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"GRAVEL AND SAND"—AND PLACER

It is now four months since Inspector Constable was foully murdered at Cochrane. What progress has been made in bringing the cowardly assassin to justice? Do the authorities believe that the people of the North Land are content to forget about this and other murders unpunished in this North? The members representing North Land constituencies in the Legislature should question the Government very closely relative to the murder of Inspector Constable. Is it admitted that the Provincial authorities lack the ability to trace the treacherous thug that killed a loyal officer and a good citizen? If so, why not bring in detectives who can do the work? The people of the North Land want the murderer of Inspector Constable brought to justice, and until the guilty man is apprehended, Ontario is shamed, as a province unable to avenge its own faithful servants.

Fire recently destroyed the home of one of the citizens of The Pas, Manitoba. The fire destroyed all his possessions,—except his family and his good friends. His loss was a heavy one, yet he retained much more than he lost. That man may regret the material things he lost, yet his heart must be warmed because of the greater things he still possesses. In his hard luck he must realize his good fortune. The Pas Lumber Co. immediately donated enough lumber for another house, and cash contributions amounting to nearly two hundred dollars were forward at once to tide him over his need. The incident illustrates once more the fact that there is no place more kindly or generous to those in ill fortune than a mining camp. Years ago Timmins was so friendly and open-handed that the people here contributed money to assist a Provincial Police officer who was in need. That was a high-water mark in generosity. Many will regret that with the growth of communities, the old-time spirit of generous helpfulness can not be so evident. Innumerable calls naturally dull the sensibilities. Frequent cases of demands by undeserving people tend to discourage generosity. This is one of the penalties of growth. It is a fact, however, that the old-time spirit of kindly helpfulness never dies completely, and no case of real need is likely to go without friendly assistance in any mining camp.

The new lead mines are in Black township. They will no doubt be known as the Black Lead mines.

Referring to a Toronto lady who has passed the century mark, The Telegram says that "She is now over 11 years old." Apparently The Telegram is trying to kid the old lady.

A reader of The Advance who signs himself, "Disgusted One" writes to ask what certain daily newspapers would do for front page headings and articles these days in case some other "Disgusted One" should murder "Peaches" Browning. Why, "Disgusted One," we expect the dailies would make front page copy of the murder. The Advance is Disgusted Too.

There are 9,500 drug addicts in all Canada, according to a statement given out by the Chief of the Narcotic Division of Health. Question: How many of these 9,500 addicts are being supplied with drugs by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police the way these police officers supplied the man named Fraser who was their travelling companion through this North Land some months ago? It is suggested by the evidence in some recent cases here, that at one time last summer, the Timmins police had all the drug addicts in this town in jail, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police came along and took the fellow away and supplied him with drugs for many months thereafter.

During the recent Provincial Election campaign the Premier, Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, promised that the enforcement of the proposed Government Temperance policy would be in the hands of a "strong man," as he phrased it. Certain newspapers opposed to temperance but in favour of prohibition have repeated the phrase "strong man" with the evident intention of ridiculing the idea. This week announcement it made of the personnel of the Liquor Commission. Mr. D. B. Hanna, well-known as a railway builder and business man of talent, is to be the chairman of the commission. The other members are to be Dr. R. J. Manion, M.P., Fort William, and Mr. Stewart McClenaghan, ex M.P., of Ottawa. Premier Ferguson has more than redeemed his promise. Instead of one "strong man" for the Liquor Commission there are three.

One Toronto newspaper suggests putting a ban on the title "Bandit" as applied too frequently to the cowardly and murderous thugs who commit highway robbery. The newspaper in question appears to believe that the use of such words as "thug," "robber," and "murderer" would discourage the hold-ups by taking some of the romance and glamour out of their usually cowardly crimes. The effect upon the criminals may be questioned, but there is little doubt but that the newspapers owe it to their respect for the meaning of language to use proper terms to describe the modern type of vicious crime. It is also due to the public, and especially to the young and ill-informed that high-sounding words are not employed for despicable criminals and contemptible crimes with the result that there is left a suggestion that there is a possibility that there may be something gallant or romantic in the mean trade of thuggery and murder.

A few days ago some boys,—the oldest not thirteen years of age,—broke into a locked shed in the suburban part of Toronto, and took a quantity of dynamite sticks from the building. For their offence the boys were before the court in Toronto, and the evidence showed that the lads had taken desperate liberties with the purloined dynamite. Some of the sticks they had cut up with an axe, using the pieces of dynamite for pucks in an impromptu game of hockey. Those who have handled dynamite in the course of their daily work will read with lively horror of the terrible risks those boys took with the explosive. The Magistrate very rightly had special words for the parents concerned. Emphasis was properly placed on the idea that children should be sternly impressed with the respect due to dynamite. Just why the youngsters were not blown to eternity, with other innocent people in the neighbouring district also suffering seriously, will remain another of the mysteries about explosives. It is not an adequate reply to say that the dynamite was frozen. There are few men accustomed to handling dynamite who would care to use part of a stick of the explosive as a hockey puck on the coldest day that ever visited White River. There is said to be a special providence that guards drunken men, fools and children. Apparently they need such protection on occasion. When the escapade of the Toronto youths is considered in connection with the case of the late Neh Faulkenham, one of

the gentlest and most careful of men, who met his death through an explosion of dynamite at his business place in Red Lake mining camp, the uncertainty of the action of dynamite seems to be emphasized. With the greatest care there is always the element of risk, as has been proven on hundreds of occasions in the mining districts of the North. Accordingly one of the first articles of the creed of every man, woman or child coming anywhere near dynamite should be to use the greatest care at all times in dealing with explosives. Experience has shown that it is impossible to use too much carefulness in handling dynamite. Children should be taught the greatest possible respect for dynamite, both for their own sakes and for the sake of others.

In an editorial this week in The Toronto Star, the suggestion is made that the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway establish a radio broadcasting station so that the North Land may enjoy the pleasures of radio. The Star is apparently under the impression that on account of the long distance from the big cities where radio broadcasting stations are situated, the North Land is not able to enjoy the best radio programmes. This is not the case, however. The North Land has been particularly fortunate in the matter of radio reception. There are innumerable radio outfits in this country, and it is seldom indeed that they are not able to secure good programmes from the leading stations on the continent. In this North, except on rare occasions when some unusual circumstance interferes, the radio from Montreal, Ottawa, Pittsburgh, Chicago, and points farther away, may be easily and clearly heard. Indeed, the North Land seems to be especially favourable for radio reception. Broadcasting from the Arctic circle has been heard here more or less regularly, and on one occasion a local radio set tuned in with a broadcasting station in Scotland and heard, though indistinctly and faintly the programme presented in the Old Land. It is an odd fact that Toronto has always been the hardest of centres to secure on the radios of this North Land. For some reason or other the reception from Toronto is nearly always poor. This may be due to inferior equipment in the city where Hon. Mr. Raney once reigned, though dry. The Star is also apparently unaware of the fact that the North Land already has a broadcasting station. This broadcasting station is situated at Sandy Falls, near Timmins, "where the wolves howl around the door," as the station itself once broadcasted in description. Mr. M. J. Cavaney, who installed this broadcasting station, is not only a pioneer of radio in this North but also one of the earliest and most helpful of the radio enthusiasts in Canada. The Advance would be specially interested in Mr. Cavaney's opinion as to the virtue of having a broadcasting station established by the T. & N. O. Railway in this North Land. One thing is certain, and that is that if it would be of genuine advantage to the North, the T. & N. O. Railway will assuredly give the matter the most considerate attention.

Ten years ago Timmins suffered inconvenience and expense because of a lack of snow during severe cold weather. Water pipes and hydrants froze up and other difficulties resulted from the lack of the protecting snow. This year the other extreme has been reached. There is too much snow. It is a nuisance now, piled up every place, but just what to do with it in the Spring will be a more tedious problem. When Spring comes there should be a general demand for rubber boots. The town, for once, will be thankful for its widespread supply of gravel and sand, for without the generously absorbent qualities of these, the town might cease "looking more like New York every day," and take on the outward appearance of the city of Venice in the rainy season.

The latest to object to the use of "titles" are the linotype operators in The Advance office. They strenuously object to the use of the title, "operators," being applied to the drug addicts employed by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in their work of visiting doctors to secure supplies of narcotic drugs to keep their special agents in their favourite dope. The linotype men argue that the word "operator" has been made honourable by the useful work of telegraph, telephone and typesetting machine manipulators, and should not be used as synonymous with "spotters." Despite the apparent abuse of titles in such cases as that complained about, The Advance is not yet in favour of the abolition of titles, or abolish the type of police that make wrong use of such titles.

The older men's parliaments in this country may well take pattern from the Older Boys' Parliament of Ontario. The boys decided that the best way to raise the necessary finances to carry on the boys' work movement in Ontario was to sell bonds. The "Government" elected in regular fashion by the boys undertook the direction of the bond-selling campaign with the greatest energy and enthusiasm. Volunteer speakers and workers were assigned to the several districts to assure the success of the campaign. Among these workers none have shown more effective enthusiasm than Hugh Scratch, the "Leader of the Opposition." He is bending every effort to make the Government plan a big success. Only in the case of a big war or in face of some great calamity have Opposition leaders among the adult parliamentarians devoted their full energy to assisting the Government, and even in such cases, the co-operation has not always been whole-hearted as it has been in the case of the boy leader. The leader of the Opposition in the Boys' Parliament has the right idea of patriotism and good sportsmanship.

In recent times there have been altogether too many cases of men deserting their wives and families in this district. One such case, of course, is too many, but the cases here have been so numerous that it was felt that drastic measures were required. A week or so ago one family deserter was arrested and is now serving a term of imprisonment for his offence. This punishment of this man has had the effect of impressing on several others the duty they are required by law and decency to fulfil in the matter of providing for their families. It may be noted that the intention of the authorities is to fully enforce the law in this matter. No man is hereafter to be permitted to desert his family and leave them on the charity of neighbours or municipalities.

The notices for the taxes due for 1926 are now being issued. These taxes, of course, were due last year, and, under normal conditions and the ordinary type of town council administration, would have been payable last year. In view of the fact that the delay in demanding payment was not due to any fault of the people, the present council has provided for the amounts due to be paid in two instalments. The first instalment is payable by March 1st. After that date a five per cent. penalty will be added for non-payment. The second instalment is due on April 15th, and a penalty of five per cent. is also added to that instalment for non-payment. There is a further five per cent. penalty added by law to taxes unpaid by May 1st. Thus 1926 taxes not paid by May 1st will carry a 10 per cent. penalty. Accordingly it will be good business to see that taxes for 1926 are paid before the penalties are collectable. If the 1926 taxes are paid at an early date it will make the paying of 1927 taxes, due later in the year, less irksome. In addition it will save the town money in interest charges. Indeed, all who possibly can should make a point of paying as much of their past taxes as they can as soon as they can. This plan will help the town and assist in keeping down the cost of administration. The taxes for 1926 are already well overdue in reality, so all should make special effort, in the interests of the town, to pay their taxes for past years.

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FOR RENT

TO RENT—House with all conveniences. Good location. Apply to 6 Wilson Ave. -6p.

FOR RENT—Three-roomed house with water and lights. Apply to 205 Pine St. South. -5pt.f.

STORE AND BASEMENT TO RENT—Apply to 68 Third Ave., Timmins. -5-6p.

FOR RENT—2-roomed office suite in Ostrander Block. Apply to P.O. Box 239, or phone 115. 52t.f.

TO RENT—Three Roomed apartment. Also single room. Apply to room 10, Reed Block. -2t.f.

3-ROOMED HOUSE TO RENT—electric lights; \$15.00 month; 106 Commercial Ave. Apply W. O. Langdon, Room 2, Gordon Bldg. -2-

FOR RENT—Three roomed furnished house. Apply to B. Lennan, 60 Broadway, corner Broadway and Elm St. 47t.f.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Two lots and Furnished Shack, on Middleton avenue. Apply F. Stonehouse, 11 John avenue. -5-7p.

TO RENT—3-room apartment, large rooms; hot air furnace; water; on 85 First Ave., Schumacher. Apply A. Fournier, Box 62, Schumacher, Ont. -5-7.

FOR RENT—Two roomed shack; well located; clean; and suitable for bachelors. \$12.00 per month. Also four-roomed house, well located, with all conveniences. Call phone 502. Apply to A. T. Pommier, New Empire Theatre Block. -4p

POSITIONS WANTED

STENOGRAPHER, with knowledge of bookkeeping—desires position. Apply to P.O. Box 1461, Timmins. -4-5p

POSITION WANTED AS HOUSE-KEEPER. Experienced. Good references. Apply to 15 Elm street north. -6p.

POSITION WANTED as General or Junior Clerk. High-class certificates and diploma in stenography, typewriting and bookkeeping. Apply to William Rees, General Delivery, South Porcupine, Ont. -6p.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—MAID FOR GENERAL HOUSEWORK. Apply 6 Elm street south. -6.

CANVASSER WANTED—Lady or gentleman; liberal commission. Birrell Bell's Academy, St. Onge Bldg., opposite Gray's Drug Store. 46tf

CAPABLE STENOGRAPHER WANTED—State age, qualifications, references, salary expected, first letter. Lawson & Lawson, Box 435, Cochrane, Ont. -5-6.

WANTED

WANTED—LARGE BED SITTING ROOM, with bath, or two rooms with bath. Phone 416. -6p.

WANTED—Plainly furnished 5 or 6 roomed house or rooms. No children. Apply at once to Mrs. G. Gordon, P.O. Box 632, Ottawa, Ont. -6-8p.

WANTED—Room and board in private home by a gentleman. Apply to P.O. Drawer B or phone 418. -6p.

LOST

LOST OR STOLEN—A Collie dog. Has three brown marks on body. Answers to name of "Bruce." If dog is not returned after this notice party holding this dog will be prosecuted. Under please return to 105 Birch St. South. -6p.

WOOD FOR SALE

PHONE YOUR STOVE-WOOD REQUIREMENTS to S. B. Rawlinson, 55 Wilson avenue, Birch, Jackpine, Tamarack. P.O. Box 174. Phone 477-W -3-6.

F. ROY & SON—WOOD DEALERS—All kinds of wood; any length. Also dealers in hay and oats. Delivered to any part of town. Prices reasonable. 79 First Ave., Phone 272W2. 5t.f.

NOTICE

All Angliques residing in Timmins, Schumacher and vicinity are summoned to attend a meeting in St. Matthews Church Hall on Wednesday, February 16th, at 8 p.m. to consider whether we shall continue to function as a congregation. Timmins, Ontario, February 10th, 1927. C. A. Duval, Warden. H. J. Baker, Warden. -6.

ROOMS

TWO ROOMS FOR RENT—All conveniences. Apply to 55 Hemlock St. -5-7p.

FOR RENT—One large front bedroom with private family. Would suit two gentlemen. Apply to 24 Kirby Ave. near Pine St. -6p.

TEAM OF HORSES FOR SALE; heavy; 8 and 9 years old. Large sleigh, chains, harness, etc. complete. Bargain for quick sale. Apply to 120 Maple street north 4-6p

FOR RENT—TWO FIRST-CLASS FURNISHED BEDROOMS, with all conveniences. Apply 77 Balsam street, south, or phone 45M. -5.

ROOM FOR RENT—All modern conveniences. Suitable for one or two men. Apply 110 Spruce street, north -4t.f.

PROPERTIES FOR SALE

LOT FOR SALE—Paid \$300.00 Will sell below price. Good bargain. Apply to U. Aubrey, 57 Birch St. South. -6p.

LICENSED STANDARD HOTEL FOR SALE. One of the best hotel propositions in the North Country. 190' foot frontage. \$850.00 rent every month. Reason for selling, "going South." Apply Mrs. Jose Laeroux, Kapuskasing, Ont., the Booming Town. -6.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Farm of 160 acres with 10 acres cleared. Has house, henhouse and barn on property. Is about 5 miles from town, in Mountjoy Township. Also have magnet circular saw, set of sleighs and wagon for sale. Will sell or exchange for town property. Apply to C. Dalley, 35 Toke st. 1-2p

MISCELLANEOUS

COLD STORAGE FOR CARS. Apply to B. F. Lennan, No. 60, corner of Elm and Broadway 46

FURRIER—Furs made to order. Remodelling and repairing. Expert workmanship. Prices right. Mrs. E. Wadsworth, 12 Balsam St. North. -5-8p.

THE VANITY FAIR BEAUTY SHOP is now prepared to give professional attention in all branches of Beauty Culture, as well as hair cutting and waving. Also have a first-class manicurist on hand now. Room 10, Marshall-Ecclestone block. Phone 344J. 35t.f.

ARTICLES FOR SALE

GRAMOPHONE FOR SALE—Cheap. Apply to 105 Birch St. South. -6p.

ONE BABY CUTTER FOR SALE. Cheap. Apply 72 Balsam St. South. -6p.

FOR SALE—Baby carriage in good condition. Apply to 15 Main Ave. -6p.

FOR SALE—6 hp. Engine for Sawing Wood. Cheap. Apply Jas. Riley, 11 John avenue. -5-7p.

ONE-CHAIR BARBER SHOP FOR SALE at 38 Third avenue. Apply at shop, or P.O. Box 585, Timmins. -6p.

FOR SALE—Two trained Dogs, Sleigh and Harness for sale cheap. Apply 77 Wilson Ave., or phone 683W. -6.

FOR SALE—Pekingese Puppies, three months old, Male and Female; also Sire, Sackville Ching at Stud; all registered; Pedigrees imported strain. C. MacKenzie, Iroquois Falls. -6-8.

FOR SALE—Complete Equipment for up-to-date Garage and Repair Shop. Everything of the best. I want the premises for showrooms for Chrysler Car Agency. Good bargain for anyone going into the garage business. Apply to A. L'Euuyer, 11 Spruce street, opposite Freight Shed. -5t.f.

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4 BOARDERS WANTED at once, with private family. Good warm rooms and good board. Apply at once to 112 Mountjoy street. -5-8p.

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CARD OF THANKS

The Humane Society of Timmins wishes to sincerely thank all who took part in the recent presentation of "Bimbo," and all who assisted in any other way to the success of this event. -6