Another Side on Problem of Settlers in the North lief our Northern mining towns are dolief our Northern mining towns a

Would Clear Land by Co-operative Plan, Government Pay- cally wrong with agriculture in the and prepared a 5-acre seedled for ment from funds which are now being along and kept off relief should not be ing Part of Cost. Settlers to be Taken off Relief. Assistance to be Given for Fertilizers, Seed, Tools. Organized Marketing, Etc.

from a gentleman in the South who has as follows:had many years' experience in land settlement and colonization. He refers to a recent editorial in The Advance under the heading, "To Help Settlers," and he touches also upon the articles

The Advance has received a letter urday Night. The letter reads in part

The Letter

"In many ways I agree with the writings of Mr. Ignatleff in Saturday Night, and with your article of October 8th. "No doubt everyone will admit that

lief our Northern mining towns are do- settlers on the Holland Marsh, and to for every acre cleared in this manner

"A land clearing bonus system. "Roads for settlers. "Organized marketing and grading.

"Additional agriculture representa-"I do not agree with the land clearing bonus system in the form of cash

for a certain amount of clearing done. Under present conditions, mostly on account of lack of the necessary equip-

keep down the cost of living without to clear his land. It will be a long- settlers to be used as firewood. a good agricultural country surround- drawn-out affair with slow returns. | "I am suggesting that the same be than another with possibilities of fav-

North. To improve these conditions every settler, which enabled him to paid out in direct relief. you suggest the following remedies: - grow a crop the first year. The cost to | "If the settler would concentrate his stopped. To help these settlers to endo this work on a community basis and efforts on even a small area, but prowith the proper equipment was a great perly prepared for him, and grow a cash be our first consideration. deal less than if it had been done by crop such as vegetables instead of haveach individual settler. Each settler as- | ing it shipped in by the carload from sisted with the work and was paid at Southern Ontario there is no doubt in the rate of 25c per hour. I had better my mind that he will receive splendid cultural experience willing to rough make it clear that the cost of clearing returns. averaged from \$20.00 to \$80.00 per acre. We had to take out just as many

ing, and if according to the general be- "We had this experience with our done for the settlers up North and that oritism

"The actual land clearing bonus is subject to so many different conditions stumps as you do in the North. We that it would be impossible to arrive at by Count Ignatieff in The Toronto Sat- | no town or city can be prosperous and ment the settler will find it difficult divided the stumps equally amongst the actual values, it would lead to no end of

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rouble. One settler will receive mor

"From funds now paid out in direct relief the settler should receive fertishould do equally well. This not being start the clearing was done on a com- himself. The cost of the community lizer, seed, and the needed equipment the case their must be something radi- munity basis. We stumped and plowed clearing to be paid for by the govern- to work with. The settler who struggled forgotten. Direct relief should be able them to help themselves should

"The North requires further additional settlers with capital. New blood should be injected. Settlers with agriit for a while. Farmers from Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Holland,

would make a valuable addition. "No doubt roads are necessary, but is it not a fact that already a great deal has been done, and that we cannot expect paved roads leading to every little clearing? An honest effort on the part of the settlers will no doubt find its reflection in government support and assistance.

"Lack of organization amongst the ettlers; a number of them not suitable for the North. Direct relief no matter how distributed by a wellmeaning government, but wrong market conditions and whatnot are the cause of all the difficulties.

"I fully agree with organized marketing and grading facilities. A combined effort would solve this. No more plugging or facing, but a standard and honest pack will bring back to these settlers the lost local market so necessary in so far as their living is concerned.

"Further assistance by appointing more Agricultural Representatives in the North? Splendid! But when farmers in Southern Ontario living within hall here while the municipal council a distance of 10 miles from the office sat in regular session a few yards away. of the Agricultural representative are a cash box containing a small sum of still wondering what he looks like, it money, some cheques and other papers. does not seem sense to appoint any together with certificates for mining more. The average representative is a stock estimated to have a value of over busy man, does not have time to give one thousand dollars, disappeared on much attention to certain settlements, Monday evening and police since have except where the settlers in need of ad- been unable to trace its whereabouts. vice write or visit the office. I am say- There are practically no clues to the ing this with all due respect to the mystery, they said. The stock is nefaithful representatives in Ontario. take up the slack and proper organiza- interests in different companies, are

"A few good progressive farmers to representatives.

Summary "No relief but practical assistance ! lizers, seed and tools.

"Less hay and oats for the small settler and beginner, more vegetables returns. More chickens, more eggs. organized effort, establishing mutual

"Organized marketing and grading through organization. The pooling of products, not depending too much on

he government. "The bringing in of new settlers with

can, to sell all he can, to eat all he safe's outer door. The door leading to can, and what he can't eat to can. With the council chamber was closed part of other words, the art of living.

settlers in Northern Ontario can be able to members or clerk. greatly accelerated and ultimately make for better times."

In Reply

fact is that with sympathetic and tion was closed. knowledgeful study of the problems, of the difficulties.

on two or three points, though very her cash, had not been touched. Mr. much right in his suggestions for co- | Harrington said he had noticed nothing ment, taking the settlers off relief, or- | the evening numerous citizens were in ganized marketing and grading, and the hall, either on business with the other suggestions. The Advance has council or engaged upstairs preparing often referred to the value of the old- for a play. The public lavatory is lotime "bees" an invariable feature of cated in the same section of the munipioneer settlement of Old Ontario. cipal building. What the writer says about possible "influence" in regard to the landclearing bonus would apply equally Offers Himself to Any to any assistance given by the government. As a matter of fact the writer's co-operation plan really simmers down to a land-clearing bonus after all. The fied advertisement appeared in local Advance still believes the bonus is the newspapers in Nova Scotia:meet the situation. It would have to be guarded in many ways, but so would any other plan.

The matter of the agricultural repreentative is another place where The than four other Ontario representa- the money-age, race or creed not to be tives. So far as human limitations will | considered. permit he is doing the work and doing association he is in position to give fur- through the Canadian West, British ther service. And had he one or two Columbia and the United States, workling the good work undoubtedly being education.

The matter, however, may be left for general discussion and consideration. The Advance would like to see the settlers' association take up this friendly letter and discuss it point by point, studying all its many valuable sug-

gestions.

is no sign of it apparent. That con- far he has received no takers. firms what a good many other folk have

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Cash Box Taken from Town Hall Maybe While Council in Session.

Cobalt, Nov. 5 .- Believed to have been taken from the vault in the town

The stock certificates, representing tion will do more good than additional owned by A. W. Harrington, town clerk, and the numbers were subsequently wired to the Toronto Stock Exn change, with a view to having brokers the form of community clearing, ferti- notified. In placing their value at more than a thousand dollars, Mr. Harrington took Tuesday's market quotations as his guide. In addition to the stock. and fruit (if possible) with earlier cash he lost some private papers. The money, which he said included \$23 in bills and "Road improvements by means of some silver and copper to a small amount, and the cheques are the pro-

confidence between government and perty of the municipality. By a coincidence, Cobalt council on Monday night discussed better police protection at night, this after Councillor Duncan had told other members his warehouse had been broken into and some stuff taken. The council chamber adjoins the hall in which the vault is located, the entrance to the former "To teach the settler to grow all he being approximately 30 feet from the the time council was sitting and partly "By organization and co-operation open for the balance of the session, the return of prosperity among the but no clear view of the hall is avail-

The vault itself, according to Mr. Harrington, was open about four hours during the evening, the outer door First the Advance would sincerely being closed, but not locked. He came thank the writer of the letter for his back to his office about seven o'clock to interest and suggestions. The settlers in prepare for the council, at which time the North, The Advance believes, will he opened the vault, in which he had ieel very grateful for the careful con- placed his cash box two hours before. sideration given their problems by this During the session, the clerk had oc-Southern Ontario farmer. In his letter casion to go to the vault twice on busithe gentleman says that he thinks it ness. By 11 o'clock, the vault had been will require a great deal more than locked, and when it was tried during publicity to right the situation. The the night by a watchman the combina-

Discovery of the missing cash box was such as this gentleman is giving, pub- not made until Tuesday morning, when licity will certainly help in the solving | the clerk opened the vault. He noticed then it was gone and also that the At the same time The Advance be- other municipal box in which Mrs. lieves the writer of the letter is wrong Rena Lockhart, office assistant, keeps operation, assistance by the govern- amiss during Monday night, During

Woman Possessing \$3,500

The following "want advt.," or classi-

easiest and most practical method to FOR SALE-Max Atwell, 35, Black River, Kings County, Nova Scotia Price: \$3,500.

An article now "going the rounds" adds the following further reference. Handsome, athletic-looking Max At-Advance disagrees with the writer of well, a farmer with a mortgage and a the letter. The one representative in widowed mother, will sell himself for this immense area has more work to do that price to the first woman who has

Offering himself in marriage for \$3,it well. He has been responsible for 500, Max Atwell wants the money to practically all that has been accom- wipe out a total of \$3,500, which inplished so far in the line of progress. | cludes a mortgage on his farm property. With the establishment of the settlers' The husky farmer, who has travelled assistants it would simply mean doub- ing at many places, has a high school

> But his desire to wipe out his debts is not his only incentive for placing himself on the auction block.

"I believe I can make a happy marriage," he says. Blondes are by no means barred, as far as he is concerned, but Maxwell admits a "leaning" towards "the dark type." Incidentally he is of this "dark type". His home is cozy, well appointed and well kept. The Peterborough Examiner: - Miss Agnes | property in all is about 100 acres. There Macphail declares that if the people of are 200 apple trees on the place and Russia have any individual liberty there about 220 acres more of farmland. So

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