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SIMILKAMEEN STAR

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Railways now pointing toward the Similkameen are expected to reach here with tracklaying in less than eighteen months; now is the time to buy. Coal, and agricultural lands will advance rapidly in value with the increased demand following railway transportation: Acquire some land today.

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INCREASE OF CAPITAL

British Columbia Copper Company adds Millions to its Resources.

Lost Mineral Lead of Incredible Richness is Searched for in Bed of Tulameen River.

The B.C. Copper Co. has recently increased its capital from $2,000,000 to $4,000,000, which means that a proportionate expansion in mining and smelting operations of this progressive company is contemplated. Manager Keffer arrived in Princeton yesterday from New York where he was summoned to confer with officials regarding further development of properties held under bond and increase of smelter facilities. A diamond drill is expected daily to test the Sunset group on Copper mountain as all underground work has now been completed and the miners discharged. It is understood that the Sunset has proved to be all that was predicted of it and that is saying a good deal.

While doing assessment work on the King Solomon, Copper mountain, Snowden Bros. exposed some excellent bornite ore in a felsite gangue. It is an ore that at once commends itself to the connoisseur of minerals and it has the prospect of body to make a mine. They have a chain of claims extending from near the Sunset to about a mile distant.

Oswald Coulthard lives in an atmosphere of great expectancy these days. He is looking for a lost lead in the bed of the Tulameen river and has some Chinamen under contract to build a wing dam and thus enable him to see it for the purpose of taking its bearings. In the placer mining days some specimens from this lead were assayed which gave fabulous returns. With the shrewdness of a Sherlock Holmes Mr. Coulthard set about the discovery of the only man who knew anything about the lead. He found him, a dope-consuming Chinaman, in the slum district of Vancouver and after a long chin-chin with him and some monetary inducement he came with him to the spot, which is known as Roanie camp. Further developments are eagerly awaited, meanwhile everybody wishes Mr. Coulthard "good luck."

THE SHAMROCK GROUP.

Uhler & Cox have uncovered some fine looking ore on Five-mile since they began prospecting there some time last summer. Recently they have struck an enormous body of iron ore with pockets of copper distributed through it. The ground these prospectors are working on has been formerly staked and abandoned about a half dozen times, it being the general opinion that there was not sufficient mineral in place to warrant development. Now, however, Uhler & Cox have struck a large and well defined lead the ore characteristics of which indicate body with value. The opinion of experts in regard to the Shamrock group, which is the name of their holdings, is most favorable. Development work will be commenced at an early date.

REFUTES MISSTATEMENTS.

Manager Vermilion Forks Mining Co. Replies to Mining Record.

EDITOR STAR—Sir: Referring to the criticism of the financial policy of the Vermilion Forks Mining and Development Co. by the editor of the Mining Record in the June issue and my reply to it, which has appeared in the August number, I was surprised to find that a considerable portion of my letter had been omitted. This may be newspaper morality, but it is certainly not fair play, and makes further correspondence with the Mining Record prohibitive. I enclose a copy of my letter as sent to the editor, from which you will see that among the eliminated paragraphs is the opening one, which reads as follows:

"The somewhat harsh criticism of the Vermilion Forks Mining Co. which appeared in your June issue warrants a reply. Had it appeared in any paper of lesser standing than the Mining Record one might almost have imagined that it had been inspired by some person financially connected with one of the opulent companies regularly referred to at the conclusion of the review, but in the Mining Record this, we know, would be impossible."

Why this omission? Can it be that a moral and upright press objects to the delicately veiled flattery contained in this paragraph, or that the editor desired to utilize the space gained that he might make a further attack upon the company. I would suggest for the future guidance of this gentleman that when basing his remarks and charges upon a printed report he should at least read it with care and intelligence. If he had done so he would have found that there was no intention on the part of the company to add to its holdings, but simply to complete paying for those it already held. Why this should be open to objection on the sense of commercial immorality I fail to see. Again, why should it be commercially immoral of the board not to invest, upon paying its manager his full salary, when he, holding a considerable interest in the company, is willing that it should be deferred.

The editor's acquaintance with the character of Mr. Micawber appears to be as limited as his knowledge of the fable of "The Dog in the Manger." If the B.C. mining operators were not strongly imbued with the sanguine spirit of Mr. Micawber, always looking for "something

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ALONG THE GRADE

Injunctions Filed Against the V.,V. & E. and Grand Trunk Pacific.

Shortage in Manufacture of Steel Rails may Cause Delay—Rumored Deal.

Owing to the large orders for steel rails on haud at the rolling mills there is some doubt that the Midway & Vernon will be able to procure rails when the grade is completed.

The C.P.R. has filed injunctions against the Grand Trunk Pacific and the V.,V. & E. for what it alleg-s is a violation of the Railway Act by those companies.

The laying of steel from Curlew to Midway is well under way.

The V.,V. & E. is the biggest railway construction that has been undertaken in the west since the transcontinental lines were built.

The following contractors are working on the V.,V. & E.: Emerson & Co., Gorman & Pearson, Rankin & Co., P. Hughes, Bole Bros. & Moran, Burns & Jordan, Johnson & Anderson, T. Gallagher, D. Brown, Porter Bros.; Winters Parsons & Boomer, Jones & Onserud, Coughran & Waldron, L. Chindahl, Pat Welch, Johnson & Nelson, A. McDonald. About 1000 laborers are at work and there is room for 5000 more.

It is reported that E. F. Voigt has sold to the Great Northern, as the result of the visit of Messrs. Snapp & Anderson, right-of-waymen, all of his interests on Copper mountain and Wolf creek for the sum of $100,000.

W. J. Bassett, of the Great Northern engineer staff, has resigned and is now with the Midway & Vernon.

EXAMINE ZINC DEPOSITS.

Dr. Haanel, superintendent of mines for the Dominion, has formed a party of experts who will investigate and report upon the extent and character of the zinc deposits in this province. The men composing the party have been selected for their well known qualifications on mining and also for their impartial judgment on matters of this kind. Their names are: Walter R. Ingalls, M.E., editor of the Mining Review, New York, and author of the "Production and Properties of Zinc," Philip Argall, M.E., of Denver, and A. C. Garde. The field work will be carried on chiefly in the silver-lead districts of Kootenay where there are large deposits of zinc. Anyone knowing of zinc deposits in this portion of the Similkameen or having specimens should communicate with the secretary of the Princeton board of trade, E. Waterman. The experts will be engaged for two months and have already begun work.

WIDE-AWAKE CAPITALIST.

W. Armstrong, a well known Vancouver capitalist, was in Princeton this week on his way back from Bear creek, where he and C. F. Law have a group of mineral claims on which development work has proved them to be high grade and of undoubted large body. The ore runs from $50 to $60 in gold. A good wagon road is being built to the mine by the provincial government and Messrs. Armstrong and Law. When completed machinery will be installed for ore production and possibly a stamp mill. Mr. Armstrong is the owner of Holmes's Flat, about five miles below Princeton, which offers exceptional conditions for small farm holdings. He was very pleased with some ore specimens from the Shamrock camp which he will have tested with a view to obtaining an interest in this promising property. Mr. Armstrong also owns the Coulthard ranch at Keremeos which has been subdivided into small fruit farms.

"ON THE WING."

Arthur Hickling, of the Vermilion Forks Mining Co., left last Sunday for the Portland fair. While there he will confer with some smelter promoters who have made inquiries as to the possibilities of such an industry at Princeton. Mr. Hickling was not quite certain that he would return here again this year. His other investments and interests in this province and Ontario demand his personal attention annually. In Ontario he is a large shareholder in an electric tramway company which will operate a line, now near completion, running through the "garden of Canada," from London to Port Stanley. Beside his mining and townsite interests in Princeton he is one of a company which will furnish this town with light and water at an early date.

H. G. Ashly, of Kamloops, representing the Sun Life Insurance Co. was in town this week writing up policies for his company. This is his first visit here and he is so imbued with the natural charms and prosperous outlook of the place that he will locate here permanently.

The Star has received the latest railway folder issued by the Great Northern on which the route as far as Princeton is plainly shown. A railway company that is enterprising enough to advertise its proposed route a year in advance of the real thing will surely rise to the occasion when it does hit Princeton with its Pullmans and give everybody a free excursion to the coast.

Arthur Broadfoot, a brother of the genial Willian in the wine department of the Jackson, arrived in town Wednesday from Seaforth, Ontario.

Inspector Gordon of the education department was in town this week and visited the public school.

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PROVINCIAL MINING SCHOOL.

The Star has consistently advocated the establishment of a mining school in the past, somewhere in the province that would afford mineral conditions for practical training in coal, lode and placer mining, and it again makes reference to the subject without apology or fear of becoming wearisome to those who see the necessity for such an institution. While it is difficult to arouse public sentiment on a question which is somewhat experimental that is not sufficient reason to allow it to lapse altogether. If the friends of the proposition will not abate their efforts in behalf of a mining school the next sessions of both federal and provincial parliaments may see substantial appropriations made for the work. The boards of trade throughout the province and the provincial mining association, if they are not dead or dying from inertia, could force the subject upon the attention of legislators so as to demand prompt action. The Princeton board of trade has accomplished much good in the past two years of its existence and the opportunity for further usefulness is pressing upon it in the matter of a mining school.

There are men in B. C. who have acquired great wealth from its mineral resources. No more fitting acknowledgment of their gratitude could be made than to endow a mining school with some of their surplus money. They have for example the noble generosity of those who have donated large sums to similar institutions. The agricultural college at Guelph was recently presented with a fine building by a gentleman who gained his wealth outside of agriculture; how much more the incentive to give to a mining school by a man or company whose wealth has been made from the mineral resources of this province. May the reading of this paragraph prompt some one out of the plenitude of heart and purse to give liberally toward the founding of a mining school in this province.

Writing to the Rossland board of trade, Richard Marsh, mining engineer and assayer, says: "As is well known to the members I have at different times brought to the attention of the board of trade the desirability of its using its influence toward the establishment of institutions of higher education, particularly a school of mines, in the province of British Columbia. It is my belief that with the earnest support of the people of this city and the co-operation of your members of parliament your organization can secure the establishment of a school of mines within the province. I may state that I have left with J. A. Macdonald, M.P.P., the pamphlets relating to the work of the state school of mines of Montana, the state agricultural college of Montana and the Montana state university. These publications describe the manner in which a state having a white population about equal to that of British Columbia has been able to establish, equip and conduct three separate institutions of learning on a most liberal basis, and to do magnificent work for the improvement of the great industrial interests of that state, at the same time giving to the young men the benefit of technical and practical training absolutely free. When it is remembered that the state of Montana has no public lands except such as have been donated by the federal government of the United States, it appears almost criminal that the province of British Columbia has, with its vast area of crown lands, not made long since some provision for institutions of learning by reserving some of its immense wealth in timber and agricultural lands for educational institutions. With comparatively small grants of land Montana has been able to provide funds for not only the establishment of several splendid institutions of learning, but through the leasing of the agricultural lands and timber permits, provide for interest and sinking funds and to conduct the institutions with comparatively little additional expense to the state. In conclusion I wish to state that it is my belief that similar results to those referred to above can be easily brought about by earnest and continued effort by the Rossland board of trade and the people of this city."

The above portrays a line of procedure within reach of Princeton to accomplish the desired end of a mining school. It will become a live question when the agitation is general and thrust upon the attention of legislators. The daily press and mining journals of the province could have no better subject with which to enlighten and interest their readers and before the end of next sessions of parliament and legislature plans may be matured for the location and necessary buildings. Opposition may be expected to the scheme but that need not dismay any person who desires progress.

NOTICE.

Roberta, Robert Bryant, Garden City, Mary V. Victor, Falum, No. 28, No. 31, No. 32, No. 50 Fr., No. 51 Fr., No. 52, No. 53. No. 66 Fr., No. 67, No. 68, No. 69, No. 70, No. 71 and No. 73 Fr. mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: In Voigt's camp.

Take notice that I, C. Æ. Shaw, acting as agent for M. A. Voigt, free miner's certificate No. B79944, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of August, A.D. 1905.
11-4 C. Æ. SHAW, P.L.S.

NOTICE.

Two Brothers Victoria and Orlando Marguerite mineral claims. Situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Sixteen-Mile creek.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for A. Scrapelli, free miner's certificate No. B86157, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements.

Dated this 26th day of July, 1905.

NOTICE.

International and Constitution mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Boulder creek.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for Albert Klockmann, free miner's certificate No. B86564 intend sixty days from date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 6th day of July, 1905.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of mountain pasture land situate on Five-Mile creek, about 5 miles from Princeton, described as follows: Commencing at post S.W. corner of Gordon E. Corbould's purchase and running 40 chains north 40 chains east, 40 chains south 40 chains west to point of commencement and adjoining R. L. Reid's purchase on the north.

GORDON E. CORBOULD.
June, 23, 1905. C. M. Snowden, agent.

Also, commencing at post S.W. corner of Thos. R. Pearson's purchase and running 40 chains north, 40 chains east, 40 chains south, 40 chains west to point of commencement, in all 160 acres and adjoining Gordon E. Corbould's purchase on the north.

THOS. R. PEARSON.
June 27, 1905. C. M. Snowden, agent.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands situated in the Similkameen district:

Commencing at N.W. corner of lot 43 and running 80 chains east, 80 chains north, 80 chains west, 80 chains south, in all 640 acres.

W. H. HARVEY,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at S.W. corner of Harvey's claim and running north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains, in all 640 acres.

J. S. LOUGHNAN,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at S.E. corner of Loughnan's claim and running south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains, in all 640 acres.

W. G. BREEZE,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at N W. corner of Harvey's claim and running 80 chains north, 80 chains east, 80 chains south, 80 chains west, in all 640 acres

W. H. FULTON,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

NOTICE.

Valley Hill mineral claim. Situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: Adjoining the townsite of Allison, on south side of river.

Take notice that I, W. C. McDougall, acting as agent for M. L. McDougall, free miner's certificate No. 78878, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 10th day of July, A.D. 1905.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 160 acres of land, and more fully described as follows: Commencing at a stake placed at the north-west corner of Lot 254 and marked Jackson pur.hase: Thence running south 40 chains, west 40 chains, north 40 chains, east 40 chains to place of commencement.

Located this Seventh day of July 1905.
JOHN H. JACKSON, Locator.

TENDERS WANTED.

Tenders will be received up to September 30th for hauling 500 tons of coal from Princeton to Hedley. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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ANY EVEN NUMBERED section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres more or less.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six month's residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent. W. W. CORY.

Deputy of the Minister of Interior.

N.B.: Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority will not be paid therefor.

REFUTES MISSTATEMENTS.

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to turn up"—railways, to wit, this enterprise would have become moribund long since. A more unjust insinuation than that the company does not promptly pay its debts could not be made. Personally, I prefer the commercial immorality of the company to the morals of the press, as exemplified by the edtor of the Mining Record.

Trusting that you will find space for this letter in your next issue,

I remain yours very truly,
ERNEST WATERMAN,
Manager V. F. M. & D. Co.
Princeton, Sept. 4, 1905.

[The foregoing letter makes full denial of the unjust imputations made against the Vermilion Forks Co. by the Mining Record; it also addresses a well deserved reproof to the editor of that journal for having mutilated the communication in reply to the original article containing the misstatements of facts. If we may venture to suggest anything for future guidance of the erratic editor it is that, ordinary etiquette demands the use of asterisks where deletions are made failing which an explanatory note is imperative. By omitting the paragraph quoted above Mr. Waterman's meaning was distorted and the purpose of his communication either thwarted or entirely annulled. The manager of the Star expresses full confidence in the V.F.M. Co. and believes its motives are honorable and in consonance with the progressive spirit of the times in the Similkameen.—ED.]

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

E. C. Barnard and wife left last Monday for Oroville, Wash., where some finishing touches will be given to the international boundary on which Mr. Barnard has been engaged for the past two years. It is not likely Mr. Barnard will have any further business calls to make at Princeton but should the winds of fortune waft him thither both he and Mrs. Barnard are assured of a cordial welcome.

Sam Spencer has located a big ledge of rose quartz containing specular iron and possibly gold. The specimens are very attractive to the eye and will, boubtless, return good value when assayed. The claim is situated near the line of the V.,V. & E. in the Coquihalla district.

Rev. A. J. Fowlie will conduct public worship in the court house at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

J. Oswald Coulthard received a hurried message this week that his father was seriously ill in the Jubilee hospital at Victoria resulting from a surgical operation.

Robert Stinson, of Mt. Pleasant, was in town this week on his way to Copper mountain, where he has mining interests. He will probably remain here during the winter.

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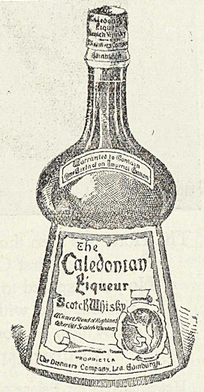

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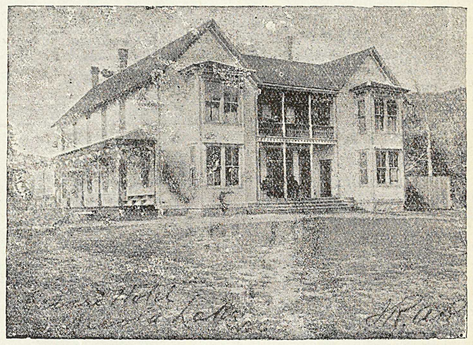

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"Now, Bertie, what made you eat Dolly's half of that orange?" "Please, ma, you told me always to take her part."

Brown—Ah! Here's something that will interest you, Maria. Half a column on "Costumes for Cowes." Mrs. B.—Well, I can't think what's coming to people nowadays. First it's sunbonnets for horses, and now this! Oh, I've no patience with these new-fangled ideas!

A young man at Green Mountain told his girl the other night that if she didn't marry him he'd get a rope and hang himself right in front of her house. "Oh, please don't do it, dear," she said; "you know father don't want you hanging around here."

"Well," said the cheerful wife, who thought she had a soprano voice, "if the worst comes to the worst I could keep the wolf from the door by singing." "I don't doubt that would do it," replied the husband, who had suffered much, "but suppose the wolf should happen to be deaf?"

"Misfortunes never come singly, you know, Miss Priscilla." "Alas!" said the poor maiden, shaking her head, "the single misfortune is the worst of all."

F. W. GROVES

A. R. COLL., SC. D.,

Civil and Mining Engineer

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Synopsis of Regulations Governing the Disposal of Dominion Lands within the Railway Belt in the Province of British Columbia.

A LICENSE to cut timber can be acquired only at public competition. A rental of $5 per square mile is charged for all timber berths excepting those situated west of Yale for which the rental is at the rate of 5 cents per acre per annum.

In additiou to the rental dues at the following rates are charged: Sawn lumber, 50 cents per thousand feet B.M. Railway ties, eight and nine feet long, 1½ and 1¾ cents each. Shingle bolts, 25 cents a cord. All other products, 5 per cent on the sales.

A license is issued so soon as a berth is granted, but in unsurveyed territory no timber can be cut on a berth until the licensee has made a survey thereof.

Permits to cut timber are also granted at public competition, except in the case of actual settlers who require the timber for their own use.

Settlers and others may also obtain permits to cut up to 100 cords of wood for sale without competition.

The dues payable under a permit are $1.50 per thousand feet B.M., for square timber and saw logs of any wood except oak; from ½ to 1½ cents per lineal foot for building logs; from 12½ to 25 cents per cord for wood; 1 cent for fence posts; 3 cents for railway ties; and 50 cents per cord on shingle bolts.

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Royalty at the rate of 10 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds is collected on the gross output.

Entries for land for agricultural purposes may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the minister of the interior at Ottawa, the commissioner of immigration at Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district within which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

A fee of $10 is charged for for a homestead entry.

A settler who has received an entry for a homestead is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

1. At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years. It is the practice of the department to require a settler to bring 15 acres under cultivation, but if he prefers he may substitute stock; and 20 head of cattle, to be actually his own property, with buildings for their occupation, will be accepted instead of the cultivation.

2. If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of the act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of the Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

3. If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of the Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Application for a patent should be made at the end of three years before the local agent, sub agent or a homestead inspector.

Before making an application for a patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the commissioner of Dominion lands at Ottawa, or his intention to do so.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
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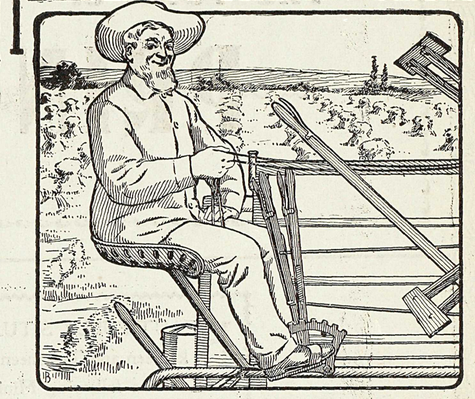

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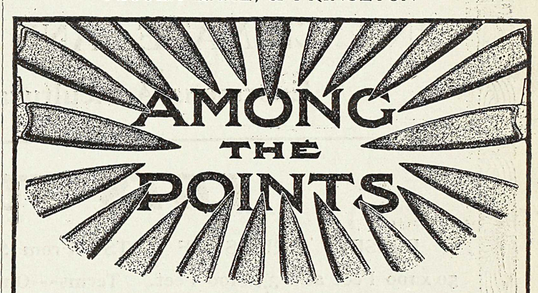

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