

**J.R. GORDON**



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To  
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All—  
A  
happy  
New  
Year

**HONOR ROLL**

- GEORGE HENRY, Killed in Action, Nov. 1917.
- JAMES RALPH
- HENRY GROULX
- LEN CHARRON
- HARRY WIXON
- Reported prisoner Germany.
- ROMEO ALLERY

PHONE 56a TIMMINS.  
96a SCHUMACHER  
79 S. PORCUPINE

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TIMMINS SCHUMACHER  
SOUTH PORCUPINE

**Timmins News in Brief**

Mr. Bert Iliffe is spending the holidays at his home in Haileybury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Howse are spending holidays at North Bay.

Miss Hazel Stewart spent Christmas at New Liskeard.

Mrs. Ray Swayne visited her sister, Mrs. J. T. Easton, last week.

Mr. Geo. A. Coffey spent Christmas at his home in North Bay.

Mrs. Baragwanth, teacher at Clute, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Salmon, during the holidays.

Mr. Jas. Gregnier, now of Kirkland Lake, came up on Sunday's National to renew acquaintances in the Camp.

Mr. W. Chisholm, now at Gowganda but formerly of the Porcupine Camp, spent the holidays in Timmins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Easton and little daughter were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swayne at Iroquois Falls for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Foster, of Schumacher, are away on a two weeks' visit to their home in Peterborough, Ont.

Mr. Finlay, formerly Dominion Express Agent at South Porcupine, but now stationed at Cobalt, was a visitor to the Camp last week.

Sergt. Osear Robertson returned to the Camp last week after giving good service for King and Country overseas. He enlisted with the 228th when that battalion was being recruited in the North Land.

Mr. Kinderdine, manager of the Hamilton B. Wills brokerage offices in the North, was a business visitor to Timmins this week in connection with the transfer of the A. S. Fuller & Co. stocks brokerage business to the H. B. Wills firm.

The regular meeting of the Timmins Fire Department will be held on Friday evening, January 3rd, 1919, at 7:30 p.m. All members are kindly requested to attend as there is business of special importance to be dealt with.

The annual parishioners' meeting of St. Matthew's Church will be held in the church on Thursday, January 9th, at 8:00 p.m., for the receiving of reports, election of officers, and the transaction of general business. All male and female members of the congregation above the age of 21 years are invited to attend.

Mr. Homer L. Gibson, the well-known mining broker of Toronto, was a visitor to the Camp this week, and has all his old-time faith in the future of the North Land and especially in the Porcupine. He foresees remarkable expansion in the gold mining industry and rapid but solid growth in the near future of centres like Timmins.

The Italian who was committed to the asylum some weeks ago from here returned a few days ago apparently discharged as recovered. He had a relapse last week, however, and had to be taken to the cells. There the new furnace in the basement of the municipal building permits him without serious danger to his health to follow his fancy for dressing in the Garden of Eden styles. It cost the municipality about \$50 directly to have him committed to a proper place for treatment three weeks ago, and now apparently further cost and trouble will be entailed through his release before a cure was made.

**WINNERS OF FREE PRIZES AT E. H. BRIDGER'S STORE.**

At E. H. Bridger's book, stationery and fancy goods store there were five free prizes offered to lucky customers during the Christmas season, and there was much interest taken in the contest. Each customer was given a receipt with every purchase of 25 cents or more and this receipt carried a number. In the vault of the Canadian Bank of Commerce was a sealed envelope containing the five lucky numbers which were not known to anyone. On Christmas Eve the envelope was secured from the bank and on opening the lucky numbers were found to be 188, 479, 236, 750 and 1053. The first prize number, (188), was held by Jimmy Deacon, who accordingly received the handsome rocking horse displayed in the window. Miss Viola Staaf won the second prize with No. 479; Herb Ayotte won fourth prize and H. McQuarrie got the fifth prize. The third prize was won by 236, but the holder of this ticket has not yet come forward. If 236 will make himself or herself known and produce the ticket at the store the prize will be duly awarded.

Miss Walton, of Michigan, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lawrence.

Mr. H. E. Montgomery spent Christmas at his home in Haileybury.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson and Evelyn spent Christmas at Swastika.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Allworth spent Christmas at Sturgeon Falls.

Mr. P. Gerard, of Iroquois Falls, has been spending the holidays in Timmins renewing old acquaintances.

Mr. Clarence Trimble, of the Marshall-Ecclestone staff, spent Christmas at Cochrane.

Mr. E. G. Dickson, of South Porcupine, spent the holidays at Toronto and other points south.

Mr. B. E. Sullivan, now of Kirkland Lake, renewed acquaintances in the Camp last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Taillon are spending the holidays with friends and relatives in the south.

Mr. B. E. Martin went down on Tuesday morning of last week to join the family spending Christmas at Cobalt.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbey Sims were at Finch, near Ottawa, last week attending the funeral of Mrs. Sims' brother who died in the West some days ago.

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Matthew's Church will meet at the Rectory on Thursday afternoon of this week at 3 o'clock.

Miss Mahoney was called to her home at Hurdman's Bridge, near Ottawa, last week, owing to the death of her cousin, Frank Gillies, from influenza.

**ORGANIZING GREAT WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION.**

As suggested in The Advance last week the Great War Veterans' Association will be organizing a branch in the Porcupine district about the middle of January. For the success of this plan, it requires the support of public opinion to help them in their work. If the public were acquainted with the aims and objects and purposes of the Great War Veterans the fullest support would be given by all. Accordingly, it has been suggested that a public meeting be held at an early date for the explanation and discussion of the G. W. V. A. and their aims and progress. At the public meeting officials of the Great War Veterans would outline the general purposes of the Association and the local requirements, and the public here would have opportunity to place on record their approval of the policy and ideals of the Association.

**THE REAL "CHRISTMAS" KEOUGH CAUGHT AT LAST.**

"Christmas" Keough, the notorious crook, so called because he operated only in the busy holiday season, was arrested some days ago at Altoona, Penn. A. P. Macaulay, a Toronto broker well-known in the North Land, was arrested at St. Louis a couple of years ago as "Christmas" Keough and had great difficulty in proving that he was not the guilty party, as merchants and others swore that he was the man passing worthless cheques on them. He spent a lot of money endeavoring to clear his name, but an apology from the court was all the satisfaction he obtained.

The real "Christmas" Keough arrested at Altoona, gives the name of Henry Harris. His game was to represent himself as a Toronto mining engineer and pass travellers' cheques in the Bank of Commerce. He was so clever at the game each Christmas that he "got away" each year with a lot of money.

**OFFERS SPECIAL SERVICE TO PORCUPINE CLIENTS.**

As will be noted by the announcement elsewhere in this issue Homer L. Gibson & Co., while not at present in position to deal with their clients through the medium of their own office in Timmins, still pay special attention to their friends and clients in the Porcupine Camp. Through special arrangement in regard to telegraphic tolls, etc., they are offering a speedy and efficient service with all charges for messages, etc., arising from business, paid by the firm. The handling of orders in the Porcupine is also facilitated by a private code, which provides secrecy and despatch. It is probable that Homer L. Gibson & Company will open an office here in the near future and in the meantime they are keeping in close touch with the Porcupine so as to give rapid and efficient service from the Toronto office.



J. P. McLAUGHLIN  
Mayor 1917-1918.

**H. B. WILLS BUYS FULLER BROKERAGE BUSINESS**

**Private Wire to Be Installed by First of the New Year.**

A deal of much interest and importance to local financial circles was recently completed whereby Hamilton B. Wills, the well-known Toronto broker, made an outright purchase of the Commission Stock Brokerage business of A. S. Fuller & Co., of Timmins.

Mr. Wills takes over the office and business on January 1st, at which time a private wire will be installed connecting Timmins with Cobalt, Toronto, Buffalo, Detroit, Rochester and New York City.

The firm of A. S. Fuller & Co. have been long and favorably known throughout the mining camps of the North for the past 7 years and Mr. Fuller has a host of friends and clients who will regret to see him retire from the stock brokerage business. Mr. Fuller's extensive mining interest through the district will, however, require his entire attention during the coming year which is the main reason for his disposing of the stock brokerage business. Mr. Fuller is retaining an office in the same building and will continue in his general mining business.

Mr. James Hepplestone, who has been associated with the A. S. Fuller firm for the past three and a half years will immediately join the forces of Hamilton B. Wills after the change is made on January 1st, and the many friends and clients of the old firm will undoubtedly be pleased to see Jim still managing the office and looking after their interests in his usual thorough and capable manner.

The Hamilton B. Wills firm is one of the best known of Canadian stock-brokerage firms, with a fine reputation for service and efficiency. This firm recently opened up an office in Cobalt and the establishing of a branch here indicates the faith in the Porcupine and its growth in the near future.



CHAS. G. WILLIAMS  
Town Councillor 1916-1918.

Golden Beaver Lodge, A.F. & A.M., giving a Social Evening and Dance in the Masonic Hall on Friday evening of this week for the members and their friends.

Air Mechanic G. F. Garrett, formerly of the Imperial Bank staff here, but for the past year and a half with the Royal Air Force service in Toronto, last week received his honorable discharge from the service. He came up on Sunday's National to go to Kirkland Lake where he has a position with the new branch of the Imperial Bank there.

**LARGE AND INTERESTED MEETING OF CITIZENS.**

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ratepayers generally.

Councillor Brazeau agreed with previous speakers that the experience of the old councillors would be necessary to the 1919 Council and as three of the Councillors were named for Mayor with only one to be elected in that way, he was going to withdraw as a mayoralty candidate so that there would be one more of the experienced Councillors for the Council Board. He thought that men of mechanical ability would be useful and necessary on the Council so he would run as a Councillor this year, and if re-elected would serve honestly and fairly as in the past. He referred to the fact that the conditions had not allowed more than \$6500 to be spent for public works in the past two years, but he thought the money had been wisely expended. He referred to some of the work accomplished, such as stumping and stoning the streets, etc.

Chas. Pierce in a humorous speech, defended the Scavenger Dept. This year it had brought the \$40 and promissory notes for \$460, while last year it had cost \$6000. Sickness had interfered with the work, but it was not so badly done. Later in the evening he also showed how in several instances he had saved the town money in different ways.

Dr. Moore, Chairman of the Finance Committee, in a brief but capable address explained the financial status of the town. It was a difficult town to finance, on account of its newness, rapidity of growth, war conditions, and the stigma attached by outsiders to mining towns. It was difficult to make outsiders realize that Timmins was a permanent town built up on a valuable and legitimate industry, and so bonds were hard to sell. The recent sale of waterworks debentures, the money for which would be along in a few days, would help considerably and make possible certain waterworks extensions necessary and desirable. In the past economy had been absolutely necessary and certain needed works had to be deferred, but better things were ahead. In explaining the financial standpoint, Dr. Moore showed that the town was practically \$30,000 better off than a year ago. Summarizing the assets and liabilities, the town had really a credit balance of approximately \$7,000 at the end of the year. The Police Dept. was a revenue producer, the Waterworks practically paid for itself, and the Fire Dept. was well worth the \$6000 that it cost, less than one per cent. on the valuation of the buildings protected to say nothing of the safety for other property and the security for lives.

"I take off my hat to the Fire Chief and the Brigade," said Dr. Moore. Dr. Moore said he had been asked to stand for the mayoralty and if elected he would give his best services to the town. Mr. Wm. De Fen pointed out three necessary things for the town's progress—resources, labor and co-operation. Two of these were here and he urged the necessity for co-operation and the representation in the Council of all classes of the community. No one understood a workingman's problem like a workingman. "If there had been a live worker on the Council," he said, "I hardly think that workingmen would have been garnished for taxes without any notice at a cost of some \$700 to the town." He endorsed the idea of a general hospital for the Camp.

Messrs. L. S. Newton, E. L. Longmore, Dayton Ostrosser, Jos. Theriault, J. K. Moore, L. A. Herod, R. J. Jemmett, E. S. Noble, M. B. Scott and F. C. Evans also spoke, the four last named touching chiefly on the importance of the schools here. In the absence from town of Mr. J. W. Fogg, the chairman solicited support for him as an able, popular and respected citizen of the Camp.

Dr. McInnis moved a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor for his services in the past two years, and this being carried Mayor McLaughlin closed the meeting by wishing for the town a happy future, a good selection for the municipal board, and to all the compliments of the season.

Last Thursday was a sort of Christmas holiday time for Magistrate Atkinson in the Porcupine, at least so far as the number of cases was concerned. In addition to the young man convicted of robbery at O'Mara's camp, there were only a couple of other cases of any interest. These latter cases were to recover fares advanced to a couple of men who came up here to work for a lumbering firm. The firm alleged that the men had not kept the contract under which their fare money had been obtained, but that instead they had worked only a day or so and then left. The defence of the men was that they had come to act as cooks, but had been required to work as bush men, for which they were neither suited nor inclined. Magistrate Atkinson dismissed the cases.



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