

Canada, and we can raise as many more. The other day we raised in Nova Scotia alone, a gallant little province like that, a whole Highland Brigade in a fortnight. Think of it! And these men, who speak the Gaelic, are the finest fighters in the world, serious, dour men, and everyone of them is willing to leave his bones in Flanders. What for? For Human Liberty. Oh, I tell you the spirit out there is fine—its fine. There is a freshness about it, and a greatness, and something of a beauty, too. Its the most inspiring thing in my life. I always knew Canada could do it. But the doing of it, the actual thing done before your eyes—well, its magnificent."

It was a whirlwind sweep over the whole province, In many cases the February *Journal* with instructions did not reach the school in time for Friday the 25th; but the work was done then all the more effectively a few days later. The reports of the teachers were in many cases so interesting and on the whole so worthy of presentation for historical purposes, that the Inspectors were asked to have them transmitted to the Education Office.

### Increased Protection and Saving.

Dr. C. C. James, Dominion Agricultural Commissioner, is calling attention thru all Canada to the urgent necessity of increased "*Production and Thrift*." The schools are expected to stimulate the productions of not only "school gardens" but of the home gardens as well as of the farms. The pupils are instructed to carry a message from the schools to the parents: "Let us *produce*—let us *raise* as much as we possibly can; for that may be as useful as any other form of service in helping to bring this war to a successful close."

But "Thrift" is also as necessary. If the eight million people in Canada save only one dollar per head a month thru the year in dress, luxuries, or in any other way, they can raise a war loan of nearly \$100,000,000 (one hundred million dollars) from these savings alone, from which forever afterwards they may draw every year \$5,000,000 of interest in semi-annual instalments. They will thus be partners in conducting the war, shareholders in the fortunes of Canada, and perpetual annuitants of the country they helped to defend.

We have also to remember that the increased taxation to pay the cost of the war will increase the cost of living in addition to the effect of the general dislocation of many lines of business, and the many and various calls for aid which are already becoming numerous.

From the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., U. S. A., we have received an announcement of the imminent shortage of paper material. School and other books are beginning to go up in price. We are asked to have it announced