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## SCHOOL TRUSTEES IN SPECIAL SESSION

**Called to Consider Plans for New School and  
Provide Temporary Accommodation Until  
Completed--Plans Approved**

A special meeting of the Public School Board was held on Monday afternoon, November 22nd, at Laub and Stockwell's store. Chairman Stunder presided, Trustees Marshall, Stockwell, Laub and Smith being present, and also Secretary Wilson, who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering the plans for a new school house, which had been submitted by the Canadian Mining & Finance Company, managers of the Hollinger Mines. These plans had been drawn in accordance with certain requirements laid down by the Department of Education, and were adopted by the Town Council at their last meeting, without waiting for the approval and consent of the trustees.

They provide for a 4-room frame structure, with basement playground, 26 x 36 feet each, plastered inside and out, and for hot air as a means of heating. The plans are so arranged that, when it becomes necessary, an additional four rooms may be constructed without marring the architectural design of the building. The estimated cost of the structure is \$9,000, but the Town Council added \$3,000 to the by-law (which has already received a second reading), to provide for possible changes.

These plans, as it developed from the discussion which ensued, were not initiated by the Board of Trustees, nor do they meet the original views of the Board. The school building desired was estimated to cost in the neighborhood of \$28,000, but the Trustees have been dilatory during the year in pushing matters, hence the action by the Town Council. The plans submitted were finally approved but with several suggestions tacked on to the resolution, for the consideration of the Council. The first had reference to the probable need to brick veneer the building, at some future time, brought forward by Trustee Marshall, and provided for the extension of the cement foundation outward from the wall a sufficient number of inches to provide a support for the veneer. Another suggestion was that steam be substituted for hot air as a means of heating.

This would entail a considerable increase in cost, but would be more than compensated for in the enhanced comfort, and possibly health, of the teachers and pupils. The next suggestion was that the basement, which is to be utilized as a winter play-room, should be at least nine feet from floor to ceiling as against the seven feet provided for in the plans. It was also suggested, in response to the advice of Dr. Young, Medical Health Officer, that the plans from a sanitary standpoint should receive official approval before going ahead with the erection of the building. The belief was expressed that these suggestions would receive the courteous attention of the Town Council, when the by-law comes up at its next meeting for a third and final reading.

The Secretary then directed the attention of the Board to the smallness of land area provided for the new school. The Board had asked Mr. Robbins for fifteen lots, or eight lots to the north, east, and west of the seven lots now set aside for school purposes. This additional space, which would give a plot of ground about 240 feet square, is, in the opinion of the Board, absolutely essential for the possible future requirements, and a resolution was passed to the effect that if the lots in question could not be secured from Mr. Robbins, by deed of gift, the Board should take steps to secure an option to purchase them at some future time.

The vexed question of providing accommodation for all who should attend school, pending the building of the new school, then came under review, various and divergent views being expressed by the Trustees. The Secretary was instructed to secure additional figures and data, regarding the cost of sundry schemes brought forward. The Board has given earnest attention to the problem, latterly, like eleventh-hour penitents, but whatever relief can be found for the congestion, it will, at best, be a case of muddle through until the new accommodations have been provided. The meeting then adjourned at the call of the chairman.

## NEW JERSEY ZINC COMPANY TAKE OPTION ON DOBIE

**Maidens McDonald Also Optioned  
Clifford Smith of New York  
Closes the Deal**

The New Jersey Zinc Company have, through their agent, Mr. Clifford Smith, taken options on the Dobie and Maidens McDonald claims. These claims are situated about 1½ miles south of the Dome Mine, and are looked upon as being very valuable prospects.

It is said that the same interests will look over the Davidson claims in North Tisdale with a view to taking options, should the inspection warrant this course.

The terms of option have not been divulged, but it is understood that work is to proceed right away, a large sum of money to be spent.

## SUFFERING JEWS IN RUSSIAN POLAND RECEIVE MONEY HELP

**Pierce and Laub Organize Fund-  
\$100 per Month During  
War Guaranteed**

The stirring appeal made by Lords Rothchild and Swathing, on behalf of the suffering Jews of Russian Poland, has resulted in substantial support by the people of the camp, under the guidance of Charles Pierce and Saul Laub, president and secretary of the organization.

The following donations have been made: Charles Pierce, \$70.00; S. Buevetsky, \$15.00; H. Kideckel, \$5.00; H. Shankman, \$5.00; H. Feldman, \$2.00; Sanders & Petehersky, \$5.00; H. Harwitz, \$5.00; J. Pesach, \$3.00; S. Laub, \$5.00; H. Davis, \$2.00; Alex. Feldman, \$3.00; D. Weinstein, \$1.00; Miss Rosenblum, \$1.00; Mrs. H. Sanders, \$3.00; Sol Shankman, \$2.00.

All of these subscriptions are from the Timmins and Schumacher end of the Camp, a separate canvas being made in South Porcupine.

In addition to these amounts, a few of the men of Timmins have entered into an obligation aggregating \$100 per month, to be forwarded each month during the period of the war. Let the good work go on.

## LOCAL YOUNG MAN MEETS TRAGIC END HORRIBLY MULTILATED

**G. B. Taylor, Well-Known Here  
Fails to Hear Warning  
Whistle**

A distressing accident occurred on the Timmins branch of the T. & N. O. Railway, on Monday morning last, which cost O. B. Taylor, of Timmins, his life. The unfortunate victim left his boarding house about 9 o'clock, to walk to South Porcupine, in search of employment. He chose to take the railway track, instead of the public highway. No passenger train was due to pass at that hour, and so he pursued his way unconscious of the danger which lurked behind. Taylor was stone deaf, brought about fifteen months ago, when he was taken to the hospital suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia. At the fatal spot, near the 26 mile post not far from Schumacher, the railway takes a pronounced curve, on the down grade. The engineer of the freight saw the poor fellow treading the ties between the rails. The whistle tooted a warning blast, many times, and emergency brakes were applied, but too late to avoid the tragedy. He was cut in two, and his remains were scattered twenty feet or more along the track. Death, of course, was mercifully instantaneous.

Taylor was about twenty-six years of age, and had resided in Timmins for the past two years or so. He came out from Lancashire, England, about four years ago, and had no relations here, so far as is known.

He was employed at the Hollinger Mine for a time up to his illness, and possibly his hearing gave way under the roaring din of the pounding stamps. After leaving the hospital, (Continued on Page 5).

## DELORO TOWNSHIP NOW IN LIMELIGHT FINE VALUES FOUND

**Great Activity in Eastern Part--  
Rand and Deloro Pushing  
Development Work**

Reports are persistent that discoveries of great importance have been made in Deloro Township within the last few days.

The Rand Syndicate and Deloro Gold Mining Co. are hard at work in exploration and development, the shaft of the latter now being about 75 feet. The values found have been pronounced highly satisfactory.

On claims P7171, 7164 and 7176, molybdenite has been found in a series of jaspillite bands, being the first discovery of this rarer metal in any quantity. It is in specially strong demand at the present time, being used in the manufacture of steel, for hardening and toughening purposes.

As an indication of its present market value, an English manufacturer now has an offer out, equal to \$3,000 per ton, for ten tons. Should it develop that this discovery is of a quantity commercially valuable, it will have an important bearing on the mining activities of the North.

## TWENTY RECRUITS STILL REQUIRED TO COMPLETE UNIT

**Expect to Find the Requisite  
Number in Timmins, Cobalt  
and Haileybury**

At the close of last week, 220 men of No. 1 Tunnelling Company were in camp at Pembroke, under the command of Major Rogers. Twenty-one of these were recruited from the Porcupine District, four from Kirkland Lake, and thirty-two from Cobalt and Haileybury, making with others to arrive, sixty from the Northern Ontario Division.

There is room for about twenty more men from the North, to complete a full section from the mining camps.

The men are comfortably fixed in the Pembroke Armouries, and, starting this week, all meals are being prepared by the Company's own cooks, and served in a special dining room, which has been arranged in the building. Sergeants' mess-rooms, mess recreation rooms, baths, and everything necessary for the comfort of the men has been provided, so that the short training in Canada will be carried on under the most favorable conditions.

Any miners, prospectors, or construction men who are used to handling dynamite are suitable for the Tunnelling Company, and can enlist by applying at the Haileybury Armouries and stating that they wish to join the Engineers. Any men not qualified for this special work can enlist in the 97th Infantry Battalion—the local company of which will probably be quartered in Haileybury all winter.

Dr. Moore will examine all candidates for enlistment from the Porcupine District.

The Northern men already at Pembroke are as follows:  
From Porcupine — A. McQuarrie, M. Sutherland, Scotty Gardiner, W. White, T. Sim, E. Lemieux, H. Halcrow, Roussy, J. Carey, T. Huntley, J. Spiegelhalter, W. Taylor, A. Richardson, D. Reid, H. Patrick, J. Mosso, C. Rutherford, P. McAndrew, T. Hancock, J. Barclay, Langille, J. Manville.

From Cobalt and Haileybury — T. Woodruff, R. McKinnon, J. Bryant, J. A. Ash, S. Macdonald, F. Cooper, J. Metcalfe, W. Donaldson, H. Gallagher, J. Cornell, P. Ashby, Ed. Peat, Connell, G. Menzies, H. Pixton, Terrier (Elk Lake), Wm. Wasen, H. Jones, R. Jones, T. Davis, G. Fraser, W. Cooper, W. Sutherland, J. Warner, McLean, W. Woodney, Miller, Gannon, Allan.

Kirkland Lake — F. Marshall, H. Wessell, T. Painter, J. Gonnier.

## FREEMAN BEATEN.

Billy Hughes, a featherweight from Sault Ste. Marie, knocked out Jimmy Freeman, a Haileybury featherweight in the sixth round of what was to have been a ten-round bout last night.

Seneca-Superior declared a dividend of 20 per cent. yesterday, November 25th.

## ACTIVE PERIOD NEAR IN LOCAL GOLD STOCKS

**Need For Exploration on Sound Basis---Kill  
the Wild Cats and Stick to The  
Producers**

With the opening of an office by Messrs. Kiely, Smith & Amos, of Toronto, Timmins will have three stock-brokerage firms to cater to the needs of local patrons of the mining stock market. Homer L. Gibson & Co. only last week opened an office in Toronto, and it is said that A. S. Fuller & Co. also contemplate an extension of their facilities in the near future. These moves indicate increasing interest in gold stocks, locally, and forecast, after the usual dullness of the approaching Xmas season, a market of generally wider scope and enhanced activities.

There is a reasonable basis for this conjectural opinion. Nearly all of the producing mines have big improvements under way. New depths are being reached, uncovering greater bodies of pay ore; added facilities for hoisting are being provided, and mill capacities are being increased all along the line. New fields are being opened up, some of them potentially rich, in response to the almost universal cry for more gold. It seems reasonable to presume that, but for extraordinary financial conditions brought on by war, less difficulty would exist in attracting capital to the as yet unproven, but highly promising prospects adjacent to the producing enterprises, not only within the Porcupine Camp, but at Boston Creek, Shaw, Swastika, West Shining Tree and other localities as well. When money is fairly free it cannot withstand the lure of the gold fields, notwithstanding the lessons of gold-mining history, and the many disappointments and blasted hopes which surround comparatively few rewards.

That Northern Ontario (omitting points already proven, producing, and handsomely paying) is very rich in gold, is beyond any shadow of doubt. That the wild-catter has cast his curse over many legitimate efforts at development, is equally true. And, scarcely less to be blamed, is the unscrupulous claim owner who holds up enterprising capital with outrageous demands for payment before work can be commenced. What is needed most is an organization on an elaborate scale, with ample resource both in finance and capable, trustworthy men, to explore and develop. Such an organization would necessarily spend much money without fruition, but in the end, would be certain to reap a rich reward.

It could not be effected, however,

without the support of a widely-spread, speculative, and venturesome public. It would require men in its management and direction of such prominence and repute as would warrant belief in a "square deal" for each and every contributor to its capital funds, large or small,—men of courage and business acumen, and vision—before the necessary financial support would be forthcoming.

The hazardous nature of the enterprise should be clearly stated. Hard earned money, the loss of which might entail suffering and regret, should be excluded from participation. Only money that could be spared, and the loss of which would not impair or jeopardize the homes and comforts of those dependent on the speculation for support, should be accepted.

Whether such a plan is possible remains to be seen. The chances are against it. It is doubtful if the men of the calibre suggested, if found, would be willing to undertake so important a trust. Greed and cupidity would be almost sure to develop, and these are the destroyers of confidence in men.

But to return to the producing camp of Porcupine. As readers are no doubt aware, the main support of the Town of Timmins is the Hollinger, and a few other mines. Without them, the town would vanish whence it came, as others have done in days gone by. Those who are on the inside of things are best able to judge the prospects for a long lease of life. A striking proof of the soundness of the camp was furnished but a week ago. The town had about \$17,000 in debentures, of the ten year tenure, to dispose of. The whole was taken by the General Manager of the Hollinger Mine, as a private investment. If any doubt existed in his mind regarding the, as yet, unmined wealth, which will require years to dig out from the earth's bowels, he would not have purchased these bonds.

An era of even greater activity and prosperity is expected to be ushered in with the advent of another year, and those who stick to producers with a watchful, cautious eye, may feel reasonably sure of a general upward turn in values. But marginal operations should be discouraged by those whose means may be too limited. Fluctuations, sometimes of a violent nature, are certain to occur, and the man who risks his all on margins is a fool.

## NEW PATRIOTIC LEAGUE FOR TIMMINS MEN AND CAMP

**Mayor Wilson Heads Movement--  
Meeting in Council Chamber  
Tuesday Evening Next**

Mayor Wilson is taking the initiative towards the formation of a Men's Patriotic League for Timmins, and this end of the gold camp. A meeting will be held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday evening next, November 30th, for the purpose of effecting organization. All who may, and all should, be interested are urged to attend this meeting. This end of the Porcupine Camp has done nobly in sending some of its best young men to the front, and it is up to those who remain behind to do their bit to help the cause along. Our citizenship imposes this duty upon us.

## DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

Kerr Lake will pay 25c per share to shareholders of record Dec. 1st.

Temiskaming will pay 3 per cent on December 31st to shareholders of record December 10th.

Porcupine Crown will pay 3 per cent on January 2nd, 1916, to shareholders of record December 15, 1915.

Dome will pay 50c per share on December 1st to shareholders of record November 23rd.

Hollinger will pay 4 per cent on December 2nd to shareholders of record November 25th.

## SCHUMACHER MAKES PUBLIC OFFERING AT FIFTY CENTS

**Ten Per Cent. of the Company's  
Capital Stock Offered For  
Subscription**

The Schumacher property, which practically adjoins the Hollinger, and is immediately south of the McIntyre has been worked as a private corporation since the opening of the Porcupine camp. A large amount of private money has been put into the property for plant and development and the mine is now at the production stage. Last month the output was \$20,000 and this is expected to be doubled by January next. The Schumacher company has been capitalized at \$2,000,000 and it is now the intention of the company to allow the public to share in what is considered one of the high-class Porcupine properties.

The Schumacher has followed closely on the lines adopted by the Hollinger, in that a producing mine was made before any public investment was invited. Only 200,000 shares of the Schumacher will be sold, however, and this offering is being made through the firm of Fleming & Marvin, C.P.R. Bldg., Toronto. The shares are \$1 par value, but the offering is made at 50c a share.

## Plenaurnum Dewatered Sampling Begun

The work of de-watering the main shaft of the Plenaurnum Mine has been completed, and Mr. Beidemann commenced the work of sampling today.

## WARRING NATIONS RESERVES OF GOLD MIGHTY FIGURES

**Great Britain and Her Allies Hold  
72.6 per cent. of Total  
Gold Holdings**

The warring nations (excluding Bulgaria and Serbia) possess gold, in coin and bar, to the inconceivable amount of \$5,147,000,000, according to the estimate of Mr. Jules Roche of France.

France is the largest holder with sixteen hundred millions or 31.08 per cent of the total, Russia coming next with ten hundred and forty millions, or 20.2 per cent. England, notwithstanding her pre-eminent position as financial leader of the world, has but seven hundred and sixty millions, equal to 14.76 per cent of the total. Italy being next with three hundred millions, or 5.82 per cent, followed by Belgium with thirty-seven millions or seven-tenths of one per cent.

The foregoing constitute the Entente Allies, their total being \$3,737,000,000 or 72.6 per cent of the total supply.

Of the remaining 27.4 per cent or \$1,410,000,000, held by the Teutonic Allies, Germany controls \$95 millions or 17.4 per cent of the total, Austria-Hungary 370 millions or 7.1 per cent, and Turkey 145 millions or 2.9 per cent.

Bearing in mind the fact that when final settlements come to be made the balance between debits and credits will be measured in terms of gold, the true significance of gold holdings becomes most apparent. The machinery of internal trading may be operated on other bases, so long as government stability remains unquestioned, but external or international trade recognizes only gold, and in the final analysis it will be found that the combination with the longest purse of gold will triumph.

## BAR SILVER JUMPS TO 6 CENTS ABOVE THE DANGER POINT

**Steady Rise in Bar Silver Re-  
flected in Increased Activity  
At The Mines**

Bar Silver has shown consistent strength throughout the week. The price a week ago was 51½¢, Wednesday 52½¢, yesterday 54½¢, and today 56¢.

The rise in silver has given a marked boost to mining operations in the Cobalt camp. Several companies have already put on men who were discharged earlier in the year, and are now developing where before they were content to run along on broken ore in the stopes.

Many prospects that have started up to develop, will, now that silver is going up so steadily, take on new courage to continue with increased energy, and others that have lain idle for some time will recommence operations.

There is a very different tone to the camp from what there was a few weeks ago. The danger point for silver producing enterprises is 50¢; above that mark there is a good margin of profit in Cobalt ores.

## Hunting Season Extended to Dec. 15

Definite word has been received from Ottawa that the hunting season for Deer and Moose has been extended to December 15th, in Northern Ontario, within the area North and West of Mattawa River, Lake Nipissing and French River. The privilege is granted only to bona-fide residents within the territory of the office issuing the license. Licenses under this dispensation may be obtained from W. H. Wilson, Sec. Treas. of Tisdale Township, South Porcupine.

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