"NO SHIRKERS IF THEY COULD SEE SMILES LIGHT UP FACES OF SUFFERING IN HOSPITALS"

Tribute to Heroic Spirit of Canadians Paid by Sapper W. Brindle, Himself Seriously Injured--The Maple Leaf Greatly Honored Along the Battle Front -- Bleeding and Broken, They Come Back "Still Singing."

Good reading for the young man still hanging to his old job at home is contained in a letter received Saturday by Charles Ledford, secretary of Marlborough Lodge, S. of E., from Sapper W. Brindle, a middle-aged member of the lodge, who gave up a good business in this city about a year ago to join reinforcements for the Railway Construction Corps. For the man whose soul is not altogether missing should find it impossible to read this letter without a thrill of the heart and a dimness of the eye. Incidentally, the news is given that Sapper Brindle is in hospital suffering from internal injuries received in a motor transport accident.

The letter follows:

France, August 28, 1916.

Dear Brother Ledford,—I am writing this in a lovely little hospital ward at a most beautiful seaside resort, on the coast, which in normal times is one of the most popular places in France. Only for the fact that I am away from duty I should be most happy to stay here for a little while, as the attention I am receiving leaves nothing to be desired. The doctors and nurses are fine, but the call of duty rings as clearly in my ear as it did nearly a year ago, nay more so, because I have seen and heard things since then. The more one sees of active service the more one feels called upon to put forth every effort that is in him, at this time.

To see our splendid boys pass out to the trenches as I go by on the road, singing ever singing, and to see them borne back again, bleeding and broken, still singing, is to me the sight of a lifetime, and makes me feel proud of the fact that I belong to the same race. When the Hun thought he could break the spirit of such boys as ours, he made his greatest mistake. Whilst I have been in hospital, I have seen a few things that ought to make our St. John shirkers heartily ashamed of themselves. In the next bed to me is a boy, only 18 years old, with two gashes in his left side, and another in his right, the smallest of them five inches long. When the doctors were dressing his wounds the other morning, what do you think he said? I could see him quite plainly, and whilst the fingers were digging deep into the palms of his hands, held over his head, instead of screaming, he turned to the doctor and said:

"Doctor, how would it be to put another stitch in the centre and set me up as a penny-in-the-slot machine."

The doctor looked at him stroked his golden head and said:

"Somebody should be proud to call you son."

There was another boy here, and when the chaplain called the other day to visit us, he stood by the cot of the boy and said:

"How are you my son?"

"Oh, not too bad," was the reply.

"How is your arm this morning?"

"Not too bad, sir."

"And your head?"

"Oh, pretty good, sir."

"What happened your chest?"

"Just a chunk of shrapnel, sir."

"Would you like me to write to your people and tell them how you are getting along?"

"If you would be so kind sir," said the boy.

"What shall I tell them," asked the chaplain.

"Oh just tell them how you have found me, tell them I am not too bad but for God's sake, sir, don't tell them my leg is gone."

The chaplain looked the amazement he evidently felt at this reply, for whilst he could see the other wounds he had no idea of the missing leg. He looked round at us Canadians and said: "My hat is off to you, boys, everytime, there is no probing the depth of a Canadian."

No, Brother Ledford, we have no need to be ashamed of our badges, the Maple Leaf is honored the world over today and nowhere in the wide world more than in France and Belgium. Oh, if the stay-at-home could only see the smile light up the face of those suffering boys, there would be no need of recruiting meetings, and compulsory service would never be thought of.

I am so full of this splendid bravery of our boys, that I don't believe I have yet told you why I am here. The trouble is that whilst out with the motor transport on the 18th in the early morning I was injured internally. I tried to keep on with my work after a little rest, but the effort was too painful. However, I kept up till we reached camp at noon and there was very glad to roll into my bunk. During the afternoon I grew worse and the doctor came in to see me several times but in the evening I collapsed, and after putting an injection in my arm the doctor ordered out the car and ran me down to hospital where my body was strapped up and I was made comfortable in bed. I am pleased to say that I am progressing satisfactorily and hope to get out again in another week or so. I thank you for all the good wishes contained in your last letter. (H. R.) Lilly and (Arthur) Cotter were alright when I saw them last. We moved camp this week, and the corps will be all together again. My very kind regards to the lodge, and to its genial secretary. Every good wish from.

Yours sincerely,

SAPPER W. BRINDLE,

C. O. R. C. C.

OBITUARY

Major C. P. B. Simpson.

(Montreal Gazette.)

Besides being prominent in business The death occurred yesterday at his home, of Major Cradock Percy Booth Simpson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cradock Simpson, after a protracted illness.

and social life, Major Cradock Simpson had had many years of military training ,he having held staff appointments under Col. Gordon and Lieut.-Col. Roy. He fought in South Africa, taking part in operations in the Transvaal between November 31, 1900, and May 31, 1902, and also in Cape Colony during the same period, he being decorated with the Queen's Medal and two clasps. He was second in command of the Sixth Duke of Connaught's Royal Canadian Hussars.

Major Cradock Simpson was born in Montreal in 1870 and after finishing his education became identified with the Cradock Simpson Company.

He is survived by a widow, Margaret L. Smith, daughter of the late W. J. Smith, Rexton (N. B.), and one daughter.

Mrs. R. Thompson Smith.

Parrsboro, Sept. 14—Death claimed one of Parrsboro's most estimable women on Tuesday evening, in the person of Mrs. Josephine A. Smith, widow of R. Thompson Smith, in the 60th year of her age. Mrs. Smith was taken ill on Labor Day at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Mosher, with whom she had been making her home for some time, and was an intense sufferer until the end came. The deceased lady was a daughter of the late Thomas Thompson of Oxford. She is survived by one brother, Hibbert Thompson of Amherst and one sister, Mrs. Douglas Stewart of Ottawa. One half-brother, T. Arthur Thompson of Oxford, and four half-sisters, Mrs. A. H. Buckley of Halifax, Mrs. Joseph Frame of Regina, Mrs. Geo. B. Layton of Truro and Mrs. (Dr.) J. Ross Smith of Kentville. The late Mrs. Smith leaves to mourn three sons, Starley W., Harley T., town clerk of Parrsboro, and Donald, sergeant in the 219th Battalion at Aldershot, and three daughters, Mrs. Mosher, wife of H. E. Mosher, manager of the Royal Bank, Parrsboro, Mrs. Stewart Day of New Glasgow and Miss Mabel Smith, one of the Canadian nurses at present doing duty in Etaples, France. The funeral took place this afternoon, Rev. B. J. Porter, pastor of Grace Methodist church, conducted the services. The pall bearers were Dr. F. A. Rand, Messrs. A. C. Elderkin, Wm. Puddington and P. L. Spicer.

Mrs. Margaret McRae.

Hopewell Hill, Sept. 14—Mrs. Margaret McRae, widow of David McRae, passed away at the home of her son, Josiah McRae, of this place, at an early hour this morning, after an illness that extended over several months. The deceased lady passed her 82nd birthday in March last. She was a woman of kindly disposition and of fine Christian character and enjoyed the highest respect of all who knew her. She was formerly Miss Margaret Steeves and was born at Dawson, Albert county. Shortly after her marriage she removed with her husband to Caledonia, where she resided until coming to this village last year with her son, who took up his residence here. Her husband died many years ago.

Mrs. McRae was the mother of twelve children, seven sons and five daughters, all of whom are living. A few years ago all of the family gathered with their mother at the old homestead in Caledonia, it being the first time they had all ever been together. During their mother's last illness the past summer all of the children, whose homes are in different parts of this province and Massachusetts, had been at her bedside. Her eldest daughter, Mrs. Kinnie, remained with her mother until her death. Though for a protracted period she suffered a quite distressing illness, the deceased had every comfort and care and the most devoted attention from her family and from her stepdaughter, with whom she lived. Following are the sons and daughters: Josiah, of Hopewell Hill; Judson and Seymour, of West Newton (Mass.); Nathan, of Petitcodiac; Isaac, of Lincoln (Mass.); Archie, of Everett (Mass); Manning, of Waltham (Mass.); Misses Annie Kinnie, of Joggins Mines (N. S.); Mrs. Alpheus Turner (Jane), of Caledonia, Albert county; Mrs. Lizzie Gallagher, Little Rocher, Albert county; Mrs. Solomon Mann (Susan), of Mannhurst, Kings county; Mrs. Foster Walton (Laura), Petitcodiac.

Mrs. Johanna Matheson.

Fredericton, Sept. 15—Word has been received here of the death on Sept. 11 at Kincardine, Victoria county, of Mrs. Johanna Matheson, a native of Brora, Sutherlandshire, Scotland. She was the widow of Alexander Matheson and was born Jan. 28, 1841. The surviving children are William Matheson, of Andover; Alexander Matheson, of Kincardine; Thomas Matheson, of Whiteworth (Que.); Mrs. Leslie Maver, of Woodstock ,and Mrs. A. W. Brebner, of Cabano (Que.). Internment was made at Kincardine on Wednesday, Sept. 13, Rev. Gordon C. Pringle conducting the service.

Miss Kate Hartt.

The death of Miss Kate Hartt, which occurred at St. George on Monday, 9th inst., came as a great shock to the community. She was in her usual good health in the morning, and when her brother returned at noon, he found her lying on the floor in an unconscious condition. She lived but a few moments death being due to apoplexy. Miss Hartt was a lady of sterling qualities, of a pleasant and kindly disposition, which made her a favorite with all with whom she came in contact.

She is survived by one brother, John, with whom she resided, and two sisters, Mrs. Patrick Lynott and Mrs. Lawrence Murphy, both of St. George, who have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

The funeral services took place Wednesday morning at St. George's Catholic church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. W. J. Holland. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. The pall-bearers were, James O'Neill, Henry Meating, Caleb Hennessey, John O'Brien, jr., George Frauley, and Paul Riordan. Many beautiful floral tributes testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Mrs. Horace Milliken.

Saturday, Sept. 16.

Many will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Horace Milliken of 51 Elliott row which occurred at an early hour yesterday morning. She was 82 years old and besides her husband is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Annie Wright of Boston, and three sisters, Mrs. J. M. Montgomery and Mrs. Carrie Taylor of this city and Mrs. Isabel Smith of New York.

Mrs. Abbie M. Smith.

Friday, Sept. 15.

The death of Mrs. Abbie M. Smith, wife of Dr. J. M. Smith, which occurred very suddenly yesterday morning, removed one of the best known and beloved citizens of St. John. Mrs. Smith was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Pugsley and was born at Sussex, Kings county. Besides her husband, she leaves two brothers and two sisters. The brothers are the Hon. William Pugsley and Dr. D. A. Pugsley. The sisters are Mrs. R. B. Humphrey and Mrs. G. L. Tapley. The funeral will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence, 21 Chipman Hill.

George Sargeson.

Friday, Sept. 15.

The death of George Sargeson occurred at his son's residence, 17 St. Paul street, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Sargeson is survived by one son and three daughters. A large circle of friends will mourn his demise. The funeral service will be held tomorrow, interment being made at Gondola Point.

Miss Mary E. Hewlett.

Saturday, Sept. 16.

Miss Mary E. Hewlett, a well known resident of Queenstown (N. B.), died yesterday at the home of her nephew, Thomas T. H. Scovil, following a comparatively brief illness. She was the second daughter of the late Thomas Hewlett. The funeral will take place from her late residence Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

Sir Cavendish Boyle.

London, Sept. 17—Sir Cavendish Boyle, who was governor of Newfoundland, 1901-1904, died here today.

Seth Low.

New York, Sept. 17—Seth Low, aged 66, publicist and former mayor of New York, died late today at his summer home at Bedford Hills (N. Y.), after a long illness.

James Parkhill Chipman.

James Parkhill Chipman, one of Queens county's most prosperous farmers died suddenly early Saturday morning. He was in the 84th year of his age, was born in Ireland and came to this country when but a small boy and settled in Chipman. He is survived by one brother, John, police magistrate of Chipman; three sons, Samuel J., of St. John; Alexander, of Chipman, and Victor of Chipman, and three daughters, Mrs. Alexander Scott, of St. John; Mrs. James McInnis, of Chipman, and Mrs. John McCollum, of Chipman.

Miss Leonora Francis.

Relatives in this city have received news of the death of Miss Leonora Gertrude Francis, daughter of M. W. Francis, a former St. John man now residing in Jacksonville (Fla.) Miss Francis died in Cambridge (Mass.) on Sept. 10. She had been a visitor to St. John on various occasions and had many friends here who will learn of her death with sincere regret. The burial took place on last Sunday in Mount Auburn cemetery, Cambridge.

Miss Gladys Marguerite Thorne.

Many will learn with regret of the death of Miss Gladys Marguerite Thorne, only child of W. A. Troop and Josephine Thorne, aged eighteen years. She had been ill only a few days, death being due to erysipilas. The keenest regret will be occasioned among her wide circle of friends, and the bereaved parents will find tender sympathy everywhere.

Samuel E. Hoyt.

Samuel E. Hoyt, for many years an employe of the Canadian Government Railways at the Union Depot, died yesterday at his home, 38 Winter street, after an illness of a few weeks, aged sixty-eight years. He leaves besides his wife one son, George W. of Sussex, one daughter, Miss Gertrude at home, one brother, John A. Hoyt of Worcester (Mass.), and one sister, Mrs. S. H. White of Sussex. He was a native of King's county, son of the late Isaac K. Hoyt, being of Loyalist stock. Service will be held at the home, Tuesday morning at 11.30 o'clock and the body will be taken on the noon suburban to Hampton where the funeral will be held to the burial ground at Lower Norton.

Mrs. Walter Stone.

Woodstock, N. B., Sept. 17—The sudden death of Mrs. Walter Stone this evening was a shock to the whole community. Mrs. Stone had been sitting up during the day, and was in good spirits and conversed freely with friends and relatives. Without any warning she was suddenly seized with illness that resulted in her death in a few minutes in spite of the efforts of the three physicians who were hurriedly called. Her death removes one of the town's most estimable and highly respected ladies. Married about two years ago with a bright baby boy, born three weeks ago and a devoted husband, her death is inexpressibly sad. Mr. Stone, who is the local manager of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, and relatives of the deceased have the deep sympathy of every one in their great bereavement. Only yesterday Mr. Stone received word that his brother had been seriously wounded in a recent engagement. Another brother was killed a short time ago, both being in the service of the empire.

Michael Kelly.

Monday, Sept. 18.

The death occurred very suddenly last night of Michael Kelly at his residence, 34 St. Patrick street. Mr. Kelly was taken seriously ill Sunday morning and within a few hours passed away. He was a prominent citizen of St. John, being a well known carriage builder. He is survived by his wife and four sons—James R., in Portland (Ore.); John E., who is a wireless operator on board a transport plying between the British Isles and France; Charles M., who is at the front in France, and Frank, at home. He is also survived by three daughters—Agnes, Mary and Regina, all at home.

Mary Ann Bryson.

Monday, Sept. 18.

The death occurred yesterday at her residence, 196 Waterloo St. of Miss Mary Ann Bryson, daughter of the late Hugh and Mary Bryson. She is survived by one brother, Daniel, of this city. The funeral will be held on Tuesday morning at 9.15 o'clock from her late residence to the cathedral for high mass of requiem.

Mrs. Anna Howe.

New London, Conn.), Sept. 16—Mrs. Anna Howe, sister of President Wilson, died at 6.40 a. m.

WEDDINGS

Dunn-Perkins.

A quiet, but pretty wedding took place Wednesday afternoon, September 13, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Perkins, Norton (N. B.), when their only daughter, Lilliah Louise was united in marriage to Frank S. Dunn of Saskatoon. Rev. C. W. Walden, pastor of the United Baptist church, Norton, performed the ceremony. The bride, who entered the parlor with her father to the strains of Mendelsohn's wedding march, rendered by Miss Nellie McFarlane was handsomely gowned in white satin, with pearl trimmings and Juliette cap with veil and orange blossoms and carried a large shower bouquet of roses and maiden hair fern. The rooms were tastefully decorated for the happy event with flowers. After the usual round of congratulations and good wishes dinner was served. The happy couple left on the C. P. R. train for a tour through Nova Scotia. The bride's traveling costume was grey silk poplin with hat to match. Many beautiful presents were received from friends in New Brunswick and also Saskatoon where the bride for the past four years was supervisor in the city schools. The groom's present to the bride was a valuable diamond and emerald ring. After returning from Nova Scotia Mr. and Mrs. Dunn will spend a few weeks in Upper Canada enroAute to their home in Saskatoon where Mr. Dunn owns a large business. The many friends will wish the young couple a future marked by happiness and prosperity.

Trask-Dalzell.

The Reformed Baptist church at North Head, Grand Manan, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Thursday, Sept, 7, at 8 o'clock, when Miss Fay Beryl Dalzell became the bride of Harry Fritz Trask, of Somerville (Mass.) The bride was very prettily gowned in white taffeta silk with veil and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern. She was attended by Miss Fay Gaskill, gowned in pink silk crepe de chine and carried pink sweet peas. The groom was attended by Jay Daggett. Little Addison Clesson Naves, cousin of the bride, acted as ring bearer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. C. Mullen, using the double ring service. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Thomas Naves, aunt of the bride. The church was beautifully decorated with ferns and cut flowers, and as the bridal party stood before the altar the choir sang The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden. The ushers were Misses Nora and Myrtle Griffin, who looked charming in white silk. After the ceremony a reception was held at her home. About sixty guests were present. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, including linen, cut glass, silver and gold. The groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful traveling bag, to the bridesmaid a pendant set with pearls, to the best man a tie pin, to the ushers gold rings with their birth stones. The bride is one of our most popular young ladies, and has the best wishes of all.

Mr. and Mrs. Trask will reside at 82 Frement street, Somerville (Mass.)

Fitzgerald-Burgness.

Friday, Sept. 15.

In the presence of immediate friends and relatives the wedding of Miss Mary Ann Burgness and John J. Fitzgerald was solemnized last evening at 18 Hanover street by Rev. W. H. Barraclough. The pair were unattended. The groom is a son of Captain James Fitzgerald, formerly of Carnarvon, Wales, and the bride is a native of Old Perlican, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. A wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald will reside in Brussels street. Their many firends will wish them long life and happiness.

Dubay-McDonald.

The Roman Catholic church at Debec was the scene of a quiet wedding on Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock, when Winifred Martina McDonald, of Canterbury (N. B.), and Otis S. Dubay, of Fort Fairfield (Me.), were united in marriage by the Rev. C. J. McLaughlin at nuptial mass. The bride, who was unattended, was attired in her traveling suit of navy blue taffeta with hat to match and wore a white fox ruff. They left by C. P. R. on a trip to Boston and New York. On their return they will reside at Fort Fairfield (Me.), where the groom is a popular young druggist.

Dysart-McDougall.

A wedding of much interest was solemnized in St. Anne's church, Glace Bay, on Wednesday morning, Sept. 6, the principals being Miss Blanche Carmel McDougall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. McDougall, of Glace Bay, and Albert Allison Dysart, barrister, of Buctouche (N. B.)

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Thompson, assisted by the Rev. A. Briand. The sanctuary and altar were beautifully decorated with a profusion of potted plants, ferns and flowers by the girl friends of the bride and a very large number of interested friends filled the church.

To the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march the bride entered the church with her father, by whom she was given away.

She looked beautiful, attired in a handsome gown of white duchess satin with court train. She wore the conventional bridal veil held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Mabel McDougall, who was charmingly gowned in gold Georgette crepe with picture hat to match and carried a bouquet of sunset roses.

Robert Dysart, of Boston, brother of the groom, was best man.

As the newly wedded pair were leaving the church Prof. Bernard McIntosh delightfully rendered Lohengrin's bridal chorus.

The party motored from the church to the residence of the bride's parents,where a dainty wedding breakfast was served. Later Mr. and Mrs. Dysart took the train for New Glasgow and motored from there to their home in Buctouche, stopping at Truro, Parrsboro, Amherst and Moncton en route.

The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents, including silver, cut glass, linen and furniture. The groom's gift was a pair of diamond and pearl earrings.

Mrs. Dysart, who is a sister of D. H. McDougall, general manager of the Dominion Iron & Steel and the Dominion Coal Company, is one of Cape Breton's most popular young women.

The groom is well known throughout the maritime provinces, having been recently nominated as an opposition candidate for Kent county.

Wilson-Simmons.

Hillsboro, Sept. 14—On Wednesday, Sept. 13, a pretty wedding was solemnized at 6 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Simmons, Weldon, when their youngest daughter, Lyda Bernice, was united in marriage to Bliss B. Wilson, of Cap de Moiselle Creek. The ceremony was witnessed by about forty guests, including only relatives of the bride and groom. The bride looked very pretty in a beautiful dress of white crepe de chine and taffeta with trimmings of lace and pearl. She wore a veil caught with orange blossoms and her bouquet was of sweet peas and maiden hair fern. She was given in marriage by her father. Attending the bride as bridesmaid was her sister, Miss Sara Simmond, gowned in a dress of white silk voile with trimming of taffeta frilling. She carried a bouquet of sweet peas. Bliss Beaumont, of Moncton, cousin of the groom, was groomsman. The wedding march from Lohengrin was played by the bride's sister, Miss Amanda Simmons.

The home was tasefully decorated with sweet peas and potted plants and the bridal party presented a very pretty scene standing during the ceremony under an arch of golden glow. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served. The dining room decorations being pink and green. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left by automobile for Moncton to take the train for New York and other American cities where the ywill spend their honeymoon. The bride received many beautiful gifts of silver and cut glass. The groom's gift to her was a pendant set with pearls and emeralds. The groom presented the bridesmaid and organist with pearl crescent brooches, to the groomsman a pearl stickpin.

Among out of town guests were from Moncton: Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. B. Beaumont, Bliss Beaumont, Miss Cora Beaumont, Miss Minnie Nixon and Mrs. Mary McGowan; from New York, Miss I. Smith, and George Parkins, of Petitcodiac, and Mrs. Neil Morrison, St. John.

Miller-Vaughan.

The wedding of Walter St. Clair Miller, son of Cudlip Miller, to Miss Madena Ethelwyn Vaughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughan, both of St. Martins, took place Friday evening at the parsonage of the Germain street Baptist church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. S. S. Poole. They will make their home in St. Martins.

Vaughan-Taylor.

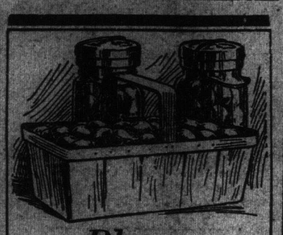
A wedding of much interest was solomnized at the summer home of Z. G. Allwood, Brookville, on Saturday evening when D. A. Vaughan, of St. John, was married to Miss Frances L. Taylor. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. J. MacPherson, of the Central United Baptist church, St. John. The house was prettily decorated, in honor of the occasion, with sweet peas and asters. The bride, who was given away by William Allwood, wore a traveling suit of purple broadcloth with hat to match and carried a shower bouquet of roses and sweet peas. The wedding was solemnized in the presence of immediate friends of the contracting parties and, after the ceremony, all sat down to a dainty luncheon. The presents were both numerous and useful including a quantity of linen and a purse of gold from the lady friends of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan left on the night train for Halifax and, on their return will reside in St. John where the groom is engaged in the manufacturing of boxes.

LIBERALS HAVE 39 SEATS IN B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 18—According to the latest returns the Liberals are expected to have thirty-nine seats in the new legislature out of forty-seven. The Conservatives have five seats, and three are still uncertain. The Conservatives hold Cowichan, Nelson, South Okanagan and Similkameen. It is not expected the soldiers' vote will change these results materially.

MOVING TO WEST SIDE.

The boys of No. 8 Ambulance Train and the 242nd Forestry Battalion are rapidly completing preparations for an early move to West St. John, where they will take up quarters. The move will be made some time this week.



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2,092 BRITISH OFFICERS LOST IN LAST 2 WEEKS

Of These, 603 Were Killed, 1,396 Wounded and 93 Missing—Army of 41,017 Officers in Casualty List Since War Began — Nova Scotia Men Appear

London, Sept. 18—Officers casualty lists for the last fortnight of August contain the names of 603 officers killed, 1,396 wounded and 93 missing, a total of 2,092. This brings the losses of officers in the British army since the commencement of hostilities to 41,014 of whom 12,045 have been killed or died of wounds, 26,076 wounded and 2,893 missing.

During the fortnight Brigadier-General Potter was wounded, Brigadier-General Buckle killed and five lieutenant-colonels killed.

All Nova Scotia Men.

Ottawa, Sept. 18—The 7 p.m. casualty list follows:

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action.

Charles Everson, Merlebank, Dartmouth (N. S.)

Thomas H. Irving, Shubenacadie (N. S.)

John L. Lightizer, Middleton (N. S.)

Died.

Pioneer Neil C. McKenzie,New Waterford (C. B.)

ENGINEERS.

Killed in Action.

Sapper Albert B. Miller, Margaree Forks, Inverness (C. B.)

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action.

Edward McDonald, New Aberdeen (C. B.)

Three N. B. Men in List.

Ottawa, Sept. 18—The 10.30 p.m. casualty list follows:

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action.

Francis H. Purcell, Millitown (N. B.)

Alfred W. Turner, St. John's (Nfld.)

Wounded.

Norman Doss, Springhill (N. S.)

Charles Cameron, New Glasgow (N. S.)

Frank M. Lockhart, Truro (N. S.)

Major Percy D. McAvity, 228 Duke street, St. John (N. B.)

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Died.

James Westwater, 98 Hollis street, Halifax (N. S.)

Wounded.

Sergt. Charles O. Taber, R. R. No. 1, Bloomfield Station (N. B.)

ATTEMPT TO STEAL SOLDIERS' VOTE IS NOT SUCCESSFUL

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Besides this, there is a discrepancy between the auditor's report and the published account in The Standard in regard to the refund of $602.50 from the C. P. R. for damage, although the auditor in his regular report charges all demurrage to A. C. Smith & Company. Apart from the $32,861.30, leaving the province to lose $1,954.70, there is no mention of this demurrage in the published newspaper report. Thus, according to The Standard's own finding, the province loses $2,557.20.

A Ridiculous Statement.

As for the sale of 5,000 barrels to A. C. Smith & Company at $1.30 per barrel, any potato shipper or buyer in the province knowing the prices of potatoes in the late fall of 1914 and winter months of 1915, will simply laugh at it. For example, in the surplus potato account I find A. C. Smith & Company selling to the government 292 barrels at eighty cents, and 290 barrels at $1.10, and, according to The Standard, they bought them back at $1.30 per barrel. To make the explanation more ridiculous, according to the auditor's report of surplus potatoes they purchased only 13,712 barrels and yet paid A. C. Smith & Co. for barrelling, discharging and sorting 16,700 barrels the sum of $6,680.

H. W. Woods and Dr. Burke, the government organizers, were in the county yesterday. They have been many hurried visits by well known election agents from different sections, many of them holding government jobs.

HOW IT WAS PLANNED

Woodstock, Sept. 18—The opposition party has just discovered a plot of government men to deprive the Carleton county boys in the 140th of votes in this election. A telegram from Valcartier to F. B. Carvell says: "Passes and transportation have been granted to government supporters as per list furnished by higher authority. At 6.30 p. m. today we received your message and at once submitted list of opposition supporters to O. C. battalion, and it was turned down as he has no authority to grant pass to any whose names were not on the original list."

Mr. Carvell at once telegraphed the contents of this message to the authorities and demanded that all the electors from Carleton county be treated alike. When Colonel Beer, the officer commanding the 140th, was in Woodstock last week he said that his battalion expected to go overseas soon and no more passes would be given. It was intimated to him that there was a rumor that supporters of the government would be permitted to come home and vote. "No more passes," he said, "will be given except over my earnest protest." In spite of this, passes and transportation were at first issued to government voters and refused to the supporters of the opposition. This state of affairs, happily, has been remedied through Mr. Carvell's energy.

PETROGRAD LOOKS FOR SUCCESS IN FRESH OFFENSIVE

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artillery replied effectively, shelling also the railway line in the Upper Fela and the Toblach station, scattering troops there.

"Yesterday on the Carso the enemy launched persistent attacks against our new positions. Despite their being preceded and supported by an extremely violent bombardment these attacks were all repulsed. The enemy suffered heavy losses and left in our hands 300 prisoners.

"Enemy air raids on the Asiago plateau, Caoria, Vanoi, Cismon and in the Biois and Cordevole valleys are reported. Last night an aeroplane squadron again dropped bombs on Mestre. These raids caused no damage and no casualties.

"Two of our aeroplanes dropped bombs on Mattarello and near Trento, and forced an enemy seaplane to land. Another squadron of our Caproni battle planes, escorted by Nieuports and chasers, dropped bombs on the station at Dottegliano and Schoppo, on the Carso, hitting the railway establishments, adjoining stores and water tanks, and trains in the station. All the aeroplanes returned safely, although they were pursued by the enemy and fired on by anti-aircraft batteries."

Berlin Claims Victory.

Berlin, Sept. 18, via London, 6.05 p. m.—A German attack against the Russians who are attempting to capture the Galician town of Halicz resulted in the defeat of the Russians, who lost the greater part of the territory gained on Saturday, the war office announced today. In addition to inflicting heavy casualties on the Russians, the Germans took 3,500 prisoners and sixteen machine guns.

NO GENERAL STRIKE IN NEW YORK UNTIL MAYOR HAS TRIED SETTLEMENT.

New York, Sept. 18—There will be no sympathetic strike of labor unions to aid the striking street railway employes until Thursday, at least, and one may be averted altogether if renewed efforts of Mayor Mitchel to settle the present street car strike in the meantime are successful. This was announced today, after a conference between the mayor and five labor union leaders.

FURTHER CAPTURES GIVE FRENCH FIRM HOLD ON COMBLES

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gether with positions between Barleux and Vermandovillers, south of the river Somme, is reported in today's official statement.

North of the river, the statement says, the fighting developed favorably to the Germans.

The statement follows:

"Battles continue both in the west and in the east.

"Western theatre: Army group of Prince Rupprecht: The Somme battles, carried out on a front of 45 kilometres (28 miles) from Thiepval to the south of Vermandovillers, led to extraordinarily bitter fighting. Those north of the Somme terminated favorably to us. Those south of the river resulted in the abandonment of completely razed portions between Barleux and Mandevillers, together with the villages of Berny and Deniecourt.

BOYS' WORK CONFERENCE.

On Saturday and Sunday next the annual week-end conference under Y. M. C. A. auspices will be held at Grand Bay and about twenty-five boys from the local institution will leave on Saturday to attend. At 7.30 o'clock on Saturday night the first address of the conference will be given by Rev. P. R. Hayward, which will serve as a general introduction to the Canadian standard efficiency test, which is to be taken up at the conference and which has been adopted by the several branches of the association throughout the country. At 7.30 o'clock on Sunday morning a morning watch gathering will be held for Bible study under the direction of A. M. Gregg, of St. John. The convention will reassemble at 9 o'clock in the morning and then the efficiency test will be dealt with under four heads, as follows: Intellectual standard, T. H. Hutchinson, Canadian national high school secretary, of Toronto; physical standard, H. O. Bonk, St. John Y. M. C. A.; religious standard, F. L. Smith, general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., and service standard, W. C. Cross, chairman of the boys' work committee, St. John. From 3 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon opportunity will be given the boys for personal interrogation and the conference will be closed at 7 o'clock in the evening with a special address. The boys will return to the city on Monday.