

"STORY WHICH 26TH WRITES WITH BLOOD, THE PRIDE OF NEW BRUNSWICK FOREVER"

Rev. E. B. Hooper Writes of Impressions on Holding Service for Our Boys on November 21

"Mud-Covered and Dishevelled, Yet They Have Look of Men Who Have Faced Hell and Death and Are Ready to Face It Again"—A Christmas Message to Those Whose Loved Ones Are Fallen.

Captain the Rev. E. B. Hooper, chaplain of the 6th Field Ambulance, writing from the front on Nov. 22 to a friend in St. John, gives interesting and stirring details concerning the work of the chaplains and ambulances and the activities of the 26th Battalion, near which Captain Hooper has been constantly on duty.

I am still attached as chaplain to the 6th Field Ambulance, and have daily had reason to be deeply and truly thankful that duty and obedience to authority have placed me here.

When any of the 26th are sick they come to us here, so that they share in whatever attention I am able to give to the patients here. My own son was brought here, when he was suffering from the too common complaint known as "trench feet," and right thankful I was to have him for seven days under my eye and care, for I knew that he could not be getting into mischief or trouble in the trenches.

CHANGED APPEARANCE BUT HEARTS AS OF OLD.

The following are extracts from a letter from Rev. E. B. Hooper to a friend in St. John:

Yesterday (Sunday) I had the privilege of conducting church service for "our" battalions, and I wish that the good people of St. John, who during the last winter and spring gazed with admiration on the 26th as they marched on a Sunday morning, with uniforms speckled and buttons shining to their church services, I wish that they could have stood beside me yesterday morning and looked at the men of the 26th as they stood in their ranks for divine service.

ALL GENTLEMEN UNAFRAID.

They have suffered grievous losses in killed and wounded; they have had their chums and closest friends stricken down beside them; and yet today they are entirely unshaken and absolutely unafraid.

SOCIAL INTERCOURSE POSSIBLE.

I meet many of the officers here in the convent from time to time. When out of the trenches they often come for a hot bath or for a dinner, and many a time they come up after their evening dinner in the convent kitchen and have a good smoke and chat in my bedroom, a room which is shared by Father Guay and Father Knox, both of them most genial men and military chaplains.

NERVE TORTURE BOMBARDMENT.

For a solid week we have been enduring the nerve torture of a reciprocal bombardment. And we seem to be very near the centre of things. German shells have been bursting to right of us, to left of us and in front of us, not more than a mile away in either direction, while our own guns, big and little, have been adding to the hideous uproar.

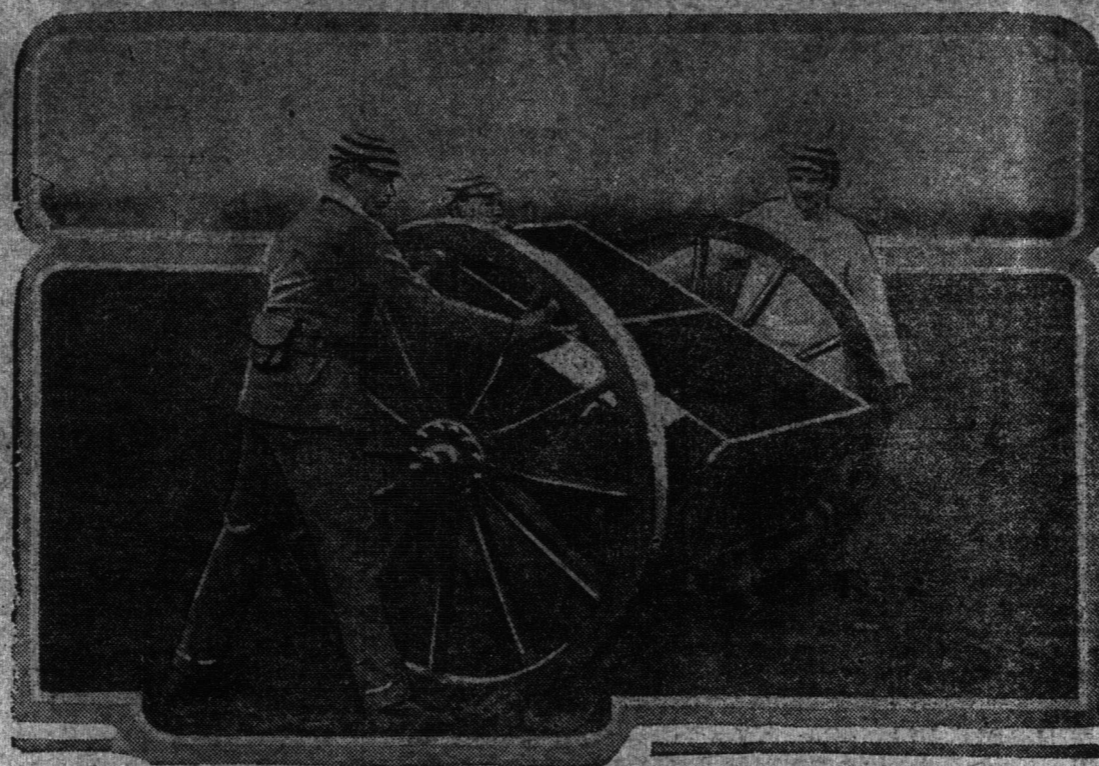
A THRILLING SIGHT.

The other day just at dusk, when I was about to go up to the village near by, I witnessed what to me was a most impressive sight. Two battalions, one headed by pipers, the other by a brass band, were marching out on their way to the trenches.

BE GLAD FOR THE DAY.

I read with pride and pleasure of the fine recruiting work going on in our own province and in Canada at large. No need now for me to add anything in the way of incentive and encouragement to young men to see their duty and to do it. Let me close by wishing to you and to all who read this letter a Happy Christmas. It anticipates by a few days the Great Birthday itself.

YOUNG PRINCE HENRY A WAR WORKER



On a recent half-holiday at Eton the 700 students volunteered, instead of playing football, to unload war stores at a nearby station. H.R.H. Prince Henry, His Majesty's third son, worked enthusiastically with his school fellows. The photo shows the Prince (on left) at the wheel.

MONCTON MAN KILLED; MEMBER OF 55TH ILL

Saturday Dec. 18. The midnight casualty list has the name of James McPhee, of Springhill (N. S.), as wounded with the 26th battalion. Although born in Springhill, McPhee was well known in St. John.

HAMPTON OFFICER WRITES FROM FRONT ASKING FOR SOCKS

Hampton Village, Dec. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Dann leave today for Boston, where they will spend the Christmas season.

KITCHENER DENIES HE IS ENGAGED

London, Dec. 17.—It was officially announced tonight by the private secretary to Earl Kitchener, British secretary of war, that the report of the engagement of Earl Kitchener to Miss Minto was untrue.

ROYAL DUKE'S YEAR-END MESSAGE TO BOY SCOUTS THROUGHOUT CANADA

Gerald H. Brown, honorary dominion secretary of the Boy Scouts, upon instructions from his royal highness the chief scout, has distributed a circular letter to the scouts throughout the dominion.

ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRING TO BLOW UP WELLDAN CANAL

New York, Dec. 17.—Paul Koenig, formerly head of the Secret Service of the Hamburg-American line, and Richard Emil Lindecker, were arrested tonight by agents of the department of justice, charged with conspiring to attempt to blow up the Welland canal.

FIELD MARSHAL FRENCH IN PARIS ON WAY HOME

Paris, Dec. 19.—Field Marshal Sir John French arrived at Paris this evening from the front. He will be received tomorrow afternoon by President Poincaré.

VISCOUNT FRENCH PREDICTS VICTORY IN HIS VALEDICTORY TO BRITISH ARMY IN FIELD

London, Dec. 19.—Field Marshal Sir John French issued the following official order of the day yesterday, before leaving the army on the western front.

"In relinquishing command of the British army in France I wish to express to the officers, the non-commissioned officers and men, with whom I have been so closely associated during the last sixteen months, my heartfelt sorrow in parting with them before the campaign, in which we have been so long engaged together, has been brought to a victorious conclusion.

"I have, however, the firmest conviction that such a glorious ending to their splendid and heroic efforts is not far distant, and I shall watch their progress towards this final goal with intense interest, but in the most confident hope. The success so far attained has been due to the indomitable spirit and dogged tenacity, which knows no defeat, and the heroic courage, so abundantly displayed by the rank and file of the splendid army, which it will ever remain the pride and glory of my life to have commanded during over sixteen months of incessant fighting.

"The regulars and the territorials of the old army and the new army have ever shown these magnificent qualities in equal degree. From my heart I thank them all.

"At this sad moment of parting my heart goes out to those who have received life long injury from wounds, and I think, with sorrow, of that great and glorious host of my beloved comrades who have made the greatest sacrifice of all, by laying down their lives for their country.

"In saying good-bye to the British army in France, I ask them once again to accept this expression of my deepest gratitude and heartfelt devotion towards them, and my earnest good wishes for a glorious future, which I feel to be assured."

"J. D. P. FRENCH, Field Marshal, Commanding-in-chief, British Army in France."

Another German Cruiser Sunk

Amsterdam, Dec. 20.—It has been officially announced in Berlin that the small German cruiser Bremen and a torpedo boat accompanying her have been sunk by a submarine in the eastern Baltic sea.

The Bremen was built in 1903. She had a displacement of 3,250 tons, was 340 feet long and 43 1/2 feet beam and in peace times carried a crew of about 300 men. She was in St. John a few years ago and was the only one of the German cruisers at large at the outbreak of war to escape and reach German home waters.

London, Dec. 20.—The Daily Mail's Copenhagen correspondent says he learns that the torpedoing of the German cruiser Bremen and the German torpedo boat occurred Friday night close to Libau, while the Bremen was returning, with lights out, from an inspection of the entrance to the Finnish Gulf.

The correspondent adds that the attack was made by two British submarines.

Paris, Dec. 18.—"Two German hydro aeroplanes from the air station at Zebruggen flying over the sea close to the water were perceived and fired upon by a torpedo boat at a point ten miles to the north of Nieuport. One of these flying machines fell into the sea and the two officers on board were made prisoners," so it was announced here officially this afternoon.

London, Dec. 19.—The following British official statement was issued tonight:

"Early this morning the enemy discharged gas against our line to the north-east of Ypres, accompanied by a heavy bombardment. Except at a few places, where they were driven back before reaching our lines, they were prevented from leaving their trenches by our fire. Our protective measures against gas proved effective, and our line is everywhere intact.

"Except for artillery activity on both sides, there has been no further development during the day. The hostile artillery was unusually active east of Ypres and also against our trenches west and south of Messines.

"The enemy blew up two mines in front of our trenches east of Armentières early this morning. Hostile infantry attempted to occupy the craters, but were driven off by our rifle fire.

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SUPREME EFFORT IS NECESSARY TO MEET EXTREMITY

Lord Mayor of London Appeals to the Public—Seven Millions of Heroic Little Nation Living in Misery That Can Scarcely Be Conceived.

London, Dec. 16.—"Only organized effort on an unprecedented scale will avert the tragedy of the collapse of the self-restraint of the Belgian people, which must come when they face starvation," says the Lord Mayor of London.

It is appeals such as this made by the Lord Mayor of London that, in the past, have been met with responses that have kept the Belgian people from starvation. Canada's wheat crop this year is much in excess of that of any previous year, a strange and happy coincidence and of this bountiful harvest it is expected the people of Canada will give the Belgians the one thing they need most—wheat.

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FORD PEACE PARTY ALLOWED TO GO FORWARD FROM KIRKWALL

London, Dec. 17.—Announcement was made by the foreign office tonight that the steamer Oscar II, having on board the Ford peace party, has been permitted to proceed on her voyage to Christiania.

On the eastern front only small engagements among patrols are reported. Near Niadial Lake two officers and 239 men were captured.

Constantinople, via London, Dec. 20.—The following official statement has been issued by the Ottoman war office:

"Trak front: Local fighting is developing in our favor near Kut-el-Amara. Our forces have been successful in driving the enemy back from the front. Near Apafarta and Avilburn there have been artillery and bomb encounters near Seddul Bahir. The enemy as usual, fired a great number of bombs and aerial torpedoes against our trenches in the centre of our line, which were repelled.

Vienna, via London, Dec. 19.—The Austrian statement issued today reads as follows:

"Russian theatre: Beyond local artillery actions there is nothing to report. Italian theatre: On the northern slopes of Monte San Michele the Italians delivered infantry attacks, which were repulsed.

The situation is unchanged. "Southeastern theatre: The fighting in Montenegro continues to take a favorable course. Yesterday about eight hundred Montenegrin prisoners were brought in."

PIUS MICHAUD, M. P., NOMINATED AS CANDIDATE

Unanimous Choice of Great Liberal Convention at Madawaska.

St. Leonard's, N. B., Dec. 16.—The largest and most enthusiastic convention ever held in Madawaska convened today and unanimously chose Pius Michaud, M. P., as the standard-bearer of the Liberal party for the combined counties of Restigouche-Madawaska at the next general elections.

TAUGHT SIR DOUGLAS HAIG PROPER WAY TO GROOM A HORSE

Fredricton, Dec. 16.—(Special)—Capt. F. A. Good, of this city, has received word that his son, Lieut. Avrak Good, has been transferred from the 23rd Battalion to the 25th as signalling officer.

CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL FOR WOUNDED CANADIANS

The Editor of The Telegraph: Sir.—Would you be able to publish the following appeal from one of the members of the Loyalist Chapter, Mrs. Malcolm McAvity, who is now in Folkestone?

"The Canadian women in Folkestone have decided to open a Convalescent hospital for wounded Canadian soldiers. It is greatly needed, and Dr. Rennie addressed us the other day and asked us to do it. We have to supply all funds with the exception of a few, which we are raising by subscription. We need about \$12,000 to back us before starting out, and we are all writing home to see what we can do. Do you think you could interest any of the Chapter, any little would help? We can also use apples, games, books, hospital shirts, etc. It seems a shame to be asking when you have so much already to give to, but anything will help. The hospital will have 50 beds to start with and more will be added later. Lady Allan will be president. I am going to work in the Diet Kitchen."

Sincerely yours, KATIE E. MACKAY, Regent Loyalist Chapter, St. John, Dec. 14, 1915.

Newcastle, Dec. 16.—Geo. H. Oak, of Quarryville, whose two sons, one Gen. Sir J. H. Oak, 104th, and the other, Millicent C., already in France, had previously donned the khaki, has enlisted in the 132nd.

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WANTED—Second or male teacher for Sch. 2, Parishes of Aberdeen, Melton county. (District rapidly, stating salary, to K. Meth, Glassville, R. F. D., N. B.)

WANTED—Second teacher for Darling's, Apply, stating salary, to Mrs. J. G. King, secretary, King's County (N. B.)

FOR SALE

FARM for sale, three Belisle station, App. Benson, Shannon post-off.

We wish to thank for their continued and to intimate the term begins Monday third.

BIRTHS

HAWKER—Born to Robert W. Hawker, 40 on Dec. 16, a daughter, BOVAIRD. At home on the 19th inst., Mr. M. Bovard, a daughter, BROWN—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Brown, 14 Clarence 18th inst., a son.

MARRIAGES

PEARMAN—WELCH David's church, on the 18th inst., Mr. J. A. MacKenzie, of the Bank of Montreal, Hazel Ingle, daughter of Robert B. Welch, of Woodville.

DEATHS

BARKER—Entered in residence, Mount Pleasant, at his late residence, on Dec. 15, William Barker, aged seventy-three years, leaving one son and three daughters and one sister to mourn.

EMERY—Sudden, at his late residence, on Dec. 15, Elizabeth, widow of J. W. Davis, leaving one son and one daughter to mourn.

BRITTAIN—Entered in residence, on Dec. 16, at his late residence, on Dec. 16, Patrick, son of John Patrick, leaving three sons and one daughter to mourn.

HART—At his late residence, on Dec. 15, Walter T. eldest child, leaving one son and one daughter to mourn.

IN MEMORY

In memory of James J. King, who departed this life Dec. 15, 1915. In loving memory of Edith, Thomas, who departed from this life on Dec. 15, 1915. Sleep on dear father, thy will be done. The midnight star shined on one we loved so well. LOVING WIFE AND DAUGHTER.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Mary Seely and wish to thank their friends for their sympathy and floral tributes in their bereavement. The family of the late Mrs. King, county press to neighbors and sincere gratitude for the respect shown at the funeral service, and particularly to the Rev. C. G. King, although ill, left his side at the burial service. The family of the late Mrs. King, county press to neighbors and sincere gratitude for the respect shown at the funeral service, and particularly to the Rev. C. G. King, although ill, left his side at the burial service.

His Reply: "Johnny," said the father must go to bed now." replied Johnny much deeper in the chair. "Oh, sonny," persisted father, know that Early to be wise makes a man healthy, my boy." Johnny man in silence for a moment, with a wise shake of his head, said: "You didn't go to bed, were a boy, did you, father."

Her Reply: Modest Sutor—I have year, sir; but I think I daughter on that. Father (enthusiastic) my dear boy. Why you entire family on it. Well.