

Sees Great Future in Store For This Great North Land

Pembroke Man Gives Impression of the Country as Seen From the Ferguson Highway. Advises Young Farmers to Consider the North as a Place to Settle. Thinks Highway Is Valuable Project

frew County man, has been giving The year Mr. Biggs will make a complete Pembroke Standard-Observer, some of trip over the Ferguson highway and his impressions after a trip along a its feeders. He will be doubly en-Mr. Biggs was very favourably im- lumbering and agricultural possibilipressed with the North Land, but it ies of the North Land. should be remarked that he only saw a comparatively small part of the North. So far as the mining country have seen the greatest individual gold- Observer last week says:producing mine in the world. He would have seen a mining camp producing more than three times as much camps he visited, and that has to date produced seven times as much of the precious metal as has been produced elsewhere. In fine agricultural land, Mr. Biggs also missed much by curtailing his tour to the North. He missed the stretches of farming land around Ramore, Matheson, Monteith, Iroquois Falls, and other centres, and on the Porcupine branch. He missed the farms between Porquis Junction and Cochrane. Around Cochrane he would have seen farms the equal of anything down south. Had he gone west of Kapuskasing, he would have had opportunity to see a real fertile

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Mr. G. D. Biggs, a prominent Ren-1 clay belt. It is to be hoped that next

is concerned, he missed the biggest ise of the Great North. Relative to crops growing. The grain was mostly Falls. part, failing to proceed to Timmins his trip, The Pembroke Standard-b- ripe, but little of it cut. Many farm-

and three pints of oil.

remained there over night.

"North Bay is the gateway to the fastest expanding and most productive section of Canada, which has given \$400,000,000 in gold and silver to the Dominion in twenty years. Last year \$60,000,000 in mineral and pulp was shipped to the United States. Tuesday morning they started on their journey north on the new Ferguson highway, of which so much has been heard. 'I have heard Mr. Ferguson criticized for the great expenditure of \$3,000,000 that it took to build this road, stated Mr. Biggs. 'I would advise anyone who is in doubt of the North to take a motor trip, and he will change his mind.'

"The Ferguson highway is one of the most interesting roads in the Province, as the southern part of it runs through fifty miles of virgin timber in the Temagami Forest Reserve that has never had an axe in it. A person who has never had the pleasure of seeing these great forests cannot realize their beauty without seeing them for himself. The highway also tops what many people consider the finest group of lakes in America, at Temagami. This is the first place one has sight of the railway. Boats, canoes and guides can be hired at this point, as this is practically the only business done. Temagami is seventy miles from North Bay.

has been constructed by the Northern Three sawmills are operating, cutting

timber that is taken from the reserve, as in different sections the older timber is dying and to avoid the loss these sections are auctioned off.

"The next stop was Cobalt, land of silver, with a population of 5,000 people. The Nipissing and O'Brien mines Delightful Evening Spent by Members and Nipissing Refinery were the chief centres of industry.

"Another ten miles to Haileybury, a spot of beauty at the head of Lake Temiskaming. This is the oldest town on the route, as it could be reached at any time by water. The population visit on Friday night last to Abitibi tially a residential town.

about 4,000. Here one is in the great clock on Saturday morning, all report Mr. Biggs made a good start this agricultural belt, as far as the eye ing a very enjoyable visit, and speakyear, however. Apparently, he is ob- will carry one can look over miles and ing very highly of the hospitality of servant and appreciative of the prom- miles of rich heavy soil, with good the Masonic Craftsmen at Iroquois in abundance.

great advantage in travelling.'

till we reached Kirkland Lake, the history, traditions, the work it is do

GAL TWO—SEES GREATn enough, as the weather was wet, we decided of turn back on Thursday morning and arrived at Latchford that evening. We looked over the sawmills and Remus brothers were invited to look over a piece of work in the woods, where they received a contract. This brought us in contact with J. H. Anderson, bush superintendent, who took us up the Montreal river fif- INTERESTING RELIC OF teen miles in a motor boat into the reserve and gave us a real time at camps and looking over the great reserves from the water. Anyone going to Latchford should look up 'Jim.'

GOOD TRADE, BUT NO RUSH AT HAILEYBURY STORE

The recent opening of the Government liquor store at Haileybury was marked by good trade, but no crowding or untoward incidents. The location of the store necessitates customers going down a stairway and returning by the same route, but despite this fact everything was carried along with smoothness and efficiency. The Haileybury store opened with a big stock of selected liquors, all the wellknown brands being available. Mr. F. L. Fleming is the manager of the business, and reports business as steady and everything going satisfactorily.

MASONS PAY FRATERNAL VISIT TO IROQUOIS FALLS

of Golden Beaver Lodge as Guests of Abitibi Lodge, Iroquois Falls, Friday Night.

The brethren of Golden Lodge, No. 528, A. F. & A. M. paid a fraternal is about 3,000 people, many of whom Lodge No. 540, A. F. & A. M., about work at Cobalt. Haileybury is essen- one hundred of the local members of the Masonic craft motoring over to "A drive of five miles will bring Iroquois Falls for the event. The small part of the Ferguson highway. thusiastic in regard to the mining, one to New Liskeard, also on Lake majority of the cars left here about Temiskaming, with a population of five o'clock, returning about four o'-

The visitors occupied the chairs in and the Porcupine. Here he would his trip, The Pembroke Standard- ers were still cutting hay, which was the lodge for the business part of the meeting, all repairing afterwards to "Some of his impressions of "Thousands of acres of this land the Parish Hall of St. Mark's Angli-Northern Ontario have been given to is yet available,' said Mr. Biggs, 'and can Church, where an enjoyable ban-The Standard-Observer by Mr. G. D. I would strongly advise any young quet was served, followed by an intergold in a year as the other gold Biggs, who returned last Monday man who wants to farm to see the esting programme. Wor. Bro. Kenfrom a motor trip on the Ferguson country, as it has a great future for a dall of Iroquois Falls acted as toasthighway in company with William good market. There is no wood in master for the evening. Rev. W. Remus, Albert Remus and Edward parts owing to the fires, no pine Griffiths opened this part of the even-Remus. The party travelled in Mr. stumps to pull out, as this was all a ing's programme with grace, after William Remus' car and the 700 miles spruce country; no trouble to clear which the toast master proposed the were made on forty-two gallons of gas | the land. One thing that was notice- toast to "The King and Craft," this able, was the absence of fences along being followed as usual by the Nation-"Leaving Pembroke on Monday the road in many places. Through al Anthem. After the brethren had morning of last week, the party these sections you could see the high- satisfied the inner man, Right Wor. reached North Bay in the evening and way ahead for ten miles, which is a Bro. F. K. Ebbitt in a short address | complimented Golden Beaver Longe "After travelling for forty miles on the splendid turn-out of members, through this fertile district, the coun- and assured them of a hearty welcome try began to get more hilly, till we at all times to the Abitibi Lodge. again reached the rougher and tim- Wor. Bro. Geo. Murphy, of Golden bered country, most timber burned. Beaver Lodge, gave an interesting ad-From here on we did not make a stop dress on Freemasonry, reviewing its gold centre, which is seventy-seven ing in the world today, and the ideals miles from New Liskeard and a busy of the order. Two solos by Bro. spot. We happened ot arrive there Spence, of Abitibi Lodge, made decidthe same day as the Mining Congress ed hits with the assembled brethren of the World, who are making a tour Bro. T. Nixon, of Golden Beaver, kept of Canada, inspecting her mines. Here the interest of the gathering by his we had the pleasure of seeing through splendid exhibition of sleight of hand. the mills in operation, learning how Short but interesting addresses were the mineral is separated from the given by Wor. Bros. W. W. Whyte and E. L. Longmore, of Golden Beaver "Content that we had gone far Lodge. A cornet solo by Bro. F. J. Wolno was another item which receivwell merited applause. Right Wor, Bro. R. LeHeup also gave a short address to the gathering. A very enjoyable evening ended with the Junior Warden's toast, proposed by Bro. Alec M. Dewar. Immediately after the visiting brethren returned to Timmins via the motor way.

THE FIRE OF OCT. 4, 1922

The Haileyburian last week says: "An interesting relic of the big fire of October 4, 1922, in the form of a "Monday noon we decided to start silver spoon, was discovered last week for home. Left at 12 noon and arrived by Canon Hincks, of St. Paul's rec-"The next town is Latchford, a at Pembroke just a few minutes late tory. In crossing Rorke avenue, near beautiful spot on the Montreal river. for the street dance. We made the the rectory, an object was noticed in At this point a large concrete dam trip from Latchford to North Bay, the middle of the roadway projecting ninety-two miles, in three hours and straight up and about two inches Power Development Department. twenty minutes, and from North Bay high. On investigation it was found to Pembroke, 158 miles, in seven to be a silver spoon, one of a set hours. The road from Mattawa to owned by Mrs. Hincks previous to the Moor Lake is not good. There is five fire. The handle of the spoon was times the traffic from North Bay to firmly imbedded in the roadway, with the North as from Pembroke to Ot- | the bowl sticking up and flattened out. It showed plainly the fact that it had been through the fire, but was all complete and was easily identified by the design and monogram on the handle. Canon Hincks recollects that on the day of the fire a number of articles of silver were placed in a box, which he left by the roadway in the hope that they might be safe. Only portions of the larger pieces were ever found in the debris, and the spoon found last week proves something of a puzzle. Just how it got into the road and into the upright position in which it was found remains a mystery. It will be kept as a souvenir."

> Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bean returned home on the 14th after a two weeks' motor trip in United States.

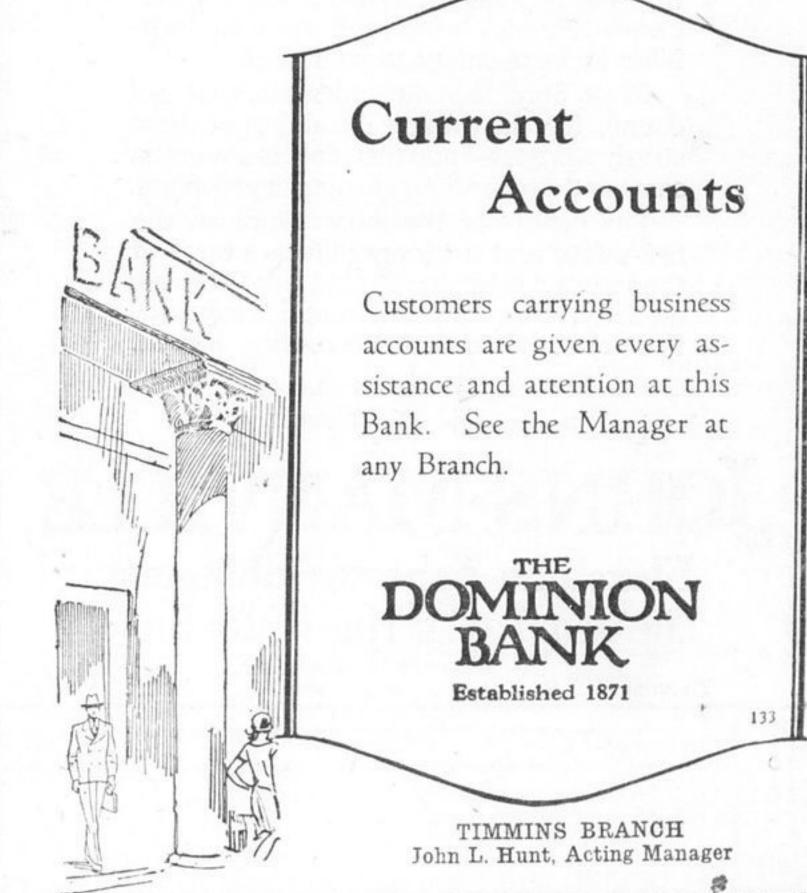
INTEREST INCREASED IN THE POTTER-DOAL MINE

A despatch from Matheson last week says:

"Interest has increased in Potter-Doal as a consequence of a test pit having disclosed additional chalcopyrite. Meantime, the officials of the company are maintaining a conservative attitude-something which is admired in mining circles. Never at any time have the officials of the company permitted extravagant claims to circulate. Instead, the shareholders have been given the more important facts —these facts indicating a very interesting mining prospect and a venture which holds out promising possibili-



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