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SEVEN FIRES IN SEVEN MILES IN SEVEN HOURS.

As an evidence of the activity of the Chief Fire Ranger, Mr. Geo. Woodcock, and his staff, it is not out of place to quote the fact that on one single day last week he put out no less than seven different bush fires inside of a few hours and within a distance of less than seven miles,—from South Porcupine to Timmins. Some of these fires were due, perhaps, to unavoidable accidents, but no doubt carelessness or worse caused some of the others. None of them had attained any proportions,—or it would have been impossible to extinguish them,—but they all had the makings of destructive bush fires. Mr. Woodcock and his staff have been working day and night in their efforts to do all that can be done to prevent serious fires and to fight any bush fires that may occur.

Mr. Woodcock told The Advance Saturday that the damage done by the bush fires here this year has been commonly exaggerated. In the Night Hawk Lake district, for instance, he says, practically no standing timber of value has been destroyed, though much slash there has been burned up and considerable ground burned over. Up the Mattagami River also, the damage has not been as great as the reports suggest, though there has been some serious loss, of course. Crops have been burned and other damage done, but the amount, of ties and timber saved has perhaps been overlooked in the thought of the comparatively small amount of loss. Last week W. C. Edwards and a small staff of men did good work in saving a large cut of ties up the river while the fires were sweeping along. They stayed right at the job until success was assured, and their persistence gave rise to a peculiar story. One man, frightened apparently by the smoke, hurried to town and when

questioned as to where Mr. Edwards and his gang were, "thought they were all burned up in the fire." This seems to be the basis of the current yarn last week that ten men (or eight or six or twenty, according to the scope of imagination of the narrator) were burned to death up the river. So far as can be learned by the closest enquiry of the cool-headed people in a position to know, there has been absolutely no loss of life in any of the bush fires in the North Land this year.

The Chief Ranger says he is very anxious to bring to punishment anyone responsible for causing any of the bush fires, but he has at present no sure grounds for going forward with any prosecutions. If he can secure any information that will stand in a court of law he will be very ready to go ahead. Guesses, suspicion, talk, are of little use, though it might be a good plan for the Chief Ranger to follow up one or two of the stories that are always current after a bush fire and bring the talkers to court to find out just how much they really know about the matter. The danger to the country and to the lives of the people is too serious a one to allow fire and bring the talkers to court to find out just how much they really know about the matter. The danger to the country and to the lives of the people is too serious a one to allow fire and bring the talkers to court to find out just how much they really know about the matter.

PORCUPINE MINES LEAGUE AWAY TO A GOOD START.

Two games in the Porcupine Mines League schedule have been played now and from these it is evident that the immediate district is going to have a good brand of baseball this summer. The game between Hollinger and McIntyre was a particularly lively one, with lots of good ball-playing. On Wednesday last the teams playing were Timmins and McIntyre at Schumacher, McIntyre winning with the score 9 to 4. The Town team was somewhat handicapped, not being able to get its regular team together for the occasion, but this condition will be remedied for future games and Timmins will put up a lively contest in the schedule. The week-end game between McIntyre and Hollinger at Schumacher was watched with the keenest interest by a large crowd. The score was 12 to 1 in favour of the Hollinger, but the game was much better than the score suggests. McIntyre has a good team and they put up first-class ball, though a couple of "blow-ups" ran up the score against them. The Hollinger pitcher, Winn, also proved a speed artist with a wonderful ball that fooled the most of them. Brownie, who was catcher, had his own work to hold Winn's pitching. Joe Brennan played a remarkably

effective game for Hollinger, while at the bat particularly McLean was unusually good. Sid McCoy's game was a dandy, his well-timed bunt being a feature of the game, and his rooting also adding to the liveliness of the game. The pitcher got the best support all round from the Hollinger team, all the players putting up a good brand of ball, practically free from errors. McMillan and McIntyre were the battery for McIntyre in the first innings, but McIntyre replaced McMillan in the box towards the end, and helped hold down the score. One of the features of the game was the double play of Hireham, as neat a play as seen in baseball this season. Another feature of the game not suggested by the score was the fact that in several innings on both sides not a run was scored, in a couple of cases no man getting to first. In one innings six runs were made the uneven ground making fielders' errors excusable.

TIMMINS WINS FROM PORCUPINE-DOME TEAM

"The best game of the season," is the way several describe the football match at South End on Saturday between Timmins and Porcupine-Dome, Timmins winning after a hard battle with the score 2 to 1.

DOME DIRECTORS VISIT THE PROPERTY HERE.

President Bache and other directors of the Dome Mines visited the Camp last week and spent several days at the property where they were well pleased with all they saw. Considerable time was also spent at the Dome Extension property and it is understood that a further programme of diamond drilling was mapped out for the latter property.

John Wolk was fined \$1000 and costs last week at Kirkland Lake, for the illegal sale of liquor.

The last issue of The Pas Herald says:—"Rev. Mr. Brailsford is preaching to the miners at Flin-Flon, the first padre to carry the gospel to that remote corner of the north. It is hoped the reverend gentleman took along a couple of new decks, for the boys have pretty well worn out those they have."

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