

MARKING THE MONEY FLY AT OTTAWA

Deficit on Ordinary Expenses of the Country for Past Fiscal Year Is \$53,000,000, Apart Entirely from War Expenditure, Which Was \$60,000,000 Up to April 1—Government Spent \$48,000,000 More to Run Country Last Year Than Laurier Administration Did in Last Year of Power.

Ottawa, Sept. 10.—Two financial statements issued by the government today, covering revenues and expenditures for the last fiscal year, and for the first five months of the present fiscal year, give ominous indication of the unsatisfactory results of the present ministry's policy of increasing expenditures in the face of steadily falling revenues.

The statements show the rapidly with which the national debt is increasing, and the necessity for imposing new taxation in order to make both ends meet, apart altogether from considerations of the money borrowed for war purposes. The only alternative for the finance minister is either to continue borrowing at high interest rates, and to thereby pile up the national debt with its increased annual interest rates, or else to rigorously cut down expenditures for domestic purposes, so as to make them commensurate with the revenue.

The financial statement for the fiscal year, as now finally given, shows an increase in the national debt during the twelve months of \$113,379,233, of which \$60,000,000 can be charged up to war expenditure, leaving a deficit of \$53,000,000 between the government's expenditures, apart from war and the revenue, apart from borrowing.

For the first five months of the present year the figures show that practically the same result, or perhaps a little worse, will be shown at the end of the present fiscal year in regard to domestic finances, while the war expenditure, which is now between \$8,000,000 and \$9,000,000 per month and steadily increasing, will mean an addition of between \$115,000,000 and \$120,000,000 to a domestic deficit of \$53,000,000.

Debt Filing Up.
At the present time the national debt stands at \$472,408,985, as compared with \$386,000,000 at the beginning of the last fiscal year. Last month it went up by \$8,668,792, by the end of the present fiscal year it will probably be about \$500,000,000, and the annual interest charges, which the country will have to bear, will be nearly double what they were in 1911.

Temporary loans of the government now total \$148,540,860, which includes, of course, the amount borrowed from the British government on war account. Up to the end of the fiscal year the war advances from Britain totaled \$61,476,684. Since the government has been getting \$2,000,000 sterling per month.

The total revenue for the last fiscal

year was \$188,078,481, or \$80,000,000 less than for 1914-15. Customs revenue amounted to \$75,941,219, a decrease of \$29,400,000. For the first five months of the present fiscal year, customs revenue has been \$35,230,184, which is about three-quarters of a million less than for the corresponding period of last year.

Less Revenue From Higher Tariffs.
In his budget speech last March, when announcing the new tariff taxation, Mr. White estimated that the increased tariff taxes would bring in from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 additional revenue. The way it is working out is to actually bring in less revenue.

The excise revenue, despite the increased taxes, is also falling off. For the last fiscal year the total excise revenue was \$21,479,730, a decrease of about half a million, as compared with the preceding year. For the first five months of this year excise revenue has totaled \$8,477,074, a falling off of a little more than \$1,000,000 compared with the corresponding five months of the last fiscal year.

The total expenditure for all purposes last year was \$246,312,509, of which, as has been said, \$60,000,000 was charged to the war account. The total expenditure on consolidated fund account or for the ordinary expenses of administration, was \$185,323,208, an increase of nearly \$6,000,000 over the preceding year, and of no less than \$48,000,000 over what it took to run the country for the ordinary cost of administration during the last year of the Laurier government, when revenues were at their best.

On capital account, for public works, the government spent last year \$41,447,520, and for railway subsidies, \$5,161,407, an increase of nearly \$10,000,000 of capital expenditure over the preceding year. The figures for the first five months of the present year show that expenditures on both consolidated fund and capital accounts are running about the same as last year, although on consolidated fund expenditure there has been a cutting down of a little more than \$3,000,000. The August figures show a total expenditure of \$14,182,880 this year, as compared with \$14,512,699 for August of last year.

The statement issued today gives little indication of any real move in the direction of retrenchment and economy in domestic expenditure. It looks as if Mr. White and the government intend to adopt instead the alternative of further direct taxation, and more heavy borrowing.

(Mass.), who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore, returned home on Friday.

Miss Helen Hannah, of St. John, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. Turner, at the Chipman House.

Miss Mary Kavanagh is spending part of the week with friends at St. John. A very pretty wedding took place in the Catholic church on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, when Rev. E. J. Conway united in marriage Miss Jennie Gallagher, of Gaspereau, and Carl Dalgic, of this place. The church was well filled with friends and relatives of the bride. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal couple left by auto for the bride's home. A reception was held at the home of the groom on Thursday evening.

Miss Idella Darrah is spending a few weeks in Fredericton, the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. N. Mungall. Among the invited guests were Miss Marie Hay, Miss Ida Hay, Miss Carrie Morrison, Miss Ollie Morrison, Miss Edna McMillan, Miss Vera King, Miss Ruby Haslam, Miss Marjorie Matchett, Miss Geraldine Armstrong, Miss Agnes Baird.

Mrs. John Briggs is spending a few days with friends at St. John. The U. N. B. gave a very interesting lecture on The Art of Scouting in the hall on Friday evening. The evening was made doubly enjoyable by a splendid musical programme in addition to the lecture. The proceeds are to go to the Boy Scout Association.

Chipman, N. B., Sept. 11.—Miss Hazel Slocum, who has been the guest of the Misses Hassan at the Hassan House for the past two weeks, returned to her home in St. John on Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dawes and little son Donald, of St. John, spent a few days of this week in the village, guests at the Chipman House.

G. B. Jones, M. P. Jones, Miss Myrtle Jones, and Colby Jones, of Apohaqui, motored through to Chipman on Saturday and spent Sunday with Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. William Fowler.

Moses Mitchell, of Fredericton, was in town a few days this week on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. King spent Sunday of this week in St. John.

Miss Marion Dunn returned on Thursday after spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dunn.

Rev. S. Johnson, of the Baptist church, left on Monday for Boston, where he will spend some time.

Mrs. John Buchanan and two daughters, of Port Arthur (Ont.), are spending a few days in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Porter.

Lieutenant R. DeL. Clements, St. John, recruiting officer for the 8th Regiment, C. G. A., held a meeting in King's hall on Friday evening.

E. A. Porter, of St. John, is in the village for a few days, the guest of his mother, Mrs. Robinson Porter.

Miss Trinda Wathen, of Harcourt, is the guest of Miss Marion Dunn at the Chipman House.

Mrs. R. J. Plint and son, Lawson, spent Sunday at Newmarket Bridge, the guests of the Misses Miller.

Miss Aileen Bass, of Moncton, is spending the week here with Mrs. Annie McIntyre.

Miss Alice Harrington, stenographer for the King Lumber Co., left on Thursday for Norton, where she will spend two weeks with her mother, Mrs. S. Harrington.

Miss Mabel Sandall, of St. John, was the guest of Miss Isabel Darrah for a few days this week.

Miss Adeline Mootie, of Worcester

THE MODERN "CLOAK OF INVISIBILITY"

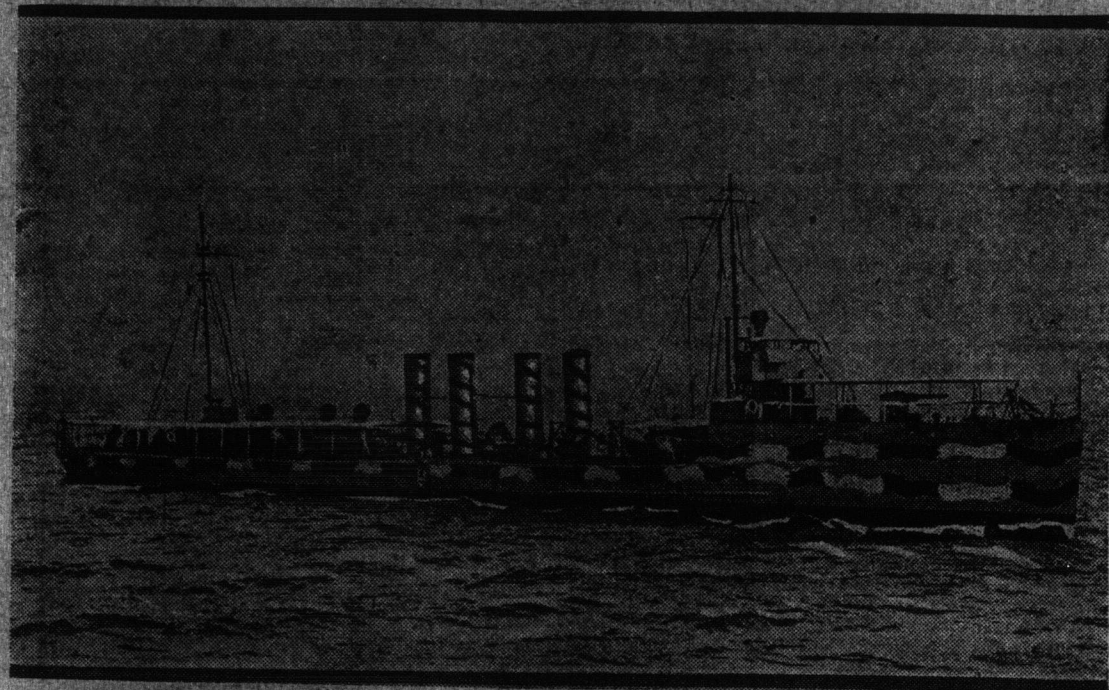


Photo shows the U.S. torpedo boat destroyer Trippe painted to resemble waves. Whether the "cloak of invisibility" can be thus applied with a mere paint brush is not fully determined. The idea follows the latest French practice of dyeing their warships "sky blue" in order that the shade may merge with the landscape in the distance.

CANADIAN SNIPERS ARE SUPERIOR TO GERMANS, SIR MAX AITKEN WRITES

Ottawa, Sept. 11.—Sir Sam Hughes has received from Colonel Sir Max Aitken a report in which he states that very normal conditions prevailed along the Canadian line at the front for the period from the first to the seventh of September. The enemy artillery has been somewhat more active than usual. Canadian snipers have proved their superiority over the enemy snipers.

The improvement of the Canadian lines has gone ahead steadily, while the enemy has been busy night and day with his working parties. One of them was dispersed by Canadians on August 31, when they exploded a defensive mine between their front trenches and those of the enemy. The crater formed was immediately occupied by the Canadian troops.

Jack, who have been spending the summer months with Mr. and Mrs. A. Laffin, Mrs. McWha's parents, left this evening for her home in Winnipeg. She will spend on route a few days in Toronto, where she will visit the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Murchie, of Chicago, are expected to arrive in town this week and will be the guests of Mrs. Murchie's brother, F. M. Murchie.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stevens are enjoying a few days in St. John and vicinity.

Herbert Grant, of New York, who has been the guest of his brother, Collector Grant, has returned to that city.

Bishop Richardson was a recent visitor in town.

The ladies of this town who are attending the W. C. T. U. convention at Chatham are the president, Mrs. McWha, Mrs. Arthur Langhorne, Mrs. Walter Grimmer and Mrs. Wm. Keys.

Miss Jean Thompson and Miss Dorothy Huestis have gone to Sackville to enter the Ladies' College.

Miss Josephine Melone is visiting friends in Boston.

W. T. Toulon, rector of Trinity church, and Mrs. Toulon are visiting friends in Toronto.

Melvin Buchanan, Frank Nicholson, J. H. Doane and Reginald Maxwell have come to Halifax to take a military course.

ST. GEORGE

St. George, Sept. 10.—A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Keith, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Bonnell, Laban Sharpe, St. John, Misses Branscombe, Blair and Millard Todd, St. Stephen, Mrs. Frazier, Eastport, Miss Ethel MacNeil, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kennedy, and Mrs. Kennedy, Andrew Hickey and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kent returned today from a very pleasant camping trip at Lake Utopia.

Miss Lillian and Wesley Hickey returned to St. John this week after spending their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kennedy.

Rev. J. Spencer returned on Wednesday from Grand Manan, where he attended the meeting of the St. Andrews deanery. The Rev. Mr. Spencer leaves on Monday for a two weeks' vacation.

Miss William Fitzsimmons died on Thursday after a long illness at her home in Digby. She will be buried on Saturday from St. Mark's church.

Mrs. Eliza Milliken died on Thursday at her residence here. She has been a long sufferer for the past year. Mrs. Milliken was a former resident of St. John and was very well known in the community. She leaves two sons, Herbert and Lawrence (Mass.), and Edward, of Vancouver. Both sons are on their way here. Mrs. Milliken was a member of the Baptist church, a woman of a bright and cheerful disposition, and everywhere will be her of her death with regret.

McADAM

McAdam, N. B., Sept. 6.—The Red Cross Society of McAdam sent a bale to St. John recently containing 41 shirts, 21 sheets, 11 pillow cases, 100 bandages, 12 towels, 8 pairs socks, 26 dozen handkerchiefs. They also sent \$10 to Miss McKel to be used to purchase comforts for the soldiers in the hospital with which she is connected.

The citizens of McAdam have sent \$1,000 to the minister of militia to purchase a machine gun.

The Rev. Dr. MacGuire and Mrs. MacGuire are spending their vacation at their old home, Sydney (C. B.).

Miss A. A. Jones, of St. John, is a guest of Mrs. J. B. Johnston.

Miss Grace Robertson, of St. John, was the guest of Miss Ruth Green at Wildwood.

Miss Helen Green has gone to Fredericton to take a course at Normal school.

Mrs. Butler and Mrs. L. M. White are spending a few weeks at the White House on Waukegan Lake.

Miss Annie Miller has returned from a visit to Aroostook Junction.

Mrs. John Miller is visiting friends in Carleton Place.

Miss Thelma Kellogg, of Vancouver, and Miss Lucetta Kellogg, of Boston, were guests of Miss Mabel MacDonald at her summer cottage, Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. McPhail, of Kincardine, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Skene. Mr. and Mrs. Skene and friends motored to St. George, St. Andrews and other places in Charlotte county last week.

George Gallagher is leaving on a well earned vacation.

Mrs. Woodard, of St. Stephen, was the guest of Miss Hay for a day this week.

McAdam, N. B., Sept. 18.—Mrs. J. H. Hawthorne and Miss M. Miller were

guests of Mrs. Geo. J. Green at her cottage, "Wildwood," Labor Day.

Mrs. R. M. Cooper entertained a number of friends on Labor Day at her summer cottage on Waukegan Lake.

Mr. Katsubrooks, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia; Mr. Hall, of Montreal; Mr. McLean, of Montreal, and Mr. Gaynor, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, took a canoe trip through the lakes last week.

Miss Elva Doten spent the holiday at her home, Oak Bay.

Miss W. Clark, principal of the high school, was in St. Stephen for the holiday.

F. Hay, H. McDonald, Miss Mabel McDonald, Miss Blanche Doten, Miss Mabel Gardiner motored to Houlton and spent the week-end.

Dr. Gardiner, medical inspector for the 58th Battalion, came from Valcartier to visit his father and sister for a few days last week.

Mrs. Walsh, of St. John, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Sullivan.

Mrs. L. True, of Aroostook Junction, is the guest of Mrs. Eldon Croty.

Mrs. J. H. Bogart is spending a week with her father and sister, before returning to Montreal for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Love have returned from their honeymoon trip.

Miss Dunphy, of Fredericton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. M. White.

Mrs. Thomas, of Fredericton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. White for the week-end at their summer cottage, "White House."

Mr. and Mrs. Porter motored here from Houlton and spent Labor Day at their daughter, Mrs. Archie McDonald.

Miss Clara, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, has been transferred to St. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Boyd, of Toronto, are visiting friends here.

W. Lawson and Fred Embleton are smiling over being elected to represent this parish at the municipal board for the next two years.

Miss Whelpley, of Manchester (N. H.), visited friends here one day last week.

Dr. J. H. Morrison and Mrs. Morrison spent Sunday in Milltown (Me.).

RICHIBUCTO

Richibucto, Sept. 9.—Rev. Thomas Pierce, of Oak Bay, Charlotte county, is spending a vacation with Mr. and Mrs. J. Barry Baird, his daughter. Mr. Pierce is being warmly greeted by many friends.

The Kent county Sunday school convention will be held in the Methodist church at Buctouche on Friday, the 17th inst., with three sessions. An interesting programme has been prepared and a good attendance is expected.

Mrs. E. B. Forbes and her niece, Miss Sarah Mundy, left recently for Summerside (P. E. I.), to visit friends.

Dr. T. J. Bourque and daughters, Misses Edith, Florence and Marguerite, returned on Saturday from their automobile trip to Newcastle and Fredericton.

The doctor and his wife, Mrs. Bourque, returned last evening to their home to catch the express. The young ladies are going to attend the convent at Silley (Que.).

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Hutchinson returned yesterday from a short visit to Halifax.

Mrs. Kemp and little son, Ritchie, who were guests of Mrs. James Irving, returned some little time ago to their home in Charlottetown.

Mrs. W. H. Harris and little son, Willie, returned yesterday from a visit to their sister, at Halifax.

Miss Lillian Wathen left last week for Fredericton, where she will attend.

Mrs. J. C. Vantour is visiting relatives in Bathurst. Mrs. Theo. Vantour and baby son are visiting at her old home in Charlottetown.

Miss Margaret Ross returned yesterday from a month's visit to friends in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Doucet, Mr. Des-Roches and Miss Gertrude Doucet came from Bathurst on Sunday. Miss Doucet had been spending a holiday of two weeks at her home in Petit Rocher.

David Hudson, of Glace Bay recently visited his mother, Mrs. William Hudson.

Mrs. Moorhouse, of Blackville, who was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

James Long, has returned to her home in Blackville, Northumberland county.

Mrs. William Potter, of Kouchibouguac, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Dickson, her sister.

Mrs. McIntyre and her daughter, who were guests of Miss Diana Thompson have returned to their home in Blackville.

Miss Annie Batain went recently to Boston.

Mrs. Fred Russell, of Petit Rocher, and family, have joined Mr. Russell. They arrived in town on Monday, and are occupying the stone house owned by Mrs. B. H. Davis.

Miss Dunlop, of St. John, is supply for Miss Edith Long at the Central Telephone exchange during the latter's vacation.

Richibucto, Sept. 9.—Lieutenant Harry O'Leary, of the 64th Battalion is here in his home town, making a vigorous effort to obtain recruits.

Stanley Vantour, who was unable to leave with the 26th Battalion, owing to a severe attack of diphtheria, and who has since been in the General Public Hospital, St. John, returned on Tuesday, having received an honorable discharge, on account of being unfit for the trenches.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Moncton, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Doucet.

Miss Gertrude Aunoux, arrived home yesterday from a two weeks' visit in Nova Scotia. Her sister, Mrs. Greenwood and little son, who accompanied her to Nova Scotia after spending some weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Aunoux, returned on Tuesday in Worcester (Mass.).

Misses Irene and Elfrida LeBlanc left on Monday for Quebec, where they will attend the Ursuline Convent school.

Joseph and Henry Girouard and Joseph LeBlanc, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Doucet, returned on Tuesday to their homes in Moncton.

Miss Grace Mundle, of St. John, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Roy Wathen.

Mrs. William Ross and daughter, Miss Nellie spent Sunday with relatives in Upper Richibucto.

Romeo Doucet, who has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Doucet, returned on Monday to Van Buren College (Me.).

He was accompanied by his brother, Vincent Doucet, who will also be a student at Van Buren College.

HARCOURT

Harcourt, Sept. 9.—Mrs. J. W. Fox returned on Monday from a week's visit to Prince Edward Island friends, and will spend the week-end in Millerton.

Miss Marion Dunn has returned to Chipman to take up her classes in music. She was accompanied by Miss E. T. Wathen and Mrs. S. M. Dunn.

Miss Kathleen Barreault, who has been visiting friends here, returned to Moncton on Monday.

Mrs. Simpson and Miss Simpson, of Millerton, were guests of Mrs. G. F. Ward this week.

Miss Bernice McNaughton, B.A., principal of the superior school, spent Labor Day at her home in Moncton.

Miss Ethel Wathen is spending a few days in Fredericton.

Miss Doris Buckley returned to New castle on Monday to resume her studies at St. Mary's Academy.

Miss Jessie Cumming, of Moncton, spent the holiday with Mrs. G. F. Ward. Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Bourque and Misses Margaret, Edith and Florence Bourque, of Richibucto, were guests of Mrs. Robert Saunier this week. Misses Florence and Margaret were on their way to take up their studies at Silley Convent, Quebec.

The Cross tea given by the Women's Institute on Thursday was well patronized. The hostesses on Thursday were Mrs. G. F. Ward, Mrs. Robert Saunier, Mrs. Omer Lutes.

Harcourt, Sept. 1.—Miss Drucilla Smallwood has gone to Sackville to teach.

Harold Tait, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. Lutes, has returned to Moncton.

P. C. Cormier has returned from a visit to Edmundston.

The death occurred on Wednesday evening of Silas Smallwood, one of Harcourt's most esteemed citizens. Mr. Smallwood has been in failing health

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for some months and the end was not unexpected. He was in his 66th year and leaves, besides a large number of friends and relatives, a widow, three daughters, Mrs. Walker, Salem (Mass.); Miss Drucilla, Sackville, and Maude at home; three sons, William, at home; Herbert and Robert, in Calgary.

Miss Catherine Ford and Mrs. McWilliam are visiting friends in Bridgeport (N. S.).

Miss Cynthia Ward has returned after spending some month in Boston and Bridgeport.

Mrs. Reid has returned from a visit to Beesville.

Miss Minnie Buckley is at home again, having spent her vacation with friends in New Glasgow.

Mrs. Lillian Williams, of Greenwich, Queens county, was the guest of Miss Wathen this week.

Gilchrist Allan spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dunn.

Dr. Clark, who has been in Sydney for the past two months, has returned home.

Mrs. William and Mrs. Herbert McKay, guests of Mrs. Robert Connors, have returned to St. John.

Mrs. Beers, Thomas and Robert Dunn, of Boston, have been called home by the sudden death of their father, John Dunn.

Mrs. Dale and Mrs. Ripley, of Chignecto, are guests of Mrs. J. Cameron.

Mrs. Frank Van Buskirk, of Sydney, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Robert Beers, returned home today.

Mrs. Irvine and her mother, Mrs. David Spence, returned on Wednesday evening to their home in Moncton.

Willie Delaney met with a painful accident at school this week. While playing the little fellow was thrown against a tree, dislocating his knee and splintering the bone. Dr. Fairbank was called and he thought it best to take the child to Moncton hospital for treatment.

Dr. T. C. Call and wife, of Boston, are visiting friends here.

Mrs. and Mrs. L. McIntosh visited Beesville this week.

Robert Wilson is visiting friends in Greenville (Me.).

Mrs. W. W. Cumming, who has been quite ill for some days is improving.

On Saturday evening Mrs. S. M. Dunn was hostess at a very enjoyable parlor concert, given in aid of the Red Cross work, the following programme was carried out, and heartily enjoyed by all.

Piano duet—The Misses Saunier.
Vocal solo—The Kerry Dancers, J. Best.

Reading—Original selection, Mrs. Fox.
Violin solo—Scene de Ballet (Ch. de Berlioz), Catharine Allan.

Vocal solo—Beloved It is the Morn (F. Aynard), E. Trinda Wathen.
Reading—The Flag, Doris Buckley.
Piano solo—March Grotesque (Sindling), Agnes Best.

Vocal Solo—A Wayside Rose, Beatrice Saunier.
Violin solo—Les Adieux (Pablo de Sarasate), Gilchrist Allan.

Vocal solo—Complaints, Leo Baxter.
Reading—Original selection, Mrs. Fox.
Piano solo—Selected from Beethoven, Marion Dunn.

Duet—The Fairies, Mrs. Fairbanks and Mrs. J. A. Wathen.
National Anthem.

Port Elgin, Sept. 9.—Miss Alice Thistle spent the week-end in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. Atkinson.

Mrs. and Mrs. F. H. Copp and two little children,