

THREE SOLDIERS GOT TUBERCULOSIS

Result of Having Their Feet
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Boots.

EVIDENCE FROM CAPTAIN

First Footwear Received by
Halifax Men Soon
Wore Out.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, March 17.—Captain Kaiser, of the 63rd Regiment, who had presided over a board of inquiry into the boots on McNab's Island, Halifax, on September 29, was the first witness called at the resumption of the parliamentary boot inquiry this morning. He testified that the boots which had been part of an issue of Gauthier boots had been served out on August 14, and had worn out under fairly heavy service, including trench digging, in two or three weeks. The chief cause of complaint had been the soles. He had gathered from some of the men that they appeared to have burned their boots.

The witness said that a second issue of boots received on October 12 had proved satisfactory, and though they received harder service than the first ones, had caused no complaints. He had complained of the boots long before this issue was made, as many men were going around day and night with bags tied around their footwear.

"It's a wonder some of them didn't die," said Hon. Charles Murphy.

Soldiers Bought Boots.
Capt. Mumford, president of another board of the 63rd, which sat on September 29, gave somewhat similar evidence. The first issue of anti-bellum Gauthier boots had worn out in two or three weeks—his board having rejected 15 pairs—as they seemed not heavy enough for trench digging. A second issue in October had proved quite satisfactory, especially as this gave the men two pairs, and as dubbing had been provided for them. The witness stated that some of the men had purchased privately, for \$3.65, a black boot made according to the militia pattern, which seemed more satisfactory.

Some Tubercular Trouble.
In reply to a question by Mr. Murphy, he stated that three men had suffered with tubercular trouble as a result of getting wet feet. However, he added, any man on outpost duty had to take this chance in sleeping out with wet feet.

Delays Due to Red Tape.
Col. Murray, president of another board of a board which sat on September 29, inquired into boots served previously to the 23rd and 24th Battalions. He stated that he had recommended old-fashioned leather boots, as the boots had admitted water very readily. There had been no new general issue of boots before his battery had gone to Salisbury.

Major F. W. W. Doane, quartermaster of the 63rd Regiment, was recalled and testified that although he had put in a requisition for new boots in September, they had not been supplied till February. He supposed the delay was due to red tape.

Should Be Waterproof.
Major MacKenzie, president of a board which inquired on December 1 into boots issued to the 28th Battalion, second contingent, at St. John, and which had condemned the boots as containing "rubbish leather" and being of low military standard, stated, though Mr. Prince quoted military authorities to the contrary, that he considered a military boot should be a waterproof one, even for marching. Some of the boots had worn out in two weeks. Witnesses had not considered whether the boots had been burned by their wearers, that was a new idea.

He did not think burning was the cause in regard to the boots he had examined. He thought the heels had been filled with rubbish leather; however, he had not inquired particularly as to why the boots wore out. They had worn out, and he had been anxious to get them condemned, so as to be able to take the men on parade with decent boots. Some 163 pairs had been condemned, their owners meantime not being able to drill, and had afterwards been repaired, he thought. The boots had been examined on the men's feet, and the evidence of the men wearing them had not been taken under oath.

Sir James Aikins examined the witnesses as to his qualifications as a judge of footwear. It was brought out that Major MacKenzie had no experience of military boots till last September. The committee then adjourned till this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

An Actual Photograph of Allies' Great Fleet Closing In On Dardanelles



The first photograph to reach this country, of the huge Anglo-French fleet closing in for its original grand assault on the forts of the Dardanelles. Only a few of the 42 attacking warships, which constitute the most powerful battle fleet ever assembled, are shown here. This remarkable photograph was taken from the French battleship Bouvet just before the bombardment, and rushed to this country.

BREWSTER COMPANY MAKES ASSIGNMENT

Shareholders of 5, 10, 15 and
25 Cent Store Turn It
Over To Assignee.

Shareholders in the Brewster's, Limited, 5, 10, 15 and 25 cent store made an assignment of the business in the county court today. The assignee is Henry MacKinnon.

George M. Reid, the president of the concern, would make no statement regarding the failure. The assignment was handled by the firm of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, barristers, who also refused to divulge any of the affairs of the company at present.

C. G. Lewis is the secretary, and J. S. Friery has been the store manager. Misfortune has followed the business, which was started in St. Thomas, a number of years ago, since it has displayed the name of J. G. Brewster, the organizer of the original store. On the day of its opening in London, the store collapsed with Reid's Crystal Palace, killing a number of people who were inside and walking by on the sidewalk. Mr. Brewster retired from the business several years ago, and he is not a stockholder at present.

Several years ago the store was almost totally destroyed by fire.

"KIBOSH BILL"

Nephew of Late D. S. Perrin, and Theatrical and Newspaper Man, Dies in Chatham.

George Perrin, a nephew of the late D. S. Perrin, of this city, and known as "Kibosh Bill" died in Chatham on Monday night. He was widely known in theatrical circles, and was for a long time associated with the Lyceum Theatre in Detroit. His father at one time owned the Majestic Theatre in Detroit.

For some years Mr. Perrin had been a feature writer on a Chatham paper. He has distant relatives in this city. Surviving relatives are his mother, Mrs. Mary Perrin, a sister, Mrs. Edith Unger, and a nephew, Charles P. Shaw, all of Detroit. The funeral was held in Detroit today.

VETERAN CONDUCTOR DIES

Sam McGaw, of Pere Marquette, Succumbs to Auto Accident.

Another veteran conductor of the London district has made his last run. Word was received at Grand Trunk headquarters today of the death in the Wakefield Hospital, of Sam McGaw, a veteran conductor of the Pere Marquette, and one of the best-known railroaders who ever ran a train in this district. For more than a quarter of a century he ran from Walkerville to London, and it was only the result of an auto accident that caused his retirement from the service and ultimately his death.

Some weeks ago Conductor McGaw was struck by an auto in his home city, and both legs were broken. He never recovered from the accident. The dead veteran of the rail was known as a "black-gloved conductor." Because of an affection in his hands he wore black gloves the year round.

STEAMER FLOATED,
[Canadian Press.]
London, March 17.—The Norwegian steamer Progress, from New York, February 19, via Kirkwall, Scotland, has been floated, and has arrived at Copenhagen.

The British steamer San Ricardo, from Port Arthur, February 21, for England, being reported ashore, with no position given, is still aground. About 1,000 tons of cargo has been jettisoned.

DR. GORDON
—IN—
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH
corner Queen's Avenue and
Waterloo Street.

**Wednesday
Evening**

Subject:
"Spiritualism"

Or, Do the Dead Return?
Ghosts Real and Unreal.

Mr. Greenlaw Will Sing, 7:45

A.S.C. BOYS ASK FOR ENGLISH SPEAKING DOG

French Poodles Decline To
Stay With Contingent
From This City.

The following letter has been received by the A.S.C. from the French contingent of the 18th Companies Indulge in Realistic Manoeuvres of Rear Guard Action.

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DESPERATE "BATTLE" ON CARLING HEIGHTS

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A desperate rear guard action was fought on Carling's Heights today by the 18th Battalion, when "D" Company in command of Captain Lochrin, was attacked while retreating by "A" and "B" companies and two platoons of the Base Company. The fighting for a couple of hours was terrific, but the men of "D" Company were successful in covering their retreat, although at an awful loss of life. The attacking forces also lost heavily.

GOOD CHARACTER HELPS
Reduces Sentence of Young Cat Thief to Thirty-Day Term.

On account of his previous good character, Albert Swanwick, charged with the theft of cats from Francis E. Dale, Westminster, Township, was given a short term of 30 days in jail but Judge Edward Elliott today.

"The witness had worked persons for whom he had worked spoke well of his character at the trial on Monday. A button torn from the fur coat he was wearing on the night of the theft led to his arrest."

Answering an appeal to have Swanwick let go on suspended sentence, the judge declared that the sentence today delivered several unsuccessful attacks. North of Le Mesnil the attacks were engaged with stronger forces, and the engagements still continue."

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NEWS

"LISTER" PAID UP.—John B. Kennedy, found guilty of a breach of the liquor license act, was ordered to pay \$10 and costs, by Police Magistrate J. C. Judd today.

OFF TO CALIFORNIA.—Ex-Mayor Samuel Stevely and daughter Ruth have gone to California, where the former has an orange plantation. They will visit the exhibition while away.

ANOTHER PROVISIONAL SCHOOL.—According to instructions received at military headquarters from Ottawa, another school of instruction for officers will be opened at the armories in this city about April 1.

FALSE ALARM.—A pile of rubbish being buried in the rear of the Murray Shoe Company's plant on Richmond street, at the C. P. R. tracks, gave the fire-alarms in a row shortly after 10 o'clock, last night.

LECTURES ON TEETH.—The regular monthly meeting of the Rectory Street Mothers' Club was held in the school last evening. Dr. S. N. Kennedy gave an interesting lecture on the care of the teeth. Miss Lancaster sang and Miss Reid gave a reading.

BOARD OF WORKS TONIGHT.—The board of works of the city council meets tonight at the city hall, its regular meeting having been postponed on account of the absence of the mayor and city clerk. Nothing beyond routine matters is expected to come up.

INTEREST IN EXPOSITION.—Hundreds of Londoners will visit the Panama Exposition this year, according to railroad officials. A score more have gone already, and many will leave in the next few months. Great interest is being taken in the event.

CITY MISSION TAG DAY.—The women of the city of Mission, Richmond street, will hold a special tag day on Saturday to secure funds to carry on their benevolent work among the poor of the city. It is planned to make a thorough canvass of the downtown streets.

Following officers have been authorized by military headquarters at Ottawa to be attached to the 33rd Battalion Training School: Lieut. C. Hessel, 20th Regiment; Lieut. Charles McQueen, 26th Regiment; Lieut. H. M. M. McNeil, 20th Regiment; Lieut. Granger, of the 7th Regiment.

SETTLES CHURCH CASE.—Mr. Justice Sutherland has given judgment as below in the Chatham Globe Trust case, a dispute over church funds. "The minister and congregation in each church may properly be treated as a single entity and payment properly be made to the rector and the church wardens."

TYPHOID INOCULATION.—Company of the 33rd Battalion is being inoculated for typhoid today, and the men of B Company, who were given the treatment yesterday, have been granted 48 hours' leave. Many of them are quite ill, with all the symptoms of typhoid, but the attending physician states they will be around all right again in a couple of days.

OPENING NEW CAMPAIGN.—Dr. Gordon will open another campaign in St. Andrew's Church, which closed last night. Tonight's subject will give an opportunity to deal with a subject hitherto untouched, namely, "Do the Dead Communicate with the Living, or Spiritualism in Its Many Phases."

FOR THE ROLLING DEEP.—Fred Jackson and John Wilson, of Chicago, Ill., arrested by Detective Harry Down in the London and Lake Erie Railway case yesterday, were ordered out of town by Police Magistrate J. C. Judd today. The young men stated that they were going to Serbia, where they had secured jobs on the boats. An officer was ordered to see them to the west end city limits.

ST. PATRICK'S CONCERT.—An enjoyable St. Patrick's Day concert was held in the First Congregational Church last night, the eve of the saint's name day. The entrance charge was made in the form of a collection of 17 cents, in order to be appropriate to the day's festival. An excellent program was given, those taking part being Miss E. McBride and J. McLaughlin, vocal selections; Cyril Hayes, a reading, and Joe Croteau, harp solo.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR BELGIANS.—Among the donations to the babies' Belgian relief act, which will be sent from London shortly by the Local Council of Women, is the sum of \$35.55, the proceeds of an entertainment given recently by the Poplar Hill and Coldstream Young People's Dramatic Club. The car for which the donations were made will be the third to be sent by the Council of Women.

SRD RECRUITS.—The following have been taken on the strength of the 33rd "A" Company: Pte. F. L. Ford, Clinton; D. Cameron, P. Bridge, A. Turnbull, T. Moore, W. Gorman, L. O'Rourke, J. E. Evans, W. E. Evans, W. Nelson, J. Blanford, London; "C" Company, W. J. McDonald, W. Keast, J. Murphy, C. Groom, W. Gorman, J. Kelly, London; "D" Company, S. L. O'Rourke, A. Mayhead, W. C. Anderson, S. Bowie, J. Homer and H. Knowles, London.

ST. ANDREW'S OUTLOOK MISSION BAND.—An enjoyable meeting was held in St. Andrew's Hall Tuesday afternoon, when the mission band gave a concert, and several Irish songs, which were loudly applauded. The St. Andrew's Bell Ringers, Alex. Morrison and Gordon Marr, were several selections, which received great applause. A splendid address was given by the Rev. Mr. Riddiford, of Egerton Street Baptist Church.

MAY SOLVE MYSTERY.—Harry Strathford, 622 Princess avenue, is, he believes, able to throw a little light on a mystery of J. Cough, 1141 Orleans avenue, Chicago, who, through the medium of The Advertiser, made inquiries as to the whereabouts of his mother, who lived in this city 37 years ago. Mr. Cough, he says, was born in this city, and lived in a house on the Wharfedale road, West London. When he was a baby his father died, and his mother was married again to a man who lived some place west of Chicago. Mr. Cough was adopted as a baby by a Mrs. Connet, who also lived in West London. He is now in good circumstances, and has been searching in vain for his mother, three brothers and one sister.

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Suggestions for Lent
Devised Eggs, with potato salad 15c
Salmon Salad 15c
Fried Haddock 15c
Baked Codfish, fried 15c
Oyster Patties 15c
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Strand Cafeteria
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Billiards, Rubber Balls, Skipping Ropes, Water Guns and Floating Toys, for sale at

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HAY'S STATIONERY
OPPOSITE DOWLER'S.

NONAGENARIAN DEAD
Mrs. J. Holmes, of Wingham, Reached Her 95th Year.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Wingham, March 17.—One of Ontario's old pioneers died here yesterday after a short illness, in the person of Mrs. J. Holmes, who was in the 95th year of her age.

Born in Tipperary, Ireland, her maiden name was Mary Smeltzer. She came to this country about 62 years ago, and first settled in Clinton