

showers have practically all fallen on the Army, while the men of the seas have received little attention.

Last year many Canadian municipalities made grants for Navy League objects, and the proceeds were sent to the Motherland. A Sailors' Day will be held, and His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, who is Vice-President of the Navy League of Great Britain, has issued a statement, in which he lauds the excellent work of the League, and expresses the hope that Canadians will give to the cause.

As a class, the men of the Merchant Marine and Naval service are very poorly paid, and in many cases their families are suffering great privations, and there is a distressing lack of funds to send them proper assistance.

However, it is hoped that the S. O. S. call will receive a very generous response, and that the men guarding the high seas and carrying our commerce to all parts of the world, will be made to feel that the people at home have not forgotten them. Their families must be looked after.

DECORATIONS WON.

The Military Medal has been awarded to Sergt. William G. McCullough, a Kingston postal clerk, who enlisted in the Autumn of 1914 with the 21st Battalion and has seen twenty-nine months of hard service at the front.

The Military Cross has been awarded to Lieut. J. Barkley Mason, of the 7th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, in civil life a member of the staff of the Marine Department, Ottawa.

Lieut. Rudolph Girard, of the translation staff of the House of Commons, has been awarded the coveted *Croix de Guerre* of France. He went overseas with a Forestry unit, but is attached to the headquarters staff of the French forces. The citation in Orders, awarding the decoration, reads: *An officer of high moral value, always willing for the accomplishment of difficult missions. Has given proofs of high qualities in the midst of numerous reconnaissances made with the chief of the Forestry Service of the Army in the immediate vicinity of the lines, in a sector subjected to the fire of enemy artillery.*

CIVIL SERVICE CASUALTIES.

FLIGHT LIEUT. J. B. CORCORAN, R.F.C., who has been injured in a flying accident in France, belongs to the Department of the Interior. He went overseas more than three years ago with the C.A.M.C.

E. H. TARGETT, of the Customs staff, Halifax, formerly with the 64th Battalion, has been severely wounded.

SERGT. T. B. TONGE, wounded in the leg and right shoulder and now in Brimingham, Eng., hospital, is a customs officer of Vernon, B.C. He went overseas as C.Q.M.S. in the 54th Battalion, gave up his stripes in England in order to get to the front, and has won them back in the face of the enemy.

R. V. CROSSBY, a Saskatoon postal clerk, was wounded some months ago but his name was inadvertently omitted from our records at that time. He is one of Saskatchewan's famous fighting battalion, the 28th.

FLIGHT SUB-LIEUT. LAWRENCE RAINBOTH, of the Royal Flying Corps, was killed, along with another member of the Corps, at the training grounds at Fort Worth, Texas, on December 24th, when the machine in which they were flying took fire. Lieut. Rainboth was only twenty-one years of age and was on the staff of the Central Registry Branch, Militia Department, when he enrolled with the Flying Corps. He was a well-known athlete. The funeral took place in Ottawa, with military honors, on December 31st.

CECIL HERBERT DOYLE has been wounded by shrapnel, shell-shocked and gassed, and is coming home. He is the first of the men of the Civil Service Siege and Heavy Artillery draft who went away with Lieut. John MacCormac last June to return after having seen service in France. Gunner Doyle was a railway mail clerk.