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This Season.

Hon. Harry Mills, Minister of Mines in the B. & R. Government of Ontario, has at last let it be known that his plan to discriminate against the mining industry by unjust burdens of further taxation has been abandoned by the Government for the present session. One Toronto newspaper referring to the matter says that the certainty of the bill arousing the most bitter opposition in view of the depressed condition of the mining industry forced the Government to consent to the dropping of the extra taxation clause of the bill in order to make an early adjournment possible. The iniquitous suggestion that the mining industry should be taxed out of existence simply because the Government needed the money and the farmers did not want to pay their share of taxation has certainly roused great opposition from the men of the North Land and from all others who believe in something approaching a square deal. Before the measure could have been passed through the Legislature it certainly would have met with the bitterest opposition from all understanding either the North Land and its needs and possibilities or those who think that some sort of decency and justice should be shown to all. The Government was no doubt influenced by the fact that it would take a lot of time and effort to pilot such an evil measure through the Legislature. And in the meantime, the Government is anxious to get back to the farm to see about the spring plowing and the spring calves. The men of the B. & R. Government have been running such crooked furrows themselves recently, metaphorically speaking, that they are mighty suspicious that the hired men will be running the same kind of twisted lines back on the farm unless the bosses are back at home to watch them. So the farmers are hurrying things to a close at the Legislature, so as to get back

to the farm and the hens and the bull that never turns on them.

For some time past it has been expected that the increased mining taxation would not be carried out this year. Neither the Minister of Mines nor the Premier who is said to be the real author of the villainous proposal showed the justice of announcing publicly the dropping of the absurd and hurtful suggestion until considerable harm had been done to the mining industry and so to the North Land and to all of Ontario. Considerable outside capital has been frightened away by the proposed evil and senseless discrimination proposed. The effect of the proposed increased taxation may be measured to some extent by the amount of capital coming into the North Land mining during the last few weeks when it was understood that the B. & R. Government had decided not to proceed with the increased taxation clause. But much harm had been done before the investing public learned that the mining industry was not to be further punished by outrageous discrimination without reason or justice. The financial men had been impressed with the peculiar attitude of the B. & R. Government. They saw that attitude as a direct threat against the mining industry. There are so many hazards in the mining game that if the threat of practical confiscation be added to the other risks the game is scarcely worth while. Men will not take a chance unless they have a chance. Under proper legislation and sound common sense, the mining industry can bring great prosperity to the Province. It can give noteworthy profits to investors; it can give material revenue to the Province; it can build up communities, strengthen industries, and stabilize trade and commerce. All the mining industry asks is a fair square deal, and if the Province gives that, Ontario will never have cause to regret it, and this Province will reap a rich reward in dividends, in men employed, in important industries established and carried on, in general trade and business created.

The B. & R. Government of Ontario would do well, and justly, if it would officially announce that the proposed tax increase, not being founded on either sense or justice, is dropped not only for this session but for all time.

BROKE INTO JAIL AND
HAD A COMFORTABLE SLEEP

That a man should deliberately break into South Porcupine jail, sleep there peacefully and apparently conscience-free, get up bright and early in the morning and fix the lock on the jail door, and then come in on the train to Timmins and walk direct to the police station here and tell Chief Greer all about it,—all that sounds a bit queer. Yet it is an absolute fact. A man did all that last week. Reaching South Porcupine in the "wee sma' oors" of Thursday morning, he was a little surprised to find the Provincial jail all closed up tight. He forced an entry, had a good sleep, though a short one and then came over on the early morning train to Timmins. Chief Greer wouldn't look him up here even after hearing the story. "We're full-up as it is," said the Chief, "and anyway I'm very particular in picking my prisoners. I want to maintain the reputation of the Hotel de Greer for the right type of customers, all hand-picked. A man who would break into a Provincial jail might break out of a town jail. If you're bound to break into a jail, you'll have to break into some other jail than this."

Magistrate Atkinson heard about the breaking into the jail at South Porcupine, but though inclined to be severe on those who break out of jail or break into other places, he did not think it necessary to be harsh in this case. "He will go back to South Porcupine jail himself," he suggested. And so the man did. He has been there much of his time since. He usually sleeps there at nights. But now particular care is taken not to lock him out. Apart from his liking for sleeping in a jail, the man is a shrewd, level-headed, clever sort of good fellow, respected by everybody. Outside of this one crime of jail-breaking he never has been known to break a single law or do anything that wasn't fair and square and upright. His name is Walter Moore and he is employed by the Provincial Government—as a police officer. As Mike says, "How do you do!"

Watch for the programme for the Big Day of Sports at Timmins on May 24th.

WAWAITIN FALLS MAN
NOW SUPT. AT TWIN FALLS

In the last issue of The Broke Hunter, Iroquois Falls' own newspaper there appears the following item which will be of general interest to readers in this district:

"John Crause, who has been in charge of the Northern Canada Power Co., at Wawaatit Falls, Ont., for the past three years, is now installed at Twin Falls in charge of the Power Plant there. He is an electrical engineer of wide experience. Mrs. Crause is at the hotel and will move to Twin Falls next week."

NORTH BAY TIMES TALKING
OF SEMI-WEEKLY AND DAILY

The last issue of The North Bay Times is all printed at North Bay, instead of part being printed in Toronto as formerly. The Times, in a front page announcement also states that it intends to issue a semi-weekly edition in the near future with the intention of eventually having a daily paper. During the past few months, under new management, The Times has improved considerably and apparently intends to keep on progressing. The North Bay merchants, however, will have to show a much larger support in the way of advertising patronage before a semi-weekly will be possible as a paying proposition, not to

NEW UNION STATION
NORTH BAY

Effective May 1st, all Canadian National and Grand Trunk and Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway trains, with exception of Nos. 17 and 18, will operate to and from Canadian National Railway Station, North Bay. This centralizing of railway service will eliminate transfers and greatly facilitate the handling of passengers and baggage between all points.

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