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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5th, '19

**RETURN RAILWAY FARES  
INCREASED FEBRUARY 1st.**

Commencing this week there is an increase in the return railway fare on all steam railroads in Ontario. The single rates are not affected, but there is an increase of about twelve per cent. on return fares which, however, are still less than double single fares. The increase, for instance, on a return ticket on the T. & N.O. between Timmins and North Bay amounts to \$1.10. Until this present increase, return fares were based on single fare both ways, less one-sixth. Now the deduction is only one-tenth. The 15 per cent. increase granted the railways last March and the war tax charges are still, of course, also in effect.

**LEVELS BEING TAKEN ON  
SPUR LINE TO RIVER.**

T. & N.O. engineers were in town this week taking levels, etc., in regard to the new spur line to the Mattagami. Mayor Dr. McInnis also has received from the Commission blue prints of the proposed spur line, so it appears that there is to be prompt action in the matter. The line will run just alongside the ball grounds and is practically in a straight line, except for slight curves from the tracks here and just as the line strikes down to the river.

**MACHINE INVENTED FOR  
TURNING HAND STEEL.**

Duncan McKinley, an Elk Lake miner, is experimenting with good results with a machine that will do the work of one man working with hand steel. The little machine holds and turns the hand steel after each stroke, so that only a hammerman is necessary in hand drilling with the machine. A number of miners who have tried the machine say that it does all that Mr. McKinley claims for it, and it may become a popular invention where hand steel is used for drilling purposes, as it would mean a considerable saving and convenience in most cases.

**EVEN SOUP COMES IN  
OVER-PROOF THESE DAYS.**

Officer R. Allen and Provincial Officer Moore made a seizure of some liquor coming into town concealed last week. The liquor was concealed in soup cans, and the officers had to do some clever work to learn this and then to get the "soup" and the men who were getting this kind of "soup." Two men were apparently implicated in the shipment, but one, Louis Di Silandria, admitted to the officers that the goods were ordered by him and were for him, so he will be before Magistrate Atkinson on Thursday regarding the matter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamoury returned to Camp this week.

The annual meeting of the Hollinger Consolidated is scheduled for March 6th.

Pre-lyceum Church last night was a very enjoyable success. There was a big attendance and all had a very pleasant evening.

Messrs. O. H. Kibel and H. W. Duesman went down yesterday to Iroquois Falls to attend the County Meeting and Banquet of the County Orange Lodge.

According to reliable information the Dome Lake has commenced further development work with a view to sinking to the 700-foot level.

The Firemen have changed their luck in the Bowling League games, arising Monday night, when they defeated the Clerks two games out of three.

The Social Evening given in the

The local hockey enthusiasts are now busy on the formation of a hockey league. Three teams are already practically assured and there may be a fourth or more. The proposed game between the Old-timers and the "New Boys" roused so much interest, and the practices held stirred up the hockey blood so much that a town hockey league is in the air.

**TAX COLLECTOR GIVES  
STRIKING REVIEW OF WORK**

(Continued from page 1.)

ual ratepayers to assessment notices, voters' lists and tax notices, and the information suggested therein; the preparation of a by-law permitting the mailing of assessment and tax notices; the submitting of any complaints as to discourtesy, etc., to the Town Council; that a special form be prepared to list all roomers and boarders in hotels, rooming houses, etc., to prevent evasion of income tax; the insistence on more accurate returns regarding incomes, with an affidavit in each case. After pointing out that \$171,829.05 had been handled at a cost of less than 2 per cent, Mr. Macpherson concluded with these words: "Gentlemen, possibly you are not familiar with my work, and I would ask you that at the end of six months or so, after convincing proof has been established of my efficiency, etc., that I be given an increase of salary as from the first of the year of \$25.00 per month."

In expressing the appreciation of the Council for the clear and able report given, the Mayor said that the general opinion was that the Assessor and Tax Collector was capable and efficient at his work, and was the type of official needed to secure the results desired. Councillor Longmore added a word to the same effect. Then Councillor Brazeau started. He said only one side had been heard. He had been bothered, he said, for the past two years with complaints about the discourtesy of Mr. Macpherson. Ladies, as well as men had complained. He was tired of the complaints and he knew they were true. He would not give any names and it was no use asking him. He admitted that Mr. Macpherson was efficient, but there were other men just as good. "Mr. Vollett is right here," said Councillor Brazeau, "and he can take the job on right away."

Councillor Newton said he believed in fair play. He refused to listen to street talk. If any man had a complaint to make he should be manly enough to come to the Council and make it openly, or be disregarded. Councillor Brazeau again referred to the numerous complaints of discourtesy. He mentioned the disregard of the Town Solicitor's advice which had cost the town \$700, he said. "I am only doing my duty in representing the people who elected me," he said.

Mr. M. B. Scott asked if he might say a word as a ratepayer. He thought there had been enough discussion. There seemed to be no question of the efficiency of the Tax Collector, and efficiency was what was chiefly wanted. As to the discourtesy, so much smoke suggested some fire and personally he had reason for thinking that Mr. Macpherson was not always as considerate as he might be. However, his efficiency so outweighed any defects, and he was clever enough to profit in any necessary way from the discussion, so that he seemed to be the right man for the place.

Mr. Macpherson suggested that his fairness might be mistaken by some for discourtesy. "Then I send a first notice," he said. "Then I send out a second notice, with all courtesy. If people want to have further time, and make arrangements for that, I am still courteous as I can be. But if people won't pay, then courtesy is out of place. I want action! And I have been getting it. This is not discourtesy, it is what I am paid to do!"

Eventually on motion of Councillors Longmore and Newton, the Tax Collector was re-appointed for another year at the same salary as last year, Councillor Brazeau, only, voting against this motion.

"We have a good official in Mr. Macpherson," said the Mayor, "and I hope this year that he will give to his duties all the patience that a Scotsman may possess."

An offer for the purchase of the stamper at \$500 was considered unworthy of consideration, especially as the Town Foreman has found a plan to make it useful and profitable to the town by a few minor changes.

The resignation of Fire Chief Borland was read but not accepted. The Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee explained that after visiting Cobalt last week the Chief was less desirous of going there, preferring Timmins as a better town. Other considerations also had changed, and Chief Borland was now willing to remain here. Mention was made of the Chief's efficiency and his good work here, and general pleasure expressed at his remaining. Then the Council unanimously passed a resolution, moved by Councillor Newton, seconded by Councillor Studor, that the resignation be not accepted. So the Fire Chief remains here.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Hollinger thanking them for a receipted bill for \$129 for expenses in connection with the Emergency Hos-

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**CARD OF THANKS.**  
South Porcupine Jan. 30th, '19  
To the many friends and acquaintances in South Porcupine and the Camp who showed such kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of my wife I wish to express my sincere thanks and gratitude. To the Oddfellows and their wives especially I am grateful for the thoughtfulness and fraternal kindness given.  
Yours Sincerely,  
HARRY SPENCELEY.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
In the Matter of the Estate of Napoleon Lefevre late of the Town of Timmins, in the District of Temiskaming, Carpenter, deceased.

TAKE Notice that all persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are to file the same duly verified by affidavit with the undersigned on or before the 28th day of February, A.D. 1919.

ANR Take Notice that after said date the estate of the said deceased will be distributed having regard only to such accounts as shall then have been filed.

Dated at South Porcupine this Thirty-First day of January, A.D., 1919.  
COOK & MITCHELL,  
Solicitors for Barthelmy Noel, Executor of said Estate.

On motion of Councillors Brazeau and Newton, twelve additional chairs are to be purchased for the Council Chamber.

Tenders for doing the scavenger work for the year were as follows:—Geo. Laporte, \$375 per month; Geo. McInnis, \$395; E. LaSalle and St. Onge, \$500; M. Garovitch, \$450; H. Cherniuk, no figure stated; J. Mackovitch, \$600. For the dump the figures ranged from \$800 to \$1200 per year. After considerable discussion the dump was left in charge of Mr. Bailey at \$2.25 per day. Tisdale Township having agreed to pay a similar amount to him for attending to their dump. Geo. Laporte, who did the scavenger work well in 1917, was awarded the contract for 1919 at \$375 per month. The new system will no doubt be an improvement over last year's. The work will be paid for out of taxation, and the man at the dump will be held responsible for always having it in proper condition.

Councillor Newton submitted his estimates for the Fire & Light Department. The total was \$8,245. Councillor Fogg thought no estimates should be passed until all departments had their figures in. This was agreed to. Councillor Newton emphasized the need at once for a third paid man at the Fire Hall. This was in the agreement when the Fire Chief came here, and it was necessary and desirable. Eventually it was moved by Councillors Newton and Brazeau that another man be engaged for the paid brigade, that the volunteers be given \$1200 per year instead of \$500, and that a bath-room and bath be installed at once at the Fire Hall. Councillor Longmore was the only one to vote against this motion.

The engagement of a Town Solicitor was discussed and applications will be advertised for in this connection.

A resolution endorsing the plan of the Matheison Council that the Government be requested to build a through road between Matheison and Timmins was passed by the Council.

Salary and other accounts, including the balance due of \$500 due the Porcupine Consolidated Patriotic Club, were ordered paid.

Notice is to be inserted in the local papers informing the public of the methods for petitioning for sidewalks, etc.

Mention was made of the desirability of a third policeman to look after sanitary matters, various special inspection duties, etc. The Mayor quoted Chief Wilson as saying that such an official would bring the town in various extras that would more than double his salary. The matter was left over for further consideration.

**TOWNSHIP OF TISDALE.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a By-law was passed by the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Tisdale on the twenty-fourth day of December, A.D. 1918, providing for the issue of debentures to the amount of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of defraying the extraordinary expenditure incurred as a result of the recent influenza epidemic, and that such By-law was registered in the Registry Office at Haileybury in the District of Temiskaming on the tenth day of January, A.D. 1919.

Any motion to quash or set aside the same or any part thereof must be made within three months after the first publication of this notice and cannot be made thereafter.

Dated at South Porcupine in the District of Temiskaming this tenth day of January, A.D. 1919.  
W. H. WILSON,  
Clerk of the said Municipality.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

In the matter of the Estate of Otto Larsen, late of the Township of Tisdale, in the District of Temiskaming, Miner, deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are to file the same duly verified by affidavit with the undersigned on or before the 21st day of February, A.D., 1919.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after said date the estate of the said deceased will be distributed having regard only to such accounts as shall then have been filed.

Dated at South Porcupine this Twentieth day of January, A.D., 1919.  
COOK & MITCHELL,  
Solicitors for Finna Larsen, Administratrix of said Estate.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

In the matter of the Estate of Harry H. Lavery, late of the Township of Tisdale, in the District of Temiskaming, Mining Engineer, deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are to file the same duly verified by affidavit with the undersigned on or before the 21st day of February, A.D., 1919.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after said date the estate of the said deceased will be distributed having regard only to such accounts as shall then have been filed.  
Dated at South Porcupine this Twentieth day of January, A.D., 1919.  
COOK & MITCHELL,  
Solicitors for F. W. D. Wilkins, Administrator of said estate.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

In the matter of the Estate of Dominic Vavala, late of the Town of Timmins, in the District of Temiskaming, Miner, deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are to file the same duly verified by affidavit with the undersigned on or before the 21st day of February, A.D., 1919.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after said date the estate of the said deceased will be distributed having regard only to such accounts as shall then have been filed.

Dated at South Porcupine this Twentieth day of January, A.D., 1919.  
COOK & MITCHELL,  
Solicitors for Annunziato Vavala, Administrator of said Estate.

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