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ENQUIRY INTO FIRE NOT ACCOMPLISHING MUCH GOOD

The enquiry into the recent Central Temiskaming fire disaster does not seem to be accomplishing much good. The enquiry almost from the first seemed to develop into a contest as to who should be ushered into the position of standing the blame for the disaster. The people of the North Land are not so much concerned as to who shall be blamed for the recent disaster as to whether there shall be any further disasters to blame upon anyone. Perhaps, when the enquiry is over the findings of the commission may be helpful, but in the meantime it must be admitted that the progress of the enquiry seemed to accomplish little. There were witnesses whose evidence seemed to pile up support for the theory that the disaster was due to neglect on the part of the various municipalities. On the other hand there were evidences of a general spirit of contradiction to this idea. Also the theory that the Government was primarily responsible has been emphasized because it has been felt that there has been a tendency to shoulder the responsibility upon the settlers and the municipalities. All this is of little avail. It is effort at cross-purposes. Probably, the Government could have done more. Perhaps, the municipalities could have shown more carefulness and attention. Maybe, the settlers were thoughtless or reckless. But such theories will not bring back a single life lost nor repair a dollar's worth of damage. The idea should be to avoid a similar disaster by all possible means. To do this accusations and counter charges are best avoided. No person, corporation or Government deliberately took action or neglected action with actual knowledge or foresight. Errors of judgment or foresight were no doubt responsible for the disaster, but little is gained and much lost by emphasizing this.

So far the enquiry has developed the fact that the pressure at the Haileybury pump station could have been increased about 50 per cent. on the day of the fire; that there should have been water even when the power failed if the value at the reservoir had not been closed; that fires were burning through the country for days before the disaster; that in some cases proper care had not been taken in the setting of fires; that in some cases sufficient attention had not been given to fighting bush fires; that some did not take the various fires in the district with sufficient seriousness. All these things may be good things to know. The knowing of them may bring good by suggesting ways to avoid danger in the future. But the over-emphasis of these things is not what is needed. What is needed now is the emphasis of the fact that every means must be taken to avoid any future disaster. Much has been made of the fact that the fire rangers were withdrawn in a dry season while danger still lingered. It is well to remember this fact for future use. However, howling at the Government about it is not half as good an idea as to encourage the Government to such an interest and attention to the North Land that the bush menace will be removed from the communities, up here so far as this is humanly possible.

The people of Haileybury, harassed by their losses, worried by the anxieties of seeking new homes and rebuilding their businesses asked for a deferring of the enquiry. All can find sympathy with them in this. They surely have their hands full enough at this time, so far as demands on their energy are concerned. It is a pity that the enquiry could not have been left to a more convenient season for them. Promptness of course is one of the necessary features of an enquiry, but the sessions at this time would necessarily be a great strain upon the Haileybury people. However, it is to be hoped that the final result of the enquiry still in progress will be to suggest means and methods for future protection, rather than to provide material for charges and counter charges and useless argument as to whether carelessness is worse on the part of a settler, a town or a Government.

Many in this Camp will be interested in the report appearing in outside papers to the effect that minority shareholders of the Thompson Powder Co. have decided to start action against the directors who it is charged have refused a re-organization.

NEW ISSUE OF STOCK OF DOME MINES CO. LIMITED

New Stock of No Par. Four Shares of New for Each One of Old.

Announcement was made this week from New York of the issuing of new Dome Mines stock. The new stock will allow of a wider distribution, the price of the new stock being more within the general reach, at least for the present. Whereas the present stock of the Dome is confined to 500,000, there will be 2,000,000 shares of the new stock. The par value of the present stock is \$0.00, but it has been selling around five times that amount. The new issue will be of the "no par," type. Stockholders will receive four shares of the new issue for each one of the old. The announcement has been received with very widespread interest. The Dome is one of the three big producers of the Porcupine Camp, and production and profits during the recent months have shown noteworthy increases. Recent discoveries of large bodies of high-grade ore reported from the Dome have added to the general interest in the property.

ESSAY ON BURNS THE POET SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

At the Caledonian Society meeting Friday evening of this week, the special paper by Mr. A. J. Downie will emphasize the universal appeal made by the poetry of Robert Burns. His idea is that Burns was peculiarly the poet of democracy and humanity, and so gains popularity with the world as time passes. Mr. Downie last winter gave a striking and original paper on "John Bull," and the essay Friday evening will no doubt be up to the high standard previously set of originality and thoughtfulness. In addition to the paper, vocal selections, dancing, and a general pleasant time,

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE MOVED UPSTAIRS THIS WEEK

This week the office of the Town Clerk and Treasurer has been moved to new offices in the upstairs of the town building. The new quarters are more commodious and better fitted for the purpose that the downstairs office hitherto used. The Town Engineer will have an office next to the Town Clerk's new office. The former office of the Town Clerk will be used as a police department office. The Tax Collector and Assessor's office will remain as previously. The Medical Health Dept. also has an upstairs office in the building. Having been repainted, etc., the upstairs offices are comfortable and attractive.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH HERE TO OPEN ON SUNDAY, NOV. 19

The new Baptist Church on Second Avenue, Timmins, will open for regular services on Sunday, November 19. In the meantime, Rev. M. R. Hall has returned to town to take charge of the church here. Rev. Mr. Hall has been in charge of the Baptist church at Capreol. On Sunday morning, Nov. 12th, services will be held here by the Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Hall conducting these services in the Salvation Army Hall. The formal opening of the new Baptist church will be on the following Sunday, November 19th, after which the church services will regularly be conducted in the new church building on Second Avenue.

"THE GIFT SHOPPE" OPENED ON PINE STREET THIS WEEK

Misses A. and F. Barnett this week opened "The Gift Shoppe" in the premises next to Carson's Barber Shop and formerly occupied by Allworth's. "The Gift Shoppe" will carry a very complete and attractive line of goods suitable for gifts, as well as Art Needlework, Wool, D.M.C. thread, etc. Its opening should be particularly timely in view of the near approach of the Christmas season.

EXTRA SPECIAL AT NEW EMPIRE THIS WEEK-END.

The special at the New Empire Theatre on Friday and Saturday of this week is the Rex Ingram production, "The Prisoner of Zenda," a twelve-reel feature. This picture is generally classed as one of the best of recent productions. The story, from the famous novel by Anthony Hope, is a stirring one, full of adventure, thrills and romance, and the picture, with its spectacular scenes and its clever handling of the plot, makes an unusually effective and interesting motion picture.

Last week another dividend—15 cents per share—was paid by the Schumacher Gold Mines from money received from the Hollinger in connection with the purchase of the Schumacher Mine.

NATION TO HONOUR THE BRAVE DEAD ON NOV. 11th

His Excellency the Governor-General Barn Byng of Vimy, has received a message from His Majesty the King expressing the hope that the two minutes of silence in memory of those who gave their lives during the war will be observed throughout Canada on Armistice Day, November 11th, commencing at 11 o'clock in the morning.

NEW STATIONERY AND MUSIC STORE IN GORDON BLOCK.

Announcement is made of the opening next week of the J. T. Heffernan Company new store in the new Gordon block on Pine street. The new store will deal in books, stationery, china, glassware, dolls, toys, Christmas cards, office supplies, school supplies, pianos, phonographs, etc.

DRAWING SATURDAY FOR ELECTRIC WASHING MACHINE

There has been much interest in the offer of the Taylor Hardware Co. to give one of their customers the Electric Washing Machine now on display in their store window. A ticket has been given with every \$1.00 purchase made in the store. The drawing for the Electric Washing Machine will be held at the store on Saturday of this week, Nov. 14th. The drawing will be at 9 p.m. and everybody will be welcome to the store for the occasion.

L. HALPERIN EXPECTS TO BE IN NEW STORE NEXT WEEK

Last week announcement was made that Halperin's jewelry store would be in the fine new quarters in the centre store of the J. R. Gordon block by this time. Owing to some unavoidable delay in the finishing of the new building the stores in the big new brick block are not yet ready for occupancy. It is expected, however, that the new building will be all ready next week and the various new stores opened. Accordingly, Mr. Halperin's store may be moved by the end of this week, but in any case next week will be found located in the handsome new quarters in the Gordon Block.

Among the companies recently incorporated is the Abitibi Mines Limited, with capital of three million shares of \$1.00 each par value, and head office in Toronto.

FRONT ROOM TO RENT, WITH BOARD; SUITABLE FOR 2 YOUNG LADIES.

Apply at 36 Elm St. 45-46p.

SEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE FOR SALE.

Apply to A. Blackwell, 21 Elm street. 45p.

WOMAN WANTED AS HOUSE-KEEPER.

Apply to Box C.A., Advance Office, for particulars. 46p.

GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSE-WORK; FAMILY OF THREE.

Apply at 13 Maple street. 45

LOST—GOLD PENDANT.

Reward Finder please return to 35 Tamarack street. 45

STANLEY PIANO FOR SALE;

only slightly used; price \$275.00. Apply to L. McKenzie, Golden Avenue, South Porcupine. 45-46p.

WANTED—5 or 6 room house in good location. Must be strictly modern with all conveniences. Would pay all cash. H. A. PROCTOR, Opposite Goldfields Hotel.

FOR SALE—2 well-located lots in Timmins Heights. One on Elm St. \$300. One on Maple St. \$325. H. A. PROCTOR, Opposite Goldfields Hotel.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. Jean Pare wishes to thank the innumerable friends who showed so much kindness and sympathy during the recent illness and death of his wife.

WOOD FOR SALE, birch, pine and tamarack; any length to suit; all good wood; delivered anywhere in town or suburbs at reasonable rates. T. Hardy, 48 Elm street, Timmins. 41

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that my wife having left my bed and board, I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her in my name.

(Signed) JOSEPH GILBERT,
Dated at Timmins this 3rd day of November, 1922. 45-47p.

FOR SALE—Five well-located lots, with good buildings on them. Good revenue producers. Will sell all together, or singly. Small cash payment accepted, with terms for balance. Come and see me for a genuine bargain in real estate. D. St. Onge, Box 15, Timmins, Ont., or call at store at foot of Third Ave. 41p

PUBLIC NOTICE

Annexation to Timmins of part unorganized Township Mountjoy.

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Timmins has applied to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board under subsection (2) of section 18 of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1922," for the annexation to the said Town of that part of the adjoining unorganized Township of Mountjoy described as follows:

All and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in Lots 1 and 2, Concession 2, Township of Mountjoy, District of Temiskaming, which said parcels or tracts of land may be more particularly described as follows:

Firstly—All of the south-west quarter and south-east quarter of the North half of said Lot 1, Concession 2, said south-west quarter and said south-east quarter being laid out into lots and streets as shown by Plan M. 26, now on file in the Office of Land Titles for the District of Temiskaming at Haileybury, containing 80 acres be the same more or less.

Secondly—Part of that portion of the south-east part of the north part of said Lot 2, Concession 2, laid out into lots and streets as shown by Plan M. 22, now on file in the Office of Land Titles for the District of Temiskaming at Haileybury, said part of Plan M. 22 being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the Northerly limit of area laid out under said Plan M. 22 with the East share of Mattagami River; thence East astronomically along said Northerly limit 974 ft. 8 inches more or less to the north-east corner of said area laid out under said Plan M. 22; thence south 2 minutes east along the east limit of said area 332 ft. 4 inches to the south limit of Allen Avenue; thence West astronomically along the South limit of said Allen Avenue and the westerly production thereof 1146 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches, more or less, to the east shore of the said Mattagami River; thence Northerly along said east shore to the said point of commencement, containing 17.5 acres, be the same more or less.

All persons are hereby required to take Notice that anyone objecting to such annexation must file their objections in writing with the Clerk of the Town of Timmins on or before the 20th. day of November, 1922, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

In case any objection to the said annexation be so filed the said Board may issue an Appointment to hear all Parties interested and notice will be given of such appointment to every person filing any such objection.

H. E. MONTGOMERY,

Town Clerk.

Frank J. Kehoe

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, ETC.

Room 13, Reed Block, Timmins.

Porcupine Miners Union Meeting

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Meets every second and fourth Friday in the month in the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Membership \$2.00 per year for ordinary members and 50c. per year for associate members.

G. A. Macdonald, C. G. Pirie, President, Secretary.

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Apply to P.O. Box 54, or 51 Cedar Street. 45p.

WANTED—Maid for general house-work; good wages. Apply to Mrs. H. J. Marshall, 12 Hemlock street. Phone 57. 44

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