Lord Rhondda, in a message to the men at the front says: "We have shared our bread liberally with our brave Allies in France and Italy, where last year the harvests were poor. This self sacrifice further binds together the people now battling against the foe of human liberty."

### CANADA FOOD BOARD EMBLEM.

Life Assurance Company Consents to Use of Copyright Painting.

The Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada has consented to the use in an emblem of the Canada Food Board, of a copyright painting of a beaver made by Mr. A. H. Hider, of Toronto. A sketch embodying a picture of a beaver on a log, similar in treatment to Mr. Hider's painting, was incorporated in the Canada Food Control emblem by an artist who volunteered his services, and it was accepted by the Food Board without any thought of copyright complications. Upon seeing this emblem, and recognizing a similarity to Mr. Hider's painting, the Mutual Life Assurance Company wrote to the Canada Food Board, consenting to the use of the picture and expressing the hope that it would serve a patriotic purpose.

#### CONSERVATION IN THE CAMPS.

As a result of representations made by the Canada Food Board and the reports of Mr. J. S. Byrom, who has been inspecting military camps in the United States, the Canadian Militia Department has appointed a Conservation Officer, and is taking steps to prevent waste and to put into force conservation methods in all military camps in Canada.

#### SEEKING OUT DELINQUENTS.

Inspectors of the Fruit Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture are reporting to the Canada Food Board a considerable number of cases daily of persons who have not yet taken out licenses

### DADDY, SOW MORE WHEAT.

Mrs. Campbell Macfarlane, Demonstrator to the Home-makers Clubs of Quebec, says the plea "Oh, Daddy, do buy me a Victory Bond!" aided materially in securing the Victory Loan. This time it is "Please Daddy, sow four more acres of wheat!"

#### PLANNING WAR GARDENS.

#### Keen Enthusiasm is Reported from All Parts of the Dominion.

Reports received by the Canada Food Board from all parts of the Dominion show a remarkable interest this year in the cultivation of urban areas and there is every reason to believe that the aggregate amount of food which will be produced in this way will be very large. Organizations which went to work last year are taking up the campaign again with renewed enthusiasm and a realization of the importance of their efforts. Many are planning to double or treble last year's efforts. Where no organizations have previously existed committees are being formed.

An effort is being made to bring home to householders the necessity of doing their utmost to help to feed themselves, so that the farmer may be free to grow more food for export. It is also pointed out that by producing more home produce railway facilities will be somewhat relieved. The cultivation of back yards and vacant lots into war gardens is a work of importance which should be forwarded in every possible way this season. Plans should be made immediately.

Mr. G. H. Clark, Dominion Seed Commissioner, states that there will be no serious shortage of garden seed in Canada this year, with the exception of parsnips. Prices are lower here than in the United States.

## Trebling Lots at Verdun, P.Q.

The President of the Verdun Horticultural Society writes: "We had 200 lots under cultivation last year. This year we are planning to treble that amount besides placing on the land about 1,500 school children."

#### Fine Places at Windsor.

The Neale Bakery Company, of Windsor, is planning to secure the use of from 25 to 50 acres of land adjacent to that city for cultivation by employees. The labor will be paid at factory rates and the vegetables produced under this arrangement will be made available at actual cost to such employees. It is believed that in this way the produce can be raised considerably more cheaply than the current market prices.

# CONTRACTORS TO HELP FARMING.

The Montreal Builders' Exchange has offered to take contracts for the cultivation of large acres of land and work them with labour which would otherwise not be employed in farm work.