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## BOARD OF TRADE TAKE UP IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Road Question Considered. Expansion Of Town Discussed. Other Matters Referred to.

There was a fair attendance at the meeting of the Board of Trade on Monday evening and many important questions were discussed. President H. Webb occupied the chair and all present showed a lively and enthusiastic interest in all questions coming forward.

After discussion, it was decided to ask the Town Council to change the by-law so that the weekly half-holiday this year will be on Thursday. On account of Wednesday being Hollinger pay-day, and Tuesday being too near the week-end holiday, it was felt that Thursday was the only suitable day for the half-holiday.

The Roads question was up for lively discussion. There was general agreement with Mr. Len. Newton's suggestion that a prime necessity was more money for roads. Resolutions were passed calling on the Government for improvement to local roads and for the completion of the highway to Porquis Junction.

Dr. McInnis and Mr. H. Laidlaw brought up the question of the danger of the bridge over the Frederickehous at Connaught being swept away with consequent serious loss and inconvenience to many industries and people there and injury to the whole district. It was decided to send a wire to the Federal Government about the matter.

Messrs. Ostrasser and Pierce brought forward the question of a better landing dock on the Mattagami, emphasizing the business importance of the river traffic, etc. The matter is to be taken up at once with the Government.

The Ontario Government is to be asked to have a thorough geological survey made of the Porcupine area.

Mr. Chas. Pierce presented a resolution boosting for a "Greater Timmins." This resolution pointed out that it is apparent there will be a great deal of activity in mining and other business here this spring and the Town of Timmins should grow very rapidly. The Town has already outgrown its boundaries, and to encourage further development and accommodate the growing population, the resolution suggested that the Town Council be asked to pass a resolution declaring that it is expedient that parts of the adjacent Township of Tisdale be annexed to Timmins, the area to be annexed to include Moneta, Rochester, Timmins Heights Townsites, Mattagami, and the Bartleman, Porcupine Crown and Vipond claims. Further Mr. Pierce's resolution required the officers and members of the Board of Trade to attend the public meeting on Tuesday and boost for a Greater Timmins. This resolution brought forth much discussion, the feeling being generally in favour, though many thought that taking in the Crown and Vipond was perhaps going too far afield. The discussion naturally centered around the annexation of Mattagami which is at present before the Town Council. Councillor Len. Newton and Mayor McInnis referred to the general advantages from fire protection, health, education and other viewpoints from a united town. Councillor T. F. King put the question very clearly. The Town at present, he pointed out, was practically built up. There were the outside sections, all a part of the town in nearly every way but name, but the Town received no revenue from them and had no control over them. "The question to my mind," Mr. King said, "is the Town to selfishly sit still now, or it is to follow its destiny and expand along right lines." Others speaking to the question were Messrs. Ostrasser, Pierce, and Laprairie. "We are all one town in heart," said Mr. Pierce, "so let us be one big town in reality and work to make Timmins a city." Mr. F. M. Wallingford did not like the continued emphasis placed on sanitary conditions in Mattagami. "We are by no means a bunch of Indians," he said, proceeding to point out that it was because Mattagami was seeking the best possible conditions that annexation was sought to provide the same in the most economical way and with advantage to all concerned. In acquiring Mattagami he thought the Town would be getting a noteworthy asset. The area to be annexed had an assessment of \$375,000.00 according to Mr. Macpherson, the town assessor, who had just assessed Mountjoy for school purposes. Such an addition to the town assessment meant increase in revenue and also increased borrowing power. On the other hand Mattagami

## SCHEDULE FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION THIS YEAR

Sanitary Inspector Issues Notices Of Importance to All Household.

It has long been recognized that for the best results from the garbage collection system, citizens generally must co-operate to make the plans work smoothly. Last year a regular route was laid out for regular cleaners of garbage, and a similar plan is adopted this year. Any citizens who have any complaints regarding the system should bring them to Sanitary Inspector Roy at the police station. Last year the system worked with general satisfaction, and it was found an easy matter to adjust any difficulties when all concerned were reasonable and only desirous of the general good. This year the Sanitary Inspector has issued notices asking all householders to kindly note the following:—The scavenger will call regularly as follows:—Every Monday and Tuesday at all places lying in the block between Cedar and Spruce streets and Second and Fourth Avenues. The first and third Wednesday and Thursday in each month, at all places lying in the block between Cedar and Hemlock streets and Fourth and Sixth Avenues. The first and third Friday in each month, at all places lying in the block between Cedar and Elm streets and Fourth and Sixth Avenues. The first and third Saturday in each month, at all places in the section usually known as the Hollinger new townsite. The second and fourth Wednesday and Thursday in each month, at all places in the block lying between Cedar and Elm streets, and First and Fourth Avenues.

The by-law and contract call for the removal of night soil, house garbage and tin cans, which are to be in barrels or boxes that one man can handle. No ashes, chips or paper to be included in above. Barrels or boxes to be put in convenient places for removal by the scavenger. By observing these rules in the matter the householder will assist in the work of keeping the town healthful and sanitary without undue expense.

## MIKE DOWNEY PROGRESSING FINE TO RECOVERY

According to word from Toronto this week Mike Downey is making excellent progress to recovery and will be as well as ever in a few weeks. On April 3rd, Mike fell from the roof of the Reed block to the ground below, a distance of 45 feet. Both legs were broken, but the lad was not injured otherwise. Under special treatment at Toronto Mike is recovering rapidly and will soon be none the worse for his terrible experience.

## MR. LORANZO DEPATIE PASSES AWAY ON MONDAY

At 45½ Second Avenue, Timmins, on Monday of this week, April 17th, the death occurred of Mr. Loranzo Depatie, a well-known and highly esteemed resident of the district for some years past. The deceased has been in the Porcupine for some nine or ten years past. Recently he had been ill and spent some time at Hailybury and Ottawa hospitals for treatment. Death was due to tuberculosis.

The late Loranzo Depatie was about 32 years of age and was born in St. Pierre (Wakefield), Quebec. His father and mother both died some years ago but three brothers and two sisters survive. The brothers are Messrs. Albert, Selim and Sam. Depatie, and the sisters, Mrs. St. John and Mrs. Mallette. To these the sympathy of all will be extended in their loss.

The funeral took place this (Wednesday) morning at 9 a.m. from the R. C. church, interment being made in the R. C. cemetery.

would get many needed things without unnecessary overhead expense as would be required under separate organization. Police protection, fire protection and lights could be given at once and water as soon as the Town installed its new main. The annexation he thought was to the general advantage.

"I cannot see one good argument against the annexation of Mattagami," said Dr. McInnis.

The resolution was then passed by overwhelming vote.

On the suggestion of the Mayor, the next meeting of the Board of Trade will be a Smoker at the Goldfields, the date to be announced later.

Mrs. R. P. Teare and children returned last week from a visit to Thornhill and other southern points.

## HOCKEY COMMITTEE TO INTERVIEW THE MINES

Meeting to Lay Plans for Next Season, to be Held This Week.

At the annual meeting of the Porcupine Hockey Club held on March 20th, it will be recalled that a Committee was appointed to interview the Mines of the District with a view to explaining the situation and assuring a successful hockey season next year. The general opinion of the annual meeting seemed to be that if the matter were placed fairly before the Mines the fullest co-operation and support would be assured. To this end the Committee was appointed with the idea of having an early interview with the Mines of the district. Owing to the absence of some of the mine managers during the past few weeks it has been necessary to defer the proposed conference from week to week. However, the Chairman, Dr. McInnis, assures The Advance that the meeting is being arranged for this week and the whole question will be gone into thoroughly. The Committee appointed to interview the Mines was as follows:—Dr. J. A. McInnis, H. J. Marshall, W. Dodge, H. Laidlaw, A. Brazeau, Chief Borland, J. R. Todd, Dr. Kirkup, E. J. Meyers, R. O'Neil, G. Adams, Dr. Brown and Alex. Gillies.

## GRAND EUCHRE AND BOX SOCIAL THURSDAY NIGHT

A Grand Euchre and Box Social will be held on Thursday evening, April 20th, in the K. of C. Hall, under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity. No one should miss this event. Events by the Ladies of Charity are always enjoyable and successful and the event Thursday evening will no doubt be up to the usual high standard.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE AT FUNERAL OF JOHN SELINSKY

The funeral of the late John Selinsky, of Cedar street, took place on Friday afternoon last and was very largely attended. There was a brass band in attendance and a long line of carriages, as well as many walking. The funeral took place to the R. C. Church, interment being made in the R. C. cemetery. The late John Selinsky died in Sudbury hospital from blood-poisoning. He was a resident of Timmins for many years and was well known, especially among his Russian fellow-countrymen. He had conducted a boarding or rooming house and a poolroom on Cedar street for some years. He is survived by a widow resident in Timmins.

## HON. BENIAH'S PRIVATE CAR DELAYS THE TRAFFIC

Hon. Beniah Bowman, Minister of Lands & Forests, achieves fame every once in a while in one way or another. And usually his fame has nothing to do with the conduct of his department. Certainly, if devotion to the North Land and courage in looking after the interests of this country were his only passports to fame, then he would be a youth to fame unknown and then some. But Hon. Beniah does every once in a while get a marked degree of notice. Once it was on account of all the relations he could get into a private car on a train of the North Land. Another time it was because his deputy could make such clever excuses as to why the settlers should not have the protection of the Government. Last week, again, Hon. Beniah Bowman was again in the lime light. On Friday his private car was the cause of a marked delay in the service on the main line of the T. & N. O. Hon. Beniah's private car was on the train from Toronto and at Swastika the Minister of Lands & Forests wanted his car switched off. The performance took some three-quarters of an hour and hundreds of other common, everyday people, passengers on the train, were delayed and inconvenienced. But what is a little delay between friends. Hon. Beniah is not a bad sort. He means well at any rate and if it were not for Drury he likely would do something for the North Land. In addition it may be noted that Friday was not the first occasion when the T. & N. O. was delayed by an accident.

While Max Kert was in Toronto for Easter and Phil Kert attending the Papermakers' Ball at Iroquois Falls, robbers entered the Kert Drug Store at Ansonville on Monday evening and made a rich haul, getting about \$1000 in cash, some cheques and a valuable diamond ring.

## PORCUPINE PENINSULAR INSTALLING WIRELESS

Work on Property Shows Most Encouraging Results. Apparently Large Body of High-grade.

At present the Porcupine Peninsular Mine in the Night Hawk Lake area is busy sinking to the 300 and 400 foot levels. Everything is going well and the results obtained are excellent, to put it mildly. Soon the summer work will be under way. This will include an extensive plan of diamond drilling and the prospecting thoroughly over the whole property. The gold showings have been traced over a length of over two miles. On this two miles of length results have been most pleasing wherever work has been done. For instance, at the 200-foot level where work has been in progress the vein is 20 feet wide of ore running very high grade. Sampling has shown a very consistent mineralization through all the workings, with high-grade ore in evidence all along.

The Gold Island claim of the Porcupine Peninsular Mines was the first claim to be recorded in the Porcupine area. It is claim No. 1 on the records. It looks as if it might safely be referred to as a No. 1. The formation at the Gold Island claim is red porphyry similar to Kirkland Lake. The other claims of the Porcupine Peninsular are of typical Porcupine type, very much like the Porcupine Crown, for instance.

The Porcupine Peninsular is keeping right to the front and right up-to-date. At present arrangements are under way to install a Radio Wireless to bring the property in full touch with the outside world. Entertainment and news features, church services, etc., will be secured for the men at the Porcupine Peninsular while the Wireless will also serve business uses.

## POWER OFF TUESDAY A.M. THROUGH BAD "GROUND"

The Power was off throughout the town on Tuesday morning, due to a bad "ground." Before the trouble was located, all the power had to be shut off, but it was possible to put on parts of the service again almost immediately and around noon the trouble had been definitely located and remedied and the full service was again put on.

## YOUNG LADY CHOPS OFF A TOE WHILE USING AXE

Last week while chopping some kindling wood, Miss Agnes Roxborough met with an unfortunate accident. The axe turned or slipped, the blade striking the front of her foot and practically severing the big toe. Medical aid was hastily summoned, but the young lady will be laid up for two or three weeks from the unfortunate accident.

## CONDITIONS ON NOON TRAIN TO BE REMEDIED

Last week Mr. Vincent Woodbury wrote Chairman Geo. W. Lee of the T. & N. O. calling attention to the undesirable conditions in connection with the noon train from here, and enclosing the article in The Advance last week in connection with the matter. This week Mr. Woodbury received reply from Mr. Lee concluding words to the effect that immediate attention was being given the matter and if conditions were as stated, they would be remedied at once.

## FIRE ALARM BOX BROKEN BY SILLY CRIMINAL

Monday morning at an early hour some criminal fool destroyed the fire alarm box at the corner of Pine street and Fifth Avenue, near the church corner. From clues left behind it would appear that the act was done by some drunken wretch who used a big rock to do his senseless and dangerous work. The biggest part of the alarm box was knocked off the post, and the alarm from this box put out of commission. Officer Grenier heard the noise of the breaking of the box, but it was difficult to locate the exact spot, the sound apparently coming from the new hospital. When the broken alarm box was discovered there was no sign of the senseless criminal who had thus destroyed valuable property also at the risk of endangering life. The fire alarm system is a very important part of the town's plans for protection to life and property from fire. A new box was installed this week and effort will be made to locate and make an example of the fellow responsible for this destructive and dangerous act.

## ANNEXATION FAVOURED BY PUBLIC MEETING

Gathering Tuesday Evening Goes On Record as in Favour of Expansion Of Timmins.

The outcome of the public meeting of ratepayers called last evening in the Old Empire Theatre was the passing by almost unanimous vote of a resolution favouring the expansion of the Town and specially endorsing the annexation of Mattagami. Out of about 40 present, only three voted against the resolution and one of these three was a Mattagami man. The whole question was thoroughly discussed from all angles, and two facts at least seem to be perfectly clear. First, the district seems to be a unit in desiring the legitimate expansion and growth of the Town of Timmins. And second, the people of Mattagami thoroughly understand the situation and know exactly what they may expect, and they are contented with this, as their most economical way to proceed to better themselves. At the meeting last night, probably half those present were Mattagami people, but the representatives of the Town included delegates from the Board of Trade as well as some heavy taxpayers. The largest individual taxpayer of the Town was present and strongly in favour of annexation. Apparently the Mayor was justified in suggesting that the meeting indicated that the Town was in favour of the proposed expansion.

Dr. McInnis, the Mayor, in opening the meeting referred to the Town's need for expansion. He reviewed again the detriment to the Town's interests in having outlying sections, really a part of the Town, yet not under any control by the Town. For the advantage of this community it was surely expedient to have a systemized plan of regulation in fire protection, buildings, business, schools, sanitary matters, etc. The school question was particularly important, as economy in education demanded a much more concentrated effort.

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## T. & N. O. RECOMMEND POWER FOR HOLLINGER

Ample Power in North for T. & N. O. And All Other Uses.

The conference last week in Toronto between the Government, the T. & N. O. Railway Commission, the Abitibi Power & Paper Company and the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, in regard to the power situation in this part of the North Land resulted in one important advance at least. The T. & N. O. Commission, in view of the plans to electrify the railway, had naturally desired that there should be sufficient power rights reserved for them to fully meet their needs for the electrification of the railway. After a thorough study of the power sites of the North, together with reports from their engineers, etc., the T. & N. O. last week agreed that there was a plenty of possible power available for all purposes. The Commission apparently were of the opinion that there was ample power facilities available for the T. & N. O. needs, for the Abitibi Power Co. and for the increased needs of the Hollinger, and the granting of the application of the Hollinger was recommended. It is apparently now up to the Government to move in the matter. The matter of ample power for the increased needs of the Hollinger is a question of vital importance to the whole North Land. The prosperity and progress of this North Land is bound up with the progress and prosperity of the gold industry and the advance of the gold industry practically resolves itself into a question of ample power. For the development and expansion of the Hollinger Mine the first requisite is a surety of ample power. For the past two years the Hollinger has realized this so keenly that they have been ready to spend a large amount of money to guarantee their needs by developing their own power. In the power situation so far as it relates to the mining industry it should be remembered that minimum power supply is the prime factor. Considering minimum supply alone, even the extended power available through the Power Company in the Camp may reasonably be expected to be fully used by the present mines of the district and the new properties likely to open up. With the granting of power rights to the Hollinger the Government would automatically assure ample power to this promising area. It still appears to be up to the Government.

## I.O.O.F. GRANDMASTER VISITS TIMMINS LODGE

Grand Secretary and Other Notables At Pleasant Evening Here On Tuesday.

The official visit of the Grand Master, Bro. W. J. Hamilton, to Timmins Lodge No. 459 last night was made the occasion for a delightful banquet and a most enjoyable social evening. The Grand Master was accompanied by the Grand Secretary, Bro. Wm. Brooks, and Bro. E. Forbes, D.D.G.M., was also among the distinguished visitors.

After the work of the Lodge, there was a very pleasant banquet, with a most attractive menu and a delightful programme of speeches and musical and literary selections. The banquet was prepared by the Rebekahs and its excellence was an added laurel in the crown of the ladies of the Order who have won an enviable reputation in this line. At the banquet there were over ninety Oddfellows present as well as about forty Rebekahs. The toast list was remarkable for the high quality and interest of the addresses called forth, attractive humor, often with a special local significance, being a feature of practically all the speeches. Bro. R. Richardson, the Noble Grand, was toastmaster and filled the duties of the office in a very capable way that showed (to borrow his own words) that he is equally "as smooth as Bill Smith and needs no easy hardware job." In his usual effective way Bro. W. H. Pritchard proposed the toast, "The Grand Lodge." The responses to this by the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary were eloquent and inspiring, lightened with the right touch of humor. "District No. 59" was capably proposed by Bro. W. G. Smith, and effectively responded to by Bro. E. Forbes, D.D.G.M. Bro. A. Borland, Sr., in a neat speech proposed the health of "The Ladies," and the response of Bro. J. A. McInnis, M.D., was particularly pleasing and interesting.

The selections by the Oddfellows' Orchestra were excellent numbers and delighted all, while solos by Bros. W. G. McHugh, A. Snow, and J. Cowan, and a recitation by Bro. Lainsbury were also very pleasing features of the programme and much appreciated.

A special feature of the evening was the presentation to the Grand Master of a gold nugget paper weight, Bro. W. G. Smith making the presentation on behalf of the Lodge.

During their stay in town the distinguished visitors were shown through the Hollinger mill and mine, and were much impressed with the Town of Timmins and its progressive spirit.

## REMANDED TILL CALLED UPON ON VAGRANCY CHARGE

At last Thursday's police court Magistrate Atkinson remanded the case of Albert Joldet until called upon, and the defendant was accordingly, allowed to go. He was facing a charge of vagrancy. Evidence given at the trial was to the effect that while he wandered around town quite a bit, there was no harm in him in any way and he would not be likely to be a charge on the town. He was arrested on Tamarack street two or three Sundays ago after an effort had been made by some one to enter a house on that street. The police being sent for, found Joldet wandering around and as he did not give satisfactory account of himself and had not apparently adequate means of support, he was taken in charge. His friends, however, gave a pretty good account of him at the court, and so his case was remanded until called on, and he was accordingly freed.

## IROQUOIS FALLS PLANNING TO ESTABLISH MARKET

The question of a site for a market in Iroquois Falls came before the Council of that town last week. The site has been approved by the Board of Trade of the Falls and District. The Council also approves the site but no arrangements were made for erecting a building until the Government showed a definite decision in the matter of the Monteith Road. Mayor Vanriar announced that his information was that though \$7,000 had been spent on the bridge across Meadow Creek, that the road itself was not on the list of works to be done this year. The Falls Council passed a strong resolution to be sent to Hon. Beniah Bowman in the matter of having the Monteith Road completed at the earliest possible moment. To this end the co-operation of Calvert, Val Gagne, Monteith, Matheson and other towns and townships is to be enlisted.