

EXPORTS OF NORTH LAND SHOW INCREASE OVER 1923

Report of Consul at North Bay Gives Interesting Facts and Figures.

The report of Mr. G. E. Selfzer, United States Consul at North Bay, covering the first nine months of 1924, as issued recently, has been seized upon and quoted widely as showing further proof of the "wonderful prosperity of Northern Ontario, at a time when business generally throughout the country is quiet." The deduction is not altogether warranted. While no one here will care to deny that Northern Ontario is better than most places, it is a fact nevertheless that there was more genuine prosperity in this land a year ago than to-day. In the past year the North Land has been asked to care for altogether too large a portion of the unemployed of the rest of the Dominion. Stories of the prosperity of the North Land have resulted in the influx into the North of men without either means or prospects. That sort of thing does not make for prosperity. The North Land has borne up well under the unfair burden, but too much is always more than enough. If there is an influx of capital into the North in the spring, as there should be, the development of the great resources of this country will provide ample employment for all. In the meantime, however, all is not flamboyantly prosperous in this country, and any who pretend it is are simply deceiving themselves and exposing the land to further burden.

However, the report of Consul Selfzer contains much information of special interest. Compared with the export figures for the same period of 1923, the exports from the North Land for the first nine months of this year, show an increase of approximately 50 per cent., the totals for the nine months ending September 30 last being \$36,577,343, compared with \$24,518,537 in 1923.

Probably the most surprising part of the record is the great variety of goods shipped out of this part of Ontario, the list including gold and silver bullion, lath, lumber, pickets, pulpwood, paper, railroad ties, chickens, furs, fish, Christmas trees, etc.

The biggest increase was in the export of gold bullion, which was valued at \$17,718,045, as compared

with \$6,952,364 in the same period last year. Silver bullion jumped from \$1,825,516 to \$2,345,801. Silver ore showed a small decrease, but this was more than made up by the export of silver concentrates. Nickel showed a slight decrease, as did lumber. The pulpwood export for nine months this year was 52,642 tons, valued at \$2,630,424, compared with 47,188 tons worth \$2,586,996 in 1923. There was a decrease in the export of pulpwood from \$2,628,542 to \$1,543,129, but an increase in value of newsprint from \$8,104,422 to \$10,163,260. Fish showed a small decrease, as did furs.

NOTICE TO TIMMINS MEMBERS OF THE B.P.O.E.

A special meeting of all the members of Timmins Lodge, B.P.O.E. will be held in the Theatre Basement on Saturday, Dec. 20th, 1924, at 8 p.m. The chief purpose is to provide for the making of a donation to the funds of the Community Christmas Tree at Timmins, and all members are very urgently requested to attend.

J. A. McInnis, E.R.,
Geo. A. D. Murray, Secy.

CALEDONIAN CHRISTMAS TREE SATURDAY NIGHT

The annual Caledonian Society Christmas Tree will be held in the Hollinger Recreation Hall, Hollinger Townsite, on Saturday evening of this week, Dec. 20th. In past years this Christmas Tree and Social Evening has been a most enjoyable and pleasing event, especially for the children. This year it is expected to even outdo past successes. The Ladies' Community is working hard on the programme for the evening and a jolly good time for all the lads and lasses (irrespective of age) may surely be expected. The children connected with the Caledonian Society of Timmins can look forward to having a happy Saturday evening with a present for each one, and a good time for all.

There will be music games and novelties, and perhaps Santa Claus may make an appearance during the evening.

Readers, advertisers and others interested will please note that The Advance will be issued day earlier next week, being published on Tuesday, instead of Wednesday, so as to convenience both the shop and the shoppers.

CONFLICTING REPORTS ABOUT "JITNEY FEUD"

South Porcupine Correspondent Asks for Fair Deal to Township Council in the Matter.

South Porcupine, Dec. 16th, 1924—Special to The Advance:—

What appears to be the worst "Jitney Feud" to date, is now being witnessed by the residents of this town and the confusion and fuss seems to be the fault of the local drivers themselves, this according to advice from the authorities. Last week a New Jitney Service was started by about fifteen Jitney drivers from Timmins who are operating on an hourly service, with Sedan Cars and thereby hampering the chances of the local men in getting their regular customers. The result is that the Council ordered all the Jitneys to stay on the stand opposite the Gold Range Hotel. Several of the local drivers are under the impression that the Council in doing this, are favoring the intruding cars from Timmins. This is not the case however, and as far as we have been able to learn to the contrary, we were informed that the local drivers themselves are responsible for these conditions, as they are the ones that asked for it, therefore the Council acted fairly and gave them just what they asked for. One fact that remains is that the Jitney drivers in town lack co-operation. We would suggest that they have someone to manage their affairs, who could lay out more substantial proposals, before presenting them to the Council and thereby eliminate the unjust criticisms which have recently been placed on the shoulders of our most able Council. The men in the Council are doing all they can to give the public the best of service and are always willing to consider proposals for the betterment of conditions generally, but if the proposals are made on the street corner, it is quite impossible for the Council to consider them and pass on them. We believe that before another week has passed, the Jitney Problem will be settled and everybody satisfied.

Approximately \$10,000.00 worth of liquor was seized in the course of two or three days recently by the Provincial Police at Sudbury. The liquor is chiefly highwines.

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