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DELIGHTFUL OLD LAND HALLOWE'EN CELEBRATION

Caledonian Society of Timmings Spend Original and Enjoyable Evening.

The Halloween At Home in the Oddfellows' Hall on Saturday evening under the auspices of the Caledonian Society of Timmings was one of the most successful and enjoyable Halloween events in the district. There were over eighty guests present and one and all entered into the spirit of the occasion and had a braw time. A large number came in masquerade costume and all were in their old clothes in deference to the "treacle scene" and some other old land features.

The President, Mr. M. B. Scott, called the meeting to order, when it was promptly moved, seconded and carried unanimously that the regular business of the Society be deferred to another meeting and the special business of celebrating Halloween be proceeded with. The programme then opened with a rousing rendition of "The Auld Scots Sangs," by Mr. J. Cowan. Then followed dancing, included the ever-popular "Duke of York," "Dooking for Apples," "Champed Tawties," "The Treacle Scene," "Forfeits," "Blind Man's Buff" and other Old Country games, pastimes and social pleasures. Mr. Downie, in costume, gave a solo that brought enthusiastic encore. Mrs. M. B. Scott and Mrs. J. R. Todd favoured the gathering with a duet that was a delightful feature of the evening. The gathering was also indebted to Miss Giffin, Mrs. J. K. Moore and Mr. W. H. Wilson for a plentitude of the best piano music during the evening. All present enjoyed the evening, and all, young & old, entered with the greatest zest into the pleasures provided for the evening. A pleasant lunch was served and the evening closed with "Auld Lang Syne," in which Master Willie assisted greatly in the accompaniment. Those in costume added much to the evening's fun, the masquerades being most amusing and doing much to bring about the general jollity and sociability that made the evening such a pronounced success.

THE WHITE "CHINAMEN" TO HAVE BIG TIME FRIDAY

It was the famous Joe McGraw who decided that the "Orientals" must just naturally be "Chinamen," and so persists in referring to the local Oriental Lodge in that way. Probably, it is this fact that makes the Orientals in their original invitations to an At Home insert the following paragraph: "Statistics show that less than a third of the world's population is white, and only ten per cent. act that way. If you are an Oriental you belong to the white ten per cent." To which Joseph will likely reply that the trouble in Ireland will never be settled so long as white men talk this way.

But, even Joe will admit that the invitations referred to are some original invitations. Printed on a broadside of golden-rod paper, and with much humor and originality, they tell of an At Home to be given by Kara Sanatorium, No. 153, Oasis of Timmings, Sahara of Ontario, to the Sheiks and Tribesmen and Visitors. "Ladies stay at home with your children," is the advice on these extended invitations. "We never sleep, but we eat like our ancestors, who swung from the limbs of trees by their tail," is another comment.

The invitation itself is given in the following verse:—
Sheiks and Tribesmen one and all,
Drag your carcass to the Oriental Hall.

We'll serve you Huliya good and hot,
Dished right up of—you know what.
Plan right now and Hurry! Hurry!
If wifey objects, we should worry.
It's November 4th, and all Night long
Remember the date; you can't go wrong.

"We are going to play Progressive Euchre and Cribbage," says the invitation, "so bring your own cards and board—we won't steal them. A tobacco counter will be there for our guests,—don't be bashful, help yourself,—we get it for nothing."

Reference is also made to a batch of home brew that fell so flat that it requires crutches to support it, and caused deep sorrow in the young one of one of the Tribesmen.

The invitation is signed by Jake Elu Gurnell, Collector of Shekels; M. Dinty Moore, Registrar, and Rattlesnake Eddy, Grand Hyastyttee.

Undoubtedly, the Orientals are going to have a big night of fun and social joys in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Friday evening of this week, Nov. 4th.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT JEAN RIDDEZ CONCERT

Baritone of Paris Opera, and Gifted Pianist and Violinist Provide High-Class Programme.

On Friday evening the New Empire Theatre was filled with lovers of high-class music gathered to hear the concert given under the auspices of the Altar Girls' Society of the R. C. Church. The artists of the evening were M. Jean Riddez, of the Grand Opera of Paris, M. J. Robert Talbot, violinist, and M. Pamphile Langlois, pianist. Jean Riddez proved to be a baritone with an unusually fine voice of much power and range and perfectly controlled. In addition he put a wealth of feeling and expression into his singing and this gave his selections a special significance. The violinist, M. Talbot, showed himself an artist of much merit and his selections were greatly enjoyed. The pianist, M. Langlois, both in his piano-forte solos and as an accompanist, was strikingly effective. The selections given by M. Riddez would no doubt have made a much more general popular appeal if more of them had been in English, for, although the audience found delight in the beauty of the voice and the music, there is always an added interest when the appeal of the words of a song may be understood. During the evening M. Riddez sang three songs in English, in two of these having violin accompaniment in addition to the piano. "The Land of the Sky Blue Water" was especially attractive and appealing in its harmony and beauty of setting. The programme throughout was a high-class one and the singing of M. Riddez, the violin playing of M. Talbot and the piano playing of M. Langlois all were a delight to the lovers of music who had the privilege of hearing them.

DIED WHILE PREPARING TO MOVE FAMILY TO TOWN

A very sad incident occurred last week in town when the dead body of Mr. Wm. Cuthbertson was found on Saturday last in one of the new Hollinger houses into which he had been preparing to move his family from the East. The late Mr. Cuthbertson had been employed at the Hollinger Mine here and had been arranging to move his family here. He had secured a few days' leave of absence from work so that he could get the house all ready for the family. The family was expected to come here this week. Last week Mr. Cuthbertson was working around the house getting things ready. He had the stove placed ready to put up when he passed away. It would appear that after working at the stove he was seized with heart trouble and fell over to rise no more, the body being stretched on the floor near the stove. The body was found by a man visiting the new houses to warn them against the attempted use of the sewers before the connections were made. Coming to the house taken by Mr. Cuthbertson, he entered to find the dead man on the floor near the partly erected stove. Dr. Moore was summoned at once, and after examination found an inquest unnecessary, death being due to natural causes. The late Mr. Cuthbertson was a man about 50 or 60 years of age. From letters in his possession, his wife and family reside in or near Eganville, Ontario, but no details are available up to the present. A telegram was sent to his wife, but up to the present no response has been received. The Hollinger Mine, as is usual in such cases, is doing everything possible and making all efforts not only to get in touch with the relatives of the deceased employee but also to make matters as easy as possible for them. In the meantime the body is being held here at Mr. J. T. Easton's undertaking parlors. It is understood, from remarks dropped by the deceased that he expected his wife to come here this week. From the condition of the body when found and other evidence it is believed that the man was dead maybe three days when discovered. Neighbors had not seen him for about four days, but naturally had thought that he was away from the house, perhaps away to accompany his family here.

The fire brigade had a call Monday a few minutes after noon, and made their usual record response. The call was due to danger of a fire, rather than actual fire, the cause of the alarm being overheated stovepipes at Mrs. Dewar's, Third Avenue. No damage was done and no loss sustained.

HOLLINGER TO TEST WEST SHININGTREE PROPERTY

Drilling and Other Exploration Work Being Carried On At Present.

Last week a party of men went in to West Shinningtree to test out the merits of a property near the White Rock claims. This week Mr. Anderchuck with his diamond drilling outfit and some further men went in to work on the property. A campaign of exploration work is to be carried on to test out the merits of the property, the Hollinger having taken an option for this purpose. Diamond drilling will be a special feature of the work, and it may be taken for granted that the property will be well tested out, and if it has the goods early development may be expected. In entering the West Shinningtree field the Hollinger is simply following out the policy adopted of putting back some of its surplus in the development of other mines in the North Land. On more than one occasion Mr. A. F. Brigham, General Manager of the Hollinger Consolidated, has expressed his belief that there are "other Hollingers" in this North Land, and the Hollinger is evidently willing to do what it can to assist in their discovery and development. When asked this week about the West Shinningtree case, Mr. Brigham said the property was simply being tested out as to what its possibilities might be. "The Hollinger is going to put part of its surplus into the development of North Land properties, but you may rest assured that there will not be a cent for any wildcats," he added.

CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE FOR RIDING HAS RESIGNED

Reason for This Action Not Publicly Known, But Thought it Maybe Pressure from Ontario Government.

Word was received in town to-day (Wednesday) that Mr. E. E. Sheppard, Liberal-Conservative candidate for the riding has given his resignation to the Executive. It is not known at present publicly the exact reason for the resignation but the public is inclined to connect it with Premier Drury's recent statement as to all Ontario Government employees being forbidden to take any part in election contests. Mr. Sheppard is a conductor on the T. & N. O. Ry.

A meeting of representatives of the party has been called for to-day at Haileybury to deal with the matter. It is thought likely that the choice for candidate will be Mr. Kennedy, lumberman and farmer of New Liskeard.

FIVE HUNDRED PEOPLE WATCH GUNMAN IN TIMMINS

"Gunman in town!" was the startling warning on handbills distributed in Timmings last week. With all the reports of the work of gunmen in the "civilized" part of Ontario, holding up banks, stealing autos, murdering citizens, and escaping from jails, it was only to be expected that the men of this "uncivilized" North Land would be frightened to death at a gunman being right in town and boldly advertising himself. Accordingly in the past few days fully five hundred men have found out where the gunman was located and have paid him a visit. Even the police went and viewed this gunman at work and were interested in his evident skill and knowledge.

The gunman in question is Mr. Fraser, Canadian agent for the Birmingham Small Arms Co., makers of guns and accessories. He has been giving a demonstration of the products of the firm he represents in the George Taylor Hardware Co. store. Mr. Fraser, who served on the western front in the Royal Air Force, has the control for Canada of the products of the Birmingham Small Arms, the greatest manufacturers in the world now of guns and ammunition. The demonstration has been attracting literally hundreds of people to the Taylor store, and Mr. Fraser has created the greatest interest among hunters and others in this district, as well as proving beyond question that he knows his subject thoroughly. Last night a shooting gallery was arranged in the store and practical demonstration given of the guns in action.

Mr. W. D. Cuthbertson, Inspector of Taxation, Department of Finance, Ottawa, is in town this week in connection with income tax matters.

EVENING CLASSES START TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

Opportunity Again Offered in Timmings for Improvement to Education.

Evening Classes will be held again this year in the Public School at Timmings, commencing on Tuesday evening, Nov. 8th. These classes were held here last year and proved very successful and helpful. The classes are held under the auspices of the Timmings Board of Education, and offer an unusual opportunity to many for advancement and improvement.

This year there will be classes for the non-English speaking; classes in Sewing and Domestic Science; classes in Stationery Engineering, Machine Drawing, Electricity, Mining and Milling; and classes in Shop Mathematics and Arithmetic. The fees are only nominal, \$3.00 per term in advance. Mr. C. S. Carter, Principal of the Public School, will be at the school each evening to receive registrations and will be pleased to give full particulars to any enquirers.

GETTING READY FOR THE HOCKEY SEASON IN TOWN

Messrs. Art. Keeley and Charles Sheehan are taking charge of the Basketball in town to get the hockey boys in the pink of condition for the approaching season. Interest in hockey is keen here this year and with a good team in view, an early start, and good training, a good season's sport may be confidently expected.

PRESIDENT OF REBEKAH ASSEMBLY VISITS CAMP

Mrs. Carrie E. Watson, Assembly President of the Rebekahs, from St. Thomas, Ont., paid her official visit to Timmings Lodge on Thursday last, Oct. 27th, when Kitchener Lodge of South Porcupine and Gold Nugget of Timmings held a joint meeting for her inspection. The degree was conferred on a class of four candidates by Gold Nugget lodge, after which the President gave an inspiring and instructive address on the work and duties of members. This was followed by speeches from D. D. Pres. Sister Wilson, also Past Presidents Mr. H. Boyle, Mrs. P. Smith and W. Skelly and many other members of the Order. Sister Wilson, D. President, then made a presentation to Mrs. Watson on behalf of Kitchener and Gold Nugget Lodges, to which the President made suitable response. Immediately after lodge closed the members numbering over 70, sat down to a luncheon of salad, sandwiches, cake, tea and coffee. The President was well pleased with the work done in the lodges, and declared her reception one of the most pleasant and sociable she had received. On the following morning, Mr. R. Richardson kindly motored the President to South Porcupine, the Dome and around Timmings on a sight-seeing tour which she very greatly appreciated.

DEATH OF MOTHER OF THE LATE BENJ. HOLLINGER

Last week the Pembroke Observer made the following reference to the death of Mrs. John Hollinger, mother of the late Ben. Hollinger, who staked the now famous Hollinger claims now a part of the property of the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines:—

"After an illness of about a month death came peacefully yesterday to an aged Pembroke lady, Mrs. John Hollinger, at the home of her son, Mr. Anthony Hollinger, Mary street. Mrs. Hollinger's illness was brought about by the infirmities of age and her death was expected. She had reached the age of seventy-four years and was born in Cornwall, her maiden name being Sarah E. Sutherland. Her marriage to the late John Hollinger, whose death occurred in Pembroke in 1912, took place at Ogdensburg about forty-five years ago. A few years later they came to Pembroke, residing here for about four years, and then they moved to Point Alexander, where they lived until they returned to Pembroke some twelve years ago. One son, the late Ben. Hollinger, discoverer of the famous Hollinger mine, died two years ago, and three sons and two daughters survive as follows: Charles, C.P.R. conductor, Schriber; John and Mrs. W. E. Richardson, Haileybury; Anthony of Pembroke, and Mrs. W. E. Hill, of Lynn, Mass.

The funeral will take place from her son's residence to-morrow (Friday) morning at 8.45 to St. Columba's Cathedral and the R. C. cemetery.

TURNING OF THE FIRST SOD ON T. & N. O. SPUR

Premier Quotes Queer Figures to Show the North Land As a "Helpless Girl."

The formality of turning the first sod on the proposed T. & N. O. extension to Oil Can Portage, some 70 miles north of Cochrane, took place on Friday of last week at Cochrane. It was a great day for Cochrane, there being about 2000 visitors there for the occasion. Most of these visitors no doubt were attracted by the cheap rates on the railway for the occasion, the return fare being only one cent per mile. This was just fine. But— Well, when the T. & N. O. is asked to give special reduced rates for other big events in the North Land, such as hockey matches, etc., the invariable reply is to the effect that the Canadian Passenger Association will not allow such things. It is fine that the Canadian Passenger Association does actually allow the railway to do as it likes every time the Premier turns a sod with a silver trowel.

On Friday last thirteen cars from North Bay and five from Timmings and Iroquois Falls carried to Cochrane the crowds for the big day. The Mayors and the Presidents of the Boards of Trade of all the neighboring towns were specially invited to Cochrane for the day. Other special guests included Mr. R. A. McInnis, President of the Associated Boards of Trade; Mr. Geo. W. Lee, Chairman of the T. & N. O. Commission; Commissioners Martin and McLaren of the T. & N. O.; the President of the Toronto Board of Trade; and Hon. E. C. Drury, Premier of the Province of Ontario.

Upon arrival in Cochrane the special guests were welcomed by the Board of Trade in a pleasant banquet event, at which a number of stirring speeches were made extolling the North Land. One Cochrane speaker stated that the hub and metropolis of Northern Ontario had now moved to Cochrane. A North Bay speaker referred to North Bay as the Toronto of the North Land. Mayor John Ferguson, North Bay, suggested "From Bay to Bay" as a slogan instead of "On to the Bay." Other speakers at the luncheon included:—Mayors W. A. Taylor, of New Liskeard, N. J. Mc Aulay, of Haileybury, Dr. J. A. McInnis, of Timmings, and John Vanier of Iroquois Falls; R. A. McInnis, President of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, Angus McDonald, Member of Federal House for Temiskaming, Mac Lang, Member for Cochrane in the Provincial House, Dr. J. B. McDougall, and Geo. W. Lee, Chairman of the Commission, and Premier Drury.

After the luncheon, in the presence of over 3000 people, after introductory remarks by Mr. Arthur Stevens, President of Cochrane Board of Trade, Premier Drury formally turned the first sod on the proposed extension to Oil Can.

Then came a meeting at the Empire Theatre, presided over by Mayor Ivy. At this meeting the Premier was presented with a silver spade as a souvenir of the occasion. Mayor Ferguson of North Bay, Chairman Lee, and Commissioners Martin and McLaren, and President Alderson of the Toronto Board of Trade, made brief addresses. Mr. Otto Thorming, editor of The Northland Post, was also very properly honored for his unceasing and effective publicity work for the extension project. He was presented with a silver shield and an appropriate address. Then following Premier Drury, who, having tried the matter out on Iroquois Falls the evening before and gotten away with it because the Falls people are famed for their kindness to visitors, launched into a diatribe against secession talk which he and his Government by their neglect have done so much to increase and foster. The Premier said that the North Land could go, he supposed, if she desired, but if she left Old Ontario, she would go as a "more or less helpless girl." On the side it may be remarked it would be better thus than to go later as a "penniless old woman," and with the fleching of resources and liberty that is what faces the North Land if the present ways continue. The Premier quoted figures which he asserted showed the revenue from and the expenditures for the North Land. The following are the figures as credited to Mr. Drury:—

"Game and Fisheries supplied \$524,000 and \$301,000 was spent. In the Attorney General's Department—from fines mostly, O.T.A., the revenue was \$169,000, and the expenditure on administration of justice was \$352,000. From the Mines there was \$1,000,000 revenue, of which one tenth was spent.

3858 TONS PER DAY THE HOLLINGER AVERAGE

Over 108,000 Tons Milled in 28-Day Period Ending Oct. 28th.

The big Hollinger Mine continues its steady and remarkable production. Official figures show the average daily production for the 20-day period ending October 28th to have been 3858 tons. For the last week of the period the production totalled 27,004 tons. From these official figures it will be seen that the total production for the 28 days runs over 108,000 tons of ore milled.

The Hollinger management believes in a policy of progress and development and in the highest efficiency. The mine is ready, even anxious, to expand. The present tonnage can be slightly increased without material changes in equipment, but for the expansion that is desired, enlargement of the mill will be required, and before this can be undertaken assurance of a full supply of power for the increased needs would be absolutely essential. The Hollinger has in mind a material enlargement of the mill so that lower grade ore may be efficiently dealt with and the last ounce of gold retrieved from the ore. For this a full and adequate and continuous supply of power is absolutely essential. It was because of this that the Hollinger asked the Government for the water power lease at the Long Sault. Granted such water power rights, the Hollinger would develop its own power for its own increased needs, and remarkable expansion of the gold industry, very largely increased employment, & noteworthy benefit to all the North Land in particular and the Province in general would be the result. If the Government is interested in the development of the North Land's greatest industry, it should consider and re-consider the power question until a method is found to leave the Hollinger to proceed with its programme of growth and expansion.

The Lands and Forests provided a revenue of \$2,450,000 and there had been spent on fire protection and other matters in connection with these natural resources, \$2,794,000. Education had cost \$735,000, dams and bridges \$403,000. Agriculture had provided a revenue of \$9000 and there had been expended \$110,000. The total revenue from all sources in New Ontario for 1920 was \$4,642,000, and the expenditure for the same year had been \$5,624,000. These figures, he said, were prepared from the official records for 1920, and the dividing line adopted between Old and New Ontario was the French River."

It will be noted, again he said on the side, that the figures credited thus to Premier Drury as being the figures for expenditure, when totalled reach less than the total he gives by about a million dollars, but what's a million between friends. Also it will be noted that the figures in some cases are apparently misleading and in other cases, well, worse. But, no doubt, if faced with the report Mr. Drury can say that the "wind" twisted what he wanted to say, just like another of the Farmer politicians, (Hicks, wasn't it?) excused himself when he was credited with suggesting wholesale bribery in the Legislature. If the Premier, however, permits the figures to stand as quoted, explanations will be in order all right.

The Premier is also reported as saying that the real prosperity of the North must depend on her forests. He asked the co-operation of the settlers and the large industries in the preservation of the forests. He thought the T. & N. O. a sound business proposition. The railroad would open up large agricultural areas and large wood pulp areas, and there was the prospect of the development of valuable mineral properties. He saw room for two, perhaps, three, pulp mills, with absolutely certain agricultural prosperity and a possible large development of mining. He made reference to the possibility of a hundred thousand people between Cobalt and Cochrane and the possible benefits of Country Organization at least for the territory along the railway.

During the "celebration," Chairman Lee and the T. & N. O. Commissioners came in for deserved commendation from many quarters.

Iroquois Falls Band delighted the people at Cochrane with the good music furnished during the day.

There were a large number from Timmings and district at Cochrane on Friday and all speak highly indeed of the hospitality and enterprise of the Cochrane people.

Mr. T. E. Quinn, of Cobalt, was a business visitor to town this week.