

CANADA CAN SUPPLY AT LEAST 150,000 MEN TO HELP BRITISH ARMY

Wave of Popular Enthusiasm Now Sweeps the Country and Men in Many Thousands Are Offering Their Services

GREAT MAJORITY ARE WELL TRAINED

Peace Footing of the Canadian Militia is 50,000 Men—More Eager to Fight Than at Time of South African War

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—Advices of an official character which have been received in Ottawa from Great Britain indicate the situation of extreme gravity in regard to the war outlook, and the Militia Council here is preparing for the worst. It is keeping in closest touch with developments. Should Great Britain be drawn into the terrific conflict by reason of Russia and Germany attacking each other, the participation of Canadian troops, cavalry, artillery, infantry, and the rest would be certain. The same wave of popular sentiment which swept over the country in 1909 and forced an unwilling administration to send contingents to South Africa would, with an intensified insistence, demand similar action now when the peril is graver and its consequences more far-reaching in their character.

Advised To Be Ready
In the event of war, and in the absence of a specific appropriation for the expenditure of millions which Canadian participation would entail, the strictly constitutional procedure would be the summoning of Parliament to vote the necessary moneys. Such, however, would hardly be necessary. The strong force of popular opinion would be the Government's authority for all outlays might be necessary. These could be raised by recourse to the process of Governor-General's warrants, subsequently ratified by Parliament in the regular session.

It would be a re-affirmation of the principle, that when Great Britain is at war, Canada is at war. The Government here, it may confidently be predicted, would show no hesitation in the performance of its Imperial obligations. The experience gained in South Africa, and the lesson learned in mobilization and transport at that time will, together with the more efficient and active Militia training meanwhile, make Canada's part in the threatened conflict easier to prepare for. The equipment since acquired would add greatly to the fighting efficiency of troops in the field. The peace footing of the Canadian Militia is around 50,000. The war strength could easily be raised to 150,000 in case of defence of the country.

Canadian Contingents
Roughly speaking, Canadian contingents comprising cavalry and artillery brigades, divisions of infantry and subsidiary corps to the number of thirty thousand men, can be sent to the front. The regulars in the permanent depots would likely be drafted first, and then volunteers called for and recruiting established at all principal points, as was done in 1899. There is every reason to

believe that, with the growth of Imperial sentiment meanwhile, the response would be ever more general and enthusiastic than that which characterized the enlistment for the South African campaign. The commands of the contingents will in all likelihood, be assigned to officers now at the headquarters performing the duties of divisional commanders in the respective military centres of Canada, with subordinate officers to be selected by the Militia Council.

PRES. WILSON IS WILLING TO BE MEDIATOR

And Notifies Heads of Countries Involved of This Fact

Washington, Aug. 5.—President Wilson has sent the following message to King George, Emperor William, Emperor Nicholas, Emperor Francis Joseph and President Poincaré:

"As the official head of the Powers signatory to the Hague convention, I feel it my privilege and my duty under Article III. of that convention to say to you in a spirit of most earnest friendship that I should welcome the opportunity to act in the interests of European peace either now or at any other time that might be thought most suitable as an occasion; to serve you and all concerned in any way that would afford me lasting cause for gratitude and happiness." — Signed, Woodrow Wilson.

MOTHERLAND APPRECIATES STAND TAKEN BY COLONIES

London, Aug. 6.—Under the caption of "A Solid Empire" The Morning Post expressed appreciation of the proffered help of the Overseas Dominions, referring to Canada's assurance of the first of August. It says that such action on the part of Borden's Government was no more than could be expected from a Cabinet headed by such a staunch and devoted Imperialist, but it was an especially gratifying note that they are supported by public opinion all over the Dominion.

A child named John Downie, aged one year and some months, son of a Falkirk laborer, was drowned under pathetic circumstances. The child and a brother, aged five, had been amusing themselves in a backyard near their home, and had gone into a washing house. The elder child left the washing house and on returning found his brother lying dead in a tub of water.

READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

WAR CAST CLOUD OVER THE REGATTA

And This Annual Event was Not as Successful as Formerly

ABSENCE OF CREWS TOLD AGAINST IT

List of Winners in the Various Events—War News On the Course

The Regatta is over. Old Quidi Vidi which has been the scene of many exciting contests, proved as attractive yesterday as ever.

The day was not as successful as some of the past, but the Committee or the public were not to blame. There were several reasons. First and foremost the war, the absence of the brigades, press and football crews the uncertainty of the weather, necessitating a meeting of the Committee at 8 a.m. to decide if the Regatta would be held, the unfortunate accident to the new racer Cadet in the first race, the delay of nearly two hours while she was being repaired, the fog on the lake which almost necessitated the cancelling of the races at midday, the collision of the boats in the Society race, all helped to lessen the day's enjoyment.

No serious accidents happened, and if there were one or two little disputes they were soon forgotten, and the principals are to-day as friendly as ever.

Our space is so limited to-day that we are unable to devote as much space to the races as we would wish but we must congratulate the Committee on its work. Never, in our history, were the races carried out under such difficult circumstances and but for the unbounded enthusiasm of those in charge, and especially President Hiscock, Vice-Pres. Higgins, Treasurer Ellis and Secretary Noonon, the Regatta would not have been the success it was.

H. E. the Governor and party received an enthusiastic. His Excellency was received by the President and Committee, and was greeted with loud and long cheers. The National Anthem was enthusiastically sung, followed by Rule Britannia, and an outburst of patriotic enthusiasm. His Excellency replied briefly and his address was punctuated with hearty cheering.

Another popular incident was the reading of the latest war news by Mr. Randall Jeans, who was in charge of the megaphone.

The accident to the Cadet was regretted but Builder Sexton soon had

her in good order again and she proved herself a daisy.

The following is the list of winners:

Amateur
Nellie R.—T. Whitten, cox.; H. Peddigrew, stroke; R. Young, H. Brown, R. Harper, R. Kent, A. White, Guard—T. Hallet, cox.; R. Stick, stroke; E. Barnes, H. Barnes, C. J. Hackett, R. Fowlow.
Time 9:53 2-5.

Juvenile
Nellie R.—B. Allan, cox.; E. Butler, stroke; W. Tobin, S. Crotty, J. Olsen, W. Piercey, D. Bailey.
Mary—F. Lacey, cox.; J. Devereaux, stroke; S. Kavanagh, M. Dyer, J. Dunphy, J. Morrissey, C. McKay.
Time 10:36.

Tradesmen
Cadet—P. Brown, cox.; J. Kavanagh, stroke; S. Goudie, E. Brophy, S. Madden, J. Thistle, R. Marshall.
Nellie R.—J. Boone, cox.; G. Chislett, G. Taylor, H. Pitcher, J. Barrett, E. Piercey, S. Boone.
Time 10:18 1-5.

Mercantile
Cadet (Royal Stores)—P. Brown, cox.; S. Cooper, stroke; V. Hillyer, A. Thompson, I. Knight, J. Williams, M. Shave.
Time 11:06.

Society
Nellie R. (L.O.A.)—J. Boone, cox.; G. Chislett, stroke; G. Taylor, F. Pitcher, H. Taylor, S. Boone, J. Brinton.
Time 11:06.

Swimming
W. Thistle—Time 6:11.

Presentation
The presentation of prizes followed President Hiscock in a brief speech referred to the difficulties of the day and expressed the hope that all would enjoy themselves. Vice-Pres. Higgins then announced the winners. Lady Davidson then very pleasingly donated the trophies.

Fishermen
Cadet (Logy Bay)—P. Brown, cox.; T. Carrigan, stroke; M. Carrigan, J. Carrigan, J. Burke, J. Devereaux, T. Carrigan, Jr.
Time 10:02 1-5.

Laborers
Nellie R.—F. Coady, cox.; J. Caul, stroke; E. Whelan, E. McCarthy, P. Whelan, F. Curry, L. Morrissey.

Factory
Nellie R.—J. Day, cox.; B. Forsey, stroke; S. Maddon, J. Crumme, E. Noel, S. Taylor, J. Thistle.
Time 10:05 2-5.

Naval Reserve
Guard (West End Firemen)—J. Cooper, cox.; P. Power, stroke; R. Clance, R. Coady, L. Power, H. Walsh, W. O'Toole.
Time 10.

Championship
Cadet (Logy Bay Fishermen)—Time 9:46.

Thos. Doherty, a small farmer, of Kennalugh, near Carndonagh, who lived alone, was found dead suspended by a rope attached to a rafter in his barn. It was noticed that he was depressed of late.

MR. COAKER ASKS FOR IMMEDIATE OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE

In view of the serious financial condition facing the Colony and the almost total failure of the Cod and Lobster fisheries in Conception, Trinity, Bonavista, Notre Dame, and White Bays, which will in itself entail tremendous destitution the coming winter, I respectfully suggest to the Premier the advisability of immediately convening the Legislature in order to deal with the situation.

If the war continues long codfish and lobsters will be of small value, while provisions will be sold at a considerable advance over present prices.

Legislation should be passed at once to prevent any provision dealers from selling provisions at exorbitant prices. Nickels and pleasure seeking should also be prohibited as it may be that every cent available might have to be utilized by thousands during the coming winter to keep body and soul together.

To behold St. John's yesterday in the zenith of pleasure and to visit the nickels and find them chinked with pleasure seekers one would never think that one half of the fishermen of the country have not earned the value of \$20 each the past summer or one could never imagine that our Empire was fighting the greatest war in its history or that 20,000,000 armed men in Europe were longing to get at each other's throats.

Every precaution against possible eventualities should be taken at once. Now is the time, not in February.

Newfoundland will, I feel sure, do their duty to aid the Mother Country in her life and death struggle for freedom and in bringing the crazy despot ruling Germany to a proper sense of his power and importance. If my wish would prevail the British sword will not be sheathed until the Emperor of Germany is humbled to such an extent as to make him a harmless lunatic the remainder of his life.

Instead of the insane exhibitions of pleasure and sport manifested yesterday in this city, every true lover of the Empire ought to have attended their churches and offered up their heartfelt prayers to Almighty God for protection against our enemies, for the success of the Allied Navies and Armies, and for courage and wisdom to deal honorably and effectively with matters now confronting our Island Home.

I again repeat, that the Legislature should be at once convened and every emergency provided against.

W. F. COAKER.

Sensational Offering!

LADIES' COATS

Owing to a backward season in the Old Country, many manufacturers and wholesalers have been caught with heavy stocks, which they are forced to clear out at a sacrifice.

Our representative being on the spot early, has had his pick of several exceptionally good values, some of which have just arrived.

As a sample we are now offering a small lot of

LADIES' TAILOR-MADE SUMMER COATS


at Less Than a Third of the original Values.

There are only 50 in the lot, so if you wish to get an early choice, come in TODAY.

6 only Navy & Black Serge & Tweed	Values up to \$10.00 for	\$3.00
9 only Navy & Black Fine Serge	Values up to \$12.00 for	3.50
12 only Navy & Black Serge & a few Colored	Values up to \$14.00 for	4.00
17 only Navy & Black Serge & Col'd. Broadcloth	Values up to \$16.00 for	4.50
6 only Black Broadcloth	Values up to \$18.00 for	5.00

SKIRTS—JUST OPENED
Dress Skirts in Tweed, Serge and Venetian
\$1.80 to \$4.00

SHOW ROOM
IN OUR
Upper Building.



HOW EUROPE IS LINED UP

MILITARY	
Triple Entente	Triple Alliance
Britain 275,000 men	Germany 2,250,000 men
Russia 1,905,000 men	Austria 810,000 men
France 1,250,000 men	Italy (neutral) 750,000 men
3,430,000 men	3,810,000 men

NAVAL	
Triple Entente	Triple Alliance
Battleships 85	Battleships 59
Battle cruisers 7	Battle cruisers 3
Armored cruisers 60	Armored cruisers 15
Submarines 166	Submarines 35
Torpedo boat destroyers 360	Torpedo boat destroyers 147
Torpedo boats 300	Torpedo boats 200

ANOTHER ESTIMATE

This is how an Italian officer summarized the military and naval strength of the Triple Alliance and Triple Entente three years ago:

Triple Alliance (Germany, Austria and Italy)		Triple Entente (Britain, France and Russia)	
Soldiers 4,550,000	Soldiers 4,085,000		
Field guns 9,514	Field guns 8,972		
Warships 411	Warships 1,005		
Displacement of ships in tons 1,217,757	Displacement of ships in tons 2,888,322		
Naval big guns 4,202	Naval big guns 8,635		

12,000 FIGHTERS WANT TO GET HOME

To Take Part in the Great War Now Raging on the Continent

New York, Aug. 5.—In New York to-day, 12,000 able-bodied men are seeking transportation to Europe for service in the armies of the various warring powers.

Another army of 6,000 men is registered on the books of the consuls of the nations, and still others have signified their intention to volunteer whenever called upon.

GERMANY'S DREAM OF HERSELF AS CHIEF OF NATIONS

London, Aug. 6.—The following vision of the future comes from Berlin and illustrates the spirit in which Germany forced war upon four powers.

The Lokalanzeiger, an important Berlin journal, says "We begin today the final fight which will settle forever Germany's great position in the world, and when Germany's sword glides into scabbard she shall stand before the world the mightiest nation, and shall be at last in a position to give the world peace, enlightenment and prosperity."

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

RESERVISTS LEAVE NEW YORK

Thousands of Them Sail For France to Join the Army

New York, Aug. 5.—With bands blaring the Marseillaise and amid a tumult of cheering afloat and ashore, the French liner La Lorraine set sail to-day for Havre, probably the last of the liners to fly the French flag for some time.

In her cabins and steerage she carried nearly 1,000 passengers, most of them French reservists bound for Paris.

MAIL WAR EXTRAS HAD BIG SALES

Were Eagerly Bought Up by the Thousands Around Town

The Mail and Advocate performed one of the greatest feats in the history of the local press yesterday, when it issued two extra war editions.

The sale of both were very large, amounting to over 8,000.

With half our staff out of town for the day, it was not an easy matter, but the task was accomplished and citizens were delighted.

Our first edition was printed without the aid of our pressman, Mr. John Long, but he was telegraphed for and returned to town for the second extra.

The style and makeup of the papers were favorably commented, and we appreciate greatly the kind remarks of newspaper men and others.

STEPHANO HERE FROM NEW YORK

S.S. Stephano arrived at 7 a.m. with the following passengers, including 117 round trippers: H. M. Allison, A. P. Alton, Miss H. L. Alton, H. C. Baer, Rev. Dr. H. M. Barbour, Mrs. H. M. Barbour, J. Q. Barcus, D. H. Barnett, Miss M. Bishop, J. Bishop, T. P. Boyd, Miss M. Bradbury, H. P. Brandreth, M. F. Brennan, C. Brooks, Mrs. S. J. Brooks, Miss S. Brooks, J. A. S. Brown, Mr. Brown, Miss M. Campbell, Mrs. J. C. Campbell, Miss E. E. Cattus, Mrs. J. L. Cleveland, Miss M. Cleveland, Miss A. Cook, W. A. Cooper, Miss M. Compton, E. G. Cowperthwait, Miss E. M. Cullen, M. Deutsch, Miss M. Dixon, Miss E. L. Dorr, Dr. J. J. Doyle, J. A. Dravo, Mrs. J. A. Dravo, Miss Francis Edmunds, Mrs. R. R. Fairchild, H. G. Fiedler, G. J. Fischer, Mrs. G. J. Fischer, Mrs. E. Fleischman, Miss B. Glassey, Dr. F. R. Oddard, R. N. Gordon, R. P. Gorman, T. J. Gorman, L. H. Graham, J. Gumpert, G. W. Hall and many others.

AMBASSADOR TO BE SENT HOME

London, Aug. 6.—The Admiralty announced that a special despatch boat would be placed at the disposal of the German Ambassador to-day in order to permit him to leave British territory.

Telegraphic communication between England, Germany and Austria-Hungary is entirely cut off, one of whom on receiving a copy of our first extra said it would do credit to a New York daily.

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