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There seems good ground for the statement that the Canadian Northern will build in two branches from Saskatoon and from Vegreville, while the Grand Trunk Pacific will build here from Hardisty. The two give rail link from a large area of flat agricultural lands and the development is now crippled by a lack of transportation facilities.

The biggest fire since the coming of the great fire of 1906, which started after eleven o'clock and destroyed the Western Milling Company's elevator and warehouse with its contents of flour, wheat and chickpeas, which was fully covered by insurance. The blazes broke out near the roof and a fireman, who had been fighting the efforts of the brigade to save the building, the firemen, realized that the fire was well beyond control and so went up on the roof and his assailants will not tell their names, as to do so would invite death.

## RIOT OUTSIDE CALCUTTA.

Troops Compelled to Fire on Hindu  
Rioters, Killing Several.

CALGARY, Jan. 4—The rebellion by the police of Muhammadan sectaries of cows on Sunday led to a night's work. The men from one station were on duty all day Sunday, flooding the smouldering debris to prevent the spread of the flames. Various estimates are given of the quantity of grain in the elevator, but there was probably less than ten thousand bushels. The night was bitterly cold, but the courageous police and the brigades came unstinted exertions for their work in saving the mill. The elevator will be rebuilt.

The conflagration was one of the most spectacular ever seen in Calgary. It gave the fire brigade an all-night's work. The men from one station were on duty all day Sunday, flooding the smouldering debris to prevent the spread of the flames. Various estimates are given of the quantity of grain in the elevator, but there was probably less than ten thousand bushels. The night was bitterly cold, but the courageous police and the brigades came unstinted exertions for their work in saving the mill. The elevator will be rebuilt.

\$200,000 Fire Destroys Grain  
house of Vancouver Milling Co.

Vancouver, Jan. 3.—In a raging gale this morning the fire department, with windows light against a fire which did \$200,000 damage and threatened several sawmills and other industries located in the immediate neighborhood. The wheel elevator in the Vancouver Milling Company was partially destroyed. The blaze was confined to the main elevator, the packing plant a few feet away being saved. The blaze started at 7.30 a.m. and continued until the top of the elevator had fallen in like an egg shell. Several cars of gasoline standing in the sidetrack nearly caught fire, but were driven off by the firemen. The cause of the disaster was not known. Several times the warehouse of the Imperial Oil Company caught, but the fire was finally confined to the elevator. The building, however, took fire again a year and half ago by E. Hall and associates of Calgary. It contained thousands of bushels of Alberta grain.

\$15,000 Fire in Amherst.

AMHERST, N.S., Jan. 2—Fire yesterday destroyed the stock of G. Smith & Co., gen'ts' furnishings. The loss is \$15,000.

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New Hotel for Lethbridge.

LETHBRIDGE, Jan. 3—Plans are being

prepared for a new three-story hotel  
to be erected opposite the depot. Some  
business blocks will also be er-  
ected in the spring. The Imperial Bank  
have an option on property near the  
Lethbridge hotel.

W. JOHNSTONE WALKER & CO.  
267 JASPER AVE., EAST.

## The Edmonton Bulletin.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA, TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1909

PREMIERS AND  
THE ELEVATORSElevator Question Has Not Been  
Dropped But Will Be Again  
Dealt With.

Halifax, Jan. 3—There is a strong statement that the Intercolonial will bring the hands of a private company and that B. E. Pearson knows a great deal about it without being a newspaper publisher. He admits that Mackenzie and Mann want the property. It is said that a plan under consideration is to get the government to make over the property from Montreal to the Canadian Northern. This would bring that road to Moncton and place it on equal terms with the G. T. P., which will reach them on its own rails. The same plan has been adopted by the portion of the I. C. R. in Nova Scotia and from St. John to Fredericton, but given to the Canadian Northern, but giving the Canadian Northern the G. T. P. and the I. C. R. in Nova Scotia, and from St. John to Fredericton, to the Canadian Northern. The negotiations follow the energetic attitude of the Alberta government towards branch railway development, under which the railways concerned in the terminal want an entrance to this city as soon as they can push in to parliament.

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## NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

## ARDROSSAN.

Bulletin News Service.  
Mrs. John Walker, of Mannville spent the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bradley.

Albert Ottewill of Alberta College took charge of the services last Sunday in the absence of his pastor. His many friends were glad to have him again.

There was a dance at the home of Dan McKinnon on Monday evening last, in honor of John McKinnon.

Miss E. C. Lackey has been engaged as teacher in the school by the trustees of Baker school. Miss Lackey has the name of a good teacher.

The Christmas tree in Luckey Presbyterian church Dec. 30th, was a good success. The church was prettily decorated and the program was good. Rev. W. T. Hamilton was the chairman.

On New Year's night there was a party at the home of Mr. McVander under the auspices of the Willow Workers.

Rev. J. M. Fawcett returned from Calgary on Thursday night, where he spent his Christmas holidays.

Ardrossan, Jan. 2nd.

## MANOLA.

Bulletin News Service:  
Humboldt Segre is erecting a new house on his homestead on 69.22.

The New Year's party arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Thivell.

Mr. Squariberry of Edmonton has his sawmill on 27.52 in running order.

John Skinner of Manola will shortly open his new lumber shop.

E. B. Eggers of 26.52 cut a dance-Friday night, Nov. 18th. There was an attendance of 53. They danced until the wee hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Eggers and brother of 14.52 were hunting deer last week.

Mary E. Rogers is building a new house on his quarter on 31.52.

A new school house is being talked of in the Manola school district. It is a much-needed addition.

## LEA PARK.

Bulletin News Service.  
H. H. Pickles, Kitecy, is a visitor at H. C. Graham's during the holiday season.

Ben Dixon, Rat Creek, spent a few days in this neighborhood recently.

Frank Beaton, Marwayne, and Percy Hughes, Kitecy, visited the district en route for a week's hunting and camping in T. S. R. 5.

Mrs. Graham entertained a number of visitors at a candy-making party on Tuesday last.

Several from this district attended the Christmas services in Tring church.

J. McIvor passed through Lea Park last week with Higginson and Foran's team en route to Fort Macleod for Mr. Code's sawmill in T. S. R. 5.

John Johnston has completed a nest addition to his residence and on Wednesday morning Dec. 23, between fifty and sixty of the neighbors accepted invitations to a house-warming.

A number of settlers from Minnesota have begun buildings, north of the Saskatchewan and they expect to be ready to receive their families in the early spring.

Peter Eidszoi is able to be at work again having almost recovered from a severe attack of his leg. He has made a second shipment of valuable Scotch collie dogs and Yorkshire pigs to Edmonton on business trips.

The annual school meeting will be held on Jan. 5th to elect a trustee and discuss other school business.

Miss Reddemeir has come to the Calgary Normal School for a course.

Peter Bristow is shortly to erect a bridge over the Peddie River.

There have been some large snowfalls here. Moss Side, December 31, 1908.

## KITSACOTY.

Bulletin News Service.  
Mr. J. Robins has taken to the hospital at Edmonton to be operated on for appendicitis. A report on Saturday said that he had been operated on.

Stewart McAllister is ill with typhoid fever and has been taken to the hospital at Edmonton.

As a trapping point for grain, Kitscoty has been built on the C.N.R. in Alberta. During the season there has been shipped 45,000 bushels of grain. There are ten cars being loaded for shipment at present.

The grain branch of the A. F. A. held a concert at the local school on the evening of Dec. 30. Notwithstanding that the trains were in bad condition there was a large attendance.

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## ZION.

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The opening services of Fair Haven Methodist church were held on the evening of December 27th. Rev. A. B. Aldridge, minister of Zion, preached in the afternoon and evening. The choir under the leadership of Mrs. White, rendered effective assistance.

The church, which is a frame one 20x34 feet, o n stone foundation, will be a credit to the community when completed.

John Davis, who has been assisted by a local committee in handling the enterprise.

A new stable is being erected at Zion church, Mitterdale, for the convenience of the worshippers there. Zion, Jan. 1st.

## DONAVILLE.

Bulletin News Service.  
A snow storm, occurring at Pinebank Ranch, the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pleasanton, on the 24th inst., when their only daughter, Elizabeth, was married to Mr. Albie T. McDonald, a young man who has been in holy red and green, consisting of festoons and bells; also evergreen window wreaths, all of which made a

gala setting for the joyous occasion.

The bride was gowned in cream silk and white. The Rev. Mr. Miller of Bentley performed relations and neighbors were present; Mr. and Mrs. M. Donovan and daughters Mary and Lizzie; Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson, Messrs. Tom, George, Edward, Ernest, Fred, Ernest Duwe. The wedding breakfast was served at 1.30. The bride was made the recipient of many valuable gifts. They left Monday for their home in North Dakota.

Albert Evans, late accountant of the local branch of the Merchants Bank, has been transferred to the Leduc branch, with the closing of the branch at this point.

The new curling rink was opened on Monday. The ice was in fairly good condition and a good season's sport anticipated.

Miss Reith, teacher in the vocational school, is spending the Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Adams.

Mrs. A. M. Waldron, teacher of the manual department of the Fort school, spent the vacation with friends in Strathcona.

Mr. and Mrs. Holcroft has been surveying in the district of Peace River Crossing.

Mr. N. S. Carter of Edmonton, Bro. has left on a business trip to Spirit River.

Mr. Verner Maurice is building an addition to his general store and pool room and is installing another pool table.

Rev. A. McCallum has arrived from Moose Factory Algoma, to take charge of the English churches at Slave Lake and Prairie River.

The many friends of Mrs. Winnie Bell had to see her around again after her late illness.

Messrs. Sheritt and Craig have erected a building on Lake Avenue in May, and are installing a bowling alley in the rear. They are building a large hotel building and expect to have it completed by spring.

A greatly appreciated addition to the lake is the reading room which has been established in the new Legion Club. The room is open to all, and the latest magazines and newspapers are kept on file. The place is well patronized, especially in the evenings.

The following evening at 5 o'clock in the English church the marriage took place of Miss Laura Cascarden, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Cascarden, and Mr. G. Gunn, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Graham, both of Fort Saskatchewan. The bride was a hand-made dress white silk and brocade with orange blossoms and birds carried a bouquet of white roses.

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## THE OLD AND THE NEW.

To Edmonton the year that is gone was far from unkind. Though less feverish than in some former seasons the city's progress was steady and substantial and the dawn of 1909 finds it a larger, richer and a better city to live in than it was twelve months ago. Though the world-wide financial stress was felt, in some cases severely, the general results were in my direction and to no degree disastrous. Perhaps now that the strain is easing off we may generally agree that temporary slackening of the pace was both necessary and beneficial. Contrary to the prophecies of certain critics and the experience of some other cities reality values in Edmonton held generally unshaken and the assessment of 1908 is larger than that of 1907 building during the year was carried on very rapidly and in every part of the city, the bulk of the money being put into residences of comfortable and substantial character. Trade during the winter and summer was not as brisk as desirable, owing to the shortage of last year's crop. This, however, was offset in part by the rapid settlement of the country west and north of the city and the new business this generated. The season's excellent crop has been making its influence felt during recent months in the settling of back accounts and renewed trading activity.

Municipally, the year has been one of satisfactory progress. The water, sewer and lighting services have been extended largely and in every direction. Street improvement has been proceeded with vigorously, a large amount of street paving being done and a considerable amount of cement walk constructed. A new automatic telephone system was installed early in the year and the excellence of the service is testified by a constant demand for new 'phones that taxes the resources of the installation department. The largest undertaking of the season was the completion and equipment of the interurban street railway system, connecting and operating in Edmonton and Strathcona. This involved the laying of eight miles of track in and between the cities, the erection of car barns; the placing of poles and trolley wires; yet though the work was not begun until August the service was started in November. That it filled a need is evidenced by the splendid patronage it has received from the opening day, a patronage ample at least to meet all the expenses in connection, including interest and sinking fund charges, and certain to increase rapidly with the opening activity in spring. The installation of the gas producer plant purchased last year was another considerable item in the year's business. The police and fire protection services were kept well up to the mark and the volume of current business, ever increasing in magnitude, was efficiently handled. Most satisfactory perhaps of all, though money market conditions were none too good, Edmonton's bonds have been disposed of at unusually advantageous prices, showing that abroad, as at home our credit is excellent.

Of the coming year, Edmonton expects much, and with good reason. The Grand Trunk Pacific bridges across the Battle and Saskatchewan rivers are completed and the rails will in all likelihood reach the city by the opening of spring, giving us immediately a new, direct, through line to the Lakes and in the very near future, to both the Atlantic and the Pacific. The construction of the road has been largely anticipated by settlers both east and west of the city, but the westward extension of the line next summer is confidently calculated to induce a rush of immigrants into the new country unprecedented in the opening of any western district. The Canadian Northern railway, too, have been selling bonds in London and a portion of the proceeds is expected will go into the extension of their lines in this district. The C. P. R. also are rapidly pushing the completion of their Winnipeg-Wetaskiwin line, which is interrupted to mean that the Strathcona-Edmonton bridge cannot be much longer delayed if that company calculate, as they probably do, to have a hand in the transportation business of the country north of the Saskatchewan. This railway development with the employment it will give and the settlement it will facilitate must reflect powerfully in both temporary and permanent benefit to the city, both by the increase of population and the increase of business. The growth of population in turn will demand a heavy expenditure of civic funds in

the improvement of new residential districts and the extension of the public services. Altogether the outlook is for a summer of large investment, of plentiful employment and of brisk business.

## LET THE GOOD WORK GO ON.

Mr. Wm. Mackenzie, of the C. N. R., announced the successful sale of a large amount of C. N. R. bonds in England last week. Mr. Chas. M. Hays, of the Grand Trunk, declares the railways have adjusted themselves to the conditions imposed by the depression, have effected economy in many ways and are again piling up money for investment in equipment and betterment. This is good news, it is the testimony of men who know that the financial situation is decidedly more favorable. It is also the assurance of two foremost railway men that money will be put steadily into the development and improvement of our transportation system. Canada needs nothing so much today and for the future as the liberal expenditure of money in building, bettering and equipping railways.

## PROTECTION."

Slowly, perhaps, but none of the less surely, the consensus of public opinion in Canada is swinging farther and farther away from the idea of a tariff-enforced exploitation of the public resources—for in the last result this is what protection very frequently amounts to. Its announced purpose is to encourage the establishment of factories which could not live in the country under natural conditions and opportunities—or which the interested parties declare could not live under those conditions. But factories can not work on nothing. They must have raw material, and in large part that raw material consists of deposits of fuel and metals which no alchemist can refine. If then protection breeds—and its advocates say it does—manufactories so strong that they can not only supply the home demand but ship their products to the ends of the earth, the process amounts in many cases to nothing more nor less than "dumping" out of the country what we have no means of replacing and what some day the people of the country are certain to need. By observation and experience the Canadian public have learned that "protection" in this direction is only a smoother name for the spoliation of both themselves and their country. To them it means lighter purses and to their country the depletion of its irreplacable resources.

It will be strange if one of these days there does not arise a demand, general, loud and insistent, that the methods of private economy be applied absolutely to the tariff policy of the Canadian Pacific railway to issue \$50,000,000 worth of new stock and to hand it over to the shareholders at par.

Taking the current market price of C. P. R. stock it was pointed out that the new stock sold in the open market would produce the \$50 million dollars presumably desired by the company and that the scheme proposed was merely a project for handing the shareholders \$22 million dollars worth of tree stock.

The watchfulness service in the Methodist church on New Year's eve was largely attended.

J. A. B. Miller and J. Hayes arrived from the U. S. on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, and on Wednesday morning, M. McKinney arrived in time to speak at the annual meeting on all time to come. Other western papers also took up the matter and dealt with it in similar fashion.

Now "A Banker" writes to the

Weekly Sun of Toronto in defence of the scheme, retailing in good English the bad logic that has been customarily required to give countenance to similar deals in bygone days.

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## CANADA AND HER BOUNDARY DISPUTES

Dominion Geographer's Interesting  
Address Before Canadian Club in  
Ottawa—The Maine Dispute and  
the Map Which Webster Sup-  
pressed—Some Valuable History.

An address that contained a wealth of interesting information regarding Canada was given at the Canadian Club in Ottawa on Saturday evening. The speaker was Mr. James White, Dominion geographer, who was eminently qualified to deal with his subject. In the absence of the president, ex-Mayor D'Arcy Scott presided.

The address by Mr. White was illustrated with a colored map and in the main was as follows:

The great date-line in Canada's territorial history, of course, the treaty of 1763. On January 5, 1763, a treaty was signed by Hartley on the part of Great Britain, and by Adams Franklin and Jay on the part of the United States. The preamble reads:

"That all the disputes which may arise in the future on the subject of the boundaries of the said United States might be prevented, it is hereby agreed and declared that the following shall be the boundary between the colonies, viz."

In view of the fact that the disputes continued for nearly sixty years and that the San Juan boundary was not definitely settled until 1842, nearly a century later, this preamble can only be called a delicious bit of unconscious irony.

**The Maine Boundary.** The first acute dispute over the so-called Maine boundary, and in considering it, it is necessary to first summarize negotiations antecedent to the signing of the provisional treaty of peace signed at Paris November 1763, by Oswald on the part of Great Britain. The preliminary negotiations for peace were initiated by Lord Shelburne, who, as secretary of state for the home department, had charge of colonial affairs. He trusted them to Richard Oswald, well known Scotch merchant in London. According to Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, Shelburne's biographer, Oswald could, in this case, have been more unitary by character and habits for engaging in a diplomatic intrigue, than Oswald whose simplicity of mind and straightforward character struck those who knew him." He signed a treaty with which most favored the British claim; it was published in Paris which made it well known that Spain, which was made to accept the terms of the treaty, was returning his map after having received it from the United States "with a strong red line." As there was no map attached to the letter, he made a search among the 600,000 maps in the archives, and found copies of the United States forwarded to him by Mr. Pichot, who instructed Mr. Everett to "forbear to press the search in England or elsewhere." As the map showed the British boundary, it was agreed that the map was entitled to full faith and credit.

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Managing Director Appointed—  
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Carry on the Business at Medi-  
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Berlin, Jan. 1.—The International  
Harvester Company of Chicago, has  
acquired the tract of forty acres near  
the Rhine for \$60,000,000, and will erect a factory for  
the manufacture of agricultural im-  
plements. It will begin operations in  
the spring of 1910, with a staff of  
one hundred persons, which number will be increased later.  
The factory will be managed by an  
engineer from Chicago. The pur-  
chase causes a sensation among Ger-  
man manufacturers as marking the  
beginning of the American invasion  
of the German manufacturing field.

### OLD AGE PENSIONS.

System Is Put Into Operation in Brit-  
ain—Will Cost \$65,000,000 Annu-  
ally.

London, Jan. 2.—As a New Year's  
gift to the nation the postmasters  
throughout the United Kingdom began  
to pay old age pensions under the act of parliament of paying  
of pension to persons over 70 years of  
age. These old age pensions, it is  
conservatively estimated, will cost the  
country over \$65,000,000 annually.  
Seven hundred thousand pensioners  
on the western prairies were very ordinary to  
him. An elaborate prospectus was  
issued and widely advertised the brill-  
iant prospects before the company.

### Large Capital Subscribed.

As a result, \$240,000 in cash was  
paid into the treasury of this company  
in Eastend, Canada, and a view of  
the rosy prospects held out to tender  
money men. When the company was  
well organized it developed that the  
members of the association would  
not be liable to the tax.

Malcolm's Western Canneries Com-  
pany attained considerable prominence  
in financial and business circles  
when two years ago H. M. Mann,  
of Winnipeg, promoted it with a view  
of establishing at some western point  
a meat packing industry. His ideas  
were large and visioned, and the  
shareholders were very ordinary to  
him. An elaborate prospectus was  
issued and widely advertised the brill-  
iant prospects before the company.

### PERFECT ROT, SAYS MR. MANN.

C.N.R. Official Denies Purchase Story of  
Western C.P.R. Lines.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—That piece of rail-  
road between Calgary and Edmonton is  
owned by the C.P.R. not the C.N.R.,  
as was reported in last week's news,  
because we would just as much chance to get  
it if we would do it as buy it to buy out the  
main line of the C.P.R. between Port  
Arthur and Winnipeg, for example. The  
story is perfect rot; there is nothing in  
it at all.

With this characteristic utterance,

Mr. D. M. Mann, vice-president of the  
Canadian Northern Railway, denied the  
story emanating from the Atlantic, and  
stated that the piece of road in question  
was merely leased by the C.P.R., that the  
lease would expire in June next, and  
that the C.N.R. were seeking to buy it.

## If You Measure as Much

around the waist as you  
do around the breast,  
you are classed as a stout  
figure—therefore to be  
becoming dressed  
you should wear only  
single breasted coats 2,  
3 or 4 buttons.

The double breasted  
style only adds to your  
size and is not as smart  
a coat for you.

READ THE WANT AD. COLUMNS READ THE WANT AD. COLUMNS



## PEN-ANGLE Underwear

The Beauty of Our Garments.

Is in their shapeliness. They are form-  
fitting. Fit the figure better than a glove does.  
The hand-snugly and comfortably, without a  
wrinkle anywhere. Just the most  
comfortable Underwear you can buy  
for yourself, your husband or  
your children.

Pen-Angle Underwear is  
decidedly superior  
underwear. Otherwise,  
the sale of Pen-Angle  
garments would never  
have grown to be  
by far the greatest  
in Canada.

Light.  
Medium & Heavy  
Weights.

Pen-  
TRADE  
WARRANTED  
PENMAN'S  
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GRADE  
MARK

Don't  
you think  
it well to in-  
vestigate the merits  
of Pen-Angle Under-  
wear? You can do so by  
visiting any of the leading dry  
goods or men's furnishing stores in Canada.

\* UNSHRINKABLE \*

Every garment sold on the money-back-if-defective plan

WE HIDES  
10 to 50% more  
salt costs no  
imported salts  
than our  
having  
salt.

## TO BOMBARD THE CITY OF MESSINA

(Continued from Page One.)

continue the prefect has proclaimed martial law. William H. Bishop, United States consul at Palermo, is thought to have come here before the earthquake. No trace of him has been found. He had some \$10,000 and number 20,000, almost all have fled from the city. Nearly every house collapsed. The line of palaces which surround Messina on the sea side are now mere buttresses. Some walls still stand, enclosing an immense cemetery. This line of palaces seems as if it had been crushed by gigantic teeth.

The crews of the Russian warships Bogatyr and Slava have shown marvellous courage and devotion in the streets of Messina, which are a mass of ruins. One sees thieves and rogues plundering the dead, and who, from time to time, are shot down.

"As I was disembarking an unfortunate man threw himself into the sea, crying, 'no one will help me I will kill myself.' He was rescued."

**Apostolico San' Wom.**  
London, Jan. 2.—The King of Italy has sent to King Edward a telegram expressing his warm thanks for the "noble work of charity" of the officers and men of the British Fleet toward the earthquake sufferers. The Cooke tourist agency learns from Naples that it is certain that no English or American tourists were killed through the destruction of the Hotel Trieste and the Hotel Bellevue at Messina.

**Relief Fund Grows.**

Rome, Jan. 2.—The amount already raised in Italy for the earthquake victims exceeds \$200,000. The king gave \$40,000, the queen \$30,000. The Duke of Noto, \$40,000; an English Fleet officer, \$10,000; and the Society of the Navy. Unless it is pretty clear that there has been much waste, it is likely that the sum sent by Joseph A. Astorino may send \$10,000. The national relief committee is working night and day under the leadership of the Duke d'Aosta. The committee has received a cable from the Duke d'Aosta, saying that subscriptions have been opened all over the British kingdom.

**Graphic Description of Earthquake.**  
Syracuse, Italy, Jan. 2.—Achille Carrara, a doctor from Messina, a survivor who arrived here today narrates a graphic story of his escape from the earthquake at Messina. Carrara, like his fellow victims, learned of the quake only by being buried from bed.

"I was frantic with terror," he says. "I aroused my wife, children and servants. The house rocked, but remained erect. We dressed in the darkness, amid flying dust, while everything heaved about us. We staggered down the staircase to the street, which was choked with ruins of the surrounding buildings. The injured were shrieking from their beds from beneath the wrecks. The ground split everywhere. At daylight we found our way to the harbor, where the tide wave had hurled water 15 feet above the quay and sending every vessel adrift. The harbor was full of wreckage. Four steamers which had been flung on the quay had floated again, as the great wave receded, and were being hauled by their anchors. We got into the British ship Drake. An officer volunteered to go ashore in search for my relatives living in the northern part of Messina. Carrara and his wife were present. Foskett was seated in the centre of a room, before a small table.

**MAY KEEP OPEN SUNDAY.**  
New York, Jan. 1.—The amount wide

spread of the disaster has reached here, telling of a remarkable incident in the earthquake's terrific violence at Reggio. He says that immediately after the first shock a chasm 90 feet wide was opened in the earth and from it rushed forth a flood of scalding water. Some of the steaming liquid rose so high as the roofs of ordinary houses. Many houses tumbled in this awful chasm and hundreds of people were scolded to death. Some of them could arise from their beds. Others tried to flee were caught under the downpour and horribly scalded. As the scalding water ran a plume of steam in the air. Frenzied men and women strove to free their relatives from the fallen houses. The miserable fugitives, bleeding from many wounds, ran through the streets shrieking and cursing.

**Balloon Water From Chasm.**  
Reggio, Jan. 2.—The station master, Mr. R. C. Smith, attached here, tells of a remarkable incident in the earthquake's terrific violence at Reggio. He says that immediately after the first shock a chasm 90 feet wide was opened in the earth and from it rushed forth a flood of scalding water. Some of the steaming liquid rose so high as the roofs of ordinary houses. Many houses tumbled in this awful chasm and hundreds of people were scolded to death. Some of them could arise from their beds. Others tried to flee were caught under the downpour and horribly scalded. As the scalding water ran a plume of steam in the air. Frenzied men and women strove to free their relatives from the fallen houses. The miserable fugitives, bleeding from many wounds, ran through the streets shrieking and cursing.

**Dogs Attack Remains of Victims.**

The dogs of Reggio are being impaled by horses and stags,

as who set fierce upon human beings. Hundreds of dogs are being shot. General Mazziello has started a Reggio rescue fund.

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## EDMONTON NEWS

## LOCALS

The bank clearings at Edmonton for the week ending Thursday, Dec. 31st, totalled \$1,000,000.

A Sunday school and Epworth leg-

ger convention for the northern dis-

tricts of the conference will be held

in McDougall Methodist Church on

February 2nd and 3rd.

On Monday evening next the

Trade and Industrial Council held

its first meeting of 1908 in the Trades

Hall, Fourth street, when the annual

election of officers takes place.

The Edmonton Canadian Club will

hold a luncheon for Dodge's Cafe on

Wednesday, January 4th, at ten o'clock,

which will be addressed by Dr.

Clark, M.P., of Red Deer.

The Caledonian Society held a very

successful Hogmanay social and

dance in the Separate school hall on

New Year's Eve. The dances were

priced and danced the old year

out and the new year in. Refresh-

ments were served during the even-

ing.

The Edmonton meteorological sta-

tion gives the following weather re-

port for December, 1908: Mean tem-

perature, 15.22; highest tempera-

ture, 24 degrees on December 19th; lowest

temperature, 30 degrees on Decem-

ber 29th; 20 hours of bright sunshin-

e numbered 22.

The secretary of the Board of Trade

has received a copy of a publication de-

voted to England's vast industries in the

north eastern district of England.

It was a pictorial extravaganza of industrial

England of the present day and is be-

ing sent out to strengthen trade relations

with England.

The young man and woman of Mc-

Dougall Methodist Sunday school are

ranging to give an entertainment and

supper in the school room on the night

of Friday, the 28th next. This is in place

of the regular Christmas tree which it

was thought better to dispense with owing

to the many attractions of Christmas time.

In McDougall Methodist church

Sunday morning the piano will be occu-

pied by Rev. C. H. Huskis, a former

pastor, now Red Deer. On the evening

of February 14th, Dr. Chowell, Toronto, will speak and on the last night, Dr.

G. W. Clark, Missive, Cardston

vice-president of the Alberta Farmers'

association, came up from the south

yesterday and is a guest at the Hotel

Cecil.

Mr. D. A. McIntyre, of the firm of

Palmers & McIntyre, left yesterday on

a picture trip to the Rockies.

Miss Velma M. Ironside leaves to-day for Medicine Hat, where she has

been invited as teacher in the public school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Erwin, Namayo

avenue, left yesterday for Truro, N. S.

They will be absent from the city this

week.

C. W. Fisher, M.P.P., of Cochrane,

speaker of the Provincial legislature,

came up from the south yesterday

and registered at the Hotel

Alberta.

Mr. H. W. Wilson, Cardston

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