

## TOTAL NUMBER OF DRAFTEES IN CANADA 30,248

NEARLY FOUR THOUSAND MEN  
DISOBEY ORDERS TO REPORT

**Military Service Council Statement Shows That 30,248 Draftees in Canada Reported for Duty, in Addition to 8,795 Volunteers, Since the Military Service Act Became Operative—In the St. John District 1,124 Were Ordered to Report and 978 Responded.**

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—Sir Robert Borden this afternoon handed out a report received by him from the military service council with respect to the operation of the military service act. It shows that the total number of volunteers from September 1st to January 31st (including men of all classes under the M. S. A. up to October 13th, and men of classes other than class 1 since that date) to be 8,795.

Volunteers from the United States from September 1st to January 31st, numbered 7,653, making a total of 16,448 volunteers. Men called by the proclamation of October, who reported or joined in advance of being ordered to do so, numbered 6,548. Men who joined units for duty in pursuance of that order numbered 16,786, while men ordered to report or about to be ordered to report, in February numbered 7,614. This makes a total number of draftees 30,248, and the total reinforcements, including volunteers, 46,966.

**Many Disobey Order.**  
In addition, orders to report for duty have been issued to 3,821 men who are said not to have reported according to order. Some of these, the statement says, have doubtless joined in other districts than those in which they were ordered to join, and the necessary notifications have not yet been received.

The report to the prime minister proceeds: "There were on February 2nd, 52,106 claims for exemption which were pending before the tribunals either local or appeal, including the central appeal judge. Of these 28,683 were pending before the appeal tribunals in the province of Quebec, and 4,897 more before the local tribunals in that province."

**Haste Urged.**  
The judges and tribunals are being urged to cause these pending claims to be disposed of as early as possible, and it is hoped that these representations will be effective. The very large number of cases pending in the province of Quebec is due to

the fact that the military authorities were obliged to accept appeals from the widespread exemptions in that province, and impartiality in the administration of the M. S. A. The comparatively small number of men called into active service in the province of Quebec, results from the fact that only those could be called up in the first instance who did not apply for exemption, or whose claims for exemption were refused and who did not appeal.

The hearing of appeals by the central appeal judge will be expedited whenever necessary by the appointment, upon his recommendation of judges to assist him in the rapid disposal of cases awaiting decision of appeals.

**A Re-examination.**  
In addition to the assertion of appeals, a medical review board has been instituted in each district which will undertake re-examination of those declared to be medically unfit in every case where there is reason to doubt the validity of the exemption on the ground of physical unfitness.

The small number of men ordered to report at Halifax is due to the postponement of the calling of district 4 on account of the terrible disaster at Halifax.

The report concludes with a statement by military districts of the men who should have reported for duty up to February 2nd, and of the number who actually reported.

Table of Statistics.		
It is as follows:	Military District	Ordered to report
1—London.....	1,281	1,195
2—Toronto.....	6,140	5,238
3—Kingston.....	1,535	1,236
4—Montreal.....	2,234	1,619
5—Quebec.....	1,551	97
6—Halifax.....	291	217
7—St. John.....	1,124	978
8—Winnipeg.....	1,572	2,225
9—Vancouver.....	1,750	1,237
10—Regina.....	1,362	1,497
11—Calgary.....	1,283	1,147
Totals.....	22,008	16,786

LORD READING  
PAYS TRIBUTE  
TO DOMINION

**Tells Soldiers Britain is Proud of Part Canada Played in the War and is Loudly Cheered by Returned Men.**

Halifax, Feb. 13.—The Morning Chronicle tomorrow will publish a dispatch from Dr. J. D. Logan, late sergeant of the 55th Battalion, France. Dr. Logan writes:

An Atlantic Port, (aboard H. M. Transport), Feb. 10, (delayed in transit)—"I am imitating the spirit of our fighting lads—going to Washington, just as you went to France, to do my duty," said Lord Reading, British plenipotentiary to the United States, in an address to returning Canadian soldiers.

Three ringing volleys of cheers from two thousand returning Canadian soldiers was the hearty appreciation "send off" His Excellency Lord Reading received here today when he and his personal entourage, Colonel Swinton and Major Stuart passed down the gangway of H. M. Transport, to entrain for Washington.

**Loudly Cheered.**

The salutes of cheers were a tribute to Lord Reading's display of geniality and democratic good fellowship towards the returning Canadian veterans who had done their bit in France and Flanders. But the cheering was also, and much more, an expression of gratitude on the part of the troops for a very memorable, though short and pointed, address which His Excellency had made.

The core of Lord Reading's short address had for its topics two chief points—the part Canada had played in the war (and her consequent place in the sun) and what the returned soldiers could do by way of carrying on with a "second bit" in the reconstruction period, which would follow as soon as the current world war had ended. But he spoke without any show of superior wisdom or preachy didacticism.

**Proud of Canada.**

"Great Britain," said His Excellency, "feels, and displays a keener and profounder interest in Canada and her progress than in other overseas dominions."

ions. This is but natural since Canada is the eldest, vastest in area and nearest by travel to the motherland. This interest was intensified by the war; and the British people closely watched to see what part Canada would take in the conduct of the war. In this regard, it is safe to say, without any invidiousness, that Canada was first and foremost amongst the overseas dominions of the Empire. (Cheers and applause.)

"The resultant solidarity between Canadians and Englishmen," Lord Reading continued, "is already obvious, noteworthy and profound. Both know one another better, like one another better, and respect one another better. And it seems to me that the ultimate result will be after the war inevitable—a real Empire of motherland and dominions, based on a practical voice of the overseas people, through representatives, in the affairs of the Empire—not, as in the past, a weight in the balance of the one with the other based on traditional and sentimental connections."

## GOOD DIGESTION

To be able to eat what you want and to digest it properly is a priceless blessing. Good digestion is not appreciated until you lose it. Then you cannot afford to experiment, for strong medicines are hard on weak stomachs. If you have indigestion do not be persuaded into believing you can cure yourself by the use of pre-digested foods or so-called stomach tonics. There is no tonic for the stomach that is not a tonic for every part of the body. It is through the blood that the stomach gets its power to assimilate and digest food, and as the blood goes to every part of the body any improvement in its condition not only results in strengthening the stomach, but every organ in the body. Rich, red blood is absolutely necessary to good digestion. If your stomach is weak and you are troubled with sour risings in the throat, a feeling of pressure about the heart, or nausea after eating, try the tonic treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. So many dyspeptics have been cured by this medicine that every sufferer from stomach trouble should try it. You will soon know the joy of good digestion and enjoy better health in other ways if you give this medicine a fair trial. You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

**Bassen's Stocktaking Counter Thru.** Sale will commence on Friday, Feb. 13 at 14-16-18 Char. St. No branches.

**McAvoy With Athletics.**

Catcher James McAvoy, former Canadian and International Leaguer, will be with the Athletics this year. He was drafted and ordered to an army camp, but a brother who was left as support of their mother became invalid and so the catcher was granted exemption.

Meanwhile German airplanes are

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Wednesday  
and Thursday  
at 6 p. m.**

THE BELLIGERENTS  
PREPARING FOR A  
TERRIFIC BATTLE

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**Entente Not Idle.**  
While the German reinforcements have been coming up the Entente commanders have not been lying idle and waiting for the offensive to begin. On the other hand they everywhere have strengthened their positions to meet any emergency, and optimism is expressed both from British and French sources that should the Germans strike—no matter how early the moment—they will meet with stubborn resistance from gun and manpower.

**The Associated Press correspondent** with the French headquarters says the French authorities consider that the total number of the enemy now facing the French, British, American and Belgian troops or held in reserve aggregates 2,340,000 men. Recent statements from the British military authorities in Great Britain have been to the effect that the preponderance of weight in both men and gun power still lies with the Entente armies.

**Successful Raids.**  
Several additional successful raids by the British, in which German officers and men were captured and others killed and heavy artillery fighting between the French and Germans on various sectors sums up the activities that have been in progress on the western front. The American sharpshooters and artillery men are keeping up their good work against the Germans in front of their positions, having with their sharpshooting compelled the enemy to almost abandon first line trenches and with their sharpshooters and rapid fire guns forced snipers to quit their posts and seek safety at other places.

HENNIG'S TRIAL  
NEARLY OVER

**Naturalized German Declares  
He is Loyal United States  
Citizen and Does Not Want  
Germany to Win.**

SUFFERED TERRIBLY  
WITH HER HEART  
Would Wake Up Smothering

The terrible smothering and choking up sensations and sinking spells, the feelings of dizziness and faintness that came over those whose heart and nerves are deranged cause the greatest distress of both mind and body.  
Mrs. A. M. Powell, Norval Station, Ont., writes: "I cannot speak too highly of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. I suffered five years with my heart and nerves, but the last two years I have suffered terribly. If I went to bed I would wake up as if I were smothering. I did not get one night's sleep out of seven. I got so very weak that the doctor was called in, and he said it was my heart, and that I must take great care of myself. I saw your advertisement in your almanac for Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and said I would try them. I have only taken two boxes of them and I feel a new woman. I will recommend them to anyone afflicted with heart trouble."  
Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c a box at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

FOOD HOLD-UP MEN  
LOSE LICENSE

**United States Food Board Pursues  
Grasping, Profiteering Con-  
cern Out of Business.**

New York, Feb. 13.—The federal food board here took its most drastic action thus far when it recommended to the national food administration today that the food license of B. Baff

be revoked for the duration of the war.

The Baff firm purchased eggs from the Iowa Producing Company at 28 1-3 cents a dozen last April and sold some of them as high as 51 cents to jobbers, at a time the government fixed price was 46, according to the local board's findings. This is the firm whose former head, Barnett Baff, was shot and killed in the street a few years ago by agents of the so-called poultry trust, which he had fought. Several men are serving prison terms for the crime.

## Lemon Juice a Beautifier

**How to prepare a beauty cream at little cost. Says  
lemon juice alone is too highly acid. Try this  
on face, neck, arms and hands!**

DOUKHOBOURS MAY  
REMOVE TO RUSSIA

**Peter Veregin, Their Leader,  
States They Are Considering  
Idea of Deserting U.S.**

Grand Forks, B. C., Feb. 13.—That the Doukhobours of Canada are considering the removal of all members of their several communities in Canada back to their native country in Russia, is the statement of Peter Veregin, leader of the Doukhobours in Canada, in Grand Forks recently.

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Many women use just the juice of lemons to bleach or whiten the skin and to bring out the hidden beauty of the roses, but pure lemon juice is acid, therefore irritating, and should be mixed with orchard white.

At the cost of a small jar of ordinary cold cream one can prepare a full quarter pint of the most wonderful beautifier, by squeezing the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white. Care should be taken to strain the juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in. Then this lotion will keep

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Mid-Winter  
Shoe Clearance  
Sale

Here's a straight out and out, open and above board Clearance Sale of Good Shoes. A Shoe Sale that needs no brag or bluster—no extravagant claims or excuses. It's genuine, and it offers a real saving for these days of strenuous shoe prices

**If You've Ever Attended One of Our Clearance Sales, You'll  
Know What a Big Saving This Means; If You've Not, Come  
and Learn**

**This Season, when Shoes are "Up" in price and Good Shoes are a Luxury, Our Clearance Sale Means More than it  
Meant Before**

**NOTE THE PRICES AND NOTE THE GREAT SAVING!**

**Women's High-Cut, Mahogany Gait Lace Boots—Medium**  
heel, sport last. Regular \$8.35, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Women's Grey Kid High-Cut, Nine-Inch Top Lace Boots—**  
Plain toe, Louis heel. Regular \$6.50, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Women's Black Kid High-Cut Lace Boots—Louis heel.**  
Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's Black Kid Lace Boots—Imitation tip, medium**  
heel, Goodyear welt, Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's High-Cut Gun Metal Button Boots—Plain toe,**  
spool heel. Regular \$5.35, Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's Nine-Inch Black Kid Lace Boots—Louis heel.**  
Goodyear welt. Regular \$5.85, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Women's African Brown High Lace Boots—Fawn Suede**  
top, medium heel. Sizes 2 1-2, 3 and 3 1-2. Regular  
\$5.50, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Women's Grey Kid High Laced Boots—Medium heel. Regu-**  
lar \$6.50, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Women's High-Cut Grey Kid Lace Boots—Cloth top. Regu-**  
lar \$6.50, Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's Grey Kid High Lace Boots—White kid top, Good-**  
year welt. Sizes 3, 3 1-2, 5 1-2, 6, 6 1-2, 7. Regular  
\$6.50, Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's Black Gun Metal Lace Boots—Grey buck top, me-**  
dium heel, imitation wing top, Goodyear welt. Former  
\$6.50, Now ..... \$3.85  
**Women's Gun Metal Button Boots—Calf top, Cuban heel,**  
medium height toe; \$6.00 quality, Now ..... \$2.85

**Women's Tan Rubbers—Regular \$1.15, Now ..... 58c.**  
**Women's Satin Pumps—Black, white, blue, pink, yellow;**  
slightly soiled, Now ..... 98c.  
**Women's Plain Black or Patent Leather Boots—Also Sam-**  
ples, odds and ends of various lines. Clearance Sale  
\$1.98

**You Can Buy \$6.00, \$5.50 and \$4.35 Boots  
Now at \$2.85**

**Women's Lace and Button Boots—All genuine Good-**  
year welts, in gun metal calf and patent colt of  
best grade, in all sizes and widths. These boots  
are made on a very nice variety of lasts, includ-  
ing the medium long toe. This sensible style in  
patent button is the correct boot for dress oc-  
casions today. Perfect fit guaranteed.

**THINK OF THE GRADES WE OFFER  
\$4.35 to \$6.00 Women's Boots at \$2.85**

**Women's Gun Metal Button Boots—Plain toe, Cuban heel,**  
Goodyear welt, Clearance Sale, ..... \$2.43  
**Women's Gun Metal Button Boots—Neolin sole, medium**  
heel, Now ..... \$2.85

**Women's Gun Metal Boots—Cloth top, button, Goodyear**  
welt. Regular \$3.85, Now ..... \$2.43  
**Women's Patent Button Boots—Calf top, narrow toe, Good-**  
year welt. Clearance Sale ..... \$2.85  
**Women's Patent Button Boots—Cloth top, plain toe, Good-**  
year welt. Regular \$3.85, Now ..... \$2.43  
**Women's Patent Button Boots—Cloth top, round toe, Good-**  
year welt. Value \$5.00, Now ..... \$2.43  
**Women's Gun Metal Button Boots—Cloth top, Goodyear**  
welt, Cuban heel, plain toe, Clearance sale, ..... \$2.85  
**Men's Regal Tan Lace Boots—Recede toe. Sizes 5 1-2 to**  
7 1-2. Regular \$6.50, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Men's Box Calf Blucher Boots—Leather lined, Goodyear**  
welt. Instead of \$8.00, Now ..... \$5.65  
**Men's Gun Metal Button Boots—Sizes 5 1-2 to 8; \$8.00**  
quality, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Men's Regal Tan Blucher Boots—Wide toe, leather lined,**  
two full soles. Sizes 5 to 7 1-2, Now ..... \$4.85  
**Men's Black Regal Boots—Regular \$5.00, Now ..... \$3.85**  
**Men's Box Calf Blucher Boots—Wide toe, bellows tongue,**  
two full soles, Goodyear welt, Clearance price ..... \$4.85  
**Youths' Dark Tan High-Cut Sporting Boots—Clearance Sale**  
\$2.43  
**Men's Laces ..... 10c. doz.**