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Newfoundlander in Action.

Glowing Tribute to Captain Phil Jensen.

At the monthly social of the Canadian Club of New York, held at the Biltmore Hotel, on Tuesday evening, March 13th, 1917, the members were treated to a very interesting and instructive series of lectures on the great war for democracy now raging in Europe. The speakers of the evening consisted of Frederick Couder, the United States international law expert; Ralph O'Connor, the famous author, now Major Gordon of the 43rd Highlanders; Mr. Houston, publisher of "The World's Work"; and business partner of Ambassador Page, now representing the United States Government at the Court of St. James, at London; Private Phil Jensen, returned from the front wounded, and well known to all Newfoundlanders at home or abroad; also Lord Aberdeen, former Governor-General of Canada.

There were present over 600 members. The speakers were all very interesting and the fact of the immediate connection with the great war of the principal speakers made the evening a very instructive and impressive one.

When Private Phil Jensen took the floor he brought the audience to its feet, and it is on this portion of the entertainment which the writer wishes to dwell specially in this communication.

When Mr. Jensen got into action the program, already drawn out, was somewhat extended. The supper which was scheduled to be served at 10:30 p.m. was also delayed. At the commencement of his remarks Mr.

Jensen made apologies that he was rather limited for time, but as soon as he began to relate his experiences the cries of members all over the room were to be heard: "Good Jensen"—"Go to it." The audience went into raptures over the graphic and thrilling account of the several battles in which he had participated, and it was the first time that New Yorkers had the opportunity of learning from the lips of a British soldier the terrible sacrifices which the British Empire has made and is making in order that civilization shall be saved from the mailed fist of German aggression and barbarism.

Mr. Jensen occupied the platform for over an hour and a half and your correspondent can assure you that the members of the Canadian Club of New York, and especially the Newfoundlanders, who also form a part of this great organization, had good reason to be proud of this son of the grand old empire, whose flag, to use Mr. Jensen's words, is dyed in blood but crowned with honor.

One thing particularly noticeable in his lecture was his modesty in reference to himself, and not until the hostmaster had related a few instances of Mr. Jensen's own personal sacrifices which he has made for his fellowmen and for the children yet unborn, did the audience learn of them.

Mr. Jensen said he was proud to be a Newfoundland and that Newfoundlanders had a special distinction to be proud of, that not another portion of the Empire could boast of, in the fact that Newfoundland was the oldest British Colony. When he referred to this fact Lord Aberdeen could not stand it any longer and he had to stand up and call for three cheers for Newfoundland which was given very heartily.

Mr. Jensen felt quite at home among this notable gathering, the audience constituting some of the most prominent business and professional men of the city. It was the first time he had spoken on a platform without being in khaki, but he was equally at home in a dress suit, which was the prevailing dress of the evening.

Mr. Jensen's lecture from an international standpoint was one of the greatest diplomatic victories of the hour; it brought home to citizens of the United States who were present the realization of the awful responsibility now resting upon all liberty-loving people in this hour of turmoil, and has been helpful in making them see their duty clearer than ever they did before. Newfoundland, I am sure, feels proud of Phil Jensen, as it does of its other brave sons, who have fought and died for the vital issues at stake, and I am quite sure when I say that all Americans with good red blood in their veins and of Anglo-Saxon descent, who had the pleasure of hearing him, notwithstanding the fact that they belong to a nation outside of the British Empire, are proud of this brave self-sacrificing youth and sincerely welcome him to their country and will do all in their power to make his stay a pleasant one.

When Mr. Jensen concluded his address hundreds of the audience rushed to grasp his hand and extend to him their support, and if I am not mistaken the good work of the furtherance of the British Red Cross in the U. S. A. will be very adequately rewarded by the clear cold facts and the wonderful personality of this intrepid Newfoundland.

Frederick Couder referred to here-in has visited the Western front several times during the war and spoke with the knowledge of a man who had been there. A fact worthy of mention, and commendation by all Britons is that Mr. Couder has the distinction of capturing a British ship from the German Government single-handed, he having won the recent Appam case for the British Government in the U. S. States' Supreme Court, which ship was adjudicated an illegal prize, and was ordered returned to her British owners.

Mr. Couder personally congratulated Mr. Jensen and remarked that his lecture was the best he had heard on the great war.

Ralph Connor, the guest of honor, called for "three cheers for Jensen" and three times three were given.

Mr. Jensen has many invitations to lecture during his stay in New York, but he has been advised by his attending physician to go easy on the speech making for a month or so. He has, however, agreed to speak at Trinity Church for the Rev. Dr. Manning, Trinity Church, being one of the foremost Episcopal churches in this country.

The singing of Rule Britannia, God Save the King, My Country 'Tis of Thee, and The Star Spangled Banner brought to a close one of the finest evenings the Canadian Club of New York ever had in its history.

E. M. S.,
Canadian Club of New York,
New York, March 15, 1917.

The Turk and Jerusalem.

Boston Transcript:—Give the devil his due; the wardenship of the Turks in Jerusalem has not been essentially unworthy. Probably it has been better than that which any single one of the Christian sects would have supplied, at least in the times that have passed. The Turkish soldier on his pedestal in the Christian church, keeping with bayonet and with ball cartridge his guard over the warring Christian sects each ready at any moment to strangle the other, is typical of the situation in all the Holy Land. Greeks, Latins, Armenians, Copts, and representatives of the rest of the forty-three Christian sects who are

Army and Navy Heroes

GIVEN A BIG RECEPTION.

By the express which reached town yesterday afternoon twenty-one returned soldiers, whose names we published a few days ago, and the following twenty-five Royal Naval Reservists returned on furlough:

John Barlett, Brigus; Peter Quick, Lawn; Thomas March, Dildo; Israel Brown, Fair Islands, B.B.; Arthur Carter, Wesleyville; John Hutchings, Spanish's Bay; Kenneth Peddie, Hodge's Cove, T. B.; Stewart Smith, Island Cove, T. B.; Albert Parsons, Crane's Brook Bay Roberts; Adam Freake, Seal Cove, Fogo; Ralph King, Bauline, C. B.; John Fowlow, Trinity; Edgar Button, Greenspond; Garland Samson, Flat Islands, B.B.; Benjamin Green, Burn; Albert Malden, Hant's Harbour, T.B.; William Skinner, St. Jacques; Amos Wheeler, Jamestown, B.B.; Norman Matthews, Gosse Bay, B.B.; Arthur Rose, Flower's Cove; D. C. Rowe, Green's Harbour, T.B.; W. H. Pike, John Abbott and Fred Rogers, St. John's.

With the exception of Reservists Rowe, Abbott and Rogers, who are discharged as medically unfit, the others are on furlough.

The Ladies' Reception Committee, the Acting Premier, squads from the H. M. S. Briton and Volunteers in charge of Master of Arms Hutchingson and Lieut. J. Giff, respectively, were included in the large gathering of citizens who assembled to welcome the returned heroes. The men were lined up in front of the station and before being addressed by the Acting Premier three cheers were called for by a Petty Officer of H. M. S. Briton, which were warmly given. At the conclusion of Mr. Bennett's address, Sergeant Pippy who was in charge of the returning soldiers called for three cheers for the Ladies' Reception Committee, whereupon the sailors and soldiers made the hills re-echo with their lusty voices. The war veterans were then placed in cabs and driven down Water Street. The Reservists went to Government House and received a right royal welcome from His Excellency and Lady Davidson. The returned soldiers were driven to their homes and this morning reported at Headquarters from where they were driven to Government House at 11 o'clock.

Citizens' Committee.

Chairman A. Soper presided at last night's meeting of the Citizens' Committee. The Plumbing Regulations were again discussed and the Committee recommended that they be referred to the proposed Commission on Building Regulations. It was also decided that the Board of Examiners for plumbers should consist of the Supt. of Water Service, the Plumbing Inspector and two practical plumbers.

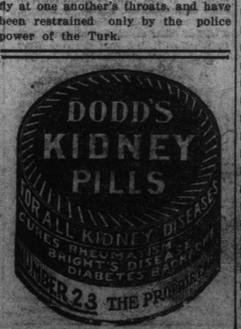
Section 363, wherein it is stated that no building shall be hereafter erected unless there is a city water supply accessible thereto, nor unless there is a public sewer in such street, was amended by adding the words: "That the Council be given power to grant permission to build in places where water and sewerage are in reasonable prospect."

Section 383—"Any building which has been damaged by fire to the extent of fifty per cent. of its value shall be considered a new building and be subject to the regulations governing the same." The Committee decided to change that to 75 per cent. of value.

Section 384 in the minds of the majority of the Committee is too drastic, as it prevents the owner of a dwelling of which the roof is covered with shingles from repairing the same with like material, as in all cases metal, slate, tile, felt wall covered with gravel or other unflammable material must be used. The section was deferred till the next night of meeting.

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