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### DR. A. J. SKELLY FIRST DOCTOR IN RED LAKE CAMP

Dr. W. S. Paul, practising physician of Cochrane, has been awarded the medical contract for the Howey Gold Mines Limited and the McIntyre Porcupine Mines in connection with their operations in Red Lake, according to despatches from Cochrane. Dr. A. J. Skelly, one of Dr. Paul's assistants will be the first medical man in the Red Lake field. He left Hudson some days ago by airplane for the Dome and McIntyre camps.

At present there are no hospital facilities in Red Lake, but it is reported that arrangements are being made to get a Red Cross unit into the camp before the spring break-up. So far the camp and trail have been remarkably free from accidents or cases of serious illness. The only cases were the victims of the airplane crash both of whom are recovering nicely.

### OFFICERS OF THE SYNOD OF DIOCESE OF MOOSENEE.

At the recent biennial meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Moosenee held at Cochrane recently, the following officers were elected:

Ex-officio chairman, Right Reverend J. G. Anderson, bishop of Moosenee; secretary, Archdeacon Woodall, Porquis Junction; executive committee, Rev. R. S. Cushing, Timmins; Rev. W. P. Griffiths, Iroquois Falls; Rev. H. Hesketh, Chapleau; F. K. Ebbitt, Iroquois Falls; C. B. Morgan, South Porcupine and Frank Ginn, of Matheson.

Delegates to the General Synod: Archdeacon Woodall, Rev. R. S. Cushing, F. K. Ebbitt and F. Ginn.

Delegates to Provincial Synod: Archdeacon Woodall, Rev. R. S. Cushing, Rev. P. C. Heaven, Rev. W. P. Griffiths, Canon George Prewer, Rev. Beazer, Rev. H. Hesketh, William Hiscocks, Frank Ginn, D. Bushel, R. Hopper, A. L. Joyneur and two others.

Delegates to M.S.C.C., G.B.R.E., and C.S.S.: Archdeacon Woodall, Canon Prewer, F. K. Ebbitt and Geo. B. Nicholson, of Chapleau.

The next Diocesan Synod will be held two years hence at Timmins.

### ATTENDING SUNDAY SCHOOL ON CORRESPONDENCE PLAN

The North Land led in bringing to Ontario the idea of the correspondence school plan for the education of children in the sparsely-settled areas, where there are not enough settlers to support new schools and where existing schools are too far away to be available. The Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade pressed the plan upon the attention of Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, and with his usual desire to advance education and assist the North, the Premier had the correspondence idea adopted to meet the circumstances. Children in sparsely-settled sections of this North are right now enjoying the advantages of education by the correspondence plan.

In the North, too, originates the plan for holding Sunday School by mail. At the biennial synod of the Diocese of Moosenee, held at Cochrane recently, Rev. W. P. Griffiths reported on the work of "holding Sunday School by post." An invitation was extended to anyone knowing of children living out of reach of Sunday School influences to send the names and addresses to Rev. W. P. Griffiths. Sunday School literature, a course of study with questions to be answered will go forward regularly. Rev. W. P. Griffiths, secretary of this department of the Anglican Church in the North, is rector of St. Marks, Iroquois Falls.

### HUMANE SOCIETY SPEAKS FOR DUMB AND HELPLESS

Accordingly Should Have the Support of All Who are Kind and Chivalrous.

The Timmins branch of the Humane Society is holding a sale of produce and home cooking at 20 Pine street, opposite the post office, on Saturday of this week, May 1st. In mentioning the event last week The Advance suggested that the cause was a particularly good one. A reader asks why the cause should be considered specially worthy of support. In previous issues The Advance has shown why. To "speak for those who cannot speak for themselves" is surely a worthy cause. To protect dumb animals from abuse and neglect is certainly a worthy cause. To attempt to better conditions for animals is assuredly a worthy cause. Improvement of conditions for animals, the doing away with cruelty and inhumane methods not only better the lives of the animals but it also makes for a higher state of living and standards of civilization among the people as well. In this connection a recent editorial in The Mail & Empire is not out of place. Change the word Toronto to Timmins and the editorial applies itself perfectly here. The Mail & Empire says:—

"The righteous man regardeth the life of his beast. Tested by this proverb, many people would be found unrighteous, for among our domesticated animals there is much suffering because of the neglect or downright cruelty of owners. Horses, dogs, cattle, cats, and other dumb creatures are left to starve or find their living as they can, and in not a few cases are ruthlessly abused by vicious persons. Horses that get a minimum of food, that have galled shoulders, and are left unshod are required to draw heavy loads over rough and slippery roads. Such inhumanity is rarer than it was some years ago, and the reason for the improvement is, not that there is less capacity for brutality, but that the Humane Society is growing in resourcefulness and in the will power to bring the guilty to punishment. What a disgrace it would be, not simply to the inhumane, but even more so to the merciful, if the animals we employ in our service were left altogether to the tender mercies of ugly-tempered people and of wanton inflictors of pain!

"Who are the chivalrous? Are they not those who are ready to protect the weak and to rescue the suffering? A right-minded man or woman will feel bound to go to the help of an abused animal. The fact that we are well served by the horses, dogs and other animals we own, and the further fact that these blindly trust themselves in our hands, make it our binding duty to be kind to them and do what we can to shield them from ill usage. The friends of the dumb creation in this city are organized in the Humane Society, and it is a satisfaction to every merciful man and woman in Toronto to show that there are so many citizens associated together to protect the domesticated animals, even at great personal sacrifice and often in the face of ruffianly demonstrations against themselves. And what one of us will refuse to contribute something to the fund that is raised to carry on the service of providing fair and kindly treatment to our dependent fellow-creatures of the brute creation? No man who stops for a moment to reflect can deny that he owes something to the faithful service of a dog or horse, or that some member of his family had the affection of a pet of this kind. So we ask our friends to spare something tomorrow for the tag box that will be presented to them as they go downtown and spare it without grudge. The Humane Society ought to be made to feel that it has the warm-hearted backing of all the people. It deserves no less."

### THE SUCCESSOR TO THE VILLAGE BLACKSMITH

The Village Blacksmith, famed in song and story, is just about passed away with the passing of the horse. The horse has been run out by the auto. The village blacksmith has given place to the village garage man, and a reader of The Advance has sent in this poem by George S. Chappell, on "The Village Garage Man":—  
Under the spreading chestnut tree  
The town garage now stands;  
The boss, a clever man is he,  
With black and greasy hands:  
The things that fill his heart with glee  
Are brakes with worn-out bands.  
He goes each morning to his bench  
And spreads his tools about;  
Nought can his searching spirit  
quench,  
For if he is in doubt,  
He grabs his trusty monkey wrench  
And yanks the engine out!  
From dawn till dark, the live-long day  
He fixes sulky plugs,  
The gaskets that have worn away,  
The time rims minus lugs,  
And brake rods that have too much  
play  
And knocks and pounds and chugs.  
Oh, happy man, you are not rash,  
And may you never be!  
You win, whenever there's a smash!  
Your job looks good to me,  
You do your work, collect the cash,  
And only "air" is free.

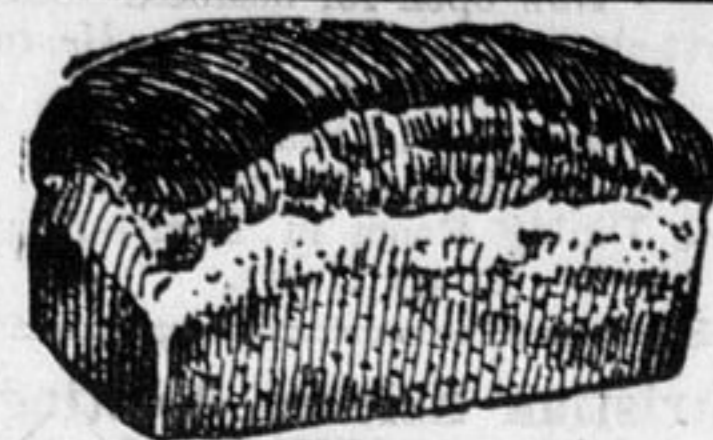
### 'SHEWAN CLAN' NIGHT ONE OF VERY BEST HELD YET

The regular meeting of the Caledonian Society in the Hollinger Hall last Friday evening was very largely attended and proved most enjoyable throughout. The President, Mr. W. D. Watt, occupied the chair for the business part of the meeting. After the business had been concluded, Mr. Wm. Shewan, who was in charge of the programme for the evening, took the chair and conducted the rest of the evening in very capable way. Moreover, he had a programme of pleasing excellence throughout. There was not a poor number on the list and all the various items were much appreciated. There were many pleasing dances enjoyed during the evening, Mr. Geo. Hale at the piano providing very attractive music. The comic song by Mr. Fisher made a big hit, on merit, and was uproariously enjoyed. Mr. Fisher has a fine voice and an inimitable manner for humorous songs and his second number was even more earnestly applauded than the first success. A humorous Scottish reading was given by G. A. Macdonald, and was well received. The singing of Mr. Pyper was one of the special treats of the evening. His fine tenor voice was heard to advantage in selections of particular beauty given with rare expressiveness. He was recalled again and again. Miss Maisie Roberts gave a perfect rendition of the Highland Fling, graceful and harmonious, and the audience rightly insisted on an encore. Mr. E. R. Street, in attractive songs given with attractive voice and fine musical perception, delighted all and won very hearty recall and the sincerest appreciation. The guitar selection by Mr. W. Poat was the sweetest of music played by a gifted master on the instrument. The gathering showed its appreciation not only by a decided encore but by the soundless attention given these excellent numbers. Mr. Davidson's humorous songs were much enjoyed. His stuttering song was very well given, and received very pronounced encore. His responding number, a "laughing song," set the audience roaring anew. During the evening the usual pleasing refreshments were served.

At the business session of the meeting it was decided to hold another open dance in connection with the Society before the next meeting. The same gentlemen who handled the last open dance so creditably and successfully, (Messrs W. Shewan and R. H. Gray), are to have charge of the coming event, with the co-operation of the ladies' committee.

Sudbury Horticultural Society has now over 300 members.

At Sudbury last week the caretaker of the incinerator became curious as to the contents of one box brought out with the garbage for burning. He opened the box and found it contained nine sticks of dynamite. That caretaker says that curiosity sometimes is a mighty good thing. He came mighty near to saying: "Good morning, St. Peter! May I come in!"



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