

1,000 APPLICATIONS FOR SOLDIERS' LAND AID BEFORE BOARD

Most of Them From Men
Who Have Farmed.

SEEKING \$2,500 LIFT

Men Looking For New Land
Do Not Want To Be Shoved
Away Back.

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—The soldiers' land settlement board was only inaugurated about three weeks ago, and yet there have already been more than 1,000 applications for the assistance provided for under the act for those who desire to "carry on" on the farms. The majority of these are men who had farms or homesteads before going to the front, or who wish to purchase. They are applying for the \$2,500 advance to which every returned soldier is entitled who has a bona fide intention to go on the land. The machinery required under the act to deal with such applications is in the course of being prepared. In the meantime, in order that there may be no delay in dealing with applications, the various Dominion land and homestead officials will be called into requisition to make the necessary investigation in each case.

The greater and more difficult problem of securing land for those who do not possess it has still got to be worked out. The whole question was discussed generally at the meeting of provincial premiers held here last week. The Government was informed that returned soldiers in the west were, to say the least, unfavorable to being placed in the hinterland of the prairie provinces in view of the fact that there were millions of acres of vacant land held by speculators within easy reach of railways and within close touch of civilization. These lands, they claimed, should be made available for soldiers' settlement. It was intimated that many of the land companies in the west would be pleased to dispose of their holdings on the best possible terms, and only asked for reasonable interest until such time as the lands were paid for.

The purchase price of \$2,500 for 60,000 acres would mean a considerable initial outlay on the part of the Government. The provincial premiers estimated that for the purchase of land an additional \$500 per man would be required. However, if any considerable proportion can be obtained by simply paying interest until such time as the occupant of the land arrives at the point where he can start paying the principal, the cost would be so great. Many of the land companies are, it is said, willing and ready to take Dominion bonds for their holdings.

LIBRARY BOARD REORGANIZED.
GODERICH, Feb. 18.—At the annual meeting of the Goderich public library board, H. R. Long was reappointed chairman, John Galt, treasurer, J. A. Fowler, secretary, and J. L. Allen, caretaker and librarian.

A SLUGGISH LIVER CAUSES LOTS OF TROUBLE

When the liver becomes sluggish it is an indication that the bowels are not working properly, and if they do not move regularly many complications are liable to set in.

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CANADA MUST DIG DOWN AS NEVER BEFORE

Carvell Says \$800,000,000
Must Be Raised.

TAXATION IS ONLY WAY

Forecasts Another "Victory
Loan" Call for \$400,-
000,000.

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—Hon. Frank B. Carvell, minister of public works, addressing the members of the Montreal Canadian Club today, said that during the coming fiscal year the country had to raise something like \$800,000,000, and while he was not announcing any policy, he declared that if the Government would not raise the money by way of tariff there was only one source of revenue, and that was by asking the men who had the money to contribute a portion of it by way of income tax.

"We have to face the situation," he declared. "We must steel ourselves to face conditions and must realize that this money must be forthcoming. Every dollar has been taken out of the people by way of customs taxation that can be as high as anybody can wish to see it—and there is no way of getting the necessary money except by a system of direct taxation, and I want to press that home on the people of Canada."

Mr. Carvell expressed a wish that the people of Canada would give a little more attention to the great economic and trade questions which were before the Dominion. If they did he had no fear for the future of the Dominion, with all its natural wealth and resources.

\$250,000,000 Ordinary Business.
Mr. Carvell said that there was hardly a man in Canada who was not in a better financial position individually since war started than he was before. The Government of Canada had been getting poorer and poorer, and today it was faced with a condition such as no other country in the world has known.

Government had ever faced before in Canada. Before the war the revenues of the country were about \$175,000,000, and excise duties and from customs practically all obtained that sum had been expended wisely, perhaps, or unwisely, but it can't be denied that it did not make much difference. During the present year \$250,000,000 was needed to carry on the ordinary affairs of the country.

Six million dollars had to be provided for interest charges on the war loans, and that might go as high as twenty millions. In addition to that, \$10,000,000 had to be provided to pay for the goods which were being sold by Canada to Great Britain and the Allies, and which they could not pay for at the moment. During the present financial year, the Government would have to raise \$250,000,000, and that left an adverse balance of trade of \$800,000,000 which must be taken care of in some way.

Railways Require \$400,000,000.
The railway problem would take up probably \$35,000,000 or \$40,000,000, "prune and pare the best way we can." The Government had to provide at least \$145,000,000 to pay its debts and carry on the army in Canada, in addition to \$200,000,000 for the army overseas, and although this latter sum would not be actually paid out.

Mr. Carvell referred to the recent Victory Loan, and said he had sufficient faith in the people of Canada that if next August or September there was a call for another \$400,000,000, the Government would get it.

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A story that breathes the very essence of the out-of-doors and the charm of kypsy lore, together with a love story of unusual interest, is Sir Gilbert Parker's "The World for Sale," showing at the Majestic today only. The scenes are laid in Canada, and deal with the feud between two small townships, one a French-Canadian, the other strongly English.



Appearing in "The Rose of Blood" admitted to be the supreme effort of her career. At the Patricia Theatre today, Wednesday and Thursday.

NEWSPRINT PAPER CAN BE PRODUCED FAR BELOW PRICE

Northcliffe's Manager Shows
Up Disparity in Cost
at Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Under conditions less favorable than in the United States, Newfoundland manufacturers are able to produce newsprint paper at a cost running from \$13 to \$15 a ton, while the cost of the Dominion Newsprint Company's paper is \$20 a ton. Lord Northcliffe's Newfoundland mills, said at today's session of the federal trade commission, are producing paper at a cost of \$13 a ton, while the Dominion Newsprint Company's paper is \$20 a ton.

At the present time Canadian papers are paying \$37 a ton. The paper-makers are endeavoring to secure a fixed price of \$30 a ton.

INSTANTLY KILLED BY FALLING FROM TREE

NORWICH, Feb. 18.—James Stevenson, aged 30, was instantly killed today when he fell 20 feet out of a tree, in the act of cutting off dead branches, near the top when he slipped.

ONE MORE RECRUIT FOR THE GREAT ARMY

Who Declare They Owe Their
Health to Dodd's Kidney
Pills.

Miss Lizzie Le Blanc Had Backache
and Rheumatism, But They Both
Vanished When She Used
Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Lower West Pubic, Yarmouth Co., N.S., Feb. 18.—(Special).—After suffering for some time from backache and rheumatism, Miss L. V. Le Blanc, a well known and highly respected young lady living here, took a friend's advice and used Dodd's Kidney Pills. The result is that she is completely cured and one more recruit has been added to the army who are advising their friends to use Dodd's Kidney Pills for all kidney troubles.

"Yes, I am telling my friends what Dodd's Kidney Pills did for me," Miss Le Blanc says. "Not only did I have backache and rheumatism, but I was stayed cured."

Two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills helped me so much that I decided to continue the treatment. In two months I was completely cured and I have stayed cured."

Dodd's Kidney Pills have made their reputation by their cures. One person who benefited from them told another, and now they are known all over Canada as the one reliable remedy for all kidney ills.

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\$25.00 Gent's Ring, fancy Belcher, 14k gold\$12.50
\$40.00 Lady's Tiffany and Modified Tiffany Ring, 14k gold\$20.00
\$50.00 Lady's Cluster Ring\$25.00
\$50.00 Lady's 3-Stone Ring, 14k gold\$25.00
\$100 Lady's Cluster Ring, 14k gold\$50.00
\$120 Marquise Ring, 15 stones, 14k gold\$60.00
\$120 Lady's Tiffany Ring, weighs 1/2, 1-32\$60.00
\$40.00 Brooch, 4-leaf clover, pearls and peridots, diamond centre\$20.00
\$100 Lady's 3-Stone Ring, 2 diamonds and genuine emerald\$50.00
\$40.00 Cluster Tiepin\$20.00
\$150 Lady's 3-Stone Ring\$75.00
\$75.00 Lady's 5-Stone Ring, platinum top\$37.50
\$40.00 Round Locket, diamond centre\$20.00
\$10.00 Tiepin, single stone\$5.00
\$10.00 Tiepin, one-pearl, one-diamond\$5.00
\$20.00 Gent's Safety Scarf, platinum set, with one pearl, three diamonds\$10.00
\$50.00 Diamond Cluster Tiepin, with sapphire centre\$25.00
\$50.00 Diamond Cluster Tiepin, with opal centre\$25.00
\$130 Diamond Cluster Ring, with fancy diamond centre\$65.00
\$40.00 Platinum Barpin, set with one diamond\$20.00
\$28.00 Brooch, coil design, with diamond centre\$14.00
\$25.00 Brooch, floral design, set with pearls, diamond centre\$12.50
\$150 Platinum Necklace, set with one large diamond, 10 small diamonds, one real pearl\$75.00

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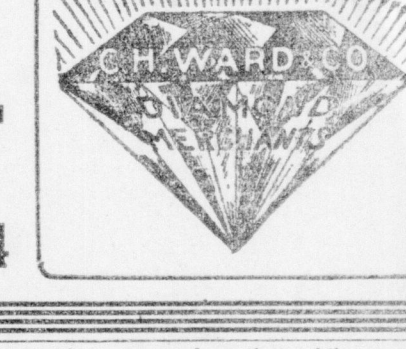
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\$10.00 Pendant and Chain, set with 1 diamond and pearls\$5.00
\$20.00 Pendant, set with pearls and amethysts\$10.00
\$18.00 Pendant, set with corals and pearls\$9.00
\$17.00 Pendant, set with peridots and seed pearls\$8.50
\$13.00 Pendant, set with pearls and aquamarines\$6.50
\$12.00 Pendant, set with 1 diamond and pearl drop\$6.00
\$4.50 Pendant, set with 1 amethyst and 4 pearls\$2.25
\$6.50 Pendant, set with peridots and pearls\$3.25
\$4.50 Pendant, set with 1 sapphire\$2.25
\$3.50 Gold-Filled Pendant, set with sapphire and pearl drop\$1.75
\$2.50 Gold-Filled Pendant, set with 1 pearl, 4 emeralds\$1.25
\$3.00 Gold-Filled Pendant, set with 2 sapphires\$1.50
\$15.00 Pendant, set with 1 diamond, 4 pearls\$7.50

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JUDGE DUFF REFUSES EXEMPTION TO EXPERTS IN MUNITION-MAKING

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—The central appeal judge has dismissed the applications by P. Lyall & Sons, Montreal, for the exemption of three of their employees, on the ground that they are skilled laborers. The three men are Louis Robit, Elmer Desautels, and Emile Laurin, and are engaged as machine operators in the manufacture of shells.

Mr. Justice Duff, in his judgment, states that "the fact that these men are engaged in the manufacture of munitions is no ground for exemption. In addition to that, it is at least apparent that they are essential and cannot be replaced."

COURT OF INQUIRY TO DEAL WITH COMPLAINTS

Board Appointed to Investigate Treatment of Soldiers on Shipboard.

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—The department of militia and defence, in a statement given out this evening, announces the appointment of a court of inquiry under Lieut.-Col. Hulme of Vancouver, to investigate complaints made by returned soldiers as to treatment received by them on shipboard. The statement also deals with other complaints relative to the supplying of names of returned men.

Referring to the difficulties experienced in obtaining a list of returned soldiers and forwarding the names of returned men to relatives, with the announcement of their arrival, the statement promises that the present unfavorable system will be adjusted. It is intended to put into operation a scheme under which permanent conducting staffs will be assigned to various vessels, so that the troops will be handled with the greatest possible efficiency and dispatch.

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CIVIL SERVICE TO BE PLACED PERMANENTLY WITH COMMISSIONER

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—Hon. I. B. Lucas introduced a bill into the Legislature this afternoon providing for the appointment of a civil service commissioner for the province. This, said the minister, was a one-man commission, not a commission to inquire, but a permanent commissioner, who would make a continuous survey of the different departments and from time to time report on their workings, with a view to suggestions and improvements in the organization. The commissioner, he suggested, might make a classification of the civil service.

Until such classification was made civil service reform as popularly understood would not be feasible. There was a special provision for county officials, where no appointment was to be made until the commissioner should recommend in writing that the nominee was of suitable character, education and ability for the office. A qualifying examination was all that was needed, the competitive system being discarded.

73-YEAR-OLD RETURNS FROM FLANDERS FIGHT

KINGSTON, Feb. 18.—Among the soldiers who arrived here yesterday from overseas was Pte. Boucher of Gananoque, who is 73 years old. For eight months he faced the German lines and bravely endured the hardships. When his age was discovered Boucher was ordered down the line and sent with a special pass to Buckingham Palace to meet the King, who was anxious to see the oldest man in khaki. The veteran was graciously received by his majesty and complimented on his courage and determination. Pte. Boucher fought in the United States Civil War.

ZEENAS F. WESTERVELT DEAD AT ROCHESTER

ROCHESTER, N.Y., Feb. 18.—Zeenas F. Westervelt, founder and superintendent of the Western New York Institute for Deaf Mutes, died of heart failure in this city yesterday, aged 69 years. Dr. Westervelt was known to instructors of

the deaf nearly all over the world for his advanced methods.

Dr. Westervelt is a distant connection of J. W. Westervelt of this city, the family originally coming from Holland and settling in the United States, where there are now a number of branches. J. W. Westervelt's family is the only branch in Canada.

Sarnia Jury Is Unable to Decide Who Shot Atcheson

Brought In Open Verdict at
Early Hour This
Morning.

SARNIA, Feb. 18.—After being out for nearly an hour the jury, under Coroner Logie, investigated the shooting of Frank J. Atcheson, on the night of February 8, brought in a verdict at 1 o'clock this morning that they were unable to place the blame on any one, owing to the conflicting nature of the evidence. The police may take further action in an effort to clear up the case.

ADD 44 MORE MEMBERS
TO GERMAN REICHSSTAG

Bill Already Has Passed Federal Council.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 18.—A bill on the composition of the Reichstag and proportional representation in the Great Reichstag electoral districts, according to Berlin dispatches, passed the federal council Saturday, and now goes to the Reichstag. This bill raises the number of members of the Reichstag to 411. The number at the present time is 357. Berlin will elect ten additional members: Felle, 7; Hamburg, Bochum and Leipzig, 4 each; Cologne, Breslau, Dusseldorf, Dortmund, Essen, Munich and Dresden, 3 each. Numerous other districts will elect two members. It is pointed out in an explanatory

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