

# C. P. R. AIDS UNEMPLOYED

## Additional Work Has Been Commenced in District of Revelstoke.

Revelstoke, Sept. 29.—The C. P. R. in this district yesterday commenced additional work employing from 150 to 200 men. The work includes ballasting and brush cutting, and will continue until it is impossible to run a shovel, and until the snow is too deep for brush cutting. Mr. F. W. Peters, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., who passed through the city the other day, said:

"In order to provide work for idle men in British Columbia the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has decided to do some work which was not contemplated or thought necessary for this year. This will probably employ from 150 to 200 men. On the territory between Kamloops and Field, including branch lines, preference will be given to married men, British subjects or their allies, and of course, to those who have formerly been in the employ of the company, and who have been laid off on account of reduction in staff.

"The rate of wages must of necessity be low; men will be started at the rate of \$1.50 per day. A lower rate of board has been arranged with the boarding contractors, which will not exceed \$4 per week. In addition to ballasting they will undertake clearing of right-of-way. This work was not contemplated or thought necessary to undertake this year, but owing to the number of men out of work the C. P. R. decided to do this.

"It is expected that the double-track for twenty-five miles between Revelstoke and Taft will be put in operation by the first week in October, also twenty-five miles between Kamloops and Hopgood will be finished about the same time."