

# BOARD OF TRADE WILL KEEP AT T. & N. O. For Better Train Service--New Ontario Day Supported--Secretary Proctor Resigns

The South Porcupine Board of Trade at their ordinary meeting last Thursday had before them a number of matters bearing in an important way upon benefits for the town and also Northern Ontario as a whole. Under the chairmanship of President Joy those present were Messrs. Morgan, Brown, Fairbairn, Henry, Fuller, Wayman, Cook, Whiteside, Kennedy, White, Morrison and Hinks with H. A. Proctor in the secretarial chair.

It was reported that a communication had been received from the Cobalt Board of Trade asking if the Porcupine Board were taking any steps in regard to New Ontario Day which was proposed for Toronto. A wire was sent in reply on the instructions of the President and a number of members to the effect that this Board were favorable to the project.

Following this, the Secretary had received another communication from Cobalt saying they had only South Porcupine's reply which was favorable and as other Boards had turned down the idea they did not think it would be wise to take the matter up.

Before this question came up for discussion by the Board a wire was delivered to the President at the meeting from the Secretary of the Associated Boards of Trade saying that an executive meeting was to be held on Friday afternoon, the 14th, at Haileybury and desiring South Porcupine to send a representative.

President before calling for a vote. "To tell the truth I am not in favor of either of these motions. I do not think we are getting justice from the Railway Commission. We are entitled to the platform we ask for and a better train service and we will not get it until we go strongly for it. I would be willing to take the position of getting in wrong rather than be sat on this way. I don't believe we can injure ourselves to any extent or can be any worse off than we are at present."

Continuing the speaker said he believed in going after the Commission and saying plainly they were not carrying out their promises to the Council of the Township they made a year ago and to the committee appointed at that time in regard to the station. They promised that in a short time things would be changed and be more favorable. It was perfectly ridiculous that the majority of the people using the trains every day should have to walk the distance they had to reach the station or their homes.

"It is a matter which certainly ought to be rectified," concluded the President, "and it seems to me that while the Commission has the habit of putting this important matter off we cannot lose anything by going right after them."

The motion and amendment were withdrawn and it was decided that the Executive Council of the Board take up the matter.

### TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

"Has anything been done about the establishment of a town telegraph office?" asked Mr. Whiteside.

The Secretary—I understand the matter is in the hands of the commission now and they are just about to let a contract for a building in the town.

Mr. Brown—A few days ago they applied for the deed of the lot and never got it.

The Secretary—I think you can rest assured the work will be carried out as soon as the deed is received.

### NEW FIRE ALARM.

The report of the special committee, Messrs. Joy, Morgan and Cook, to wait on the Township Council regarding a fire alarm was received and adopted. This stated that the Council were going to erect a bell and would expect the firemen to pay whatever they could towards the cost and the Council would be responsible for the balance. Regarding the question of where the bell should be placed the President remarked that as timber was so plentiful probably a lot could be secured in a central place and four sticks erected to hold the bell. Mr. Morgan had promised to furnish the timber if they could get the lot.

Mr. Brown—Well, I would furnish a lot for it.

### A LATER TRAIN.

The question of the early morning train to the south was one brought up by Mr. Brown with the suggestion that the T. & N. O. Commission be asked to arrange for this to commence an hour later. His contention was that this could be done and the train arrive at the points below Iroquois Falls at the same time as now because of time which was lost at present and made up easily.

Before any action is taken the Board will wait and see what developments take place in this respect when the morning train starts from Timmins which, it was stated, might be July 1st, and the likelihood then was that a later start would be made from South Porcupine.

### CLOSE MAIL LATER.

The possibility of having the mail collection closed at the post office later than was at present the case was brought forward by the President. It seemed to him that six o'clock in the evening was the worst possible time to close the mail when it was remembered that the incoming mail was often not obtainable till it was too late to answer correspondence that same night.

A little discussion followed and on the motion of Mr. H. A. Proctor it was decided that a committee be appointed to wait on the postmaster and endeavor to obtain some arrangement as to closing the mail later, the motion being seconded by Mr. Cook and carried.

### THE HOSPITAL.

In answer to a query by the President as to how matters stood in regard to the South Porcupine hospital Reeve Cook explained that the Township were waiting for the money from Toronto. They had not yet selected a board of governors, but it was desired to secure two or three

## Settlement In Northern Ontario

The throwing open of a number of new townships for settlement in Northern Ontario is an encouraging indication of a prosperous future for that interesting region. These townships are in what is commonly but misleadingly called the clay "belt"; it is really an immense area of alluvial land, easily arable, and made exceptionally and enduringly fertile by the presence of lime in the clay. There is no more fertile country in the world, the prairies of the Mississippi and Red River Valleys not excepted.

It is of little practical use to put up the land in these townships for sale unless roads are constructed to make them accessible. A considerable part of the five million grant of last session should be devoted to the opening up of the country by means of colonization roads. It should be borne in mind that the land is not free-granted, but sold to settlers, and that the Government can, therefore, well afford to spend the revenue on good permanent highways. These cannot be too speedily cleared of the growing timber to the full width, so that the sun may get a chance to dry up the superfluous moisture retained very persistently by the spongy humus. The sun is the most effective of road-makers.

The land should be sold on condition of actual settlement, and the condition should be rigidly enforced. It is unfair as well as inexpedient to allow any land to be held for more than a reasonable time without being occupied. The presence of unoccupied bush lots in a settlement throws extra burdens on the settlers in the way of making roadways, building schools and churches, and promoting the municipal organization of the community. It is adding insult to injury to constrain the pioneer settler to contribute by his hardships to the unearned increase in the value of the non-resident owner's land.

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mine managers on that body. They were expecting to hear from Toronto every day on the question.

The President—I understand the location has been settled.

Mr. Cook—Oh, yes, that has been settled.

The President—No action by this Board, therefore, can affect the question.

Mr. Morgan gave notice that at the next meeting of the Board he would make a motion that if any of the members of the Executive Committee were absent for three consecutive meetings of the council and could not give a good reason for their absence the Board would have power to declare their seats vacant.

### SECRETARY RESIGNS.

The meeting was just about to conclude when somewhat of a surprise was sprung upon the majority of those present when Mr. H. A. Proctor, the honorary secretary, announced that he wished to tender his resignation from office and asked the Board to elect some one in his place that night.

The President—We are very sorry to hear this. Mr. Proctor has been a very efficient secretary. He informed me what he was going to do but I thought he had forgotten it.

Eulogies were paid to Mr. Proctor on the excellent way he had carried out his duties and he was urged by the meeting to reconsider the matter.

"I have definitely decided," replied Mr. Proctor, "and very much regret it is necessary to resign, but it is most emphatic and I would like the Board to take action tonight."

Eventually Mr. Proctor agreed to allow the resignation to go into force at the next meeting, when a motion to this effect was made by Messrs. Cook and Fuller.

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