

ALIEN CAMP NOW

A SETTLEMENT

Parties of Women and Children Glad to Join Men-Folks at Spirit Lake

That the prospect of joining their men-folk at Spirit Lake is welcome to the wives and families of aliens who have been concentrated in the northern camp is testified by the smiling faces of the women and children that find their way daily to the alien registration bureau to have papers put in order for departure. Two parties of the interns' families have already been drafted north to make the concentration camp into a settlement, and a third lot consisting of twenty-five families, or more than a hundred individuals, will leave Montreal tomorrow for the camp. The business of the registration bureau has consequently taken another aspect and the visitors are now largely women and children, contrasting with the crowds of men who could be seen at any time during the day at the offices when the registration was begun.

While there is still a considerable number of workmen who have found employment in the city and must report at regular intervals, most of the Galician colony, which comprised the majority of alien enemies in Montreal, has been weeded out. Many of the men have gone to the Government camps where they are engaged in clearing the land or making roads, and the advent of summer has involved a demand for laborers on construction work, with a consequent exodus of foreign laborers from the city.

Photographs have been received by members of the staff at the bureau, showing what strides have been made with preparing the land at Spirit Lake for settlement, and many dwellings have now been built, so that the making of homes resolves itself into a question of getting the men's families to the place, and this work is now going forward, as the women and children are being sent north at regular intervals.