

**NINE CHIMNEY FIRES IN LESS THAN ONE WEEK**

In the past six days there were nine chimney fires, six of them being in the space of twenty-four hours. In none of the cases was there any damage done. The response to each call by the Fire Brigade was the usual prompt and ready one. The motor truck, it may be noted worked like a charm and there was no difficulty in its easy running. This year to date there have been 104 fires calls. The truck has been of great service in the responses.

There recent chimney fires are as follows:—

- Dec. 3rd, 9 p.m., at 56 Mountjoy street.
- Dec. 4th, 2.30 p.m., at Bardessonoblock
- Dec. 5th, 6.15 p.m., 61 Birch street south.
- Dec. 8th, at 4.15 p.m., at 18 Middleton Avenue.
- Dec. 8th, at 5.50 p.m., at 45 Sixth Avenue.
- Dec. 8th, at 7.25 p.m., at 2½ Vimy Road.
- Dec. 9th, at 1.40 a.m., at 78 Birch street south.
- Dec. 9th, at 3.40 p.m., at 58 Fifth Avenue.
- Dec. 9th, at 4.40 p.m., at 34 Main Avenue.

**DOG DAYS ONCE AGAIN AT THE TIMMINS POLICE COURT**

It was cold weather yesterday, but still dog days at the Timmins police court. Mr. John Kilgour charged A. Carpenter with the theft of a dog. The case was dismissed. Donat Charette had a similar charge against Alfred Jolicoeur, and it cost the latter \$12.25 to settle the affair. The dog-gone logic of these dog cases seems to be that in case a dog is found or a dog is lost the best way is to notify the police station and also advertise the losing or finding so that there need be no dispute in the matter.

Apart from the dogs, the doggone O. T. A. had a front seat in the cases. There were seven cases of the common garden variety of drunkenness. Each case carried with it as a sort of bonus, the usual \$10.00 and costs.

D. Murchuk, on the charge of brewing beer without the formality of applying for the necessary permit, was assessed \$50.00 and costs.

B. Giavanni and Anthony Marcus were each charged with the same offence against the O. T. A.,—having liquor in a public place. They each paid the same size of fine, \$50.00, and costs.

This made the sum total of the cases for Wednesday's court.

Mr. T. McCann, returned to Timmins this week for the Christmas holiday. Mr. McCann has been attending school in Toronto for the past year, taking up pharmacy, having been a popular member of the staff of F. M. Burke, Limited for some years past.

**IDENTIFIED.**

Policeman—"Are you quite certain this was the motor which killed your pig yesterday?"

Yokel—"Are, that's it—I knew'er at once by the name on the front."

**DAN BARKER IS MAYOR OF NORTH BAY FOR 1926.**

North Bay had a strenuous municipal election on Monday, and only four members of the old council survive the contest. Mr. Daniel Barker was elected Mayor for 1926, winning by 71 votes over his opponent John McColeman. The Council for the coming year for the new city is:—Dan Sava, R. Y. Angus, S. J. Cherry, Robert Rowe, D. G. Stevens, L. H. Saunders, W. G. Bullbrook, J. A. Lambertus, G. W. Deegan, H. M. Anderson. There were thirteen other candidates for aldermen.

**HIS HOLIDAY**

"Who is the very slangy chap you were just talking to?"

"He's a teacher of English enjoying a day off."

**HE WISHED HE KNEW.**

Pat: "Sure and I'd give a thousand dollars, Mike, if I knew the place where I was going to die."

Mike: "Faith, Pat, and what good would that do you?"

Pat: "Begorra, I'd never go near the place at all." —Exchange.

**THE LITTLE BOY WAS ONE MORE MARTYR TO TRUTH**

The Ottawa Journal tells this one: When Freddy came home from school he was crying. "Teacher whipt me because I was the only one who could answer a question she asked the class," he wailed.

Freddy's mother was both astounded and angry. "I'll see the teacher about that! What was the question she asked you?"

"She wanted to know who put the glue in her ink bottle."

**THE SCOT'S MOST COMMON CUSSWORD IS, 'O, DEAR!'**

Here's one told by The Khaki Call: A Scotsman purchased a second-hand motor-car, and the first time he was out in it the chauffeur seemed to have great difficulty with the controls.

"Ye're going awfu' fast," said the owner.

"Yessir," gasped the driver, "something's gone wrong—I can't stop her."

"Then, for heaven's sake, laddie," cried the Scot, "run into something cheap."

**REGULAR "LOW DOWN" ON THE "HIGH-BROW" STUFF**

Everybody's Magazine says:—During an engagement played by William Collier in Atlanta, the player was one day shaved by a loquacious dandy, who asked the comedian to suggest a "good, swell name" for his shop. At that very moment the razor slipped and the suds were succeeded by alum.

Mr. Collier made no complaint, but when he escaped from the chair, he wrote, in compliance with the barber's request, a couple of words on a piece of paper. The barber was delighted by the suggestion, which he declared he would forthwith adopt. The words were "Tonsorial Abattoir."

**Here and There**

The sea fish catch on both coasts in Canada for the nine months ending September, 1925, was worth \$19,997,076, as compared with \$18,118,456 for the same of 1924, an increase of \$1,883,620.

A gold medal has been awarded to the Canadian Pacific Railway for the Company's exhibit at the Canadian National Exhibition this year. On one side of the medal is a portrait of the Hon. Howard Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, while on the other is a scene on the exhibition grounds.

E. W. Beatty, chairman of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, stated recently that more liners of the "M" type would be built to replace older liners, such as the Marloch, Marburn and Montreal. The new ships will be similar in all respects to the S.S. Montclare and Montrose. The Marloch, Marburn and Montreal will be sold.

A fish caught in Shuswap Lake, British Columbia, after a forty-minute fight turned out to be a monster rainbow speckled trout, weighing 17½ pounds, with a length of 36½ inches and a girth of 24½ inches. It was mounted and exhibited in the windows of the Dominion Express Company, Montreal, before being shipped to the owner in England.

Live stock exchanges are to be formed in Montreal to prevent the sharp decrease in the number of cattle. In the period 1920-1924, there was a reduction of 331,000 head of cattle in the province of Quebec. Because of the low prices for live stock, the Quebec farmer has refused to face the long period of feeding and tending, and kills the calves.

A seven passenger twin-engine flying boat, which it is said will revolutionize the aerial fire-fighting methods employed by the Government protective patrols, is being tested at the Dominion Government Airdrome at South Marsh, near Ottawa. If satisfactory it will be flown to Manitoba where it will take on fire preventive duties in one of the most important forest areas.

The 1925 total of dividends paid and declared by gold and silver mining companies in Northern Ontario is \$10,402,174, representing a gain of \$2,013,131 over the dividend record of 1924 and constitutes the greatest record for Canadian precious metal mining industries. From 1904 to 1925, since silver was discovered in Cobalt in 1904 and gold found in Porcupine and Kirkland Lake in 1909 and 1910, records show total dividends of \$150,774,199 from these fields. The aggregate profits are now averaging \$1,000,000 a month.

Bettering the world record of 3,447,624 bushels of all grains marketed on C.P.R. western lines Thursday, November 19, A. Hatton, general superintendent transportation of the system, has reported that 3,559,000 bushels were marketed on Friday, November 20. From August 1 to November 20 inclusive, 148,078,445 bushels of all grains have been marketed at stations adjacent to Canadian Pacific Railway lines as compared to 109,651,136 bushels for the same period last year, an increase of about 35 per cent.

Sponsor of what is confidently expected to be the most brilliant winter season in Quebec, the Winter Sports Club has been launched under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, Hon. N. Perceval; Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Premier of Quebec; Mayor J. Samson of Quebec, and Mayor Demers of Levis. The major events of the season are the International College Ski competition on December 30; the International Snow Shoe Convention, February 6-7; and the Quebec Dog Derby, the date for which has not yet been fixed.

**HIS GRAMMER.**

Johnnie: "Mother, I just seen—"

Mother (reprovingly): "Johnnie! Where's your grammer?"

Johnnie: "Gran'ma? I was just trying to tell you. She's down at the barber's shop getting her hair bobbed."

**COMPROMISED**

"Watch me take a rise out of him," said the smart young man as a tramp approached.

"That's the same story you told me last time you accosted me," he said, when the vagabond had finished his tale of woe.

"Is it?" was the answering question. "When did I tell it to you?"

"Last week."

"Mebbe I did, mebbe I didn't," admitted the tramp. "I'd almost forgotten meeting you. I was in prison all last week."

**JUNIOR HOCKEY**

**FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON**

**TIMMINS vs. NORTH BAY**

**Mon. Dec. 21**

**SINCLAIR THE VALET**

**AND DRY CLEANER**

**THE MAN WHO GIVES THE PERSONAL TOUCH**

**PHONE 625 - 21 FOURTH AVENUE**

**Buy Your Counter Check Books in Timmins**

It will prove more convenient and satisfactory for you all round. The price will not be any more, and it often will be something less, than charged by outside firms for a less convenient service.

A full line of samples may be seen at The Advance Office.

Just call up Phone 26 and have these facts proved to your entire satisfaction.

**FOR SURE RESULTS**

**YOU SHOULD TRY**

The **Porcupine Advance** **Want Ads**

One insertion costing you **50 cents in advance will bring you what you require**

**Insert One Next Week**