SOCIAL WORK BY CITY DEACONESS

Report for Year Presented at Institute —Miss Bradley receives Call

The annual meeting of the East Belleville Women's Institute was held in Queen Alexandra School on Monday afternoon. A large number were present, adding much to the spirit and enthusiasm of the meeting. Owing to the absence of Mrs. R. J. Graham, Mrs. W. B. Deacon occupied the chair.

The meeting opened with the National Anthem after which the various reports were read, new business transacted and nominations of officers for the ensuing year took place.

The treasurer's report was read revealing to those present the wonderful way in which funds, large and small were donated for the Social Service work of the city.

Next came Miss Bradley's report, which cannot be given in detail, as it is against her wishes to particularize her cases. Suffice it to say that she gave the ladies present incidents and accounts of various cases, which showed, had she not taken hold of the cases in question, the life in each case would have had perhaps a downward career, instead of a "right about face" start.

Miss Bradley's work has been emphasizing the preventive, she has been closely watching the life of her girls, coming into such close proximity to them that she has had many an opportunity for personal and heart to heart talks, she has also visited their homes, talking the girl problem over with the parents

If any young woman needed help along any line she was not afraid to go to Miss Bradley, she was sure to find a "friend."

Whenever sickness occurred in any homes where help was needed Miss Bradley was called on, and many a home has been helped out in that manner.

Investigations into home life where trouble entered, were willingly and tactfully carried on.

Miss Bradley has co-operated with ministers of all denominations, doctors, school teachers, and with city organization in general.

Miss Bradley's report for the year is as follows—

Calls

Relief calls	260
Sick calls	130
Investigation calls	340
Canvass calls	220
Emergency calls	122
Total	1072

Given Employment.

Girls	18
Women	12
Men	8
Total	38
Miscellaneous cases handled	39

Services and Meetings Held.

Sunday afternoons 4 p.m. for men and women (Schuster Mission).

Mothers meetings (Schuster Mission).

Industrial night classes, Domestic Science, 15 sessions.

Emergency Money Spent.

Horse hire for cases this year	$15 00
Girls' work for year	30 00
Slight emergency cases for year $5 per month	50 00
Phone messages, long distance	10 00
Leters, postage, etc for year.	6 00
	$111 00

A young ladies' banquet was given for all the girls in the city.

Miss Bradley procured the Y.M.C.A., organized her corps of 22 workers Miss Bradley also wrote to every lady who had under her domestic jurisdiction an employee, also the young ladies who are in business. The banquet was a wonderful success, tables were set for 110. Every seat was occupied that evening.

The city now sees the wonderful importance of this work, and feels that to lose Miss Bradley would be a detriment to the work already organized. Owing to funds amounting to $300.00, which have not yet been forthcoming, together with the fact that Miss Bradley has had an urgent call to Calgary, we fear we are going to lose her from our midst. We realize that this is a year we are all heavily taxed, but most of the subscriptions are in, which shows the anxiousness of the people to keep Miss Bradley with us. Miss Bradley has already accepted the call to Calgary, but perhaps some arrangement might be made whereby she could stay with us. We feel to lose Miss Bradley would be to miss the proper effect of all the good that has been done.

Signed—
(Mrs.) R. J. Graham, Pres.
(Mrs.) A. M. Japman, Sec.

TOOK POTSDAM GUN

A soldier last evening walked off with an old Potsdam gun from Mr. McKenna's antique shop, Pinnacle street. The weapon was thrown in a gangway and was returned to its owner. The ramrod was brought back today.

BOY BABIES LEAD.

Girls In Minority According to April Reports—Returns for May.

Births during the month of April in the City of Belleville numbered 27. It is a remarkable fact that 20 of these are boys. The same preponderof boys is noticed for the first eleven days of May. Out of ten registrations so far, there are only three girls.

MOIRA CHAPTER PAYS VISIT

Companions and Officers Guests of Keystone Chapter, Stirling.

Moira Chapter officers and companions last evening paid a fraternal visit to Keystone Chapter No. 17, R. A.M., Stirling and assisted in putting on degrees.

A delightful time was spent both in lodge and at the banquet following. About fifteen companions from Belleville were in the visiting party. R. Ex. Comp. Col. W. N. Ponton made a very happy address on the imperial theme and Companion John McIntosh made a hit with one of his Scottish songs.

WELLINGTON CITIZEN DEAD.

Expired Suddenly While at the Telephone.

Mr. W. P. Niles, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Wellington, died suddenly yesterday while at the telephone office. He was for years reeve of the village and an ardent worker for everything tending to advance the interests of the village. He was proprietor of a large seed business and also owned and operated the electric light plant of the village. He ran for member of the Provincial House in 1908. He was 68 years of age, a Conservative in politics, and a churchwarden of St. Andrew's Anglican Church. The funeral wil take place on Sunday afternoon.

BELLEVILLE BOYS SECURE GOOD POSITIONS.

Hugh Ferguson and Allan Meagher of the High School have secured promising positions in the local offices of the G.T.R. This makes three of this year's graduating commercial class who have taken positions during the past half year, the other one being Seward Modeland who is now in the Standard Bank.

This course offers good opportunities to boys and girls who are willing to put in two years in gaining a practical and useful knowledge of commercial work as well as a splendid general education, and should be considered by any entering High School next year who do not intend to teach or go through university

JOINS THE 155th.

Mr. Dan A. Cameron Will Attend Infantry School of Instruction Students Enlistling.

Mr. Dan A. Cameron, who has for a number of years been at the head of the vocal department at Albert College, has enlisted in the 155th Battalion and will in about three weeks report for duty at the Infantry School of Instruction, Kingston. Mr. Cameron expects to take out a commission. For the past year and more he has taken a deep interest in military matters, drilling with the Fifteenth Regiment reserve company. Some months ago he was appointed one of the subalterns of the reserves.

Albert College has not been slow to hear the call of duty. A number of students have enlisted during the past week, two or three coming in every few days. It was expected that by the end aof the college season about a dozen of this year's students will have donned the khaki.

WEDDING BELLS

HALL—REDNER

A very pleasant event took place on the 8th inst. at 12.30 a.m. at the home of the bride's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ketcheson, 5th con. of Sidney, being the marriage of Gladys Mary, youngest danghter of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Redner, of Rednersville, to Robert Scott Hall, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hall, 507 Homewood Av., Peterborough. The Rev. L. M. Sharpe officiated. Little Sybil Redner and Marion Ketcheson, nieces of the bride acted as ring-bearer and flower girl respectively. The bride , who was given away by her father looked winsome in pale blue satin gown draped with silk crepe de chene and real lace, carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. The happy couple left for Toronto and Western points amid showers of confetti. Upon their return they will reside in Peterborough.

HIS TIME UP.

John McGrath, charged with vagrancy, was today given one week's sentence, dating from his arrest last Friday. Accordingly he was liberated.

AUTHOR WILL WRITE NO MORE

Gifted Young Canadian Poet Victim of German Sharpshooter After Only Few Hours in the Trenches.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Ed. Tickell we have been shown a most interesting little booklet of poems called "Contingent Ditties" whose author is the late Frank S. Brown, a member of the Princess "Pats" who yielded his life only a few hours after he reached the battle-front in Flanders. He was an expert shot and fired about 80 rounds at the occupants of the German trenches during this first day at the front. His work probably atracted the attention of the German snipers for about the middle of the afternoon he was struck in the head by a sharpshooter and died instantly.

Sergt. Brown was a son of Rev S.G. Brown, Presbyterian pastor of Almonte, Ont. The war has claimed few lives of greater promise than that of this young poet-warrior. The booklet contains several stirring tributes from those who were thown into close association with the author of the poems.

For the most part the poems are of the unpretentious, rollicking variety that have a sentimental appeal to the equally unpretentious man in the trenches. Two or three however, such as, "The Call," and "The Convoy," not only breathe a fine spirit of patriotism but reach as well a high literary plane. The following metrical letter from the trenches "Opened by the Censor," will give some idea of the general flavor of the contents,

To Mrs. Hiram Billican,
Near Beulah,
Minnedosa, Man.

Dear Jane,—
I feel I cannot sleep;
In slush and mud four miles deep,
I'll snatch a little time to write
A line or so to you to-night.
I hope the kids aren't fallen sick,
And if they're bad just use the stick.
I showed you how to make them mind—
But then you never were my kind.

In handling kids you take the cake!
I'm glad you're teaching May to bake.
I'm sending you a pound or two,
And with it here's what you must do:
Lay in a stock of coal and wood,
And kindlery, and a pile of food.
Don't spend the rest, but take good care
To get the kids warm underwear.
About that darned old brindled cow:
If she is milking up to now,
Don't sell her until by-and-by;
Get rid of her when she goes dry.
Tell John he's got to be a man,
And feed the pigs on swill and bran;
And see he cleans the dirty pens,
Collects the eggs, and feeds the hens.
Be sure he doesn't start to smoke,
Or he'll be sick enough to croak.
If Harry's acting up the fool,
You'd better send him back to school.
Just keep an eye on Susie's lung,
And mind that Casey woman's tongue
Don't fret or worry over me,
I am as right as I could be.
Now mind, I like to hear from home—
And say! please send a fine-toothed comb.
I guess I'll have to say ta-ta.
Kiss precious baby for his pa.
I hope he grows up good and strong
To be a soldier boy.
So long.

P. S.—You ought to see the grub
They hand to us.
Your loving Hub.

The introduction to the booklet is a masterly appreciation by Mr. Holbrook Jackson of London, England. At the beginning of the preface is the following quotation from the poems of Rupert Brooke, which, it seems to us, is the finest bit of work that author has produced,

Blow out, you bugles, over the rich dead!
There's none of these so lonely and poor of old,
But dying, has made us rarer gifts than gold.
These laid the world away; poured out the red
Sweet wine of youth; gave up the years to be
Of work and joy, and that unhoped serene'
That men call age; and those who would have been,
Their sons, they gave,t heir immortality.

GIRLS MADE TROUBLE.

Two girls with less sense than their years got into trouble on the lower bridge last night about eight-thirty. A negro was passing and the damsels made some remarks about the southerner. The latter who heard them resented the words and some talk resulted. The police were called and finally after investigation sent the persons on their way.

ONE MORE CLUB NIGHT.

80th Spent Delightful Evening at Khaki Club—Large Attendance

Another of the long-to-be-remembered Wednesday evenings was spent by the men of the 80th at the Khaki Club this week. Judging by the attendance every man was bent on spending perhaps the last Wednesday night in Belleville where he had spent the most pleasant ones of his stay here. The club was full and overflowing the whole evening. The hurry-up program was faultless. It was in charge of Miss Milburn who has provided so many. She was ably assisted by four ladies who have been exceptionally faithful in their attendance at the club and very generous with their talents. They were the Misses Doris and Gladys Vermilyea, and the Misses Sybil and Dorothy Grant. It was typical Khaki Club evening. Every one knew everyone else and everyone took part in the choruses. The men sang as it determined that the songs would ring through the place till the 155th took it over as their rendezvous next fall. While every man is loud in his praise of the Khaki Club and its work, its real value and the large place it has filled will only be fully appreciated when a Wednesday comes and there is no khaki club to go to.

Though no evening before saw such a large attendance and only the afternoon was available for preparation of program and refreshments, everyone went away at 10 p.m. delighted and satisfied.

OPPOSES THE PROPOSED TAX

Mr. Flint Gives Further Reasons Why No Special Tax Should Be Levied.

Dear Sir,—

In a former letter, I stated, that the Council should not entertain the request made to levy forty thousand or thirty thousand dollars from the people by special tax. I gave as one reason, which I thought would appeal to the comon sense, and good judgment of our trusted councillors. I said, that we should be compelled to pay an extremely large sum for the taxation by the Province of Ontario, and the Dominion of Canada, for a war-tax. As an evidence of what may be expected by our city, I beg to cite the case of Toronto. The Province has levied upon Toronto, a war tax of over half a million dollars. I believe the exact figure is five hundred and eight thousand dollars. We can easily guess that the war tax to be imposed upon Belleville, will be an enormous sum. What effect has this had on Toronto? The whole city has risen in protest. The Mayor, Council, Board of Control, have determined to refuse to pay this tax, if their city solicitor will support them in their demand and no one will accuse Toronto of disloyalty, by declaring the tax illegal. No doubt seems to be entertained by eminent authority as to the Province's power to impose this tax. Then notice the immense amount of war tax that the Dominion government has voted, shall be imposed—many millions. What are we doing at the present moment? We are paying a tax upon every letter, post card, money order, cheque, note, bill of exchange, theater tickets. Every commodity of life has risen in value. Wages have increased greatly. Shortly an income tax will be levied, which will seriously cut down the salaries, and incomes of every individual. An increased tax will be levied upon every article we buy. Take England for an example. An income of $12,500 pays $3000 taxation. Income from every source, is taxed. If a man has invested in government bonds, one and a quarter per cent. will be deducted for income tax, and he will only receive three and three quarters per cent on his investment. An automobile over 16 horse power will have his license tax trebled. A four per cent. tax placed on tickets to the movies, railroad tickets in this country are taxed. Take the Ontario province taxation, the Dominion taxation, our own terrible taxation and the various subjects of taxation alluded to and any sane man must come to the conclusion that the request to the council for a levy of forty or thirty thousand dollars, under the present circumstances, cannot be granted. If a bylaw was brought before the citizens and carried, no one would object. But for the small number of councillors to deliberately place upon the citizens the payment of such an enormous amount, without giving their constituents a right to say by vote as to the imposition, would be wrong and unjust. Surely, the citizens ought to be allowed to say what their views are as to the expenditure Is not this the public opinion at this moment?

I know that it is.

Your very truly,
J. J. B. Flint.

Four Swedish officers were arrested in Persia by the Russianns.

THE MILITARY Y.M.C.A. SPORTS

Baseball Activities in 80th—Association Football Match Promised.

The presence of the whole of the 80th Battalion in this city has made possible the running off of the Batt. baseball championship. The champions of the right half battalion league were the bandsmen who almost walked away with the games held in the armouries here during the winter The batalion championship title had to be decided then by games between the band "C" company and "D" company.

These were staged at the park on three evenings and provided some very close games which were witnessed by enthusiastic supporters of all the teams. "D" and "C" companies played the first game which was a pretty close one in which "C" came out victorious. The second game was an engagement in which the band and "D" company figured and in which the former ran up the largest score. But the third game was the center of all the interest and attracted the most spectators. The band team had played "C" compahy a few innings in Napanee one night and were given the closest argument they had had. In view of this it was entirely a matter of conjecture which team would win and each side's suporters were confident. A fine day was waited for and both teams lined up on the island for the struggle. Each was well supported by members of the same company and fans from the others. From start to finish it was anyone's game and was not decided till the very last innings when "C" company got the necessary extra run that decided the championship. Enthusiasm ran high and "C" are prepared now to meet an all star team from the remainder of the battalion and it will be the game of the season.

It was a windy day and the ball went into the cut several times. Though conditions were the same for both teams, the band think they can trounce "C" company on a better field and will likely be given a chance

A challenge match in association football between the left half and the right half battalions promises some good sport for an afternoon before the battalion leaves. An extra large number of the men are old country soccer players and eager for an opportunity to display their skill in this direction.

GIGANTIC STEAM SHOVELS

For Use at the Battle-Front Being Forwarded by the C.P.R.

Gigantic steam shovels weighing sixty-five tons each, capable of cutting up the earth at the rate of 150 to 200 cubic yards an hour and self-propelling extension track pile drivers are part of the equipment recently purchased by the government for Col. C. W. P. Ramsey of the Canadian overseas railway construction corps. This plant was selected by Col. Ramsey's colleagues in the engineering department of the Canadian Pacific Railway and is being prepared by that company at the request of the government for shipment abroad. The Canadian overseas railway construction corps has already built many miles of track at strategic points and is all the while engaged in surveys for further construction. The work has often to be done under fire and though there have been so many narrow escapes, there have been no serious casualties Out of the men, commissioned officers and sappers that enlisted in the foundation of the corps, 18 have already received commissions in the Royal Eengineers, a remarkable tribute to their efficiency while Gen. Ranny and Major Harway have been mentioned in despatches. The splendid work of the Canadian Rangers have been highly appreciated by the allied commanders.

CIRCUS COMING

Mr. Frank R. Saul, advance agent of Wall's Great London Shows was in the city today completing arrangements for the appearance here on Saturday, May 20th of this great attraction which is touring Canada for the first time.

COLLECTING MAGAZINES

Mrs. (Dr.) Gibson very kindly offered the use of her car to the Military Y.M.C.A. for the past three days for the purpose of collecting magazines. Upwards of 5000 have been secured.

MRS. DOOLITTLE'S FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Mrs. Essie Doolittle took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, South Front Street. Rev. Chas. G. Smith conducted a solemn service assisted by Mr. George Perry. Many were in attendance and numerous floral offerings had been made. Interment was in Belleville cemetery the bearers being Messrs. D. Watkin, W. Black, George Frost, Wm. Clark, W. Carter and B. Quincey.

MILITARY NOTES

Adverting to Divisional Order No. 447, relative to the promotion of Lieutenant R. D. Ponton, 15th regiment, 2nd battalion, C.E.F., same is amended to read "Minister has been pleased to appoint Lieut. R. D. Ponton, 2nd batalion, a Major in the C.E.F., with effect from the 1st February, 1916."

Maj. Hamilton, A.D.S.T., has returned from Petawawa camp, and came to Belleville yesterday to visit the 80th battalion.

There is a constant stream of privates from overseas units coming to the Infantry school of instruction to qualify as C. C. O.'s or officers. The reputation of the school, under Lieut-Col. D. Barragar, has spread broadcast until now every unit in the district wants to send every man who can be accommodated. The result has been that the ouly danger to avoid is in overcrowding, which will not develop as long as the present motto of efficiency first is recognized. Great credit must be given to the staff of the school for their wonderful work in training N.C.O.'s and officers, as Kingston's name has gone throughout Ontario for having one of the best, if not the best, Infantry Schools.

The following have just reported to the school to take the course:

80th (Belleville) Battalion—E. G. Hudgin.

155th (Belleville) Battalion —W. A. MacMullen, S. Baldwin.

The physical drill classes which the 155th are taking at the hands of the officers and N.C.O.'s who took a course in Montreal are attracting much attention on the armouries' lawn. To outsiders the exercises look very strenuous.

Col. Adams and Major Allen have gone to Picton today.

155th (Overseas) Battalion —Provisional Lieutenant (supernumerary) R. M. Porter, 15th Regiment (Argyll Light Infantry), for the 5th March, 1916.

Capt. S. E. Vermilyea, 15th Regiment (Argyll Light Infantry), from the 8th March, 1916.

"FARTHEST NORTH" OFFICE OF CANADIAN RAILROAD.

MONTREAL, May 12.—Grand Trunk officials today received photographs of their "Farthest North" office. This is at Skagway, Alaska, and has just been opened to take care of the business which the Grand Trunk System is seeking and obtaining in this far northland. The office, as handsome a structure as any in theeast, is on Skagway's principal thoroughfare, and marks the development which has taken place in this Alaskan town since it sprang into existence in the gold rush of '97 and '98. Not far from the new Grand Trunk office, "Soapy" Smith and his gang of outlaws made their headquarters, robbing the gold seekers starting upon their journey up the White Pass of their all too meagre bank-rolls and the returning miners of their gold dust. The White Pass, the perils of which struck terror into thehearts of even the hardiest adventurers, is now negotiated by a short but picturesque line of railway. Skagway is the "flower city" of Alaska, and is the northern terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific steamships on their Alaskan run.

RUNNING NOSE COLDS CURED, SNEEZING STOPPED INSTANTLY.

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SIGNET RINGS TO SOLDIERS

Presentations to Coe Hill Soldiers of 155th Last Night.

Wollaston township has done a most gracious thing. Last evening the platoon at Coe Hill were met at a public gathering and each of the 59 members was presented with a signet ring Lt. Col Putman, second in command of the 155th Battalion, occupied the chair and the presentations were made by Warden Nugent. His son, Lt. Nugent in charge of the platoon was presented with a suit case by relatives and friends. Addresses were delivered by Capt. McFee, Lt. Sanford, Dr. Harding, Mr. Chas. Rollins and others. The 155th orchestra played a number of selections.

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