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built for our widows and returned citizens in various parts of British Columbia and the amount of their payments on account of principal and interest monthly is less than what they would have to pay as rent in a rented house. After ten years of residence in their homes a rebate is made of \$300 which is in in the nature of a gift.

Various rebates, concessions and privileges are also extended to our returned citizens when engaged in the development of our natural resources such as prospecting for mines, certain mining operations, and in other matters relating to our natural resources.

In the Civil Service too, preference is given to the returned soldier, if he is qualified for the position.

Provincial Government and New Industries.

Perhaps the most unique and the most successful undertaking of the Provincial Government has been the establishment of a department of Industries. \$2,000,000 was set aside to be loaned out for the purpose of creating new manufacturing industries in the Province with the result that forty-seven new industries have been started by returned men, giving employment to many others. The practice has been to loan between 40 and 50 per cent of the total capital required for the industry, allowing re-payment to be made over a period up to 20 years with interest at 6 per cent per annum. Major Martyn, D.S.O., one of Canada's distinguished soldiers, who heads the Department as Industrial Commissioner, has contributed largely to the success of this departments.

Dominion Government's Action Unrivalled.

Under our Constitution the Government of Canada must assume the main responsibility for the re-establishment of our returned citizens. Anyone who has studied the problem of re-establishment will agree that no Allied nation has dealt more generously or more efficiently with their returned men than has the Government of 'the Dominion of Canada. When the Armistice was signed on the 11th of November, 1918, over half a million men were in active service and today nearly all of these are back engaged in some business or another. On the 14th of November the Cabinet met and appointed a special Repatriation Committee to carry out the work under the Department known as the "Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment" which had been created in May, 1918. The growth of the munition industry, the expansion of business, the building up of a large army of war workers, the scarcity of labour and of raw materials, the shifting of markets, the rise in prices, and in exchanges, Government control of raw material and exports, the inflation of currency and the increase in our national debt, were each in themselves a great national problem which had to be worked out while 500,000 men were being re-established in Canada.

The War Service Gratuity.



Gossard Corset in low bust design, suitable.

In December 1918 it was thought necessary to provide moneys for men returning home to tide them over between the period of discharge and the time when they could find employment and for this purpose war service gratuities were given which totalled in all in the neighborhood of \$153,000,000.

An Unemployment Fund.

In addition a sum of \$40,000,000 was set aside for the help of men out of work during the past winter.

Free Government Employment Agencies.

In every important town and city of Canada free Government employment agencies totalling 165 in number, were established and these were most active in finding out vacancies and in locating our returned citizens. They have accomplished a splendid work and over 110,000 positions were found for returned men.

Dependents Overseas.

During the war many wives and other dependents of soldiers had taken up their residence overseas in England to Gossard Corsets—Made with full hip line and extra long skirt. with elastic gussets over hips and at back. This model is in pink figured brocade and is designed to give the appearance of a reduced hip line......\$12.00 Many other models in Gossard Corsets at prices ranging from.....\$3.50 to \$20.00

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