SIMILKAMEEN STAR

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W. C. McLean Dead

The death of William Cameron McLean of Ashnola on Saturday last, 20th inst., removes a well known pioneer of the west, in later years being more particularly identified with the development of the city of Nelson, railroad construction in the Kootenays and as an investor in various projects. His home at Ashnola, near Princeton, was hospitably open to travellers crossing the Hope mountains as well as to prospectors, miners and neighbors. Of a bright, genial nature, the deceased made many friends. His death occurred at Hedley while returning home from a business trip to Penticton and resulted from pneumonia.

The deceased came to Ashnola with his family about a dozen years ago and resided on the townsite which he had partially sold to purchasers throughout the country. He was always optimistic of the future of Ashnola and Princeton district and had only encouraging words for enterprise and industrial projects. His wife and two daughters have the sympathy of the entire community, a son, Bruce, having passed away some two years ago. Brothers of deceased are H. F. McLean, druggist, Fernie, B.C , Kenneth, merchant, Montana; R T. in Seattle; J G., railroad contractor, Spokane, and a sister also there. He first came west with construction of the Canadian Pacific railroad, on which he carried out large contracts successfully. He was born at Carlton Place, Ont., sixty years ago.

Funeral was held Wednesday in I O.O.F. hall and was largely attended, Rev. J. A. Leslie, Presbyterian, officiating Local Masonic brethren attended the obsequies accompanying the remains to their last resting place in Princeton cemetery, the arrangements heing carried out by W. S. Wilson, undertaker. Pallbearers were old friends and brethren, viz.: Col. R. Stevenson, P Russell, N. Huston, E. F. Voigt, Max S. Wilson, W. J. Kirkpatrick.

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LOCAL ITEMS

The snowfall has been heavy this year

Geo F. Croly was over to Merritt during the week.

For some snaps in household furniture see Geo. F. Croly.

Ralph D. Mason was down from Granite Creek last week end.

Mrs. Tom Dignan left Tuesday for Trail to join her husband,

Walter Clayton was over from Penticton attending County Court.

J. B. Wood made a business trip to Greenwood during the week.

Don't forget the K. of P. dance tonight in aid of the local Red Cross society.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. S R. Gibson on Wednesday, November 24th, a son.

D. C Wamsley left yesterday in his car for his home at Conconully, Wash

D. M French killed a 10 point buck deer on Beaver mountain last Wednesday.

A session of the County Court was held here yesterday, Judge Brown presiding.

The Tommy Atkins Knitting Club met at the home of Mrs. Jas. Drummond last Friday

The Misses Ritchie of Summerland are here on a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. D Young.

A. N. Cantril and John T. Ryan, two Coalmont's live wires, were in Princeton the first of the week.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs Ed. Morris died at Copper Mountain on Wednesday, November 24th.

Mrs. F. K. McMann is on her way west to join her husband, who is day clerk at the Hotel Princeton.

E. J. Woodburn, in charge of the district government telephone system, has moved his family to Kamloops.

Chief Constable Simpson and H. McCutcheon, customs collector at Greenwood, were in town Thursday.

The two and a half months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al. Oelrich, of Onemile, died on November 18th.

The Princeton hockey players should get busy and organize for the season. The rink will be flooded next week.

A. D. Broomfield is having a garage built on Harold avenue near D. M. French's place. The buildiug is 19x24 feet in size

At the Similkameen Skating Rink this winter season tickets will be $5 for men, $4 for ladies, and $2 for children under 16 years of age.

Chicken dinner and oyster soup 40 cents, Saturday and Sunday at the Miners' Reataurant.

Mrs. Harmen, of Edmonton, Alberta, wife of the minister of railways in the legislature there, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W C. McLean.

Ernest Waterman, Pete Johnson and Barr Hall had quite a successful hunting trip to Copper Mountain last week and brought back one deer each.

P. W. Dempster, grand master of the I. O. O. F. of British Columbia, will pay Princeton Lodge No. 52 an official visit on Friday evening, December 17th.

Acknowledgment has been received from the lieutenant governor at Victoria of the $416 95 recently sent from Princeton for the British Red Cross Society.

Presbyterian church—Sunday school in the court house at 2:30 p.m. Evening service at 7.30 p.m. All are cordially invited. Rev. James A. Leslie, pastor.

Sidney Ball, an engineer of New York, has been at Copper Mountain for several days looking over the proposed tram line for the B. C. Copper Company.

Fred Gulliford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gulliford of Princeton, has enlisted at Kamloops for overseas service. His brother John, who is now at Shorncliff, was married on November 16th.

One day last week a number of the taxpayers on Fivemile had an old fashioned wood cutting bee They cut seven cords of wood for the school house, enough to run through the winter.

The government telephone exchange at Keremeos will be ready for use in about two weeks' time. Many of the ranchers surrounding the town are having phones put in, as well as the townspeople.

The death occurred at Chilliwack on November 21st of John Gibson, at the ripe old age of 97 years. He is survived by quite a large family, and two of his sons, Sam and Luke Gibson, are well known in Princeton.

The fraternal spirit of the Princeton Boy Scouts and Girl Guides was demonstrated last Friday evening when the members of both organizations called on Master Allen Sponer, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spooner. Allen has been laid up for some time with a sprained knee.

Red Paddy, of Onemile, celebrated his 62nd birthday on November 20th. This year he had a big crop of both spuds and whiskers. He has the spuds stored in the cellar, but will not have the whiskers harvested until spring. In 1881 and for several years thereafter Red Paddy followed the machinist trade and was employed in a printing press manufacturing establishment in New Jersey.

MINES AND MINING

Four carloads of copper ore from the Copper Star miue at Aspen Grove will be freighted to the Canyon House on tbe Kettle Valley and shipped to the Granby smelter.

Sam Spencer of Princeton has given a working bond on the Spencer Group on Whipsaw creek to a Toronto syndicate, who will begin work next May. Between 400 and 500 feet of tunnel work has been done and the ore is zinc and silver lead.

R. N. Adams has the contract of hauling ore from the Red Buck property on Kennedy Mountain to Princeton, and has a four horse team on the job. The ore will be shipped to the Greenwood smelter. It is reported that F. S. Norcross has taken a bond on the property from Geo. Allison and Chas. Revely, the owners.

Our Billy Kellem

The Rossland Miner prints extracts from fyles of that paper of 1895 -20 years ago. Here is one of them:

"Billy Kellem is advertising a big turkey dinner at 35 cents."

Billy has been in many places during the past 20 years, but is now in Princeton and is still advertising big dinners.

Canadian War Loan

The Canadian war loan is now offered for public subscription. Particulars of the price and terms of the issue with full information as to the mode of subscribing are contained in an advertisement in this issue of the Star. The loan is for $50,000,000, and subscriptions will be received at the Princeton branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and Bank of Montreal, or at any chartered bank in this country. The proceeds of the loan will be used for war purposes only. The issue will be in five per cent bonds, maturing December 1st, 1925, and payable at par. The bonds will be in denominations of $100, $500, $1,000 and $5,000, and multiples of $5,000. Subscription lists will close on or before November 30.

Already the banks of Canada have taken up $25,000,000, or one half of the loan, and three subscriptions of $1,000,000 each have been announced. The insurance companies will take $10,000,000. The city of Winnipeg subscribed for $500,000, and the other large Canadian cities are doing their share.

Boundary News

William Frawley, the well known barber, died in Greenwood last Saturday from pneumonia, aged 53 years.

Juck Lucy was stricken with apoplexy last Friday afternoon in Greenwood, and died in a few minutes. He was well known in Princeton. He kept a saloon at Granite Creek 30 years ago.

George Morris was found Sunday morning on a trail near the No. 7 mine, frozen to death. He became exhausted while on a hunting trip, and could not reach camp. He was 16 years old, and his parents reside at Boundary Falls. Large numbers of men hunted for him a long time before his body was found.

Building Government Bridge

Neil McFadden with a gang of men is at work on the new government bridge across Fivemile creek. There is one 50-foot span and two approaches, and the bridge will replace the old structure.

MINERAL ACT

(Form F)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

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And further take notice that action, under Section 85, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this Twentieth day of November A. D. 1915.

THE WIDE WORLD.

Recently 170 miners left Nanaimo to work in the coal mines in England.

Mickey MacKay, the hockey player, has signed up with the Vancouver team.

Nearly 1,100 skaters turned out at the opening night of the big arena at Vancouver.

During the past season Penticton sent out 130 carloads of apples, as compared with 45 carloads last year.

James Marshall has given up the Strathcona hotel at Nelson. F. B. Whiting, the owner, will operate it again

The Odd Fellows of Phoenix will dedicate their new hall next Monday evening. Grand Master Dempster will be present.

The fruit growers of Keremeos have contributed largely to the car of apples which is being raised by the Red Cross Society of Vancouver.

Trail has raised $13,800 for patriotic purposes. Practieally every man and employee is now contributing one day's pay per month to the smelter war fund.

The Dalton Black Fox Company on Prince Edward Island has been hard hit. Fifteen litters of black foxes were destroyed by their parents The report of the directors shows an indebtedness of $18,000, and the company has to raise $12,000 to meet the overdraft at the bank.

It is confidently expected that the Kettle Valley railway down the Coquihalla will be completed by the first of the year The snowsheds will be completed about the middle of December. In all there are about one and a half miles of these sheds, exteading along about four miles of track.

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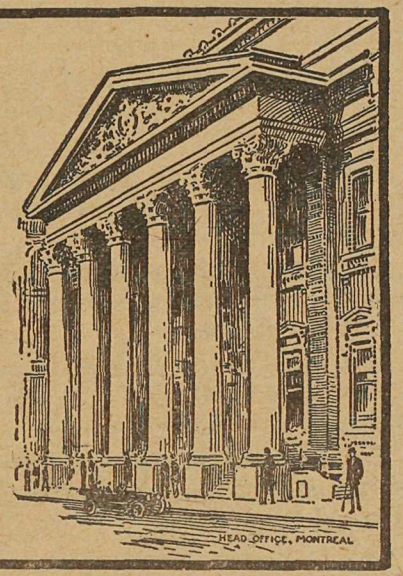

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district inwhich the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon: If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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Our Blood-Offering

In the current number of the Sunset Magazine, Arno Dosch has an excellent article upon the soldiers of B. C., entitled "The Blood-Offering of British Columbia," from which the following extract is taken:

The stand of the Princess Pats called the attention of the entire British Empire to the gallantry of the Canadian troops. They were praised by Sir John French. They were mentioned in reports and officially congratulated. Decorations were also distributec and the Canadians were recognized to be among the best troops in the British army.

Now the most interesting part about the way the Canadians were finally acclaimed was the delay in recognizing their ability. I feel I can talk about it now without hurting anyone's feelings. I have talked it over with the higher officers in charge of the recruiting in British Columbia, and they showed so keen an understanding of the situation that it surprised me. Perhaps they laughed it aside because they felt they could afford to now.

The truth is the Canadian troops were not appreciated when they first reached England. They were not cast in the accepted British mold and they were regarded as something foreign—almost Americans. If I speak of this with a touch of bitterness still clinging to my memory, it is a bitterness I received from the Canadians themselves. When I went to British Columbia this was still fixed in my thoughts and I wondered whether any of the bitterness had crept into the letters home. As I had expected little of it had. The British Columbia soldier swallowed the affronts they received in England and let the people at home think they were accepted with open arms.

The astonishing part of it is that they were not at once taken into the bosom of the stricken English family and treated as succoring cousins. That was plainly what was expected. Instead the mass of the English public saw them come almost with indifference and military men regarded them as undisciplined. The British public can be excused on the grounds of its insularity. It showed only the usual lack of enthusiasm over its loyal colonies for which Kipling has frequently upbraided it. But that immobility of the English public attitude was very exasperating to the Canadians and they were free about saying so.

The attitude of military men they understood better, but resented it none the less. I have seen Canadian officers stared down by English officers because they spoke with men in the ranks on terms of equality. I was eating dinner with an English officer in a London hotel one night when a Canadian lieutenant and corporal came in and sat down at the next table. They were obviously friends, their difference in rank the accident of training or preferment, They were none the less chums and went about together. But the English officer was too indignant to finish has dinner.

Among the Canadian forces nothing was thought of it. Recruting in a democratic country the difference in rank no longer held. Men who had been raised together and had the same friends were frequently separated by rank. All could not be officers, and the Canadian troops recognized the situation. But the English did not. They could not conceive the possibility of officers chumming with the enlisted men. It was as distressing to the English Tommies as to their officers. To them it was lack of dicipline, and, without trying to appreciate the difference between Canada's citizen army and the English professional soldier, they set it down as lack of discipline and scorned the Canadians for it.

And it hurt, too. A young Canadian of my acquaintance from New Westminster said to me one day, "I used to think I was an Englishman. I had always considered myself a subject of the King and the equal of any man in the Empire. But I find over here that I am considered as something less."

Another man whom I had known in Vancouver said to me one day as we worked our way among the civilians on the Strand, "If I had known that there were all these men on the streets of London, I should never have given up my good job in Vanconver to come over here and be snubbed."

If this imformation comes now for the first time to most people in British Columbia they can take pride in the fact that the soldiers they sent were too loyal to let it be known at home how they felt about it. Their winter in the mud on Salisbury Plains under the heavy English winter skies was terribly disheartening. I often wondered whether the Canadians would break under the strain, To be scorned, to be snubbed, to be left in the mud—it was hard. But there was always the hope of being sent to the front, and by January they began to move. In the excitement of action they soon forgot everything else; still I fancied I detected in them the one time I saw them in France a disposition to "show them." That they did, and before long. After Neuve Chapelle their commander, Sir Horace Smith-Dorien, let them know he had selected experienced officers to watch them. "I soon realized," he said, "that I was going to be proud of you. From the beginning you acted with the steadiness of veterans"

That must have been salve for wounded feelings. Sir John French was a little responsible, but ended by giving the highest praise, so all that early season of doubt and distress passed with the summer's campaign, and there is no longer any doubt in England about the quality of the Canadian troops. There should never have been any in the first place. It wae due only to the gradual separation between the mother country and the colony, but that is all past now and there is a better understanding between England and Canada now than there ever was before.

This criticism of the English coming from an American might lead to the supposition that those who complained of their treatment were Americans who had crossed the line to enlist. It is not the case. I met only one American in the Canadian army. In fact the number of Americans who were supposed to have enlisted was exaggerated. Of the troops who went from Vancouver with the original Canadian Expeditionary Force 529 were of English birth, 216 Scotch, 296 Canadian and 24 Americans.

In Vancouver I commended on the difference between the air of the recruiting station and any similar institution in England. The Vancouver office was so much freer from red tape, in consequence so much more efficient. Its democracy was also added to by the presence of the recruiting officer, Mr. C. G. Henshaw, in civilian clothes. I was surprised to find it doing a steady business more than a year after the war started. Mr. Henshaw told me he was standing outside the recruiting marquee one day recently when a party of American tourists stopped to watch the constantly arriving recruits. After awhile one of them said, "O, yes this is the conscription we have heard about." The Canadians could afford to laugh, for they will never need conscription.

The numbers of men finally sent away from the training camps at Vernon and the Willows, I noticed, did not tally with the enlistments. The number had evidently been reduced considerably. I asked how that happened and was told that while the standard of physical fitness at the recruiting offices was high, those accepted are gradually reduced until only the perfect, toughened specimens are left. Of the troops so far sent to the front thirty-five per cent have been weeded out after being accepted. The remaining sixty-five per cent. are fighting fit. The men Canada has been sending to the front are hand-picked.

Meeting these men only after they had arrived in England where the loss of friends on the battlefield had already become an every day occurrence, I did not appreciate what their departure meant until I visited British Columbia and saw that the flower of their youth was gone. Then I tried to visualize them as they were at Salisbury Plains and later in France, but I could only remember that of those first men who went away so bravely, nearly half were dead.

Sixteen denizens of the underworld wended their way up the hill yesterday morning, to play their part in that revived local farce, known as "Halletts Pink Tea." Just as soon as the parrot-like ceremony was over in the justice mill, the judge hopped out of the door, and ran down the hill in advance of his patrons, evidently eager to get away from the odor of mixed perfumery and the rustling of silks.—Greenwood Ledge.

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IF you would know heaven, you must be able to appear before gods, without fear, trembling or misgiving.

GREED and selfishness has lowered Canadian politics into the sump of infamy. With the exception of a few honest men, the legislators of Canada are not much better than a band of dressed up, and disguised road agents.

NEARLY all reformers have been persecuted, and only appreciated long after they were dead. The man who will open a cage, and give a lot of wild animals their liberty will meet with a speedy death, if he cannot fly. The man who attempts to free the people from medical, religious, sexual, political, and social superstition will be stoned to death before the mob awakens to the fact that he was right. The same spirit that burned Servetus, Bruno and thousands of others still slumbers in what some call our advanced stage of civilization.

ANY man who is contemptible and dishonorable in his private business is totally unfit to occupy any judicial position. A leopard cannot change his spots by putting on a coat.

THE Kaiser of Germany is partly insane, and unfit to govern anything; but the troubles of his country are largely due to the political system, started and built up by Bismark after the war of 1870. The Prussian military party finally dominated the Reichstag, and you see the result. The Social Democratic party could have saved Germany, but it was not strong enough to overthrow the advocates of the sword. A victory for the Allies will save the people of Germany in the fature from the horrors of tyranny. Where victory nestles matters little to the rich, but all to the poor. We expect to see a revolution in Germany within two months. The yoke is cutting too deep into the neck of the common people.

Looks Like Oil

There is some talk about oil at Oroville. If oil should be struck there it would mean an oil boom all the way from Greenwood to Princeton. The Oroville Gazette says that Mr. Cody has been drilling a well on the Eltoh G. Rice place south of town, and is already down some 200 feet. The six inch casting buckled, and work was temporarily suspended. However, Mr. Cody believes that he can overcome the difficulty and expects to go on with the work. After passing through granite at 200 feet the drill struck slate and sandstone. S. T. Stanton, who has had some experience with oil lands, expresses the opinion that the drill is liable to strike oil, considering that there are indications of coal on both sides of the valley, and that in countries where oil has been struck the drills generally pass through slate and sandstone into sand just before encountering oil. It is worth the investment for Mr. Rice to continue sinking. Should he strike a flow of water that result would be of estimable value to the valley, and if such a fortunate event occur as striking oil that would create a boom for the valley of greater magnitude than would follow successful mining, irrigation or anything else in the way of human endeavor.

The Graham Co. of Belleville, Ontario, is building anevaporating plant at Armstrong, that will employ 50 men and 100 women for eight or nine months each year. Plants will also be built in Vernon and Kelowna.

Western Float

Cocktail Murphy is selling fish in Victoria.

Waneta will have a new school next month.

Many houses have been built in Clinton this year.

Even a mild lunatic is not fit for a police magistrate.

In Kaslo some people have quit feeding slops to hogs.

Peter Lund has moved from Wardner to Lethbridge.

Some work is being done on the Buck Fraction, near Silverton.

In October there were 75 births in New Westminster, and 24 deaths.

Jim May lives in Hazelton and is 83 years old. He is a Cariboo pioneer.

In October, 23 carloads of fruit and vegetables were shipped from Creston.

Western Canada will ship four million pounds of corned beef to England.

Warburton Pike, the big game hunter was drowned in Europe last month.

For breaking into cabins at New Hazelton an Indian received four months in the pen.

In normal times Germany bought annually 400,000,000 pounds of copper in America.

Nearly two million pounds of fish are shipped east every month from Prince Rupert.

Ore is being shipped from the Blue Grouse mine at Cowichan Lake, Vancouver Island.

Over in Lillooet the editor hollers, "I love my patent shoes, but oh you undressed kids."

A burglar broke into the store of Frank Wells at Revelstoke, and stole $200 worth of goods.

Howard Thompson is superintendent of the Red Rose copper mine in the Hazelton district.

The Canadians have got the German's goat, and will probably turn him into limburger cheese.

Recently 900 dogs were shipped from Alaska to France where they will be used to pack supplies in the mountains.

Halibut live 23 years, although the writer has at times eaten some that appeared to have attained a much greater age.

Sea lions will dive 100 fathoms deep in order to feed on halibut. Fishermen tell this story, but it sounds a little fishy.

Near Hat Creek, a cow defended her newly born calf against coyotes for two days, before the rancher came to her assistance.

There are 20 hotels in New Westminster, and they all advertised in the local paper for a renewal of their liquor licenses.

If J. L. Stamford, of the Pingree Mining Co. wishes to sell stock or mine around Nelson, or anywhere else, he should fulfill the promises he made years ago, and by which he obtained money from those who had faith in his word, note and honor.

Since Bill Houston passed out of the arena, the poker games in Kaslo have sunk to the bottom of the consomme, and may never rise again.

A merchant does not gain much by getting his job printing out of his own town. The outside printer never reciprocates by buying anything from him.

This year more than 100 United States halibut schooners have been outfitting, buying supplies, and selling their fise at Prince Rupert, the Grimsby of Canada.

For the year 1914-15 the province of B. C. produced fish to the value of $14,500,000, which is more than 41 per cent. of the total fishery products of Canada.

Just 21 years ago Three Forks was the busiest town in Kootenay. It is now one of the ghost camps of the Slocan, but it will come back long before the heavens fall.

Owing to lack of support from the business men of that city, the Cranbrook Hearld has suspended publication. In the near future several other papers of this province will follow suit.

The best halibut banks on the Pacific coast are becoming exhausted by over-fishing, and a close season for halibut from December to April may soon be inaugurated on both sides of the line.

During the past five years 90 per cent of the attempted farming ventures in California have been failures. This is due to inflated land values, ignorance of local conditions, and lack of capital.

Peck McSwain has returned to Merritt from his tour of the clam beds, and an exchange says that he will soon publish a book dedicated to himself and Jack Lucy, entitled, "The Personal Touch, Or Overcoming The Marble Front."

South African Sacrifices

In the ranks of the South African contingent, now in a training camp in Hertfordshire, there are more men who have relinquished large salaries to serve the Mother Country at a shilling a day than in any other army. One private, before his enlistment, drew a salary of over $25,000 a year as manager of one of the most important firms in the South African colony. Magistrates, well-to-do farmers and miners, civil servants of high position, and even men who fought as officers in the campaign under Both against German South-west Africa, but had no commissions open to them in the new contingent, are in the ranks.

The South African contingent is filled with young Boers, as well as colonials whose British parents were pioneer in that world. Its motto, "Eendracht maakt macht" (Union makes strength,) is Dutch.

Cold weather affected the troops at first, after their work in the burning deserts of German Africa, but with warm clothing they rather prefer it, as they enjoy sharper appetites.

The contingent will be sent to the front as soon as acclimatized.

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Scrip certificates payable to bearer will be issued, after allotment, in exchange for the provisional receipts.

When the scrip certificates have been paid in full and payment endorsed thereon by the bank receiving the money, they may be exchanged for bonds with coupons attached, payable to bearer or registered as to principal, or for fully registered bonds without coupons.

Delivery of scrip certificates and of bonds will be made through the chartered banks.

The interest on the fully registered bonds will be paid by cheque, which will be remitted by post. Interest on bonds with coupons will be paid on surrender of coupons. Both cheques and coupons will be payable free of exchange at any branch of any chartered bank in Canada.

Holders of fully registered bonds without coupons will have the right to convert into bonds with coupons, payable to bearer or registered, without payment of any fee, and holders of bonds with coupons will have the right to convert, without fee, into fully registered bonds without coupons at any time on application in writing to the Minister of Finance.

The issue will be exempt from taxes—including any income tax—imposed in pursuance of legislation enacted by the Parliament of Canada.

The bonds with coupons will be issued in denominations of $100, $500, $1,000. Fully registered bonds without coupons will be issued in denominations of $1,000, $5,000 or any authorized multiple of $5,000.

Application will be made in due course for the listing of the issue on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges.

The loan will be repaid at maturity at par at the office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary or Victoria.

The books of the loan will be kept at the Department of Finance, Ottawa.

Recognized bond and stock brokers will be allowed a commission of one-quarter of one per cent on allotments made in respect of applications which bear their stamp.

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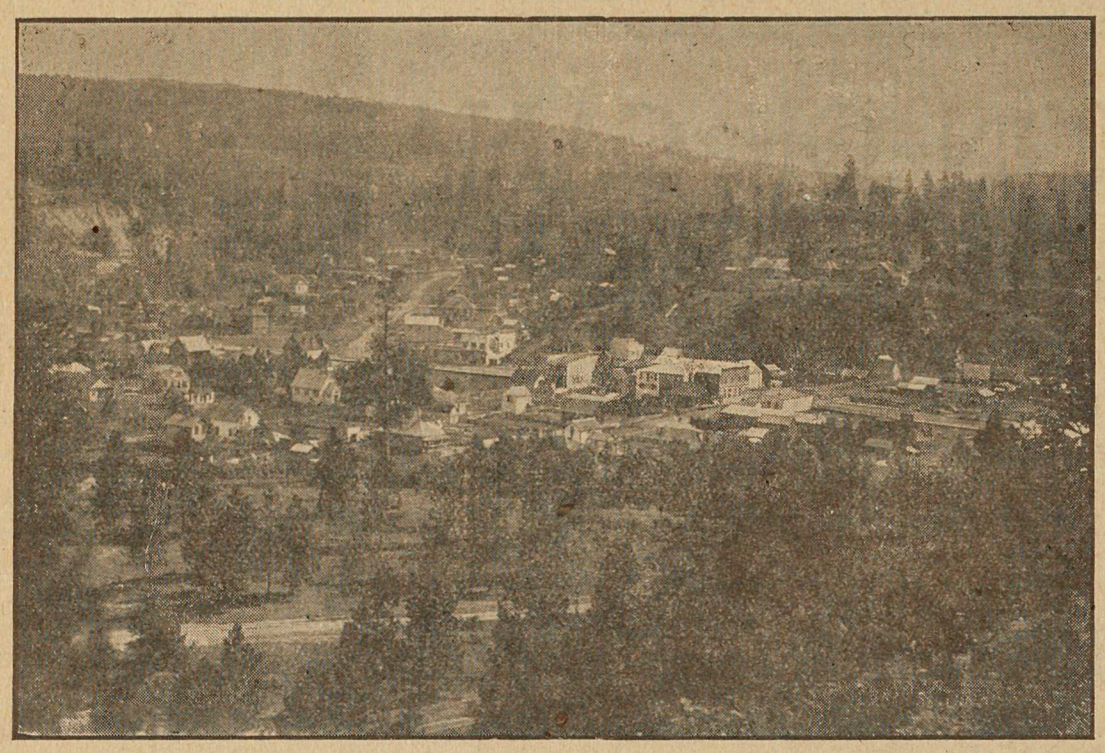
Finance Department, Ottawa, 22nd November, 1915.



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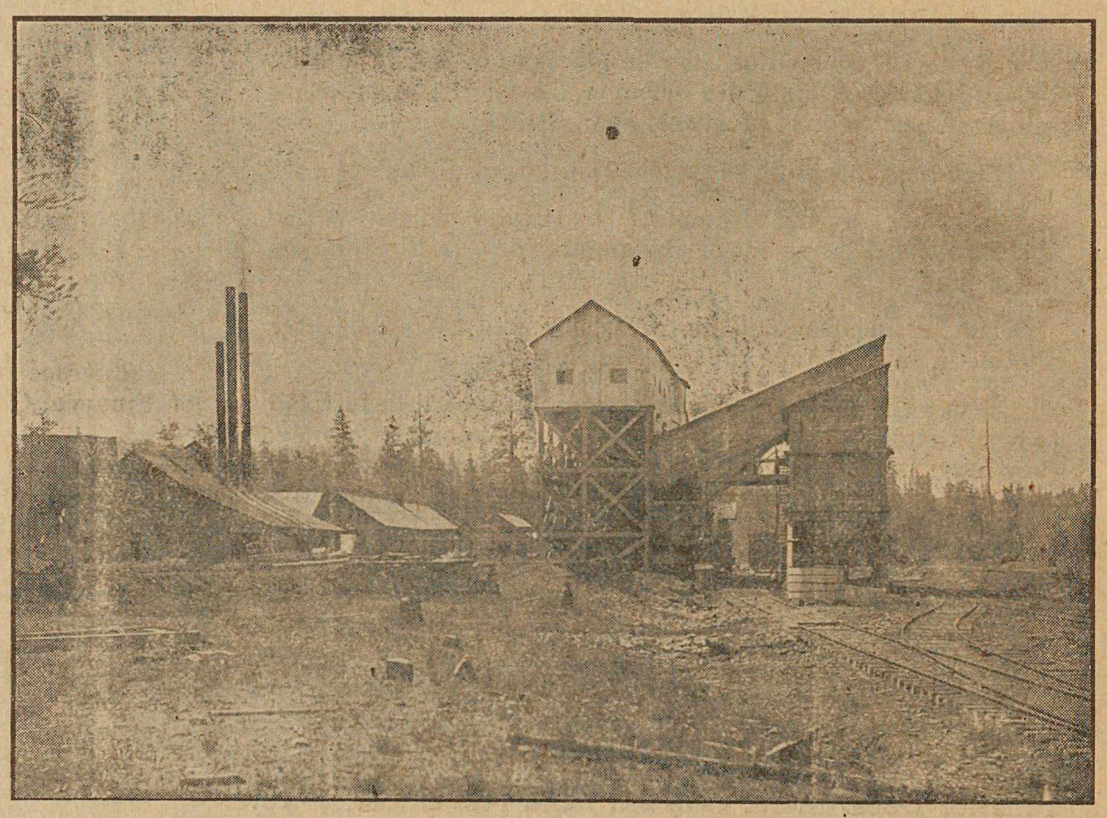

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