

CANADIAN LEADERS URGE OPEN GATE TO WORTHY IMMIGRANTS



Two family home in Venice on Italian settlement in northern Alberta



Farm buildings and fuel supply of peat of Russian settlers in southern Manitoba

In pre-war days immigration flowed toward America from the four ends of the earth. This tide was dammed by the war and its resumption retarded by after-war conditions. Canada erected legislative barriers as to quantity, quality and kind.

Canadian leaders now declare that so far as Canada is concerned, the barriers must be raised and immigration encouraged. Lord Shaughnessy, under whose administration as its president, the Canadian Pacific Railway performed miracles of colonization and development for Canada, says: "We must have immigration. We have had very little since 1914. On the contrary, I am afraid we have lost somewhat. Then, after the war, the natural feeling that grew out of the war encouraged the placing of restrictions on immigration that have been most disastrous in their re-

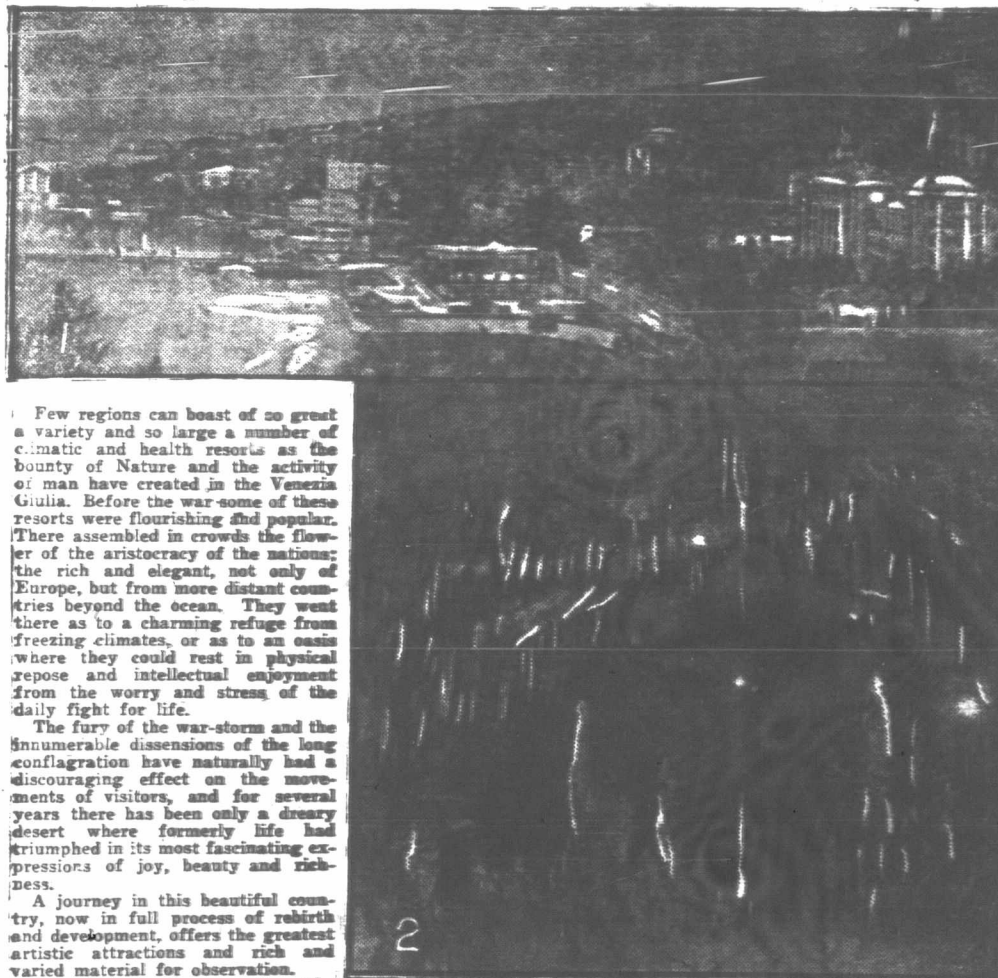
sults. We must have settlers from all over the world, not artisans, but men who will go out on our land, to our forests and to our fisheries and help to develop these resources. There must be an insistent demand upon Parliament to pass legislation that will open the doors to them to a reasonable extent and will permit them to come in."

No man in Canada knows better than Lord Shaughnessy what the immigrants of various countries have contributed to the Dominion's wealth and welfare. There are

thriving colonies of Ukrainians, Poles, Hungarians, Swiss, Dutch, Scandinavians and Welsh, in addition to many of these nationalities that have been merged into united communities. Between 1900 and 1915, Canada absorbed 256,942 immigrants from the Central Powers and less than 100 have come in during the succeeding years. Canada realizes the value of worthy immigrants, no matter whence their origin, and the first steps are being taken to open her gates to all such.

A personally conducted CPR land party arriving at St John N.B. from England

Italy's New Riviera



Few regions can boast of so great a variety and so large a number of climatic and health resorts as the bounty of Nature and the activity of man have created in the Venezia Giulia. Before the war some of these resorts were flourishing and popular. There assembled in crowds the flower of the aristocracy of the nations; the rich and elegant, not only of Europe, but from more distant countries beyond the ocean. They went there as to a charming refuge from freezing climates, or as to an oasis where they could rest in physical repose and intellectual enjoyment from the worry and stress of the daily fight for life.

The fury of the war-storm and the innumerable disquisitions of the long conflagration have naturally had a discouraging effect on the movements of visitors, and for several years there has been only a dreary desert where formerly life had triumphed in its most fascinating expressions of joy, beauty and richness.

A journey in this beautiful country, now in full process of rebirth and development, offers the greatest artistic attractions and rich and varied material for observation.

Take Abbazia for example. Abbazia, on the eastern coast of Istria, in the embrace of the Quarnero, slopes gracefully at the foot of Monte Maggiore (1400 m.), which protects it from cold winds. The vegetation there is superb, almost tropical, deep and vast laurel woods, innumerable gardens, flowers in profusion. The climate is excellent, the beach delightful, the sea of a fascinating blue; which with its charming walks have given world-wide fame to Abbazia.

Before the war every year 50,000 visitors passed through Abbazia during all seasons, since that fortunate district enjoys an eternal spring. Many illnesses are cured there. The best results, however, are obtained as a winter climatic station in the treatment of all diseases of the heart or of the nervous and circulatory systems, the lungs, or of any constitutional weakness. It is highly beneficial to weak or sickly babies.

An entirely different type of bathing and climatic resort is the island of Brioni, near Pola.

Brioni, until a few decades ago, was desolate, and now, thanks to Signor Koppewieser, proprietor of the great hotels established there, is a veritable Paradise.

The aristocracy of Austria, Germany and Hungary used to make Brioni their chosen retreat.

(1) Portoforo, Italy.
(2) Grotta di Posturnia. The Great Cave.

Brioni seems, so far as vegetation is concerned, to be a strip from the Adriatic Riviera; there are delicious woods, flowering walks, palms and yuccas in profusion everywhere. The larger island was the summer abode of the Roman patricians, and there are still interesting Roman remains, ruined temples, mosaics, etc.

Moreover, there is at Brioni a large Hagenbeck Zoo, an establishment for rearing ostriches, tennis courts, etc. But the specialty is a large swimming-bath made of tiles of mosaic, large enough for two hundred persons, for hot sea-water bathing in winter.

Also at Brioni the climate is excellent.

Another charming climatic and balneic resort in Istria is Portoforo, near Trieste, about one hour from Trieste. Portoforo is in the neighborhood of the finest olive groves in Europe, and has one specialty truly unique, the so-called "sopa madre," which is the liquid residue of the marine crystallized salt during the summer months.

This saline "sopa madre," brought to the baths of the establishment and heated to a temperature of 50°C. is used for various medical purposes.

There are many other climatic and bathing stations in the Venezia Giulia. We must not forget Lussan, quite near to Abbazia and with surroundings perhaps even more beautiful as regards vegetation and position, than those of Abbazia.

Moreover, also are Lussan's and Lussan's, with magnificent beaches and delightful climates, being perfectly adapted for the cure of intestinal diseases.

Sumptuous and elegant hotels are provided also at Portoforo and Portoforo, towns that remind one of the beauty of Venice, picturesque and charming for the arrangement of art that they possess.

The fame of the castle of Miramar, in the gulf of Trieste, is too great to need mention. Miramar is still the abode of poets and artists, and we believe that few other places in the world can impart the same sensations of wonder and delight.

MRS. ESTHER SOMERVILLE

The death of Mrs. Esther Somerville, wife of the late Thomas Somerville, occurred Saturday morning at her home at Biggar Ridge on Feb. 4. She was born at Salt Springs, Kings county, in 1850, but has lived a number of years at Biggar Ridge.

Mrs. Somerville was a woman of kindly disposition and was held in high esteem and respect by all who knew her. She is survived by six daughters and two sons—Mrs. Lucy Mack, Vancouver, Mrs. F. W. Anderson, Lisbon Falls, Me., Mrs. Arthur Burke, Brockton, Mass., Mrs. George Lawson, Knowlesville, Mrs. Douglas Clark, Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Helen Manuel, Biggar Ridge, and Hedley of Biggar Ridge, Chas. at Mount Pleasant, and by four brothers.

The funeral was held at Biggar Ridge on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Bell, pastor of Coldstream group of churches, preaching the sermon. Sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved relatives.

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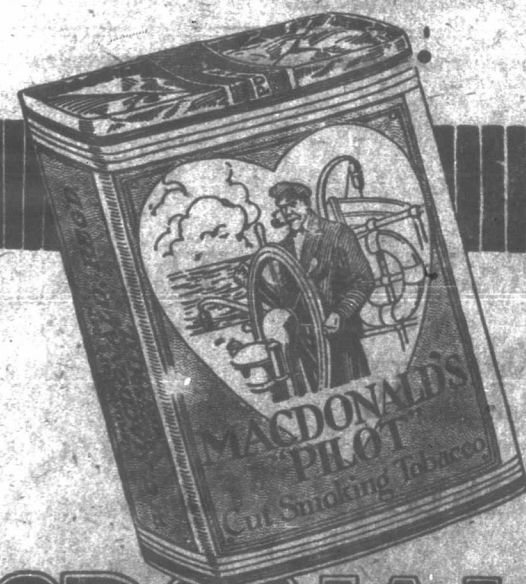
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