

civil service.

— In evening M. Pearce, J. P. Dennis, D. W. Davis
M.P., A. C. Webb & I chatted away several hours.

Tuesday 12
Snowy

Attended Board meeting, we have five candi-
dates 3 for D.S., 1 on the limited ca. offer the
higher ca. — J. J. Dalton appeared before
the Board at the morning session with coun-
sel. As the Department (Prosecutor) has no coun-
sel the case was adjourned till tomorrow. —
The rest of the day was spent with ca. papers.
A. C. Webb & I dined lunch with W. F. King
meeting at his house beside his wife his mother
and sister Carrie.

The evening I spent reading the first no. of the
National Geographic Magazine.

Wednesday 13
Cold

Attended Board meeting, & the day was occupied
with the case of J. J. Dalton, the only witness ex-
amined during the day being John Vicas, who was
a little too wise & fresh & hence hurried & blun-
dered & made a poor witness. —

W. F. King & W. P. Olive (the latter I had not seen since
he returned from the Yukon) dined lunch with
with A. C. Webb & me. Yesterday ^{King} requested me to
write a letter to the Survey General (upon the
understanding hereby by the V. G.) of my opinion
of Olive's capabilities of making astronomi-
cal observations as it appears that Dr. Selwyn
Director of the Dept. Survey upon the advice of
Dr. Dawson has stated to the Minister that
Dawson that not much reliance can be
placed in Olive's work. — (Olive's
work having been the survey of the Yukon in
Canada, observations for the international
boundary the meridians & survey of the
Mackenzie river) The Gov. Gen. seems to