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The Saxonians At the Roller Rink Saturday, Oct. 19

Mr. Gallagher takes this opportunity to thank all those who so ably assisted in the removal of stock and cars from our place of business on the night of the fire. He also wishes to express his high appreciation of the good work done by the local Fire Department and citizens of Waterdown and vicinity

THE GALLAGHER HARDWARE CO.

Announcement

Owing to the recent fire in our Drug store we have moved to the premises lately occupied by John Kitching & Son. A new stock of Drugs, etc., has arrived and we are now prepared to serve the public.

W. H. CUMMINS.

Letters from the Front

Letters from Our Boys Who Are Fighting for Us

France, Sept. 6, 1918.
Dear Ell:—
Just a line to let you know all's well. For the past month have hardly had time to eat, let alone sleep. Have been at war in earnest, chasing Fritz all the time.

I last wrote Dad when down at a town near Amiens, just before the drive started down there. No letters were allowed to go out for some time as they did not want it known where we were. And they certainly put it over him this time.

For three nights before the push started we were packing ammunition on horses for 13 miles and dropping it in a wheat field, and put our guns in there the night before the push began.

We were the most forward batteries and all expected us to get cut to pieces as soon as we were seen in the morning. There was a large forest just back of us which was full of tanks, armored cars, cavalry and reserves of artillery and infantry.

The 21st battalion were going over the top just in front of us, and saw Capt. Stan. Sawell the night before it started. Have not heard how he came out.

I was at the guns when it started and have been ever since. At four in the morning of Aug. 8th thousands of guns of all calibers opened fire as one gun. We kept it up until eight, increasing our range as our infantry advanced, by which time we were out of range.

By six o'clock the infantry were through his first line and the tanks and cavalry had him on the run.

It was the grandest sight I ever saw to see the tanks and cavalry sweeping past us, while we were firing, and a steady stream of Fritzies coming back; had them carrying out our wounded and theirs all day.

For three days we had him on the move; sometimes we were supporting Canadian infantry, and other times Imperials (Royal Scots). He made several stubborn stands, in one at a town just in front of Roy; saw over 500 of the Scots killed by his machine gun fire. They rushed up more artillery and took the town with Canadians who worked around the town and only had ten casualties.

We were at it day and night down there for eight days, and the French relieved us.

We were a night and a day marching out over ground captured from the Germans, about 18 miles strewn with dead horses and men, and as the weather was the warmest we have had all summer, the smell was almost unbearable.

Our battery came through rather lucky, with only 18 casualties, but our horses certainly got it; had 40 killed one night. We were told we were going out on rest for a couple of weeks, but instead loaded on the cars that morning at 5 o'clock, and were on our way north again by six o'clock. Arrived at a small station behind the line here at Arras, and marched up ten miles and fired in the barrage here at 5 o'clock the next morning, and again had Fritz on the run, and have been at it ever since.

The fighting has been harder here but we are now on ground which is well behind the Hindenburg line, and have released several villages full of French inhabitants, who have been slaves to the Germans since 1914.

It has been the same program daily for the past two weeks; take up a position close up to the infantry and support them when ever needed until out of range; then move up again, seldom staying a day in one position. And the same program to go through, get the guns into position to fire, clean the dead, generally Germans, out of the nearest dugout, if any; and if the smell is not unbearable getting what sleep you can. Then get something to eat, if the rations have been able to get us, roll up your blankets ready for to move, and wait for orders.

That is what I am doing now, as our Capt., who is in command of the battery, is at present up forward picking out a new position.

Received a letter from H. Prudhan yesterday, the first for over a year.

Did you ever send that other suit of underwear. Am at present wearing some I got in a German officer's kit; also got a dandy revolver. Nearly all the boys have one hanging on their belt; also field glasses, range finders, periscopes, etc., which are all far superior to our own.

Do not know how much longer we are to be in this offensive, but do not think our infantry can stand it much longer, as most of them have had a great many casualties and all are pretty well tired out. We have not

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Winners at the Fair

Draft or Agricultural—Draft or Agricultural Team: Geo. Castle, Peter Cole, H. Slater. Brood Mare: Wm. Woodley & Sons, Frank Blanchard. Gelding or Filly, 3 yrs.: Geo. Pearson, Peter Cole, Wm. Woodley & Son. Gelding or Filly, 2 yrs.: Alex. Allen, Wm. Woodley & Son, Frank Blanchard. Gelding or Filly, 1 yr.: Wm. Woodley & Son, E. B. Coleson. Colt or Filly, under 1 yr.: Wm. Woodley & Son, Frank Blanchard.

General Purpose—General Purpose Team: E. H. Featherston, W. N. Scott, Frank Spence. Brood Mare: E. B. Coleson. Gelding or Filly, 3 yrs.: W. Hamilton & Sons, Frank Spence. Gelding or Filly, 2 yrs.: W. Hamilton & Sons. Gelding or Filly, 1 yr.: Joseph Watson, E. B. Coleson. Colt or Filly, under 1 yr.: E. B. Coleson. Single Market Horse: A. J. Mann, E. B. Coleson, Frank Spence.

Carriage Horses—Carriage Team: J. W. Griffin. Brood Mare: R. Hetherington, C. A. Jackson. Gelding or Filly, 3 yrs.: Elmer Dunn. Gelding or Filly, 1 yr.: C. A. Jackson, Joseph Watson, Henry Organ. Colt or Filly, under 1 yr.: C. A. Jackson, Elmer Dunn, Peter Cole. Single Carriage Horse: Geo. McGovern, Peter Cole, C. W. Stewart.

Roadster—Brood Mare: Oliver Nixon, J. B. Poole, Percy Morden. Gelding or Filly, 3 yrs.: Frank Brown. Gelding or Filly, 1 yr.: Elmer Dunn, R. Hetherington. Colt or Filly, under 1 yr.: J. B. Poole, R. Hetherington, O. Nixon. Single Roadster: A. Y. Pringle, Dr. F. Hyslop, A. Chambers. Saddle Horse: J. B. Hammond, Mrs. Kate Gilbert. Best Groomed Horse: Mrs. Kate Gilbert. Best Single Turnout: A. Y. Pringle, Geo. McGovern, Peter Cole. Best Single Turnout (open to Farmers only): Peter Cole, Cecil Hamilton. Best Lady Driver: Mrs. J. W. Hammond, Miss Stewart.

Trials of Speed—Open Race, trot or pace—Field Bros., Poag, Alman. Shorthorn—Cow, any age: J. Hall, Wm. Thompson. Heifer, 1 yr.: J. Hall.

Jersey—Bull, any age: W. R. Flatt. Cow, any age: F. Waters, W. R. Flatt. Heifer, 1 yr.: W. R. Flatt, Stanley Hill. Heifer Calf: W. R. Flatt.

Holstein—Bull, any age: Peter Ray, Geo. Pearson. Cow, any age: Peter Ray, Frank Blanchard, Walker Drummond. Heifer, 2 yrs.: Frank Blanchard. Heifer, 1 yr.: W. R. Flatt, Frank Blanchard. Heifer Calf: J. Duncan, Reg. Langton.

Ayrshire—Bull, any age: Geo. Pearson, McDonough Bros. Cow, any age: Geo. Pearson. Heifer, 2 yrs.: Geo. Pearson. Heifer Calf: McDonough Bros.

Dairy Cow—Best Dairy Cow in Show: Peter Ray, Geo. Pearson, Thos. Bowen, D. Thompson.

Grade Cow—Cow, aged: Geo. Pearson, T. Bowen, F. Blanchard. Heifer, 2 yrs.: Geo. Pearson, Ed. Gallin, F. Blanchard. Heifer, 1 yr.: J. J. Green, J. Patterson, Walker Drummond. Heifer Calf: Wm. Attridge, J. Hall, J. Patterson. Fat Animal: J. Patterson, H. Organ. Best Dual Purpose Cow: Geo. Pearson, F. Blanchard, Wm. Thompson.

Yorkshire—Boar, aged: F. Waters. Sow, 1 yr.: J. R. Thompson. Sow, under 1 yr.: H. Organ, F. Waters, F. Blanchard.

Any Other Breed—Boar, aged: Wm. Woodley & Sons. Boar, under 1 yr.: McDonough Bros. Sow, aged: Wm. Woodley & Sons, McDonough Bros. Sow, under 1 yr.: McDonough Bros., F. Blanchard. Best pair Bacon Hogs: W. R. Flatt, Arthur Robson.

Canadian Bankers' Specials for Boys or Girls under 16—Calf: Sam Newell, Duncan, Langton, Cecil Attridge, Neil Flatt. Pigs: Neil Flatt, Sam Newell.

Dairy Products—Four pounds Butter: Mrs. L. J. Mullock, Mrs. Wm. Attridge. Two 1-lb. rolls Butter: Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Seven pounds Butter: Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Five pounds Butter: Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Ten pounds Butter: Mrs. L. J. Mullock, Mrs. Wm. Attridge. Five pounds Butter: Mrs. J. J. Green, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Three lbs. in Prints: Mrs. L. J. Mullock, Mrs. J. J. Green. Ten lbs. Butter in Crock: Mrs. Wm. Attridge.

Provisions—Loaf of Bread, salt rising: Miss C. Thompson. Loaf of Hoj Bread: Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Loaf of Oatmeal Bread: Mrs. L. J. Mullock, Miss C. Thompson. Loaf of War Bread: Mrs. A. L. Henry, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Loaf of Hop Bread made with Big Loaf flour: Mrs. L. J. Mullock, Mrs. A. E. Alton. Loaf of Hop Bread made with Thistle-down flour: Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Loaf of Graham Bread, for girls under 16: Nelma Sheppard, Grace Alton. Dozen Buns: Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. L. J. Mullock. Dozen Tea Biscuits: Nellie Smith, Mrs. A. E. Alton, Mrs. Rohr. Laver Cake: Miss C. Thompson, Mrs.

Trade Figures

Our Unstable Financial Position Indicated

For those who understand Canada's financial conditions there is a significant lesson in the trade figures recently issued from Ottawa.

For the first five months of the present fiscal year there was a decrease in Canada's foreign trade of \$270,000,000, or about 20 per cent. There was a great falling off alike in manufactures and agricultural products exported. The trade was \$875,000,000, compared with \$1,146,000,000 a year ago.

These figures tell in potent terms of the instability of present conditions. Our trade, though still large and healthy, is on an insecure and unending foundation. War conditions have created a fictitious prosperity. There may be no reason for alarm but there is reason for caution. The Government must watch and prepare, so should the individuals. Few Canadians but are affected in some way by the present conditions. The wise ones will prepare by practising thrift now.

The Nation can be no stronger than its individual citizens.

Wm. Attridge. Plain Sponge Cake: Nellie Smith, Mrs. H. Newell, Mrs. Rhoda Allen. Pumpkin Pie: Mrs. A. Dale, Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. D. Thompson. Apple Pie: Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. J. O. McGregor. Three bottles Pickles: Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. J. O. McGregor. Lemon Pie: Mrs. Wm. Attridge, Mrs. D. Thompson, Miss C. Thompson. Jar Mixed Pickles: Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. A. L. Henry, Mrs. D. Thompson. Jar Tomato Catsup: Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. J. R. Thompson, Mrs. J. F. Vance. Canned Vegetables: Miss C. Thompson. Dried Vegetables: Mrs. A. L. Henry, Mrs. J. F. Vance. Dried Fruits: Mrs. A. L. Henry. Canned Fruit: Mrs. T. Allen, Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. D. Thompson. Fruit Jellies: Mrs. J. F. Vance, Mrs. A. E. Alton, Nellie Smith. Plain Cake (Special by G. C. Wilson): Mrs. Reg. Langton. Squash Pie: Miss Lizzie Thompson, Miss C. Thompson, Mrs. D. Thompson.

Poultry—Barred Rocks: Cock, A. E. Alton, Cockburn & Son; Hen, Cockburn & Son, A. E. Alton; Cockerel, Cockburn & Son, Jas. Garin; Pullet, Jas. Garin, Cockburn & Son. Rock (A. O. V.): Cock, G. E. Horning & Son, Cockburn & Son; Hen, Cockburn & Son, J. Ireland; Cockerel, J. Ireland, Cockburn & Son; Pullet, J. Ireland, Cockburn & Son. Brown Leghorns: Cock, J. J. Green, Cockburn & Son; Hen, J. J. Green, Wm. Reid; Cockerel, J. J. Green, Wm. Reid; Pullet, J. J. Green, Wm. Reid. White Leghorns: Cock, E. H. Slater, Wm. Reid; Hen, E. H. Slater, Wm. Reid; Cockerel, E. H. Slater, Wm. Reid; Pullet, E. Slater, W. J. Teaver. Leghorns (A. O. V.): Cock, C. F. Coleman, Wm. Reid; Hen, C. F. Coleman, Wm. Reid; Cockerel, C. F. Coleman, Wm. Reid; Pullet, C. F. Coleman, Wm. Reid. Bantams: Cock, Cockburn & Son, A. Duncan; Hen, Cockburn & Son, A. Duncan; Cockerel, Cockburn & Son, Geo. Horning, Jr.; Pullet, Cockburn & Son, Geo. Horning, Jr. Minorcas: Cock, Cockburn & Son, A. E. Alton; Hen, A. E. Alton, J. J. Green; Cockerel, J. J. Green, Cockburn & Son; Pullet, J. J. Green, A. E. Alton. White Wyandottes: Cock, J. J. Green, Cockburn & Son; Hen, Cockburn & Son, J. J. Green; Cockerel, J. J. Green, Cockburn & Son; Pullet, J. J. Green, Cockburn & Son. Partridge Wyandottes: Cock, E. H. Slater; Hen, E. H. Slater; Cockerel, J. R. Thompson; Pullet, J. R. Thompson, J. P. Thompson. Red: Cock, Cockburn, R. J. Vance; Hen, C. F. Coleman, R. J. Vance; Cockerel, R. J. Vance, Cockburn & Son; Pullet, R. J. Vance, Cockburn & Son. O. V.: Cock, Cockburn, Coleman; Hen, Cockburn, Coleman; Cockerel, Cockburn, Coleman; Pullet, Cockburn, Coleman. Turkeys: Male, Cockburn, F. Blanchard; Female, Cockburn, F. Blanchard. White Geese: Male, Cockburn, F. Blanchard; Female, Cockburn, F. Blanchard. Colored Geese: Male, Cockburn, Blanchard; Female, Cockburn, Blanchard. White Ducks: Male, Cockburn, J. Duncan; Female, Cockburn, J. Duncan. Colored Ducks: Male, Cockburn, J. Sullivan; Female, Cockburn, J. Duncan. Dozen Fresh Eggs: D. Thompson, Arthur Robson.

Dressed Fowl Specials—Long Lumber Co. Special, Dressed Fowl: Thos. Bowen, J. T. Middleton Special, Dressed Chickens: Thos. Bowen, D. Galvin Special, Dressed Chickens: Peter Ray, Mrs. S. Cook Special.

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