

Austrian Colony On Cleared Land

Province of Ontario May be Asked to Attend to Details

From a Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—After the clearing of the land for the Experimental Farm in the Abitibi district there is a possibility that arrangements may be made for the establishment of a large Austrian colony in the same district. The plans are merely tentative so far but they include the clearing of a town site and the location of hundreds of Austrians on farms around the town. The men would be under a measure of surveillance. A number of well to do Austrians in Montreal are interested in the scheme, one of them being Mr. Julien, steamship agent and banker, who helped to establish the soup kitchens for the relief of Austrians in Montreal.

Let Province do It.

Although the interned Austrians could be employed in clearing the land for the townsite and farms, Government aid would be needed to erect buildings and the Federal authorities are inclined to let the Provincial Government provide the aid as the province would receive the benefit of the settlement being established. If this plan is not adopted the interned Austrians will be employed after clearing the Farm site in clearing lands for farms in the neighborhood.