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## RECIPROCATION.

"To give and receive mutually" is the dictionary explanation of the word Reciprocation.

It has been used in various ways and forms during the past few years and used as a political lever to an extensive degree.

Locally it may be applied as between the towns of Northern Ontario in reference to the manner in which one town supports another whenever occasion warrants it.

The patronage extended South Porcupine on Dominion Day by the people of Timmins has been a subject for deep thought on the part of the South Porcupine people—and they should reciprocate.

Cochrane looked for hearty support on their celebration day Wednesday. They expected great things from the Gold Camp and were well assisted. They should reciprocate. It is the turn of Timmins next, surely no one can deny.

## LADIES AND FIELD KITCHEN.

Four towns of the north recently took up the matter of presenting a field kitchen to the boys from the North who are likely to see active service in the near future.

In all four cases it would seem that a different method of procedure has been adopted in regard to securing the necessary funds to make up the quarter share of each. Or, rather perhaps it should be said in three cases, for up to the present Timmins has taken no practical steps in the matter.

Probably the different methods adopted by the individual towns may suit their own particular section better than any other course to raise the required money but it would not be out of the way to offer to the quattre concerned a suggestion made in a daily contemporary on the matter.

It was here stated that the Women's organizations of the City of Toronto had made an appeal for funds and the opinion was freely expressed that these members of the fairer sex—not weaker sex any longer are they entitled to be called—would probably accomplish much that efforts of the men might not bring about.

In addition to the fact that their appeals are more readily responded to, it is also fitting that the women of Canada should be identified with a movement intended to provide cheer and comfort for the fighting boys such as will be supplied by field kitchens.

Those long days and nights in the trenches, in snow and frost, while we sleep at home warm and comfortable, should stir a liberal response to an appeal by ladies for a field kitchen from the North Country.

Immense sums have been contributed for machine guns until the Government feels that enough has been done in that direction. There need, however, be no stint in this errand of mercy and kindness by supplying even what some have termed luxuries through a field kitchen.

And the ladies are just as capable, if not more so, than any others of handling the matter if they take it in hand. Strawberry socials, picnics, amateur theatricals, etc., etc., all have had their quota of attention while of course the Patriotic Society is exerting every effort. But have the ladies take a hand in the field kitchen movement. The results may be surprising.

The building which has been going on for some time at Timmins is a source for comment by nearly all visitors who chance to take a walk round the Town on their first sojourn in the gold camp centre or who have been away for any length of time. It is the intention of The Advance at an early date to endeavour to place before its readers some facts and figures relating to this subject but necessarily, in order to secure this information accurately, considerable time has to be devoted to the matter.

Any town of any size in the Dominion where an Express Company has established is favored—no, favored is not the word—is entitled to free delivery and there can be no gainsaying the fact that Timmins now comes under that category. Other places of less size, and doing far less business than here, have the privilege and it can only be considered a hold-up that customers should have to pay a delivery fee in addition to the dues charged by the Express Company concerned. Perhaps more will be said on this question on another occasion.

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The custom of interfering with local police, in the execution of their duty, by foreigners was a point referred to by T. M. Wilson, J.P., this week and one worthy the remarks issued by him but the unfortunate part is that these same foreigners, not understanding or reading English as a rule are unlikely to note any stringent warning issued through the papers. The only recourse seems to be to emphasize the fact on the interpreters and insist on his notifying the foreign element generally who may be present in Court.

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It is significant how, on occasions such as the church parade of the Orangemen last Sunday night, one or two spectators pass remarks which are intended to be either humorous or clever but which, as a rule, lose their point because of the fact that listeners may have more sense than the speaker. The practice has been noted in many instances where various organizations were concerned but how small such persons would look if attempting the same tactics at some huge demonstration connected with the very order they happen to commit on, in their own small way, just because that branch is in its infancy. But "where ignorance is bliss," etc., is applicable.

COCHRANE CELEBRATION  
WAS GREAT SUCCESS

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would give and the boys took their positions. Without any false breaking they were off and Burns immediately went to the front and at 50 yards was leading by three yards and finished with a comfortable lead of about two yards with something left. Montgomery immediately showed his good sportsmanship by shaking hands with his rival.

Although the order of the program had been changed round and the calculations of Burns thrown upside down he was all there and won the event with something in reserve. According to the programme this race was to start at 1.30 and the Timmins boy was ready at that time and then the officials changed the order and delayed this race over an hour. This did not help Burns little bit which could be noticed after he finished the race.

## The 220 Yard Dash.

In the 220 yard race Montgomery had little trouble. Both Burns and Montgomery ran neck and neck for 100 yards and then Burns picked up a block of wood in his spikes and had to pull up. Montgomery winning easily.

## Football Honors to Timmins.

In the football Timmins came to the front also and were represented by the following: — Goad, Dunstora; Backs, Staples and Wainwright; Amoucks, Stockwell, Wylie and Woodward; Forwards, Neil, Mullen, Roberts, Dewar and Spenserley.

They scored two penalties in the first quarter of an hour both being taken by Staples. Cochrane made several hard efforts but just before the interval Roberts succeeded in registering a third point for the gold camp boys making the score at that period 3-0 in favor of Timmins.

In the second half Cochrane scored from a pretty corner kick and when the whistle sounded Timmins were declared victors by a score of 3-1.

## Timmins Won in Baseball.

Keeping up their reputation from whence they came the Timmins Junior Baseball team were awarded honors by a score of 9-5.

Timmins were represented by R. Lessaid c; Studor p; A. Studor 1st; Carmichael 2nd; Ratty 3rd; H. Pierce ss; Dwyer lf; A. Kenny rf; C. Kenny lf.

The game was comprised of seven innings only and one of the outstanding features was the home run made by Roy Lessaid in the fifth innings.

## Fire Department Competition.

In the Fire Department competition South Porcupine, in accordance with general public opinion before the event, won out in the fast time of 1 minute 38 seconds, with Timmins second, 7 seconds behind the winners, while Cochrane was third followed closely by Englehart. A large crowd took in this competition and the winners were accorded a great ovation.

The trophy for this event therefore returns to the gold camp and it is the boast of the boys that they will be able to retain it.

The South Porcupine contingent was composed of Messrs. Chief C. Carr, H. Wilson (captain) C. Bisnett, E. Baxter, Jack Easton, W. P. Black, H. Cropley.

Timmins had Messrs. F. Stockwell (captain) S. McLeod, A. Dooley, P. Gauthier, J. Newton, W. Smith and P. Belanger as reserve.

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## A CLOSED POST OFFICE.

Timmins, August 12, 1915.  
Editor, The Porcupine Advance.

Sir:—

Can you tell me any reason why the Timmins Post Office should have been shut off to residents of the town on Wednesday just because a civic holiday was declared by the Mayor?

Possibly you know the facts as well as myself that a notice was posted up stating that "the Post Office will be open from eight to nine for the distribution of mail only."

Personally, I knew nothing of such an arrangement till I went for my mail around 9.30 in the morning as usual. I was then confronted with a closed door and the intimation as above. Probably there are many other residents who were in the same predicament.

Anyhow the fact of a Civic Holiday being proclaimed does not justify the Postmaster of Timmins closing down a Government office without due authority. A Civic Holiday is not a Dominion Holiday. The latter is listed in the Dominion Statutes and any extra can only be secured through special proclamation from the Governor-General or Lieutenant-Governor. Surely if the Postmaster of Timmins was fully acquainted with his duties he would have known this.

It would seem that there is considerable latitude taken in the Post Office of Timmins which would not be stood for one day in many other places. Individual complaint seems to be unavailing. I always understood that a Postmaster could not carry on another business in connection with his Government duties. Whether he can or not the fact that a business with which is connected the Postmaster of Timmins being in the same building was apparently the cause of the shut down on Wednesday.

I anticipated important mail—and received it to-day—but had the Post Office been carried out according to regulations I would have saved a mail and considerable expense as well as inconvenience.

Without wishing to be personal I notice, as a subscriber of your paper, that you have not made reference to this lack of attention at the Post Office and would be glad therefore if you can find space for this letter.

Yours truly,

AN INDIGNANT TOWNSMAN

NOTE.—The reason The Advance did not make public reference to "lack of attention" was because of anticipation of improvement. We don't wish to create trouble or draw attention to defects unless compelled to. Our report in another column, however, indicates our attitude in the matter.

Editor, The Advance

At The Timmins Empire Theatre

Complying with their promises to the patrons the Empire Theatre of Timmins are offering an attraction of unprecedented value on Monday and Tuesday next, when they present "The Butterfly" in five parts.

This is a World Film Corporation number and relates how a hunchback, in revenge against a woman who has repulsed him, lures her step-daughter to the stage and assists her to become a dancer.

The girl, whose name is Elaine, has two lovers for one of whom, John Butler, she forms a sincere attachment. Her step-mother goes to see her dance, and the hunchback, still enraged at her, murders the woman.

The hunchback goes mad and is killed by falling from a cliff. Elaine's loves is accused of killing him, but Elaine clears him of the charge by proving that the hunchback was the murderer of her step-mother. Elaine and Butler find that their mutual loves will make them happy in marriage.

On Wednesday and Thursday "The Broken Coin" is thrown on the screen and the enthusiasm with which it has already been greeted, even in two reels only, is indicative of the great popularity which it has inspired.

There are some excellent interspersions in a comedy line every night at The Empire and the crowd which is to be seen attending proves that the quality of the entertainment supplied by the management is beyond reproach. They are supplying the best they can obtain and deserve every credit and support.

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## How Mrs. Perry Helped The Patriotic

A novel manner of contributing funds to the Patriotic Society of South Porcupine was taken on Tuesday night by Mrs. George Perry at the Connaught Hotel when, with the aid of her mother she held a regular "hold-up" of guests of the house and conducted an entertainment which was of a truly impromptu nature and the artistes of which were the resident guests of the house.

The penalty for those who did not comply with the conditions laid down was that they should contribute anything from five to twenty-five cents towards the Patriotic Society and the sum of \$5.15 was raised altogether.

There were several absentees when their names were called according to programme schedule but those who did answer made up for the amusement of an appreciative audience.

Mrs. Dorsett opened the proceedings with a pianoforte solo but when Joe Alexander was called on for a recitation there was no Joe. Mrs. Whaley, Mrs. Briden, Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Brown, Mr. Carnegie and others were asked to render a chorus but all paid fines instead.

Mr. E. P. Deans then rendered a solo in which he endeavored to persuade his hearers that a maid sailed away with some boy or other on the sea and the crowd actually desired an encore which, fortunately was not responded to.

Master Kenneth Dorsey was a happy relief in rendering the "burial of Sir John Moore," but when Bill Hatch came along with his story about Cinderella, in response to calls for stump speeches, he availed himself of the opportunity to avoid a quarter fine and—recited. Poor Bill, it would have been easier had he paid.

George Perry was asked for a speech. He wished to deliver this from behind the bar—the counter we should say—but was persuaded to take the front and then did not know what he was talking about. He talked, however, and said nothing. Then he paid also.

Dan McDonald attempted to contribute a violin solo in silence. On a one stringed instrument where the single opportunity was broken, Dan would do well, meaning to say that he did not play. That is in all fairness to him. The gathering suffered some but—"the Lord Preserve us from Dan and his violin" was a general whispered opinion, and fortunately he acquiesced.

When "Billie" recited the house went dry. They had no tears to shed but still he came out uninjured and when he had completed his little task escaped by the front door before his attentive hearers realized the fact.

It was a jolly little gathering altogether and had Mr. Fuller only contributed towards the programme perhaps it might have been brought to an earlier conclusion. Sorry we haven't more space to devote to the program but Mrs. Perry stung The Advance for one real round good quarter—and there you are.

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