at the residence of Mrs. R. P. Baines for the purpose of organizing, but owing to the small attendance it was decided to adjourn until 3.15 Saturday afternoon, in the committee room of the Edmonton curling club, for the purpose of electing a secretary-treasurer and committee and completing the organization. All ladies interested in the sport are requested to attend the meeting.

The case against George McKay, charged with stealing $170 from a bus of the City Transfer company, where it had been lost by Father Desmarais, was on at the Supreme court yesterday afternoon and this morning before Mr. Justice Taylor. The case was concluded at noon by the prisoner being found guilty.

The case was begun yesterday afternoon, when all the evidence for the prosecution was submitted by the The May-Sharpe Company have resumed work on the new post office building. This somewhat relieves the situation for many men, who were in need of employment. The work was discontinued during the cold snap of a couple of weeks ago. The weather for the past week, being more like spring than winter, has made it possible for the contractors to go ahead with the work. This means the handsome building will be finished just that much sooner than was expected.

Mr. J. K. Cornwall, who has been spending a couple of weeks in this city, left for his home in Edmonton yesterday.—Vancouver Province.

Edmonton bank clearings for the week ending yesterday totalled $1,166,184.27, a slight increase over the same week last year and more than double that of the week previous.

The fire brigade from station No 3 Kinistino avenue, were called out at 10.38 last night, for an alarm from Box 52 at the corner of Kinistino and Wilson. It was a false alarm, but the culprit was not captured.

The Miners' union has taken in charge the arrangements for the funeral of James Taylor, the miner who was killed by a mine explosion this week. The funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 from the Alberta undertaking parlors.

Before Magistrates Belcher and Wilson this morning Wm. Templeman, charged with having stolen lumber in his possession, pleaded guilty of having taken it himself from John Cameron. He will later be charged with the theft.

At the annual meeting of Queens Ave. Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening the reports presented showed a marked increase in all branches of the church work. The receipts for the year were $4,735.60. The following board of managers were elected: G. S. Armstrong, F. B. Fullmer, John Beattie, Cameron Anderson and Arch. Youll.

Captain Kenst, president of the Red Deer branch of the Alberta Natural History society, was a delegate to the A. F. A. convention yesterday. The captain expressed himself as greatly pleased with Edmonton and hopes to see a branch of the Alberta N. H. S. organized here before the annual meeting of the provincial society, which will be held here next fall.

Ex-Ald. Daley, who is one of the promoters of the annual seed grain fair, has been soliciting subscriptions for the exhibition which will be held in Edmonton on February 13th or 14th, and has met with success. The amount of the subscriptions wil lwarrant the holding of the fair. The government makes a grant of dollar for dollar expended by the society on the prize list, up to $300.

WANT IMPROVEMENTS.

A delegation from residents of Fourth street, north of the C. N. R. tracks, waited upon the city commissioners this morning with reference to the installation of waterworks and sewerage in that part of the city. The gentlemen were given the assurance that the work would be done next spring at the earliest possible convenient time.

CITY ELECTRICIANS' REPORT.

The city electricians' report for December shows that there were 87 applications for incandescent service, one application for power and 42 wiring permits were granted.

In incandescent lighting there were 76 services connected, 56 services disconnected, an increase of 22 over last month.

In power for the first time in a long period there were no connections owing to the plant being taxed to its greatest capacity. There was one disconnection.

Two street lights were installed, one at the corner of Saskatchewan avenue and First street, and the other at the corner of Calgary and Sixth streets.

CONVICTED OF ASSAULT.

Before Magistrate Belcher this morning an interesting case came on for hearing in the charge of assault preferred by John Milner, coal dealer, against a teamster named Wm. Gallon. The action arose out of a trespass by Gallon on the property of Mr. Milner on Fraser's Flats, which took place early on the morning of Tuesday last.

A road, formerly travelled by the public, runs through Mr. Milner's property but this he closed up and posted notices forbidding any trespassing. When Gallon was driving down on Tuesday morning before daybreak he was met by Mr. Milner and his wife and was forbidden to go down the road.

Here the stories of the plaintiff and the defendant varied. Mr. Milner swore that the defendant told him to "go to hell," but this the latter denied. According to the defendant's story he was then beaten by Milner with a stick and by another man named Irving, who was called to assist. From the appearance of Gallon in the court he certainly received hard usage. Mr. Milner said that he was first attacked by Gallon, and his counsel, H. H. Robertson, quoted the law to show that Milner was justified in using force to repell the trespass. W. A. Griesbach, for defendant, took the ground that the case showed rather an assault by the prosecutor. The magistrate, however, held the defendant guilty and after a severe reprimand and in consideration of the beating he had received fined him $5 and costs.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Caledonian Society, held in the Mechanics Hall last night, took the form of a social evening. President J. H. Bel was in the chair and the attendance was large. An excellent program of music was rendered, songs being contributed by Mrs. Aitken, Messrs. H Wilson, A. R. Mitchell, A. Graham George McLeod, and Lamond; original readings by Mr. R. Anderson; violin solos by Mr. T. Irving, and mandolin selections by Mr. H. Esplin. Miss Greta Grant danced Shean Treens. An orchestra, composed of Mrs. Nei Messrs. R. Neil, G. McKinley and D McKinley, gave several selections, and the pipe band under Major Tom Cull provided stirring music. The evening was concluded by a dance. The society will hold a Burns' banquet o January 24.

YORK VS. POWELL.

An interesting suit is now in progress in the Supreme Court here. It is an action begun last November by Archibald York against James A. Powell. The first statement of claim states that Mr. Powell owes Mr. York $750 and interest on a promissory not which became due on the 28th of October last, and which Mr. Powell had neglected to pay. In Mr. Powell's statement of defence he charges Mr. York with having induced him to give him the note in question by fraud, and false and fraudulent misrepresentations, and says that the note in question was only one of several notes in connection with settling up a horse dealing partnership that had formerly existed between York and Powell and one Crawford and Twyford.

Mr. Powell says that Mr. York gave him false statements of account, and that he was induced to agree to the accounts by reason of York's misrepresentations, and that, if he had then had the information that he has now, he would not have signed the note or any other note, or agreed to the balance then due in taking the accounts, and consequently asks that Mr. York's action should be dismissed with costs, and in addition claims an account of the partnership transactions, and that Mr. York should pay him any moneys which might be found to be due. C. C. McCaul, K.C., is acting as solicitor for the plaintiff, Mr. York, while Messrs. Emery, Newell & Bolton are solicitors for the defendant.

The next stage of the case was the filing of an amended statement of claim by Mr. York, in which after repeating that the defendant owes him the $750 and interest in the note, he goes on to say that the payment of the note was secured by the deposit in escrow with Messrs. Beck, Emery, Newell and Bolton solicitors for both parties, of a transfer from the plaintiff to the defendant of certain lands and premises purchased by the defendant from the plaintiff, the note in question representing part of the purchase price, but prior to the maturity of the note the defendant went to Messrs Beck, Emery, Newell & Bolton, and in fraud of the plaintiff procured from them the transfer they held in escrow, took it to the registry office, got himself to be registered as owner of the property, and then sold and transferred the land to an innocent purchaser for value, without notice of Mr. York's equity in the land. The amended statement of claim then states how the defendant realized large profits by the sale, and claims that the plaintiff is entitled to an account of all the dealings of the defendant with the land, and at the plaintiff's option, after the accounts are taken to elect whether he will rescind the contract for the sale of the land, and treat the defendant as a trustee for him, accountable to him for all profits in connection with the transaction, or, if it should prove more advantageous to the plaintiff, judgment for the amount of the note sued upon with interest and costs, charges and expenses between solicitor and client. At to-day's session in Chambers the defendant moved to have the amended statement of claim struck out.

MANY DOGS AT STATION.

There are many dogs imprisoned at the police station for disorderly conduct on the streets and being abroad without the necessary tags and licenses. During the last few days the varied sounds of these canines from the basement of the building where they are imprisoned, are far worse than that of the most noisy inebriates. Among the late quadrupeds gathered in was a beautiful spaniel owned by the city solicitor, who, however, made haste in taking out a license and securing his release.

INSTALLED OFFICERS.

At a meeting of the Edmonton lodge Sons of England the following officers were installed by District Deputy P. C. Ingel, P.P., E. Brown, president; E. Le Riche, vice-president; P. R. Smith, chaplain; W. L. Hall, financial secretary; D. J. Smith, recording secretary; W. S. Warne, treasurer; H. Aldridge, surgeon; Dr. E. A. Braithwaite, 1st guide; H. Woollam, 2nd guide; J. A. Dawson, 3rd guide; A. P. Gregory, 4th guide; F. Naylor, 5th guide; T. Pearse, 6th guide; S. Stinson, inside guard; E. Simpson, outside guard; C. Viton, trustees, W. A. Griesbach, F. C. Bown and D. Humphries.

A gratifying increase in the membership of the society and funds was reported. Over 160 members were present at the installation. President Wells and others from the Strathcona society were among the visitors. Refreshments were served at the close of the business session. The meetings of the society are held on the first and third Monday of every month.

EDMONTON LABOR CONDITIONS.

The following is the report of the labor conditions in Edmonton as it appears in the Labor Gazette for the month of December. The Edmonton correspondent is J. A. Kenney:—

General Condition of the Labor Market.

Labor generally was not employed to as great an extent as last month, or a year ago. Fewer men were engaged, and the number would have been further reduced but for the continued fine weather. In nearly all branches the supply more than equalled the demand. The usual exodus of mechanics to the coast at this season of the year has been more marked than usual.

The city council again put in force an agreement entered into with the Trades and Labor council last spring, whereby laborers employed by the city should receive a minimum wage of $2.25 for an eight hour day. A number of men have been laid off by the city, and also by the company putting in the sewer. Some of these men are finding employment in the different lumber camps now beginning operations for the winter; others will perform homestead duties for the next few months.

Wholesale and retail trade was fairly active.

Coal mining will be carried on this winter more extensively than ever before. Some new mines have been opened up.

Telephone communication has been established between Edmonton and Beaver Hills P. O., Bradenheim, Lamont, Chipman, Mundare and Vegreville, there being an exchange of 65 phones at Vegreville. All of these may be reached by a subscriber in Edmonton, Strathcona or Fort Saskatchwan. The lines between Wetaskiwin and Daysland have been opened for business, with offices at Wetaskiwin, Gwynne, Rosenroll, Camrose, Bawlf, Ohaton and Daysland; likewise the line between Lacombe and Stettler, with toll offices at Lacombe, Chigwell, Valley City, Lees, Alix, Content, Erskine and Stettler. Within the next two or three weks, the line east of Vegreville will also be opened.

Express parcels received in October numbered 240, and in October, 1906, 106.

Condition of Local Industries.

Agriculture—Homestead entries for the month of October were 327, and for October, 1906, 387.

NO MORE TRACERS ON C. P. R.

Consignees of car load lots of freight in transit over the C. P. R. will shortly be able to keep track of their shipments without the necessity of bothering the freight agents of the company to send out tracers. This benefit they will receive as a result of an unique system now being adopted by the railway, according to a statement made today by a C. P. R. official.

In the past if an Edmonton consignee of a car load lot of freight shipped from Montreal, Toronto or any other point, failed to receive the consignment within a reasonable time he would apply to the freight agent's office here to have tracers sent out to locate his goods and have them hurried along. Owing to the magnitude of the freight traffic all over the system the amount of labor thus entailed upon the offices of freight agents was enormous and also a consequent burden upon the telegraphic service of the company.

All this will, however, be changed shortly. Orders have been issued to the departments of service affected that hereafter, the agents at all divisional points throughout the entire C. P. R. system shall note the arrival of all car load lot shipments and advise the consignees of the departure of the cars from their respective stations.

As an example of the system a merchant in Edmonton receiving a car load of freight from Ottawa would be advised of its departure from there on a certain date, and another postcard would soon reach him with the information of the departure of the car from North Bay, another would tell of departure from Fort William, from Winnipeg and so on. In this manner the consignee would be kept constantly advised of the movements of his freight, and would not be forced to have his freight agent trace it by wire.

The new system will not apply to consignments in less than car load lots as it would be impossible to keep trace of such shipments. The postcard advices will cover eastbound as well as westbound freight, and patrons at all stations on the company's system will benefit by the service.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

A large body of delegates from Duluth Winnipeg, Regina and Calgary came in yesterday to attend the initiation this morning of new members of the Edmonton lodge Knights of Columbus.

The society, founded 40 years ago, the strongest Catholic secret society in America, has about 240,000 members. They work for the advancement of the whole denomination and are in a position financially, to materially assist in relieving a strain caused by such a calamity as the one at San Francisco.

The Edmonton branch was organized Jan. 15, 1907, and took in about 75 members. To-day about sixty more will be initiated and this will make the Edmonton branch one of the strongest societies in the west.

The ceremony is a very impressive one and at the same time very expensive. After the degrees have been placed a banquet to the visiting delegates and new members will be given in the society's rooms in the Separate school building.

ACCIDENT TO DRIVER.

A man named William J. Hornall, a teamster employed in drawing coal from Clover Bar, was badly hurt yesterday, and was brought to the Public Hospital suffering from a severe compound fracture of the lower leg. The man was driving a heavy waggon-load of coal. The waggon sluing on the slippery roads, the man was thrown from his seat to the road, where the waggon wheel passed over him, causing the injury as previously stated. The unfortunate man, who is about 28 years old and single, will be confined to the Hospital for several weeks.

NEW EDMONTON INVENTION.

Loiselle and Pion, the local men who invented that clever device, the Champion Clothes Dryer, last spring, and which was getting a strong hold upon favor when their entire plant was burned down a few months since, state that they have again invented an interesting article, and are now applying for a patent on it. This is a bottle which may be filled and emptied once, but cannot be refilled. This will meet the needs of the liquor manufacturers, who have unavailingly protested against small dealers refilling bottles with their trade mark with inferior stuff and passing them off as genuine.

NO SUNDAY THEATRES.

The production of moving pictures of the Passion Play in the Lyric Theatre, Calgary, on Sundays has been discontinued. The management of the Calgary Theatre gave several Sunday performances, which were advertised as in aid of the Holy Cross Hospital, charging an admission. Complaint was made to the Attorney General's department, and after investigation and a report from Col. English, of Calgary, the Attorney General wrote Mr. Willis, the manager of the theatre, pointing out that the performance on Sunday was an offence punishable under the Lord's Day Act, and stating that upon a repetition of the offence the managers of the theatre would be prosecuted.

NEW NORWOOD CHURCH.

The formal laying of the new Norwood Presbyterian church, at the corner of Carey street and Willow ave., will take place tomorrow. Rev. Dr. McQueen will conduct the dedication service in the morning, commencing at 11 o'clock. Rev. G. A. Myers will preach in the evening. A social entertainment in connection with the opening will be held Monday evening. Rev. Dr. McQueen, Rev. C. A. Myers, Rev. A. S. Tuttle, Rev. Mr. Magwood, Rev. D. Flemming, Rev. Jas. Douglas, Rev. J. Jaffray, Rev. W. D. McPhail will give addresses. A musical program will be rendered and refreshments served. The Rev. C. D. Campbell has charge of the work for the present in connection with the new church. Mr. Campbell did the organization work. The new church is a frame structure, 35 by 52 feet, and has a seating capacity of over 300. It has cost over $3,000 so far. When the demand calls for it additions will be made. The new church will open under favorable auspices. The membership will be in the neighborhood of 40. There are 30 families who will be identified with this church. A communion service will be held a week from Sunday.

DICKSON-WARD.

The marriage of Samuel Archibald Dickson, of Edmonton, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dickson, Seaforth, to Evelyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ward, Hamilton, took place recently, at the home of the bride's father. Rev. T. J. Maunsell, of Dundas, was the officiating clergyman, assisted by Rev. Richard Whiting, of Hamilton. The bride, who was given away by her father, was prettily gowned in ivory crepe de chine, with Swiss embroidery and filet lace trimming. Her sister, Miss Alice Ward, was maid of honor, Miss Rae Dickson, of Seaforth, and Miss Evelyn Armstrong, of Montreal, being bridesmaids. P. M. Yeates acted as groomsman, E. H. Ward and George W. Ballard as ushers. After a brief honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Dickson will reside in Edmonton.

DEATH OF L. A. WHITE.

The death occurred at the General hospital yesterday of L. A. White, of Vegreville, who has been a patient in the hospital for the past ten days. The deceased, who was 38 years of age, had been suffering for some days with rheumatic fever. He was unmarried. The body is at the Moffat undertaking parlors awaiting instructions from friends at Vegreville.

NEW G. T. P. TOWNSITES.

The plans have been registered for a new townsite on the Grand Trank Pacific, 108 miles east of Edmonton. It is named Wainwright and is to be a divisional point of the new railway line.

Amalgamation of Steamship Lines.

London, Jan. 11—Amalgamation of the Thompson's and Cairns' lines has been completed. The Thompson's various services to Canada will be continued under the same name.

OPENING OF NEW GERMAN CLUB

The growing importance and strength of the German portion of Edmonton's citizens was clearly evidenced last night at the opening of the new hall recently built in connection with the clubhouse of the Edelweiss club, at the corner of Kinistino and Elizabeth streets. Fully 200 people were present, and in dancing together with a pleasing musical programme the evening passed most enjoyably.

The new hall which has just been completed by Messrs. Violet Brothers at a cost over $3,000, is a fine large building, tastefully finished within and with an excellent floor of polished hardwood, which, with the musician's gallery at the rear will doubtless make it a favorite place for public dances and receptions. The dressing rooms are well fitted up.

The interior woodwork is of British Columbia fir, the walls and vaulted ceiling finished in pale green, the dado of red burlap. Its dimensions are sixty feet by thirty-six, the stage being thirty-five feet in width. Pictures of the German and English royal families occupy places on the walls. A shield formed of the various national flags of Europe made a striking decoration in the rear of the stage.

he Edelweiss club, which was organized two years ago, has a membership of sixty. They intend to enlarge the present clubhouse, adding another billiard room, a library and accommodation for lady visitors. The officers of the club are: G. Koermann, president; Charles Sutter, vice-president; J. Schuester, secretary; Frank Nehr, treasurer; Herman Carl.

The music during the evening was rendered by the new German Singing Club of which Otto Woysch is conductor. K. Brandt is president and L. Bodenstab, lately of the Royal Opera House, Hanover, is secretary of the club. The programme included "The Rose of the Prairie," a German popular chorus; Jager's Lieberstied," sung by L. Bodenstab; a humorous selection by Mr. Brandt, and delightful Tyrolean selections with zither accompaniment by Messrs. Krankenhagen and Bodenstab.

Supper was served at midnight, after which dancing was resumed. H. A. Rasch, German Consul, Messrs. Koermann, Krankenbagen and Brandt were among those present.

FIRST DECREASE OF YEAR.

Financial Returns for December Show Falling off in Customs Receipts.

Ottawa, Jan. 11—The financial statement for December shows the revenue collected was $7,083,530 as against $7,172,209 for the same month last year. This is the first decrease shown in a long time. For nine months of the fiscal year there have been increases in the revenue to the extent of over nine millions, the figures being $70,750,000, as against $61,500,000 last year. The expenditures for December are one million higher than a year ago and for the nine months are eighteen and a quarter millions higher. The drop in revenue is almost entirely in customs and excise receipts.

The Hon. Geo. E. Foster has given notice that he will move for all the correspondence between the government and Rev. John Pringle, of the Yukon, in connection with the condition of public matters and especially in reference to F. T. Congdon, ex-commissioner, Registrar Girouard and Controller Lithgow. Mr. Foster is also moving for the report made by Accountant Beddie, for the interior department of the financial affairs of the Yukon, especially with reference to the public administration of the office.

A petition was presented to parliament today on behalf of T. W. Paterson, J. A. Mitchell and F. W. Jones, of Victoria; J. A. Harvey of Cranbrook, W. H. Malkin, R. P. McLennan and H. T. Coperly, of Vancouver, for an act incorporating the Chartered Bank of British Columbia. The bill will be introduced without delay.

MYSTERY OF STATE JEWELS.

Commission's Session Ends Abruptly Complaining of Limited Scope.

Dublin, Jan. 11—The vice-regal commission recently appointed to thoroughly sift the disappearance from Dublin castle of part of the state regalia, held an initial session in the office of Sir Arthur Ed. Vicars, Ulster's king-at-arms, and custodian of jewels. The hearing was private. Much to the surprise of everybody concerned, the proceedings terminated suddenly by the withdrawal of Sir Arthur and his two legal representatives, Timothy Healy, M.P., and Jas. Campbell, who all protested against the limited scope of the enquiry.

They declined to participate in the enquiry or give evidence on the ground that the commission did not have power to compel attendance of take evidence on oath. The exact terms of the reference are as follows: "To investigate circumstances of the loss of regalia, or order of St. Patrick and enquire whether Sir Arthur Edward Vicar exercised due vigilance and proper care as custodian."

GIGANTIC WATER SUPPLY.

London Plans Another Immense Scheme For Supplying Water to Its Millions.

London, Jan. 11.—The metropolitan water board has abandoned for the present a scheme to bring London's water from Wales and will seek power from parliament to build a reservoir in Bourne Valley, with an area of ten square miles, capable of holding 55 billion gallons and to cost eight and a quarter million dollars. It is estimated that with this and increasing the daily supply from the Thames from 129 to 450 million gallons, there will be sufficient for all London's needs for fifty years, when the population is expected to be 16,000,000.

Want Board of Conciliation.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—The employees of the Temiskaming and Hudson's Bay mine, whose wages recently were reduced twenty cents a day, have applied to the labor department for a board of conciliation and a conference with the company.

YEAR 1907 STANDSOUT BOLDLY IN HISTORY

Panic Merely Punishment That Failed to Overtake Speculators in 1903—Audacity Invited Doom—Outside Infatuation Aided.

New York, Jan. 9.—In financial history, there are a few years which stand apart from all the others of the period, and whose mention, a generation afterward, brings up a train of reminiscence or tradition peculiar to itself. In this group such years as 1857, 1866, 1873, 1879, 1890, 1893, 1897, and 1901 have conspicuous places, not only because of the striking financial phenomena by which they were distinguished, but because they marked so distinct a change in the course of financial history that they were always thereafter recognized as fixing the transition from one period to another and a different one.

Where will 1907 stand in this famous series, when sufficient time has elapsed for history to frame its sober judgment? One may venture the prediction, even now, that two episodes of the year will stand forth more conspicuously from the rest as 1907 sinks into more remote perspective—the terrific downfall of one of the most powerful groups of millionaires who ever speculated in the market, and the collapse of an experiment in unsound banking which people will have to go back half a century to parellel.

Retribution Delayed.

Considered from one point of view, it may seem curious, even to later history, that retribution was so long in overtaking the offenders in both directions. The operations of the clique of financiers who built up their inverted pyramid on the Union Pacific surplus of 1906, were reckless enough, in all conscience; but they can hardly match the recklessness of 1901 and 1902.

The wild manipulations of the steel corporation's early history, its 200 per cent. cash dividends to "underwriting syndicates" and its scheme to convert $200,000,000 stock into bonds; the astonishing fiasco of the shipping trust; the Rock Island financiering; the Northern Pacific corner, and the burlesque of high finance in the shipbuilding promotion—these were the practices which invite financial thunderbolts.

Slight Penalty.

Yet the immediate penalty which they invoked, in the reaction of 1903, was a tame and spiritless affair compared with what overtook their imitators in 1907. Nor, on the other hand, is it by any means true that the reckless banking which was brought to the public's view by the explosion of last October, had its origin or grew to its worst excesses in the past two years.

On the contrary, the abuses of the trust company law, in the way of ac-

KAISER IS SICK MAN.

Must Leave for a Warmer Climate As Soon as Affairs Permit.

Berlin, January 11.—Germany and Berlin are again alarmed over the Emperor's health. Even persons connected with the court admit reluctantly that another collapse is imminent, maybe a protracted illness, in which nothing will forestall serious consequences but a sojourn in warmer climate. Accordingly the Emperor will start for Corfu as soon as politics, particularly the American-Japanese situation, permits. In Corfu he will occupy the villa of the late Empress Elizabeth of Austria.

Winnipeg's Population 139,869.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—The new directory estimates the population of Winnipeg at 139, 869. Winnipeg will ask the Legislature to extend the term of the city council to two years, half retiring annually.

Thaw Case Begins Monday.

New York, Jan. 11.—After five days of hard work the jury that will decide the fate of Harry K. Thaw for the murder of Stanford White was completed this afternoon. With decks cleared for action, the case will be called at 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Farmer Murdered.

White Mouth, Man., Jan. 9.—Alex. Swathe, a farmer living south of here, was found dead on the road this morning. He had been in Winnipeg and was going home when some one, it is supposed from spite or motives of robbery, shot him through the head.

RAPID INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION.

Elmira Felt Co., Limited, Now Has Largest Capacity of Any Concern of Its Kind in the World.

It is interesting to note the really remarkable success that has attended the introduction on the market of "Elmira" brand felt shoes and slippers. It is just seven years since this line of footwear was put on the market, and its quality is demonstrated in the fact that it now enjoys a national sale and popularity.

The Elmira Felt Co., Limited, commenced the manufacture of "Elmira" felt footwear in the busy little town of Elmira, Ont., in a small factory 100x50 feet. The new firm perceived the market for a superior line of felt footwear in the North West with its constantly increasing population and wealth and its favorable climatic conditions. They took advantage of the opportunity and from the first "Elmira" footwear "took," the business expanded rapidly, several extensions were made to the factory until finally a larger labor field was required, and to meet this requirement an immense factory was built at Berlin, Ont. The old factory is still retained and now this firm possess two o fthe finest equipped factories on the Continent, with the largest capacity of any similar plant in the world, and larger than all other Canadian Felt factories combined. Both factories are equipped with the best and most modern machinery and skilled help employed, so that with the increased facilities the same high standard of "Elmira" brand of felt footwear may be expected to be retained, together with a more complete range of lines.

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KING EDWARD PHARMACY

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-West Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for homestead entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or a sub-agency. Entry by proxy may however, be made at an agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

An application for entry or cancellation made personally at any Sub-agent's office may be wired to the Agent by the Sub-Agent, at the expense of the applicant, and if the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application is to have priority and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received by mail.

In case of "personation" or fraud the applicant will forfeit all priority of claim or if entry has been granted it will be summarily cancelled.

An application for cancellation must be made in person. The applicant must be eligible for homestead entry, tion will be received from an individual until that application has been disposed of.

Where an entry is cancelled subsequent to institution for cancellation proceedings, the applicant for cancellation will be entitled to prior right of entry.

Application for cancellation must state in what particulars the homesteader is in default.

A homesteader whose entry is not the subject of cancellation proceedings, may, subject to the approval of Department, relinquish it in favour of father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister, if eligible, but to no one else, on filing declaration of abandonment.

Duties.—A settler is required to perform the conditions under one of the following plans:—

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80 acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in

(3) If the father (or mother, if the land will not meet his requirement. father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).

(4) The term vicinity in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 per acre. Not more than 2,560 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined.

Quartz.—A person eighteen years of age, or over, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500 x 1,500 feet.

The fee for recording a claim is $5. At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1 per acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2-12 per cent. on the sale.

Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee $5, renewable yearly.

An applicant may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lease shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2 1-2 per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

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OPENING OF THE THIRD SESSI

Brilliant Ceremonies Mark Fo Opening of Provincal Legisl ture This Afternoon.

The third session of the first L lature of Alberta was opened thi ternoon at three o'clock by His H Lieutenant-Governor Bulyea. As is the first session to be held i new temporary Legislative Hall, ed beside the departmental bloc Capitol Hill, the occasion was al more interesting to the citizens attended, in particularly large bers. The plan of the temporary islative chamber is simple, but af ing every convenience for the ducting of legislative functions.

The speech from the Throne, d ered by His Honor as representa in this province of His Majesty King, forecasts several important islative measures. These include workman's compensation act, pro ing compensation to workmen inj while engaged in their industrial ies. Another bill to ameliorate condition of workmen will impos limit on the hours of labor in mi An act to establish a governm drainage system in the province also be submitted to the consid tion of the House, while finan provision will be asked to estab an industrial school for the care treatment of boys in need of such pervision and restraint.

Satisfaction was expressed in speech from the Throne notwithsta ing a year of depression the provi was comparatively so materially p perous. Reference was also made the satisfactory results obtained the two royal commissions appoin to investigate conditions in the l and coal industries.

The Ceremonies.

The Lieutenant-Governor, an posing figure in the cocked hat gold lace of the Windsor unifo with Captain Worsley, A.D.C., in tendance, left Government House 2.30 o'clock, accompanied by a mou ed escort from the Canadian M Rifles, under the command of Colonel Cotsworth. The escort was Lorhood were filled with people in ested in observing the which the young parliament. At the legislative bu ings a guard of honor, composed various officers unattached to any cal regiment, awaited the arrival the governor, and escorted him in the Legislative Hall.

Occupying seats on the floor of House to the right of the Speak were Mrs. Rutherford, wife of the p mier, Mrs. Finlay, wife of the min ter of agriculture, and Mrs. Cro wife of the attorney-general, and M A. J. Robertson, wife of the leader the Opposition. The Governme House party, including Mrs. Bulye Mrs. Arthur Sifton of Calgary, M Babbit and Mr. Havelock Babbit, al occupied seats on the floor of House beside the Speaker's chair.

House Declared Open.

His Honor, accompanied by aide and attended to the hall by military guard, took the Speake chair, then declaring in the usu brief formula that the constitution privileges of this House would recognized, opened the Legislature the despatch of public business.

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