

MANY COUNTIES ACCEPT OFFER OF MINISTER OF MILITIA

Will Raise Regiments to be Locally Quartered and Trained Where They are Recruited During the Winter—Two Nova Scotia Municipalities Among Them—Sir Sam Sanguine of Raising 100,000 Men in a Few Weeks.

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—The call of the government for another 100,000 men from Canada for overseas service is meeting with a steady response, according to Major-General Sir Sam Hughes. The minister's offer to any municipality to locally quarter for training during the winter any companies or regiments locally raised is being accepted by scores of places all over the dominion. Yesterday and today representatives of seventeen different municipalities sent word to the minister that they were ready to go ahead with the recruiting and organization of new regiments.

It will, of course, take considerable time to complete the organization, recruiting and equipping of these new regiments but the list gives an aggregate of nearly 20,000 more men who are "potentially raised," according to Sir Sam. The minister thinks that with 175,000 men already enrolled there will not be much difficulty in reaching the required total of 300,000 within a very few weeks.

A list of a dozen or so counties which have offered to raise battalions for overseas service was made public some days ago. Since then the following counties and municipalities have offered to supply a sufficient number of men to constitute a second regiment, and it is expected that there will not be much difficulty in raising a full regiment of Indians. In the troops who have already gone to the front there are a number of the Indian citizens of the dominion.

It is understood that the British war office through Earl Kitchener has accepted the suggestion that the 48th British Columbia regiment, now in England under Col. Holmes, should become a pioneer battalion and go as a unit instead of being broken and sent as details to the front.

OBITUARY

John Ryder.
St. Stephen, Oct. 29.—(Special)—John Ryder, a prominent citizen, died at his home in Union street this morning. Mr. Ryder was born in St. Andrews in 1832 and at an early age moved to St. Stephen. For fifty years he was connected with the fire department of this town as chief until failing health compelled his retirement. He was leader of the first hand organized here and continued an active member for many years. He was also actively connected with militia and at the time of the Fenian raid was sergeant and for his services received a land grant and a medal. For many years Mr. Ryder was engaged in the harness business in Water street and in later years his son, George Ryder, was associated with him. Mr. Ryder was twice married and by his first marriage two sons, Captain George Ryder, of this town, and Harry Ryder, of Alberta, survive him; and by his second wife, who was Miss Martha Blaney, and one daughter, Mrs. L. Gower MacKay, of Sydney (C. B.), and one son, Charles, of this town, survive.

The funeral will be held in Trinity church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30, services to be conducted by the rector, Rev. Mr. Tomalin. Mr. Ryder was a charter member of Frontier Lodge, K. of P.

Mrs. Jane Gulliver.
Chatham, N. B., Oct. 29.—The death took place at Newnan yesterday afternoon of Mrs. Jane Gulliver, widow of John Gulliver. She is survived by five brothers, James and Charles Campbell, of Napan; Arch, of Ferry Road; Fred, of Chatham; and Alexander, of North Dakota; also two sisters, Mrs. Charles Anderson and Mrs. Gibson, of New Hampshire.

George Cady.
Chatham, N. B., Oct. 29.—George Cady, one of the oldest and well known citizens of Chatham, died this morning, after an illness of several weeks. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Henry Kelly, St. John; Mrs. John Clancy, and four brothers, of Chatham; Alfred, of the 55th battalion, and Joseph, of Chatham.

Mrs. Hannah Thorne.
Saturday, Oct. 30.
The death occurred yesterday, at 4:30, of Mrs. Hannah Thorne, in the 96th year of her age. She leaves two sons and one daughter to mourn. T. Gilbert, of Kings county, and S. J. of this city, are the sons, and Mrs. Richard W. Hetherington, of Washademoak, the daughter. Her grandparents were Loyalists who landed here in '83.

Richard E. Sutton.
Chatham, Oct. 29.—Word has been received of the death of Richard E. Sutton, in Boston, on Wednesday morning, aged 48 years, leaving his wife, who was formerly Miss Kelso, of Restigouche county, and two sons, Richard and Kelso, of Boston. His aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Sutton, formerly of Nelson, but now of Cross Creek, York, also survive, as well as one sister, Mrs. Alex. McLaggan, of Cross Creek. The late Mr. Sutton was for several years acting station agent on the I. C. R. at several points, and had also been at one time purser on the well-known steamer Lady Ellen, which sail-

NEW PREMIER OF FRANCE



ARISTIDE BRIAND, who comes back to leadership on the resignation of Rene Viviani.

PORT ARTHUR REGIMENT SOON TO BE IN ST. JOHN

60th Battalion of Montreal Will Also Proceed to Halifax.

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—(Special)—It is understood that the 60th battalion of Montreal, under Colonel Dansereau, will proceed to Halifax soon, and the 52nd regiment, from Port Arthur, under Lieutenant-Colonel Hay, will proceed to St. John.

A cable has been received by General Hughes that there were no Canadians on board the transport Marquette, which was torpedoed in the Aegean Sea. It was rumored in Toronto that a Toronto medical unit was on board. The telegram denying the rumor was sent to Principal Falconer, of the University of Toronto, today by General Sir Sam.

At the request of the minister of militia, wounded officers instead of losing their seniority and positions in their regiments through being invalided will, on their recovery and return to the front, resume as far as possible their former positions. The former system whereby officers are regraded into other units was the subject of much complaint among the officers, as in most cases preferred to remain attached to their old regiments.

Patriotic Fair in Sussex Nets About \$550

Sussex, N. B., Oct. 31.—(Special)—The patriotic fair and auction, which was held in the vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity on Friday afternoon and evening, under the auspices of the Sussex branch of the Women's Institute, was a great success, upwards of \$550 being realized.

MONCTON TO HAVE 69TH FOR WINTER

Arrangements have been completed between the militia department and Canadian government railways for wintering of the 69th Battalion in Moncton, Western men will be housed in the new N. T. H. round house and machine shop in the west end and the city authorities will build a street to provide accommodation.

WEDDINGS

Ross-Sproul.
A very pretty wedding took place in Exmouth street Methodist church yesterday morning when the pastor, Rev. W. G. Lane, united in marriage Miss Mary E. Sproule, of Winnipeg, niece of ex-Alderman Sproule, and George F. Ross, a popular member of the local police force. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, was attended by Miss Ross, sister of the groom. Harry Ross acted as best man. The church choir sang several hymns. The organist, Miss Sandall, played the wedding march as the young couple left on a honeymoon trip through New Brunswick. Returning they will reside in this city. They were the recipients of a large number of very pretty presents.

TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS BEST SINCE WAR BEGAN

Toronto, Nov. 1.—Local bank clearings for October were the largest for any month since the war broke out, and nearly \$38,000,000 ahead of the previous month's total. Comparative figures are: October, 1915, \$176,078,506; September, 1915, \$168,831,309; October, 1914, \$165,891,369.

Putting a coat of varnish on the lino-oleum yearly will make it last for years, and look bright and new.

GERMAN AIRMEN COME TO GREE IN CANADIAN LINES

Two Craft Brought Down, One Carrying Colt Machine Gun Captured at Ypres

CANADIANS INSPECTED BY KING WEDNESDAY

Every Infantry Unit Represented in Review by Sovereign Day Before He Was Injured—Western Officers Make Daring Reconnaissance—Pte. Donoghue's Gallantry.

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—Major General Sir Sam Hughes tonight received the following despatch from the Canadian general representative at the front:

"During the period of Oct. 22 to 29, the general situation on our front underwent no material change. Heavy rains have fallen. In intervals of sunshine the enemy's artillery displayed considerable activity and our artillery replied by shelling the enemy's billets and trenches. With the exception of occasional outbursts of bombing the enemy was unusually quiet. There was little hostile rifle or machine gun fire. Our bombers and patrols maintained their activity. Whenever possible our working parties were actively employed. Several enemy working parties were dispersed by our rifle fire.

"Early on the morning of October 31, Private K. J. Donoghue, 4th battalion, volunteered to go out in search of one of our men who had been wounded the previous night on patrol close to the German trenches. Donoghue found this man hiding in a clump of bushes. After dressing his wounds, Donoghue succeeded in bringing him in.

"On October 29, a mine was exploded under a German gallery in front of us. An enemy mining party is believed to have been blown up.

"Mine Found and Destroyed.

"On October 29, scouts of our 8th (Winnipeg) battalion discovered and exploded a land mine concealed in a small hole and covered over with leaves and grass. The crater formed was four feet deep and eight feet in diameter. In another locality a grenade was found with a trip wire attached.

"On the night of October 28, a parcel of our 2nd Eastern Ontario battalion crept to within twenty yards of a German working party. Three bombs were thrown among the enemy, causing several casualties.

"On the morning of October 26 a hostile aeroplane of the Albatross type was attacked by a British airman and brought to rest 200 yards behind our front line trenches, in the area of our 14th Montreal battalion. The pilot was killed. The observer, who was slightly wounded, was taken prisoner. The enemy attempted to destroy the machine by artillery fire as it lay on the ground, but completely failed, over 100 shells being fired but only two taking effect, slightly damaging one wing.

"The machine was fired with a Colt machine gun, was taken prisoner. The machine is the property of our 14th battalion.

"During the Ypres battle in April it had been temporarily loaned to our 18th battalion when relieving our 14th battalion in the trenches. In subsequent fighting it had been abandoned on April 28th. Thus after six months and the three days of grace allowed by Canadian law, the gun was returned by the enemy to its rightful owners.

"On the same day another hostile aeroplane was attacked over our lines by a British airman and brought to earth in a crippled condition a few hundred yards behind the German front line trenches. It was heavily fired upon by our artillery.

"Thousands of our men witnessed the two air duels in which the British airman completely outwitted and outmanoeuvred the German.

Daring Reconnaissance.

"On the night of October 26-27, a reconnaissance was undertaken by Lieut. Owen, Sergeant Meyerstein, Corporal Weir and Private Layton, and Royce, of our 7th British Columbia battalion. Various enemy listening posts were visited but found empty.

"The party then crawled through a breach in the wire up to the German parapet and threw bombs into the trenches, causing great confusion among the enemy. Our party returned safely. Special reconnaissance were also carried out by Col. De Pree, Col. Carr and Major Parsons. Valuable information was gained and the three officers were congratulated by General Alderson.

"On October 27, his majesty the king inspected the Canadian troops. Every infantry unit was represented by a detachment of fifty men and our cavalry brigade, first and second C. M. H. brigades, artillery brigades and other units by proportionate contingents. About 2,000 of our men marched past his majesty, and about 5,000 more lined the roads. The weather cleared for the occasion, and our men presented a splendid appearance. His majesty was accompanied by the Prince of Wales, and received a hearty welcome as he passed to and from the reviewing ground.

"Major General Carson, accompanied by Col. Sir Montague Allan and Col. Maynard Rogers, visited our troops during the period of the review.

"Private A. H. Wythe, of the 5th Western Canadian battalion, has been awarded the distinguished conduct medal."

LANCE CORPORAL ANGUS McDONALD KILLED IN THE WAR

Mrs. John McColgan, of 28 Rock street received word yesterday telling her of the death of her nephew, Lance Corporal Angus McDougall, who was with the First Cameronians B. E. F. Lance Corporal McDougall, who was 25 years of age, was seven years in the army and was sent to France at the outbreak of war. He was the only son of Angus and Jessie McDougall, of Glasgow, Scotland. Besides his father and mother he leaves one sister and a heart-broken wife.

Official Report That Hesperian Sunk by German Torpedo

U. S. Officials Find That Fragment Found on Board Could Not Have Been Mine—Protest Over Prize of War at Halifax.

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Publication will be simultaneous in this country and in Great Britain. The date of the arrival of the special messenger in London carrying the note is uncertain. It is expected, however, that he will arrive this week.

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The secretary said the result of the navy department's investigation would immediately be communicated either to the German government directly or to Ambassador Bernstorff.

Germany has made to the United States a qualified disclaimer of responsibility for the sinking of the Hesperian. In a note to Ambassador Gerard on September 14, the foreign office said that on the face of the evidence then at hand Germany was satisfied that the Hesperian was not sunk by a German submarine.

The Hesperian sank early in September off the Irish coast while making her way to port after being disabled by the explosion. The fragment was made of polished steel and was about nine inches long. It was sent to the state department by the American embassy at London.

The position of the United States has been to take no steps to question the good faith of Germany's assurances, unless it was shown clearly that the sinking of the Hesperian was in violation of them. The president and Secretary Lansing have been reluctant to believe that the Hesperian was sunk deliberately without valid excuse.

Hocking's Owners Protest.

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"We had considerable difficulty in obtaining American registry, due to the belief that the vessel was largely owned by foreigners. We succeeded only after appealing the case to Secretary of State Lansing, who said there was no reason why registry could not be granted, and accordingly the Hocking was admitted to American registry on Aug. 10."

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DISSOLUTION OF

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