

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS TO BE HELD IN NEW CHURCH

Beautiful New Edifice Will be Temporarily Fitted Up for Special Sunday Evening.

When construction of the fine new R.C. church was commenced here, and even after it was well under way and unforeseen delays in securing materials had interfered with the progress of the work, it was said that Midnight Mass would be celebrated in the new

church this Christmas Eve. And despite all difficulties, the beautiful new church will be ready for Midnight Mass Christmas Eve. Some weeks ago the whole structure was covered in and work speeded up to permit of reaching the objective aimed at as regards the matter of time. Work has been continued early and late on the building, and it is now assured that the structure will be ready. In the process of speeding-up, however, the quality of the work has been in no ways slighted, and the building is probably the best constructed structure in this part of Ontario. Its workmanship is something to be proud of.

While the church will not be actually completed so far as the interior and the finishing and furnishing is concerned, it will be at a stage where temporary altars and other furnishings may be installed, and temporary seating and other accommodation provided. The church will be equipped temporarily to accommodate 1500 to 1800 for the Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. Lighting and heating will also be installed to meet the requirements of the occasion.

Messrs. Hildreth and Fred Auer are home from College for the holiday season.

ELKS OPEN HERE WITH LARGE MEMBERSHIP

About Seventy Go Into New Lodge Here Last Week.

Mr. F. W. Browne, Dominion Organizer for the B.P.O.E., more familiarly known as the Elks, has been in town recently and due to his efforts and the co-operation of those previously joining the Order elsewhere, a lodge of the Order was established in Timmins last week with a particularly large membership. The new lodge has aroused special interest and enthusiasm and is away to a fine start. At the inaugural meeting last week about seventy candidates were accepted and initiated. The Elks is a social order embracing all classes and creeds, the main requirement being that the candidate is to be a good fellow in the best sense of the word. The membership in Timmins includes many prominent citizens and has a large representation of business men on the roll. There is a thriving lodge at Cobalt, and it is the intention also to organize a lodge at Iroquois Falls in the near future.

For the inauguration of the lodge here last week, Bro. Arnold S. Smith, of Cornwall, Ontario, D.D.G.M.E.R. for the B.P.O.E., was in town, and made a decided hit with the new lodge.

TIMMINS AND DISTRICT NOTES

His many friends will be pleased to know that Mr. W. Coupar of the Dominion Bank staff is making good progress to recovery from his recent illness.

Word was received here last week of the marriage at Cannington, Ont., of Mr. Geo. S. Drew to one of the young ladies of that town—his home town. Mr. Drew is one of the most popular of the young business men of Timmins and all will extend very hearty and sincere good wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Drew are at present in New York and other points on a wedding trip.

CHARLES McMILLAN W.M. ABITIBI LODGE

On Friday last week the following officers were elected by Abitibi Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 540.

Bro. Chas. McMillan, W.M.
W. Bro. A. J. Hodgson, I.P.M.
Bro. C. M. Watts, S.W.
Bro. J. S. Jaeger, J.W.
Bro. E. J. Varrett, Treasurer.
W. Bro. G. S. Code, Chaplain
Bro. G. S. Pincoit, Secretary.
Bro. G. D. Adams, Asst. Secretary.
Bro. J. Jardine, Tyler.
Trustees—W. Bro. J. R. Spence; W. Bro. G. S. Code; Bro. R. A. McInnis.
Auditors—Bro. F. E. Ginn; Bro. J. W. Day.
Ex. Board—W. Bro. A. J. Hodgson; W. Bro. A. E. Brewer; W. Bro. J. R. Spence.

Three Years "Over There" Two With "The Mounties"

Sitting astride a "Mountie's" horse he was as fine a specimen of manhood as one could meet. Six feet tall, bronzed, muscular and keen, he made an athlete of no mean ability. Three years in the war had seemingly made "a man out of him," but it took a bad cold to show that the war had far-reaching and terrible effects.

One day he played and worked hard, then went for a dip in the lake. A little cold came on, then got worse and worse and finally—consumption. His three years "Over there," and two spent in the "Mounties," have given him a fighting spirit.

During these last eight months the foe has not killed his hope, he's still hoping that God's fresh air and man's skill at the Muskoka Hospital for Consumptives can retain something of his old manhood for active service yet.

Only with the help of many warm friends can this great work be carried on. Money is urgently needed. Contributions may be sent to Hon. W. A. Charlton, 223 College Street, Toronto.

AN OPTIMIST

The original optimist has been discovered in the person of an ex-soldier who has lost both legs and when asked what he has to be thankful for said: "I've got cork legs and can hold up my socks with thumbtacks."

EXIT ROMEO

We were seated in a hammock
On a balmy night in June,
When the world was hushed in slumber
'Neath the magic of the moon.
I had asked one little question
And my heart was filled with hope,
But the answer never reached me
For her brother cut the rope!

Announcement is made that the Lake Shore Mines will not close its fiscal year with November as in previous years. It is understood that the present fiscal year of the Lake Shore will be carried on to end probably next June.

A Thought for Christmastide

"God bless Us, Every One!" said Tiny Tim.

MANY years have passed since Charles Dickens wrote "A Christmas Carol" with its merciless revelation of the soul cramping power of greed for material wealth, and its glowing picture of the mental and spiritual peace that comes to those whose sympathy for humanity finds outlet in deeds as well as in words.

AS never before the world about you needs the practical application of the lesson Dickens sought to teach. Everywhere, in the country side, in the village, in the town, in the city, there are Tiny Tims. There are older folks too, sick in body, troubled in mind, oppressed with fears for those dependent upon them, almost worn out with the strain of the battle of life. Sometimes you have wondered how they managed to get along, from what source they draw their unquenchable belief in the coming of a brighter day.

TO such as these a kindly thought put into action, may make all the difference between "A Merry Christmas," and one in

which the smile of courage is all too close to tears. The reunion with your own family circle and your chosen friends will be illumined by a more radiant glow if you know that in at least one home bodily needs have been satisfied and faith in mankind renewed, because of your thoughtfulness.

THERE may be others too in no want for that which money can buy, but whose souls are parched for lack of the encouragement you could give. The day will come when it is too late to wish that the friendly smile and the word of cheer had been as freely given as they were longingly hoped for. Be prodigal with them now. Banish false pride and cultivated apathy. Remember the story of the first Christmas, so old yet ever new. Open wide the door of your heart to its message and its glory. So shall you find the Christmas spirit marching with you through all the days of life; so shall you always be able to say with the abiding faith of poor and crippled Tiny Tim

"God bless Us Every One!"

—Wm. Banks

HOCKEY

First League Game
FRIDAY, DEC. 22nd

Iroquois Falls

versus

Timmins

Puck faced at 8.15 p.m.

Rush Seats on sale at Burke's, Curtis', Gray's, Meyers' and Todd's Drug Stores and at Jacobs' Cigar Store.
Reserve Seats at the Rink

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Moved to New Premises

This week we have moved our
Tailor Shop & Clothing Store

one door west of our former premises on Third Avenue. The new store is large, light, bright and well-equipped and we will be able to give all our old customers and friends and many new ones better service than before.

To One and All We wish a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Bowie & Berini
9 Third Ave. Timmins, Ont.

Newest Weaves



THE YEAR'S BEST WEAVES

in domestic and foreign fabrics are now on our tables and we advise you to come and make your selection while there is a full range and wide choice. Start the New Year with a new custom tailored suit of our make

To One and All We Extend Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

GEILS & HERMAN
Next to Dalton's Third Ave.