

168 GRAVES ARE BEING DUG

And Town Official Thinks 25 More Will be Needed

TO BURY THEATRE VICTIMS

Sad Work of Identification of the Dead at Boyertown, Pa., Was Started This Morning—Many Fainted at the Sight.

Boyertown, Pa., Jan. 15.—At 9 o'clock this morning a most ghastly and sickening spectacle of Monday night's theatre disaster was enacted at the public school house. All night three undertakers, with 15 assistants, had labored with the charred pile of mangled and disfigured corpses. By daylight, each body, with the clothing and other articles of identification found with it, was laid on a separate plank.

At nine o'clock the greater portion of the population of the little city had gathered and when the doors were opened the people were permitted to enter, single file, and pass through the aisles, where more than 100 lay side by side. Many who were weakened by long vigils and deferred hope fainted on recognizing the bodies of their beloved ones. All the bodies were ordered buried within three days, whether identified or not, and a special relief committee has been appointed to see that each body receives a decent burial. Volunteers began digging the graves to-day.

When the exploration of the ruins began at 10 o'clock, 108 bodies had been recovered. Many believe that not more than eight additional will be found. Burgess Kohler, however, figures that 25 are still reported missing.

The Philadelphia & Reading Railway company sent two carloads of laborers and carpenters, and the work of recovering bodies moved so rapidly that victims were being taken from the ruins at the rate of two every five minutes yesterday afternoon.

DIED OF STARVATION ALTHOUGH WEALTHY

David N. Couch of Webster, N. H., Was Known to Be Wealthy at Least \$20,000.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 15.—David N. Couch of Webster, 65 years old, one of the wealthiest and best known residents of that town, died at his home on Battle street, yesterday, of starvation and lack of proper care.

For some months Mr. Couch had lived alone, and although known to be the owner of more than \$20,000 worth of visible property and presumed to be worth much more, he had denied himself proper food and his death was due literally to the lack of nourishment and the case which might readily have been his.

For two months at least the neighbors think he had had nothing to eat except such food as may have been given him when he occasionally called on them. He had not been seen since Saturday noon.

HE STOLE THE FUNDS.

Cashier Sargeant Took the Money as Depositors Handed It In.

North Attleboro, Mass., Jan. 15.—The fact that Frederick E. Sargeant, the late cashier of the Jewellers' National bank of North Attleboro, the institution which is now in the hands of a receiver, had been hypothecating the funds of the bank became known yesterday when the surety company, which furnished his bonds, paid over to the receiver of the bank the sum of \$20,000, the full amount of the bond.

In addition to showing that the late cashier had misappropriated the bank's funds, the payment of the bond will aid greatly in paying the depositors of the bank, and it is now hoped that all depositors will be paid in full. The payment of \$75,000 by the Roger Williams Insurance company a week or two ago and the payment of the cashier's bond, have swelled the visible assets by \$100,000.

NO TRUTH TO IT

Says Loeb About Cortelyou Reported Intention To Resign.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Sec. Loeb today announced that there was absolutely no truth in the report that Secretary of the treasury George B. Cortelyou has resigned. Loeb added that Secretary Cortelyou had not even given the slightest intimation that he intended to resign.

NEW WARDEN CHOSEN

W. H. Worthen Succeeds A. H. Noyes in Caledonia County.

Stowe, Jan. 15.—Fish and Game Commissioner Thomas today appointed W. H. Worthen of St. Johnsbury to be warden in Caledonia county in place of A. H. Noyes, resigned.

HEARING EXPERTS IN MAHAN TRIAL

Assistant Supervisor at Insane Asylum Said That Prisoner Had To Have Letters Read To Him.

Bennington, Jan. 15.—The first of the experts to testify in the case of Alfred Mahan, who has been on trial in county court for the past three weeks for the murder of his little niece at North Bennington last April, was put on the stand shortly before adjournment yesterday afternoon.

He was James Maxwell, assistant supervisor at the state asylum for the insane at Waterbury, where the respondent was sent after his indictment, and observed no signs of epilepsy or unusual mental conditions in the respondent. He talked very little, tried to play cribbage and failed to master the game, he had to have his letters read to him, and on several occasions spoke of his coming trial and said that he wished he "could go back to Bennington and have it over with."

Several witnesses from North Bennington were put on by the state in rebuttal to the insanity defense. The state made an attempt to impeach the testimony of Florence Mosher, a young woman who has lived in the Mahan family and who has taken unusual interest in the respondent since his arrest, by introducing portions of her testimony taken before the grand jury when Mahan was indicted.

FURTHER INSANITY IN THAW FAMILY

Told To-day in the Trial of Harry R. Thaw, Who Is Accused of Murdering Stanford White.

New York, Jan. 15.—Dr. Horatius C. Wood, a practitioner of Philadelphia, was the first of the medical witnesses examined by the defense to-day in an effort to prove that Harry R. Thaw was insane when he slew Stanford White. The doctor had examined Harriet Alice Thaw, as health inspector of Philadelphia, and had found her of unsound mind. The trial was delayed this morning by several long technical wrangles over the admission of this expert testimony.

Christopher Daggin Steward of the New York Whist club, where Thaw spent much of his time, told of the defendant's queer behavior at the club on the day before he killed White. Although everyone was complaining of the heat, Thaw said it was cold, and he insisted upon keeping a screen about his chair. On the morning of the shooting, Thaw came in with his eyes glaring and his face intensely pale. In the afternoon he appeared still more nervous, his mouth twitching and his eyes uneasy.

Jerome tried to bring out the fact that Thaw was likely to be nervous after excessive card playing for high stakes and partaking of drinks served by club members from their lockers.

ONE LICENSE REVOKED.

Board of Medical Registration Say It Was Secured Under False Pretences.

The Vermont board of medical registration will finish its session at Montpelier tomorrow. To-day's session was presided over by the president, Dr. Godfrey of Chelsea. The license of one person to practice was revoked, as it was said that he gained his license under false pretences.

It was reported to-day by Drs. Nay of Underhill and Whitaker of Barre, who were appointed to consider the matter of reciprocal relations with New York and New Jersey, that certificates are now interchangeable between Vermont and those states, also New Hampshire.

Dr. J. S. Hall was to-day appointed as delegate to the New England licensing board; Dr. G. I. Forbes to determine the status of medical colleges in Vermont, and Dr. W. S. Navy to the board of medical education.

RUTLAND BANKS CHANGE.

Clements Get Control of Rutland County Bank.

Rutland, Jan. 15.—The annual elections in the national banks of this city were held yesterday. The rumor current for some time that the Clements had obtained a large holding of the stock of the Rutland County National bank was confirmed by the election of Wallace W. Clement, brother of Percival W. Clement, as a director, the number of directors being increased from eight to nine. Charles W. Ward is another new director in this bank. State Attorney Robert A. Lawrence retiring. Four national banks and one trust company held their annual meetings yesterday.

LAY OFF MORE MEN

Newport Concern Have But Few Men Working Now.

Newport, Jan. 15.—The Frost Veneer Seating company has been obliged to lay off another set of men. This time 15 were sent home which makes about 60 that have been laid off since the first week in December. Prosky & Miller have been obliged to shut down their mill near the round house. This firm now has only one mill running out of three in this place, and that one is working but eight hours a day.

COLDEST DAY THUS FAR

Enosburg Had The Weather Down To 18 Below Today.

St. Albans, Jan. 15.—The coldest winter of the season was registered in northern Vermont this morning. At St. Albans it was ten below; at Enosburg 15 below and at Richford 16 below.

INDEPENDENT 'PHONE MEN

Held Enthusiastic Meeting at Plymouth, N. H.

Buchanan Re-Elected

Independent Lines of Vermont and New Hampshire Are Gaining and Will Soon Make an Invasion of Boston.

Plymouth, N. H., Jan. 15.—A large delegation of managers and directors of the independent telephone lines of Vermont and New Hampshire assembled here yesterday for the sixth annual convention of the Vermont and New Hampshire Independent Telephone Association. The session is for today and headquarters are at the Penikese House.

The convention was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the president of the association, H. W. Buchanan, who gave an address of welcome. Following him, E. B. Seelye of Boston gave an instructive and entertaining talk of "The Future of the Telephone Business." Other addresses were delivered by Dr. O. D. Eastman of Woodsville, N. H.; Herbert L. Moore of Barton's Landing, Vt.; John P. Pickett of Bradford, Vt., and S. H. Couch of Boston.

For over three years constructing engineers have been at work drawing plans for the invasion of Boston and its surrounding cities by independent systems. Plans for construction in Springfield and Worcester are already on paper. Just east of Woodsville, an in-operation about Boston it is the present plan of the independent companies to make the connecting link to Portland, Me. There connection would be gained with the Northeastern independent company, working some 6000 phones at Portland, Lewiston, Lisbon, Lisbon Falls, Gorham, Phillips, Hangeley and other smaller places.

At the present time there are 35,000 independent telephones installed throughout New England, that number being 10,000 in excess of the number said to have been operated by the Bell company 21 years ago.

The success of the meeting is due in a large degree to the work of Fred C. Gleason of Warren, manager of the Baker's River Telephone Company, and the following officers: President, H. W. Buchanan of Barton's Landing, Vt.; vice-president, O. D. Eastman of Woodsville, N. H.; secretary and treasurer, Lena M. Owen of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and D. L. McQuire of Albany, Vt., of the executive committee.

TO RUN INTO MONTPELIER.

Union Telephone Company Plans to Get Connection There Next Summer.

The annual meeting of the Union Telephone company was held at the town hall in Cabot Saturday, January 11. The meeting was well attended and was very harmonious. The officers were all re-elected for another year, being as follows: President and director, O. E. Barrett; vice-president and second director, A. E. Wilbur.

FIRST BEATING AT HOME.

Brattleboro Lost to Fitchburg Team Last Night.

Brattleboro, Jan. 15.—The Washington Guards of Fitchburg did the trick last night, and the Brattleboro Athletics were beaten for the first time this season on their own floor, the score being 43 to 32. The Athletics led through the first period, but the visitors got their winning margin in the second. The Athletics made a game finish, a change in the line-up improving the situation. Two more evenly matched teams have not met in Brattleboro in a long time.

STILL WINNING.

St. Johnsbury Basket Ball Team Took a Game at Haverhill.

Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 15.—The St. Johnsbury basket ball team won from the Haverhill team at city gymnasium, 53 to 25. The Vermonters took the lead early and were never headed.

MIDDLEBURY LOST \$10,000 BY FIRE TODAY

Annex to Hotel Allen Destroyed With Several Other Buildings—Hotel Guests Routed Out in the Night.

Middlebury, Jan. 15.—Fire destroyed property to the amount of \$10,000 in the center of Middlebury early this morning, starting in some unexplained manner in a blacksmith shop, owned by L. O. Allen, which, together with a harness shop, a carriage shop and the Hotel Allen annex, was destroyed. The fire was discovered at two o'clock.

There were twelve guests in the hotel annex and thirty in the main part of the hotel, which was 20 feet away. The main building was saved by hard work, as were several residences near by, and those in the former lost most of their personal effects. The annex was built two and a half years ago, and will be rebuilt next spring, as will the other buildings.

WATERBURY'S TWO VICTORIES.

First Team Defeated Hyde Park and Second Essex Junction.

Waterbury, Jan. 15.—Waterbury A won two first games of basket ball last evening in village hall. The first was taken from Hyde Park, 25 to 21. The line-up:

Waterbury: Hyde Park. Carpenter, r. g. 11. E. Foss Kramer, r. g. 11. E. Foss Kramer, r. g. 11. E. Foss Kramer, r. g. 11.

CANDLE PIN LEAGUE OPENS.

Amalgamated Team Took First Match from the Cosmopolitan.

The City candle pin league opened last evening with a match between the Amalgamated, and the Cosmopolitan teams, with the latter winning by a score of two to one. J. T. Averill is captain of the former and W. Trenoweth of the latter. The Amalgamated leader rolled the highest single string of the evening, 90, and Trenoweth and Kenefick were tied for three-string honors at 27 each. This evening Capt. Jones' team and the Italian Pleasure club bowl.

The score: Cosmopolitans. Trenoweth 81 01 95-274 Dombrakiak 74 75 75-236 Nute 72 79 85-236 Creed 82-84 88-254 Corcoran 72 87 90-249 Totals 381 416 433-1237

Amalgamated. Smith 86 73 88-247 Wishart 88 75 90-232 Kenefick 94 88 92-274 Averill 77 87 90-263 Frazer 78 81 93-252 Totals 423 404 441-1268

THIRD SERIES OPENED.

With Cribbage Victory for C. O. F. Team Over Manchester Unity.

The third series of the Interfraternity cribbage league was opened last evening with a contest between the Catholic Order of Foresters and the Manchester Unity Odd Fellows, which the former team won by a five to three score. A match will be played this evening between the Red Men and Clan Gordon.

Last evening's play by tables was as follows: Tierney and Nichols, C. O. F., defeated Murray and Ritchie, M. U.; Nichol and LeClair, C. O. F., defeated Cruikshank and Halverson, M. U.; White and Murley, C. O. F., defeated Leith and Craig, M. U.; Griffin and Broderick, C. O. F., defeated Oliver and Parker, M. U.; Willey and Taylor, C. O. F., defeated Joll and Parker, M. U.; Paulsen and Kennedy, M. U., defeated Fitzgerald and McLeod, C. O. F.; Smith and Beagrie, M. U., defeated McNulty and Keefe, C. O. F.; Grahn and Bresset, M. U., defeated Burke and Loranger, C. O. F.

EASY FOR SCHOOL BOYS.

Goddard Defeated Company H Last Night, by 32 to 19.

The Goddard seminary basket ball quieted a rather easy time last night, defeating the Company H team on the latter's armory floor at Montpelier, the final score being 32 to 19. Spaulding, Goddard's new man, kept up his record by throwing five baskets from the floor and three from fouls.

The summary: Company H. Spaulding, f. g. 11. Payne Heath, f. g. 11. Baswell Hepp, r. g. 11. Wilkinson Hepp, r. g. 11. Crapo Horan, f. g. 11. DeCollaines Goals from floor, Spaulding 5, Heath 2, Heidel 3, Berry 3, Harrison 1, Crapo 1, DeCollaines 1, Wilkinson 3, Baswell 1; fouls, Spaulding 3, Wilkinson 6; umpire, Gauthier; referee, Parks; time, 20, 15 and 10-minute periods.

SHOWS GOOD GROWTH.

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BURLINGTON'S EFFORTS TO GET INDUSTRIES

Told at the Annual Meeting of the Burlington Commercial Club Last Evening.

Burlington, Jan. 15.—At the annual meeting of the Burlington Commercial club at the Van Ness home last night, the secretary, F. B. Houston, reported that during the year he had sent out 400 circular letters to industries seeking a location and had entered into correspondence with the heads of 20 of them. He offered a site and exemption from taxation, but no cash bonus. He did, however, offer to the H. J. Bertoli Granite company of Montpelier the sum of \$1,000 to help defray the expenses of moving to Burlington. But Mr. Bertoli had decided not to accept and built a new plant at Montpelier.

TO CLAIM A FORTUNE.

C. Vogini Leaves To-morrow for Italy to Get His Share.

C. Vogini leaves to-morrow for Italy to claim his share of the fortune of \$40,000 left by his uncle to be divided between three nephews. Mr. Vogini has been employed as a stone cutter here, and was married about a year ago. His wife and their child will remain here, as he will return in the spring.

SENATOR AGAIN PRESIDENT

W. P. Dillingham at Head of Waterbury National Bank.

Waterbury, Jan. 15.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Waterbury National bank was held at the banking rooms yesterday morning. The following directors were chosen: W. P. Dillingham, M. C. Canery, J. W. Moody, J. F. Shipman, L. C. McMahan and W. B. Clark. W. P. Dillingham was elected president and M. C. Canery, vice-president.

CONFIRMED TROLLEY SALE

United States Court on Mt. Mansfield Deal

No Objection Was Offered to Transfer on Mortgage Foreclosure Sale to A. H. Soden of Boston for \$22,500.

In addition to the supreme court and the court of claims, which went into session in Montpelier yesterday, the United States court convened this morning in the federal building on State street, presided over by Judge James L. Martin, with F. S. Platt, clerk, and H. W. Bailey as marshal. The only matter to come before the session was to hear objections to the ratification of the sale of the Mount Mansfield electric railway to A. H. Soden of Boston for \$22,500. Mr. Soden bought the road at a mortgage foreclosure sale a few weeks ago.

No objection was offered to the sale of the railroad, and so the court entered confirmation of it. Judge Martin gave a hearing in the Pavilion hotel parlors yesterday on the A. P. Sweet bankruptcy case, which was recently heard before referee Frank E. Miles in bankruptcy court at Newport, and in which there has been an appeal to the United States district court. The exemption of a homestead is involved.

ADJUDICATING CLAIMS

Vermont's Special Tribunal For That Purpose Meeting in Montpelier.

The Vermont court of claims is in session at the State House in Montpelier. Among the new claims presented are the following: The town of Brandon asks for \$107,75 for its share of the State educational fund, which it did not receive because of a petition, filed and submitted to the State superintendent of education. James M. Dodge of Lunenburg, a deputy sheriff, presented a claim for \$2 for assistance rendered a detective who was employed by Governor Proctor in collecting evidence against E. F. Colburn of Lunenburg, who was later arrested for arson.

Silas G. Blake of Carthage, Mo., wants \$91 for State pay in the Civil War. Edward McAvoy of Burlington put in a claim for \$168 for a similar service, and Riley Randall of Blue Springs, Neb., presented a like claim for \$46.

Lyndon Academy of Lyndon did not receive \$146.23, its share of the educational fund, because of a clerical error, and it comes to the court of claims to reimburse it.

The town of Northfield presented a bill for keeping a patient at the State Hospital for the Insane when the patient should have been there at the expense of the state.

The court to-day allowed the claims of the town of Brandon and Lyndon academy for the full amount named above; also the claim of St. Albans Town for the return of \$307.71 for the commitment of Mabel McCullum, an insane pauper in the state insane asylum. The claim of E. H. Brownson for remittance of a fine was dismissed.

In the case of the town of Northfield, Judge Plumley was disqualified from sitting on the case, because he is a citizen of the petitioning town.

DEPARTMENTS MAKE REPORT

Of Work Done in City Government Last Year

Street Department Has Expended \$20,862.62—Overseer of the Poor Shurtleff Gets Commendation at the Hands of Charities Committee.

Ten annual reports of city departments and committees were accepted at the meeting of the Barre city council last evening and will be published in the forthcoming city report. The other annual reports will be received at the next meeting. All the members were present last night, except Alderman Thurston.

The street commissioners reported that \$20,862.62 had been spent out of the appropriation of \$20,900 for their department. They had given 112 permits to dig up the streets to the various companies having wires or pipes in them. They recommended the repairing of the North Main street sewer between Beckley and Sixth street and that the road there be macadamized; also that Washington street be surveyed and bounds set to the town line, with resurfacing of that portion from Spaulding school to Richardson street.

The committee on charities and corrections, in its report, commended the work of the overseer of the poor, O. D. Shurtleff, of Mr. and Mrs. Goss, the caretakers at the city farm, and of Dr. Duffy, the city physician.

That the ordinances have been revised and adopted, an action recommended in several previous years and never done, was the report of the committee on legislation.

Nine applications for street lights and five new lights installed, reported the lighting committee, making a total of 165 arc lights now in use. The expenses of this department have increased on account of the permanent street lights last year were as follows: for streets, \$4,653.79; public buildings, \$1,093.80; fire station, \$174.62; sidewalks, \$11.75.

Besides stating that the legislature of 1906 was justified in permitting the doubling of poll tax inventories, the city assessors, in their report, commended the appraisal of the city was \$3,757,835, the personal estate appraisal \$528,201, the number of polls 3,273, the total grand list \$4,931,236, and the amount deducted for personal accounts \$1,286,659.57.

The trustees of the cemetery funds reported a surplus of \$246.84, from which two bases on accounts had been drawn, one for one cent and the other for eight, leaving a net surplus of \$246.75.

No new litigation has been started by the city during 1907, stated the city attorney, and the only matters in which the city is a litigant are the water cases, the Stafford & Holden suit against the city and the paving assessment case as to the city's right to assess for permanent street betterment, in connection with which some of the Main street abutters procured an injunction to restrain the city from selling property to satisfy the assessment.

The chief of police reported a total of 501 arrests by his department, during the year, with anticipation arrests leading with 323 cases, followed by breach of the peace cases 88. The list has already been published in this paper.

The streets superintendent reported that parts of South Main, Washington and Brook streets had been laid with permanent roads and Central and Beckley streets had been graveled. The total expenditure on streets was \$20,862.62, divided as follows: expenses of streets \$7,998.82; permanent work, \$3,844.29; sewers, \$1,700.08; surface sewers \$2,478.61; sidewalks \$2,922.72; bridges and culverts, \$1,883.57.

Covering his work for nine months, the city engineer made a very complete report, going into the minute details of his department. He told of the surveys made, drawings filed and the other matters incident to the office.

Other Acts of the Council. A few minor acts were done by the council, in addition to hearing the annual reports. Warrants for the weekly pay roll were drawn as follows: street department, \$108.69; water, \$43.48; fire, \$73.89; police, \$71.16. A departmental appropriation resolution for the remainder of the year was adopted, and a petition for a street light near School street was dismissed.

In the matters of complaints presented by Harvey Hershey regarding alleged damage to his property by city officials, the water committee reported that city repaired the leak in the Hershey water system caused by an unusual wrench on a shut-off, and that the matter of alleged digging up water gates be dropped. The report was accepted.

"BOB VEAL" LAW GETS WINGS CLIPPED

Supreme Court Holds That Shipment of Flesh of Calf Under Four Weeks Old Outside State Conflicts With Interstate Law.

The Vermont "bob veal" law has been declared by the supreme court of the state to be null and void in so far as it relates to shipping the flesh of a calf under four weeks old out of the state and keeping with intent to ship out of the state. The law came into court in the case of State vs. Fred Peet of Shelburne, who was indicted for having in his possession such so-called "bob veal" to send out of the state.

Judge Watson's opinion holds that that part of the law which relates to the shipment out of the state is in conflict with the interstate commerce law. Judge Tyler dissents from that opinion. The indictment against Peet, however, falls flat.

Other decisions of wide interest are as follows: Town of Brookfield vs. Charles H. Bigelow, et al., from Orange county. This case came to supreme court on the decree of the chancery dismissing the bill against the defendant. Mr. Bigelow was treasurer of the town of Brookfield, and the town authorities attempted to collect from him \$983.35 uncollected taxes. The opinion by Judge W. H. Taylor held that the court below did not err in not holding the defendant liable for uncollected taxes. The decree of the chancery dismissing the bill was affirmed, and the cause was remanded.

Judge Munson read an opinion in the Windsor county bankruptcy case of Mattie M. Reynolds vs. Herbert A. Hassam. The judgment of the lower court in favor of the plaintiff was affirmed, and the petition of the defendant for a new trial was dismissed with costs.

In the Windsor county case, in re estate of Alice Howard, George C. Brockway, administrator, J. E. Cushman, commissioner, in which the payment of an inheritance tax on property outside the state was involved, Judge Watson read an opinion in which the judgment of the lower court in favor of the tax commissioner was affirmed with costs to the estate, the same to be certified to the probate court.

The Orleans county case of United States of America to the use of the Stantstead Granite Quarries company, vs. the United States Fidelity & Guaranty company, was entered settled and discontinued.

BARRE SAVINGS BANK OFFICERS' ELECTION

Ben A. Eastman Re-elected President, and George B. Milne Made Vice-president—Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon.

At the annual meeting of the Barre Savings Bank and Trust company yesterday afternoon, the following directors were elected: Ben A. Eastman, George B. Milne, E. W. Blake, M. E. Howland, W. G. Reynolds, B. H. Wells, Homer Fitts and F. G. Howland. At a subsequent meeting of the directors these officials were elected:

President, Ben A. Eastman. Vice-president, George B. Milne. Treasurer, F. G. Howland. Assistant treasurer, C. V. Lease. The financial year of the institution ends March 1.

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SMOKED PIPE OF PEACE

And Did Full Justice to Corn and Venison, Did the Red Men.

The chiefs of Iroquois tribe of Red Men were raised at the regular council fire, which was held at their wigwag last evening. The chiefs who were raised to their positions by deputy great sachem, Eldest of Wachuset tribe of the hunting grounds of East Barre are as follows: sachem, Alex. Ironside; senior saganore, Ira E. Wright; junior saganore, Robert Wright; prophet, A. J. Schneider; chief of records, George C. Cooper; collector of wampum, George Cooper; keeper of forest, W. Brodie; first sump, Alfred Henry; second sump, W. M. Walker.

The pipe of peace was smoked at the conclusion of the installation and all of the braves did full justice to the repast of corn and venison which was served.

INSTALLED PASTOR OF BERLIN CHURCH

Rev. Donald Fraser, Graduate of Edinburgh University, Formally Leader of Congregational Flock.

The installation of the Rev. Donald Fraser as pastor of the Congregational church at Berlin was held there yesterday afternoon and last evening. A council of clergy was held, and the pastor