

ROLL OF HONOR

Men From Watford and Vicinity Serving the Empire

27TH REGT.—1ST BATTALION
Thos. L. Swift, reported missing, since June 15, 1915, Rich. H. Stapleford, Bury C. Binks, L. Gunn Newell, killed in action, Arthur Owens, F. C. N. Newell, T. Ward, Sid Welsh, Alf Woodward, killed in action M. Cunningham, M. Blondel, W. Blun, R. W. Bailey, A. L. Johnston, B. A. Johnston, G. Mathews, C. Manning, W. G. Nichol, F. Phelps, H. F. Small, E. W. Smith, C. Toop, C. Ward, J. Ward, killed in action, F. Wakelin, D. C. M., killed in action, T. Wakelin, wounded—missing, H. Whitesitt, B. Hardy.

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S C.L.I.

Gerald H. Brown

18TH BATTALION

C. W. Barnes, Geo. Ferris, Edmund Watson, G. Shanks, J. Burns, F. Burns, C. Blunt, Wm. Anterson, S. P. Shanks, Pte. Walter Woodvett.

2ND DIVISIONAL CAVALRY

Lorne Luops, Frank Yerks, Chas. Potter.

33RD BATTALION

Percy Mitchell, died from wounds Oct. 14th, 1916; Lloyd Howden, Geo. Fountain, killed in action Sept. 16, 1916, Gordon H. Patterson, died in Victoria Hospital, London.

34TH BATTALION

E. C. Crohn, S. Newell, Stanley Rogers, Macklin Hagle, missing since Oct. 8, 1916; Henry Holmes, killed in action Sept. 27, 1916, Wm. Manning, Leonard Lees, C. Jamieson.

29TH BATTERY

Wm. Mitchell, John Howard.

70TH BATTALION

Ernest Lawrence, Alfred Emmerson, C. H. Loveday, A. Banks, S. R. Whalton, killed in action Oct. 1916, Thos. Meyers, Jos. M. Wardman, Vern Brown, Sid Brown, killed in action Sept. 15, 1916, Alf. Bullough, C. F. A., Corp. V. W. Willoughby.

28TH BATTALION

Thomas Lamb, killed in action.

MOUNTED RIFLES

Fred A. Taylor

PIONEERS

Wm. Macnally, W. F. Goodman.

ENGINEERS

J. Tomlin

ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

T. A. Brandon, M. D., Capt. W. J. McKenzie, M. D., Norman McKenzie, Jerrold V. Snell, Allen W. Edwards, Wm. McCausland.

135TH BATTALION

N. T. McLachlan, killed in action July 6th, 1917.

3RD RESERVE BATTERY, C.F.A.

Alfred Levi

116TH BATTALION

Clayton O. Fuller, killed in action April 18th, 1917.

196TH BATT.

R. R. Annett.

70TH BATTERY

R. H. Trenouth, killed in action on May 8th, 1917; Murray M. Foster.

142ND BATTALION

Austin Potter.

GUNNER

Russ. G. Clark.

R. N. C. V. R.

John J. Brown

ARMY DENTAL CORPS

Elgin D. Hicks, H. D. Taylor.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Frank Elliot, R. H. Acton.

98TH BATTALION

Arthur McKercher

Roy E. Acton.

64TH BATTERY

C. F. Luckham.

Harold D. Robinson

65TH BATTERY

Walter A. Restorick.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS

Lieut. M. R. James.

If the name of your soldier boy does not appear in this column, kindly notify us and it will be placed there.

BRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM TIME TABLE

Table with 2 columns: Direction (GOING WEST, GOING EAST) and Train Name/Time (Accommodation, Chicago Express, etc.)

GERMANY'S WAR LOSSES.

The Point of Complete Exhaustion Will Soon Be Reached.

The announcement that Germany will call up early in the year 1918 all the lads who will be eighteen at any time during that year furnishes far more dependable evidence of how the war is going than her victories on the Italian front or her defeats in Belgium and France. Shrewd observers no longer expect a decision as the result of a great battle or series of battles. The men who will determine when peace must be had at any price are the officers of the German High Command, who control the nation's man-power. That it is failing fast the whole world knows; how fast is known only to Hindenburg, Ludendorf, and their subordinates, to whom the daily lists of casualties are accessible.

The published German lists are far from up to date, and for that reason, if for no other, are no longer reliable. It is believed that they never were reliable in the disclosure of the total number of wounded. The experience of Great Britain has been that of every four men hit not more than one is killed outright or dies of his wounds. In recent engagements of our Canadian troops the proportion has been nearer one in five. Yet the German lists as published up till July 31st give totals of 1,158,601 killed and only 2,922,420 wounded, while 710,454 are returned as missing. Probably over half the men under the heading missing are prisoners, and the remainder were killed and buried by the British, French, or Russians. Their names remain among the missing because there was nothing upon their bodies when found to establish identity. It would be within the mark, therefore, to say that up to July 31st, the German dead and the missing, who were almost certainly dead, totaled a million and a half. The wounded were returned at slightly less than three millions, so that the German ratio of killed to wounded was one to two. The conclusion is forced upon us, in face of our own experience and that of Great Britain, that these figures are not correct, and that Germany, with a million and a half of dead, must have had four and a half million wounded.

That was only up till July 31st, before the battle of Ypres began. Her losses during the past four months have been not less than half a million men, an unusually high proportion having been killed. The strain forces her to order out boys of seventeen, and to put lads of eighteen into the front line, where they are being used up far more quickly than they can be replaced by the still younger boys. There must come a time soon when the permanent losses will rise to a total so stupendous that even the power of autocracy will no longer be sufficient to still the despairing cries of the German people or to provide man-power for the front. Germany is far nearer exhaustion than may seem possible to those who look only at her victories in Russia and Italy, and forget the terrible losses to which her Western armies are subjected week by week with remorseless perseverance by the British and French troops opposed to them.

Watching German Fleets.

War operations in the North Sea, especially the activity of the German fleet, have been in view of the residents of the west coast of Jutland all summer, says a despatch from Copenhagen. So frequent have been the manoeuvres of the German fleet along that coast that the people of Holmsland Downs have become quite well acquainted with the German naval tactics. Zeppelins, waterplanes, mine vessels, torpedo-boats, destroyers, and submarines pass day after day along the coast outside the territorial limit, and occasionally the sound of guns at a distance carries the message that the English naval forces are not idle either.

When zeppelins or waterplanes show themselves in the south off the Downs above the international water, it seldom takes a long time before German mine sweepers, two and two together, often several pairs in company, make their appearance in the south, and it does not require a very sharp observer to find out that lined in between each pair of mine sweepers is a submarine. If the flying craft signal peace and no danger, the trawlers proceed boldly, stopping only at the northern end of the mine belt, where they turn round; the submarines evidently do not any longer need assistance.

Until midsummer the trawlers used to stop a little before they were off Sondervig. Later on, after the extension of the English mine area, they generally proceed farther north, until off Hirtshals.

Gabriele D'Annunzio.

At first sight there is not much connection between dropping bombs from aeroplanes and poetry. Still Gabriele D'Annunzio seems to take to one equally with the other. Before the war he was Italy's leading writer, to-day he is, apparently, Italy's leading aviator. He has received four medals for conspicuous bravery, and was the leader in the last raid, which successfully bombed the naval station at Cattaro. It was

perhaps, a premonition of this that made him so obnoxious to Count von Bernstorff. The ex-ambassador used generally to explain that the poet's activities had been bought and sold. Inquiries as to the paymaster were always disposed of airily. Anyhow the poet was easily with the Count's trinity of dislikes—the others were Lord Grey and von Bethmann-Hollweg.

Monument of Tears.

Marking the dividing line between Europe and Asia and of Russia and Siberia, at the summit of the Ural mountains, is the "Monument of Tears," a white triangular pyramid significant to unfortunate exiles.

Chances of War.

Well-informed military men say that if your boy goes to the front: He has twenty-nine chances of coming home to one chance of being killed.

He has ninety-eight chances of recovering from a wound to two chances of dying.

He has only one chance in 500 of losing a limb.

He will live five years longer because of physical training.

He is freer from disease in the army than in civil life.

He has better medical care at the front than at home.

In this war one man dies from disease to every ten from bullets.

This war is less wasteful of life than any other in history.

Only 10 per cent. of all Canadians disabled for further service have been physically unable to engage in their former occupations.

Ye Bad Boys in Church.

In Salem in 1676 it was ordered by the town that "all ye boyes of ye towne are appointed to sitt upon three paire of stairs in ye meeting house, and William Lord is appointed to look after ye boyes upon ye pulpit stairs." In Stratford the tithing man was ordered to "watch over youths of disorderly carriage and see they behave themselves comelie and use such raps and blows as is in his discretion meet." In Durham any misbehaving boy was punished publicly after the service was over. We would nowadays scarcely seat twenty or thirty active boys together in church if we wished them to be models of attention and dignified behavior, but after the boys' seats were removed from the pulpit stairs they were all turned in together in a "boys' pew" in the gallery.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of a special meeting of the Watford Board of Education called for business as specified, held in the Library Board room on Wednesday, January 16 at 7 p.m.

Present—Dr. Newell, chairman; W. L. Millar, C. W. Vail, Dr. Hicks, Dr. Howden and J. W. McLaren.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

A letter was read from Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald dated Dec. 19th, 1917, resigning his position as a member of the Board of Education.

Howden—Hicks, and carried, that Mr. Fitzgerald's resignation be accepted. The resolution from the Lambton County Medical Society referred to in a previous meeting was laid over for further consideration.

McLaren—Howden, and carried, that we ask the Municipal Council for \$225.00 for public school purposes.

Vail—Millar, and carried, that the following accounts be paid:

- High School—Harold A. Wilson, supplies.....\$ 8 00 J. W. McLaren, supplies..... 24 73 C. H. Butler, furnace repairs, etc. 91 00 Insurance premium..... 22 95 R. O. Spalding, wiring and lamps 81 05 R. C. McLeay, lumber..... 5 60 Howden—Vail, and carried, that we adjourn.

D. WATT, Secretary.

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In order to conserve coal the Mayor of St. Marys, in compliance with a petition of citizens of the town, has issued a proclamation that the retail shops and stores of the town be not opened until 8.30 in the morning and be closed at 5 p. m. the coming week.

A number of Amherstburg citizens who gave orders and cash deposits to a travelling photographer for work are mourning his departure. After leaving, the individual sent the message to the burg that he was laid up in a Detroit hospital as the result of a collision with an auto or street car. The hospital people say they know nothing of the traveller, nor does anyone else.

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