

COLONIZING EXPERIMENT OF TWO TOWNSHIPS

A Syndicate Obtains Terms From the Government as to Ownership and Settlement

Under an agreement with the Provincial Government, Mr. Willis K. Jackson, a lumber merchant of Buffalo, and his associates are to pay \$98,364 for as many acres of land in the townships of Haggart and Kendry, in Northern Ontario, and will forthwith clear the land, establish saw mills, and bring settlers into the district. It is also provided under the agreement that at the discretion of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines improved farms will be prepared, which are to be sold at a price to be named by him.

"One of the most important features of the arrangements," explained Hon. Mr. Hearst, "is that the purchasers must commence within 90 days from the date of the agreement and complete with all reasonable despatch a permanent saw mill, planning mill, sash and door mill, and all necessary buildings and houses in connection therewith, such plants and buildings to cost at least \$70,000, and it is stated by the purchasers that they will cost much more than this. The erection of these mills will accomplish the two-fold object, namely, furnish a market to the settlers for their timber right at their doors, and also furnish abundant lumber and all kinds of finished building material not only for the settlers in these townships but for other settlers in that locality.

The settlers of the north country know something about colonizing by means of private enterprise. The career of one such company that worked overtime on the timber and forgot to "settle" the land did not make colonizing in that fashion at all popular. The Government in entering upon the present experiment is said to have taken no chances of it ending in a timbering excursion. The agreement is an absolute guarantee that the land will be cleared, that the settlers will be given the land at terms that will not mortgage their future and under conditions that will do away with many of the earlier hardships of life in the uncleared bush.

The agreement states that the purchasers, if requested by the Minister, must improve farms by clearing thereon 25 acres, building a house and barn, and digging a well, and it is understood that this will be requested. "It is understood," said Mr. Hearst, "that these improved farms may attract well-to-do settlers who will bring considerable money into the country, and who would not be willing to undergo the hardships attendant upon pioneer farming in the usual way. This experiment will demonstrate to the Government whether or not it is expedient or necessary to embark upon a large scheme of improving farms in the north, as has been advocated in some quarters."

In furtherance of this aim the purchasers must at their own expense construct and maintain all roads, bridges and other improvements that may be necessary in the interest of the settlers. Adequate provision must also be made for the institution of public schools and the erection of suitable school grounds. The schools, of course, will receive the usual municipal and Government aid. This provision is said to be important, as settlers who are willing to tax themselves often find no market for their school debentures.

The townships are situated about forty miles west of Cochrane, and are traversed by the Transcontinental Railway. The Mattagami river runs for the most part through the

BANK TELLER ADMITS HE WAS FORGER

Attempted Bluff Story Which Answered for a Week But in the End Confessed

After spending a week with Detective Mitchell, of the city force, pretending to search for a man who had passed a forged cheque on him for \$302, Garnet U. McIntosh, 23 years a teller in the city hall branch of the Dominion Bank at Toronto, living at 18 Bernard-avenue has confessed to that officer that he himself was the forger, and was locked up charged with forgery.

The first time that the detective doubted the story of the forgery as told by McIntosh was when he learned a few days ago that McIntosh had left the employ of the bank. He took him to headquarters and after a brief examination the young man made a complete confession.

On May 23, Manager Harmon, of the city hall branch of the bank, swore out a warrant for an unknown man who was then supposed to have passed a worthless cheque at his branch of the bank. McIntosh accompanied the manager to headquarters and told a circumstantial story of the passing of the cheque. The cheque was produced. It was a cheque of the Northern Crown Bank and purported to be drawn against the account of L. E. Wilkes in favor of T. Ellis, by whom it appeared to be endorsed.

SEARCHED FOR "ELLIS."

Believing that the man would be likely to be found at the Woodbine races, which were then going on, Detective Mitchell went to the track accompanied by McIntosh. They spent several days there and at various other points, but were unable to locate the mysterious Mr. Ellis. Later, a man named Ellis was arrested for passing bogus cheques and McIntosh went to headquarters, where he looked up this individual over carefully before declaring that he was not the man who had passed the worthless cheque upon him.

MADE A CONFESSION.

In his confession, McIntosh declared that he made a confession to Inspector Bogart of the bank and had given his note for \$300 and \$2 cash in payment of the cheque, which he admitted putting through the bank himself. This confession was made May 31, but the police were not notified by either the bank inspector to whom it was made nor by the manager who had sworn out the warrant that the forger had been discovered and the mystery solved.

A Few Old Men Still Left

It is exactly thirty-six years ago that the Montreal Lacrosse Club played at Windsor before Queen Victoria. Of the fifteen men who made up that team eight are still alive. These are: Messrs. Bob Summerhayes, the well-known photographer, who resides in Boston; S. MacDonald, also a resident of Boston; Ross of New York; T. Hodgson, S. Hubbell, Henry Joseph, D. A. Bowie and F. C. A. McIndoe, all of Montreal. The dead are: Messrs. Strothers, Grant, H. Beckett, J. Greene, T. Ralston, Sam Massey and Dr. Berasse. Hal. Chase, first baseman for the New York American League baseball team, has started proceedings against his wife for an absolute divorce. His complaint has been filed with attorneys for Mrs. Chase.

The Chases have been married about three years, and have had two children, one of whom died suddenly. Mr. and Mrs. Chase met while he was playing an exhibition game in New Jersey. Since the marriage Mrs. Chase has never missed a game on the home grounds. She and her baby were always to be found in a box near the first base line. It is said that she will deny all of her husband's charges, attributing the trouble to jealousy.

Billy Queal, the Yankee flyer, who came so close to the great record of Alf Shrubbs of 24.33 1-5 for five miles, is figuring on a trip to the Old Country.

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Excellent Progress On the Hughes
 At the Hughes excellent progress is being made with the installation of the five-drill compressor plant and the results met with at the 100-foot level were of such importance to the directors that it was decided to sink an additional 100 feet. The work is now in progress and if the results obtained on that level are as favorable as they were at 100 feet it is altogether likely that a 20-stamp mill will be installed. The directors are at present discussing the advisability of installing this stamp mill. At 100 feet the vein averaged \$10.40 a ton in gold values across a 30-foot lead.

Revival In Jupiter Shares
 Jupiter came back into prominence Friday in the mining market and occupied some of the attention which for the past few days has been monopolized by Hollinger. Hollinger itself was a shade easier, but there was good buying on any reaction. It closed at 13.15, with Jupiter selling at .32. The McMartin Mother Lode property became prominent and sold at 104. Dome Extension was liquidated on account of the annual meeting, the report of which appears elsewhere. The general trend of the mining market may be said to have changed very little.