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Hudson Bay Pioneer Moosonee Postmaster

E. Louis Martineau, Once Given Up for Dead by the Indians, Receives Recognition of Services. Was Once Caught in Canoe in Ice-filled Bay. Discovered New Waterway to Solve Transportation Problem.

Moosonee, Ont., May 15th (Special to The Advance)—We have received news of E. Louis Martineau's appointment as postmaster for Moosonee, James Bay, Ontario.

Mr. Martineau has been a resident of James Bay since 1903. He walked down 350 miles on snowshoes from Chapleau, on the C.P.R., the nearest point to James Bay, at that time, and founded trading posts for Revillon Freres Trading Ltd. on the west coast and the interior, also in Hudson Bay, among the Esquimaux.

Hudson's Bay Company had been reigning supreme without competition of any kind, for more than 200 years, their posts more or less little kingdoms, with the chiefs of posts as kings. At the beginning of the war when transportation by ship was a problem, Mr. Martineau discovered an inland riverway of transportation which solved this problem for James Bay and part of Hudson's Bay.

For over 25 years, his life was one continuous series of explorations around the Bay, full of enough adventures to fill up a book. The following is one of them:

Asks if Vote of Electors is to be "Scrap of Paper?"

Ratepayer Voices Ideas of Many Here in Open Letter. Does Not Uphold Autocratic Methods in Dealing with the People's Business. Condemns Idea of Second-Hand Town Hall.

104 Elm street N. Timmins, Ont. To the Editor of The Advance Timmins, May 16th, 1936

Dear Sir:—I trust you will grant space in the "Letters to the Editor" column, in the immediate issue of The Advance, for the following letter.

Into what form are some of our civic and public school board executive individuals attempting to reconstruct the ballot-mandate from the ratepayers of Timmins, for the construction of a new town hall?

The ratepayers of this town passed through their ballots at last election—and handed down their decision to the Mayor and Council-to-be—a definite yes for the construction of a new town hall.

No printed matter on my ballot paper, at that election, informed me of any proposal to transform, reconstruct or disfigure the Central Public School into a second-hand town hall with rentable offices attached; "by coupon."

Published statements last week mentioned that Mayor Bartleman and Mr. Dunbar, Chairman of the Public School Board, discussed, to some degree, with Municipal Board officers, some form of proposals to reconstruct and transform the Central Public School into some form of a town hall.

Has the New-Town-Hall-Ballot-Paper of the people become a mere scrap of paper? Or can it be that the town of Timmins is drifting into the throes of some form of civic executive individual dictatorship?

What type, and taste, of Central-School-Town-Hall Cocktail is being attempted and served to the people of Timmins who voted for a new town hall?

Hennessy Opemiska Supply

GENERAL OUTFITTERS

Shelf and Heavy Hardware Prospectors' Supplies and Equipment Groceries, Dry Goods, Etc.

RESTAURANT and STOPPING PLACE

HENNESSY OPEMISKA SUPPLY Opemiska, Que.

Real Pioneering in Opemiska District

Hennessys Built Road to Mine, Now Open Store and Restaurant. Use Own Plane.

It is worth noting as a matter of interest and history for the future, the real pioneering work now so successfully carried on by Hennessy and Hennessy, Halleybury contractors, in the Opemiska mining area in Northwestern Quebec. Some time ago The Advance noted the fact that this firm had built a road to the mine properties there.

The Hennessy Opemiska Supply Co. is the name of the subsidiary Company, which opened its store, supply and restaurant premises recently having the distinction of being the first business place in the district.

The new store carries a complete line of general dry goods, groceries, hardware, prospectors' supplies, etc., and will prove a great convenience to prospectors and other engaged in the mining industry in that section of the North. Good results are being obtained at the mine, where there are about 75 men employed, and it is expected that there will be considerable activity on other properties in the district during the summer, with the prospect of an important mining centre for the future.

It will be noted that the Hennessy firm has extended its activities in other directions as well, having within the past month purchased a Billanca plane to be used as a swift means of communication between their various locations. The machine is one formerly owned by the McIntyre mine and is fitted for the carrying of heavy freight as well as passengers. One of the members of the firm, Alex Hennessy, is a licensed pilot and will operate the machine with the assistance of a pilot-mechanic who will shortly arrive in the district.

For a number of years the Hennessys have been engaged in various phases of contracting, including timber, road building and freighting. Immediately on completion of their road to the Opemiska mine last winter they transported a large quantity of equipment over it, while other work they engaged in included the clearing of a townsite at Mud Lake, Que. In the Opemiska area they certainly must be credited with being real pioneers in the opening and development as well as in the business life of the district.

THE BAND

The theatre orchestra was rehearsing a new piece of music. The harmony, however, was rather spoiled by the trombone player, who was a newcomer to the band.

"What on earth do you think you're doing?" shouted the conductor. "You're a couple of bars ahead of the rest of us."

"Sorry, sir," said the trombone player, "you see, I used to play in a street band, and the one who finished first took the hat round."

If, as it appears from the published statements, neither the Council nor the Public School Board had yet officially discussed and approved, or countenanced in any manner, the privilege taken by the mayor and the chairman of the school board, to discuss with officers of the Municipal Board such an unofficial proposal to reconstruct the Central School into a town hall, I sincerely doubt if a reply should be expected. In fact it would seem out of order for the Council to treat it other than one more letter added to the office files.

Golden Arrow Mining Co. Starts Sinking Shaft

The Golden Arrow Mining Company has started shaft sinking on its property in Hislop Township, says The Northern Miner. The shaft is going down on the west where surface exploration and diamond drilling to depths of approximately 100 feet give encouraging indications. Surface sampling of a length of 130 feet indicated a grade of about \$7 per ton over an average width of 15 feet. The current shaft work is being done by hand but plans have been laid for installation of a mining plant. Buildings to house the plant have been erected and installation of equipment is expected to start in about two weeks' time. Plans are to establish two levels from the shaft at depths of 125 and 250 feet.

The company is carrying on a certain amount of surface exploration at the present time and reports that in pit No. 17 the vein has widened from a six-inch surface width to four feet. Diamond drilling is proposed to get under way in about one month's time when testing of the showings in the eastern section of the property will be undertaken. In this area a series of parallel veins in the syenite formation have been exposed with samples reported ranging from \$1.05 to \$53.90 per ton. Two channel samples near the nose of a small fold in this section returned values of \$11.20 across eight feet and \$4.50 across four feet.

Sufficient funds are reported available to carry on the current program and the company reports no outstanding debts. A modern camp has recently been equipped to accommodate 20 men.

Officers Installed at Arbutus Chapter

Interesting and Pleasing Ceremony Last Week at Timmins Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star

The installation of officers of Arbutus Chapter No. 123 Order of the Eastern Star was held in the Masonic Hall, Timmins, on Tuesday, May 12th. The installing ceremonies were beautifully conducted under the able supervision of Mrs. Rose Anderson as installing officer, and assisted by Mrs. Lorna Murphy (Kirkland Lake), Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. N. Rutherford, Mrs. C. Pritchard, Mrs. M. Richards and Mr. W. H. Pritchard.

Mrs. L. Murphy, who made a special trip from Kirkland Lake for the auspicious occasion, had the honour of installing her very close friend, Mrs. Jean White, as Worthy Matron. This was quite a delightful surprise to all and was decidedly a very beautiful gesture of the Installing Officer, Mrs. Anderson.

The following officers were duly installed:— Worthy Matron—Mrs. Jean G. White. Worthy Patron—Mr. John Watson. Assoc. Matron—Mrs. Mary Cooke. Secretary—Mrs. E. McGhie. Treasurer—Mrs. C. Fisher. Conductress—Mrs. Ruby Heath. Assoc. Con.—Mrs. Florence Hall. Other officers were:—Mrs. E. Gordon, Mrs. A. Lee, Miss M. Tackaberry, Miss M. Berland, Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. J. Fulton, Mrs. H. Wills, Mrs. F. Scaring, Mrs. L. Kerr and Mr. Frank Crisp.

A goodly number of nearby chapters, and including Mrs. Spence, D.D.G.M. and Mr. Spence, Past Patron, of Pioneer Chapter, Iroquois Falls, were present. At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the newly-installed and retiring officers voiced their appreciation of the honour accorded them, and many beautiful gifts and jewels were presented. Congratulations and speeches were the order. Red roses and spring flowers were a decorative feature of the hall. Preceding a delightful lunch, Mr. Spence favoured the gathering with two well-rendered Scotch songs, and so ended a most happy, successful and well-attended installation of officers for the ensuing term.

To-day's Stocks

Table with columns: Listed, Bid, Asked. Includes stocks like Atton, Ashley, Barry Hollinger, etc.

WOMAN TO PREPARE FOR THE UNITED CHURCH MINISTRY

A woman will register at St. Stephen's College, Edmonton, next fall in a course preparing her for the ministry in the United Church. She hopes the church will change its mind about allowing women in the ministry before she graduates.

To the Motoring Public

The gruelling conditions under which present day automotive engines must function make extra protection imperative. The oil film preventing metal to metal contacts of bearing surfaces must be able to withstand high heat and intensive pressure—be free from fatty acids, resins, soaps and other compounds injurious to the new copper-lead and cadmium-silver bearing alloys.

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