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## GENERAL SIR ARTHUR CURRIE

*(Extracts from letter received by Mr. Rowell from the Commander  
of the Canadian army in France, July, 1917)*

"We are all anxiously looking to Canada to see what the result of the conscription proposals of Sir Robert Borden will be.

"I am very glad that you have given your support and influence to the cause of conscription. . . .

"We are winning this war . . . . and it would seem as if the heroic sacrifices of the Canadians would be forgotten, if the troops in the field are not kept at full fighting strength.

"I attribute a great deal of our success to our fighting organization. If our units are not kept up to strength that organization breaks down, and success cannot be expected in the same measure.

"Furthermore, if our units are kept at full strength, the morale of our troops remains very high; whereas if units are allowed to become weak in numbers, the morale suffers accordingly.

"I pray that you will not relax your efforts in seeing that everything is done by Canada to furnish the necessary drafts of officers and men. The troops here expect it—let them not be disappointed."