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**Personal & General**

Major the Rev. George Wells, one of the Chaplains at the front, has received the C.M.G.

The Rev. W. E. Taylor, Ph.D., entered officially upon his new duties as General Secretary of the Anglican Laymen's Missionary Movement on January 1st.

The Rev. W. Wallace Judd, head master of the Collegiate School, Windsor, N.S., was the preacher at the evening service in St. Clement's Church, North Toronto, on the first Sunday in the New Year.

Colonel Noel Marshall and Mrs. H. P. Plumptre, both of Toronto, spent a couple of days last week in Ottawa, and on one of the evenings on which they were there they had the honour of dining at Government House.

The Rev. J. Russell McLean, Rector of St. John the Evangelist, Portland Street, Toronto, was operated upon for appendicitis at Grace Hospital, in that city, on the 2nd January. He has not been in good health for some time past.

Her Excellency the Duchess of Devonshire has sent 2,000 boxes of chocolates as a New Year's gift to the children of Halifax and Dartmouth, N.S. The chocolates have been specially prepared, and each packet bears her portrait and a message of good and kind wishes for the New Year.

Major A. E. Kirkpatrick, formerly a Queen's Own Rifles officer, who went overseas with the original 3rd Battalion, who was captured at St. Julien, and who was a prisoner of war in Germany for two years, reached home on Monday last. Major Kirkpatrick was accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Surgeon-Major Harold G. Parsons, of Bloor Street West, Toronto, who is attached to No. 4 Base Hospital, University of Toronto, has been gazetted a lieutenant-colonel. The medical department of the hospital, which is a large one, is in Lieut.-Col. Parsons' charge. The hospital is now located at Basingstoke, in Hampshire.

The churches of Bradford well answered the King's Call to Prayer on the 6th inst., special services being held in every church. The Great War Veterans' Association, to the number of 150, attended St. Jude's Church, the Chaplain, Rev. C. E. Jenkins, officiating. A men's service was held in the afternoon at the Y.M.C.A.

The Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, the Rector of Trinity Church, St. Thomas, made his initial appearance in municipal politics at the recent election in that city. He ran as a candidate for the Board of Education, and his first effort met with such success that he headed the polls, scoring a total of 1,142 votes. He also polled 102 more votes than did the successful candidate for mayor.

Major Francis Malloch, son of Mrs. E. S. Malloch, of Hamilton, has been awarded the Military Cross in recognition of his heroism in action. His name was included in the King's New Year's honour list. Major Malloch, who is with the C.E.F., is a cousin of Captain Colin Gibson, who has also been awarded the Military Cross. Both officers are graduates of Highfield House School, Hamilton.

Solemn and impressive memorial services were held in the churches of all denominations in Halifax on New Year's Day in memory of the victims of the explosion on December 6th. All the churches were thronged with worshippers. Among those attending were Lieutenant-Governor Grant, representatives of the civic and Provincial Governments and military and naval officers. The collection at all the churches was for those blinded through the great disaster.

Captain Leighton Ferrie, M.C., R.F.C., of Hamilton, was killed in action on January 3rd. The dead aviator was only 19 years of age, but during his brief career with the flying service had distinguished himself to such an extent that he had risen to the above rank and was awarded the Military Cross for bravery in the air. The deceased officer was an Old Highfield House, Hamilton, Boy, and he was the son of Mr. R. B. Ferrie, of Hamilton, President of the Hamilton Times Printing Company.

The King has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the Very Rev. Herbert Hensley Henson, Dean of Durham, to be Bishop of Hereford in succession to Dr. Percival, who has resigned the See. Dr. Henson, who was born in 1863, is a graduate of Oxford, and was for about a year Head of Oxford House, Bethnal Green, in the early days of the Settlement. Then for seven years he was Vicar of the huge parish of Barking, where he did a great work. From 1900 to 1912 he was Canon of Westminster and Vicar of St. Margaret's.

Captain Durie, of the 58th Battalion, has been killed in action. He was educated at Upper Canada College, and was subsequently on the staff of the Royal Bank of Canada. Prior to his enlistment he held a commission in the 36th Peel Regiment and took a keen interest in the Boy Scout movement. He went overseas with the 58th Battalion, and was seriously wounded at the third battle of Ypres in May, 1916. After six months he was able to rejoin the 58th Battalion in France, and had been at Avion, and recently at Passchendaele Ridge. He was a member of St. Thomas' Church, Toronto, and is survived by his mother, Mrs. Durie, now in London, England, and a sister, Miss Helen Durie, at home.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity, *honoris causa*, was conferred by Trinity University, Toronto, upon the Rev. J. T. Imai, Principal of the Central Divinity College of the Nippon Seikokwai (Church in Japan) at Tokyo. Mr. Imai is the senior Priest of the Church in Japan, having been converted to Christianity by the late the Venerable Archdeacon Shaw, who was the first graduate of Trinity College to go to Japan as a missionary. Under the Archdeacon's teaching Mr. Imai acquired an excellent knowledge of theology, and he is to-day recognized as one of the leading scholars and theologians of the Nippon Seikokwai. He has written several exegetical and devotional books, and is the editor of a weekly periodical, which was adopted last May by the General Synod in Japan as the official organ of that Church. The following representatives were elected to the Corporation of the College: The Honourable Mr. Justice Hodgins, in Law; Dr. Arthur Jukes Johnson, in Medicine; the Rev. Dr. Cayley and Dr. R. J. Reade in Arts and Divinity; Mr. J. A. Kammerer, for the associate members of Convocation; and Mr. C. M. Baldwin, for the sustaining members of Convocation.

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