

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TH GIVING VALUABLE SERVICE

the Editor of The Telegraph:

There is, I am told, the idea in the minds of some that the Rev. Dr. B. Hooper, who went overseas as chaplain of the 26th Battalion, is doing hospital work in England because he refused to leave the Rev. G. A. Kuhnring sent there in his stead. It is true that Mr. Hooper was given the opportunity of going to the Dardanelles, but time for preparation was so short that he found it impossible to accept the offer. It happened, however, that the Rev. G. A. Kuhnring, who just arrived, was still unpacked, and having read him express his readiness to go, Mr. Hooper suggested that he should go to the position, with the result that Kuhnring went to Lemnos, while Mr. Hooper was transferred to the 26th Battalion. Mr. Hooper's subsequent transfer to England was in consequence of the attack of influenza, which left him in the time being in an impaired state of health, and had no connection at all with his refusal of the Lemnos offer. In view of the idea to which I have referred, it is only fair to Mr. Hooper that facts should be made known.

Faithfully yours,
JOHN FREDERICKSON,
Bishop's Court, Fredericton (N. B.),
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If I Must
Lloyd Roberts, in Ottawa Citizen,
knows there's plenty of earth for
all of us!
Why must we sweat for it, deny
for it, cry for it,
mourn and die for it—
who are gentle and sane?

As I respect one another, wherever we
are, our flag, O my brother;
like its bright color, whether red,
green or yellow;
our language is queer, but I'll learn it
in time;
and you're a dear fellow,
your laws are not quite so clean as
our own;
then ours need pruning, and thistles
have grown.

I won't spill your blood, for that's
not the way
assist in law-making, whatever some
say.

try by example to lead you aright
of the shadows and into the light—
you'll do as much for me.

What! You don't understand?
I refuse my right hand?
I say might is right,
I'd love to meet fight?
I'm still a man, I'm not blind,
I'm blind, stupid fool, so deep in the
dust—
I'll hand me the gun—
I must—if I must!

Regiments March Down the Street
Libburn Harwood Townsend, in
New York Herald.

That spirit grips with its hidden
hand,
When regiments with measured step
and swing
March down the crowded street as
voices ring
Over the martial music of the band?
At this as when we see the noble
stand
Of noble men who to their colors cling
With faith in God and His protecting
wing,
From their faith get wisdom to com-
mand
For such faith as lives within their
eyes,
The loyal love that moves them row
on row
Cautious wilds beneath here, torrid
climates
Are rushing down the road to war they
go
In honor, pomp and pride that soldiers
prize,
And grit and steel to crush a common
foe!

A Cold Blooded Crime.
(Toronto World.)

All day long on Sunday the telephone
rings at answering calls in this of-
fice of a rumor from an unknown
source regarding the Canadian troops,
and one after another was worn out giv-
ing the answer that nothing was known
at all, and there was no official state-
ment to warrant it. The story got loose
somewhere, and although the late
day World had no hint of such a
thing, people preferred to accept the
rumor.

It was announced from the pulpits of
churches on Sunday morning by
men who were either too moral to read
up, or to call up a newspaper office
ascertain the facts before giving their
gregarious needless pain. It can be
imagined what would have been
about the time of the paper which dis-
seminated a similar story.

The simplest theory about the origin
of the story is that Germans or pro-
Germans were responsible for it. Know-
that Toronto has no Sunday papers,
and that the story was first told in
the city, such rumors have been spread
in and again, and always on Satur-
day or late on Sunday morning.

It is reported that a troopship had
sunk. Others had to do with it.
It is to be noted that the story that
news is always hostile to the British.

The Liberal Victory in Nova Scotia.
(Montreal Free Press.)

The Halifax Chronicle, glorying in the
winning Liberal victory in Nova Scot-
ia, declares, what is no doubt the fact,
that the whole power of the Dominion
Government was exerted in an unavail-
ing attempt to destroy the Murray
Government, and that the result was
the reign of one of the unexampled vir-
lity. It says that a large number of
servative political workers and "spellers"
were imported from Ontario in
flux, which is Sir Robert Borden's
situation, and that the result was made
dispossession of the Liberals in order that
the prestige of the Dominion premier
might be enhanced. Despite these ef-
forts the Conservatives were beaten more
severely than they were five years ago
for the fifth time. Mr. Murray re-
ceived instructions from the people to
"run on." There is no mystery about
Murray's success; it is based upon
reformer and service. He is the kind of
a man who is simply unbeatable.

Truro Inventor in Russia.

G. H. Lawrence informs the Truro
Chronicle that his son, Lieut. Perry Law-
rence, of the Royal Engineers, has arrived
in Petrograd, Russia, where he will give
instructions on the manufacture and op-
eration of a "liquid fire projector" inven-
ted by him some months and adopted by
British government.

STILL IGNORING
VERDICT OF PEOPLE

Government Pays No Attention to Westmor-
land's Decision and Mr. Mahoney Continues
to Administer the Affairs of the Largest
Spending Department in the Province—No
Safe Constituency in Sight.

Fredericton, June 29.—For just fifty-
one days P. G. Mahoney of Westmor-
land has been administering the affairs
of the largest spending department in
the province without any authority from
the people.

Worse than that the government asked
the voters of his county, Westmorland,
to endorse their choice, Mr. Mahoney,
minister of public works, and they re-
fused to do so.

In spite of that refusal, the govern-
ment permits Mr. Mahoney to go ahead
just as if he had been endorsed by the
people and he has arranged and is ar-
ranging for the expenditure of large sums
of the people's money after their distinct
and unmistakable verdict that he was
not the man for the job.

There is a distinct feeling here and
in all parts of the province from which
opinions have been expressed that the
government has made one of its greatest
mistakes in administration by ignor-
ing all precedents and violating the
laws of custom which control and govern
governments by permitting Mr. Mahoney
to retain his portfolio and defy public
opinion.

The right of the people to ratify a min-
isterial appointment is unmistakable. No
member can accept a ministerial portfolio
without going to the people for approval
of his appointment. When that approval
is refused, as was the case of Mr. Ma-
honey, the only proper and decent pro-
cedure is for the man thus defeated to
resign.

Used War as Coak.

But this government is not governed
by ordinary methods or by precedents.
By this latest move they show a further
defiance of the people and public opinion.
Under the cloak of war and using the
fact that recruiting is an excuse, they
allowed several constituencies to remain
partly unrepresented last session. No
person has any doubt now that the war
was simply made an excuse to shield the
weakness of the government. They were
afraid of the opinion of the people and
only when they considered that they had
a sure seat and were assured of a big
majority in Westmorland did they open
that constituency, appoint a minister and
try to have him ratified by re-election.
They failed. The people of Westmor-
land rejected the most popular Conserva-
tive in the county. With all the power of
two governments, with the promises
of tremendous expenditure upon the
roads, with new bridges hurriedly begun,
with expensive bridges promised and
surveyed, with the largest corruption
fund ever spent in a New Brunswick
constituency, and with all the debasing
influence of an abundant supply of
liquor, the government failed to have its
new member endorsed.

Since then, in spite of the people's
disapproval, Mr. Mahoney gives his or-
ders every day to the officials of the
public works department. It is said in
excuse for him that he is looking for
another county where he may run with
some safety.

AGRICULTURE

Ottawa, June 29.—The following in-
formation received by telegram at the
office of the fruit commissioner this
morning outlines the present apple situ-
ation in Ontario and Nova Scotia:

Ontario.—In the Georgian Bay district
apple trees are in good condition. The
fruit has set well and the weather is
favorable. There is some danger of the
trees being overloaded and the fruit
consequently small. This danger may be
offset by a heavy "drop" in the near
future. Very little spraying is being
done.

In western Ontario considerable scab
is showing and there is a prospect of
much damage from this source. The
crop will be good where spraying has
been thorough, but it is generally feared
that there will be a great deal of worth-
less and low grade fruit. A heavy drop
is now taking place in unsprayed and
insufficiently sprayed orchards. In Prince
Edward county there is more spraying
than usual and the fruit is apparently
settling well.

In the McIntosh and Fameuse section
of eastern Ontario scab is developing to
a remarkable degree and has caused con-
siderable dropping. No positive esti-
mate of total crop can yet be made.

Between Toronto and Hamilton there
will not be more than a 50 per cent crop.
Baldwins give best promise. Spies and
Greengolds light. Scab is prevalent. Some
drained orchards promise a fair crop.

Nova Scotia.—Conditions are generally
favorable in the Annapolis Valley. Ap-
ples are setting well and promise a
larger crop than was expected a few
weeks ago. Weather conditions are good
and there is practically no fungus grow-
ing as yet. It is estimated that there
will be 70 per cent of a full crop or
slightly more than one million barrels.
Gravensteins and Nonpareils are heavy,
Baldwins and Kings medium, Starke's
and Blenheim light.

Ottawa, June 28.—The July Fruit Crop
Report which is now being distributed
by the fruit branch of the department of
agriculture contains the following infor-
mation regarding the condition of fruit
in all parts of Canada:

Apples.
In western Ontario there will be a
light apple crop and much of the fruit
will be of a poor quality. East of To-
ronto, Spies are light but on the whole

indications point to a crop nearly me-
dium. Luck and weather promise a
heavy crop in eastern Ontario. Fameuse
and McIntosh will be a full crop. Other
orchards have been sprayed. The total
crop in British Columbia is estimated
as slightly larger than last year. Nova
Scotia reports two-thirds of an average
crop or slightly over 1,000,000 barrels.

Pears.
There will be a light crop in Ontario.
There are practically no Japanese pears
except Burbank. European varieties
will average a half crop. In Quebec
there will be about as many pears as
last year. European varieties have set
particularly heavy.

Cherries.
In Niagara district sweet varieties will
be about 80 per cent of 1915 and sour
varieties 20 per cent. British Columbia
reports sweet varieties light and sour
varieties a fair crop.

Peaches.
There has been considerable damage
from "leaf curl" in Niagara. The crop
is estimated at 75 per cent of last year.
British Columbia reports a crop about
equal to last year.

Pears.
In Niagara, Bartlett's are a good crop.
Anjou and Kieffer fair and Duchess very
light. Prospects are generally favorable
in British Columbia.

Strawberries.
Late varieties will be a good crop in
Ontario. Warm weather is badly need-
ed. New Brunswick will also have a
good crop. Report comes from Quebec
that there will be a decided in-
crease over last year's crop.

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come to market in large quantities and
is being absorbed at current quotations.
The size of deliveries indicate that hold-
ers are disposing of their collections and
taking their profits now. Unwashed
wool 44 to 46 c. lb.; acid washed, 46 to
48 c. lb.; clean, 48 to 50 c. lb.; washed
quality and condition. Washed fleece
is now coming in and prices rule at 47
to 52 c. lb., according to quality and
condition 35 to 37 c. lb.

Bees.—Hides show heavier deliveries with
no change in price. Butcher hides green
flat 20c. per lb.; country hides, flat
cured, 19c. to 20c. lb.

Calfskins are in fair supply and are
being absorbed at unchanged prices;
city skins green, 20c. per lb.; wool
flat 28c. per lb.; country cured, 30 to
32c. per lb.; deacons or bob calf sk-
ins, according to condition and take \$2.00
to \$2.75.

Fallow is steady and in good supply.
City renders sold on barrels,