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To Examine a Number of the Townships in the Porcupine

Geological Exploration Parties of the Department of Mines to Examine McArthur, Bartlett, Ogden and Bristol Townships This Summer. Other Similar Work Planned by Department. Dominion Government Surveying Water Routes from Red Lake into Patricia.

Information from the department of Mines at Toronto is to the effect that several new fields are to be subjected to examination by the geological exploration parties this summer.

J. E. Hawley will examine Ogden and Bristol Townships, two townships that are believed by many prospectors to hold high promise of gold ore.

McArthur and Bartlett Townships have been kept well to the front during the past winter by prospecting and exploration and development work, and a party will look over these townships with a view to getting the latest information. Several noteworthy discoveries of gold have been reported from Bartlett and McArthur during the past few months. It is to be hoped that matters will be facilitated for all concerned by the early completion of the necessary work to make a passable road from South Porcupine to the McArthur field.

Dr. E. L. Bruce is to head a party

that will examine a number of townships south of Porcupine.

Dr. E. S. Moore will lead a party in the area north of Sault Ste. Marie, working toward Lake Superior to make a survey of the iron field. F. L. Finlay and party will map several townships north of the area.

E. W. Todd will be in charge of a party to continue field work west of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway on an area in which the Animanipissing Lake is the chief topographical feature. The area has possibilities for the discovery of silver there being numerous exposures of silver bearing rock.

G. V. Douglas will accompany the survey party of J. W. Pierce, who is making a traverse for the Dominion Government of the water routes from Red Lake into Patricia. Side trips will be made by Mr. Douglas for the examination of rock formation.

SAYS STRAW TO REPLACE PULP IN PAPER MAKING?

According to a recent statement made in an interview given to a Toronto newspaper, all the talk about an embargo on pulpwood would appear to be of little avail one way or another. According to the interview referred to, straw is soon to replace pulpwood in paper-making. Of course, these prophecies are never fulfilled in as sweeping a way as the prophets expect. For instance, the radio was to put the gramophone out of business completely in a month or two, but still the gramophones are going strong. Straw may take a material place in the making of paper but pulpwood will be in demand for a few months yet. However here is the substance of the Toronto interview referred to:—

"Utilization of straw in the manufacture of paper is likely to add an important industry to Western Canada and increase the revenue from the wheat fields according to W. R. Allan president of the Union Bank of Canada, Winnipeg, who is in Toronto. Work will be started in a few days, says Mr. Allan, on a mill which will turn out fifty tons of straw paper per day. He predicted that within 25 years straw will entirely take the place of pulpwood in the manufacture of paper. It is estimated that the farmers will get 20 cents for the straw with every bushel of wheat."

"IT ALL DEPENDS WHOSE OX IS GORED," SAYS THE PROVERB

The Pickering News, published down near Toronto, recently had a word or two to say about an appeal made to Toronto business men to patronize Toronto industries. The Pickering News says in part:—

"Several years ago the union printers of Toronto went on strike. During the years of the strike the business men of the city were unable to have their orders for printing filled in the city and consequently the printers in the country, were reaping the benefit, and this business, to a great extent, they still hold. Now the city printers are making a big howl about the printing going out of the city, and are making strong appeals to Toronto business men to be loyal to their own city and allow no work to go out to the country. They seem to forget that they have hordes of drummers all over the country taking orders for work that should naturally go to the local printer, and there are a great many merchants and other business men, who while they protest strongly against the encroachments of the departmental stores have no hesitation in sending their orders for stationery and other printing matter into the city. The Toronto printers will have much difficulty in winning back the work which they lost through their greed. Their action in grabbing at everything within reach is characteristic of "Hog Town."

Tony Jacobelli, the shoemaker of Cache Bay who was committed for trial by Magistrate J. D. Cockburn, of Sturgeon Falls, on a charge of arson in connection with the big fire which wiped out an entire business block in Cache Bay on March 30 with a property loss of \$60,000, and one fatality, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the Ontario Reformatory. He pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of attempting to obtain money under false pretences. The reduced charge was connected up with the insurance earned by Jacobelli.

FAITHFUL AND INTELLIGENT DOGS SHOULD BE PRIZED

This is a thoughtless and careless age, with the accompanying tendency to take the lazy and easy way (or apparent way) of remedying anything and everything by just passing a new law. The people who do not care for a drink, attempt to remedy what they consider the evils of intemperance by prohibitory enactments. Men who do not care about dogs, urge the passing of laws practically prohibiting dogs, because dogs, or some dogs, cause them annoyance or envy. The usual procedure is for not all directly concerned to stay back and let the propaganda workers make out their case without dispute. For some years propaganda has been steadily carried on against dogs in towns and cities. Those having a grudge against the dogs have had it much their own way. Owners of dogs have been turned aside with the suggestion that they were defending the dogs just because they owned them. To the propaganda mongers and to the thoughtless public, that seemed to be a sufficient answer. Yet why should not a lover of dogs have as much right to an opinion as the man whose indiosyncrasy took the opposite form? The big trouble, however, has been that the people not directly concerned one way or another have given little, if any, thought to any principle in the matter. "Oh, well, I don't care; I don't keep a dog!" has been too common an expression. It is pleasing therefore to see an unbiased word for the dog. The New Liskeard Seaker last week referred to the loyalty and comradeship of the dog and his noble service to man. The Seaker gave one recent example of a collie dog saving a lad's life. These incidents could be multiplied here. Some years ago the intelligent banking of a dog gave warning of a fire in progress in Mattagami, and but for the dog's timely warning a family would have undoubtedly been burned to death. Prospectors and others can tell of the dog's value, his service and his faithfulness. There was much more than just cynical smartness in the humorist's epigram, "The more I see of men, the better I like dogs." The Seaker's reference to the dogs is well worth general reading and is given herewith:—

"A six year old Toronto boy fell into the lake, and a collie dog jumped in after him, and held him up until help came. The dog was unable to drag the boy ashore, but kept him from drowning until a Mr. O'Brien jumped into the lake and relieved the dog which was nearly exhausted.

"News such as the foregoing, recounting the saving of life by dogs, is frequently given through the press, and yet New Liskeard will not allow a dog to run at large in the Town.

"We heard a townsman say he thought of selling his town dwelling and living outside the town so that he might keep a dog. He says he has been lonely ever since he sent his dear old dog away.

"Of lower animals, none are so true and faithful as the dog, nor are any so easily taught to be helpful—particularly on the farm. In describing the saving of a person from drowning in the States recently, the President of the Humane Society, in presenting a medal to the dog said he showed human intelligence in taking the man by the coat collar, and dragging him along through the water."

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