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WHAT CAN BE AFFORDED?

******************************** Elsewhere in this issue will be found a letter from E. Newton-White, who writes this time from Charlton, Ontario. Mr. Newton-White is apparently under the impression that The Advance missed the main points of a former letter he wrote to this paper. The Advance would only wish that rimmins recently a spokesman for the foreign group made it appears formed when the air holes are this were the case, but the circumstances and conditions do plain that the British flag was scorned. "We prefer annot seem favourable to any such theory. There were ap- ther flag," he said. In other words, The Toronto Star sugparently two main points in the recent letter by Mr. New- rests that Canadians are doing wrong to resent or oppose ton-White. Both these points are again emphasized in his he proposal of a small group of aliens that they be perpresent communication. They seem plain enough. The one nitted to do what they like, observe what laws they like, is that roadwork in the North should be discontinued be- lefy the laws they do not like, and teach their children to cause there are enough roads now. The other is that the lespise this country and the Empire. The Star apparently settlers should practise more self-denial and economy and believes that Canadians and other British people have no that they not only have anti-skid tread so be able to exist without other people feeling that some- leights to consideration in this country, but that the noisy throughout their entire life but have a thing should be done to help them. What may be termed a malicious, little alien groups should be encouraged in their third point is emphasized in this week's communication, this assault upon all the people in this country hold dear. Any being that the Government can not afford to build any more newspaper is welcome to hold an opinion like that. It is not, roads. To quote the concluding paragraph of Mr. Newton- however, the opinion of the vast majority of Canadians. White's letter: -"If, as we have been warned, this system of Canadians are not as simple or as stupid or as careless of relief cannot be continued on its former scale for the simple | the good of Canada as that. reason that it cannot be afforded, what remains there for | As a matter of fact the people in general are more deterthe citizen of independent spirit on the land but to change mined than the authorities that the foreign army corps shall this methods and practise the necessary self-denial in the cease operating in Canada. If the people knew as much emergency until better times shall come?"

chiefly on the suggestion that road-building in this North ation grows to riddle the red racket in Canada. The large should not be stopped or greatly reduced. This was in kind- number of deportations of the leaders of these law-defying mess to Mr. Newton-White. The Advance did not wish to aliens was hailed with satisfaction by all but a few in Cansuggest that Mr. Newton-White was so ignorant of the ada,-the few who for reasons of stupidity or perversity; conditions under which the majority of the settlers in this are always ready to take sides against the authorities. In part of the North are living, or rather existing, that he would cleaning out these foreign invaders bent on mischief to this warge them to economy. Neither did it care to imply that he country the authorities are doing a distinct service to Canada was so heartless as not to care about the insult to gallant at this time. The public men and newspapers now whining men and, women striving their best under the greatest about British justice and toleration for these ingrates make difficulty, knowing no luxurtes and lacking even many neces- themselves only ridiculous when it is remembered how these sities, only to be told, "You should show self-denial!" Mr. aliens scorned the British fiag, defied British law, and dis-Newton-White may know something about the farmers turbed British order. around North Bay, New Liskeard or Charlton, but what does The whole matter is resolving itself into a question of The know about the settlers in the area north of Swastika? whether law and order is to be only for the restriction of Does he think they are sporting automobiles? Why most Canadians, and freedom only for the alien and the ill-disof them feel lucky if they have a second shirt to their backs! posed. Those who would hand over the country to a group Does he picture them nightly taking in the motion picture of ignorant aliens and a bunch of nude Doukhobours are enshow? Why, half of them are debarred from weekly visits titled to their views, perhaps, but the vast majority of Canato church by reason of road difficulties! Does he imagine dians are not built on any such crazy pattern. The majority them with radios and fine raiment. The actuality is such of Canadians still believe that Canada is worth fighting for that to mention further economy or self-denial is to assume and too good a land to hand over to foreign agitators and an attitude that rouses the bitterness of every feeling man | malcontents. The authorities need not be anxious about the who knows the truth. The real settlers in this North Land criticism of a few anti-Canadians. The expulsion of the to-day are undergoing hardships and forced economies and aliens who have been sobbing about the superiority of anprivation worse in comparison than those endured by the other country, and the imprisonment for salutory terms of pioneers of Old Optario, because of the changed standards of that other alien nuisance the nude-parading Doukhobours . Fiving. The Advance knows that the attitude that seems to will please the public, because of the evident intention to be assumed by Mr. Newton-White in this matter is the one force even foreigners to show some decent regard for this adopted by Hon. W. Finlayson. It is a rankling insult to country. The good work of the past week or two will also those who have any conception of the burden borne by the have the effect of stopping the continued and costly nonsettlers. Think of the insolence of men making ten or twelve | sense of the alien agitators in this country. thousand dollars a year, living in comfort, in luxury, with all life's good things, having the effrontery to counsel the struggling harassed settler, who thinks the price of a cocktail is week's good living, to show self-denial and economy! It should surely be apparent to Mr. Newton-White why this particular point was not stressed so long as it might be doing its share, and more, to help affairs along. The gold

In line with the facts in his suggestion that the North Land North. The North has been a good customer to the manuis no longer in need of further roads. The only way to facturers and wholesalers of the South. Yet the South develop the North is through the building of roads. Nothing seems to repay all this by adding unfair burdens on this is gained by recriminations as to past faults of policy in the country. The unemployed are told that there is lots of work settlement of the North. The facts remain and must be in the North- anything to get them away from the South raced. If the proposal of Mr. Newton-White is accepted and roadwork discontinued, there can be no further progress ready been absorbed here, and the towns of the North are in the North. In the present age of the world roads are essential to settlement.

thing is basically false. The truth is that we cannot afford North could do with these fellows on top of the thousands to do what governments now seem determined to do at the of unemployed already here, not even the reds could say. demands of the finance ring-turn a large proportion of the Perhaps, the unkindest cut of all, however, was the excurmonest people of the country into mendicants and paupers. Mr. Newton-White talks about the previous plans for buildmg roads for settlers as being only a step removed from the North a chance to visit the South at remarkably reduced dole. The new plan is worse than dole. It is straight rates. It was turned into another Toronto Shopping Event. charity, naked, harsh, cruel! It deprives men of the chance to work. It robs them of independence and of hope. All the political palaver in the world will not make it palatable thinks it shines. Instead of being a railway enterprise it to the people of Canada.

meeded roads, should be proceeded with. The Government should find the money! There is a plentitude of money in this country! With millions for Beauharnois schemes, with any enterprise in the matter. If the railways were honest millions upon millions for high-salaried railway officials to in their announcements of the event, then they were not fair play with, with talk of costly projects like the St. Lawrence to the public in allowing the cars to be flooded and littered Deep Waterway, with countless expensive commissions of with cheap literature about alleged bargains in Toronto enquiry and propaganda, with money for parliamentarians to chatter at so many dollars a chip and even to fringe sedition in their talk upon occasion, with support for big financial institutions when they need it, surely there is money enough to support the common people in the desire to be able to work for a living and exist at something other than ways owe an explanation to the public. If the excursion a dead loss to the country. This Dominion can afford, must was what it eventually appeared to be-simply a Toronto afford, anything that will mean the progress and development of the country and the comfort and happiness of its enough to bite-then the excursion was wrongly announced people. This country cannot afford to let any of its people in the first place and people were deliberately deceived. On

East week on orders from a foreign country, the alien reds En Canada prepared to demonstrate, to make trouble and is due. armsyance for loyal citizens, to flout the law and openly insuft the people of this country. The authorities knew what thad been planned. They knew that the reds were ready to GRAVEL AND SAND-AND PLACER go just as far as they could go. The Toronto Star makes the pretended point that trouble occurred only at the centres The Toronto Star gravely suggests in an editorial note panies will be making money if they are doing business. where the authorities interfered. There are several things that the way to handle the Doukhobours who parade in the against such a theory. In the first place it is not true in nude is to take their clothes away and keep them until they effect or in degree. Sudbury police did nothing until the promise they will wear them. Somebody must have done reds had practically roused a riot by their insolence and the something like that to that newspaper's brains some time. indignities they heaped upon this country. In Timmins the police made no move until the reds had brazenly and malic- A copy of The High River, Alberta, The Globe is giving the North Land the best delivery ever interests of the insurance companies for the present rates Nously started trouble by defying the law. In Rouyn the reds is to hand. There are a lot of good things in it, but the offered by a Toronto newspaper. The Globe now reaches are so burdensome as to make them impractical.

assaulted the police first, and followed this up by shooting the chief of police. Even if The Star's theory agreed with the facts, it would be the sort of reasoning that would do credit to that newspaper. To thoughtful people, however, it will be absurd to suggest that open and malicious breach is, tires from which the anti-skid surof the peace should be permitted simply to save trouble. face has been worn—are the bogey of When the Fenians invaded Canada some years ago, there any careful motorist. Good brakes are would have been no trouble, from the standpoint of the brilliant little Star, if the people of this country had simply fallen on their faces and said, "Please walk all over us!" The present invasion of Canada by the reds is on a par with the Fenian performance, with the main difference that the country from which the Fenians marched fully disowned and condemned them, while the present invaders of Canada have received sympathy, finances and orders from their spiritual on, the wheel. It is not the price of home. Timmins, Kirkland Lake, Cochrane, Sudbury, Toronto, and other towns and cities throughout Canada have suffered for some years from detachments of the alien invaders. A little consideration proves the completely foreign flavour of these fellows. Why any country should be asked to tolerate this sort of thing is beyond the perception of anyone. In asking for permission to hold a parade in

about all that is behind the matter, they would be even more The Advance admits frankly that it centred attention vicious than they are becoming. In any event the determin-

WHY PICK ON THE NORTH?

During the present difficult times the North has been industry has been especially beneficial to the situation. Em-The Advance still believes that Mr. Newton-White is not ployment has been given to large numbers of men in the -and this despite the fact that thousands of men have alsupporting several thousands of transient unemployed. Then some red-minded genius suggests a march of 800 un-The cry that "we cannot afford" this or that or the other employed men to take up farms in the North. What the sion to Toronto last week. It was announced as a generous enterprise of the railways just to give the people of the It is reported that the scheme was financed by Toronto business interests to drag trade to the city where the Star was a catch-penny scheme to help Toronto trade. The rail-The Advance believes that public works, and especially ways simply ran the trains on order as they would any other specials if someone put up the guarantees. The railways should have made this fact clear, instead of pretending to stores for the excursionists. The railways have euchred themselves into the position of more or less sponsoring the fleecing of people from the North in the cases where they paid as much or more for merchandise than could have been obtained from the merchants of the North. The railtrick for the unloading of surplus goods on any gullible the other hand if Toronto simply took advantage of the opportunity, then at least the railways should have protected their passengers from the deluge of advertising literature. In any case, there seems to have been a gross injustice perpetrated on the customers of the C.N.R. and T. & N. O. Railways and some sort of explanation or apology

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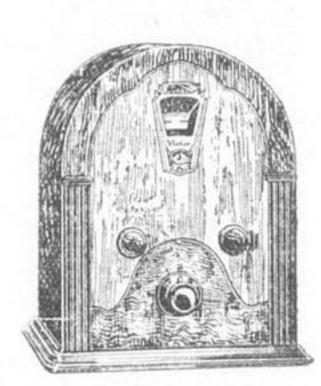
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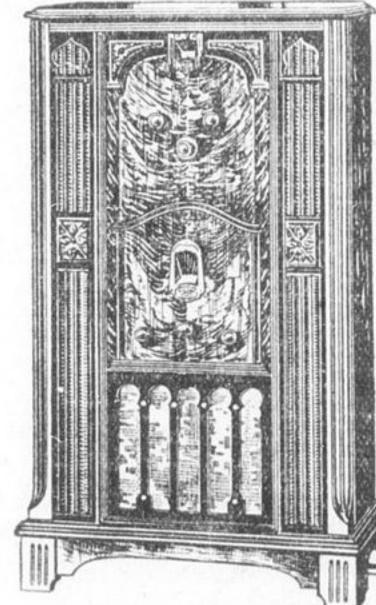
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perversity that comes from reading The Ottawa Journal Timmins at 5.35 p.m. the same day as published—a record, social event here.

A large wholesale produce firm last week had an adver- as it usually does in its quiet reliable way. tisement in The Stirling News-Argus quoting prices paid

modern methods and their enterprise. Then there are other not be expected to pay indefinitely for the risks elsewhere. newspapers that let their enterprise speak for itself. In the Rates here for insurance are high and reductions will be latter class may be noted The Toronto Globe. This summer | welcomed. | Reduced insurances rates will prove in the

fastens attention on one little item. There is a column in newspaper delivery in the North. This is giving the news headed, "Social Events in High River," and the first item in while it is news all right. Lots of people would gladly wait it is:-"They fill prescriptions at Blank's Drug Store." There even days for The Globe, but, of course, they are still more was a time some years ago in Timmins when that was a pleased not to wait. What pleases many, however, is that The Globe, never flaunting pretensions of the ultra modern or the superlatively swift, should be the one to lead the pace

by the company to farmers and others for produce delivered | A representative of the fire underwriters was in Timmins at Belleville. From 17 to 20 cents per pound was offered for last week making a survey of the business places of the town chickens; eggs, extras, were quoted at 12 cents, with firsts with a view to adjustment of the insurance rates. With the at 10 cents, and seconds at 8 cents; hens, according to the class of buildings in town, the excellent fire protection seradvertisement, would bring from 9 to 13 cents per pound. vice here, and the comparatively small losses sustained by The spread between these prices and those charged by the the insurance companies in this town since its inception. same concern in the North suggests that the packing com- there should be material reduction in the rates. The town of Timmins has been a money-maker for the insurance companies. It is little comfort to the town to say that the There are newspapers that are forever prating about their North generally has not been a good risk. Timmins should

Speaking of the cost of relief, the town of Pembroke is said to be able to keep a family of five on \$2.75 per week The weekly supply of groceries is given as consisting of the following:-six pounds of meat, one cake yeast, one cake soap, one pail of potatoes, five pounds of peas, one pound lard, one pound rolled oats, 12 pounds flour, one pound butter, one gallon coal oil, one pound salt, one can syrup, two pounds rice or barley, one pound of tea

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