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## KITCHENER'S CLARION CALL

Any degree of complacency with which any of us may have been regarding the progress of the war has been shattered by Lord Kitchener. The war minister has a right to speak, for he knows the situation. When some people were asserting that the war would end early last winter, Kitchener said it would only begin in May of this year. He was right. And now, after eleven months of the struggle he speaks again—

"All the reasons which led me to think in August, 1914, that this war would be a prolonged one hold good at the present time. It is true that we are in an immeasurably better situation than we were ten months ago, but our position today is at least as serious as it was then."

The war minister has issued a clarion call for men and more men. "I am here today," he said to the people at the great Guild Hall meeting yesterday, "to make another demand on the manhood of the country to come forward to its defence."

Not for conquest, not for aggression, but for defence. That is the point to be remembered in St. John as well as in London. The Empire is to be defended by her sons. Her hour of danger has not passed. "Our position is serious," says Kitchener. We all know as well as he what a German triumph would mean for the British Empire, and for Canada, a rich new land which has long been coveted by Germany.

And then there is the call of the blood. "Our gallant soldiers in the fighting line," says Kitchener, "are beckoning with an urgency at once imperious and pathetic to those who remain at home to come out and play their part too."

What will be the answer from St. John and from New Brunswick? Recruits are needed for the 56th, the Heavy Battery and the 64th. "I am not," says Kitchener, "for me to tell you your duty. That is a matter for your conscience."

How about it, young men of New Brunswick? What is the answer?

## THE CHILDREN'S PARADE

"These children reproach us with having fallen asleep." Seven hundred years ago these words were spoken by Pope Innocent, when he was told of the disastrous ending of what is known in history as "The Children's Crusade." They appear to be in some measure applicable in this province today.

There could have been no madder adventure than that of the fifty thousand boys and girls from France and Germany who in 1212 set out to deliver Jerusalem from the Saracens. The historian tells us that the children were appealed to by certain priests to perform what through wickedness their fathers had failed to do, and were assured of miraculous aid. They went forth to disaster and death.

"Some of them crossed the Alps, intending to embark at Marseilles. Many were lost in the forests, and perished with heat, hunger, thirst and fatigue. Some, after being stripped of their weapons, were reduced to slavery; and a remnant, in sorrow and shame, returned to their homes."

The people of today are under no illusion in regard to Germany and the present war. They look for no miraculous intervention. They are not, however, as zealous as they should be in the crusade against an enemy of human welfare compared with whom the Saracen infidel of seven centuries ago was a cultured Christian gentleman. Again the appeal is to be made, in St. John at least, through the agency of the children, to the men who can and should go forth to deliver the world from a power which would degrade and brutalize its people.

Who will these children represent, as they march through the streets of the city on Tuesday next? Beside them the thoughtful mind will be able to discern a shadowy host of the children of Belgium, the babes of the Lusitania, the child victims of German bombs in French and British towns, and the great army of the fatherless little ones orphaned by the hand of the German assassin.

The children of St. John have known nothing of the horrors of war, nor are they trained to become mere cogs in a great military machine that aims to dominate the world. But they will suffer from this war, because many of them have relatives at the front, and because the war places a heavy burden upon their country.

And yet it is glorious to be young in this era in world history, for when the war is over a new and better day will dawn for all mankind, and the nightmare of universal armament will pass, while there will lie open before the young fields of noble endeavor, undimmed by shadow of war.

The parade of children next Tuesday will have great significance. Their future is at stake, and this thought must impress itself upon the minds of all.

Lord Kitchener again appeals for men. The appeal should not go un-

heeded in any part of the British Empire.

The provincial government met yesterday, and there is still no announcement about the Valley Railway.

Premier McBride apparently thinks he sees a way out. There is talk of a coalition government for British Columbia.

Lord Kitchener tells what the women are doing in England, to stimulate the men to do their duty. The men can hardly fail to respond.

The Standard still declines to discuss what the Borden government has done in its four years of power to link St. John up with the National Transcontinental. There's a reason.

The remark of Rev. J. A. Macdonald that "armed peace means inevitable war" is borne out by recent history. Germany would not consider even a year's holiday in the race for armaments, because she was headed for war.

The French secretary of war, after a visit to England, concludes that the outlook there for the production of munitions is much brighter. This is good war news, for the battle is now being fought in the munition factories of the warring nations.

Hon. Mr. Loughheed, acting minister of militia, says more machine guns are needed, and urges that people subscribe funds to provide them. New Brunswick should be able to furnish a number, as they only cost \$750 each, and they are an absolute necessity in prosecuting the war.

The suggestion that the best use for jail prisoners is to put them in the chain-gang may appeal to a commissioner who is short of funds for his department, but the prison farm is bound to come, whether it be near Loch Lomond or elsewhere, and whether it be a municipal or a provincial institution.

Hon. John R. Wilson is doubtless more to be congratulated on his appointment to the savings bank than the government of which he was lately a member is to be congratulated on the vacancy in this constituency. At all events, everybody will wish Mr. Wilson good health, and long life to enjoy his new position.

If Germany's reply to the United States is her final statement of what she is prepared to do, it means war. She refuses to agree to what the United States regards as absolutely essential, and that is "the principle that unarmed and unresisting merchantmen must be visited and searched and the passengers and crew removed to a place of safety before the vessel is destroyed." It is now up to the United States to vindicate its honor.

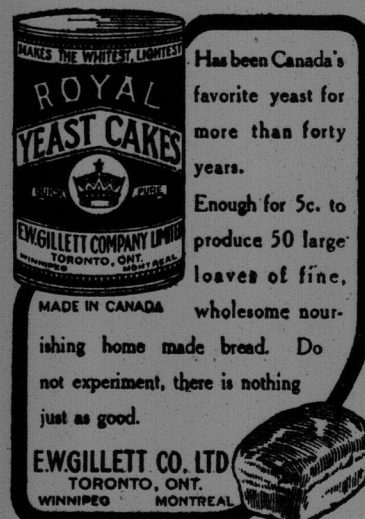
Sir Robert Borden tells English readers that the supreme issue of war must be our only concern at present in Canada. Sir Robert should have directed the attention of Hon. Robert Rogers to that view of the case, and made it applicable to his political press bureau at Ottawa. Indeed, he might have accepted Sir Wilfrid Laurier's offer to put an end to partisan controversy until after the war. In short, Sir Robert should have spoken in Canada before he went to London. Then his words would have carried more weight.

Today's war news is encouraging. It does not tell of any further advance of the Austro-Germans against the Russians, but notes the fact that Russia is gathering her strength for a new offensive movement. Much is made, and deservedly so, of General Botha's great achievement in South and Southwest Africa. The French have met with some success in the Vosges region, and the British near Ypres, and from no point does there come news of German success. The threatened German drive in the west has not yet been launched.

General Botha deserves the highest honor a grateful Empire can confer upon him. He has not only quelled the uprising in South Africa but conquered German Southwest Africa and added it to the possessions of Britain. To his unflinching loyalty and brilliant military ability is due the fact that since the war broke out the British government did not have any cause for serious worry over the situation in South Africa. As soldier and statesman he has won the lasting gratitude of the British whom he once so stoutly and valiantly opposed.

## The Minnehaha.

The steamer Minnehaha docked at Halifax yesterday to discharge part of her cargo. In an explosion which preceded discovery of the fire in No. 3 hold and which caused her to change her course from Liverpool to Halifax, two seamen were thrown in the dock and stunned. The explosion occurred a few hours after the captain had been warned by wireless that bombs had been put aboard the steamer at New York by Holt.



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## Canada In The War

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The casualty lists published yesterday include the name of Harold F. Hatheway, Fredericton, N. B., as suffering from concussion, and another Fredericton soldier, Walter M. Burden, unofficially reported prisoner.

The militia department purchasing committee at Ottawa, says there is a surplus of 1,000,000 shells on hand. In Canada awaiting brass cartridge cases, and until these finishing fixtures are received no further orders for shells will be given.

Another meeting has been arranged by Mayor Frink to include those ladies interested in patriotic and other societies, for the purpose of co-operating in the supply of refreshments for the children's parade next Tuesday. The meeting was held this morning at eleven o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Haughton will deliver a special patriotic sermon for tomorrow night to aid recruiting. He will speak in the Congregational church.

Hon. Wm. Pugsley has been invited to speak at the Merchants' Picnic at Crystal Beach on July 22, when Hon. Arthur Meighan will deliver an address, bearing on recruiting. A recruiting tent will be established on the grounds at the picnic and 50th Battalion representatives will be on hand to take the names of any volunteers.

TO EAST ST. JOHN BY MIDDLE OF AUGUST

It was announced at the close of the meeting of the special committee of the municipal council yesterday that arrangements have been completed under which the East St. John railway extension will be completed as far as the Municipal Home property by the middle of August.

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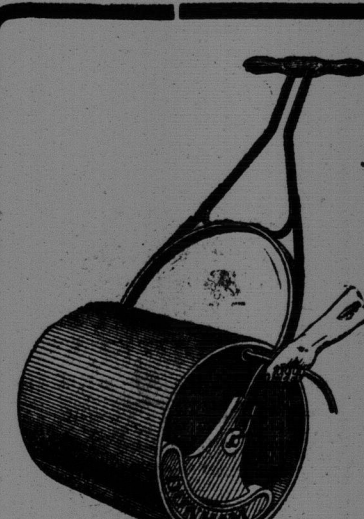
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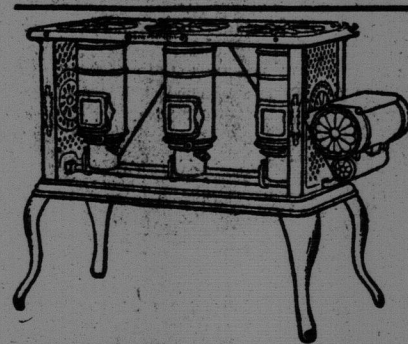
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## NEED 270 FOR THE 55TH

Sussex, N. B., July 9.—The sun shone for a brief time after dinner today, which gave opportunity for field drill, but apart from this the rain has necessitated the putting off of all parades.

Up to the present about 880 recruits have enlisted, which makes about 270 still required.

Capt. H. E. Thomas returned to camp today from a recruiting tour with L. F. D. Tiley, M. P. P. Although some success was met with yet he reports that the work is beset with great difficulties; in many cases met with the young men were willing but their mothers would not give consent.

Ten recruits arrived and five or six men were added to the strength today.

Major Moore, medical officer from Halifax, is kept busy inoculating the men against typhoid. His father, Rev. E. B. Moore, has arrived in town on a visit.

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