DISTRICT NEWS

WETASKIWIN.

Bulletin News Service.

The City Coal Co. has opened an office next the post office, one door south, under the management of W. E. Bristow. They will handle Clover Bar lignite.

Miss Evelyn Turner returned to her duties on Thursday after two days' illness.

Mrs. McKettrick and infant son have gone east for the winter to visit relatives. Their cottage on Lorne street has been rented.

Mrs. R. C. Switzer and children returned Wednesday evening from a long visit with relatives in Calgary.

Mrs. Neville is back again after a brief visit with Capital friends.

Dr. Stevenson has removed from Prince of Wales hotel and now has rooms at Mrs. Sharples', Lorne street, where he has hung out his shingle.

The annual ratepayers' meeting is to be held this evening when the year's business will be reviewed and the members of the council will explain their actions during their term of office.

J. J. Gardner has gone for a short visit to his homestead, about 80 miles east.

V. C. French left on Thursday's 3 p.m. train for Edmonton on business.

Next Thursday, Dec. 12th, the ladies of Knox church hold a bazaar and Japanese tea in E. Girling's ice cream parlors, though no frosty reception is promised but the most cordial possible. An "old timers'" booth will be a unique feature where articles donated by members of the church in years gone by will be sold.

Calgary visitors this week are: N. D. Jackson, Criterion hotel; J. A. Bradley, secretary of board of trade.

Geo. Ambler, Mannville, spent some days with his parents here.

W. J. Hegel, manager W. J. Stephenson's branch store, Camrose, was a visitor to his former abode this week.

J. E. Curtis, Vermilion, is a city visitor, as was Baker Soanes, Olds, formerly of the City bakery.

Jno. M. Atkinson left to spend Christmas in the old country. W. Gould, C. P. R. operator, is on a vacation of some weeks.

Last discount day for city taxes has been extended two weeks by the council from Nov. 30th, to Dec. 15th, owing to the financial stringency.

The Misses Olive and Julia Ringwall, well known here, had the satisfaction of having their parents honored last week on the occasion of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, when a lot of friends testified to the esteem in which they are held by numerous handsome and useful gifts.

Mrs. J. F. Richards has returned from a visit to friends in Daysland.

J. H. Nickerson has returned from a visit to Indiana. He says most of the States are experiencing fearfully hard times. He brought back a splendid horse which he claims can beat anything in the province.

A. Mattson has returned from a long visit to British Columbia and Washington.

Miss Lannon, ex-separate school teacher here, was a city visitor this week.

Dr. Schriefels, Minnesota, is visiting his brother here and renewing friendships.

Mr. W. M. Orr left on Tuesday for British Columbia, where he purposes hibernating.

Barrister Burgar, late of Wetaskiwin, is keeping well to the front in Camrose, being lately nominated for councillor of that thriving embryo city.

The annual meeting of the Wetaskiwin Agricultural society will be held on Dec. 14th, 1.30 p.m., when officers are to be elected.

November weather, according to the local prognosticator and observer, gave us a maximum of 56 degrees against 55 degrees last year, and a minimum of 9 above, while last year's was 23 below.

L. and D. Wolfley, well known citizens of Hanover, Ont., are visiting their sister, Mrs. B. Hillgartner, of this city. The latter has many hair-raising reminiscences to relate of the big earthquake at San Francisco.

The "Bonnie Brier Bush" will be played here some time soon by a company of some thirty artists. The company is being brought out by the enterprise of C. P. Walker, the veteran theatre man of Winnipeg.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Turner was increased by the arrival of a daughter on Monday.

The position of city scavenger is vacant, J. Wand having resigned. Tenders for the position are being requested.

First load was weighed on the city municipal scales this week.

J. F. Fowler returned on Wednesday evening from Edmonton, where he was in attendanace at a meeting of the educational council of which he had the honor to be chosen a member by the provincial government, which is selecting the good men everywhere for various positions, irrespective of politics.

The board of trustees of the Methodist church decided to allow the matter of enlarging their present edifice to lie over until next spring in view of the difficulty and unsatisfacory nature of winter building operations and the extreme shyness of moneyed men to advance capital.

Rev. J. W. Bruce, B.A., of Olds, has been secured by the Altiora club to deliver his splendid lecture, "A Trip to the Medieterranean and the Holy Land," on Monday evening next, Dec. 9th, in the Methodist church.

Ralph Davis, Sedgewick, is helping Photographer Talbot till after the Christmas rush. Mr. Talbot has just placed a big aristo lamp in position and its extremely brilliant rays are a matter of comment by the pedestrians on adjacent streets. It gives the impression of a very powerful electric searchlight.

The third city water well is now being drilled. After its completion sufficient water will have been secured for the present needs of the city. Mr. Harvey, it is expected, will continue the boring for gas in the spring.

Wetaskiwin, Dec. 7.

VEGREVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.

The Box Social held by the W.C.T.U. Tuesday night was a decided success. Mrs. A. I. Walker occupied the chair. The following program was rendered after which the pies were auctioneered by M. A. Worth, the proceeds amounting to $22.00.

Mrs. J. McNeill opened the program by a solo. A. McDougall, solo; Mr. Shaw, speech; Mr. Magee, solo; Mr. Shaw, solo;. The piece of the evening was a duet by the little Misses Lucilla and Lola Walker.

Hughson Bros., of Whitford, bought an 18 horse power gasolene engine, Ohio from Pozer and Beattie to use for the grinding of their own grain for their cattle. While pumping water into the large tank under the fire hall the operator had the misfortune to break the cog wheels off the gasolene engine, thus rendering it useless for the time being.

The Kenny-Harvey entertainers were greeted by a large and appreciative audince. This is the best show that has been shown in Vegreville. Both Kenny and Harvey are masters of their acts. Miss Irons' rendition of the Merchant of Venice was appreciated. Miss Moore has a very powerful but yet sweet voice.

Vegreville, Dec. 7.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

Bulletin News Service.

Commissioner Perry, of the R. N. W. M. P., is on a tour of inspection and paid an official visit to G division here to-day.

Ralph Bellamy, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Bellamy, of Edmonton, was a visitor in the Fort to-day.

The Kenney-Harvey entertainers gave two evenings here this week, and upheld the high reputation which they have established.

At the Liberal convention held at Vegreville on Thursday last for the Victoria district, F. A. Walker and W. H. White were the two nominees for the candidacy. After the ballot had been taken, Mr. Walker moved that Mr. White be made the unanimous choice as the Liberal standard-bearer for the coming Federal election. The Liberals are now in line to send a supporter of the government to Ottawa.

W. A. D. Lees left for Regina on Friday night, being appointed arbitrator for the province in connection with the bridge, J. D. Cameron, former attorney-general of Manitoba, being appointed by the Dominion government. The arbitration takes place next Monday.

Mayor Daniel has been unable to attend his office for several days this week, owing to an attack of neuralgia.

John I. Mills and party from Edmonton made a run to Elk Island park on Saturday in an automobile. They left the Fort at noon, and were back by four o'clock, which speaks well for the new auto drive. They were also well repaid for the trip by the sight of two hundred or more buffaloes feeding in their new winter corral. Fred J. White, who came down to spend Sunday at home, was in the party.

Miss Ina Sage, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. D. N. McLean, the greater part of the summer, returned to her home in Lethbridge this week.

Mrs. George Kimball met with a serious accident on Monday. When descending the stairway back of the store, and residence on Government street, she missed her footing, and fell to the bottom of the stairs, sustaining a broken rib and several bad bruises. A doctor was called in at once, and the sufferer made as comfortable as possible, but it will be several weeks before Mrs. Kimball will be able to be around again.

E. Simmons, caretaker of Elk Park, and family, have moved out to their new residence, which is now completed.

At a recent meeting of the shareholders of the Fort Saskatchewan Brick Co., Ltd., the following officers and committee of directors were appointed: President, W. L. Wilkin; vice president, Geo. S. Hill; directors, Frank Fetherstonhaugh, S. A. Dickson, L. Moret, F. A. Walker, W. A Dubuc, Geo. S. Hill.

Fort Saskatchewan, Dec. 7.

RED DEER.

Bulletin News Service.

Walter Weston, of Calgary, spent Sunday in town.

The bazaar given by the ladies of St. Luke's church on Friday night was a decided success. Large crowds attended both the bazaar and the supper. The evening wound up with an informal dance.

John J. Gaetz has resigned his position as deputy sheriff for the sub-judicial district of Red Deer, on account of the position interfering with his other interests. His resignation takes effect at the end of the year.

The clerks' hockey club was formed last week with the following officers: Hon. President, T. A. Gaetz; president, Chas. Ouimette; secretary-treasurer, L. J. Porter; manager, W. T. Coote. Red and white are the club colors. The fire brigade colors are green and yellow, and the Wigwam white and green.

Sanford Dodge did not present the "Merchant of Venice" last night as advertised, the advance sale not being large enough to warrant its production.

A couple of inches of snow fell on Saturday, but not enough for sleighing.

Geo. A. Benson, of Winnipeg, has been in town for the past few days.

There will be skating in the fire brigade rink this week.

It is said here that Edmonton is after C. W. Peterson, who caught for the Mechanics baseball team last summer, having obtained the services of his former team mate and pitcher. There is no doubt of Billy making good with the Edmonton bunch, as his stickwork and general all-round play is fine. He is at present on his ranch near Daysland.

F. M. Stephenson, of Blackfalds, was in town on Saturday.

Red Deer, Dec. 9.

LLOYDMINSTER.

Bulletin News Service.

Messrs. McNamara, Robinson, Irwin and Dr. Range, the delegates to the Liberal convention at Vegreville, return home this morning. They are highly pleased with the manner in which the Vegreville people and the popular local member, Mr. Holden, entertained the visitors.

John Murphy is at the G. T. P. on a business trip.

The town drilling rig is making slow but steady progress with the test water well.

D. V. Farnly paid Mannville a visit yesterday.

Inquiries are being made by the attorney general's department into the record of Roberts, the jeweller, who is held for bail at Edmonton for the theft of jewellery there.

B. Yeo is around again after being laid up through sickness for the past few weeks.

A. Bramley Moore was elected president of the Victoria Liberal electoral district at the convention at Vegreville yesterday.

Mrs. W. Thomas is able to be out again after a serious illness.

The leader of the Presbyterian church choir will give a high class entertainment in the Masonic hall on the 9th inst.

The wedding took place last evening of Mr. E. L. Burdett to Mrs. E. Curtis at the home of Mrs. Curtis, by Rev. Mr. Carruthers, of St. John's church. Only the intimate friends of both parties were present. Mr. and Mrs. Burdett left on the morning train for Winnipeg and other eastern points and will return in about ten days. The best wishes of Lloydminster go with them.

A great deal of interest centered in a case which came up today when Mr. Vincent was dismissed on the charge of theft. This case arose from the sale of a cow by Mr. Vincent to D. V. Farney last summer. Mr. Truscott found the cow in Mr. Farney's herd one day recently and after ascertaining from Mr. Farney from whom he had bought the cow, laid an information against Vincent for theft. The evidence showed clearly that while the cow undoubtedly belongs to Mr. Truscott, it was purely an accident that Mr. Vincent got possession of it. Mr. Vincent unloaded a car of cattle at Blackfoot siding, opposite Mr. Truscott's place. There was one sick animal in the car and while Mr. Vincent was giving his attention to it the rest had scattered over the prairie. Some were branded and others were not, and Vincent's men in rounding up the bunch not knowing animals by sight simply rounded up the proper number and it so happened that Truscott's cow got mixed up with the bunch and one of Vincent's wandered away some place. Mr. Vincent made no claim as to his ownership of the animal.

The chief of police is hunting up all the evidence he can regarding Robert Roberts, the alleged jewellery thief, and it is further alleged he is finding a number of presents and pawned goods new and second haid, that Roberts alleged to have disposed of while here.

The East side will have a new billiard and pool room in the near future.

Snow has been falling fast all day and sleighing will surely be here by morning. This will be good for business.

Dr. Cassels is at Onion Lake, on Indian business.

The bazaar held by the ladies of St. Johns church this week was a huge success.

John Tyler is recovering after the second attack of pleurisy.

J. P. Lisle has closed out his butcher business during his absence in the old country.

Another dry goods store is to be opened on Main street in the Salmon building.

Wood is plentiful here this winter at three dollars per load on the street and coal is selling for $5.50 delivered. Last winter wood was from $5 to $6.50 and coal $7.75. The mild winter and improved railway service has had the effect of bringing at least these two commodities down to a fair price.

Lloydminster, Dec. 7.

WETASKIWIN.

Bulletin News Service.

George Pollock, tinsmith, has removed from the back of Gould's hardware to more commodious quarters on Pearce street.

The last discount day for payment of taxes has been extended from November 30th to December 15th by the council, to the relief of many who could not pay before.

Mrs. E. A. Bailey left on Saturday for a three months' visit with her relatives in Cookshire, Quebec.

P. Bouska, East-side, has sold out and has removed with his family to Calgary.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Lottie Gould to Dr. R. E. Till, Edmonton, to take place at the home here next Wednesday.

Considerable sympathy is expressed for the Youngberg family, the wife and mother having been summoned to the Great Beyond last Saturday. A number of small children are left to mourn her loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike, Camrose, were city visitors last week.

H. McGrandle, D.L.S., has just arrived from Athabasca Landing, where he spent the summer. Some snow was encountered in the north, but not to the impeding of travel.

H. Johnson, Montreal, who is a well-known fur buyer, has returned home with the purpose of winding up his affairs there and returning to this district, which, he declares, has his full confidence.

Mrs. T. O. Wold addressed a meeting in the Swedish Baptist Church yesterday afternoon. The address, which was in English, was forcible and much enjoyed. Mrs. Wold leaves shortly for the coast.

An enjoyable skating party was given last week by some of the young ladies for a number of their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barnard were in the city last week from Daysland, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Compton.

The Woods' Harp Orchestra rendered the necessary music very acceptably at the dance in Angus hall Friday evening last. They are rapidly making a reputation as first class artists.

J. W. McKinley has about decided not to seek greener pastures in the sunny south, as he wishes to be in good time for the opening sales of Prince Rupert townsite in the spring.

The Turf Club met last week at Cowan's Livery and elected officers. Hon. president, E. W. Day, Daysland; president, F. Birch; secretary, R. W. Gibbs; executive, Messrs. Eggleston, Gibbs, Nickerson, Standefer, G. L. Owen. A meet is being arranged for Victoria Day.

A delightful evening was the reward of those who went to the Baptist Church last Friday evening to hear Miss Mae Dickenson, guitar soloist and mezzo-soprano, and Miss Helen Badgley, reader. The work of both was most enthusiastically received by a fair-sized audience. Miss Dickenson's heaviest number, "Daughters of Zion," shows her flexibility of voice and splendid technique. Miss Badgley's most pretentious number, "The Taming of the Shrew" was exquisitely rendered. She is beyond doubt the most charming and acceptable entertainer seen here in a long time. Miss Minnie Dudgeon played the accompaniments. While in the city the artistes were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Dixon, friends of Miss Dickenson. They left on the 5.30 train Saturday evening, for the south. They will receive a warm reception here if they ever return.

The graduates of any university not resident in the city are urged to register at once with the provincial secretary, as the University of Alberta convocation will take place shortly after the New Year. Premier Rutherford is anxious to surpass the Saskatchewan registration of 265, in spite of our smaller population, over 250 having been already secured.

Rev. J. W. Bruce, B.A., Olds, preached here yesterday. His lecture, "A Trip Through the Mediterranean and the Holy Land," given here Monday evening, was very interesting, instructive and even humorous at times.

Wetaskiwin, December 9.

RANFURLY.

Bulletin News Service.

The C. N. R. station gang arrived yesterday evening and have commenced work on the station here.

A number of lock and call boxes have been installed in the post office. Two new post offices have been opened up south of here. They are known as Lake Thomas and Magin.

W. Parent has just finished his barber shop, first street, east.

John S. Wood was in Innisfree yesterday.

A. N. Goodnaugh, barber, and harness maker, visited Vegreville yesterday.

The young people of this district are taking advantage of the good ice these days and several skating parties have been held.

Dr. W. T. Monkman, dentist, of Vegreville, is in town today.

Ranfurley, Dec. 4.

STRATHCONA.

Daniel Currie, of the treasury office, government buildings, leaves this afternoon on a six weeks' trip to Duluth, Toronto, Three Rivers, Quebec and other eastern cities.

Premier Rutherford yesterday received a telegram from his son, Cecil, who is attending Woodstock college, stating that the college was closed on account of an epidemic. The latter will spend a few days with friends in Ottawa.

There was a good attendance at Grandin street school Saturday night to see the cinematograph show. Owing to the inability of the power house to give sufficient electric power the performance could not be given and much disappointed audience was compelled to return home.

Wm. Weeks has retired from the municipal contest for public school trustee. J. C. Crawford has also retired from the aldermanic contest in ward 1.

William Ritchie, son of Robert Ritchie, has returned from a seven months' trip to Scotland and afterards to Ontario, where he has been visiting friends.

The pupils of Grandin street school held their mock municipal election on Friday Afternoon. The results were as follows: Mayor, John Alton; aldermen, ward 1, E. Bernard and L. Clarke; ward 2, S. S. Haugh and W. Mills; ward 3, S. Walter and S. Paul; ward 4, A. Wilson and R. Porte.

A new bakery and cooked meals store is to be opened at the corner of Hyte avenue and Third street by Larry Barber.

The express from the south was an hour and a half late yesterday afternoon.

Early Sunday morning the fire brigade was called out to extinguish the flames in a little tenement row on Main street, just east of the hospital. Three dwellings were included, and nothing was left of them. What few goods the occupants had were easily removed, and the families removed to the immigrant hall.

In connection with the opening exercises of the new Presbyternan church next Sunday there will be no service in the Baptist in the morning and none in the Methodist in the evening in order that the pastors and congregations of those churches may assist in the opening exercises.

At the Presbyterian church last night Rev. Mr. Flemming preached the last sermon in the old building. His topic was the sacredness of places that have been associated with great experiences and on that subject he preached an eloquent discourse.

The excitement over the municipal elections in Strathcona yesterday was scarcely less keen than in Edmonton. From the opening of the polls at nine o'clock till the close at five there was a continued stream to the voting booths, though there was no congestion, as the four polling sub-divisions, according to the new ward system, afforded better facilities than in the past for recording the vote.

Among most of the better informed ones on civic affairs the re-election of Mayor Mills was conceded as almost a certainty, but his handsome majority of 159 and his total vote over his opponent of more than half as much again, is but a just recognition of the large amount of time and thought that he has given to the city during the past year.

Mayor Mills, in the midst of a crucial period in the history of Strathcona, has given his best services to the city and with better financial conditions next summer the year 1908 is looked forward to as one of great growth and progress for Strathcona.

For aldermanic honors the contest was scarcely less keen than for the mayoralty. There were elections in wards 1, 2 and 3, Messrs. Bush and Sheppard having been elected by acclamation in ward 4. The successful candidates were Messrs. Cameron, Richards, Tipton, Somersol, Baalim and Ald. Elliott.

The votes were as follows:—

For Mayoralty.

	Mills.	Davies.
Ward 1	74	32
Ward 2	135	83
Ward 3	81	56
Ward 4	107	67
Totals	397	238
Majority for Mills	159	

For Alderman.

Ward 1.

J. T. Richards	177
W. F. Cameron	124
P. Malone	103

Ward 2.

F. G. Tipton	186
S. H. Somersol	156
Dr. Collison	137
R. McKernan	135

Ward 3.

Ald. Elliott	110
A. G. Baalim	105
John Carmichael	93

F. C. Crawford (retired).

For Public School Trustees.

John Shields (re-elected)	356
A. McLean (re-elected)	342
Dr. Green	313

W. Weeks (retired).

The first two in each case are elected.

The New Municipal Bodies.

The council for 1908 will be as follows:—

Mayor—N. D. Mills.

Aldermen—W. H. Sheppard, O. Bush, George H. Elliott, A. G. Baalim, J. G. Tipton, S. H. Somersol, W. F. Cameron and V. A. Richards.

The public school board will be as follows: O. Bush, R. B. Douglas, Robt. Ritchie, John Shields, A. McLean.

The members of the separate school board are: Howard Corrigan, T. E. McLean, J. A. Connelly, W. H. Belard and A. P. Lougnnn.

Is Thankful to His Friends.

Mayor Mills in speaking to a Bulletin representative, expressed his gratitude to his friends who had worked so hard for him in the contest. "I am exceedingly thankful," he said, "to those who have helped me in this contest and I have no ill feeling to those who thought it their duty to vote against me. The work in 1907 has been pretty difficult owing to the financial conditions, but we have done our best and look forward to a much better year during 1908. With the assistance of the new council I shall endeavor to bring Strathcona to an even higher position than she now occupies among the cities of the west and to this end I shall give the best of my time and ability."

The presentation of Damon and Pythias at the opera house last night was a great success. There was a large attendance and the performance was much enjoyed by the audience. It is probable it will be repeated in aid of the club.

At the St. Louis hotel last night Mayor Mills was entertained to a banquet by a number of his friends. The performers at the opera house were also entertained at the same place at the close of the performance.

In the excitement of the aftermath of the election and the presentation of Damon and Pythias at the opera house last night, the board of trade meeting did not take place last night. It will be held on Wednesday evening.

One of the busses from Edfonton taking the performers home last night lost a nut from one of the wheels which threatened disastrous consequences to the inmates. Another bus was procured in Strathcona and the inmates were taken home in safety.

Before leaving for the coast on Sunday afternoon Chris Roholt was entertained by a number of friends on Saturday night at the St. Louis hotel.

L. O. L. No. 1654 hold their regular semi-monthly meeting tonight.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the house of Mrs. Hotson on Friday afternoon at three o'clock.

The regular weekly meeting of the Strathcona city council will be held this evening. It is probable that the gas franchise agreement will come up for discussion.

Although His Worship the Mayor was careful to see that each Alderman was supplied with a neat pad of writing paper before the proceedings began the amount of business done at the Council meeting last evening was not great. Ald. McFarland was the only absentee.

Communications.

Edmonton Lumber Co. wrote as to the advisability of extending the city's water mains to the neighborhood of their mill and yards at the bridge pointing out that a number of other industries new centered in that locality and that the council should take some action in regard to establishing better fire protection there.

The Pressed Brick Co. asked permission to unload several cars of heavy machinery on the side of the bridge, which request was granted.

The General Electric Co. asked for a 30 days' note in payment of their account, and Council passed a motion giving a note at 60 days.

J. A. Connelly, in a lengthy letter gave the Council his version of the pound-keeper's conduct in connection with his recent complaint of cows running at large. The document was filed.

Campbell and Lucas wanted a flat rate for electric light in their pool-room but their request was not granted.

Gainer & Co. wrote at some length regarding electric light service at their abbitoir, where at present they have none. The matter was passed on to the city electrician to look into and report.

Commissioner Kinnaird, of Edmonton municipal offices, sent account of $599.65 for sewerage pipe obtained by Strathcona council from city of Edmonton. On motion of Ald. Rankin and Hulbert the account was ordered paid.

Thos. Allen appeared before the council requesting to be allowed to take water from street hydrant for his skating rink on South Main street. His request was granted, the flooding to be done under the supervision of Foreman Turner.

Accounts.

The usual grist of accounts was presented, as follows:

Carmichael & Lawrence	$5.75
Strathcona Coal Co.	37.76
Blain & Co.	3.45
D. L. Shormley	3.10
F. Cowles	53.90
J. D. Hutton	.85
Canadian Oil Co.	94.71
Pollard Bros.	24.00
G. W. Saddlery Co.	119.90
Douglas Bros.	4.15
Geo. McDonald	46.80
Jno. Walker	2,366.19
Standard Plumbing Co.	13.76
E. T. Blain, I.R.O.	19.00
G. H. Grant	15.00

On motion of Ald. Hulbert and Crawford, the several accounts were ordered paid when found correct.

Reports of Committees.

Fire Chief Groat reported that he had made all arrangements to place the gasoline fire engine and one hose reel at the bridge.

Mr. Cameron, proprietor of the Cameron House, had volunteered to act as engineer and supply a suitable room for the keeping of the engine and furnish a team of horses when required, all free of charge.

Moved by Ald. Hulbert and Crawford that the report be adopted and that the Fire Chief be empowered to form a volunteer fire company in that section of the city, the apparatus and all arrangements to be in charge of the chief.

Ald. McKenzie gave strenuous opposition to the motion declaring that grave possibilities might arise at any time in case of accident to the waterworks system, when the gasoline engine might be required in the centre of the city.

A. J. McLean reported the new sidewalk to the I.O.O.F. on 1st street south, costing $181.58 as completed. Council adopted his report, also consented to the purchase of a reduction valve. The latter is required to reduce pressure on the mains for the new water pipes to the universal standard of 50 lbs.

City Solicitor Jamieson drew the attention of the council to the necessity for immediate action in regard to such amendments to the city charter as were to be brought before the Provincial Legislature at its coming session in January.

Ald. Rankin moved that the solicitor be instructed to prepare a form of notice for insertion in the official gazette particularly regarding farm lands brought into the city limits at its incorporation.

An amendment to by-law fixing rate of taxation was considered in committee and passed extending the final date for payment of taxes, with 15 per cent. reduction, to Jan. 1st, 1908.

Unfinished Business.

The lease of the municipal offices in the new I.O.O.F. Temple was produced and referred back to the special committee for a final report at next meeting.

Notices.

Ald. Elliott gave notice of by-laws respecting local improvements, pound and fire alarm. The last named is intended to make a criminal offence of any tampering with the fire alarm boxes. Boys or others have been injuring the boxes and putting them out of order.

New Business.

The matter of releasing the last shipment of water meters from bond, which has been standing for some time, was referred to the finance committee to close up.

Council adjourned till Thursday evening next, when it is expected the long deferred gas by-law will be the principal item of business.

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A NEVADA EDITOR SHOOTS A MINER.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 15.—Francis L. Burton was shot and killed at a mine yesterday at noon by J. Holman. Buck editor of the Western Nevada Miner. Last week Burton was run out of the new camp of Rawhide by the vigilantes who notified him he would be treated with a coat of tar and feathers if he returned.

Buck was instrumental in warning the Rawhide people against Burton through the columns of the Rawhide Rustler, which he also publishes. He stated that Burton's policy was to engage litigation by contesting homestead mineral locations and that he was a dangerous man to tolerate.

Burton called at the editor's office in Mina for an apology and an explanation. In the course of the dispute it is said Burton threatened to kill Buck, and that Buck was too quick and got the drop on the visitor.

Buck was formerly editor of the Bodi Miner. He has been identified with Nevada companies all his life.

RETRENCHMENT POLICY.

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—One of the hottest municipal elections in the history of the city was decided to-day, and the mayor's policy of caution was vindicated at the polls. All the by-laws were defeated, not by want of the necessary two-thirds vote, but by substantial majorities. The fight was precipitated only a few weeks ago and the interest in the result was extraordinary, in view of the short time elapsing before the start and the finish. Mayor Ashdown, who was returned by acclamation, had the satisfaction of seeing his immediate supporters triumphant everywhere. While the final figures are not obtainable, the following are returned without a doubt: For controllers—Sanford Evans (with a lead of five hundred), Baker, Harvey and Latimer; Garson, Burridge and Cockburn being defeated. The former was leader of the Opposition. For aldermen—Fowler defeated Alderman Wynne, Riley defeated Alderman Pulford; Douglass defeated Alderman Davidson, McArthur defeated Baskerville, and in ward 6 Alderman Cox won by the narrow margin of one. In the new ward, 7, Midwinter beat Potter. For school trustees, Frank Russell, Catholic, was beaten by McKechnie, Haig, Stone and Munn were elected, beating Adam, Sullivan and Palmer respectively.

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