

LITTLE UNEMPLOYMENT ALONG T. & N.O. RY.

CHAIRMAN ENGLEHART SAYS NORTH COUNTRY IS HOLDING ITS OWN.

Labor conditions in the Timiskaming District appear to be in an encouraging position, judging from a report received by Hon. W. H. Hearst from Chairman Englehart of the T. & N. O. Railway. Inquiries have been made at every station along the line, with the result that in only two or three places are there any unemployed at all, and in most of these the comment is made, "There is work for them if they really want it."

In Cobalt preference is given to Canadian and British workmen, but they do not care to do the "mucking," which is a low-grade work usually performed by foreigners. At Halleybury "the question of unemployed is not serious," says the Mayor. At New Liskeard labor conditions are said to be normal. At Uno Park, Thornloe, Englehart, Porquois and South Porcupine the report is "no unemployed here." At Porcupine ten men are out of work; Timmins has twenty-five, but "they need not want for work." The agent at Cochrane says the labor condition is satisfactory and employment is ample.

Mr. A. J. Parr, General Freight and Passenger Agent of the railway, writes: "It would seem, therefore, that there is no cause for anxiety in so far as the unemployed question is concerned in this part of northern Ontario."

WOULD PLACE LIMIT ON MOTOR TRUCK LOADS

PROVINCIAL ENGINEER THINKS FIFTEEN TONS SHOULD BE MAXIMUM LOAD.

Mr. W. A. McLean, Provincial Highway Engineer, addressing the members of York County Council yesterday, declared that just how far the Province would feel itself justified in carrying the Highway Commission's proposals into legislation next session he was unable to say, but the matter was under the consideration of the Cabinet, and he felt sure they were anxious to go as far as the situation would justify. Alluding to the subject of heavy vehicles on bridges, Mr. McLean did not think at the present time any hardship would result if restrictions were put on the loads that motor trucks should carry. A fifteen-ton maximum, with four tons on the wheel, for highways and bridges in the county was, he thought, desirable, and on the township bridges ten-ton loads should be the maximum. Six miles an hour might in some cases be quite reasonable speed.

Among the business of the Council, it was reported that eight bridges had been built and one repaired at a cost of about \$19,000.

CHARGE OF BIGAMY.

Charged with bigamy, Joseph L. Speers appeared in the Criminal Sessions yesterday. It is alleged that he went through a form of marriage with Margaret Saunderson while his wife, Gertrude Speers, was yet alive. The case was adjourned until Wednesday next.