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**BUSINESS OVERDONE.**

In a newly developing town or district, and more especially in a mining camp vicinity one fact very often presents itself to those who were among firstcomers to start up in business.

That is the overcrowding, or perhaps it might be better termed the over-doing, of business, as compared with the demand arising from the resident section.

Such is admittedly the condition which Timmins is in to-day and the position is known only too well to those who are entering to the public here.

A question very often put to residents leaving the camp on a visit is "How is business? What chance would there be to start up such and such a line?" and various other interrogative points which one has to be very careful in answering.

To make out that business is bad in a community with which one is connected tends to create a detrimental feeling which might result in eventual harm to the locality.

On the other hand, if the person whose opinion is sought for, lauds to the skies the town with which he is connected, it may be that his friend, relying on his word from previous experience, will decide to start up in the same town where there are already too many concerns of the same nature.

It therefore appears to place one in a quandary just what to say in reply when appealed to on the particular lines spoken of but a little deep thinking can only bring about one solution as to the proper course to pursue.

Advise any who contemplate starting up in business to pay a visit to the town themselves. Let them look around, enquire, confirm and in every way be sure of their possibilities before investing in business and then the onus rests with themselves.

But one point in regard to Timmins is very emphatic to-day. More residents are needed and not more stores; residents who are deriving their livelihood from operating mines and not from dealing with the public.

This in turn resolves itself into the fact that with more properties opening up, and of necessity more people coming into camp to operate them, business will right itself if those already here are not increased.

It is not denied that competition is good for trade and good for the public but, competition can be overdone to such an extent that business becomes practically stagnant. What might be a fair division between a certain number of stores is distributed over so many that there is no benefit to any.

In advocating Timmins in the publicity campaign which it is intended to operate soon it should be borne in mind therefore that there are sufficient lines of business, in fact more, than enough, to meet the requirements even if the residents were increased materially.

**STORAGE OF DYNAMITE.**

There has been considerable discussion and comment during the past few weeks regarding the storage of dynamite at Timmins and the possible consequences following an explosion from this source.

Under the caption of "Nuisances" the Criminal Code, Section 221 reads: Manufacturing or keeping large quantities of gunpowder in towns or closely inhabited places is an indictable offence at common law.

There can be no beating about the bush with such an emphatic announcement as the above. The whole point seems to be as to the question of "nuisance."

Taking a dictionary explanation of the word it is "anything that by its use or existence works annoyance or damage to another."

Argument to any further extent is unnecessary. If an explosive is

stored in the vicinity of a town where people are residing and where an explosion of the same store house will create damage or possible loss of life, then it is more than a nuisance—it is a menace.

The Board of Trade of Timmins at their last meeting decided, according to the statement of one of its members, that a certain powder magazine was a menace.

A resolution was passed to be sent to the Town Council requesting that action be taken in the matter to assure the safety of people in the district. The Council, however, have not received a copy of this resolution.

The point at issue now is, will an explosion have to take place before those in authority see that prevention is better than cure?

As a matter of fact from what can be learned officially there are two ways by which such a "nuisance" or other inconvenience to the public can be done away with.

The first is for the Town Council, if they deem it necessary, to pass a by-law ordering that the nuisance be done away with or, a private person can lay an information if he believes the circumstances warrant it, and have the matter settled in Court.

**KITCHENER'S CALL.**

When Lord Kitchener says that the recruiting has been satisfactory, but that more men are needed than ever, and that while conditions in this respect are better than they were ten months ago, yet that the military situation is as serious as ever, he is talking to Canadians quite as much as to the British people in the islands at home.

Men and more men is the demand. Every man who can go, who has no claim upon him but the general claim of humanity, has the opportunity now to make the great decision for himself, and to say whether he is going to live his own little selfish, separate life, or whether he is willing to take up the white man's burden in the urgent crisis in which civilization stands at present.

This is not a time to halt and consider, though men of slow decision may well take a few days to think it over. They ought to make it a serious subject for meditation, however. It is not themselves merely, but all that humanity has fought and struggled for during centuries past.

These intangible things which we call liberty, freedom, independence, free thought, self-government, democracy, humanity itself, brotherhood, are not to be estimated in terms of wealth or commerce. They are of the essential nature of men at their best.

Men at their best in all ages have been willing to strive for these things, glad to live for them, proud to die for them, and willing to give all so that these may endure. If the war meant less than this we should have no justification for the tremendous demands that we made upon our best and bravest.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT.**

The man who sits down to wait for something to turn up will need a cushion on his seat.

No paper can be published without home patronage, and every man is interested in keeping up a home paper.

If a railroad or factory is wanted, the newspapers are expected to work for it. If a public meeting is wanted for any purpose, the newspaper is called upon for a free notice. If any of the societies have a supper or reception of any kind the newspaper is expected to give the necessary notice. The newspaper must puff the schools and everything else to advance the interests of the business men of the place, and then give them a handsome notice when they pass away. And yet some of them do nothing to keep up a home paper.

Go where you will you will find people, both men and women, who are always waiting for something to turn up to better their condition in life. Yet this class of people is the last one to try and turn something up that will be a benefit to them in any way, but still wait from day to day. If you want something to turn up, get a move on you, get out, hustle and see if you cannot find something you can turn up to your advantage. There are plenty of chances for every one if they are sought after, but they will not come to you if you do not hunt them up.

There is no way of improving a place as much as by encouraging good merchants, good schools and good people to settle among you, and this cannot be done unless you spend your money at home.

**OUR LETTER BOX**

Correspondence is invited from readers of The Porcupine Advance and others, on matters of interest and importance more especially in regard to mining camp matters of the Gold district. The communications should be written on one side only and name and address given for verification, but not necessarily for publication.

The Advance does not hold itself responsible for any opinions expressed in such communications. Discussions and arguments on matters of religion and similarly inclined topics cannot be entertained through this column.

**TIMMINS FIRE PRACTICES.**

Editor of The Advance, Sir:—Through the medium of your valuable columns may I mention a matter which might prove of interest to those involved but which, in the first place, I do not wish any to consider in the light of a complaint, knock, or kick, but merely as a suggestion or for suggestions from the Fire Chief and others.

It is regarding the calling for fire drills by sounding the regular fire alarm. Would it not be possible to utilize some other method of getting a turn out for this purpose? We have all heard the fable of the "boy and the wolf" and although everyone believes that our local fire fighting boys are most enthusiastic and energetic, it may happen that a real fire may take place very soon after an alarm of this kind and the members of the brigade, without wishing to display any negligence of duty, not so prepared to answer the call as energetically as if they thought it was not another alarm.

Of course the fact is apparent that no two fire drills would be called for close together but if the system is maintained of a general alarm for these drills the boys may be caught napping on some serious occasions.

Both the Chief and his men are coming up to a fine standard and no reflection whatever on their splendid efforts and willingness is intended in this letter which I trust you will publish in that light.

Yours truly,  
A FIREMEN'S SUPPORTER

Champion George Goulding settled all rumors to the effect that he was going to ally himself with the New York Athletic Club this morning by announcing that he would be too glad to meet the winner at the Pacific Coast Exhibition in Toronto. Manager Elwood Hughes, of the Toronto Exhibition Athletic Committee, has assured Goulding that if he can possibly make arrangements for a match he will bring the best man in the United States here to walk the world's champion during the Exhibition. Goulding proved a great attraction some years ago when in turn he defeated Webb and Larned, the English title holders.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Osborne & Knapp, in the Town of Timmins and in the Town of Cobalt, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to H. L. Osborne at Cobalt aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said H. L. Osborne, by whom the same will be settled.

DATED at Cobalt this 14th day of July, 1915.  
H. L. OSBORNE,  
E. B. KNAPP.

WITNESS:  
George Ross, Solicitor for the above parties.

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TAKE NOTICE that the following goods, chattels and effects of E. Beek of the Town of Timmins will be sold by Public Auction on Friday the 23rd day of July, 1915, at the boarding house of Aaron Kari by Aaron Kari to pay for board and lodging of the said E. Beek amounting to \$46. One set of Books; 1 overcoat; 1 Smock; 1 Suit of Clothes; 1 sweater; 1 Pair of Trousers; 3 Suits of Underwear; 1 Sweater.

**Notice to Creditors**

IN THE Estate of Antonia Giovone, late of the Town of Timmins, Laborer, deceased.  
TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are to file the same duly verified by affidavit with the undersigned on or before the First day of August, 1915.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after said date the estate of the said deceased will be distributed having regard only to such accounts as shall then have been filed.

DATED at South Porcupine this first day of July, A.D., 1915.

COOK & MITCHELL,  
Solicitors for John T. Easton, Administrator of said Estate.

**Notice to Creditors**

IN THE matter of the estate of Etienne Marie Eudier, late of the Village of Timmins in the District of Temiskaming, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to "The Revised Statutes of Ontario," Chapter 121, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Etienne Marie Eudier, who died on or about the seventh day of April, 1913, are required, on or before the twenty-first day of August, 1915, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Messrs. Cassels, Brock, Kelley & Falconbridge, 85 Bay Street, Toronto, solicitors for The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, the administrator of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND FURTHER take notice that after such last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which it shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by it at the time of such distribution.

DATED the seventh day of July, 1915.

CASSELS, BROCK, KELLEY AND FALCONBRIDGE,

Solicitors for The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, administrator of the estate of Etienne Marie Eudier, deceased. 48

**CHURCH NOTICES.**

**SCHUMACHER**

Methodist Church—Pastor, Rev. J. C. Cochrane.  
Sunday School - 2.30 p.m.  
Evening Service - 7.30 p.m.

**SOUTH PORCUPINE**

Presbyterian Church—Pastor Rev. C. A. Malcolm.  
Morning Service - 11 o'clock  
Sunday School - 2.30 p.m.  
Evening Service - 7.30 p.m.

Anglican Church—Mr. Callan in charge.  
Morning—11 a.m.  
Evening—7.30 p.m.  
Sunday School—2.30 p.m.

**TIMMINS**

Presbyterian Church (Empire Theatre)—J. M. Allan, Pastor.  
Patriotic Sunday.

Musical service by the Choir under the leadership of Mr. J. Geils.  
Note hour of service, 6.30 p.m.  
Anthem—By the Choir.  
Solo—Selected, J. Geils.  
Duet—Selected, Miss De Long, Mr. Millar.  
Male Voice Quartette—Messrs Geils, De Long, Millar and Hall.  
Duet—Mrs. J. Moore, J. Geils.  
J. M. Allan—Subject, "Patriotism."

Anglican Church—Rev. U. E. Brown, Rector.  
Morning service (from 1st of June) at 11 o'clock. Evening service at 7 o'clock. Sunday School at 2 o'clock.

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