

Accident on Road Results in Death of South Porcupine Girl

Stella Brown, Aged 14, Dies from Injuries Sustained when her Bicycle Collided with a Truck. Young Girls Practising for Races Could Not Stop Bicycle. Driver of Truck Unable to Avoid Accident, Though he Took the Ditch.

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Another tragedy was added yesterday (Tuesday) to the list, already large, of South Porcupine's recent sad occurrences.

This, however, seems to be saddest of all, in that it has happened to a young girl.

Stella Brown, aged 14, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, of Golden avenue was badly injured and afterwards died, when the bicycle upon which she was riding collided with a government truck on the highway.

At about 4.30 in the afternoon some of the girls at the High School were getting into form for their annual field day, which was scheduled for this Friday on the ball grounds. Bicycles were brought to school that afternoon for practice in relay racing, and several had tried riding on Broadway avenue, outside the High School. This avenue runs at right angles to the highway. Stella Brown and Marjorie Costain were competing with each other the other girls timing and watching. When they reached the highway with the truck approaching, they were unable to stop, and both went across. Marjorie Costain got safely over into the opposite ditch but Stella Brown struck the truck, although the driver did everything in his power to avoid her (he took the left ditch in trying) and the poor child was flung from the bicycle, striking her head on the stones in the ditch. Mr. Purdy, principal of the High School, had left for home, but was summoned and came immediately, and doctors were sent for, Drs. McLaren and Kinsman both attending. Little hope was given for her life as she was bleeding from the mouth, but she was placed upon a stretcher and taken to the Presbyterian hospital. At six o'clock she succumbed to her injuries. The bicycle on which she was riding is a complete wreck.

So many of the children witnessed the tragedy, that it has made a deep impression on them all, and great grief

is felt for the loss of a good companion and school friend. Stella was a popular girl, kindly and helpful to others, a member of the United Church Sunday School, and a prominent member of the C.G.I.T.

Our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy is offered to the heart-broken parents, sisters and brothers in this most terrible tragedy. The whole community is mourning with them. The flag on the High School is at half-mast today, and the High School children will attend the funeral (which takes place on Thursday afternoon) in a body.

Liberal Rally to be Held This Evening

Local Liberals Planning to Organize for Coming Federal Election. Meeting To-Night in Moose Hall.

Announcement was made this week of a Liberal rally to be held this (Thursday) evening, Sept. 20th, at the Moose hall, Fourth avenue, to organize for the coming Federal election. The meeting this evening will commence at 8 p.m.

Evidently the local Liberals look for a comparatively early election for the Dominion. This was the opinion expressed recently at Scotty Springs by Jos. A. Bradette, M.P., for this riding, who urged his audience to be ready and organize for the election. Word from Ottawa does not suggest an early election. Indeed, the suggestions from government circles at the capital is that the election is most likely to be held next year in the late summer or fall. However, the best idea is to be ready. This is evidently the idea of the local Liberals. When the Liberals organized a year before the recent provincial election there was some who thought early organization a mistake. It turned out otherwise, however, and results are what count in politics.

The three young people who lost their lives in Fulham Creek on Friday evening when their canoe overturned and they were thrown into the water



WILFRED SHIELDS



DOROTHY BURKE



PAT LETANG

Three Young People Drowned When Canoe Upsets in River

Fulham Creek Scene of Tragedy Friday Night. Pat Letang and Wilfred Shields Lose Their Lives in Efforts to Help Others. Dorothy Burke Loses Life in Water. Stella Kramer the Only One of Four Saved when Canoe Overturns.

Three popular and promising young lives were lost in Fulham Creek on Friday night following the overturning of a canoe. Wilfred Shields, Pat Letang and Dorothy Burke are dead, and Stella Kramer, aged 14 years, is the only one left alive of the four young people enjoying a canoe trip on the creek running through Dalton's Farm at the outskirts of the town and emptying into the Mattagami River. The four young people had hired a canoe from the Riverside pavilion after supper and were paddling on Fulham Creek when tragedy came. Whether the canoe struck one of the many "deadheads" in the creek, or whether a sudden movement of one of the occupants of the canoe caused it to overturn will never be known. After the accident the young girl who was the only survivor said that it all occurred so quickly that she really did not know what happened except that the canoe tipped over and suddenly they were all in the water. There was one eye witness near the scene of the tragedy, but the gathering darkness made it difficult to be sure of what had caused the accident. Stella Kramer, who is a good swimmer, made for the north bank, and as the creek is only about 55 feet

wide at the scene of the accident, she was able to make the shore in safety. The north bank slopes up gradually and she had no difficulty in landing. Wilfred Shields was close behind her and reached the shallow water where he was able to stand up. Then he noticed that the other two seemed to be in difficulties and he promptly went back to aid them. He was evidently taken with cramps and sank about fifteen feet from the shore. Mr. Mooring was unable to assist the others, but helped Stella Kramer to the home of Mrs. Thos. Bunce, Dalton's Farm. Mrs. Bunce put the girl to bed, making hot tea and toast for her, and thus no doubt warding off an attack of pneumonia after the girl's trying experience. In the meantime it appears that Pat Letang, who was a good swimmer, was helping Dorothy Burke to shore, this girl being a poor swimmer. Unfortunately they made for the south bank. On that side the bank is steep except for a narrow ledge, perhaps two feet wide, where the water is shallow. On this bank there is nothing to grasp and evidently the young man was unable to draw himself and the girl from the water. Likely exhausted with their efforts to drag themselves from the water, they sank not more than three feet from the shore.

Man Takes Bite of Constable's Thumb

Constable Olson Suffers Painful Injury While Arresting Man on Tuesday Evening. Broken Window Starts Something.

This seems to be a case of a "thumb attack." Tuesday evening the police were notified that a couple of drunks had fallen against the outside window of Lowery's Wholesale and broken it. Constable Olson and Williams answered the call and finding a couple of intoxicated men on Pine street started to take them in charge. The two men, John Sibar and Mike Marvin, of 18 Montgomery avenue, put up a great battle. Constable Williams got the handcuffs on Marvin and put him in the wagon and then went to assist Constable Olson. Marvin took the opportunity to escape, taking the handcuffs with him. Constable Williams gave chase and eventually caught him hiding in a box car. He was taken back to the patrol wagon, and the constables also subdued Sibar, but not before the latter had bitten Constable Olson so severely on the thumb that medical attention was necessary. The nail on the thumb was bitten through and a nasty wound made in the thumb. Marvin paid \$10.00 and costs Wednesday morning and will also be charged with breaking the window at Lowery's Sibar is to face the more serious charge of wounding an officer.

As soon as he saw Stella Kramer in the good care of Mrs. Bunce, Mr. Mooring hurried to Dalton's cement brick yard, and phoned the police in regard to the tragedy. The call came into the town police office about half-past eight, and Sgt. Salley after attempting to locate the provincial police, visited the scene of the accident, and also saw the survivor of the accident. The Forestry Branch tendered assistance as soon as they learned of the accident. They have excellent equipment and worked patiently all night in effort to recover the bodies. Sgt. Salley and others also spent the night assisting in the search for the bodies. On returning from work at the mine in the morning Omer Goulet hurried to the scene to give any assistance he could in the search. He is an expert at the work, having recovered at least six bodies by his skillful work at dragging. He has a system in his use of the dragging equipment and in less than an hour had recovered the body of Wilfred Shields about 15 feet from the north bank. In a short time after that he had the body of Pat Letang near the south bank, and thought that the other body

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Mrs. J. W. Fenn returned last week from a two months' holiday in the South. On her return she was accompanied here by Mrs. George Fenn and daughters, Misses Gertrude and Agnes, of Bracebridge, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fenn, 1 Elm street south. Mrs. George Fenn and daughters left yesterday to motor home again to Bracebridge.

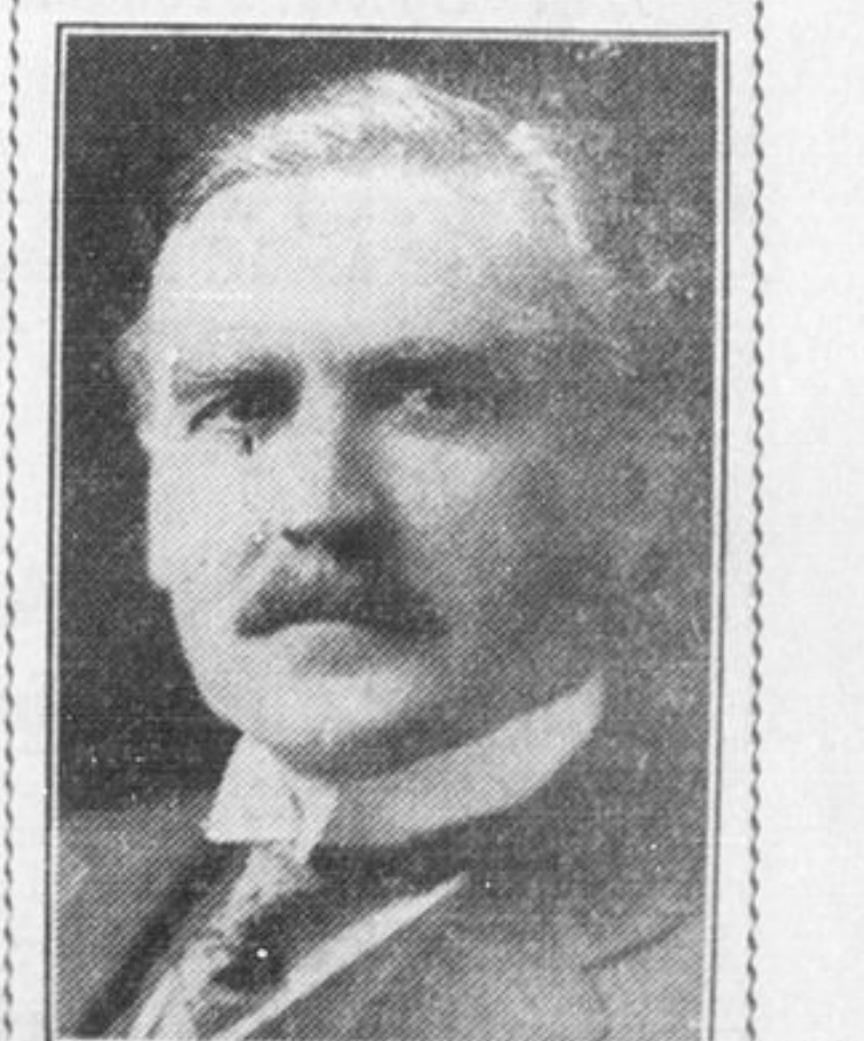
Minister of Education to Open School at Drinkwater

Dr. L. J. Simpson, New Minister of Education, will Visit Timmins, Schumacher and South Porcupine Next Week and Open School at Dugwal on Tuesday, September 25th at 3 p.m. To Visit Iroquois Falls and Other Centres.

As noted in a recent issue of The Advance, W. B. Nicholson, secretary of the Union S.S. at Dugwal, or Drinkwater Pit, asked Hon. Dr. L. J. Simpson, new Minister of Education, to act at the opening ceremonies of the new school at Dugwal. Dr. Simpson kindly agreed to do this and is also taking advantage of the occasion to visit other places in the district. Dr. Simpson will arrive at Timmins on Monday evening next, Sept. 24th. On Tuesday morning he will visit the Timmins High and Vocational School where it is expected he will address the students there. He will then proceed to the Schumacher school and after a visit there will be taken on a trip through the McIntyre mine, after which he will have luncheon and then go on to South Porcupine schools. From South Porcupine Dr. Simpson will motor to Drinkwater Pit where the settlers under the "back-to-the-land" plan will be visited. The opening of the new school at Dugwal will commence at 3 p.m. The children from Connaught and McIntosh Springs schools and also from Hoyle will be present at the Dugwal ceremonies of the formal opening of the new school. Trustees from all the various school sections in the district, including Timmins, South Porcupine and Schumacher, have been invited to Dugwal for the occasion and a large crowd is looked for at this auspicious opening of one of the small rural schools. The new school at Dugwal, it may be noted, was completed in 16 days from the date of the laying of the foundation. W. B. Nicholson has a portfolio of photos, showing the site of the school covered with bush, the location as the first work was done

on it, and the building as it now appears. This portfolio of interesting pictures of the school will be presented to Dr. Simpson on his visit to the opening of the school.

Probe Chairman



SIR THOMAS WHITE
It is understood that Sir Thomas White will be the chairman of the Royal Commission on Maritime rights which has been appointed by the Dominion Government to determine the amount of subsidy which the Maritime Provinces should receive from the Dominion Treasury.

New Sister Superior at St. Mary's Hospital, Here

Sister Marie Liguori, Reg. N., is the new Sister Superior at St. Mary's hospital, succeeding Sister Godfrey D'Amiens, who was called to Montreal as Superior at the Cartierville hospital there, after a stay in Timmins of about six weeks. Sister Godfrey succeeded Sister Robert.

The new superintendent of St. Mary's hospital, Sister Marie, has had a long and successful experience in hospital work. She graduated from Columbus hospital, Grand Falls, Montana, and was superintendent at Chandler, Gaspé, and was twice at Kenora hospital, having succeeded Sister Robert at that place. She came to Timmins two years ago as bursar and has made many friends here, all of whom will be pleased at her promotion at St. Mary's, and confident that she will carry out the duties of her new position efficiently and well.

Grand Master of the Masons Visits Here

Most Wor. Bro. Copus, of Stratford, Pays Official Visit to Masonic Lodge at Timmins on Monday.

On Monday evening of this week Most Wor. Bro. Copus, of Stratford, Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada, paid an official visit to Timmins and the distinguished visitor was welcomed here by the members of the Order in the town and district.

On Monday evening at 6 p.m. dinner was held in the basement of St. Matthew's church for the Past Masters and officers of Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins, and Porcupine Lodge, South Porcupine. The ladies of the Eastern Star did the catering for the occasion the event being most successful and enjoyable. Among those present were: Most Wor. Bro. F. A. Copus; Rt. Wor. Bros. Johns, W. W. White, E. J. Mason; V. Wor. Bros. E. L. Longmore, A. D. Campbell; Wor. Bros. Dr. Day, A. Pearce, P. J. Andrews, R. Mortson, J. E. Gurnell, J. Morrison, C. P. Ramsay, A. G. Irving, G. S. Lowe, W. Rinn, F. J. Mason, T. Fell, Geo. Lake, B. H. Harper, C. P. Ramsay, F. Bird, Bayliff; and Bros. F. N. Whaley, D. A. MacLeod, W. Nankervis, R. Mansfield, J. D. Kinsman, C. G. Keddie, R. R. Beattie, F. Willis, R. S. Cushing, J. Thomas, J. Fell, J. Cook and C. W. Pennie.

At eight o'clock the members of Golden Beaver and Porcupine lodges assembled in the Golden Beaver Lodge room where the Grand Master and the D.D.G.M., Rt. Wor. Bro. Johns, were received with the usual honours, after which the Grand Master gave the members one of the most helpful and interesting addresses every given to the Masonic members in this district, for which Wor. Bro. Wright extended the thanks of both lodges. Rt. Wor. Bro. W. W. White then presented the Grand Master with a souvenir, in the form of a nice piece of gold-bearing rock.

After the lodge meeting the members and their wives spent a very pleasant evening in dancing, which was enjoyed by all present.

Another Shipment of Trout Reaches Here

Seventy-three More Cans of Trout Fry Received for Distribution in the Waters of the District.

Last week The Advance told of the big shipment of trout reaching Timmins from the Ontario Dept. of Game and Fisheries for distribution in the waters of the district. On Monday of this week the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association received another shipment, this time of 73 cans of trout fry. Immediately on receipt of the trout, the secretary of the association, J. D. Brady, arranged for the prompt distribution of the trout in the various rivers specified. With the carload of trout fry received last week there has been received here now a total of 219,000 trout fry for distribution. The trout arrived in good condition in each case and were promptly distributed by the association here. This means an excellent measure of re-stocking of the waters of the district with trout.

Shower Given in Honour of Miss Gladys Thomas

Last week a kitchen shower was given at the home of Mrs. J. Worthington, 10 Wilson avenue, in honour of Miss Gladys Thomas who is to be married on Saturday of this week, Sept. 22nd. The event was arranged and carried through by Mrs. J. Worthington, assisted by Mrs. Carl Briggs and Mrs. Robt. Chalmers, and the evening was a most enjoyable and pleasing one. There were over twenty-five present and the popular bride-to-be was showered with good wishes as well as useful and attractive gifts. The rooms were tastefully decorated in pink and white for the occasion. A feature of the occasion was the beautiful "Ship of Happiness" made up to bear the gifts. This "Ship of Happiness," loaded with many useful and valuable gifts was drawn into the dining room by two attractive little girls, Misses Audrey Worthington and Catherine Chalmers, and the array of gifts formally presented to the bride-to-be. A dainty lunch was served during the evening and a pleasant social evening passed.

British Boat Wins Two Races in Yacht Series

Everyone is "tickled pink" these days at the fact that the British boat has won two races in the series for the classic annual contest for the yacht trophy so often sportingly battled for by the late Sir Thomas Lipton. There are two more races for the British boat to win, four races out of seven being the rule. There was no race yesterday, the weather being unfavourable. If the weather permits there will be a race to-day.

Special Harvest Festival Services will be conducted on Sunday in The Salvation Army hall, Fourth avenue. At 7.00 p.m. Candidate A. Church will farewell for the Training College in Toronto, and a Harvest Thanksgiving Altar Service will be held. Everybody is welcome.

Representative of Power Co. Asked to Meet Town Council

Power and Light Rates to be Discussed Again at Council. Council Asks for all Insurance to Expire at Same Time—Oct. 1st. Government Asked to Continue Road Work to Avoid More Relief. Other Matters at the Council Meeting Last Week.

The Timmins town council met on Thursday evening last in regular session. Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 7.30 with Councilors Chateaufvert, Bartleman and Belle present. After the meeting had started Councilor Maltais arrived, and some time later Councilor Laprairie made his entrance. Councilor Paquette was absent. Only a handful of people were present for the meeting.

There were the usual relief cases. A widow with taxes due on two properties asked council to forego the taxes on one of them. She was told to see the town clerk, but was not satisfied with this and so was informed that the mayor would go into the question with her.

A man who bought a property from Mr. Perreault and said he understood the taxes were to be cleared up objected to being billed for back taxes. The mayor said he would take the matter up with Mr. Perreault and see what could be done.

A lady on Sixth avenue complained

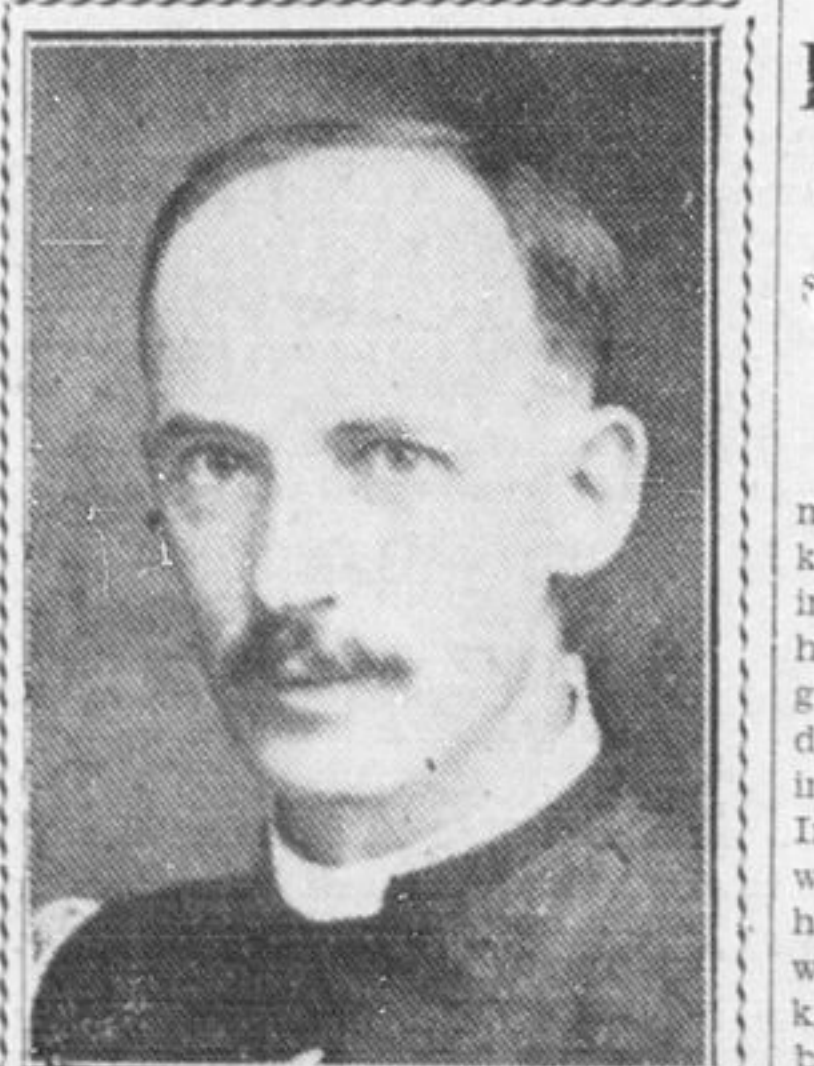
about being charged five years for cement walks, having the charge dropped and the charge going on again now. It was explained by the clerk that the town at one time charged for some wooden walks and this was what the lady had paid. This charge was dropped by council. What she was being charged for now was cement walks. The lady was told to see the town clerk and have the matter fully explained.

A man who was hurt last winter on a sidewalk in town asked the town to pay his doctor bill. He had been ruptured when he stepped into a deep hole in the sidewalk on Main avenue last winter and had been unable to work for some time. The case was left over.

Complaint was made that the cement walk was too high on one side of Tamarack street and the complainant could not get his truck over it. Engineer McLean explained that the street was on the side of a hill and the walks had been built level with the lots as the best way. The matter was referred to the public works committee.

A petition signed by all the residents (Continued on Page Five)

Recently Resigned



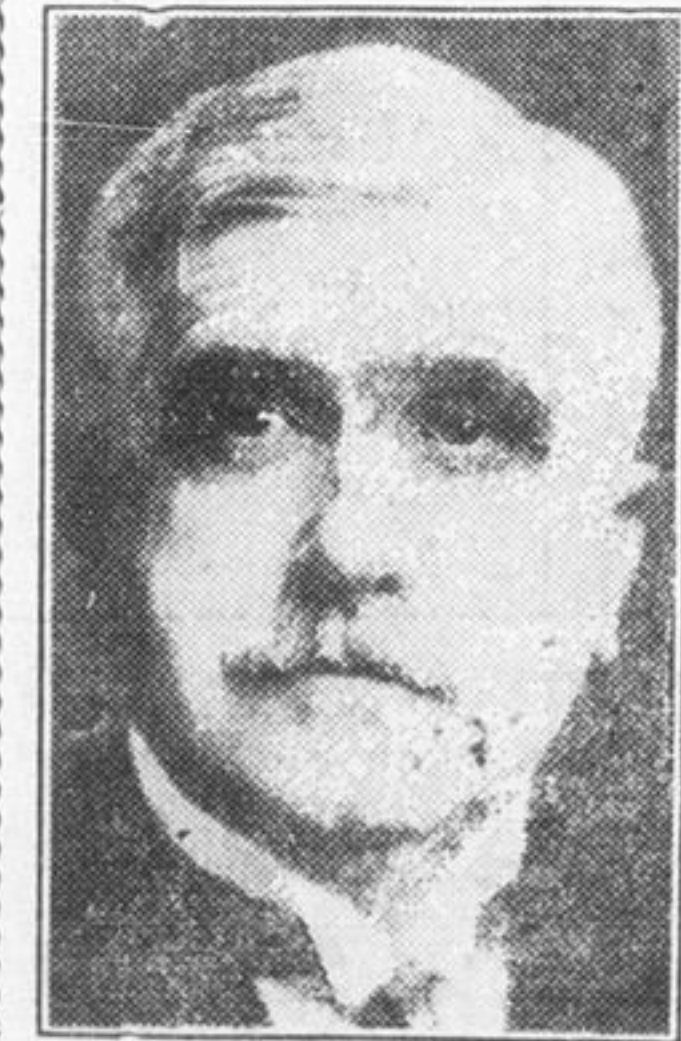
RT. REV. W. C. WHITE
Following an appeal from Bishop White, who recently resigned as Bishop of Honan, China, the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada has granted independence to the diocese in the Far East.

Report Kidnapper as Being in Timmins

Stories Current that One of the Men Suspected of Complicity in Labatt Kidnapping has Visited North.

A story to the effect that one of the men wanted in connection with the kidnapping of John Labatt has been in Timmins has been going the rounds here this week. The story has been given publicity by Toronto and other daily papers but local authorities are inclined to doubt the details very much. In any event the publicity certainly would be a great help to the suspect had he really come this way. Just why he should come to Timmins is not known, but he was supposed to have been seen here by several citizens. Their recognition of the wanted man is another mystery, as is also that of where the hordes of Detroit and other detectives have been keeping themselves while seeking the suspect as pictured in the dailies. It looks like another case of Dillinger coming here when he was never within a thousand miles.

Honoured



HON. PHILIPPE ROY
Canadian Minister to France, who has been honoured by the French Government with the insignia of Grand Officer of the Order of the Legion of Honour. The decoration is "an official recognition of the services rendered in France by Mr. Roy."

I.O.D.E. TEA AND SALE OF HOME COOKING, SEPT. 29TH

Timmins Golden Chapter Daughters of the Empire announce a tea and sale of home cooking at the home of Mrs. I. K. Pierce, 61 Birch street, south, on Saturday, Sept. 29th, commencing at 2.30 p.m. Events by the I.O.D.E. are always interesting and pleasing and this one on Saturday of next week, Sept. 29th, will be no exception to that rule. It would be a good idea to make a special note of the date and event—Saturday, Sept. 29th, at 2.30 p.m., tea and sale of home cooking.

Nine Motor Accidents During the Past Week

There were no less than nine motor car accidents in town during the past week, all sufficiently serious to engage the attention of the police, though only in two cases was anyone injured. The other cases were matters of property damage. In the one case where there was injury, Armand Piche riding a motorcycle ran into Frank Byck's car on Spruce street on Saturday. Piche cut out from behind a car and ran into the front of Mr. Byck's car, damaging the front of the car to some extent. Piche was injured in the crash and was taken to the hospital where he is making satisfactory recovery and will not have any permanent injury from the accident. The motorcycle was also damaged. The other accident where there was injury was on Thursday night when Rene Desjardins collided head-on with a team driven by A. Portugal. The accident happened about two miles from town. The tongue of the wagon went through the windshield. One of the horses was so badly injured that it had to be shot. The driver of the car was badly cut about the head and spent some time at St. Mary's hospital as a consequence, but is all right again. Pat Walsh, who was in the car with Desjardins, was practically uninjured.

Yesterday (Wednesday) was the Jewish Day of Atonement, all stores and business places conducted by Orthodox Jews, being closed.