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OVER 14 MILLIONS LOST IN YEAR'S FOREST FIRES

Canada's bill for damages sustained
by reason of forest fires during the
past five years averages \$14,500,000
annually. The number of forest fires
averaged 5,779 a year and the cause
of this shocking display of vandalism
were nine times in ten human reck-
lessness. Campers accounted for 24
per cent. of all these fires; settlers
burning slash started 22 per cent.;
lightning 10 per cent.; and railways
26 per cent. The figure charged to
railways is, however, an unfair index
of responsibility. In the first place,
practically all fires started, or said to
be started, from railway lines are in-
stantly reported. This is not true
of campers and settlers and lightning
fires. Again, the majority of rail-
way fires, being quickly detected, are
quickly put out so that as timber des-
troyers the railway lines have fallen
to a minor position.

The problem of land clearing fires
started by settlers and running into
the green timber is one of the most
aggravated and complex. Settlers in
newly developed districts must use
fire to clean up the debris and natu-
rally wish to choose hot and dan-
gerous weather when burning condi-
tions are best. This inevitably means
that for the clearing of farms Cana-
da has paid a tremendous forfeit in
destroyed timber. Much has been
done, however, to make the process
of land clearing safe by issuing per-
mits for burning and supervising the
operation through officers of the For-
est Service.

The Canadian Forestry Association
has repeatedly pointed out that the
wood-using industry of Canada ac-
counts for a national income of 500
million dollars a year and cannot
continue indefinitely unless every
safeguard is thrown about the lim-
ited possessions of the Dominion.

The claim of Allan Johnston, Hims-
worth farmer, to the \$500 reward of-
fered above the signature of J. H.
McDonald, mayor of North Bay, for
the capture of Leo Rogers, "dead or
alive," will be fought out in the
courts, a writ against the corporation
of the town of North Bay for the
amount of the reward having been
issued by J. H. McCurry, solicitor for
Mr. Johnston. The case will be
heard before either Judge Valin or
Judge Leask, at the general sessions
of the district court of Nipissing, to
be held in the court house, North
Bay, on October 2. Owing to Supreme
Court sittings on Oct. 1 it is probable
that the case may be postponed until
late in November.

TIMMINS MALE CHORUS STARTS SECOND SEASON

Good Work of Past Six Months Re-
viewed. Officers Elected for
Ensuing Term.

On Thursday last there was a gen-
eral meeting of the Timmins Male
Chorus. There was a good attend-
ance of members, with much interest
shown. Mr. W. R. Dodge, President
of the Timmins Male Chorus, occu-
pied the chair. The excellent work
accomplished in the past six months
was reviewed and the finances for the
period considered, the financial state-
ment being duly passed on regular
motions. Then, with Mr. J. K.
Moore voted to the chair, the election
of officers for the ensuing term took
place as follows:—

Honorary President—Mr. A. F.
Brigham.

Honorary Vice-Presidents—Mr. T.
F. King, Dr. J. A. McInnis, Dr. H.
H. Moore, Mr. C. G. Williams, Rev.
Fr. Theriault, Mr. G. A. Macdonald,
Mr. P. M. Bardesson.

President—Mr. W. R. Dodge.
President of Executive Commit-
tee—Mr. T. F. King.

Secretary—Mr. B. G. Wilson.

Treasurer—Mr. I. Lainsbury.

Executive Committee—J. T. Heffer-
nan, T. A. Skelly, J. K. Moore, W. B.
Burrill, J. Harvey.

Librarian—F. J. Curnow.

Assistant Librarian—H. J. Kent.

Musical Committee—Messrs. Jas.
Geils and Jas. Cowan.

Conductor—Mr. R. R. Johnston.

Pianist—Mrs. J. W. Faithful.

Since its organization early this
year the Timmins Male Chorus has
achieved a large measure of approval
and popularity. To-day it is recog-
nized generally as a very valuable
musical organization. The Advance
has been a persistent and consistent
"booster" of the Timmins Male
Chorus, and believes that the organ-
ization has fully justified the good
things said regarding it. At the re-
cent banquet to the members of the
American Institute of Mining and
Metallurgical Engineers, the visitors
were very enthusiastic in regard
to the work of the Timmins Male Chorus
and their enthusiasm was still more
marked when they learned that the
Timmins Male Chorus was composed
exclusively of local people, the mem-
bers of the Chorus giving their time
and talent without hope of any other
reward than the pleasure in their own
love of music and the desire to give
the public something specially good in
choral work.

At the present time the Timmins
Male Chorus can take in a number of
new members. Any men in town in-
terested in singing will find this a
excellent opportunity to secure good
training and learn much valuable
knowledge in regard to vocal music,
at no further cost than the nominal
membership fee and the time and at-
tention given to the practices of the
Timmins Male Chorus.

The Timmins Male Chorus had its
first rehearsal last night (Tuesday)
after the summer vacation months,
and regular practices will be arranged
for the fall and winter months. There
is every reason to expect that the
Timmins Male Chorus will prove even
more successful in every way in this
coming year than in the one now
passing.

GRAND DANCE, AUSPICES SCHUMACHER TENNIS CLUB

A Grand Dance is announced for
Wednesday, Sept. 19th, in the Me-
Intyre Recreation Hall, Schumacher,
under the auspices of the Schumacher
Tennis Club. The best of music will
be furnished by a special orchestra.
Dancing will be at 9 p.m. Refresh-
ments will be served. All attending
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About one thousand happy, delighted
children were the guests of honor, The
Child's Welfare Association of Montreal
was the host, while through the courtesy
of His Master's Voice Limited, the en-
tertainment was provided and perhaps
no afternoon in the lives of these children
was more enjoyed than that spent yester-
day at the summer day camp of the
Association on Dorchester Street, Mon-
treal.

Patriotic tunes, stirring marches, songs
and calls of native birds, whistling selec-
tions and the popular tunes of the day
contributed to the intense delight of the
children and all this joy and brightness
undoubtedly added to the affection and
greatfulness which the children have
come to have for the Welfare Association
because of its unceasing effort in their
behalf.

So life-like were the selections rendered
that it was interesting to note the amaz-
ement of the children who really felt sure
they were undoubtedly listening to the
various performers themselves instead
of a reproduction of their art on a regular
stock model of "His Master's Voice" Vic-

rola by means of "His Master's" Voice
Victor records.

And what made the illusion more strik-
ing was the amplifying arrangement
made possible through the co-operation
of The Northern Electric Company who
installed for the purpose of carrying the
performance of the Victrola to every one
of the junior audience—the same set of
amplifiers used to broadcast the address
delivered at Vancouver recently by the
late President Harding.

The Child Welfare Association of Mon-
treal has many activities for the promo-
tion of the welfare of children. It has
established thirteen Health centres in
different parts of the city where more
than 2700 mothers are coming with their
babies to receive instruction and super-
vision in baby care.

The splendid work of health education
being carried on by this association is
bringing its results in the greatly lowered
death rate among the families who come
to the Health Centres for advice. Another
special activity is the Nutrition classes
for under-nourished children which

are carried in selected schools during the
the school year. Very amazing results
have been obtained by means of these
classes.

A noteworthy activity during the
summer months is a day camp at 393
Dorchester Street, west, provided by
Major Washington Stephens, where large
and beautiful grounds are open daily to
mothers with their babies and to children
of all ages. Many special treats are pro-
vided at intervals for the hundreds of
children who flock there during the hot
weather. It was here that the special
concert was held.

The members of the executive under
whose direction this splendid and needy
work is carried on are—

President, Mrs. Walter M. Stewart.
Vice-President, Mrs. D. Lorne Mc-
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