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"BLOW YE THE TRUMPET! BLOW!"

With this issue, The Porcupine Advance commences the third year of its publication in the Town of Timmins. During the past two years the Town of Timmins has more than doubled in population, in importance and in prestige. To-day it is the great town of the great North. It is a thriving, modern, healthful town of 6,000 population, with fine, big well-equipped and up-to-date stores, a \$40,000 brick public school building, comfortable and well-appointed churches, a large and handsome modern theatre, a new \$40,000 brick depot, well-furnished and thriving bank branches, a large number of pleasant homes, streets and walks that are creditable to a new town, a good waterworks system, an effective fire-fighting department, and, as Councillor Pierce once said, "the best fire chief in all Ontario, or Canada."

In the striving for still better things there may be criticism and fault-finding here and there, but this is the record. This is the town that has been built in the far North, five hundred miles from the nearest city, in approximately four brief years. "Blow ye the trumpet! Blow!"

Like the town in which it is published, The Advance has also grown in influence, importance and prestige. In the past it has been human enough to make mistakes. To-day it is human enough not to be altogether assumed at the newspaper it has given the people in this new country, and the printing plant, one of the best equipped in any town of similar size in Ontario,—it has placed at the disposal of the public of the Porcupine. "Blow ye the trumpet! Blow!"

The intimate connection between the growth of a town and its newspaper can not be over-emphasized. The one MAY grow without the other. But they both grow surer and safer and better when they grow TOGETHER. The newspaper can not help the town, nor the town help the newspaper, without helping each other. That is why The Advance, while expressing its thanks for the generous support of the past, now asks for the increased co-operation,

sympathy and unity of purpose of the people of the North. "Blow ye the trumpet! Blow!"

The Advance started out to be THE newspaper of the Porcupine. It has outlived many alleged rivals and some pretended competitors. To-day it is recognized as one of the established institutions of the North. It is striving to be fair, to be free, to be helpful. It is giving care and effort and heart to mirror the life of the North Land, to express the hopes and aims and spirit of the people of this great growing country, to be the Voice of the Great North. With YOUR help it can do these things for the great common good. YOUR subscription, YOUR advertisement, YOUR good word, are needed in the balance. "Blow ye the trumpet! Blow!" Also, "Blow yourself" in more material ways. And a happy new year to ourselves!

OVER 200 DIVISION CASES

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the Town and that he had paid his taxes elsewhere,—was really contested. J. E. Cook for Mr. Wile, and Mr. Devaney for the Town.

Camberoff vs. Piperkoff was a case between Bulgarians, and it included claims and counter claims, and was so involved that even the proverbial Philadelphia lawyer would not make it clear, let alone a newspaper report. The Judge dismissed both claim and counter claim. Mr. Forbes for plaintiff, Mr. Devaney for defendant.

G. and M. Capron were suing R. Pentesen and A. Zaeeta for damages. The case was adjourned to next court. Mr. Forbes for plaintiffs, Mr. Devaney for defendants.

P. H. Philbert vs. Angus Campbell was a case regarding the alleged guaranteeing of the payment or part payment of the account of P. Houle. Following a written order in French, Mr. Campbell paid Mr. Philbert the amount then due Houle, and said that if Mr. Philbert would come again on the next Saturday he could get the balance that he (Mr. Campbell) would then owe Houle. Mr. Philbert did not come, but Houle did and got his balance of \$5. It was to get this that Mr. Philbert's suit was started. The case was dismissed with costs against Mr. Philbert. Mr. Forbes for plaintiff, Mr. Devaney for defendant.

G. W. Duncan, wholesaler, North Bay, through his solicitor, J. A. Devaney, sued A. Ferris of Timmins, for a balance of \$8.75 due on some oranges purchased. The defendant claimed the oranges were frozen when received, so he made deductions from the bill. The fact that the evidence proved the shipment was in good condition when it was turned over to the "carrier," and that the merchant accepted the goods and conveyed them on an open rig to his store in March, weighed against the arguments of Mr. Martin, counsel for the defendant. Judgment with costs was entered against Mr. Ferris.

Mike Ayoub was ordered to pay \$10 per month on some debts for which judgment had been entered.

The case of J. P. Thomas against D. Staaf was dismissed as the latter was a minor. The bill was for \$21.40, practically all for such things as wines, cigarettes, peanuts, candies, gum, etc. Mr. Forbes for plaintiff and Mr. Devaney for defendant.

The case of John Greer vs. W. S. Carter and others was adjourned as the papers have not yet arrived in this court from Cochrane. The Division Court Clerk at Cochrane is interested in the case and as actions in regard to Division Court Clerks

cannot be tried in the courts where they officiate, the case awaits the transference of the papers to this neighboring court.

Mr. Cook appeared for Mr. Freeman, of the Frontenac Hotel, Timmins, who disputed a claim of A. Brazeau for work done, and entered a counter claim. Mr. J. W. Mahon appeared for Mr. Brazeau who was given judgment, the counter-claim being non-suited.

Mr. E. H. Hill acted in court for the first time as Division Court Clerk and successfully showed his capabilities for the post.

BOOZE INCOGNITO CALLED ITSELF BUTTER

But the Provincial Police Can Tell Butter From Booze. Hence, the Police Court Case.

Last week an innocent-looking box of butter came addressed to D. Carling. The box in plain letters proclaimed that it was butter. But Provincial Officer Aekroyd knew better. It could not get by his eagle eye, or nose. The result was that after Mr. Carling had accepted the butter he faced a charge in the Police Court Thursday of taking away a parcel of liquor not properly marked as booze. Mr. Carling explained that he had ordered liquor, not butter, and that he had not given any instructions to have the package falsely marked. He thought it was the sender, not he, that should be prosecuted. The Magistrate pointed out to the accused that it was illegal to accept liquor not plainly marked as "liquor," and that everyone should know this by this time. However, as Carling could have gotten in the liquor legally if it had been so marked, and as there was a possibility that the fault was altogether with the dealer sending the liquor, the fine was made a light one, and Carling was told that his remedy was to sue the dealer for not marking the shipment properly. As Mr. Carling paid the fine and left the court, he was heard, perhaps, to mutter, "\$50 and costs! Heavens, that would have been a big price to pay for that box—even if it had been really butter."

Provincial Officer Aekroyd had a charge of drunkenness against the name of Gus Salle. Mr. Salle did not answer in court, but going out to South Porcupine that evening the Officer saw Salle and took him along to the court at South End, where he was duly fined \$10 and costs, or \$17 in all. In matters like this these Provincial men do not stand on times or places so long as they get you sometime soon.

Another of those theft cases from Barber's Bay, adjourned from the week before,—with Messrs. Levison and Lacoste and partnerships and agreements and French lawyers all mixed in one corrugated conglomeration of congested mystery—oh, well, the case was dismissed anyway.

Mrs. John Morrissey appeared to answer to the charge of theft preferred against her by W. Ellies. The story of the latter was that Mrs. Morrissey had taken \$4.20 worth of goods from his store after being told not to do so. Mrs. Morrissey's side of the tale was that they had not paid for dresses she had made for the Ellies family and that a local lawyer had told her that she could get her money, perhaps, by buying goods and charging them on the account. The Magistrate pointed out to Mrs. Morrissey that her action might be construed as a technical breach of the law, but he suggested that she agree to pay for the goods and he would dismiss the case. "Yes," she replied, "I'll pay for the goods but I won't pay anybody, but the Provincial." "Do you mean Mr. Allen?" asked the Magistrate. "No, no," says Mrs. M., "I mean the nice soldier man." "Apparently you are the ladies' man around here," commented the Magistrate to Provincial Officer Aekroyd, and though all the other police and even the License Inspector did not like this judicial summary, Provincial Officer Aekroyd has the distinction, and will duly collect the money.

According to telegrams from Ottawa, the politicians are conferring with one another regarding a Coalition Government. It is claimed, however, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not support a Coalition Government that would attempt to enforce Conscription, and that no National Government can thus be formed with the support of both parties unless Conscription is dropped, at least for the present. The situation in any event is an undesirable one, and the public are looking for the outcome of the political conferences with more or less suppressed anger. The public can never understand, when it is roused, why people should play games on either or both sides of a party fence while the world is on fire.

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