MISS THOMPSON MUST REMAIN IN JAIL, SAYS JUDGE

Cannot Be Liberated Without Answer, Justice Middleton Tells Grand Jurors.

REVIEWS UNUSUAL CASE

Presiding Judge of the Fall Assizes Declares Publicity Warrants Explanation.

Mr. Justice Middleton in his address to the grand jury at the opening of the supreme court assizes Monday afternoon, dwelt at length upon the case of Miss Margaret Thompson.

The presiding judge called attention to the fact that the case was one which had attracted Dominion-wide attention and in view of the circumstances he expressed himself as feeling justified in outlining in detail the events in connection with it.

Miss Thompson, he said, had served the longest contempt sentence ever known in Canada. The reason for committing her to jail was because of her absolute refusal to answer questions concerning the whereabouts of her niece, Jean Link, who had been awarded to the father after some years of litigation between the father and Miss Thompson, the child's aunt.

"Let it be understood that Miss Thompson was committed to jail for coercive reasons, and not to punish her," said Justice Middleton.

Miss Thompson refused to regard the mandate of the judge, and if the dignity of the courts and the laws of the dominion were to be respected they must be enforced, notwithstanding the fact that their enforcement was sometimes not in accord with public sentiment at all times, pointed out the judge.

Many persons, he said, were in sympathy with Miss Thompson, and no doubt justly so, but still the courts could not be disregarded and laws disrespected because of sympathy and public sentiment.

The commitment reads "until such time as she purges herself of the said contempt."

Mr. Justice Middleton plainly interpreted what this meant. It meant, he said, that she must answer the questions ordered or remain in jail until such time as she did.

"She will not have 'purged herself of the contempt until the questions are answered,'" said the justice.

In calling attention to the petitions signed by 4,000 citizens and submitted to the dominion minister of justice and the attorney-general of the province, Mr Justice Middleton pointed out that for sympathetic reasons these persons were rightly guided, but otherwise not.

The petitions were not acted upon, and justly so, he declared, because Miss Thompson was not in jail for a crime, and was not there to be punished, but kept there in an effort to compel her to obey the court order. The power of her release was in her own hands, and here alone, if the dignity of the court was upheld.

ELABORATE TUNNELS AND TRENCHES GIVEN OVER BY THE ENEMY

Crown Prince Spilled Much Blood in Vain.

VILLAGES ARE DESTROYED

Ruin and Desolation Mark Prospect Before Chemin-des-Dames.

French Front in France, Nov. 5.—By the Associated Press.—The Germans still hold the northern slope of the valley of the Ailette after their retreat from the Chemin-des-Dames, of which nothing remains but the historic name and its dominating position over the marshes and lowlands. The famous little river, whose entire course the correspondent was unable to follow on Sunday as it meandered through the boggy undergrowth, would scarcely be worth working on a map, as its greatest breadth is only about three yards. The Germans had made many passages over the stream, all of which were destroyed when the last man of their retreating forces went over.

French patrols everywhere reached the southern bank, but whenever they attempted to attain the other side they met with a murderous machine gun fire. The whole southern slope of the valley was swept hour after hour on Sunday with German shells of all calibres, many of them charged with noxious gases. Every place where the Germans believed the French were concentrating received continuous salvos, which, however, did little damage. Several thousand projectiles were fired by the Germans' artillery in the course of the day in this sector, most of which apparently were fired at very long range, and struck without exploding.

Villages in Ruins.

The correspondent approached the front lines, and a splendid view could be obtained right along the valley and over the ground for the possession of which the German crown prince's army has spilled so much blood. Seemingly a short distance away, well within machine gun range, could be observed the ruins of the villages of Chermonille, Neuville, Chermizy, Bouconville and Vauclerc, while along the crest of the plateau could be discerned here and there faint traces of what once had been the Chemin-des-Dames, now a mere collection of deep shell craters running into each other.

Below this road, on the northern side, the gaping mouths of great tunnels opened, showing where the Germans had concentrated and sheltered their troops. Very slight damage had been done these shelters, except in cases where the timbers supporting the roofs and sides had been sprinkled with petrol and set afire, sometimes causing the earth to collapse.

Every Inch Pulverized.

Marching over the battlefield atop this plateau, it was easy to visualize the terrific nature of the fighting which has been going on these many months. Both the German and French trenches and positions had been shelled out of all shape, and it was difficult to understand how the troops held on under the incessant bombardment. There was not an inch of ground that had not been pulverized, and now with the heavy autumn mists and frequent rains, the ground has been formed into a sticky mess, progress through which is really a form of punishment. The great mounds known as Casemates and California Plateau stand out boldly, making the reason plain why both sides fought so obstinately for their possession.

When acquaintance becomes closer the wonder arises how men fighting there were able to approach each other's positions for attacks and counter-attacks, since every step means sinking knee deep in clinging mud.

Returning to the rear, the correspondent found the villages of Coronelle and Ouiches just a heap of stones, even their graveyards having been churned into mud.

Meanwhile, over on the other side the Frenchtroops arekeeping in closest contact with the Germans, whose intentions cannot be divined. Their shellfire, although heavy, appears to come from only a few scattered batteries, the intervals between which are held by machine guns.

LOCAL NEWS

JOINS 63RD.—Sergt. George Lamb has been transferred from No. 2 Section, Division Ammunition Column to the 63rd Depot Battery at Carling Heights Camp.

SIGNAL COURSE STARTS.—Thirty men from both the 63rd and 64th Depot Batteries entered upon a new course in signalling at the district school of instruction at the Armories Monday.

SALE TOMORROW.—The rummage sale to be given by the ladies of the First Presbyterian Church will be held all day Wednesday in the premises just west of Talbot street, on Dundas.

FOUND UNFIT.—Capt. Frederick Nicholls of the Army Medical Corps has been discharged from F Unit, Military Hospitals Commission Command, as physically unfit, it is announced in camp orders.

"BROWN-EYED BETTY."—A concert to be given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Ridout Street Methodist Church will be held on Thursday evening, November 8th, at 8 o'clock. At this concert the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Guild will present "Brown-Eyed Betty."

TRANSFERRED TO LONDON.—Eight sergeants have been transferred from Army Medical Corps Training Depot No. 2 at Toronto to the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. R., and have reported for duty as instructors at Queen's Park Camp. They are: Sergts. J. W. Holliway, R. Downing, H. L. Winter, T. H. Hetherington, W. W. Collins, G. B. Walker, M. E. M. Kemp, J. C. Hill.

CORP. GALBRAITH RETURNING.—Corp. Hugh Galbraith of this city is returning in the near future to Canada. Early in the war he went with the R. C. R. to Bermuda, and thence to England and France. A year ago last spring he was seriously wounded, and since that time he has been in England, for several months on duty at the Canadian headquarters in London, England.

FIVE-DOLLAR ASSAULT FINE.—Peter Lazarevitch and Wozell Kozack were found guilty in police court today of having assaulted William Ginsberg as the latter gazed at a pile of money on a table where a game of cards was in progress on Thursday night last at a house on Ottaway avenue. Each was fined $5 and costs. Mike Kisell, who was also charged, made a get-away, and has not been seen since.

FIRST OF SERIES.—The first of the series of meetings for the deepening of spiritual life being held in connection with the fortieth anniversary of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church, was held yesterday afternoon and evening. Rev. Llewellyn Brown, M. A., of Brantford, who is leading the meetings, delivered two impressive and helpful addresses. The meetings will be continued every day this week except Saturday.

CHANGED PROGRAM.—The "Special Night" of Tennyson Smith's series of local meetings will take place in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, on Thursday evening, when he will give an evening of dramatic recitals illustrative of "The Humorous, Pathetic and Tragic Phases of Life." This is looked upon as the principal event in connection with his campaign, and is an entire change from the meetings which precede it, as on this occasion Tennyson Smith appears in the role of an elocutionist. This program gives Tennyson Smith far more scope for his versatile talents as a dramatic impersonator, and for his gifts of mimicry. This is the only meeting to which a charge is made for admission. A large audience is expected on this last night.

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CANADA'S LOSS

tion that the lists will be heavy for some days.

Infantry.

Killed in Action—255389 C. W. Newton, Clifford, Ont.

Died of Wounds—654594 N. W. Jones, Centralia, Ont.

Wounded.—460373 R. E. McIntyre, Renfrew; 1009485 Ray Phillip, Cottam; 690865 Daniel Hopkinson, 27 Lincoln street, Hamilton; 189475 Sergt. Elston Bambrick, Springfield; 727223 Wm. Bradley, Stratford; 437200 J. E. Morris, Owen Sound; 727817 W. L. Fraser, Shakespeare, Ont.; 839144 Cameron Porter, Owen Sound, Ont.; 195826 W. J. Armstrong, Mount Pleasant, Ont.; 654460 J. A. Hudson, Hensall, Ont.; 850037 J. G. Dreward, Bridge street, Niagara Falls, Ont.; 722621 H. H. MacDonald, Bluevale, Ont.; 838463 Frank Oliver, East Owen Sound, Ont.; 654165 W. E. Lynn, Roxeter, Ont.; 839070 G. H. Tomlinson, Meaford, Ont.; 654645 Charles Pennington, Goderich, Ont.; 527788 Robert Pharr, Stratford, Ont.;

USE RED CROSS TO PLUCK CASH FROM DETROIT POCKETS

Crooks Manage To Get Away With $3,600 by This Means.

London Shriners who attended the recent celebration in Detroit, returned with a story that shows to what lengths the "crook" element of the big Michigan city will go to replenish their bank rolls.

While a procession of several patrols was proceeding through the principal streets four men with a banner on which was printed "Help the Red Cross" went ahead of the Shriners. They appealed to the crowds lining the sidewalks and to men and women in motor cars. A vibration of patriotic sentiment ran through the crowds, and the four "workers" reaped a harvest. They took in everything from dimes to dollars, and one man emptied his wallet. Suddenly a plainclothesman spotted one of the men. Then it happened. The four dropped their banner and beat it. One man was caught and he confessed to the police that $3,600 had been taken in during the day. Detroit is the city where life is worth living, and they surely make the inhabitants pay all that its worth.

Another Shriner relates that while the London Arab patrol was passing one man he asked a Londoner who was standing on the sidewalk as to their identity.

"Why, that's the Arab patrol," was the reply.

"Too many of those — Arabs loose in this country while we are at war," was the comment of the super-patriot.

ELIGIBLES AWAIT TO MAKE APPEAL PERSONAL ONES

One-half of the eligibles in this district have signed claims for exemptions or reports for service to date.

Today 1,256 claims for exemption and 46 reports for service were filed at the office of Deputy Registrar W. E. Wismer, making a total of 19,916 claims and 496 reports for service.

The exemption tribunals will commence their duties on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, and will sit until 5 o'clock each day until Saturday afternoon.

It is expected that hundreds of men in class one are awaiting the sittings of the tribunals in order to present their cases in person. Many believe that their claims can be made much more explicit if delivered verbally than they can on the printed forms.

Whether the tribunals will be able to handle all the men who come up in person is a question yet to be answered.

CHURCH "SPONGING" AS BAD AS ATTEMPT TO "BEAT" BUTCHER

People Must Pay Their Way, Says Minister.

EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY

District Convention Now in Progress in Dundas Centre Church.

The annual convention of the London District Epworth League is being held today in Dundas Street Methodist Church, the morning session opening at 10 o'clock, W. C. McArthur, president, being in the chair.

After the devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. W. E. Pescott, B.A., Dr. E. E. Wilson gave an address of welcome, to which Silas R. McCullough replied. Rev. G. W. W. Rivers, B.A., B.D., spoke on the summer school, making an urgent plea for the young people to attend the summer school at Alma College next year.

Gordon Y. Thompson, who is this week conducting evangelistic services in Colborne Street Methodist Church, spoke on "How to Lead Our Youth Into a Richer Religious Experience." He chose as his text, "He shall be like a tree that grows beside the river," from Psalm 1, pointing out how as the tree is nourished by its roots underground, so a great part of all life is underneath the surface.

"Just as we shall know them by their fruits," said Mr. Thompson, "so must we grow them by their roots. There is a great lack of roots in the lives of people, and there are three roots which I want you to remember to grow. The first is Bible study, the second prayer and the third work."

Mr. Thompson closed with the following poem, composed by him for the occasion:

"Are you a post or a tree?
Either of these you must be.
Are you stuck in a spot
To do nothing but rot,
Merely for people to see?
Are you a post or a tree,
With sap flowing vital and free.
Have you done reaching roots,
Are you growing some fruit,
Are you a post or a tree?"

No Sponging in Church.

Rev. Byron Snell, speaking on "Should Young People Support the Various Benevolences of the Church," outlined the various benevolent work of the church, and concluded that it certainly was incumbent on the young people to support the various benevolences of the church, and that it would be a joy for them to do so. People should give because of the opportunities which giving affords, and also because of the grace of giving. Mr. Snell, during his address, made this statement that "people have as much right to sponge their way with the butcher and milliner as to sponge their way in the church."

The speaker emphasized the necessity of every member in the family having a share in the giving, that the father should not hold the purse strings and give all in one big amount.

"This will teach the young people in giving, and there is not anything which we ought to have, that we cannot get in a thirty-year period by ingraining it in the lives of the young people today."

Luncheon at Church.

At 12 o'clock a luncheon was served in Dundas Centre Church.

This afternoon, Rev. W. R. Osborne and Rev. J. W. Saunby will address the league, and Rev. S. T. Bartlett will conduct a round-table conference. This evening there will again be addresses by Rev. S. T. Bartlett and Rev. J. W Saunby.

CLEAR-CUT ISSUE ON CONSCRIPTION IN COMING FIGHT

Laurier Manifesto Interpreted To Mean He Won't Repeal the Act.

Ottawa, Nov. 5.—Ottawa politicians are studying the manifesto of Sir Wilrid Laurier today and weighing the effect upon the country of the various planks of the Liberal platform. There is little comment so ar, though Government members express some satisfaction that the issue is clear-cut on the conscription act. The interpretation taken rom Sir Wilrid's pronouncements in that regard is that while he will not repeal the act i returned, nor interfere with those already drafted under its provisions, he will not proceed further towards the completion of the quota required to exhaust the act until a referendum has been held and the people have declared on the straight issue.

Straight Liberals express satisfaction at the specific nature of the planks of the platform dealing with economic questions and problems. They declare that the manifesto is an appeal to the common people. The stand of Sir Wilfrid on the Canadian Northern situation is interpreted as meaning that whatever arrangement is made by the board of arbitration under last session's act will be subject to revision by a new parliament should Sir Wilfrid be returned.

CIVIL AUTHORITIES WILL INVESTIGATE "EGGING" OF FLAG

Militia Officers Turn Over Elmira Reports to Crown.

According to reports which reached district militia headquarters Monday, a Union Jack on the residence of James Bolton of Elmira was badly damaged by rotten eggs on Halloween Night. The incident was reported to headquarters here, but the officers replied that the case was one for the civil authorities to take charge of, and it is understood that an investigation is being made into the affair.

Military men today expressed the belief that the flag was not damaged with malicious intent, but as the result of a Halloween prank.

ORANGEMEN CELEBRATE "GUY FAWKES" NIGHT

London Brethren Have Enjoyable Time in Duffield Hall.

The Guy Fawkes entertainment held by London District L. O. L., No. 1, on Monday night in Duffield Hall, was an unqualified success. Over 500 Orangemen were present, and they had the time of their lives. E. T. Essery presided.

Short addresses were given by Professor Wright, Rev. Mr Scott and Rev. Mr. Lattimer.

Following an enjoyable program of songs and dances, progressive euchre and dancing continued till the early hours of the morning.

Those taking part in the program were the Selby-Young Orchestra, Wm. Letchford, Ken Ferguson, Carl Barclay, Iva Barclay, Willie Erskina, Ruth Fitzgerald, Walsh Brothers, Mrs. Rennie, Mrs. Taylor, Stanley Chadwick, the Iolian Quartet, and the Hackett Fife Band.

LONDON SOLDIER WHO DIES OF WOUNDS IN BRITISH HOSPITAL

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PTE. FREDERICK SHOEBOTHAM, whose parents live at 456 Pall Mall street, has been reported "died of wounds." He enlisted in the west.

Expects To Make Radical Change In New Parish

Rev. R. W. Norwood To Inaugurate Evening Services in Philadelphia Church.

One of the former members of Rev. R. W. Norwood's congregation in this city has recently returned from Philadelphia, the scene of his new labors. Here she had an opportunity to again meet and converse with the well-known London clergyman, and now comes home filled with enthusiasm over the beautiful little church in Overbrook, a suburb of Philadelphia, where he now ministers. Mr. Norwood and indeed his whole family are already deeply inshrined in the hearts of his people there, and the liking is not all on one side, for Mr. Norwood is very happy in his new work and filled with enthusiasm. The rectory is beautifully situated in Overbrook, quite near the church.

Each Sunday brings more people to the church, and with the swelling of the congregation comes an increase in enthusiasm about the work of the church. Although it has been the custom, as it is in so many of the churches in the United States, to have a morning service and then one again at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, but no evening service, Mr. Norwood is doing his utmost to bring about a radical change in his church, introducing an evening service. He is now working along this line and hopes to attain his desire in the near future.

To assist him, Mr. Norwood has Miss Gladys Wright of this city as his secretary. During the morning, she is busied with her secretarial duties and in the afternoon devotes her time to parish visiting. Indeed, Mr. Norwood has several helpers who relieve him of a great part of his work in the parish, so that he may devote more and more time to study and sermon writing. It is the intention of the church to keep all his sermons on file and later publish them.

In a recently-published number of the Parish News, an official organ of the church, Mr. Norwood contributes the following poem:

Guard well thy heart—
It is a shrine
Wherein apart
Dwells the Divine.

There no rude thought
May find a place,
Where God hath sought
Thee face to face.

ALLIES MUST TAKE CONTROL IN RUSSIA TO CONTINUE PART

Follow German Lead in Austria, Says Minister.

A paper on the history which has led up to present conditions in Russia was presented by John Shumilo, superintendent of the Russian mission, at the meeting of the Baptist Ministerial Association today.

Mr. Shumilo reviewed the history of Russia, emphasizing the fact that up to 500 years ago the people owned all the land. Three hundred years ago under the "Duke" system the land was taken from the people and placed under large land owners and a heavy taxation imposed on the people.

"Just before the war," said the speaker, "the Germans were encouraged to come in and take up the land which was given to them free. The czar was charged with exploiting the people and, it was stated, the state church the Orthodox Greek, had been nothing more nor less than spy system for the czar. Wielding great power over the people, the Greek church kept them in ignorance and darkness."

The view was expressed by Mr. Shumalo that Russia is practically helpless at the present time, and that if she is to continue to do her part in the war, control must be taken by the Allies, just as Germany has taken control in Austria.

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MACKLEM TEARFULLY

Macklem was unique in the history of the war.

Further indications of the official recognition of Col. Macklem were in official telegrams from no less a person than Col. L. W. Shannon, district officer commanding Military District No. 1. The colonel had been invited to attend the banquet, but was unable to come. He expressed his regret that he was unable to participate in the honor being paid to Col. Macklem.

How Did He Do It?

If there was nothing to back up Macklem's claims, as newspaper reports from Detroit would indicate, Tilbury people are wondering how it was possible for the colonel to secure indorsation, tacit though it might have been, of the commanding officer of the district and of a lawyer of the reputation of Edmund Bristol. Results of the Detroit investigation are being eagerly watched. The "colonel" has scores of personal friends and relatives in town and district, and it is believed that these friends will stick by him until he is proved either guilty of the accusations or reinstated in public opinion.

Stories of his invention and the results it had attained in Britain were sent back to Canada months before the colonel landed in the country. Full publicity was given to the claims made on behalf of the Tilbury man, and why it has taken so many months to check up on these claims is a question which cannot be answered locally.

STANDARD STOCK AND MINING EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Nov. 6.—Morning sales: Apex, 4000 at 6¼; 15,000 at 6⅝; Dome Lake, 1000 at 16; McIntyre, 100 at 133; New Rey, 100 at 47; Porcupine Crown, 500 at 26, 1000 at 25; Teck-Hughes, 500 at 39; West Dome, 1000 at 14½; Adanac, 1000 at 12; Bailey, 1000 at 5⅞; Beaver, 100 at 33½; Chambers, 500 at 10; Great Northern, 400 at 5; Hargraves, 100 at 8½, 3500 at 8¾; McKinley, 200 at 59, 500 at 59¾; Mining Corporation, 25 at 4; Nipissing, 50 at 775; Oprii, 500 at 9½; Provincial, 1150 at 39½, 1000 at 39.

MORE MEN COMING FOR MEDICAL TEST; 79 APPEAR MONDAY

Increase Over Previous Days Shown at Armories.

SEVEN LONDON RECRUITS

Ten Men in All Don Khaki at First of the Week.

The three military medical boards at the armories had a fairly busy day on Monday. Seventy-nine men came before the doctors, 43 being passed as fit for overseas service.

Seven of the ten recruits signed up Monday were from this city. Five went to the W. O. R., and two to the 7th Details.

The three recruits from the United States all were allotted to the W. O. R.

Following is a list of the recruits: F. C. Booth, England, W. O. R., London; D. Richie, Canada, W. O. R., London; A. W. Hosking, Canada, W. O. R., London; N. Fowler, England, 7th Details, London; H. Gilbert, England, W. O. R., London; H. D. Barrett, Canada, W. O. R., London; F. Drinkwater, Canada, 7th Details, London; W. A. Smith, U. S. A., W. O. R., Saginaw; J. R. Faulkner, Canada, W. O. R., Flint; R. R. Duble, Canada, W. O. R., Saginaw.

Following is the category of the men examined Monday:

Class A, combatant service overseas	43
Class B, non-combatant service overseas	14
Class C, service in Canada	3
Class D, doubtful	2
Class E, unfit	17
Total	79

TAXI DRIVERS WILL REQUEST COUNCIL TO INCREASE TARIFF

Claim Present Rates Are Inadequate Now..

WERE MADE 30 YEARS AGO

Fines in Police Court for Excess Charges Bring Action by Owners.

Two of their number having been convicted in police court recently because of charging fares in excess of the bylaw, 46 taxi drivers will go as a deputation to the city council at its next session and ask for an amendment to the bylaw that will permit them to charge what they call "living rates."

The taxi drivers claim that they are bound down to the bylaw that governed cab fares in years gone by, when the city limits were Adelaide street.

"That bylaw was passed thirty years ago, when you could buy beefsteak for 10 cents a pound and eggs at 10 cents a dozen, but I think they cost a trifle more now, and I fail to see why we shouldn't have more money than was charged them," said a taxi driver today when Magistrate Gaydon convicted one of the drivers in the morning police court of having charged a fare in excess of the bylaw.

The taxi driver argued that he and his 45 fellow-drivers would starve if they were held down to the rates laid down thirty years ago.

Magistrate Gaydon stated that his contention was no doubt right and that he would advise the men to seek an amendment to the bylaw if they wished to avoid police court fines.

The present rates allowed under the old bylaw are 25 cents for one or two passengers taken to destination within the mile circle from the corner of Dundas and Richmond, and 15 cents for the second mile. If the taxi driver has to wait five minutes only he must return the passenger at the same above-mentioned rates. After 12 o'clock 50 cents a person can be charged within the mile circle.

When the deputation goes to the council, a diagram will be presented in which the city will be laid out in half-mile circles. The taxi drivers will ask that an amendment be made which will permit them to double their present rate, or charge 50 cents for one or two persons in the first mile and 25 cents for each additional half mile.

ANOTHER CAR OFFERED TO POLICE BY OWNER

Presented to Anyone Who Can Make It Run 40 Miles, Says Its Driver.

Noah Fox contributed $5 and costs in police court today upon his plea of guilty to a charge laid under the motor vehicle act. He admitted that he had speeded up his "gasoline buggy" on a smooth stretch on Clarence street, but did not, he thought, go at the speed sworn to by Patrolman Frahm.

"How fast do you think he was going?" asked the magistrate of the patrolman.

"About 50 miles an hour, I thought," replied the cop.

"I will give the car to anybody who takes my machine out and gets 40 out of it," replied Fox, who reached for his wallet as the magistrate's words, "Five dollars and costs," fell upon the stillness in the courtroom.

FELL FROM LOFT

Westminster Farm Hand Injured in Drop of 29 Feet.

Edward Hooper, employed at the farm of David Dale, second concession of Westminster Township, sustained serious injuries late on Monday afternoon when he fell from a hay loft a distance of 29 feet to the barn floor below. In falling he struck a projecting plank, which inflicted a severe cut under the chin. In addition he was injured internally.

Dr. James D. Wilson was summoned and attended the injured man. Today he was reported as doing as well as could be expected.

GUARDS RELEASED

Twelve of 7th Details Discharged Under New Orders From Ottawa.

Twelve members of the 7th Regiment Fusiliers Guard Details have been released from the service, in accordance with the instructions issued from Ottawa some time ago to the effect that home service units should be reduced as much as possible, in order to effect economy and to enable any men fit for overseas service to join overseas units.

The following have been given their discharge according to today's camp orders: Ptes. William Anderson, Wilfred Alonzo Harvey, George Albert Kritzer, Kenneth Loucks, Wesley E. Thomas, Welland L. Ravelle, James E. Pettit, William Francis Hand, Frederick Booth, Herbert Willis, James H. Webster, Benjamin Murray.

RED CROSS NEEDS.—Miss Bertha MacIntosh, who went overseas early in the war to represent the local branch of the Canadian Red Cross, will deliver a lecture on "Needs of the Red Cross" on Wednesday afternoon, November 7, at 3 o'clock in the East End Red Cross rooms, corner of Adelaide and Dundas streets. Miss MacIntosh has an interesting story to tell of her experiences in Malta and France. War relics will be on exhibition.

LT.-COL. COLES GETS FULL INDORSATION OF WAR VETERANS

Promises to Work in Interests of Returned Men.

PENSION SCALE SCORED

Major Osborne Declares Men Don't Get Enough To Feed Rabbit.

At a meeting of the members of the Great War Veterans' Association last night, Lieut.-Col. W. G. Coles, soldiers' candidate for the Federal House, received the unanimous indorsation of the soldiers and civilians present. In accepting, Lieut.-Col. Coles said that he would do all in his power to further the ends of the returned soldiers, in the event of his nomination and subsequent election. He said, that the returned men who had given all for their country are entitled to all from their country, and it would be his great effort to contribute to the welfare of the soldiers at all times.

The present system of pensioning returned men, incapacitated from wounds received while at the front, would as far as he could do it, be remedied and an adequate system of recompensing the men be an issue of his platform. However, he could not outline his platform at this time, but said he would postpone it until after the nomination. Major Baron Osborne occupied the chair.

Opening the meeting with a plea that all present unite their efforts in returning the candidate, who according to their judgment is best suited to represent the soldiers and the people in the Federal House, Major Osborne referred to the well known motto, "United we stand; divided we fall," as being applicable to the present situation. He recommended that all present support the Union Government on the grounds that it represented the best interests of the country. The soldiers must have a man representing their interests at Ottawa. The larger the soldiers' representation the more benefits the returned boys will derive from it. If there is a division of opinion, the major continued, it would be the worst thing the dissenters could do, to proclaim their differences to the public on the street.

Entitled to Representation.

"Every man present has a conscience and every man should vote according to the dictates of that conscience," Major Osborne said. "All you men are entitled to the very best the country can give you, and you should see that you have a fair representation in national affairs. The present pensions system must be righted. Men who have become totally disabled through wounds do not get enough to feed a rabbit. The thing is a crying shame. If you are going to indorse Colonel Coles as your representative you must be unanimous in your indorsation. By unity you are determined to get what belongs to you.

"No man has worked harder than Col. Coles for this association, and I am assured that if he has your support he will do the right, square thing by you at all times. Each man must act according to his conscience. At this crucial time in the history of Canada and the Empire, party and creed and custom must be obliviated, and the representation which in your opinion is the right representation for the benefit of the country should receive your whole support. No matter who the candidate is the soldiers should vote for him if they think that he is truly representative of their interess."

After Col. Coles had been unanimously indorsed, Major Osborne said that the G. W. V. A. was now pledged to support its choice to the last ditch.

Col. Coles expressed his appreciation of the honor, he said. His platform was just plain win-the-war. He said he was sorry that coalition government had not been effected three years ago. He said that if the soldiers do not send a candidate to Ottawa they will have to depend upon civilians to adjust their wrongs and give them their rights. He preferred not giving a detailed statement as to his platform until after the convention.

"Don't pull me into it unless you intend to stick by me," he concluded.

Scores Guthrie's Reply.

Sergt.-Major Rawlings said that he had spoken to Hon. Hugh Guthrie about the question of soldiers being represented in Parliament, and Mr. Guthrie, awaiting for the speaker, "had the audacity to say that he couldn't understand why soldiers needed organizations and special representation." The Great War Veterans' Association had a voting membership of 42,000. Nineteen thousand men of Canada had already put in their claim for exemption, and naturally these men would work against the association.

Col. Coles recontinued his address in answer to a question concerning women voting. He said he had not at first realized the tremendous power the returned soldiers' families had in so much that all close female relatives of soldiers will be allowed to vote. In his own family there are six women eligible to cast a vote, and many other returned soldiers are in a similar position.

A member of the association wished to know what would be the stand of the G. W. V. A. in the event of Col. Coles losing the unionist nomination. The colonel replied that he did not know who the soldiers would support.

EVEN AIR RAIDS FAIL TO STIR SOLDIERS

Turn Over and Go to Sleep Again, Writes One Officer.

Capt. A. H. Galbraith, quartermaster of the Western Ontario Regimental Depot in England, writing within the past few weeks to his wife, who is regent of the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., stated that the air raids were bad at the time. When an alarm was given the usual course to pursue was to run for the trenches surrounding the camp.

The manner in which it is apparently possible to get accustomed to even air raids was manifested in his statement that a few evenings before when he heard the alarm he was so tired he just turned over and went to sleep again. The German air fleet was so high up in the sky he took it for granted it would be pretty hard for them to get him.

PTE. YOUNG'S WIFE DIES IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Myra Young of 320 Horton street, died early today in Victoria Hospital. She was the wife of Pte. Fred Young, the soldier poet and writer of the fighting 18th Battalion, whose letters from the trenches and later from the hospitals in England, have appeared in The Advertiser. Pte. Young is now on his way home, and his wife was hoping that he would come before she died. She has been ill for some time, and her soldier husband was advised some time ago that her condition was serious.

Mrs. Young is survived by her mother, Mrs. Selina Albion, one son Stanley, and one daughter Gertrude.

The funeral will be held from the residence of Mrs. Albion, 833 Lovett street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Services will be conducted at 2 o'clock by Rev. Canon Gunn, rector of Christ Church, and interment will be made at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

HAMBURG BIRTHRATE FALLING.

Copenhagen, Oct. 6.—The birth rate in Hamburg, Germany, according to the latest weekly statistics, has fallen below 7.7 per thousand as compared with 9.1 during the first week of June, which itself was highly alarming as indicating a serious decline in the number of births. There were more than 50 per cent more deaths than births during the week, although the mortality is still somewhat lower than June on account of the improvement in food conditions throughout the availability of fresh vegetables.

ESCAPED DEATH BY MIRACLE, SUFFERED TO PREVENT WORRY

London Officer of 135th Concealed Extent of Injuries.

MOTHER FIRST THOUGHT

Lieut. Will Anderson Refused to Be Reported Wounded on Her Account.

In a letter to his sister, Mrs. J. Studley Ashplant of this city, Lieut. Will Anderson, who went overseas with the 135th Battalion, describes how he escaped death by a miracle in the frontline trenches. Rather than have his mother worried over his possible condition he had his wounds concealed, and no official report was made until he was able to write home.

The letter, which throws an interesting sidelight on war conditions of the present time, follows:

My Dear Sister,—I hope that no official notification of my little mishap was cabled to mother. I worked it so that no news would get to her. On September 26, I was almost blown to glory by a shell. Seventeen of us were in the awful mess, but I escaped practically unhurt. Three of my men were killed outright and two more have since died of wounds, and the balance of us were more or less injured and wounded. How I escaped alive is more than I know—a very small piece of shell no larger than a pin-head went right through my cheek and lodged in my gums, four other small pieces penetrated my left thigh, and a scrap of metal got in my right, just above the knee. All these wounds were not serious and healed up within a few days; they barely bled, and that was all. The worst damage occurred to my left ear: the membrance is completely ruptured and practically no hearing at all. The right ear is considerably damaged, but hear remarkably well considering.

"After getting my men to the nearest dressing station, I made tracks for my battalion, and was given immediate attention by the medical officer. He wanted to send me to a field ambulance column, but I knew if I went through this or a dressing station I should have been reported wounded and a cable would have been sent to mother, so I explained this to the M. O. that my reason for not wanting to go was on account of my mother. I thought that she would worry even if I was reported 'slightly wounded.' I stayed in bed at the camp the three following days after the blow-up, and had such awful pains in my head that I was unable to sleep, so I had to give up and the M. O. sent me to the casualty clearing station, where I was admitted on record as sick with acute otitis media, whatever that is, ear trouble, I imagine. I was sent to the Boulogne Base Hospital on September 30, and have been there ever since.

Uniform Torn to Pieces.

"The pains have entirely disappeared only I have a disagreeable ringing noise in my ear. Considering what happened on the 26th, I am as lucky as anyone could possibly be. My uniform was torn to pieces. I lost my glasses and pipe that our old 135th paymaster gave me last year. Thinking that some news may reach mother, I wrote her shortly after the accident, and told her that I had been scratched up, but was now back on duty. I gave her no particulars at all, and treated the matter as nothing worth mentioning.

"I am feeling a thousand per cent better now, the pains have stopped since the effect of the anti-serum passed off. At present I am permitted to get dressed and wander around the hospital. By Monday next I can go out if the weather permits. It has been pretty cold for a day or two. The rainy weather started yesterday, so from now on we shall be having the usual Flanders wind.

"All during September we had no rain at all, and our advances were pulled off without a hitch or delay. The push on the fourth of October was a good one—sorry to say I missed the show up the line, but it could not be helped. I cannot be in hospital and up there at the same time. It does one good to see hundreds of Germans being marched back to the cages, where they are confined. They are a hungry and weary-looking bunch—look more like animals than human beings.

Have It Over Fritz.

"Our soldiers have it over Fritz in every way. They are cheerful and well clothed, and the Germans are just the opposite. And judging from the way that they attack the bread that they are given, one would think that they had not tasted it for years. Several of the prisoners that I saw could speak English, and they were yelling at the top of their voices: 'The war is over.' I presume that they meant that the war was over for them.

"The artillery is massed to such an extent that the German iron line is smashed at every point. When our artillery opens fire the noise is beyond description. Our men smile as they hear our shell screaming and whistling over their heads, knowing full well that Fritz is getting perfect hell.

"The going over the top is an easy proposition compared to what it was at the beginning of the war. Our infantry can go into action now with confidence and expectancy of success, and throughout all branches of the service the men display the best of spirits, and they have a brave 'I will' determination to defeat Fritz.

"We have been extremely fortunate regarding casualties; the percentage is much lower than formerly, and the amount of ground gained has been beyond expectation considering our slight losses.

Wonderful Care of Wounded.

"The manner in which the wounded are handled really commands admiration. From leaving the stretcher-bearers until reaching the base hospital the man receives the best attention possible. The nursing sisters, doctors, orderlies, do everything for the wounded in their power. The ward suits which I saw you making for the Red Cross are a real comfort and an absolute necessity, the wounded arrive with nothing but a pair of pyjamas, all his other clothing is taken from him at the first dressing station, unless he happens to be a walking case, which is the classification for minor wounds received in the face, hands or arms. The hospitals supply us with splendid things: meals, reading matter, smokes, matches and everything in the way of necessities.

"The Red Cross is doing wonderful work, and you may tell your workers that their efforts are really appreciated by thousands of wounded chaps who have helped to make our ultimate success possible.

Your loving brother, WILL."

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Richardson, wife of Ven. Archdeacon Richardson, is slightly improved. She has been very ill as a result of a recent attack of heart weakness.

QUERIES REGARDING MILITARY SERVICE

Send In Your Problems and They Will Be Answered From Official Information by The Advertiser.

Question.—Could a young man who was placed in Category E, go to the United States after being exempted, to take a position? How long could he stay, and would he have to report periodically?

A READER.

Answer.—He would have to consult the immigration officials after he had obtained his exemption certificate, but there appears to be no reason why he should not be allowed to go. It is not likely that any conditions would be laid upon him with regard to reporting or returning within a limited time.

Question.—1. There have been no tribunals appointed for the township in which I reside. Can a person have the choice of the board before which he may state his case? 2. If not satisfied to come before the board to which he is directed, what steps might he take to be heard before another board?

AN INQUIRER.

Answer.—1. No. The man has no choice in the matter, but must go to the tribunal to which he is directed by the deputy registrar, which is in most cases the nearest one to his place of residence.

2. If he has reasonable grounds for not being satisfied to lay his claims before the tribunal to which he is directed, he might write to W. E. Wismer, deputy registrar of Military District No. 1, London, placing the facts before him, and asking that his case be considered.

Question.—I. I am the only help my father has on the farm, and I am under a doctor's care. I took out exemption claim at the postoffice, but I have since been examined, and placed in Category D. Will I have to present this medical history sheet in person before the tribunal or can I claim exemption without going before the tribunal? 2. Should I have a certificate from our family doctor to present also?

A. R.

Answer.—1. If you take your medical history sheet to the postoffice, or mail it