

## Canadian Transportation Men, Engineers, Etc. in the War.

Canadian Railway and Marine World is desirous of publishing all the information possible about the war work of Canadian transportation men, engineers, etc., and invites its readers to send in information for use in this connection. No doubt a large number of our readers receive many letters from the front, etc., extracts from which would prove of interest in these columns. We should be glad to be favored in this respect.

**Canadian Railway Troops.**—General orders have been issued giving authority for the organization as a unit of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, part of the active militia, of the Corps of Canadian Railway Troops, and such unit is placed on active service from the date of its organization, June 5, 1918. The estab-

lishment, since when he has seen considerable service in France, has been given an Imperial commission in the Seaforth Highlanders.

**Lieut. H. N. Darling**, Toronto, Canadian Railway Troops, has been awarded the Military Cross. The pipe line supplying the water tanks from which the locomotives were filled was broken by shell fire. He returned with a noncommissioned officer and several men, under very heavy shell fire, and repaired the pipe line, thus enabling the locomotives to get away before the enemy's arrival. Throughout subsequent operations he displayed the greatest coolness and courage, and set a splendid example to all ranks.

**Lieut.-Col. J. S. Dennis**, Chief Commissioner of Colonization and Development,

Cross. On the leading tractor of a train, comprising two other tractors and 17 empty cars, becoming derailed, and thus preventing the salvage of the rest of the train, he immediately organized a party and proceeded to the point of derailment through a very heavy gas barrage, but owing to lack of appliances he could not re-rail the tractor. Having, however, cut the track on each side of the tractor and made a loop round it, he was able to get the rest of the train to proceed, although later its passage was again obstructed by a wrecked train, the damaged cars of which were cleared away successfully. By his ingenuity and gallant conduct he undoubtedly saved the tractors and the cars.

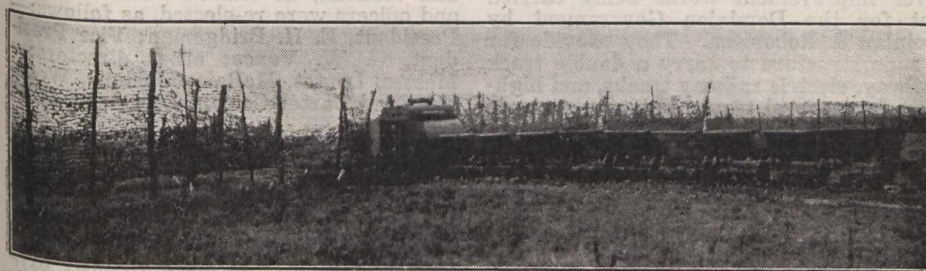
**Capt. J. G. McCaul**, who was awarded the Military Cross recently, was formerly in Canadian Northern Ry. service at Edmonton, Alta.

**Sergt. A. E. Moore**, who, prior to enlistment in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, was engaged in the Canadian Northern Ry. shops at Winnipeg, is reported to have been wounded in action for the second time.

**Lieut. C. E. Peers**, reported killed in action recently, was formerly Assistant Engineer, Sault Ste. Marie Canal. He left Canada on overseas service in 1916.

**Lieut.-Col. S. L. Penhorwood**, of the Forestry Service, was a guest of the King and Queen at Windsor, Eng., Sept. 22. He was formerly Manager, New Ontario Dock Co., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and prior to the war, was officer commanding the 51st Sault Ste. Marie Rifles. After the outbreak of war, he was selected to organize the Northern Battalion from the Algoma, Nipissing and Timiskaming Districts.

**Lieut. E. V. Power**, reported killed in



A Canadian light railway train passing through camouflage near Loos. From Canadian official photograph. Copyright reserved.

lishment in Canada of the depot, which was heretofore known as the Railway Construction Depot, Military District No. 2, and which was originally organized as a forestry depot, will be as laid down for a depot battalion with a strength of a headquarters and four companies. Authority has been granted for the disbandment of the Canadian Railway Construction Corps, created Mar. 5, 1915, and organized July 1, 1915.

**The Timiskaming & Northern Ontario Railwaymen's Patriotic Association**, up to the last report had contributed \$90,519.58 to the Canadian Red Cross and Canadian Patriotic Funds.

### PERSONAL NOTES.

**Lieut. R. J. Backhus**, 29th Vancouver Battalion, who has been reported killed in action, was formerly assistant to Freight Agent, Grand Trunk Pacific Ry., Victoria, B.C., and afterwards purser on the G.T.P. Coast Steamship Co.'s s.s. Prince Rupert.

**Capt. S. M. Bosworth**, mentioned in dispatches recently, is son of G. M. Bosworth, Chairman, Canadian Pacific Ocean Services, Ltd., Montreal.

**Lieut. J. Boyd**, Montreal, Canadian Overseas Railway Construction Corps, has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, in maintaining track until all guns and rolling stock had been removed. Under heavy fire, and being cut off, he took his party across country and back to his company. Later, when in charge of a demolition party, he destroyed all structures and track, sometimes when the enemy was close on him. He was wounded, but completed his duties before reporting for medical attention.

**Private J. R. Bryant**, who was reported recently as wounded in action, was formerly in the Stores Department, Canadian Northern Ry., Saskatoon, Sask.

**W. J. Christie**, formerly Travelling Auditor, Grand Trunk Pacific Ry., Edmonton, Alta., who went overseas as a sergeant in the 202nd (Sportsmen's) Batta-

C.P.R., Montreal, who is announced to have been made a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, in connection with war mission work, which he carried out in the western states recently, is also announced to have been specially employed and attached to the staff of the Canadian Expeditionary Force in Siberia.



The Canadian Minister of Militia, Major General Mewburn, addressing a Canadian tramway corps near the western front. From Canadian official photograph. Copyright reserved.

**Lieut. C. W. W. Field**, who joined the U.S. Army in May, 1917, and who has been killed in action, was formerly City Passenger Agent, G.T.R., and Central Vermont Ry., Boston, Mass.

**Lieut. J. A. Foote**, of the Canadian Railway Troops, has been awarded the Military Cross. The area where he was working was subjected to intense shell fire, and the line was broken in six places. He repeatedly reorganized his working parties, who had suffered casualties, and by his example and encouragement kept his men at work under most difficult conditions. By his efforts the line was kept open and the supply of ammunition was ensured.

**Lieut. M. Helyer**, Canadian Railway Troops, has been awarded the Military

action, was a son of N. J. Power, formerly General Auditor, G.T.R., Montreal, and now residing in California.

**Lieut. G. I. Price**, St. John, N.B., Canadian Railway Construction Corps, has been awarded the Military Cross. While acting as liaison officer with four pieces of railway mounted artillery, through his untiring efforts and skill all pieces were removed without loss or damage. The track was continually being broken by shell fire, and was repaired as required.

**Lieut. W. J. Riley**, Victoria, B.C., Canadian Railway Troops, who had previously been given the military medal, has been awarded the Military Cross, for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attempting to save two 12 in. railway howitzers, and in saving a locomotive which