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One day last week a bunch of real old-timers were gathered at the corner of Pine street and Third Avenue. They were real old-timers,—men who had been in the Porcupine in 1907 and 1909. The talk naturally drifted to the good old days, and mention was made of the incident that led to the staking of the Hollinger in 1909. There were a number of prospectors in here and more or less staking was going on all through the district. When Messrs. Alex. Gillies and Ben Hollinger got into this part of the country they met Bill Davidson. According to the old-timers, Bill Davidson advised the other two prospectors to stake "near that little lake." "It looks mighty good to me around that little lake," he said. Bill himself went on to stake what is now known as the Vipond. He thought he had

found a real gold mine, and from present indications there is every reason to believe he made no mistake when he picked the Vipond property as a winner. Messrs. Gillies and Hollinger eventually staked "near that little lake." According to the old-timers, they had been grub-staked by different parties, so they tossed a coin as to who should stake first. Ben Hollinger won. On October 6th, 1909, they staked a fraction south of the Schumacher property, and then more to the west. They staked six claims each, and one for Barney McEaney, the latter being known as the Porcupine Crown. The first-stakings done by Messrs. Hollinger and Gillies were the original stakings made and recorded of what is now the Hollinger Mine—the world's greatest individual gold mine.



This picture shows Messrs. Alex. Gillies and Ben Hollinger before their little old cabin door. Mr. Gillies is on the left, and the late Mr. Ben Hollinger is standing before the door. The cabin stood just about where the main shaft of the Hollinger is now.

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NEARLY \$3000 IN FINES AND CCSTIS AT COURT THURSDAY.

Thursday last was a big day at Timmins Police Court, the event being featured by many cases and big fines. J. Graboski, on a charge of keeping liquor for sale, pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$1000.00 and costs, the alternative suggested by Magistrate Atkinson being a three-month term. N. Pouff was taxed \$500.00 and costs for selling liquor. He was arrested last week by the town police a quantity of liquor being found in a room in his rooming house, together with funnels, spirit-tester and other paraphernalia. V. Hakala, who was just getting a drink from Pouff as the police arrived, was assessed \$100.00 and costs for drinking in a public place. O. Tartan was fined \$200.00 and costs, for illegally having liquor in a public place. A similar penalty was imposed upon H. Russell on a similar charge. Geo. Symanuck was charged \$500.00 and costs on a charge of selling. The same penalty for a similar breach of the law was imposed upon M. Clement. There were sixteen drinks fined the regular \$10 each and costs. Fines of \$10 each and costs were also imposed on a couple for disorderly conduct. There appeared to be an epidemic of "pleading guilty" all through the cases, not one of those mentioned so far putting up any sort of a contest.

S. Norman, a colored man, facing a charge of attempted murder, asked to go before a judge and jury. He was remanded for a week for preliminary trial, and accordingly the preliminary hearing will be before Magistrate Atkinson to-morrow. Norman is the colored man accused of stabbing a local man in the neck with a knife or razor. Norman has told the police, it is understood, that the injury was done with a knife, which was afterwards thrown among some old boxes. Efforts to recover the knife, however, have proved unsuccessful so far.

Mrs. W. Cohen was called upon to answer to a charge of illegally having liquor in a public place. She did not answer, and it is understood that she is out of town for the holidays.

W. Grenier, a taxi driver charged with reckless driving, was granted a remand to this week.

G. Charney, for having firearms in his possession while being an alien, was fined \$5.00 and costs. J. Wirta, on a charge was allowed a week.

J. Wirta claims he is a and the adjournment

GOOD WORK FOR SPORTS BEING DONE AT COCHRANE

The Amateur Athletic Association, recently organized at Cochrane is starting out with enthusiasm and energy and promise to do a great work for the northern railway junction town. At present a series of large-space advertisements are being published in the Cochrane newspaper, The Northland Post, detailing the work, aims and objects of the Association. "Save the Boy!" is the motto of the Association, and these words are given prominence in the advertising. The idea of the Cochrane Amateur Athletic Association is that by providing clean sports and healthful recreations the boys are kept away from less desirable things, as well as being improved in health, strength, morals and general good citizenship. In the first of the series of advertisements, the Cochrane Amateur Athletic Association explains that they intend to provide an ice rink, toboggan slide, gymnasium, physical instructor, etc., and to promote Hockey (male and female teams), Baseball, Basket Ball, Football, Field Sports, and to support Amateur sports of all kinds. The Cochrane Amateur Athletic Association promises to do a good work for the community and it is to be hoped that the citizens in general of Cochrane will give heartiest support. It is more than likely that this support will be given, as the general opinion is that Cochrane has a lot of men who are good sports in the best sense of the term. Baseball, hockey, football and other teams from Cochrane bear an excellent name in neighboring towns where they are generally looked upon from past experience and association as agreeable good fellows with the right spirit of sport.

to this week was granted to permit him to produce the necessary documents to show his nationality.

Sam Tombra (or some such name), was not so lucky as the other two. Sam was also accused of illegally having firearms while not a British subject. Constable Bennett, of Schumacher, laid this charge. The fine was \$50.00 and costs.

G. A. other riding a bicycle on the sidewalk was fined \$2.00 and costs. A remand a week was granted in the case of a Timmins taxi driver charged with breaking the town by-law area.

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