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### QUICKENING THE PACE.

**V., V. & E. Building Rapidly — Line Located to Hope in Few Days.**

Orders have been issued from Great Northern head office at St. Paul for all contractors on the V., V & E. west of Midway "to keep out of the way of the steel" which has now begun to arrive in the yards at the end of the track. As soon as frost is out of the ground, and it promises to be early this spring, tracklaying will begin west of Midway, which accounts for the above order. Tiemakers are scarce along the line, but with the help available fair progress is being made A tracklaying machine will be used when the work is begun.

The only point where any delay in tracklaying is anticipated is at the big tunnel near Oroville which, under normal conditions will not be completed before the middle of June. Day and night shifts are employed on all heavy work, which may be increased to three eight-hour relays. From the tunnel to Princeton is easy, the graders losing sight of tracklayers all the way if nothing unforseen should occur.

The C P.R. is said to be planning simultaneous attacks on the Similkameen from three points: Spence's Bridge, Midway and Penticton. From the latter point to Swan lake, about 25 miles, considerable stretches of grade were made years ago under the Columbia & Western charter, all of which can be used in present construction.

Private advices state that right-of-waymen Snapp and Anderson will be in Princeton shortly to complete purchase of line to Otter Flat.

Engineers Crenshaw and Ambourn will finish locating in about ten days, which will complete the line to Hope.

### PROGRESS ON BREWERY.

W. Gosnell of Nelson arrived early this week to superintend the construction of the large brewery which is being erected on Vermilion avenue by the Nelson Brewing Co. A big force of men are employed on the structure and a gang of ice harvesters are at work laying down stock to keep cool the thirsty ones when the thermometer is well up in the 90's next summer. The brewery will be up-to-date in all its appointments and a first class beverage will be manufactured. In time no doubt the hops and barley will be grown in this section to supply the demand created by this industry. The prolific growth of hops on Princeton townsite for ornamental purposes is proof of the suitability of both soil and climate for their cultivation.

A number of hotel men from outside points have been in Princeton during the last eight or ten days looking for sites on which to erect hotels. Two or three deals are in process of negotiation but no actual transaction has been reported as yet.

## THE BOARD OF TRADE

### Fire Committee Receives Generous Contributions to the Purchase Fund.

**Organization of Fire Brigade will be Accelerated by Mass Meeting of Citizens.**

The board of trade met Thursday night to receive the report of the committee appointed to collect money for the purchase of fire protection appliances and to consider the question of fire brigade organization. Those present were Messrs. Thomas, Willerson, Cowan Summers, Groves, Kydd, Campbell, Jackson, Switzer and Wright.

The report of the above committee was most gratifying, insomuch that the amount collected was largely in excess of expectations and will enable the brigade to begin with the most needed tools and appliances for fire-fighting purposes. A further considerable sum will, no doubt, be forthcoming from those temporarily absent and from others yet to be solicited. The property owners with but one or two exceptions, contributed readily and generously on invitation, others will yet give as their means permit. The following is a list of contributors: J. H. Jackson, A. E Thomas, C. E. Thomas, H. Cowan, J. R. Campbell, J. G. Macdonnell, G. Murdock, Summers & Wardle, W. H. Switzer, F. W. Groves, A. Bell, J. M. Wright, J. Wallace, Dr. Schon, C. O. French, T. M. Day, H. H. Thomas, C. Willarson, The A. E. Howse Co., L'd, W. Wilson.

Messrs. Campbell, Summers and Cowan were appointed a committee to immediately expend the money raised in procuring fire apparatus and place same in position ready for service.

The board ordered that a public meeting be called for next Thursday at 8 p.m. in the rooms for the purpose of organizing a brigade. Every male citizen is invited to attend.

The matter of advertising Princeton, thus giving it greater publicity to the outside world, was discussed, the consensus of opinion being that the townsite company should largely aid in this as it would be the greatest beneficiary.

Board adjourned.

Nap. Malette, of Nelson, arrived in Princeton Wednesday on a business visit. He will build a hotel providing a suitable site can be acquired.

J. Hughes, recently arrived in town, will erect a dwelling on his block of real estate fronting on Bridge street. He is convinced Princeton is a safe investment and acts accordingly. He is a typo though out of the printing business for years.

## A WEEKLY REST DAY

### Legislation will be Sought to give all Workers Weekly Day's Rest.

**Protestants and Catholics Alike Favor It—Reply by Secretary to the Daily News**

[Believing in the need of a weekly day of rest for man, beast and even the machine the Star has no apology to make in publishing the following letter addressed to the Daily News, Nelson, in reply to an editorial appearing in that paper. The Lord's Day Alliance is doing a noble work in striving to attain Dominion legislation to secure one day's rest in seven for all laborers and wage earners. During the French revolution it was enacted that one day in ten should be given to rest but it was found impracticable and unnatural, the return to the seventh day of rest being found necessary. Any legislation that will improve the physical and moral condition of all classes of laborers will have the endorsation of all right thinking men The question is now in the field of politics. Both parties in the house of commons, it is believed, will almost unanimously favor the legislation asked for:—ED.]

"To the Editor of the News, Nelson:

"Friends in the Kootenay have sent me clippings from the News of recent dates in which you editorially attack the Lord's Day Alliance and its proposed Dominion legislation. Kindly, in fairness, permit the correction of some of your most glaring misstatements.

1. "The poor man, who cannot afford to keep a carriage, will be debarred (by the passage of the proposed Act) from giving his family a cheap outing by car, steamboat or train," and again it "would deprive working people of the only opportunities they now enjoy of spending a few hours in God's out-of-doors." These barefaced misstatements are made in the same issue, I understand in which the draft act itself is printed, incredible and impossible though this seems.

Now, what does the proposed Act say? Clause 1 prohibits on Sunday "Anyone to do, or employ any other person to do on that day any work, labor or business except as herein provided." Clause 2 excepts from this prohibition "any work of necessity or mercy" and enumerates certain sorts of work which it expressly declares shall be considered "works of necessity or mercy. Among these (subsection 5) specified exceptions is "the conveying of travellers." Are not 'travellers" people who are conveyed by car, train, or steamer, or otherwise? Yet the editor of the Nelson Daily News with these words under his eyes, publicly pens the statement that by the enactment of the measure these wicked Lord's Day Alliance people are asking for, the "poor man will be debarred from giving his family a cheap outing by car, steamboat or train." Is this a fair sample of the intelligence and fairness of the Daily News?

And should you take cover under the assumption that "travellers" means only those going on a long journey, I need only remind you of the famous English Ale House decision, which governs in Canada and which held that anyone going a distance of three miles is a "traveller," and the still more conclusive decision of Judge Rose in the Hamilton Street Railway case, which held that a man going from his house to church a few blocks away is a "traveller." Absolutely the only limitation the proposed Act places upon travel of any kind by any mode of conveyance is when Clause 5 prohibits "excursions for pleasure." This means, of course, gotten up excursions of a public character accompanied as they almost invariably are, by clamor, carousal, and often still worse things.

Is it not enough that people should be able to go where they please on Sunday on regular cars, trains or steamers in a quiet and orderly way?

2. Again you say "it will be unlawful to hire a boat, a buggy, or a horse" on Sunday. In the light of what I have said in answer to the former misstatement, I need scarcely add a word in answer to this. All that is covered by the exception "works of necessity or mercy" as these words have been interpreted by our courts again and again.

3. Again you say "to go fishing or shooting on Sunday is to commit a criminal offence" under this proposed law. Absolutely nothing is said about fishing in the measure, directly, or indirectly—that is about fishing as a sport. Clause 2 prohibits the business of fishing, as all other business. This is now prohibited by other laws. It surely ought to be prohibited as much as any other business—in the interests of the employees concerned, that they be protected against being robbed of their rest-day rights. "Shooting at any target, mark, or other object" is prohibited. This is aimed at rifle and gun practice on Sunday. * *

The game of British Columbia and all the rest of Canada except Quebec and the island of Vancouver and in the British Isles, is now protected on Sunday by the game or other valid laws. In B.C. it is the Sunday Observance law. This is in force only on the mainland. * *

The eastern papers are criticising our measure as being "over broad," for example, the Hamilton Herald, which has never had a reputation for narrowness. The fact is the measure is as broad as the reasonable protection of the toilers in the enjoyment of their rest-day rights will permit. And all we ask for it is a fair

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## ADVANCE, PRINCETON!

The success attending the efforts of other towns and cities throughout the western part of Canada and the United States in the matter of giving wide publicity to the attractive features of their respective localities is worthy of emulation by citizens of Princeton. In some of these places the work of the corporative and civic authorities is supplemented by associations whose sole purpose is to advertise the town, city or district as the case may be. Spokane has an association which aims to increase the population to 100,000, and Greenwood, Calgary, Midway and other towns are also moving along that line. Why not Princeton?

There will be a great upheaval, not only of railway dirt, but of social, economic and commercial conditions in the Similkameen this year. Thousands of railway laborers, speculators, business men, mechanics, miners, prospectors and investors will come as a natural sequence to the railway and the opening up and development of a rich mineral district. In this influx there will be some who will need to have the gentle influence of an invitation to make them feel at ease and at home in a strange town. To have some person and rooms where strangers could go and receive courteous attention and be supplied with maps and reliable general information of the town and district would approach the work done by tourist associations in the larger cities of B.C. The benefit of tourist associations has been proven beyond all doubt and while the expense of their management and distribution of printed literature in connection therewith would be too great for a town like Princeton, the cheaper plan above suggested will commend itself. A live board of trade could do much to assist in this matter.

Princeton has all the natural advantages for making it the metropolis of the district. It can be approached and environed with railways from all the cardinal points of the compass—an unique feature for towns in mountainous countries—all trails centre here and it lies at the confluence of two large waterways. Mineral, agricultural and timber resources form the setting, so to speak, of this pearl of great natural attractiveness and beauty. Nothing can blight the prospects of a town so situated but the callous indifference and stagnant condition of its citizens. As is often observed in the west a poorly situated place with wide-awake, go ahead people will soon outstrip a town more favorably located having a population of lazy-bones and knockers. Too much dependence, therefore, cannot be placed upon situation. There must be the vital accompaniments of brains and ceaseless activity. A community standing dead on its feet need not be surprised to find its opportunities and prospects taken away if good use is not made of them while they may.

Advance, Princeton! Forget the past years of hardship and depression. Shake off the old, somnolent, feeling and put on the newest phase of western development and intelligent progress. Years of waiting and inactivity must now give place to action. Do not let others reap where you have sown. That deathly slumber stealing over the senses is an invitation to dangerous rivals at our gates to take everything in sight. Awake! Awake!

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The McBride administration is evidently tottering to a self-imposed doom. Last week the narrow majority of two barely saved the government from an enforced appeal to the country. As it is, everything seems to point to dissolution at the end of the present session. Liberals should not be caught napping but make immediate choice of a candidate. Having in mind the unfortunate fiasco attending the last local Liberal convention, which lost the riding to Mr. McLean, it would be well to pre-arrange all the details of candidacy and settle the question of selection as far as possible before convention takes place. To do this a strong man, of acknowledged ability and if possible of some previous legislative experience or qualification should be fixed upon. The Liberal associations should 'get busy.'

The Victoria Week is a rank Tory organ and McBride's personal apologist and bodyguard. Its servility is best shown by an attempt to bespatter with the mud in which it exists the well known ability of Smith Curtis, ex-M.P.P. It is generally admitted that as a member he was a most effective speaker and very industrious and attentive to his duties. His investigations by royal commission entailed a vast amount of labor, more, perhaps than the Weekling scribe is capable of in a lifetime. The name he applies to Mr. Curtis, "gasometer," is rather amusing, coming as it does from the Weekling's gasbag and coal manipulator.


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MARTIN BRESNIK.

Otter Valley, Jan 8, 1906.

### NOTICE.

Red Buck and Bornite mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: on Kennedy mountain.

Take notice that I, T. C. Revely, free miner's certificate No. B79999, acting for myself and G. W. Allison, free miner's certificate No. B58854, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate 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 January, 1906.

### NOTICE.

Duke of York and Blue Bird mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, M. A. Voigt, free miner's certificate No. B79944 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 1st day of December, 1905.

C. Æ. SHAW, P.L.S.

### NOTICE.

No. 38 Fr., No. 40 Fr., No. 54, No. 55, No. 56, No. 57, No. 58, No. 59, No. 61, No. 62, No. 63, mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: In Voigt's camp.

Take notice that I, C. Æ. Shaw, 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 30th day of November, 1905.

C. Æ SHAW, P.L.S.

### NOTICE.

No. 2, J. W. Hill, United and Verde mineral claims, situate in 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 15th day of November, A.D. 1905.

### NOTICE.

Highland, Bachelor, Nicola and Triangle Fraction mineral claims. Situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale district. Where located: In Aspen Grove camp.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for A. E. Howse, free miner's certificate No. B87544; F. Howse, free miner's certificate No. B87545, and G. Philp free miner's certificate No. B87546 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 28th day of December, A.D. 1905.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 400 acres of mountain pasture land, described as follows: Commencing at the north-east corner of lot 1192 thence north 60 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence south 80 chains to north line of lot 1402, thence east 20 chains to the east line of lot 1192, thence north 20 chains to the north-west corner of lot 1192, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement Said land is situated in the Nicola division of Yale district.

L. GIBSON, Applicant,

per Luke Gibson, Agent.

16th December, 1905.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 120 acres more or less of pasture land, described as follows: Commencing at a post marked "Angus Lamont's N.W. corner," at the S.W. corner of A. Tremblay's preemption and running south 20 chains, thence 60 chains east, thence 20 chains north, thence 60 chains west to point of commencement.

ANGUS LAMONT.

J. G. McDonald, Agent.

Dated Dec. 2nd, 1905.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway, of standard or other gauge, with any kind of motor power for the conveyance of passengers and freight, from some point at or near Osoyoos on the International Boundary, running in a northerly direction along or near Lake Okanagan to a point at or near Enderby, thence in a westerly direction to a point at or near Kamloops, thence in a northerly direction following the course of the North Thompson river, thence by the most feasible route to Quesnelle and Fort George; Also from a point at or near Enderby in a northerly direction to a point at or near Sicamous along the course of the Spallumcheen river; Also from a point at or near Kamloops in a southerly direction to a point at or near Quilchena, thence in a southerly direction by a feasible route to a point at or near Princeton; Also from a point at or near Quilchena creek in a northerly direction along Niaola Lake to upper Nicola river; thence northeasterly along the upper Nicola river to a point at or near Salmon river, following the course of that river to a point at or near Salmon Arm, all in the Province of British Columbia.

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Dated the 5th day of January, A.D. 1906.

TUPPER & GRIFFIN,

Solicitors for the applicants.



## A WEEKLY REST DAY.

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field and no favor. The Roman Catholic and Anglican archbishops are known by all to take a very broad view of what is permissible on Sunday. They are, one and all, strongly supporting the L.D.A in seeking the enactment of the law in question. So also are the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress and the great mass of labor men. Why not the Daily News also? Is it afraid for its own Sunday edition? If so, why not say so, and fight fair?"

J. G. SHEARER,

Gen. Sec. L.D.A.

## LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

A sitting of the licensing court will be held in the court house on Feb. 24 to consider applications for hotel license from J. G. Thynne, G. P. Myren and Chas. Cameron.

Coal Agent—I see your coal bin will soon be empty. Better let me supply you with a couple of tons. Consumer—Where does it come from! Agent—Nanaimo. Then they both cracked a smile and winked a wunk. Funny world, this is!!

Lewis Thompson and wife have removed from Copper mountain and will be residents of Princeton. Mr. Thompson is a qualified law practitioner in Scotland and lacks only an exam. to become a member of the bar of this province. Meanwhile he is capable of doing conveyancing and notarial work.

Mrs. A. Bell left for Vernon on Thursday's stage, where she will meet her parents on a visit to Mrs. Rennie, another daughter.

J. R. Campbell and Vic Ryder have been photoed by A. Murchie in athletic costume while in the attitude of sparring. Both are proficient in the "manly art" besides taking an active interest in other sports and games.

J. Macdonald of the Hedley Lumber Co. was in town Thursday night on business.

William Wilson, contractor, left Thursday morning for Summerland on what is reported to be a very delicate mission No one suspected anything until he leapt into his saddle and then gave orders to have his house curtained, carpeted and otherwise made ready for the reception of two made 'one.' Well done William, may your lives be one prolonged, happy dream. Next! Let the good work keep right on until bachelors are no more.

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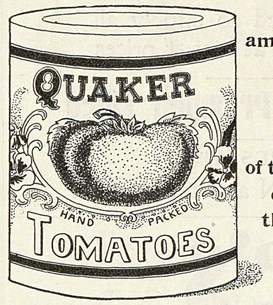


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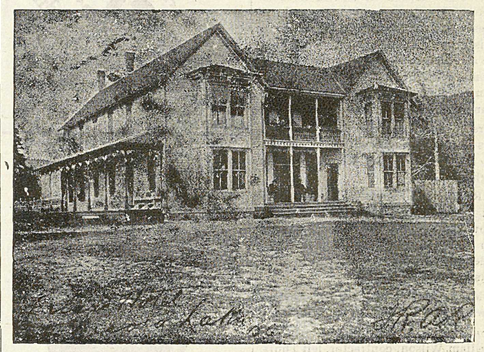

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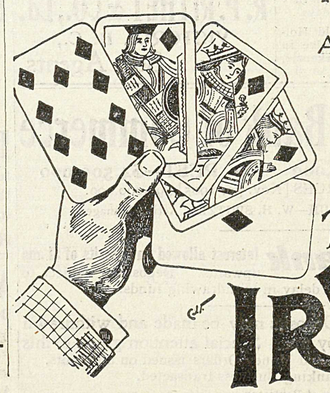

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Instructor—What is the meaning of the word "confab?" Shaggy-haired Pupil—It comes from "confidence" and "fable." It's the beautiful little story the bunko man hands you when he's ropin' you in."

"Do you think a little learning is a dangerous thing?" "Possibly. But it isn't half so dangerous as the same amount of ignorance."

Mamma (at the breakfast table)—You always ought to use your napkin, Georgie. Georgie—I am using it, mamma. I've got the dog tied to the leg of the table with it.

Blobbs—When I get up to make a speech I feel as though I had forgotten everything I ever knew. Slobbs—What an ideal witness you would make in an insurance investigation.

Dr. Sophronia Fletcher of Cambridge is hale and active at the age of 91. In a criticism of a somewhat emotional and bombastic character, Dr. Fletcher said the other day: "This gentleman reminds me of a friend of mine, a woman, now dead these many years The woman, with a tragic air, rushed upstairs one day and cried to her maid: "'Celeste, put my curling iron in the fire at once. James has been bitten by a mad dog.'" "'Ah, brave madame!'" said Celeste, "'madame is going to cauterize the wound.'" "'No," said the lady, "'but I am going to curl my hair so I can run for the doctor.'"

Aunt Jane—Now, Jacky, never try to deceive anyone. You wouldn't like to be two faced, would you? Jacky—Gracious, no! One face is enough to wash these cold mornings.


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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 iumber, 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.

Leases for grazing purposes are issued for a term of twenty one years at a rental of two cents an acre per annum.

Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres may be acquired by one individual or company.

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, of his intention to do so.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Ottawa, Feb. 4, 1905.


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