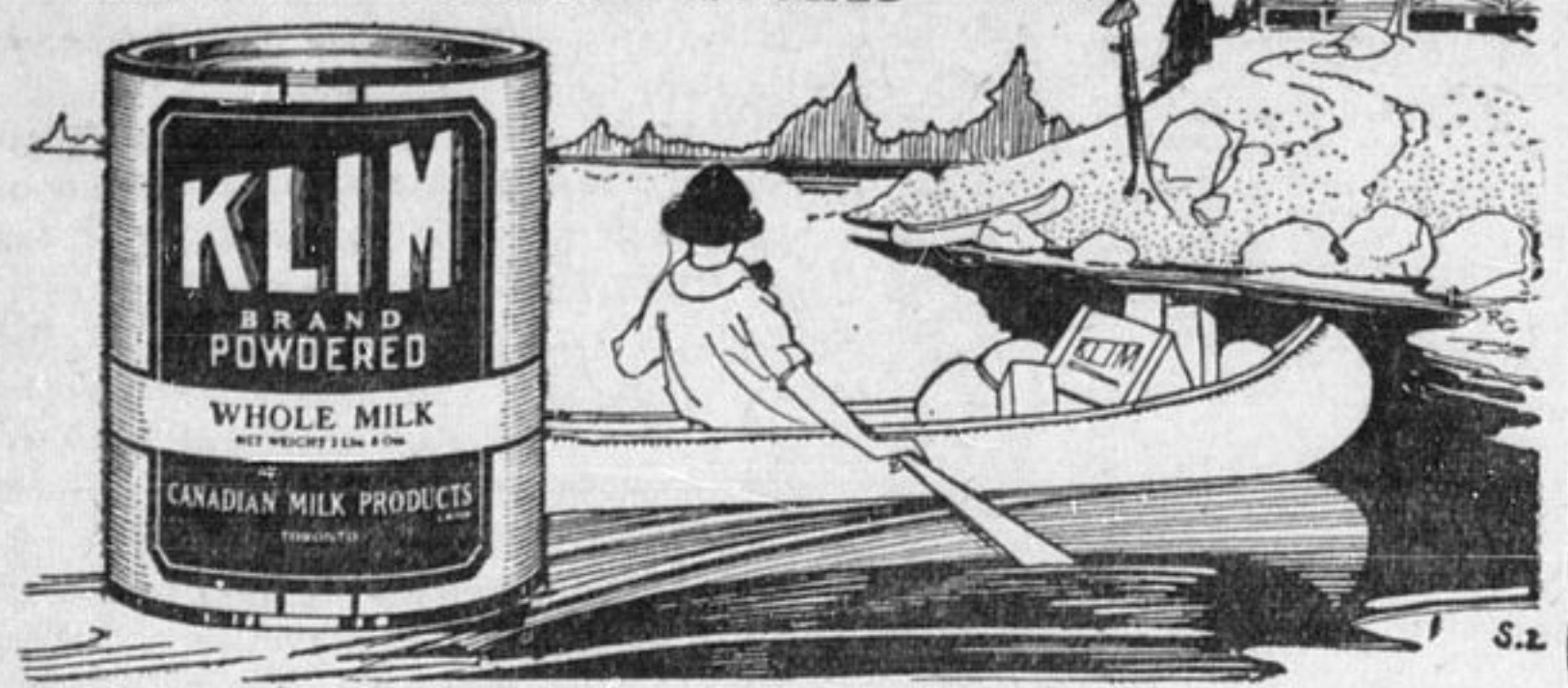


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Some time ago, as noted in The Advance, the Ontario Mining Association offered two prizes for the best essays on the subject, "Northern Ontario." There were many entered in the competition, and the result has just been announced by the Examining Committee composed of Messrs. Alex Fraser, G. R. Mickle and H. E. T. Hautain.

The first prize of \$75 has been awarded J. E. Webb of Sault Ste. Marie Collegiate for the best essay submitted from any middle school student in Ontario.

The first prize of \$75 has been awarded Miss Meta Clarke of Haileybury High School for the best essay submitted from any lower school student in Ontario.

### CALCULATING HOW MUCH A MARRIED WOMAN EARNS

Several exchanges have been giving publicity to an article that apparently originated with The Kingston Standard, relative to the amount earned by a farmer's wife in the ordinary duties that fall to her lot. The Standard is quoted as follows in the matter:—

"It is stated that in New York State a farmer's wife has calculated the amount of some of her work during thirty years of married life. A partial list is that she served 235,425 meals, made 33,190 loaves of bread, 5,930 cakes and 7,960 pies, besides canning 1,550 quarts of fruit, raising 7,600 chickens, churning 5,450 pounds of butter, and putting in 36,461 hours of sweeping, scrubbing and washing. She estimates that her labor has been worth \$115,485.00. But needless to say she has never made any effort to collect this. We believe that she left out much other work, such as darning and mending; but above all she left out one item, the love which was the motive power of all this work."

The ordinary settler's wife could make out a much more imposing list of duties. Nothing is said in regard to the duties of looking after a family, yet the care of children is an important part of the work of the average settler's wife. The settlers are not only doing a great work in the pioneering of this country, but they are also doing their share in the training-up of children who will be the citizens of this land in the days to come. Governments and authorities are too prone, perhaps, to forget the many valuable ways in which the settler and the settler's wife assist the progress of the country. If as much time and money were spent in ways for assisting the settlers as are expended in trying to catch them making homebrew, for instance, the settlers would have an easier time.

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### Here and There

A party of 50 Australian boys will be the guests of the Exhibition at Toronto from August 30th to September 3rd. They are public school boys from all parts of Australia and their visit to Toronto will be made on their way home from the British Empire Exhibition.

British Columbia is now the third manufacturing province of Canada, with 2,873 manufacturing establishments, over 41,000 employees, invested capital amounting to nearly \$225,000,000 and a value of products of approximately \$260,000,000, according to Government statistics.

New Brunswick in 1923 produced more coal than at any other time in her history. The output for the year exceeded that of 1922 by more than 12,000 tons and amounted to 251,091 long tons. It is estimated that this industry creates a value of over \$1,100,000 annually, most of which goes out in supplies and wages for the benefit of the province.

What will probably be the last big round-up of horses in the West will take place shortly in the range country south-east of Calgary, Alberta, for the purpose of clearing the range of stray horses. The horses will be gathered in one central corral, where owners may claim their animals. It is anticipated that about 10,000 animals will be secured. The Department of Agriculture is supervising the arrangements.

Unstinted praise from prominent citizens and the press of Alberta is given the Canadian Pacific Railway in connection with the Company's recently announced branch line construction program, affecting the southern portion of the province. C. R. Mitchell, member of the Provincial Legislature for Bow Valley, describes the announcement as the most important made in many years.

"Perhaps the most noteworthy fact we discovered was the vastly improved psychology of the people of the west to that which existed a year ago," commented E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, on his return from a recent inspection of the Company's property. "They are full of hope and confidence and realize, as the east should realize, the tremendous benefit to the whole of Canada of a second consecutive large harvest."

The number of big industrial undertakings projected for immediate construction on the coast of British Columbia provides a striking indication of how that province is going ahead. A \$400,000 logging railway up the Shehalis River Valley, a \$1,000,000 mill plant at Chemainus, a \$200,000 amusement centre at Victoria and a \$200,000 sawmill at Port Coquitlam, with about \$10,000,000 in power plants in the Seave Lake District are some of the more important and a host of smaller projects are also under way.

Practically all Canada's production of newsprint for export in March was absorbed by the United States. Of March shipments amounting to 127,583 tons valued at \$9,756,530, the United States received 125,848 tons, valued at 9,617,823. The only other Canadian exports of newsprint of importance were 599 tons to South Africa and 1,037 tons to New Zealand. It is expected that April shipments will show an even greater proportion of consignments to the United States.

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