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A Minister of Reconstruction.

While every valuable word of guidance for the great problem of reconstruction after the war should receive every attention, there is no justification for a pessimistic outlook, says the Toronto Globe. In the London Observer, Mr. J. L. Garvin makes an urgent plea for the immediate appointment of a Minister of Reconstruction, with authority to prepare for the many problems attendant on the "outbreak of peace." His advice is sound, both for Britain and Canada, and while his brief sketches of the problems are in no case overdrawn, they may create an exaggerated and consequently a needlessly alarming estimate of the material loss to be made good. In time of peace the world lives "from hand to mouth." There is not much room for slipping backward, however long the war may continue. Four years production is estimated as the world's greatest accumulation of wealth. We are now smashing our enemies with metals and minerals that were sleeping in the ground when the war broke out. We are provisioning our troops with last year's harvest, and clothing them with wool that was but recently clipped. To do all this we are not going into debt to the planet Mars, as some prophets of despair would seem to imagine, but to our own more fortunate accumulators. The material waste and destruction of war loses much of its alarming aspect when it is compared with the waste, destruction, parasitism and loss through enforced idleness and partial employment in time of peace. An illustration that could be multiplied to no end is afforded by the news of a number of man-servants enlisting from a mansion in Britain. In peace their lives would have been economically wasted and they would have consumed as much or more if dancing attendance at home as when serving in the trenches. Industries require a surplus of labor for normal elasticity, and this involves vast waste through involuntary idleness. A glance at the destruction and the loss through suppressed and misdirected effort in ordi-

nary times makes the material losses of war less alarming, and tends to relieve gloomy forecasts.

Mr. Garvin urgently demands that consideration be given the problem of "making work" for the vast army of discharged soldiers. Daily needs make work, and this will continue while man fulfills his destiny on the planet. The returned men will continue consumers, will cease to destroy, and will become producers. In this connection Mr. Garvin seems to discern the economic paradox of want through too many able and willing hands ready to produce all things wanted—of destitution through over-production. Many feel, clearly or dimly, the paradoxical fear that the turning of a great army from destruction to production will cause widespread want. Mr. Garvin's warning comes none too soon. Men in authority who think something should be done must be supplanted at once with men who know what must be done and have courage to do it. There is a ray of hope in the resumption of coal mining in Alberta. In other industries, too, the attitude of stupid helplessness must be ended. The needs of the men in the trenches have been supplied by the men and women at home. The return of these men to industries in which they supply their own wants can be made a calamity by governmental stupidity or a great relief by governmental capacity. Preparations for peace have certainly been delayed too long. Paralyzing timidity regarding the money of the profiteers and the votes of those whom they let work must be ended. A minister with a reconstruction policy is an immediate need.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Never since the time of Confederation, has such a test of the statesmanship of the leaders of the people of Canada been made as that which is in course at the present time. Greater action is demanded of the times than the putting into force of the Military Service Bill. That is but a half-measure. The Premier gave the assurance that all the resources of Canada would be employed in

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the prosecution of the war. Let him do so, and he will have the country at his back. Let him not do so, but persist in the weak-kneed and slipshod methods of the past, then a stronger man will take his place.

Another part measure of the Government is the issuing of the War Savings Certificates. While money could be taken from other sources, this is a very easy manner in which almost every citizen can help Canada and the Allies in winning the war. Money and

MINERAL ACT

NOTICE TO DELINQUENT PARTNER

To C. W. Calhoun: Take notice, whereas I have done and caused to be done assessment work on the Midnight Fraction mineral claim, situated on the Millace river, about fourteen miles from the head of Alice Arm, in the Skeena mining division of Skeena district, assessment work for 1914, 1915, and 1916, and have paid for said work and recording same the sum of \$307.50. Unless you pay me the sum of \$102.50, for your share of the said assessment work, together with the cost of this advertisement, I shall, at the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date hereof apply to the mining recorder at Prince Rupert, B. C., to have your interests in the Midnight Fraction mineral claim vested in me, in pursuance of the provisions of the mineral act. Dated at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 11th day of April, 1917. Jy 11
H. C. PHILLIPS.

LAND ACT

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE FIVE.

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The feeling that the distribution of the burden of war has not been even over all classes of the community is one which is becoming general throughout Canada. It is so general that it cannot be ignored and the issue must be faced. When it is necessary that all the resources of the country, both capital and labor, should be employed with all their energies in the service of the nation, the protest of the Labor leader, Mr. Watters, against the compulsion upon men to work for the gain of the private profiteer is neither reckless nor unpatriotic.

MINERAL ACT

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE

"Dougall," "Dougall Fractional," and "Waterfront" Mineral Claims, situate in the Skeena Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—On the west side of head of Alice Arm.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Richard B. McGinnis, Free Miner's Certificate No. 11308, acting as agent for the Dolly Varden Mines Company, Free Miner's Certificate No. 931-C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 24th day of April, A. D. 1917. Jy 9.
RICHARD B. MCGINNIS.

Navigable Waters Protection Act.
R. S. C. Chapter 115.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company hereby gives notice that it has, under Section 7 of the said Act, deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and in the office of the District Registrar of the Land Registry Office, District of Prince Rupert, at Prince Rupert, a description of the site and plan of wharf and fish curing plant and other works proposed to be built in Prince Rupert harbor at Prince Rupert, British Columbia, in front of Waterfront Block "L," according to registered plan of the townsite of the said City of Prince Rupert registered in the aforesaid land registry office as No. 923, Section 7.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company will, under Section 7 of the said Act, apply to the Minister of Public Works at his office in the City of Ottawa for approval of the said site and plan and for leave to construct the said works.

DATED at Prince Rupert, British Columbia, this 16th day of June, A. D. 1917. THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, Patmore & Fulton, Solicitors.

"WATER ACT, 1914."

BEFORE THE BOARD OF INVESTIGATION

In the Matter of all Streams in the Hazelton and Fort Fraser Water Districts. A MEETING of the Board of Investigation will be held at the Court-house at Hazelton on Monday, the 23rd day of July, 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

In the Matter of all Streams in the Prince Rupert Water District. A meeting of the Board of Investigation will be held at the Court-house at Prince Rupert on Wednesday, the 25th day of July, 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

At these meetings all statements of claim to water privileges under Acts passed before the 12th day of March, 1909, on any of these streams, all objections thereto, and the plans prepared for the use of the said Board, will then be open for inspection.

All persons interested are entitled to examine these, and to file objections thereto in writing if they deem fit.

Objections will be heard forthwith if the party objected to has received sufficient notice of the objection.

The Board at the said meetings will hear the claimants, will determine the quantity of water which may be used under each record and the further works which are necessary for such use, and will set dates for the filing of plans of such works and for the commencement and completion of such works.

And whereas there may be persons who, before the 12th day of March, 1909, were holders of water records on the said streams and yet have not filed statements of their claims with the Board of Investigation, such persons are required to file, on or before the 15th day of July, 1917, a statement, as required by section 294 of the "Water Act, 1914." The forms (No. 50 for irrigation and No. 51 for other purposes) may be obtained from any Government Agent in the Province.

The claims of riparian proprietors who have filed, as required by section 6 of the "Water Act, 1914," statements of claim to waters of any of the said streams will be heard at the same times and places.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 7th day of June, 1917.

For the Board of Investigation,
J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Chairman.

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