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Poetry.

#### RE-EDUCATING THE RETURNED SOLDIER.

The usual manner of disposing of an injured workman, prior to the war, was to pension him off as provided for in the Workmen's Compensation Act as adopted in many of the Provinces of Canada. The war, however, has produced cripples on a scale which calls for different consideration of this problem; and though Pensions are provided for under Military Service, based upon physical disability which often has very little relation to industrial capacity, there is a natural feeling that the returned soldier can still be made a useful citizen as distinct from a pensioner by a proper system of re-education.

#### The New System.

The Military Hospitals Commission was organised to cope with this, among other phases of the returned soldier, and was empowered to offer courses of vocational re-education to soldiers so disabled that they could not resume work at their former trades. The results of the efforts of the Commission have been almost revolutionary. Hitherto the crippled worker was a dead weight on society, a producer converted into a pensioner. Under the new system the loss of an arm or leg or both eyes no longer relegates the man to the scrap heap, but gives him an opportunity to re-enter the industrial field and become a decent citizen.

# An Asset Not To Be Lost.

Life in an 'old soldiers home' was considered an unworthy reward for the sacrifice made by the soldier, whose body had stood between freedom and tyranny. It was appreciated that a number of men who, under the old standard would have been condemned to eke out a lazy pensioned existence could be regained to industry. Each man is surveyed carefully with a view to ascertaining whether or not he is debarred by his injuries from returning to his former civil occupation. If he is so debarred the Commission undertakes to train him for some new means of earning his living.—He is an asset and not a liability.

# Human Economy.

G. E. Barton in his book entitled 'Re-education' states 'There is no economy in using a whole man for work that a part of a man can do as well.' The public and the injured man have to be persuaded that it is hardly respectable for a whole man to do the work that can be done by a cripple. The disabled man can do profitable work if a comparatively small amount of money is spent on re-educating him. The fundamental question at present and for the near future is the restoration of the earning power of the disabled soldier. It is an economic problem and one that is vital to the future industrial success of a war worn country, and it is gratifying to know that the M. H. C. has met with initial success in its splendid work in this direction.

#### OFFICERS NOTES.

We understand our \$10,000.00 beauty, Hans Wagner, will shortly write an article entitled, "The Army Arm".

Mr. Yuill, the eminent herringchoker, reports a record catch on the Truro. In consequence all future separation allowance has been cancelled.

Our advice to Mr. Troop is to practise his French in No. 3 Stable.

A certain officer of Class 35 was discovered by the stable picquet administering oil to No. 2 horse. When asked his intentions he murmured something about recovering two tunic buttons.

We hear Class 34 is engaging Mr. Adney as instructor in Camouflage, with special reference to baseball schedule.

Has Mr. Anderson been mistaken for the Colonel by a number of N.C.O.'s.

Can C.S.M. Sims beat this? Mr. Schaffer touched tan bark on both sides of his mount, massaged his ears and regained his saddle.

Mr. Baldwyn of Showanville was welcomed home at 2.30 a.m. Friday by wife, family and the Reeve. Owing to the good offices of C.P.R. McNicoll the train was flagged.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO-

Lce. Cpl. W. A. Combe Lce. Cpl. T. R. Roberts Lce. Cpl. L. Jessen.

# A COMPANY NEXT WEEK,— BASE COMPANY THE WEEK AFTER.

Pages five and six of next week's issue are for the exclusive use of A Company. Now boys get together and fill up the box in the Recreation Room. Have your stuff in by Tuesday.

### E. T. D. HONOR ROLL

2005707 J. A. White, gassed. Lieut. C. Gorman, killed in action.

#### BAND CONCERT, APRIL 4th.

The members of the band are putting on a Concert at the City Hall. It will be well worth while—we can vouch for that. Admission 15c for soldiers, 50c and 25c for civilians. (Soldier's tickets at Canteen only. Other tickets at Canteen, Simpsons and Pinsonnaults).

Proceeds in aid of Military funds of King George Chapter I. O. D. E.

#### NO SOLDIER'S KIT COM-PLETE WITHOUT IT!

# BUY THIS MANUAL!

# A penny plain, 'tuppence' coloured

The most recent manual on Military Training which has come to our notice bears the somewhat comprehensive title "How to be a Soldier". After carefully studying this manual we feel that we are completely justified in commending it to all Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the E. T. D.

The work bears every indication of having been prepared and edited by one who is thoroughly conversant with his subject.

The following excerpts, selected at random, will furnish some idea of the scope and style of this valuable treatise on Military Training.

# FIRST AID FOR ALL CONTINGENCIES.

The following instructions have been carefully prepared by the eminent medical authority, **Doctor Howitt Tickles.** 

#### STAGE FRIGHT

If the patient is unconscious hang him, face up, over a convenient fence. See if he is breathing through his ears. Take off his shoes and throw them away. If he is still unconscious go through his pockets. That will bring him to.

#### PARALYSIS

Search patient for bottle and test quality of contents. If bottle is empty, hold to ear and listen for death rattle. Rub patient's back beginning at the front and vice versa. Ask him where he got it, writing reply on back of your collar. Pull out patient's tongue a few inches, letting it fly back. Continue this operation till the wagon comes.

#### TOOTH ACHE

Wrap blanket around tooth and secure with rubber cement to roof of mouth. Lay your ear to soles of patient's feet and see if you can detect heart beats. If his pump is working ask him to count up to ten slowly, holding his breath. A flypaper poultice in the back of his knees will help in severe cases.

#### HOME SICKNESS.

If patient is unconscious, wind his watch, returning it carefully to your pocket. See if there are indications of rust marks on the back teeth. When patient is able to take nourishment, feed him hot goulash through a straw.

# FREEZING.

Hang up patient by his heels, telling him to stand "at ease". Rub frozen spot with tomato sauce and (Continued on page 12)