

SOLVING PROBLEM OF UNEMPLOYMENT

**C.P.R. Forwarding Laborers To
Points Where They are
Required.**

NO AUSTRIANS OR GERMANS

Mr. C. H. Baillie, the employment agent of the C. P. R., at Montreal, states that he is busy forwarding groups of laborers to the various points along the C.P.R., where they are needed most. Many requests have come to him, for while in all the districts there is a certain amount of unemployment, the idle material is not sufficient to meet the new demand, created by the decision of the C.P.R. executive to put on 6,000 men to give work at a time when work is so much desired by many deserving men, who have been thrown out of regular employment. Over 1,000 men have been taken on locally to work at the terminals; others are employed as they are wanted at a distance.

Mr. Baillie stated to The Gazette that the order was a godsend to the idle men of the city of whom there were so many. "Of course, we do our best to sift them out a bit," said Mr. Baillie. "We give the preference to British subjects; after that the allies, Russians and Belgians; but no Germans or Austrians. The men are

grateful for the chance. There are many fellows down on their luck who have been accustomed to different conditions and duties, yet these are only too willing to take the job that offers.

"Of course, the C.P.R. has a lot of laboring work to do in any case, and it came in handy that the order should be given at such a time. It ought to make other corporations willing to find employment for men to do—work which might not be absolutely necessary, and yet which would be of value, if not now, later on. The example of the C.P.R. is encouraging in this regard."