

DOUBLE TRACKS.

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HERE SHORTLY.

The Canadian representative will be here again in further discussion of the city commission...

COURT CASES.

cases of the Supreme court in the court room on Tuesday afternoon at 10 o'clock, before Mr. Justice Giesbrecht.

JAMES McDONALD.

James McDonald, one of the most highly esteemed place yesterday afternoon. First Presbyterian church...

nurses' and others' treasure

ator for baby. Prevents stings-gives healthiest protection without the harmful poisons...

WANTED HIDES

from 3 to 5c.

WYDON'S PATOL

and colds of long standing. Acts as a tonic and the system generally.

J. GRAYDON

and Druggist

WARD PHARMACY

LORIMER PEOPLE ANSWER TO CITY

They Claim That the City Council Cannot Carry out the Ultimatum Forwarded to Them.

The Canadian Machine Telephone Company have at last replied through their solicitors to the ultimatum forwarded to them by the city council...

The Company's Rejoinder.

The letter is addressed to the city solicitor, J. F. C. Brown, and is as follows:— Toronto, Jan. 24th, 1908.

Dear Sir—Canadian Machine Telephone Co., Ltd., have handed us your letter to them of the 12th inst., enclosing a notice signed by the mayor...

We have further advised the telephone company that even if there had been default on our clients' part under the contract which they do not admit, this would not give the city...

From information received by our clients, they are of opinion that the proposed action of the council to cancel the contract was not entered into...

Richie, Ludwig & Ballantyne, John Wylie, Canadian manager of the Chicago automatic, arrived in the city last night...

The Manchester House

(Established 1886)

Big Stock-Taking Sale

January 29th to February 22nd

Bargains in every department. Dry Goods, Men's Furnishings, Boots and Shoes, Ladies' Wear, etc.

W. Johnstone Walker & Company

267 Jasper Avenue East.

WORK ON THE G. T. P.

Construction Will be Commenced Very Shortly.

Saskatoon, Jan. 26.—According to the statements of G. T. P. officials at present in the city, operations will immediately be resumed on the line between Saskatoon and Edmonton...

The party here comprises Messrs. G. W. Cope, of the general staff; Pope, right of way agent, and Symington, of the solicitor's department.

French Will Keep Quiet.

Paris, Jan. 30.—M. Pichon, the minister of foreign affairs, announced last night that General Danade, the commander of the French forces in Morocco, has been instructed to notify...

Franc-American Treaty Ratified.

Washington, Jan. 29.—President Roosevelt late today issued a proclamation announcing the conclusion of the Franco-American reciprocity agreement, drawn under section 2 of the Dingley act.

Moore Jaw.

Robert Gemmel, a prominent young farmer, was killed in a hockey match at Tuxford against the Moose Jaw Stanley's.

Eagle Trapped to Carry Off Pig.

Virden, Jan. 30.—One of Fred Pepper's pigs had a narrow escape last Saturday when a large eagle swooped down upon it and doubtless would have killed it had not Pepper been there at hand.

Action for Damages.

Montreal, Jan. 29.—Action for \$5,000 damages for libel has been brought against Montreal Standard by George Bissonette, who, according to the Standard, was alleged to have conspired to defeat an aldermanic candidate in one of the north and wards of the city in the municipal elections to be held February 2 for a sum of \$400.

Fourth Death From Explosion.

Kenora, Jan. 29.—Another death occurred as a result of the terrible dynamite explosion at Thompson & Egans camp, 3 miles north of Hawk on the 15th. Mike Detronski received a terrible fracture of the skull...

Taxes Amounted to About \$9,000.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 28.—T. Hunt, city solicitor, has written the Board of Control, drawing the attention of the members to the fact that the city owes about \$9,000 in taxes through the Manitoba government acquiring the Bell telephone lines.

Historical Character Dead.

Toronto, Jan. 30.—Mrs. Martha Ann Boswick, relict of the late James P. Boswick, is dead of pneumonia after a week's illness. She was born in 1825.

Will Affect Canadian Mails.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The senate committee recommends the restoration of the mail subsidy to Australia and provides a subsidy to Japan and China.

STIRRED UP A HORNET'S NEST

Ames and Lake in Criticism of the Timber Administration are Bady Stung.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—Messrs. Lake and Ames, Conservative members for Regina and Montreal respectively, woke up the wrong passenger in the House of Commons tonight. Mr. Lake made a rather insolent-toned speech, while Mr. Ames' remarks, as usual, were merely insinuations.

Mr. Turff spoke for the government.

At the outset he declared it was absolutely false that there was anything wrong with the tenders, and he challenged the opposition to make a charge. If a charge were made he would be the first to demand an investigation, and give the opposition the opportunity to make good the charges.

Provision For Mechanics Institutes With Libraries—Change in Railway Charter and Right of Inchoate Dower For Wives.

Three bills of some importance are now before the legislature. The first of these which comes up shortly for a first reading is an Act respecting Mechanics' and Literary Institutes.

Change in Railway Charter.

A bill to amend the Act of last session incorporating the Alberta North-Western Railway is now before the legislature, where it was introduced by Flewelling, M.P.P., for Lesser Slave Lake.

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WAR OVER C.P.R. RATES.

Winnipeg Delegates' Veracity is Questioned in Statement Before Committee.

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THAW'S FATE IN HANDS OF JURY

Justice Dowling Completed Charge To Jury Before Noon. Question of Sanity the Issue.

New York, Jan. 31.—The fate of Harry Thaw now rests with the jury. Justice Dowling completed his charge at 11:34 this morning, and the 12 men immediately retired to begin their deliberations.

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Republicans Endorse Governor for Presidential Nomination.

New York, Jan. 30.—Governor Charles F. Hughes was strongly endorsed for the Republican nomination for the presidency and the administration of President Roosevelt was commended in a resolution unanimously passed by the delegation to the Chicago convention from New York for Governor Hughes which should be adopted by the delegates.

Tempest in a Teapot.

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HON. DR. A. C. RUTHERFORD. Premier of Alberta, who in his capacity as Minister of Education, Made the Important Statement in the Legislature that the Government Will Supply Free Readers to Students in Public Schools of the Province.



ORIGINAL PAPERS WERE NOT RETURNED

Department of Interior Was for Two Years Without Original Papers Which Had Been Submitted to Mr. Foster.

In the debate a few days ago as to whether or not original documents in the custody of government departments may be demanded by members of parliament without reason assigned, the minister of the interior spoke in part as follows: (From Hansard)—Hon. Frank Oliver (minister of the interior)—Mr. Speaker, I would like to take exception in so far as the department of the interior is concerned at any rate, to the very definite statement made by the hon. member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster) in the early part of his remarks that every document should be put in the hands of the opposition from getting information. Since I have had the honor of having charge of the department of the interior, the members of the House will find me out in saying their remembrance will be the same as mine—that never in the history of parliament has there been such a demand for information from the department of the interior, or any other department of the government, and never has that demand been acceded to as fully and as readily and with as little question. My hon. friends on the other side of the House absolutely tied up the business of the interior department during the session before last until I had to place the facts before the House and make upon them the responsibility for the fact that the business of the country could not be carried on through that department. I say that my hon. friend in the early part of his speech in that statement in so far as the department of the interior is concerned, a fact that never in the history of the country has there been a demand upon a single department for information such as had been made upon the department of the interior during the past two sessions, and never has the demand been acceded to as readily and as fully as it has been.

to the member to look over the originals. Mr. J. D. Reid—That was in your department. Mr. Oliver—Yes, as a matter of courtesy and for the purpose of facilitating the business. Mr. J. D. Reid—That is the very point we are raising now. Mr. Oliver—Precisely, but that was an exception and not as a rule. Mr. Foster—Any more exceptions besides that one? Mr. Oliver—There may have been other exceptions but I will take occasion to show that they were exceptions and not the rule. I think my hon. friend will agree, before an hour, that it would be a very improper rule. Let us understand what is the nature of the documents that are in charge of the department of the interior and which are particularly the object of the curiosity of my hon. friends on the opposite. They are transactions between the government as representing the whole people and the individual citizens. They are transactions which if they are not completed then these papers should not be put in the hands of the opposition. They are transactions which if they are not completed then these papers should not be put in the hands of the opposition. They are transactions which if they are not completed then these papers should not be put in the hands of the opposition.

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Office of the Superintendent of Mines, Calgary, Alberta, Dec. 4, 1907. Sir—On reaching my office on the 3rd instant I was served with a subpoena by the counsel for the defence in the case of the Queen v. Arthur Colwyn and Romain Gervais, and the subpoena ordered me to produce all the papers in my possession regarding the entry to the west half of 34-1-1 west of the 5th meridian. There has been, as you are aware, considerable correspondence over the entry of Romain Gervais to the southwest quarter of said section. I collected all the papers in my possession regarding this matter and appeared in court. When I was called upon to produce them I protested against doing so unless ordered by the court. At first the judge was inclined not to insist on their production, but afterwards he decided that I must produce them. I had a discussion with the judge over the principle at issue, that is whether any official of the department could be compelled to produce documents out of his office under the authority of a subpoena issued by the court. I had considered that in the case at issue there was anything in the nature of a subpoena which should be divulged I should probably have refused point blank to produce the papers even had the judge ordered me to do so, and I have nothing in them which was detrimental to the public interest in the slightest degree. Of course I say so on reason to refuse or demur to the order of the judge. However, I would desire to state that I have not seen the subpoena in the case. When I appeared in court the counsel for the defence asked me to hand him the papers. This I refused to do, and if he desired to see the papers that he had plenty of time to have written to the department to ask for them. I should show them to him and obtain, if he desired, certified copies of any document he might require. I have no objection to all officers of the department giving the necessary instructions on the point raised in this case. Your obedient servant, WILLIAM PEARCE, Agent.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa. Mr. Pearce had been an officer of the department many years, and at a time when the hon. member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster) was a member of the administration, and this letter of Mr. Pearce was written a year after this government acceded to power. What Former Government Did. I have listed on the 15th May, 1902, which reads as follows:—It has been brought to the attention of the department that in some instances persons having claims against the government, either in preparation for a lawsuit or for the purpose of obtaining therefrom desired information and that such a course has been taken by them. The minister of justice is of opinion that no inspection of files or records for the purpose above mentioned should be allowed unless under the authority of a writ or subpoena, and he desires me to request that a future any such application should be referred to the proper authorities conveying any blame in respect of past matters, but simply with a view of safeguarding the interests of the government in respect of claims, present or prospective. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, (Sgd.) ROBERT SEDGWICK, Deputy Minister of Justice.

protesting the government against the people, but it was a case of protecting the people whose business was in charge of the government. We do not ask for any advantage in protesting the government; but we do say that if we are to be held responsible for the safeguarding of documents which are necessary to the title of the people's property, we are permitted to safeguard them. So far as the government are concerned the right hon. leader of the House has said on a previous occasion, and said again tonight, that private interests will have to take second place, and that if any member will give a session, a public reason why these original documents should be placed before the house, they will be placed before the house without the slightest hesitation. We are in the position of undertaking to safeguard the interests of the people, and all we ask is that when our friends oppose have an argument to make, they substitute statements for insinuations and responsibility for innuendo.

LONDON IS FOGBOUND BIG DAMAGE RESULTS

Burglars Find Conditions Favor Energetic Application to Work—Havoc in Street Traffic—Shops Suffer Loss By Diminution of Business. London, Jan. 31.—London never appreciated its splendid system of underground electric trains so much as it has this week, for the fog cannot penetrate there, so excellently ventilated are the tubes, and in such weather it is the only safe and comfortable way to travel. In a season which has been remarkable for its meteorological changes the experience of this week have been phenomenal. Last week we were enjoying a general warmth which breathed of early spring and actually made the trees begin to bud and to shoot. Now with higher, though not very high, temperature, we have got into a stratum of fog which is working direful directions. Burglars Make Haul. Such a visitation has always been hailed with joy by burglars, and jewelers in particular have taken extra precautions to protect their windows against these members of society. Notwithstanding this, some of them have made a few good hauls. One dramatic academy on King street, Covent Garden, was entered, and because very little money had been left for the thieves to take away, they smashed up the furniture and left the place a wreck. The robberies of jewelers' shops are most daring. The thieves watch their opportunity, and when they see the windows, grab all the jewels they can and disappear in the fog. The first Life Guards' street traffic and robbed the West End shops of their customers, one firm alone complaining of a loss of \$3,000 each day for the fog has caused a complete stoppage of the work of the ferries on the upper part of the river, delayed the crossing of the mail boats in both the channel and North Sea, and allowed a tank steamer to break from its moorings and go smashing into a number of other smaller vessels at anchor. It has also caused collisions on the railways, without any loss of life, though in one case at Wimbledon, seventeen people were more or less injured. Life Guards Lost in Fog. The first Life Guards' street traffic and robbed the West End shops of their customers, one firm alone complaining of a loss of \$3,000 each day for the fog has caused a complete stoppage of the work of the ferries on the upper part of the river, delayed the crossing of the mail boats in both the channel and North Sea, and allowed a tank steamer to break from its moorings and go smashing into a number of other smaller vessels at anchor. It has also caused collisions on the railways, without any loss of life, though in one case at Wimbledon, seventeen people were more or less injured. Life Guards Lost in Fog. The first Life Guards' street traffic and robbed the West End shops of their customers, one firm alone complaining of a loss of \$3,000 each day for the fog has caused a complete stoppage of the work of the ferries on the upper part of the river, delayed the crossing of the mail boats in both the channel and North Sea, and allowed a tank steamer to break from its moorings and go smashing into a number of other smaller vessels at anchor. It has also caused collisions on the railways, without any loss of life, though in one case at Wimbledon, seventeen people were more or less injured.

WHYTE ADVOCATES ONE MAN STALL BARS

General Manager of C. P. R., One of Temperance Delegation Before P. M. Manitoba Cabinet, Advises Two Scheme as Method to Eradicate Treating Evil. Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—An influential delegation, representing eight thousand signatures, waited on Hon. Robt. Rogers and Hon. C. Campbell today to ask for the closing of all bars at 6 p.m. Among those present were Wm. Whyte, general manager of the C. P. R.; Mayor Ashdown, and Rev. Father Chervier, representing the Archbishop of St. Boniface; Prince, Spaulding, Rev. J. L. Gordon, W. W. Duchan and others interested in the liquor reform. Some notable opinions were advanced, significant of which was the statement of Second Vice-President Whyte of the P. M. B., that he believed the majority of railway accidents were due to the liquor cause. He went on to vigorously attack the treating habit, and advocated bars in which each thirsty soul would be compelled to imbibe a glass of water. In replying Hon. Rogers produced statistics to show that the government had gone to the limit in the suppression and limitation of licenses as compared with other provinces. He believed the fault was not with the liquor, but with the "blind pigs" which had sprung up all over the city and where inferior liquor could be sold day and night. These blind pigs were the direct result of the action of the police authorities in breaking up several quarters, and if a six o'clock law was put in force it would lead to a great extension of the treating habit, and would figures to show that the majority, by far, of cases under liquor licenses were against unlicensed victuallers. Hon. Colin Campbell presented a serious indictment against the police authorities and the police of Winnipeg, saying that all laws were rigorously enforced but the liquor law was a negative. The minister thought it would be better to abolish all bars. Hon. Robert Rogers said the government was bringing down a bill to double all fines.

P. E. I. NEW PREMIER.

Is F. L. Hazard Formerly Law Partner of Judge Davies. Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jan. 31.—F. L. Hazard, has been appointed premier in succession to the late Hon. Mr. Peters. The new premier was born near Charlottetown in 1849. He was admitted to the bar in 1872, and was first a partner with the late Hon. John Longworth. He later practiced independently. From 1879 to 1891 he was a partner with L. P. Davies, now Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet. From 1891 to 1897 he was a partner with the late Hon. Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet. From 1897 to 1900 he was a partner with the late Hon. Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet. From 1900 to 1904 he was a partner with the late Hon. Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet. From 1904 to 1907 he was a partner with the late Hon. Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet. From 1907 to 1908 he was a partner with the late Hon. Sir Louis Davies, Jr., of the cabinet.

Trumper Arrives in Kamloops.

Kamloops, Jan. 31.—F. J. Trumper, arrested for the murder of George Coleman at Ponce Coast prairie, arrived here today. Witnesses must be brought from the scene. This will take a couple of months. The prisoner admits killing but pleads insanity, alleging it was in self defence. The charge is likely to be reduced to manslaughter. Japan Considering Change. Tokio, Jan. 31.—Promoters of the movement for the abolition of the ideograph and the substitution of Roman letters in the written and printed language of Japan are enlisting the aid of many persons prominent in literature and business.

New Custodian of Jewels.

London, Feb. 1.—It is said that as a result of the viceregal commission of inquiry into the mysterious disappearance of crown jewels from Dublin Castle last July, Mr. Birrell, secretary for Ireland, ordered that Arthur Edward Vickers, custodian of the jewels, be superseded. It is said that Captain Neville Williamson has been appointed his successor. The report of the commission declares Sir Arthur Vickers did not exercise due vigilance and proper care. I wish that I might talk with all sick ones about the natural cause of Stomach, Heart and Kidney ailments. To explain in person how weak Stomach nerves leads to Stomach weakness, I am sure would interest all. And it is the same with weak Hearts or weak Kidneys. This is why my prescriptive Dr. Sutherland's Restorative so promptly reaches ailments of the Stomach, Heart and Kidneys. It is wrong to drug the stomach or stimulate the Heart or Kidneys. These weak inside nerves simply need more strength. My Restorative is the only prescription made expressly for these nerves. Next to seeing you personally, will be to mail you free, my new booklet entitled, "What To Do," which will also send you samples of my restorative as well. Write for the book to-day. It will surely interest you. Address Dr. Sutherland, Shop, Box 8, Racine, Wis.

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TAFT'S REPORT ON PHILIPPINES

U. S. Secretary Presents Today Result of Investigations, Against Policy of Scuttling.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 27.—The voluminous report of Secretary Taft upon his recent visit to the Philippines was presented today to the senate and house of representatives.

"It is a subject for just national gratification that such a report as this can be made. No great civilized power has ever managed with such wisdom and disinterestedness the affairs of a people committed by the accident of war to its hands.

Ten Millions for Defence. Regarding the question of defence, Mr. Taft is all against the "policy of scuttling," having the following to say in connection with the adjustment of international relations between the Philippines and Washington.

Historical Survey. The report of Secretary Taft constitutes a comprehensive history of the development of the islands from the earliest times and under Spanish rule down to the time of the American administration.

Present Condition. Peace prevails throughout the islands today in a degree that even in the history of the islands either under Spanish or American rule and agriculture is nowhere more impeded by the fear of the part of the farmer than in the United States.

Education and Progress. Mr. Taft gives an interesting sketch of the work so far accomplished in the direction of establishing legal institutions, schools and the judicial assembly, as well as the beginnings in the direction of educating the native up to municipal and political responsibility.

Infant Mortality. A great work is also being done along sanitary lines, and an effort is being made to check the fearful infant mortality which amounts to sixty per cent. annually in the islands.

The Future of the Philippines. Mr. Taft dwells on the significance of the unique experiment being conducted by the American nation in the Philippines, which is nothing less than the life of the natives to a level where they shall be able to govern themselves and decide for or against independence.

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YORK LOSES ACTION AGAINST SCORD

Judge Scott Hands Out Decision in Application to Strike Out Affidavit of Defendant in Case To Wind Up Hotel Partnership—Costs Awarded Against Scord, Defendant.

Mr. Justice Scott handed out a decision yesterday in the application to strike out the affidavit of the defendant, William Richards, Angus Johnson, Jas. D. Martin, Frederick Peacock and Jos. A. Hostyn, filed by the plaintiff for the purpose of winding up the partnership between the defendant and the plaintiff.

The action of York vs. Scord was to wind up the partnership between the plaintiff and defendant as hotelkeepers, with respect to the York Hotel, Windsor, King Edward and Yale hotels.

8 FOR ACQUITTAL 4 FOR CONVICTION. Disagreement Probable in Thaw Case—Jury Hopelessly Split—Thaw Makes Sensational Charge Against a Jurymen—Mrs. Thaw Cheerful.

New York, Feb. 1.—After being locked up for twenty-four hours, Thaw was brought to the bar today for a verdict in the Thaw case.

HUNTING SET LIVE FAST. Two Clergymen Resign Because of Hunting Set—Objects to Critics.

Leamington, Eng., Jan. 28.—A great and far sounding scandal has broken out here, and the names of the two clerical hunters are being mentioned.

Passed Third Reading. Two bills passed their third reading and now only await the assent of the Lieutenant-Governor to become law.

Want License Fees Increased. Toronto, Jan. 31.—The board of control will petition the government to increase the maximum license fees in the city, the present limit of twelve hundred dollars being considered much too low.

A Grain Road Only. Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—The reputation from Virden waited on President Wm. Mackenzie this morning, who was accompanied by a large number of men.

Rob Near Police Station. Thieves Take \$10,000 in Diamonds and Watches and Escape.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Jan. 30.—A daring robbery occurred at an early hour this morning, when thieves entered the jewelry store of Frank P. D'Arcy and secured diamonds, rings, earrings and watches to the value of \$10,000.

Miners on Strike. Fernie, B.C., Jan. 30.—The miners at the Crest Creek mine owned by the Crest Coal and Coke Co., are on strike.

CONFLICT IMPENDING. Austria-Hungary May Upset Balkan Situation.

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The undersigned have received instructions from Mr. D. D. Lints to sell by Public Auction at his farm the S.W. 14 of Sec. 7, Twp. 53, R. 22 (1/2 mile south of Horton's Store in Clover Bar.) on Wednesday, February 12th, 1908, the following:

Horses—1 grey horse, 12 yrs. old, wt. 1400; 1 bay horse, 11 yrs. old, wt. 1300; 1 grey colt, rising 1; 1 bay colt, rising 3; 1 bay colt rising 2; 1 yearling.

Cattle—2 cows giving milk; 1 cow to come in early in March; 1 2-year-old cow; 1 1-year-old steer; 1 1-year-old heifer; 1 heifer rising 3 years; 1 steer rising 1 year.

Pigs—1 sow, 3 yrs. old in pig; 3 young sows in pig; 3 thoroughbred Yorkshire pigs; 2 thoroughbred Yorkshire boars.

Implement—1 wagon (new); 1 sleigh (new); 1 democrat-buggy; 1 Deering binder; 1 16 horse drill; 1 8 horse disc; 1 16 in. stubble plow; 1 16 in. sulky plow; 1 14 in. bush breaker; 1 hay rake (new); 1 1/2 set harness; 1 1/2 set harness; 1 1/2 set harness.

Hay and Fowl—7 ton hay; 4 doz. hens. Furniture—Sewing machine; extension table; 2 beds; cot; bureau; centre table; chair; cupboards; 1 stove; heater; 20 ch. carpet; dishes; etc. Together with numerous other articles.

Terms of Sale—All sums of \$15 and under to be paid in cash. All sums over \$15 to be paid in approved joint tenor notes bearing interest at 8 per cent. per annum with 3 per cent. cash credit amounts. Thoroughbred pigs to be sold for cash.

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\$386,500 AMOUNT REQUIRED BY CITY

To Proceed With Various Work. Voting on By-laws Feb. 24th To Double Track Namayo.

For the third evening this week the city council last night held a four hour session to discuss civic matters and to endeavor to place everything on a sound working basis, and it was past midnight before the completed work. Several very important matters were discussed and decided at this adjourned meeting. The city commissioners gave as comprehensive a statement as possible regarding the amount already expended, and the amount yet to be expended on street paving and the laying of the street car lines. The matter has not been made particularly clear as yet, but has been allowed to rest in the hands of the city engineer and the city commissioner.

From the figures reported by Commissioner Kinnaird, it is estimated that the laying of a single line of street railway costs about \$72,000 per mile. The cost of paving McDougall, Jasper and Namayo to the C.N.R. tracks is \$208,000, and of laying a double car line on the paved portions of Jasper and Namayo avenue to the C.N.R., about \$213,000.

The by-laws passed to raise money for various municipal improvements in the city aggregate \$386,500. This with other by-laws to be passed will make up the \$800,000 debentures to be sold shortly. The by-laws passed were as follows:

- \$42,500 High level traffic bridge
12,000 Local improvements
164,000 Debt-free street paving
164,000 Street railway system
155,000 Telephone system
168,000 Electric light system
167,500 Isolation hospital
153,000 Fire protection
169,130,000 Street paving.

Commissioner Kinnaird Explains. In explaining the question of the cost of the street railway, Commissioner Kinnaird stated that when this question was first discussed it was determined to carry on the street paving in conjunction with the laying of the street car rails. In order to place the matter of paving on a proper basis, it was decided that the city should pay the cost of the street paving fronting on a bare street. In consideration of the fact that Jasper avenue was 100 feet in width, and the principal business street of the city, a greater portion of the paving of this street should be borne by the city at large than that of other streets. In view of this fact a report made by the City Commissioners in November, 1916, was adopted. This report provided that on Jasper avenue the cost of paving the street should be charged to the municipality at large, and two-thirds to the property owners, both charges to be spread over a period of twenty years. On other streets, one-fifth of the cost of paving was to be charged to the municipality at large and four-fifths to the property owners at twenty year terms.

On streets not paved the full cost of paving that portion of the street used by the street railway was charged to the street railway system, and debited to the city at large. Coming down to figures on the matter of the pavement, Commissioner Kinnaird stated that the total cost of paving and laying rails on Jasper avenue from Ninth street to Kinnaird street was estimated to be \$306,363.95. Of this \$97,416.04 was chargeable to the street railway system, \$59,767.80 to the municipality at large, and \$149,181.31 to the property frontage owners. There are altogether 5,943 feet to be paved on Jasper avenue, of which 3,055 feet are already paved, leaving 1,888 to be paved, on which rails are to be laid.

The cost of street paving on McDougall street from College avenue to Isabella, on Jasper from Ninth street to Kinnaird street, and on Namayo avenue from Jasper to the C.N.R. tracks, is estimated to be \$296,000. Of this \$114,000 is charged to the municipality and \$182,000 to the property frontage owners. For this \$50,000 has already been provided by by-law, leaving \$138,000 to be still provided for. Of the \$114,000 charged to the municipality at large \$46,376 will be charged to the street railway system, leaving \$67,624 of the cost to be actually borne by the city.

This cost of paving has been apportioned as follows: For McDougall avenue, \$63,450; Jasper avenue, \$12,000; Ninth street, \$61,277.51; Jasper avenue, First to Kinnaird, \$47,720.40; and Namayo avenue from Jasper to C.N.R. tracks, \$34,514; \$1,000 for inspection and other necessary has been included, bringing the total cost up to \$207,941.91 or approximately \$208,000.

The estimated cost of the street railway system on Jasper avenue from Ninth street to Kinnaird street, double track; on Namayo avenue from Jasper avenue to the C.N.R. single track; and switches and turnouts on Namayo avenue and First street is \$200,000. There is approximately 14,300 feet of single track, or about 2 1/2 miles. This will cost about \$72,000 per mile. One hundred and twenty thousand dollars of this total cost has already been provided for, leaving \$128,000 to still be provided. \$70,000 worth of material has been purchased for the street railway, which will be sufficient for approximately six miles of single track, leaving sufficient material on hand to build another three miles of railway after that on Jasper and Namayo is built. Of the amount

to be spent for the street railway system \$79,000 is for rails and material, \$37,416 for track laying on Jasper avenue, double track, and \$21,710 for track laying on Namayo avenue, single track. Fifteen hundred dollars was also added to pay for inspection and other incidentals in connection with the installation of the system, making the cost \$109,226, or approximately \$200,000.

Considerable discussion of the question followed. City Engineer Keeley stated that the high cost of the street railway arose from the prevailing high price of material and labor. The track on a sound working basis, and it was past midnight before the completed work. Several very important matters were discussed and decided at this adjourned meeting. The city commissioners gave as comprehensive a statement as possible regarding the amount already expended, and the amount yet to be expended on street paving and the laying of the street car lines. The matter has not been made particularly clear as yet, but has been allowed to rest in the hands of the city engineer and the city commissioner.

Several by-laws to provide for the issuing of debentures for various amounts for municipal improvements were then brought forward to be read. Ald. Bellamy raised the question of what would be done with the \$500,000 worth of debentures to be issued. He pointed out that it was to be used for new or old work. Commissioner Kinnaird explained that some of the money voted for certain purposes had been used for other more urgent purposes. This had been made necessary owing to the financial position of the city, as the banks had refused to loan the city any more money. As soon as the \$500,000 debentures were sold the money thus borrowed would be repaid to the department for which it was originally intended.

As an example of the way this money was used for other purposes, Commissioner Kinnaird stated that \$170,000 had been voted for street paving and the laying of street railway tracks. Two hundred and forty-five thousand dollars had been spent in this work, the balance of \$25,000 from the amounts raised for other purposes. For electric light and power \$120,000 was provided by by-law, and \$30,000 had been spent; \$300,000 had been spent for the extension of the water and sewer mains and laterals, exclusive of the trunk sewer, and no money had been appropriated for this purpose as yet by by-law. Similarly other amounts during the year had been used for purposes other than those for which they were voted, in cases where the work was more important. Commissioner Kinnaird stated that he realized that it was a bad practice, but the circumstances warranted it.

Ald. Armstrong spoke very strongly in favor of issuing debentures for work before it was started, and thus keeping the accounts separate. Money By-laws Passed. The council then proceeded to hear the various money by-laws read, and to vote thereon. By-law 165 provided for the extension of the water and sewer mains and laterals, and to provide the sum of \$400,000 for the extension of the municipal telephone system was read. This included the balance of the cost of the telephone system, and the wiring of the city of Edmonton. It included the cost of the 300 pair cable across the Saskatchewan river, but did not include the cost of wiring Strathcona. The total cost of the new telephone system was estimated to be \$105,000. A by-law passed by a previous council authorized the issue of \$65,000 debentures which it was estimated was sufficient for the 600 phones at first thought to be enough. This amount of cost was caused by the decision to install a 1,200 phone system, the cost of wiring, etc. This by-law was passed after some discussion, and was voted upon on February 24th, 1926.

By-law 166 to provide for the issue of \$80,000 debentures to pay for the projected improvements, additions and extensions to the electric lighting system of the city was then read. There was considerable discussion by the aldermen over this question, as it was not very clearly understood. It was explained that the estimated cost of the new plant was \$140,000, \$10,000 more would be required for the lead line from the proposed site of the plant on the Gibbons property to the city. This portion would not now be needed as the plant was to be placed on the old site in the city, but although it was suggested that \$10,000 might be deducted from the \$80,000 it was not carried out. Thirty thousand dollars more was required to pay for the extensions and improvements to the present plant during the past year. A by-law had been passed last year to raise \$120,000 and the \$90,000 now being provided for was to make up the balance of the sum required. The by-law was carried, and will be submitted to the ratepayers on February 24th.

By-law 167 was the next by-law read. This provided for the raising of \$5,000 to supplement the \$10,000 and \$15,000 already voted upon to pay for the erection and equipment of the Isolation hospital. This brings the total cost of this hospital up to \$30,000. "Whew!" said some one in the visitors' gallery when the total cost was mentioned.

The aldermen while in favor of passing the by-law, since nothing else could very well be done, expressed their opinions of the whole affair in no uncertain terms. "It's simply robbery," said one. "The hospital isn't worth half that amount."

"Who was the architect and contractor?" asked another. After a few not very complimentary remarks regarding the building the by-law was passed to be voted upon by the burgesses on Feb. 24.

By-law 168, a by-law to raise \$20,000 to provide for the extension of the system of fire protection, to erect and furnish two new fire halls, and to establish a municipal fire alarm system was then read. Forty-one thousand dollars had been voted for this in a previous by-law, but the sum was found to be insufficient. It was carried after several questions had been asked regarding why more money was required. The voting will take place on Feb. 24th.

To Double Track Namayo. Before taking up the discussion of by-laws to provide for the street paving and laying of the street railway tracks contemplated this year, the question of whether a double or single car track should be laid on Namayo avenue was considered. A deputation from Namayo avenue residents waited on the council regarding the matter and they were called upon to state their case.

A. T. Chisholm appeared on behalf of the Namayo avenue residents to request the council to provide for the paving of Namayo avenue as far as Clark street and to lay a double car line as far as the railway track. He pointed out the business done on this street and the growing importance of it. Namayo avenue was 60 feet wide and gave sufficient room for the operation of a double street car line. Double car lines were laid on streets of no greater width than Namayo in Toronto, Chicago and elsewhere. He thought it would be false economy to lay a single car line as a double track would have to be laid later. He believed the laying of a single car track would be a great hindrance to the business development of the street.

Mayor McDougall stated that personally he was in favor of double-tracking all streets that would permit it if it were not for the fact that Commissioner Kinnaird estimated roughly that a double track on Namayo to the C.N.R. would cost \$250,000, and the single track \$63,750. There would also be a slight extra expense on the turn-out, this would make the extra cost of the double track about \$13,000.

Ald. Armstrong moved, seconded by Ald. Fraser, that the car line on Namayo avenue should be double-tracked. Ald. McInnis opposed this motion. He gave instances where a single car line had been successfully operated as a business street in Winnipeg and other cities. He suggested accordingly moving an amendment to his motion that a single car line should be laid on Namayo avenue. This amendment was seconded by Ald. Bellamy.

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In response to a question of Ald. Bellamy, City Engineer Keeley stated that there would require a double track for the street car lines, this fact making the total track allowance for double track 16 feet. Ald. Bellamy figured that by driving close to the car track there would be about 14 feet on the street car lines for vehicular traffic. He emphasized the danger arising from a double car line on a narrow street. Moreover, if the street cost \$72,000 per mile it was quite an additional expense. A double track would not be required for the street car line on Namayo and he questioned whether it would be wisdom to undertake this initial expense for ten or fifteen years.

Ald. Lee believed in double tracking where necessary, but not where it was unnecessary on Namayo avenue at the present time. Ald. Armstrong then asked why this principle of economy was not applied to Jasper avenue. He thought the rights of the city should be respected.

Ald. Bellamy took exception to the remarks of Ald. Armstrong regarding the single tracking Jasper avenue. He pointed out that the business on all side streets converged to Jasper avenue thus making this a principal street, which would warrant a double track. The amendment was then put and as supported by Ald. Bellamy, McInnis and Lee, and opposed by Ald. Armstrong, Fraser and Anderson. Mayor McDougall gave the casting vote against the amendment. The motion that a double track should be laid on Namayo avenue was carried. Ald. Manson was absent when the vote was taken and Ald. Garney was not present at the meeting.

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The council then proceeded to consider the question of financing the street railway and paving propositions. By-law 164 to raise \$120,000 to supplement the sum of \$40,000 already voted and found to be insufficient for the purpose of purchasing rails, was read.

Ald. McInnis strenuously objected to the idea that the commissioners had evidently expended this amount in the purchase of this material without the authorization of the council. He thought this a very wrong course to pursue.

Commissioner Kinnaird replied that last year's council had authorized every cent that had been expended. He had advised the increased cost of the rails and other expenditure. It was a case of where a bad estimate had been made.

Ald. Lee thought the by-law should include the total cost of the contract entered into so that the council would not be compelled to go back to the people again and ask for more money to finish the work. Ald. Lee moved, seconded by Ald. McInnis, that the by-law be amended to include the total cost of the contract entered into. This motion was carried.

Mayor McDougall replied that such estimates were being prepared. Commissioner Kinnaird did not approve of the motion of Ald. Lee to provide now for the expenditure on First street. Next year the city debentures would probably sell better than this year and he did not think any more expense should be incurred

now than was absolutely necessary. The motion was finally put to a vote and was lost by the casting vote of Mayor McDougall. The by-law was then read. This was to provide for the raising of \$13,000 to supplement \$121,000 already voted to provide for the cost of paving and for the laying of the street railway track in conjunction with the paving of Namayo avenue as far as Clark street and to lay a double car line as far as the railway track. This was to be voted upon on February 24th.

CHRONICLES OF M'BRIDE (Nelson Daily News)

CHAPTER I. And it came to pass in the third year of the reign of Edward who was called the king of the gracious countenance that there arose a prophet in the land of British Columbia named M'Bride. And the name of the prophet was M'Bride. And he sent to all the people of the land that he greatly rejoiced to appoint a ruler over you, who has found grace in the eyes of my Lord the King.

And all the congregation of Torondom and the Bootiers and Graters and the company of any of those who had an axe to grind, greatly rejoiced to see a ruler amongst us, to rule over us. And the people cried aloud with a great voice saying: Who is there amongst us that is a politician and is the use of the belt him, greatly rejoiced to see a ruler amongst us, to rule over us.

And behold the prophet M'Bride, he of the smooth countenance and oily tongue, arose and said unto them: Verily I deliver you, and save you from the hands of them that depose the king, and from those who make the name of this land to stink in the nostrils of the King.

And there shall be no more corruption and no more booting, and the voice of the sucker shall be once more heard in the land. The people shall come from far off countries even from the land of Gaul and shall bring gold and silver, and they shall be as the people of the boastful heart even from the land of Gaul and shall bring gold and silver, and they shall be as the people of the boastful heart.

And the people hardened their hearts against him. Still they cried aloud, and they said: We will have a ruler over us, and we will have a ruler over us, and we will have a ruler over us, and we will have a ruler over us, and we will have a ruler over us.

And they that toiled in the smelters came unto him saying: Behold, the hours of labor are long, and our masters will not hearken unto us, unless we pay our servants the wages of their labor. Behold, the hours of labor are long, and our masters will not hearken unto us, unless we pay our servants the wages of their labor.

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was good, and they coveted the land because of the coal thereon which was about half a penny a day's work, and M'Bride said, Behold, how have we made a mistake in our survey which we find is not complete after all, although we really thought that it was. Permit us therefore we pray to move the point zero spoken of in the order in council just a little three miles to the east. And M'Bride said as it seemed unto them. So they moved the point zero as commanded by M'Bride and thereby did they rob the people who had paid their licenses for the land whereof they had paid license money.

Yet M'Bride returned not the license fees but laughed them to scorn, saying: By the time I have to go to the country again they will have forgotten this thing for they are a foolish people.

CHAPTER III. Now M'Bride ruled over the people for the space of three and a half years, and he grievously oppressed them, and placed burdens on them, too grievous to bear, even on them whose lands were burdened, but on the great corporations placed he none, but he spoiled the land from the rich even lands by thousands of acres and great concessions, the very heritage of the people.

And they that travelled from far off lands to sell their wares unto the merchants of the land, these he also levied tribute of. And the merchants and traders taxed he also, very heavily and doubly taxed he them; their stock he also, their book debts whether good or bad until the burden of taxation became unbearable.

And the people cried aloud saying: M'Bride has made us wretched, and yet M'Bride heeded not, for he was not standing in with the children of Mammon even the corporations. So the corporations taxed he not.

And they of South East Kootenay avenge their trial prosecuted for coal said unto the Deed King, Behold, we thy servants, even as thou promised us before we set thee on the seat of Deed King, that we should have ruled over us before thee. For didst thou not say unto us: If you make me a ruler over thee I will give you a share in the land.

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ers and heeled and went into the high places and into the cities and held conventions and chose their leaders to go to the tents of the council. And it came to pass that the M'Brides held a convention in Trail, which is in the Land of Ymir. And behold Harry, he of the gladsome hand, arose and said: Appoint me a ruler over thee that may sit in the Council of the people, even with the Prophet M'Bride. And they answered him saying: Get thee hence and torment us not, for we will have none of thee; for didst thou not vote against the eight hour bill?

And Harry spoke saying: Verily did I vote against the bill for did I not receive a message of fire, even from thee, commanding me in my courses. And they all cried aloud denying it and saying: Thou didst not receive any message.

But Harry put his hand in to his pocket and drew forth the message of fire, and he handed it to them that he had written, and they might read and be satisfied.

And the name that was signed to the message of fire was even that of J. H. Schofield, he that they would appoint to the Council in the place of Harry, and they were exceedingly dismayed. There was there much clamoring, for they wanted to hand Harry the lemon, and verily they were put up against it in the worst way.

Then again arose Harry and said: Verily, verily, shall Schofield usurp my place in the Council, but this shall be the price thereof. Behold, bring me in black and white the promise of the appointment of Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works even on a silver platter bring it me, and bring it quick, and I myself will nominate Schofield to represent you in the Council, even Schofield the servant of the Great Octopus. But they would not.

But the company of the people got busy and scratched up some sort of appointment for Harry, saying: We peace him and once more all was peace in the Land of Ymir. But Harry kept the message.

And the rest of the acts of M'Bride, what he did and what he left undone, are they not written in the book of incompetent Premiers, even in Hansard? And he did evil in the sight of the electors and walked in the way of Turner and Prior, who made the people tired.

CROW'S NEST STRIKE MAY SOON BE SETTLED

Men Demand Investigation Into Conditions of Timbering—This Question Will Be Discussed at Joint Meeting on Feb. 10th.

Fernie, Jan. 31.—H. Hurd, general manager of the Crow's Nest Coal company, said today that he expected the strike at Coal Creek will soon be settled. The men claim that the management have altered the conditions of timbering in such a way that it means a reduction in the wages and they demand an investigation.

The company, however, declined to allow the old methods of timbering to continue and refused permission for the men to go to work unless they entered under the new arrangement, which they refused to do.

Other minor grievances were settled last night. A conference with the management will be held and the question of timbering will be discussed at a meeting of the joint board of operators and employes on February 10th. It is not believed that the strike will spread to the other properties of the same company.

The Moroccan Debate. Paris, Jan. 30.—The debate on the interpellation regarding Morocco was continued in the chamber of deputies today. The discussion was devoid of interest, saving for M. Jaure's insistence that rapprochement between France and Germany was necessary for the peace of Europe. The majority in favor of sustaining the policy of the government in Morocco was 336, the voting 428 to 92.

Situation in Persia Critical. Odessa, January 21.—A despatch has been received from Julema, on the Russo-Persian frontier, saying the situation in Tadiz is critical. Revolutionaries are in possession of the town and the number of insurgents is increasing constantly. Bands of insurgents are marching, looting houses and terrorizing people. The government has no control over the situation. The European residents barricaded themselves in their houses and appealed to the Russian consul for the Cossacks. The Viceroy of Caucasus has ordered the Russian troops to Julema.

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AROUND THE CITY

(From Wednesday's Bulletin.) The funeral of L. Gustafson who was burned to death in the fire at Clover Bar Bridge takes place this afternoon at four o'clock from the mortuary of the Moffat Company to Edmonton Cemetery.

At the mounted police barracks this morning, Constable Johnson, of the C. N. R., was let out on a six months' suspended sentence. He was charged with short-faring on the railway line.

Lachlan Stewart, who was severely burned in the fire at Clover Bar bridge, is doing well at the Public Hospital, where he is now a patient. This man, who was about 60 feet from the ground when the fire broke out, climbed a high chimney, without injury to his frame, but he was severely burned.

In London yesterday the quotations of the Hudson Bay Company's fur sales show a decline of five per cent in beaver skins and a rise of 30 per cent in muskrat in comparison with last year's prices.

Yesterday afternoon a man named S. Zimmerman, a dentist at Hardisty, was brought to the city en route to the barracks at Fort Saskatchewan, where he will await trial at next term of the Supreme Court at Wetaskiwin. Zimmerman was committed by a justice of the peace at Hardisty on a charge of indecent assault.

M. Lampon & Co. are selling 10,000 beaver at 5 per cent. lower, 7,000 lynx at 15 per cent. higher and 1,200 otter at the same as last year. 500 fisher are selling at 15 per cent. lower, while 3,000 white and 70 silver fox are selling at last March's prices. 500 cross fox are bringing 20 per cent. more than they did last year.

At the District Court this morning the case of Shillito vs. the plaintiff, brought an action to recover the sum of \$12 and costs for the painting of a buggy. The defence put in a plea regarding a mistake having been made in a red and black gear for the buggy. After hearing the evidence the judge gave his decision in favor of the plaintiff. E. B. Cogswell appeared for the plaintiff, and E. B. Williams for the defence.

A dinner was held at the Victoria Hotel on Saturday to celebrate the 140th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns. Covers were laid for 60. The dinner provided by Miss host and hostess, Hagan, was supported by the Scotchmen from the mines in the vicinity of Morinville. Following the supper a musical entertainment was given in the hall where a concert was held, comprising songs and recitations. Geo. Cunningham, mine superintendent, was chairman. He was supported by J. Craddock, J. P., Mike Hogan, Dr. Tierney, of St. Albert, Mr. Sheffer, O. St. Germain and Mr. Pasquini. The votes of thanks to the host and hostess at the dinner, proposed by the chairman, was passed. The committee arrangements will be held in the Masonic hall, Second street, on Thursday, and Friday. This is a reunion of the members of the highest Lodge of the Masonic order, which is held semi-annually in this city. About two dozen members from all parts of the province will be present. About fifteen new members will be initiated to the various degrees from the third degree to the highest degree. On Thursday the Lodge of Perfection, of which Dr. Jamieson is the head, will conduct the proceedings and on Friday the Rose Croix chapter, of which Judge Taylor is head, will preside. On Thursday evening a banquet will be held at the King Edward hotel for the old and new members of the higher degrees.

A. McLean, Superintendent of the Waterworks Department, is away on a two-weeks' trip to the coast. A. F. O'Grady, exmayor of Macleod came up from the south yesterday and is spending a few days in the city on account of the illness of his daughter, who resides here.

There are two cases at the Isolation Hospital at the present time. Both were at first chicken pox, but one later developed typhoid fever. The net proceeds of the concert given in McLaughlin Methodist Church on Jan. 31, under the auspices of the W.C.C.F. and in aid of the Y.W.C.C. were \$139.

The funeral of Jeremiah Watson will take place on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, 629 Rice street, to the Edmonton Cemetery.

The Southans, proprietors of the Hamilton Spectator and Ottawa Citizen are reported as having secured an option on a portion of the stock of the Calgary Herald.

McLaughlin Methodist church will practice on Saturday night instead of Friday this week. The practice will be held in the reception room at Alberta College. Evangelist McHardy will be present.

An open meeting of the Edmonton Conservative Association was addressed last evening in the Conservative club rooms by E. W. Day, Conservative candidate for the federal constituency of Strathcona. Dr. John Collinson, of Red Deer, W. J. Leggie, Wetaskiwin, J. A. Jackson, Ponoka, and H. M. A. Evans, Ponoka, also gave brief addresses. President Hudson, of the Provincial Conservative association, moved a vote of thanks to the speaker of the evening, which was seconded by Mr. O. Bischoff. The immigration hall has been very quiet for the past week. The officials have been kept busy answering the general press of letters that ask for information regarding homesteading and obtainable land. Yesterday a family from Michigan, originally from France, by the name of Bierre, arrived. They have a son in this country and by comparison with his success and their own in Michigan, felt that the best plan was to come west. Their idea is to take up land in the

Lobstick lake district. Assistant-officer Reid says that many people are making inquiries about this district, which lies along the route of the G. T. P., and a good year for this district may be predicted.

(From Friday's Bulletin.) Mr. Justice Scott sat in chambers in the Supreme Court this morning and heard several applications of minor importance which were disposed of according to the nature of the case.

It is probable that an appeal will be made to the Attorney-General's department against the decision of the license commissioners in refusing a license to the Cardiff Boarding Co., Ltd., for a hotel at Cardiff, Cal. It is the town in the Morinville mining district.

The directors of the Alberta Breeders' association held a meeting last evening in the hardware store of Jas. Stovel, at which several minor matters, in connection with the annual poultry show were discussed. The show will be held in this city on March 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th, probably in the Mechanics Hall. An excellent prize list has been prepared, and will be issued shortly. The poultry breeders' directory has also been completed, and copies of it are being distributed among those taking an active interest in the raising of pure-bred poultry.

Father Ledue, the vicar-general of the diocese of St. Albert, is a patient at the General Hospital, his side having been bruised when he was thrown from his sleigh a few days ago, whilst driving with another of the priests at the Mission. In turning the corner rather sharply at the Mission, the sleigh struck a stone. Father Ledue was thrown.

The directors of the American Canadian Oil Company have decided to apply to the city for another poll on the by-law to grant a natural gas franchise to that company. They are of the opinion that if the matter were put before the people again it would be carried easily, notwithstanding the two-thirds vote necessary. The company are making preparations to lay pipes for the city, and are waiting for the city to grant the franchise.

The question of the contract for the incinerator plant with the Decarie Co. will come up for consideration by the city council, which is supported by the directors of the American Canadian Oil Company. A still smokesstack is also on the ground, and is ready for erection. The city has paid \$10,000 to the company last month, and the contract is cancelled. It is the opinion of Commissioner Pace that this would be more than compensated for by what has already been received.

That there is still considerable activity in realty circles in the city is evidenced by the sale of one real estate firm alone, Bovey and McLaughlin, during the month of January. During that time several sales were put through, including a large tract of land, valued at \$25,000, and a lot of 14 1/2 blocks, B.R. 88,000; the north east 1/4 of 12, 16, 16 west of the 4th meridian for \$2,800; the 4th meridian for \$2,500. Several lots in Norwood and two acre plots in the city were also sold at a good price. There are but few of the many good sales made in Edmonton from time to time which indicate that Edmonton is not at all a complete standstill. With the opening of the spring and the commencement of building for a return to the old-time boom, the financial stragglers will be checked by the financial stringency.

An appeal has been entered by Grieshaber O'Connell and Associates, attorneys for the defendant, in the case of J. N. Pickard, convicted by Inspector Grieshaber, of selling liquor to an Indian and also a number of technical objections. The hearing of the appeal will come on in the latter part of February before Mr. Justice Taylor in the District Court.

HIEBERT'S NEW LIQUOR BILL. C. D. Hiebert, the opposition member for Rosebud, moved yesterday in the House the first reading of a bill to establish the liquor trade of Alberta on a dispensary basis. The bill, which comes up for a second reading on Wednesday next, provides for the appointment of a board of commissioners who will supervise the liquor trade of the province, and under whose guiding control there will be operated a whole sale liquor dispensary in Calgary, another in Edmonton and branch dispensaries for the retail trade. The funds for carrying out the act are to be paid out of the revenues of the province.

In this dispensary system the mover of the bill plans to do away with the modern bartend. Liquor would be sold in these government-controlled dispensaries by men appointed by the board of commissioners and who are to hold a teacher's third-class certificate or its equivalent. They shall sell to any one person no greater quantity of wine or spirits than one quart, or half a gallon of ale. These dispensers are to inform the police when a person becomes intoxicated, and their establishments are only to be open for the sale of liquor between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Each dispensary must according to this act be situated on a separate lot and have only one entrance with no interior communication with any other room or building save cellars or warehouses.

Infantry Regiment. Active steps are being taken in connection with the formation of an infantry regiment in the city and before the year 1908 is very far advanced it is probable that an eight company regiment, 400 strong, will be organized in Edmonton. The question of an appropriation for such an organization will be considered by the House of Commons at Ottawa at its present session. From the replies received last week to their request for the appropriation for this purpose local military men are of the opinion that a grant will be made this year.

RESULT OF EXPLOSION.

Thomson's explosion of the men injured at the dynamite explosion in the city mines, had his right eye removed yesterday, at the Public Hospital. The doctor is still uncertain as to whether the other eye may be saved.

The dynamite had penetrated through the eye, which had been removed. Other injuries suffered by Mr. Somers are a broken wrist and a couple of slight scalp wounds. The patient is, however, resting quite comfortably to-day.

CITY HOSPITAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Edmonton City Hospital was held in the council chambers of the city hall yesterday afternoon. The attendance was not large but the business of the meeting was proceeded with. The annual report of the directors was read and the meeting then proceeded to elect a T. Cushing is the newly elected president of the Board.

When the meeting was called to order only twelve men were present including Mayor John A. McDougall, A. T. Butchart, Dr. Dunn, A. C. Fraser, W. L. Hall, W. B. Douglas, H. H. McLaughlin, Rev. A. M. McDonald, H. V. Helliwell, W. D. McPhail and H. D. Johnson. After the reading of the minutes of the annual report of the Board of Directors was read. This report included a comprehensive financial statement and a statement of the assets and liabilities for the year ending December 31, 1907. The report was a very satisfactory one and was adopted with little discussion.

Resolutions were then called for and the following were moved and carried: Butchart-McDonald: That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the Welsh Male Voice choir for their very generous donation to the funds of the hospital. Turnbull-Cushing: That the meeting authorize the Board of Directors to take any action which may be necessary to meet the conditions in law respecting the City of Edmonton granting \$50,000 to the hospital.

Butchart-Johnson: That the action of the Board of Directors in securing amendments to the act of incorporation of the Edmonton Public Hospital be and is hereby approved by the general meeting.

The chairman, Mayor McDougall, then called for nominations for the Board of Directors. Eighteen nominations were required and the twelve having the highest number of votes were found. The Mayor stated that he had been connected with the Board of Directors of this hospital since its organization. He had been president of this Board for a number of years but he now wished to retire from this office as he had a warm tribute to the work performed by A. Butchart, secretary of the hospital, who he had known for many years. The retiring directors were Messrs. McDougall, Cushing, Hiddell, W. B. Douglas, H. H. McLaughlin, Donald, Edwards, Kirkpatrick, McLeod and Butchart. Nominations were then called for and the following were named: John A. McDougall, A. C. Fraser, Wm. Short, R. W. McKenzie, Dr. J. H. Kirkpatrick, H. D. Johnson, G. R. F. Kirkpatrick, Col. E. B. Edwards, Mr. Atkinson, W. B. Douglas, H. H. McLaughlin, Harold W. Riley, A. B. Campbell, E. T. Bishop, Ernest Brown and Gustave Koeman. The vote was taken and the following were elected: John A. McDougall, A. C. Fraser, Wm. Short, A. T. Butchart, John A. McDougall, T. M. Turnbull, Rev. A. M. McDonald, R. W. McKenzie, A. T. Cushing, A. C. Fraser, Dr. J. H. Kirkpatrick, A. B. Campbell, G. R. F. Kirkpatrick, and Col. E. B. Edwards.

Before the annual meeting adjourned Mr. Palmer suggested that the names of the retiring directors should be incorporated in the annual report next year. His suggestion was approved and adopted.

At the conclusion of the annual meeting a meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors was held in the council chamber. The election of officers was proceeded with and resulted in the return of A. T. Cushing as president, R. W. McKenzie, vice president, and A. Butchart, secretary. It was decided that the directors' meeting should continue to be held in the office of Mr. McDougall & Second on the second Thursday of each month. The thanks of the Board were extended to Mayor McDougall for his kindness in offering his office as a place of meeting. The meeting then adjourned.

SOCIAL NEWS.

Mrs. Fisher wife of the Hon. Chas. Fisher, has taken Wednesday of each week as her reception day during the winter months at her residence, 240 Eleventh street.

Mrs. J. J. McDougall, 123 Jasper avenue, west, will receive tomorrow afternoon and in future on the last Thursday of the month.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor entertained a number of gentlemen at dinner at Government house on Tuesday night: Premier Rutherford, Atkinson, Hon. Chas. Fisher, Hon. W. Fisher, His Lordship the Bishop of St. Albert, Mayor McDougall, Mr. Justice Scott, Mr. Justice Harvey, Dr. J. H. Kirkpatrick, Wm. Short, John T. Moore, M.P., J. P. Robertson, M.P., J. P. Marcellus, M.P., T. A. Brick, M.P.P.

The Leap Year dance given in Mechanics' hall by several young ladies for dancing for which the large drawing room was present. About sixty-five guests were present, the men being largely in the majority. Richardson's orchestra supplied good music. A cosy sitting-out room was arranged. The chaperones were Mrs. Sydney Woods, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Somerville and Mrs. Scarth.

The soiree at which Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Garriep were held and hosted last evening was an enjoyable social event, in which about fifty guests participated. It was given in honor of their guest, Miss Riley, of Calgary, who, with Miss Garriep, stood with them in the wide hallway receiving the guests on their arrival. The house which is admirably adapted for entertaining was lit throughout with crimson and white roses and ferns. An orchestra provided excellent music for dancing for which the large drawing room had been cleared. A couple of cosy rooms were fitted up as a card room for those who did not dance. The hostess wore a rich black liberty satin gown with lace trimmings. Miss Garriep wore a primrose yellow gown trimmed with satin beige ribbon. Mrs. Willitt Garriep was becomingly attired in fawn colored voile over taffeta, with brown silk bands and trimmings. Mrs. Auguste Lessard wore a daintily pretty gown of rose pink chiffon with white lace and trimmings. A light tempting supper, or repêchons, as it is picturesquely termed in French, was served.

PROJECTED RAILWAYS.

Legislation, always significant of the development of a country, is lacking in this year's session of the provincial legislature. While at Ottawa the Edmonton Duvoncan and the Columbia railway is being cupping the attention of the House, there are a couple of railway bills before the legislature now.

In addition to the amendment asked in the charter for the Alberta Northwestern railway with its route across country to the Rockies, the Bow River Collieries Railway company are also applying for incorporation.

The bill, which comes up today for a second reading provides for the incorporation of a company with powers to construct and operate a railway of the gauge of four feet 8 1/2 inches from a point on the north bank of the Bow river in township 17, range 17, west of the fourth meridian, to a point on the main line of the Canadian Pacific, at or near Cassils.

The capital stock of the company is placed at \$250,000. The company may issue bonds or debentures to the extent of \$15,000 per mile of the railway to be constructed. The company also has power to own a telephone and telegraph system in connection with the road. Construction is to begin within two years and the road is to be completed within five years from the date at which the act comes into force.

The members of the railway company now applying for incorporation are Robert F. Bovey, bank manager, William C. Simmons, barrister, W. L. Hamilton, mining engineer, Charles V. Bennett, clerk of the court, R. P. Chery, accountant, of the city of Winnipeg.

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MANY APPLICATIONS.

A large number of applications, over a dozen in all, have already been received for the position of auditor. The time for receiving applications expires on the 15th of February. Almost all those that have come to hand have been from outside parties, as at the present time there are only two or three men in the city who are able to comply with the requirements as chartered accountants.

TWO CALLS FOR FIRE.

The firemen of station No. 3 were called out at 6:55 a.m. by an alarm from the 22 corner of Kinsitone and Wilson, for a blaze in a store on No. 1000 boulevard, occupied by J. Augustus Downy, grocer, and owned by J. Macklin. The fire had originated from an overheated stove and the contents of the building were almost completely destroyed. Another alarm came in from the same place at 8:50 for a smouldering blaze among the saw-logs in the building, but it was not serious though No. 1 had a run of seventeen blocks to the boulevard. The fire was extinguished and both were fully covered by insurance.

GAS BY-LAW DEFEATED.

Two more votes were registered against the by-law to grant a franchise to supply natural gas to the American Canadian Oil Company as a result of the recent vote of the city council. The by-law was defeated by a vote of 12 to 10. The necessary two-thirds vote was not obtained.

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NEW COURT ROOM.

Several changes are being made in the Supreme Court. The court is being held in the spring assizes of the Supreme court. Since the opening of the new court, the court has been necessary to provide greater accommodation. Up to the present time the court has been held in the Imperial Hotel, and the clerk of the District court has had office in the same place as the clerk of the Supreme court.

Yesterday workmen were engaged in preparing a separate room for holding the court. The new court is being moved from its present quarters into the rooms used by Judge Taylor and Mr. Justice Scott. The new court will be ready for use next week. The rooms immediately adjacent to the court are being used by Mr. Driscoll as an office for the District court clerk.

LARGE DEBT CASES.

A number of large debt cases have been set down for trial at the spring assizes of the Supreme Court, which opens on Tuesday, February 10th. These include cases of various nature and for various amounts. The ones of most general interest are two actions brought against the City of Edmonton.

One of these is the case Jackson et al. vs. the City of Edmonton. This is an action brought by Mr. Jackson and several other property owners in River street against the City of Edmonton. The case is being tried by Judge Taylor.

The other case is the case of the Imperial Bank vs. the City of Edmonton. This is an action brought by the Imperial Bank against the City of Edmonton. The case is being tried by Judge Taylor.

The following is the list of large debt cases already set down for hearing: Smith vs. LeFebvre, Leonard vs. LeFebvre, Cushing vs. McInnis, Lough vs. Grierson, Jones & Marshall vs. Palmer, Campbell vs. Gaine, Coulson vs. Anderson, Cockshutt vs. Curtis, Parker vs. Craig, Fuest vs. Sanders, The Revillon vs. Brewster, Good vs. Campbell, Jackson et al. vs. Edmonton, Helander vs. Payzant, Macdonald vs. C.N.R., May vs. Secord, Hagmar vs. Edmonton, Winterburn vs. C.N.R., Cushing vs. LeFebvre, Jaspers vs. Durand, Stephens vs. Acme, Vanstone vs. Scott.

TRAINMAN INJURED.

A trainman named John Golden, who was working on a dumping-car near Beaver Hills, was thrown from the car by a door spring back suddenly, and his collar bone broken. The man was treated by Dr. Tofield at Beaver Hills and then sent into the Public Hospital, where he now is.

ACCIDENT AT CLOVER BAR.

Otto E. Christiansson, an employee of the Canadian White Company on heavy work for the G. T. P. near Clover Bar Bridge, received painful injuries yesterday while at work and was brought in to the Public Hospital. He was at work in the rear of the steam shovel when the cage attached to the back of the shovel, and which was full of coal, swung up into the air, and the chain holding it breaking at that moment the cage fell upon him, dislocating his knee and injuring his scalp.

MEN EMPLOYED.

About fifty men are employed today on the sewer excavations on Ninth street. There is only about a foot of earth between the sewer and the surface, and this prevents the necessity of timbering as in the summer time. There is also an abundance of water that makes the work excavation much easier than in the winter. Present operations seem to indicate that work of this kind in low ground can be done most expeditiously in winter.

MILLING CASE IN COURT.

The necessary court proceeding to wind up the affairs of the Red Deer Milling Company, which has become insolvent, was commenced this morning in court before Mr. Justice Harvey. Evidence was taken in the case this morning and will be continued this afternoon. Messrs. Green, of Red Deer, and Biggar, of Edmonton, appeared for the shareholders of the company and J. L. Crawford, of Red Deer, acted for the creditors.

TYPHOID FROM CLOVER BAR.

A large number of typhoid fever cases have been brought in to the city hospitals during the past month from outside districts, principally from Clover Bar bridge works. The conditions in the city are very healthful and not more than two or three cases of this disease which originated in Edmonton have been reported to the health authorities.

GETS SIX MONTHS.

At the police court yesterday before Magistrate Belcher and William Nick Jyrjuk was convicted of stealing a fur coat, the property of W. J. Richardson, of the Imperial Hotel, and was sentenced to six months imprisonment at Fort Saskatchewan, with hard labor.

A WAGES CASE.

At the District court this morning Judge Taylor revoked the decision of Inspector Worsley in the small debt case of Mollenhauer vs. Auhr. The defendant, Edwin Auhr, engaged the plaintiff, Mollenhauer, to work on his farm for the sum of \$50 per month and to provide him with board and lodging. The case was tried by Judge Taylor and the plaintiff was awarded the sum of \$27 due him without costs, and either party. C. F. Nevell appeared for the applicant and M. DeLaval for the respondent.

BILL IN INTEREST OF WIVES.

A largely-signed petition from the citizens of Stettin was presented yesterday in the legislature by W. F. Puffer, the member for Lacombe, praying that a law be enacted providing that a wife should have an inchoate right of dower, as she has in the province of Ontario. The petitioners' clear conception of the responsibilities and merits of the duties of wives and mothers in the province. It reads in part—

Whereas there is absolutely no provision in this province which undertakes the duties of wife and mother; Whereas, the women of this province equally with the men bear their share of the burdens of life and take their part in the settlement and development of the country; Whereas, a woman undertaking the duties of homemaking generally loses her opportunity of acquiring property or accumulating capital; Whereas, the formation of homes is essential to the development of the province.

The bill asks for the marital women of Alberta the right that is granted her by law in every other province of Canada. It will receive its first reading shortly.

BUNN FOR TRIAL.

Another criminal case has been set down for trial at the spring assizes of the Supreme court next week, bringing the total number of criminal cases up to fifteen. This is the case of Rex vs. Bunn, an assault case. This action is the result of a fight which took place at Athabasca Landing last spring as the boats were leaving for the north with the fur traders. Some halfbreeds became intoxicated and refused to man the boats and started their northward trip. A fight occurred in which Charlie Bunn, the accused, is charged with having assaulted a halfbreed, inflicting serious bodily injury. The case will be tried next week. It was laid over from the fall assizes as several of the witnesses were in the north.

MURDER SUSPECT CAUGHT.

Maxime Phillips, wanted at Macleod on a charge of murdering a prostitute, Monty Lewis, was arrested by Sergeant Watt near Anzac last night. He will be taken to Macleod by Sergeant Watt for a preliminary hearing.

ROBERTS FOUND GUILTY.

R. Roberts was found guilty by Judge Taylor at the District court yesterday of stealing jewelry from the store of S. Nankin, minister of agriculture. Sentence has been reserved until Monday morning at 10:30. Benjamin H. Stray, who was tried for receiving stolen goods from Roberts, knowing them to be stolen, and selling them, was given the benefit of the doubt and was acquitted.

The case occupied all day Friday, the cases against Roberts and Stray being heard together. After lunch Nankin was cross-examined at some length by E. B. Williams, counsel for the defence, was then called. He stated that he worked for Mr. Nankin during October and November. Being shown the cuff links, witness stated that he gave them to Grant Lockman. He had brought them to the city from his stock in Lloydminster. The bracelet, chain and watch, which he had given to Miss Watt in the store. He charged it on a slip as he had done with a locked key gave to Grant Lockman. He placed the charge slips on a nail above his work bench. One of the evidence in the case is a Dowell to be paid for at the end of November. He also took a watch and ring to send home for Christmas, charging all goods on slips and paying them. The slips were open for Mr. Nankin's charges.

In cross-examination the accused stated that he charged all the goods placed in evidence in the case, with the exception of the cuff links, which he brought from his stock at Lloydminster. He promised Nankin to bring him the watch and ring he was going to send home on his table out of the stock for two weeks for fear that Nankin would retail value of the chain was \$22 and the watch \$18. He expected to get the goods at cost price, but he had no arrangement with Mr. Nankin regarding a discount for material he bought for himself. Witness stated in reply to a question by Mr. Cogswell that when Mr. Nankin was present he would charge the articles in the book when he was absent he would charge them on slips. Accused said when he sold articles for credit he put the credit slips on a file on his work bench.

Asked by Mr. Cogswell if the accused did not take a man named Fred Boyte to Nankin's store on the evening of the day on which the Calgary Hundred Thousand club visited Edmonton, and sell him about \$25 worth of goods. Witness replied that he did not take a man named Fred Boyte to Nankin's store on the evening of the day on which the Calgary Hundred Thousand club visited Edmonton, and sell him about \$25 worth of goods. Witness acknowledged that he was arrested in Lloydminster once but said it was not for theft.

Mr. Nankin, called in rebuttal of some of the evidence of the accused, stated that when goods were charged it was customary to put the slips in the till and not on file.

As this closed the case against Roberts, Judge Taylor after hearing the arguments of the counsel, briefly summed up the case and found the accused guilty of theft. Sentence was reserved until Monday morning. Before the case against Stray was concluded he was placed in the witness box and cross examined by Mr. Cogswell regarding the way he received the jewelry from Mr. Roberts, which he pawned. He stated that he was arrested at all suspicious by Mr. Roberts and had pawned the jewelry merely as a friendly act.

Judge Taylor dismissed the case against Stray, stating that he would give him the benefit of the doubt. He warned him, however, that if he were again convicted of the same offence he should be very careful about pawning goods for other people.

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Another criminal case has been set down for trial at the spring assizes of the Supreme court next week, bringing the total number of criminal cases up to fifteen. This is the case of Rex vs. Bunn, an assault case. This action is the result of a fight which took place at Athabasca Landing last spring as the boats were leaving for the north with the fur traders. Some halfbreeds became intoxicated and refused to man the boats and started their northward trip. A fight occurred in which Charlie Bunn, the accused, is charged with having assaulted a halfbreed, inflicting serious bodily injury. The case will be tried next week. It was laid over from the fall assizes as several of the witnesses were in the north.

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HON. MR. OLIVER TIMBER DEBATE Minister of Interior Makes Comments Between Present Administration and Conservative.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—Hon. W. S. Oliver today laid out the timber policy of the present administration in relation to the arrangements with western provinces for supplying lumber to the Dominion. He stated that the government will not be bound by the terms of the present administration's policy, but will be guided by the principles of justice and equity.

On January 22, Oliver wired Thomas Shugh