

MCINTYRE EARNINGS FOR SIX MONTHS TO DEC. 31ST

The official statement just issued by the McIntyre-Porcupine Mines, Limited, shows earnings as follows for the six months ending Dec. 31st, 1925, the end of the second quarter of the McIntyre's fiscal year:—gross recovery, \$1,832,806.61; costs, including development, \$1,057,971.98; operating earnings, \$774,834.63; net operating revenue, \$49,013.04; \$823,847.67; less provision for taxes for period, \$33,641.70; net earnings before plant depreciation, \$790,205.97.

material increase over the first quarter ending Sept. 30th. For gross recovery, the figures are \$880,117.82 and \$946,685.79 respectively for the two quarters. The operating earnings are \$518,793.82 for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, and \$407,510.63 for quarter ending Dec. 31st. The net earnings before plant depreciation for the quarter ending Sept. 30th were \$372,610.59, as compared with \$417,595.38 for the quarter ending Dec. 31st.

Mrs. Adela Hass, of the Russell Hotel, left on Monday morning for California to visit her parents and other relatives there.

STORE AT MATHESON DAMAGED BY FIRE

A special despatch in The Nugget last week tells of the damaging by fire of the general store of R. C. Miller at Matheson. The Nugget despatch says that the origin of the fire is unknown and continues:—"The cash register with the drawer broken and its contents in cash removed and the adding machine were removed to the rear of the store house which is attached to the store close to a door leading to the lane. The alarm was given before ten o'clock and due to the excellent water supply and quick work of the fire brigade the fire was under control in a short time. There is a substantial insurance."

HAILEYBURY MEN RETURN WITH CHINA CLAY SAMPLES.

The Haileyburian last week says:—"Joseph Jackson, who with Angus and David McNabb, spent the past few weeks in the Mattagami River country where the china clay deposits are located, returned to town last weekend. They brought with them some interesting samples of the clay, as well as samples of fire clay which is found in layer covering the deposits of china clay. The latter is almost pure white and of a very fine grain, containing small particles of silica sand. The fire clay is red in colour and is said to be of a very fine quality. According to the report of these prospectors, there is almost an unlimited quantity of the products, as the fields cover a wide area already explored and no one knows to what extent they extend into the unexplored country. Considerable prospecting has been done by the original discoverers of the deposits and a company has been formed with the object of developing the property. It is expected that there will be a large industry grow up in the district, and it has been stated that an extension of the T. & N. O. Railway will be built to serve the district.

Experts have declared that the china clay found there is of the best grade obtainable anywhere, while the fire clay and other products which are found in connection with it, is said, prove a very important factor in the development. A seam of lignite coal is also present in that district lying below the deposits of clay. Some pieces secured from an outcropping were according to Mr. Jackson, burned with success during the time the party was in the district. While the extent of the coal seam is not definitely known indications are that it is there in considerable quantities and great hopes are expressed that the opening of that part of the country will be one of the greatest factors in the development of the North Country."

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MR. GEO. W. LEE GIVING CURLING CUP TO DISTRICT

Chairman of T. & N. O. Commission Further Shows His Interest in the Great Game.

Mr. Geo. W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O. Commission, always shows a keen and helpful interest in this North Land, but it is well known that he has a particular love for hockey and an extra special particular love for curling. Further evidence of his goodwill and interest in the matter of the braw game of curling is given by the announcement this week that Mr. Lee is donating a handsome curling trophy for competition between Timmins, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine and Cochrane. The rules and regulations to govern the competition will be announced shortly and it is expected that the new cup itself will be on display in this part of the North in the very near future, so that all may see it. It will no doubt do much to increase interest in the North in the curling, as well as being a means of increasing acquaintance and goodwill between the towns of this district.

STANDARD MINING EXCHANGE ELECTS 1926 OFFICERS

The Standard Mining Exchange believes that the present year will be one of the most important in its history. Members of that body believe that the mining industry is attracting the favourable attention of financial and business men generally here and overseas and that the present year will be one of progress and development. Last week the Mining Exchange elected its officers for the year and there was more than the usual interest. F. J. Crawford and N. C. Urquhart were elected president and vice-president respectively, by acclamation. Mr. Crawford last year occupied the office of vice-president and Mr. Urquhart was secretary. Draper Dobie was elected secretary for 1926. There were two members running for the offices of second vice-president and secretary and 11 were trying for the five places on the directorate. The election resulted as follows: President, F. J. Crawford; first vice-president, Norman C. Urquhart; second vice-president, F. M. Lorsche; secretary, Draper Dobie; directors, Malcolm Stobie, A. L. Hudson, L. J. West Homer L. Gibson and J. T. Eastwood.

Mr. R. Bonathon, who spent several years in the mining fields of Montana, returned this week to Newmarket, Ont. after a visit to the camp.

CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION NOW AT MOOSE FACTORY

A regular Conservative Association has been formed at Moose Factory, on James Bay. In commenting on this fact a Toronto newspaper says that it completes the plans of the Conservative Association to have a branch actively at work in every part of Ontario. It is worthy of record, however, for another reason. At the last Provincial election (June, 1923) there were forty-seven votes cast for the two main party candidates. Neither the Labour candidate, John Vanier nor the independent candidate Mr. Seymour, received a single vote at Moose Factory. Of the forty-seven votes, one was for J. R. O'Neill and the other forty-six for Mac Lang, the Liberal candidate. Under such circumstances it is some feat to establish a Conservative Association at Moose Factory, surely. Mr. Sam Waller is the secretary of the Moose Factory Conservative Association and there are enough members also to provide the other necessary officers and also leave a number for ordinary members, so the Conservative cause has made many converts since 1923 at Moose Factory.

ANOTHER WOLF YARN NOW LOOKS VERY QUESTIONABLE.

Some weeks ago there was a romantic wolf-story sent out from Cobalt. It was a good-looking yarn and was used to prove that wolves do actually attack human beings. A man giving the name of Benison and stating that he was a fur buyer from Hamilton, Ont., was alleged to have told a big story of being attacked by wolves, while driving a dog team. He claimed the wolves killed three of his dogs and that he shot four of the wolves and eventually managed to make his escape from the pack. However, he also claimed that as a result of the encounter he had been rendered speechless. He spent some days in the Cobalt hospital and then went on to Sudbury. At Sudbury he was again supposed to re-lose his voice and he was once more treated in the hospital. On the plea of going down town to attend to some banking business he left the hospital for an hour or two. Taxi drivers who had dealings with him say that his voice was all right. Maybe he lost his memory, for it is claimed that he neglected to pay his hospital bill and some other accounts though he had over \$500.00 in bills with him. He has disappeared now according to the police, and a warrant has been issued for his arrest. Doubt is now quite general in regard to his story. Evidently the man had read The Toronto Star too much.

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ECLIPSE LAST YEAR WAS ON SATURDAY, JAN. 24th.

Some local people this week early got into an argument as to the date of the eclipse last year. Some put it as early as January, and some as late as September, which shows how untrustworthy memory may be at times. The Advance was called upon to decide the question, and consultation of the files of the paper showed that the eclipse was held on January 24th, and though the weather was not any too favourable the event was not postponed.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DIVORCE.

Notice is hereby given that Mike (Michael) Ayoub of the Town of Ansonville, in the Province of Ontario, merchant, will apply to the Parliament of Canada, at the next Session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from his wife, Saude (Sadie) Ayoub, formerly of the Town of Ansonville, but now residing in the City of Akron, in the State of Ohio, one of the United States of America, on the ground of adultery and desertion.

Dated at Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, this 21st day of December, A.D., 1925.
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