

## APPENDIX No 1

*Class 2.—*

Re-adaptional course, permitting return to former business or profession (arranged for where necessary).

Massage.

Poultry farming and carpentry.

Cobbling and mat making.

Piano tuning.

Broom and basket making.

Telegraphy.

*Class 3.—*

String bag making.

Net and hammock making.

Scarf weaving.

Basket making and mat making.

It was not felt advisable that with the comparatively small number of blinded soldiers the Government should take on directly the responsibility of after care, which necessitated an organization spread over the whole of the Dominion.

The Vocational Branch has therefore arranged with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind which has in Canada a Dominion wide organization, for after care of the blinded soldiers who have graduated from training classes. It is one thing to train a blinded soldier in such a way that he may follow some definite line of occupation, but it is entirely another matter to see that he makes proper use of his training as a self-supporting and independent individual as he was intended to be and for which he was equipped.

A summary to date of training for blinded Canadian soldiers as carried on by the Vocational Branch in conjunction with St. Dunstan's or one or other of the institutional for blind training in Canada is as follows:

The total number of blinded Canadian soldiers pending training, training, or graduated is 139.

Of this number 39 are at present undergoing training at St. Dunstan's.

8 are still in hospital in England.

2 are being trained in England at other places than St. Dunstan's but in conjunction with St. Dunstan's organization.

14 have been trained at St. Dunstan's and have settled down in England.

28 have been trained at St. Dunstan's and have returned to Canada and are in employment.

18 are undergoing training in Canada.

8 have been trained in Canada and have graduated.

1 has had part training at St. Dunstan's and has returned to Canada for completion of his course.

while 19 still remain to be trained, and

2 have died during training.

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Total 139

The graduates in Canada so far have in all cases been successful in obtaining employment. Two are conducting poultry farms of their own. A considerable number are employed as masseurs in various military or civilian hospitals or for athletic clubs. One is employed by the Vocational Branch as advisor on blind training; one is holding a responsible executive position with an insurance company. Others are employed as clerks or stenographers by the department and other commercial institutions. Several