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**POLICE COURT SEES  
VARIOUS CHARGES**

The Course of Bear Creek Was Changed for a Time.

At the police court on Thursday last Magistrate Atkinson had a varied and interesting program. One "Nutt" did not appear, but another one did appear "Nutt." The first "Nutt" was called to answer the charge of being drunk, but he failed to appear, and a remand for a week was made. He will be "Nutt," indeed, if he does not show up this week. When arrested for being very drunk he said his name was "Nutt." Constable Greer replied that it was a good name for a man acting the way he did. He pounded on the cell door fiercely demanding to be let out, but in the morning when bail was offered for him and he seemed to be sobered up he positively refused to get out when offered him freedom. Later, he begged again to be allowed out and promised to come back all right on Thursday, but apparently changed his mind again.

"Jim Crowe," or Bear Creek, was again before the Magistrate following a remand from last week when he was charged with making a nuisance of himself at the Hollinger Office and Lodge. In the meantime he had been examined by Drs. Otton and McInnis. Dr. Otton thought he was "non compos mentis," or words to that effect. Dr. McInnis seemed to think that "Jim" was slightly "buggy." Magistrate Atkinson talked to the oracle himself. Questions as to his real name brought a deep, penetrating silence from Bear Creek. Queries as to where he came from were equally fruitless. "Then, who was your father?" queried the Magistrate. "God," answered the accused. "We are all children of God." "What is your occupation," was another question. "I'm a seeker after truth," was the reply. The Magistrate looked at him as much as to say, "Well, there's something radically wrong, or you wouldn't be seeking truth up in this country!" When he was asked if he were married, the man said he did not know, and further he was not sure if he had any children or not, as he did not apparently keep track of little things like that. His specialties seemed to be food control, birth control and goats milk. Chief Clark and Inspector Rowell visited his shack near the river and found it was not remarkable for its cleanliness or order, but it certainly was distinguished by a huge collection of newspapers, magazines and clipping, chiefly on food control, birth control and goat's milk. Magistrate Atkinson committed the man to the care of an institution for those whose minds are out of plumb or plumb out.

Chief Clark had a charge against Edo. Porrebon for illegally having liquor. The accused, according to the evidence, seemed to have two places to keep his liquor, while he appeared to live in three different places. He was found guilty and fined \$200 and costs. Then a charge of illegally having gold in his possession was brought forward by Mr. A. R. Globe of the Hollinger. Porrebon was found guilty on this count also and sentenced to nine months in jail. According to the evidence it appeared that he had been taking quantities of gold ore from the mine last summer, carrying the precious metal out concealed in his cap. Investigation of the story told by another Italian, Richard Mazzeuto, convinced the police that he was only attempting to help out Porrebon, and so a similar charge against Mazzeuto was withdrawn.

Two others charged with "high-grading" were remanded until this week.

Oscar Sandberg was fined \$50 and costs for being drunk in a public place. Dick Walsh was fined \$25 and costs for the same offense.

Lorenzo Martel and A. St. Pierre were picked up by the police for not reporting for service. The former was allowed to go on the understanding that he would go down to Toronto on the morning train in answer to the call, while St. Pierre claimed that he was under the age limit, and was given his freedom, while at the same time he is to produce his birth certificate to prove that he is not yet twenty.

Demarkis, the fellow who was the chief witness against the Polish young woman committed to the Reformatory the previous week, was himself before the court on Thursday, charged with living on the avails of prostitution. He was given a remand until this week.

The young fellow, Dumais, charged with the seduction of a young girl, was willing to marry the youngster. Her father was also agreeable to this, and others appeared to suggest the plan as the best way out of a nasty affair. The Magistrate did not seem to be too sure of this plan, but he remanded the case against Dumais for a week. In the meantime the latter has married the girl. A charge of giving liquor to a minor still faces Dumais, however.

**"BIRTH OF A NATION"  
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During all of the many return engagements the attendance has been, if anything, larger than the first time. Many thousands have seen this great spectacle from two to ten times and each time with increasing enjoyment.

Seats now on sale at Meyer's Drug Store.

**WEDDING AT PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH ON FRIDAY LAST.**

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at the Byrnes Presbyterian Church on Friday morning last, Feb. 12th, at 11 o'clock, when Miss Katharine J. Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, of Timmins, and Mr. Derrick V. Fraser, of Cochrane, were united in marriage. Rev. Geo. Steele, of Cochrane, officiated at the ceremony, assisted by the pastor of Byrnes Church, Rev. J. Macdonald. The bride was given away by her father, and the wedding march was played by Miss Macdonald, of Cochrane. The couple were unattended. The wedding gifts were many and attractive, showing the popularity of the couple. Among the guests present from the bride's old home town of Cochrane were:—Rev. Geo. Steele, Dr. Fraser (brother of the groom), and Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. James Rufford, Miss Emily Nunn, Miss Kate Macdonald, the Misses Roblin, Miss Lawson, Miss Fraser and Miss Helen Carter. Mr. Will Clark, of Alexo, was also present for the event.

Mr. Fraser, who is connected with the M. J. Roche business in Cochrane, left Friday evening with his bride for their new home in Cochrane, where they will be followed by the best wishes of all who know them.

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