Mentioned in Despatches

LIEUT .- COLONEL MACHIN, who has been criticizing the administration of the Militia Department annual meeting of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Ltd., is a member of the Ontario Legislature representing and at the annual meeting of the Ames, Holden, Mc-Kenora in the Conserva, e interests. The Colonel Cready Co., a few days later is receiving well meritfought through the South African War, enlisting as a ed praise for having put these two concerns on their private and ending up with the colonelcy. He is a feet. Mr. McGibbon is one of the best known big lawyer by profession.

of G. I. Christie, is occupying a prominent place in the United States war activities. Mr. Christie represents the Department of Agriculture of the newly created War Labor Policies Board. He was educated at the Ontario Agricultural College and then went to the Agricultural College of the State of Iowa. He still later became a member of the Department of Nova Scotia Government without portfolio. When we Agriculture at Washington and now takes charge of say that R. E. means Robert Emmett we suggest that the farm labor activities, and as the producing of food is almost next in importance to fighting Mr. Christie's task is an important one.

N. R. FELTES, who is leaving the Ames, Holden, McCready Company to accept a position with the Studebaker Car Company, has been connected with the Ames, Holden, McCready Company for some three or four years. During that time he was instrumental in building up the business from a very small firm to its present large proportions. Mr. Feltes is a big business man in every sense of the word; is a thorough organizer and one of the keenest men in the country. He came here from the United States Rubber Company and now returns to Uncle Sam's domains.

SIR DONALD MACALISTER. In an effort to bring about a closer working arrangement between the British and overseas universities the Government has chosen Sir Donald MacAlister, Principal of the University of Glasgow, as Chairman of the committee to bring about this object. Sir Donald, as his name indicates, was born north of the Tweed, and was educated at Aberdeen, Liverpool and Cambridge Universities. He is a recognized authority on the Gaelic tongue and holds the view that a knowledge of Gaelic is a real advantage. He has been principal of the University of Glasgow for the past ten years.

HON, H. H. WICKWIRE has been sworn in as Minister of Highways in the Government of Nova Scotia. Mr. Wickwire, who is a prominent lawyer practicing at Kentville, is one of the oldest members of the House of Assembly, and has had a very active part in the politics of Nova Scotia. He was some time age made a Minister without portfolio, and now he is promoted to the head of a new department recently created. The establishing of this department indicates that the Murray Government are thoroughly alive to the importance of improving the roads of the Province. The "good roads" movement is fortunately making progress everywhere. Mr. Wickwire has an excellent opportunity able service to the country.

DR. JAMES DOUGLAS, whose death has just occurred in New York, was one of the best known members of the Canadian colony across the line. Dr. Douglas, who had made an immense fortune in the mining industry, contributed most generously to educational and philanthropic undertakings in Canada. Among the many gifts to Canadian colleges were \$150,000 to McGill Uiversity, \$100,000 to the Montreal Theological Colleges, as well as large gifts to Y. M. C. A. work, college libraries, etc. In addition he gave a half million dollars as an endowment to Queens, of which he was the Chancellor. Dr. Douglas was born in Quebec City in 1837, educated at Morrin College, Quebec, and then engaged in the mining industry. In addition to his large gifts Dr. Douglas was noted as a metallurgist and as an author. Among his works were "Canadian Independence," "Imperial Federation and Annexation," "Old France and the New World," "New England and New France," and "Contrasts and Parallels in Colonial History."

MR. D. LORNE McGIBBON, who presided at the business men in the Dominion. In the last few years he has been associated with the Laurentide Company where he was Sales Manager, then President of the Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co., President of the G. I. CHRISTIE.—Another Canadian in the person LaRose Mining Company, and now the active head of the two companies mentioned above. Apart from his active business career Mr. McGibbon takes a very keen interest in, and gives very generously to, the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

> HON. R. E. FINN has become a member of the the new M. E. C. (Member of Executive Council is the title) is of Irish origin. He is a member of an old Irish family long resident in Halifax. While yet a young man Mr. Finn was nominated by the Liberals of Halifax city and county as a candidate for the House of Assembly and won his seat, and he has held the fort against all comers ever since. While practicing his profession as a lawyer he has given much of his time to political affairs. Being one of the most eloquent speakers in an eloquent Province his services have been much in demand in the various electoral contests. As a private member he has had a prominent part in the proceedings of the Legislature in which he is now called upon to assume the larger responsibilities of a Minister of the Crown.

JEAN J. LEMORDANT, a famous French artist, has been awarded the Howland Memorial prize given each year to some individual who achieves fame in literature, fine arts or in government. The award is given through Yale University. Last year Rupert Brooke, the English poet, was awarded the prize after he had met his death at Gallipoli.

MR. J. G. SULLIVAN, who retires from the position of Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway to engage in private practice, has had a very lengthy career with the company. He was appointed Chief Engineer in 1908 and under his regime many important works were carried out on the Canadian Pacific System. For a time Mr. Sullivan was engaged in important work on the Isthmian Canal.

MR. J. M. R. FAIRBAIRN, who has just been appointed chief engineer of the entire Canadian Pacific System, has been connected with the company's services for the past 27 years. He began his railroad career as a Leveller after graduating from the Science Department of the University of Toronto. Since 1911 he has been Assistant Chief Engineer. He is one of the most popular as well as one of the most efficient officials in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Rail-

GENERAL DIAZ, who is in command of the Italian forces, succeeded to that position some months ago when General Cadorna failed to hold the German-Austrian drive last fall. General Diaz is a native of Naples, and was educated in that city at the famous military school of Turin. He fought in the Abysinnia and Libyan wars and won honors and promotion in both struggles. General Diaz is probably best known for his organizing ability, but at the same time has great power to inspire confidence in his men.

May, 1918, compared May, 1918, compared

BUILDING TRADE ACTIVITY.

Canadian building trades during May were characterized by a greater degree of activity than had been the case during the past few months,

It will be discovered by the following comparative figures that the value of permits in May was \$1,814,168 over April, 1918, and \$1,005,889 over the figures for May, 1917. Estimated cost of building work as indicated by building permits issued in thirty-five cities:

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City.	April.	May,	May,		WITH A	prii, 1910.		WILLIM	.a.j, 1011.	
	1918.	1918.	1917.		Amoun	t. Per	Clant		Per Cer	
Nova Scotia	\$328,103	\$354,607	\$295,361	a				3149,246	a 72.	
Halifax	306,850	298,940	174,311				424	124,629	a 71.	
Sydney	21,253	55,667	31,050						a 79.	
New Brunswick	47,925	167,760	69,285					98,475	a 142.	
Moneton	12,550	24,760	52,885						b 53.1	465
St. John	35,375	143,000	16,400				61.0		a 771.9	393
Quebec	827,729	987,267	918,062						a 7.1	
Montreal-Maisonneuve .	648,510	658,680	703,154					400	b 6.3	
Quebec	109,044	252,562	123,297	a	143,518				a 104.8	
Sherbrooke	2,300	23,500	23,200	a					a 104.8	
Three Rivers	48,875	12,575	44,330	b	20,000,000,000					
Westmount	19,000	39,950	24,081	a	20,950				b 71.6	
Ontario	1,226,273	2,314,755	1,858,566		1,088,482	a110. a 88.		,	a 65.9	
Brantford	24,839	182,825	9,795	a				,	a 24.6	
77	5,940		217,890	b	1,010	a636.		173,030	a1766.5	
C1-1	26,310	4,93Q 9,105		b		b 17.			b 97.7	
TT114	232,120	, .	26,930		17,205	b 65.		,	b 66.1	
TEL		134,800	352,765	b	,	b 41.			b 61.7	
TELL 1	40,849	50,770	18,264	a	9,921	a 24.		,	a 17.7	
T and the	12,620	29,660	17,255	a	17,040	a185.		12,405	a 71.8	39
011-	85,260	83.090	95,590	b	2,170	b 2.		12,500	b 13.0	8(
75 - 1 - 1	40,706	135,475	185,620	a	94,769	a232.	81 b	50,175	b 27.0	8(
	12,760	54,255	21,018	a	41,495	a325.	20 a	33,237	a 158.1	8
	10,216	525,375	18,557	a	515,159	a5042.	67 a	506,818	a2731.1	4
Stratford	12,655	19,680	34,665	a	7,025	a 55.	51 b	14,985	b 43.2	23
St. Catharines,	53,990	110,662	74,955	a	56,672	a104.	97 a	35,707	a 47.6	4
St. Thomas	6,355	6,715	12,850	a	360	a 5.	66 b	6,135	b 47.7	4
Toronto	570,532	877,508	655,427	a	306,976	a 53.	85 a	222,081	a 33.8	8
Windsor	91,130	89,905	116,955	b	1,225	b 1.	34 b	27,050	b 23.1	3
Manitoba	183,575	305,054	479,280	a	121,479	a 66.	17 b	174,226	b 36.3	5
Brandon	9,675	4,354	18,330	b	5,321	b 54.5	99 b	13,976	b 76.2	
Winnipeg	173,900	300,700	460,950	a	126,800	a 72.9	91 b	160,250	b 34.7	6
Saskatchewan	154,525	314,495	112,760	a	159,970	a103.	52 a	201,735	a 178.9	1 .
Moose Jaw	30,130	211,855	28,425	\mathbf{a}	181,725	a603.1	13 a	183,430	a 645.3	1
Regina	29,310	53,350	46,025	a	24,040	a 82.0)2 a	7,325	a 15.9	
Saskatoon	95,085	49,290	38,310	b	45,795	b 48.1	6 a	10,980	a 28.6	
Alberta	72,175	108,420	127,550	a	36,245	a 60.2	22 b	19,130	b 14.99	
Calgary	56,400	63,600	53,500	a	7,200	a 12.7	7 a	10,100	a 18.8	
Edmonton., .,	15,775	44,820	74,050	a.	29,045	a184.1	2 b	29,230	b 39.4	
British Columbia	184,480	26,535	62,200	a	102,115	a 55.3		224,395	a 360.7	
New Westminster	13,350	3,700	9,550	b	9,650	b 72.2		5,850	b 61.20	
Vancouver	163,230	261,845	47,975	a	98,615	a 60.4			a 445.7	
Victoria	7,900	21,050	4,675	a	13,150	a166.4		16,375	a 350.7	
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Total (35 cities)	\$3,024,785	\$4,838,953	\$3,833,064	a\$1	,814,168	a 59.9	7 &	\$1,005,889	a 26.2	4
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