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NORTH BAY GETTING READY NOW FOR HOCKEY

"In time of baseball, prepare for hockey" is North Bay's motto. The North Bay Hockey Executive has called a meeting for this (Wednesday) evening, to which meeting all in the Bay interested in hockey are earnestly invited. The intention is to elect the new officers for the North Bay Hockey Club and to start in now energetically and actively to prepare for next season's hockey. An early start is half of the battle and by preparation now the North Bay Hockey enthusiasts may get such a hockey fervour under way as to surprise the natives. Other towns in the North Land might do worse than copy North Bay's plan. The "last minute" organization in any case has repeatedly been proven to be far from the most satisfactory.

HUDSON BAY FACTOR DIES AT THE AGE OF 96 YEARS

Last week there passed away in Montreal, at the great age of 96 years, Colin Rankin, a Hudson Bay Company pioneer in Northern Ontario and for several years a resident of Haileybury. Referring to his long and busy life newspaper despatches say:—

"Born in Nova Scotia, Mr. Colin Rankin entered the service of the Hudson Bay Company at the age of 19 and spent many years with the Company, becoming chief factor of this district, with headquarters at Mattawa. Later he was appointed a Police Magistrate, and during his term in that capacity, he lived in Haileybury.

During Mr. Rankin's earlier days with the Hudson's Bay Company, he was associated with the late Lord Strathcona, and was one of those chosen to accompany King George, then Duke of York, on a canoe trip over the Lachine rapids. He was a man of great physical courage, injured to all the hardships of pioneer life and was at one time a familiar figure on the Ottawa river, making many trips up and down by canoe in the early days. He was a personal friend of the late C. C. Farr and Mrs. Farr, the founders of Haileybury.

Mr. John I. Rankin, who was manager of the Haileybury branch of the Bank of Ottawa, in the early days, is a son of the deceased.

The late Mr. Rankin is survived by a widow, three sons and four daughters. The funeral took place at Mattawa last Friday.

MINGA SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED ON THURSDAY

Mr. John Power's fine new boat, "The Minga," was duly launched at about 2.30 p.m. last Thursday in the presence of the Mayor of Mattagami Heights and other leading citizens of that thriving metropolis. Owing to the recent scandalous action of the Province in voting "dry," the launching was done without the once customary ceremony of champagne and flowers and fair women taking part. In other words, the launching was a rather dry affair, a prosaic, ordinary business event, simply a getting of the boat into the river like moving a building from one site to another. The Minga, however, reserved all the honours that any beauty might win. The Minga is one of the finest and best equipped boats ever coming up to the North Land. It is 67 feet over all, and very handsomely equipped and furnished. It was originally completed from special designs and specifications for the Massey-Trebles of Toronto. Mr. Frank Callahan, the well-known Toronto barrister, purchased the handsome Minga from the Massey-Treble estate and Mr. Power bought it from Mr. Callahan.

The Minga will replace the Steamer Agnes burnt last year. The Minga should certainly be popular as a passenger boat. Generally, the boat is specially well arranged and furnished, while the cabin is particularly large and well-appointed, being steam heated by a small coil system and everything else for comfort and appearance being looked after. The engine in the boat was specially designed for the Massey-Trebles and is some thing special. Adjoining the cabin there is a toilet with hot and cold water, wash basin, etc. Another special feature of the boat's equipment is the little kitchen fitted with all modern conveniences for cooking for parties using the steamer. The Minga has a fine promenade deck and will accommodate many more than the Agnes. It will be reserved for passenger traffic only, and as it has all the modern comforts and conveniences for the traffic it should be a popular institution on the Mattagami River this year.

The population of Sudbury is now 9,098, according to the figures of the recent town assessment. The assessor also gives the total assessment of Sudbury as over \$5,400,000.00.

COURT SITTINGS TO BE HELD AT COCHRANE

Attorney-General Raney of the Farmers' Government has been at least one of the Cabinet to retain in his mind a fact about the North Land. Someone had informed the Attorney-General that at present Haileybury is the only court centre in this North Country for judicial purposes apart from the police court and the division court, and that this fact means that this is a great injustice to large numbers of people in this end of the North Land. East and west of Cochrane, for instance, people have to travel over 300 miles to the nearest court centre, and the conditions are only a little better for Timmins and Iroquois Falls and other important centres. Attorney-General Raney has remembered this and last week introduced a bill in the Legislature to provide for court sittings to be held at Cochrane.

"CHUCK" HENRY REFUSED CARD BY ONTARIO A. A. U.

The meeting of the Registration Committee of the Ontario Branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, as held last week in Toronto, is of more than passing interest to sport-lovers in this district. The Committee refused the application for the re-instatement of "Chuck" Henry, and confirmed the expulsion of the four men reported by the Northern Ontario Hockey Association. In the case of "Chuck" Henry, who was under the ban for being an alleged "tourist" in baseball, additional evidence was brought forward to make a case against him. There was a "Chuck" Henry pitched for Timmins in the last three baseball games with Iroquois Falls last year, but travellers and others have suggested that this was only one of the two "Chucks." According to this idea the "Chuck" Henry that was here last year would not be the one suspended. Baseball fans here would be pleased to think so, for the "Chuck" Henry that pitched here was some pitcher, as he plainly showed when he made his showing in that thirteen-innings game here when Woodgate, the Toronto expert, pitched for Iroquois Falls. Nevertheless, amateur sport must be conducted according to the rules and regulations or amateur sport will suffer, and even the most skilled of players must abide by the rules and regulations or suffer the consequences.

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