

## Mentioned in Despatches

**Hetty Green**, generally regarded as the world's wealthiest woman, is ill at her home in New York. Mrs. Green, despite her eighty-one years, has managed her immense property in a way to excite the admiration and envy of the biggest business men associated with her. In many respects Mrs. Green is very much like the late Russell Sage, both being enormously wealthy and abnormally close-fisted. Mrs. Green was born in Massachusetts in 1835, the daughter of E. M. Robinson, who died leaving her his large fortune when she was thirty years of age. Mrs. Green married and has one son, but never entrusted her immense holdings to anyone's management, and until she received her stroke a few days ago personally superintended her large interests in stocks, bonds real estate and industrial corporations.

**Lord Chelmsford**.—"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown," is being found true by Lord Chelmsford, the new Viceroy of India, even if his is only a vice-regal crown. The new head of the Indian Government reached Bombay a few days ago only to learn that his eldest son and heir had been severely wounded while serving under General Townsend at Kut-el-Amara on the Tigris. The ship on which Lord Chelmsford and his wife and three daughters traveled barely escaped a torpedo fired by a German submarine, the torpedo passing but a few feet from the boat. Lord Chelmsford is especially worried about his son as the difficulties of attending the wounded are very great and are apt to become worse unless the British are soon relieved. The new Viceroy, who is the third Baron Chelmsford, was born in England in 1863 and educated at Oxford, graduating as a lawyer. He later served as Governor of Queensland and of New South Wales.

**John T. McCutcheon**.—Cartoonists are playing an unusually large and important part in the titanic struggle now being waged in Europe. On the continent Raemaekers has become famous through his pictures depicting German atrocities. In England Partridge, of Punch, has added to his already enviable reputation. In the United States several men are doing remarkably able work, but probably the best known cartoonist is John McCutcheon, who is not only a cartoonist but a writer, a war correspondent, and a man who looks out on life from a philosopher's viewpoint. He went through the Spanish-American War, through the Boer War, saw the Russians and Japanese battling for supremacy in the far East, has dodged bullets in Mexico, hunted lions in Africa, and has been all over the battlefields in Europe in the present war. McCutcheon was born on a farm in Indiana in 1870, and was educated in Chicago. In addition to his cartoons he is the author of a score or more books. His cartoons have been described as a combination of editorials, sermons, humor and pictures all in one.

**Edward Farrer**, popularly known among newspaper men as "Ned," has just written "30" on his life. Farrer, who was 66 years of age, was probably the best known journalist in the Dominion, certainly to the men of the past generation. He has been described as a walking encyclopedia, as he had a most intimate acquaintanceship with both political parties and was thoroughly conversant with the economic and industrial movements which have taken place in Canada during the past half century. Mr. Farrer was born in England, of Irish parentage, and educated in Stoneyhurst, and at the Jesuit College in Rome. He came to Canada in 1870 when a lad of 15, and entered upon his journalistic career, serving on many of the leading papers in the Dominion, at one time being chief editorial writer of the Toronto Globe.

A story is told that Farrer once carried on a prolonged and acrimonious controversy in the Canadian press, writing a series of articles on one side of a question which were published in a certain journal, and another series of articles on the opposite side of the same question which were published in another paper. It was years afterwards before the public knew that the one man was the author of the two series of articles. Of late years Mr. Farrer has been a Free Lance, contributing many articles for leading newspapers and magazines, but retained his connection as Canadian correspondent of the London Economist.

Mr. Farrer was one of the few Canadians who believed that the future welfare of Canada would be best served by annexation with the United States.

**Lieut. Ralph Burnett**, of Montreal, who was recently reported wounded, is the youngest of three brothers, all of whom are at the front. Lieut. Burnett is the youngest son of the late J. Burnett, for many years president of the Montreal Stock Exchange. The young man was educated at the Royal Military College, Kingston, and at McGill. At the outbreak of hostilities he immediately went overseas and is now reported as being seriously wounded.

**Bernard Partridge**, the principal cartoonist of Punch, holds a warm place in the hearts of Canadians for the picture which appeared in Punch a year ago, showing Canada as the defender of the Empire. The picture was inspired by the heroic stand made by the Canadians at St. Julien, and the battle-scarred soldiers who holds the flag with one hand and his rifle with the other adorns many homes in the Dominion. Partridge was born in London in 1861 and early in life took up his work of decorative painting and illustrating books. He joined the staff of Punch in 1891, and for a number of years has been principal cartoonist of that famous English publication.

**Major-Gen. Sir John Maxwell**, who has just been given command of the British forces in Ireland entrusted with the task of putting down the rebellion there, was formerly in command of the British Army in Egypt. Like all British officers in the higher command Gen. Maxwell has seen service in a score or more wars and has served in many outlying parts of the Empire. He served in the Egyptian War, in the Nile Expedition, with the Egyptian Frontier Field Force, and in the South African War. He was born in 1859 and educated at Cheltenham College, joining the 42nd Highlanders as a young man of twenty.

The King of Siam is trying to get to the front page of the papers these days by announcing that he has had a nervous breakdown and must enter a sanitarium. The King of Siam, who is thirty-six years of age, has spent half his time in Europe, being educated at Eton, Oxford and at Sandhurst, with a polishing off in Berlin. In a measure, his education was an experiment, the effort being to graft Occidental ideas and civilization on an Oriental of a most reactionary type. On his return to Siam he introduced a lot of fantastic customs which were a sort of blend between the East and the West. As might be expected, this grafting of the Occidental on to the Oriental did not prove a success and it is not at all surprising that the King has had a nervous breakdown.

**Mr. William Southam**, who has resigned as a director of the Steel Company of Canada, is one of the best known publishers in the Dominion. As president of Southam's Limited, he controls the Hamilton Spectator, the Ottawa Citizen, and the Calgary Herald. Mr. Southam was born in Montreal in 1843, educated in London, Ont., and then commenced his business career as a practical printer, later purchasing and founding various newspapers. He is a director of several corporations such as the Hamilton Steel and Iron Company, the Mercantile Trust Company, the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, the Mercantile Trust Company, the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, and is president of the Hamilton and Fort William Navigation Company. He is a generous giver to all charitable work, especially anything in connection with the prevention of tuberculosis.

**Lord Knutsford**.—Everyone interested in hospital management, and since the outbreak of the war this number has been increased, will regret to learn that Lord Knutsford, known throughout Europe as the greatest expert on hospital finance and administration, has been seriously hurt through being run over by an automobile. He has probably raised more money for hospitals than any other man in the world, and as a matter of fact is known as the "Hospital Beggar." Lord Knutsford is a lawyer by profession, but a financier by preference. He is an exceedingly shrewd business man, as his record in connection with the East and West India Docks Company of London shows. When he joined the concern as a director it was in the hands of a receiver with one million dollars liabilities and no assets. To-day, as a result of his efforts, it is a prosperous concern. Every other activity, however, pales into insignificance in comparison with his work for hospitals.

**A. J. Brown, K.C.**, who has just been elected to the board of Steel Company of Canada, is a good example of the corporation lawyer of modern times. Mr. Brown is not only an eminent lawyer and well known in legal circles throughout the Dominion, but is better known through his connection with various corporations. He is a director of the Royal Bank, of the Montreal Trust Company, of Tooke Bros., and now joins the board of the Steel Company of Canada. He was born at Windsor, Que., in 1861, and educated at McGill.

**Mr. J. S. Ewart**, of Ottawa, another of the legal lights associated with the Kyte shell charges, is best known to the people of the Dominion through his contributions to the press, although he is an eminent lawyer. Mr. Ewart sprang into fame through his "Kingdom Papers," in which he advocates Canadian sovereignty. He has also published a large number of legal works, and has written many essays dealing with Imperialistic and patriotic subjects. Mr. Ewart was born in Toronto in 1849, and educated at Ottawa. In recent years he has been practising his profession at the Capital.

**Mr. Kenneth R. Macpherson, K.C.**, who died in Montreal a few days ago from an attack of pneumonia, was one of the best known lawyers in the Province of Quebec. He was born here in 1861 and educated at McGill University. Mr. Macpherson not only rose to the top of his profession, but had many outside interests which brought him in contact with the people. He was an artist of more than ordinary ability and was a regular exhibitor at the exhibitions of the Art Association and at the Royal Canadian Academy, and even exhibited at the Paris Salon. He was also an excellent musician. Mr. Macpherson was a member of the firm of Meredith, Macpherson, Hague, Holden, Shaughnessy and Heward.

**Wallace Nesbitt, K.C.**, one of the battery of "quick firers," with which Sir Sam Hughes has surrounded himself, is one of the best known lawyers in the Dominion. Some years ago he was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court, but only held the job for two years when he decided that the salary paid and the lack of excitement connected with the office did not make the job worth while, and he quit, resuming his law practice. Mr. Nesbitt was born at Woodstock, Ont., in 1859, and practised first in Hamilton and later in Toronto. During recent years he has taken a very active part in matters connected with Imperialistic questions, and is one of the best known and most forceful speakers on matters connected with the well-being of the Empire.

**Col. A. D. Davidson**, Land Commissioner for the Canadian Northern Railway and generally regarded as the greatest land dealer on the continent, has just died at Rochester, Minn. Col. Davidson was born at Glencoe, Ont., in 1853 and after a public school education engaged in farming, later going into railroad work in the United States. Canadians know him best through his connection with the purchase of the Canadian Northern right of way into Montreal under Mount Royal, said to be the most costly undertaking in the Dominion of Canada. Several big deals were put through by Col. Davidson at Port Mann, B.C., and at Leaside, near Toronto. For many years he has been closely connected with the Mackenzie and Mann interests, being president of the Canadian Western Lumber Company, the Colonial River Lumber Company, and the Big River Lumber Company, and a director in several other corporations.

**Mr. E. F. B. Johnston**.—Lawyers are occupying a big place in the press of the Dominion at the present time. Not only are the law-makers known as the Dominion Parliament wrestling with various statutes, but a whole bevy of lawyers are seeking to bring order out of the chaos created by the Kyte shell charges. Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, one of the lawyers employed in this investigation, seems to be the particular storm centre—a controversy having arisen in regard to whom he represents and his status. Mr. Johnston is a Toronto lawyer, vice-president of the Royal Bank of Canada, President Title and Trust Co., and a director of the Standard Reliance Mortgage Corporation. In brief Mr. Johnston is a big business man as well as one of the outstanding lawyers in the Dominion. He is probably Canada's best known criminal lawyer, and it bodes ill for any evil-doer when this forensic investigator gets going. There has hardly been a big case in the history of the Dominion for the past score years in which he has not been prominently identified. Mr. Johnston was born in Scotland in 1859 and called to the Ontario Bar in 1880.