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Carmanville Extends Hearty Welcome to Pte. Garland West

(To the Editor)
Dear Sir.—Would you please have the following printed in your columns.
Carmanville extends a hearty welcome to another of her brave heroes, Private Garland West, who has recently returned from the battle field, where he nobly fought and bled to help procure our liberty and uphold the dear old Union Jack.

On Oct. 21st, an entertainment was held in the Orange Hall in honour of Private West, who was cordially received by all, having returned from the bloody fields of Europe, where he was wounded in the big drive on July 1st. After the refreshments were served all the representatives of our Carmanville sailors and soldiers were seated on the platform, after which the following address of welcome was given by the Rev. Uriah Laite, followed by an address from Private West, which consisted of a few details of his experience during his absence from us. Also Private West gave us a few gramophone selections, after which the National Anthem was sung followed by three hearty cheers for the King. Three cheers for our hero Pte. West and three cheers for the ladies of the W.P.A. who willingly prepared the refreshments.

BESSIE SKINNER,
Secty. W.P.A.

Carmanville.
ADDRESS

Private West:—

When the call came from the Motherland, for our assistance in this great struggle which is going on in the countries of Europe, and you being convinced that the cause for which we fight is just and noble; you being a true British subject, therefore being zealous in promoting the honour of your King and Country, and heartily desirous of success and victory in those pursuits, offered yourself willingly to help keep the good old Union Jack flying and also to aid fallen, and down-trodden Belgium.

You underwent part of your training at St. John's, Nfld., and then to complete it crossed over to England.

When the Newfoundland Regiment was called out to assist in what is generally known as the "big drive" you were one of the brave boys who willing went forward to do your duty.

Was there a man dismayed? No one, though you all knew that you were to face almost "certain death." Yet cheerfully you went forward to do your bit. Yea, and you did it magnificently. "Better than the best" your work was done. When can their glory fade? Never. You won fame in that "Big Drive" which will be yours forever.

Your Regiment received a distinction which has brought it prominence and fame.

All went forward and on. Was there any hesitation? None whatever! You have been the means of bringing your country (dear old Newfoundland) which you represent, into prominence and its halo will always surround it.

Your work will never be forgotten. We honour the charge you made. We honour the Light Brigade, Noble nine hundred.

We need not here mention results as we are all acquainted with same. The majority came back. Many fill honoured graves, while we believe others (yourself included) are prepared to do the same if necessity arrives. You went forth willingly in the cause of justice, right and liberty. Aye! you not only went forth, but you have suffered, you have bled, for the "Flag of the Free" "The emblem of liberty."

To-day you come back with us bearing the scars received on that memorable day, July 1st, 1916. We honour you Private West. We admire you. We applaud you for your bravery. We are very sorry to-day that more of our boys have not returned. Some of them (with some of our Carmanville brave included) will never return to our homeland again. They to-day fill honoured and unknown graves. They to-day sleep in nameless graves on blood-soaked plains. But we believe that Not one soul has fallen in vain. There was no useless sacrifice. From this red sowing of white seed New life shall rise. All that for which they fought lives on.

And flourishes triumphantly. Watered with blood and hopeful tears it cannot die. These soldiers now rest in peace. The course of their warfare is over. We would call them soldiers discharged from war, the victory being won. They are not dead but only

sleeping. They are resting in the sweet refuge of their Saviour's, and now far away from sorrow, toll and pain and weeping they are not dead but only taking rest. We rejoice to know, however, that they have played the game as true soldiers and have given their sweet lives for those that mourn. May the time speedily come when wars shall cease and that they shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks and learn war no more.

You are Private West, we learn, come home to remain, as you will undoubtedly receive your discharge, being physically unfit to go back to the firing line or work in any branch of the Army. After such a lengthy absence from your home town during which you have undergone hard experience in the service of your King and country to you we know to return home must indeed be a source of pleasure. You will again be with us here and we assure you that we will always look upon you as one who have done his work creditably, nobly and well.

We extend to you Private West a hearty welcome home and we all wish that your wounds may speedily become well and that you will be long spared to enjoy the honours which, as a member of the Nfd. Regiment, you have fought and bled for and have secured.

URIAH LAITE.

Germany to Return Evicted French

Spain Persuades Berlin to Send Back Lille Inhabitants When Harvest is Completed

PARIS, Oct. 27.—The French Foreign Office has been advised by the Spanish Embassy that as the result of repeated representations by the Spanish Government, the inhabitants of Lille, Roubaix, and Turcoing, taken from their homes by the German military authorities some weeks ago, will be sent back as soon after the Autumn harvest as possible. Orders have already been issued for the return of 2,000 women to their homes before Oct. 10.

"The Spanish Government," says the note issued here, "in taking energetically in hand at the earliest hour the cause of the unfortunate population of the invaded regions and in obtaining a cessation of the odious measures which have caused abhorrence on the part of public opinion in the entire world, has done a work of humanity for which all Frenchmen will be grateful."

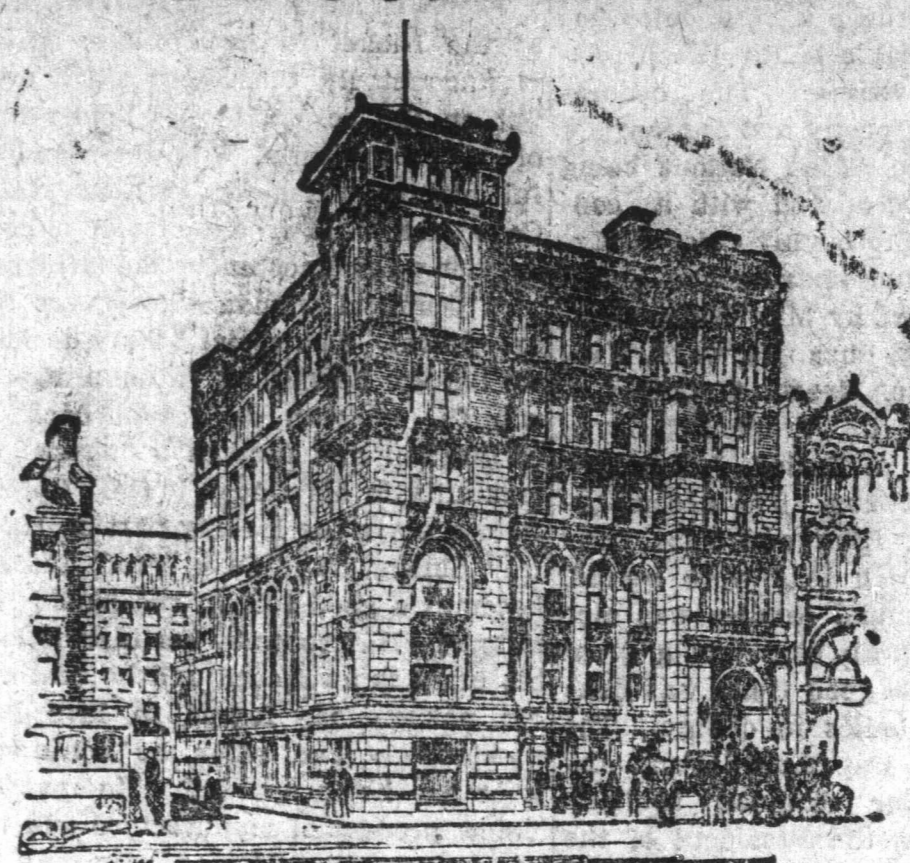
The French Government in July formally appealed to the sentiments of justice and humanity of the neutral countries and public opinion in all nations in behalf of the inhabitants of the invaded cities of Northern France, who were transported to other regions, where they were compelled to work in the fields.

Through Spain, acting as intermediary, France protested to Germany against this action. Last April the German military authorities transported about 25,000 young women and men past middle age from their homes at Roubaix, Turcoing and Lille to the Department of the Aisne and the Ardennes.

MILLIONAIRE CANDOR

Christian Socialist.
Mr. Carnegie never knew anything about the steel business. He was a secretary, a telegraph operator, a business adventurer. I do not know anything which better illustrates the unfairness of the present distribution of wealth than some unconscious testimony of Mr. Carnegie. At the opening of the Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh, Mr. Carnegie's remarks were to this effect: "I have difficulty in grasping the meaning of this occasion. You call this the Carnegie Institute, but I did not draw the plans or cut the stones or drive a nail. I did not paint the pictures or collect the curiosities in the museum. All I did was to sign my name to a strip of paper."
The person who heard the speech quoted it to me as a most unusual example of humility, but to my mind it is more than that. It is a criticism of the present competitive system. Art, literature, architecture, education, science, all depend for their expression on a man who knows very little if anything, about any of them, and yet who is given credit for them all; and the public's having them depends upon the whim of the millionaire, who has just as much right not to sign the strip of paper as to sign it.

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Rattling Brook gives Mr. Jennings a Royal Welcome

Popular Representative is Given Address of Welcome by Union Officers and Delivers Stirring Speech Dealing With Union Matters

(To the Editor)
Dear Sir.—Will you kindly allow me space in your esteemed paper to acknowledge a visit from our valued and esteemed District Chairman and Worthy M.H.A., Mr. W. B. Jennings, who was pleased to meet him and to say we were pleased to meet him and to put it mildly indeed. The following is an address of welcome presented him by our Council. Will you please publish it for the benefit of whom it may concern.

To Mr. W. B. Jennings, M.H.A.:
Honourable and esteemed friend, we, the officers and members of Rattling Brook Local Council of the Fishermen's Protective Union, beg to extend to you a most sincere and hearty welcome on this, the occasion of your second visit to our community. We welcome you first of all as the official representative of the F. P. U. We say that we have been looking forward and eagerly anticipating a visit from our Dist. Chairman and our only regrets are because so many of our Council members are absent from the community, engaged in fishing and other occupations, which, unfortunately prevents us from celebrating to the full this visit from our long-standing and esteemed District Chairman.

Secondly, we welcome you as our Worthy Member of the House of Assembly and congratulate you on the success which attended your visit in 1912 and we feel certain that the results of the political campaign of 1917 will show even greater success for the Union Party. We have watched with pride and admiration the splendid stand taken by our noble President and his Party during the past sessions of the Assembly and we highly appreciate the benefit conferred upon old Terra Nova

through the ability and energy of our Union Party. We have also admired your loyal and patriotic speeches in the House last winter, which undoubtedly inspired and encouraged many of the noble self-sacrificing young heroes who have gone forth to do battle for King and Country and have given such a splendid account of themselves even to the laying down of their life whose memories we shall ever hold sacred and dear and we trust that ere your next visit in 1917 the war clouds now hanging over Europe with all their horrors will have passed and the sunshine of a lasting peace will be ours.

We again welcome you as the first politician to address us in our new Union hall and we assure you that your every remark will be of the deepest interest to us and we feel sure that your stay amongst us though short will be of the utmost importance, and that your present tour of the district will serve the unite even more fully than ever the bonds of Unionism in dear old Terra Nova.

Signed on behalf of the Council,
FREEMAN TOMS,
Secretary.

WILLIAM ROWSELL,
Chairman.

We may also add that his address in a public meeting here exceeded our highest expectations, dealing principally with the Union Party's stand in the Assembly and he was continually applauded. After his very interesting discourse we had a few remarks from the Deputy District Chairman, in which several matters of importance were discussed and we retired in the wee sma' hours, feeling that the pine arch we had built in honour of him was not sufficient to show fully our respect of which such a man as W. B. Jennings is so worthy.

Yours, etc.,

R. B. C.



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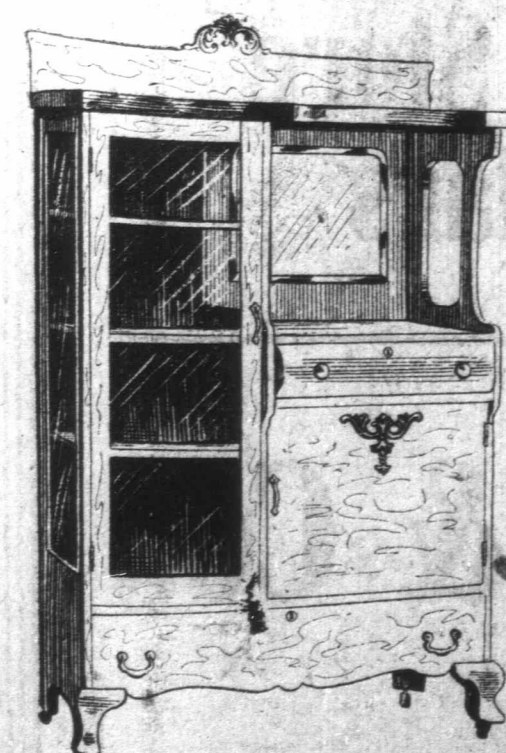
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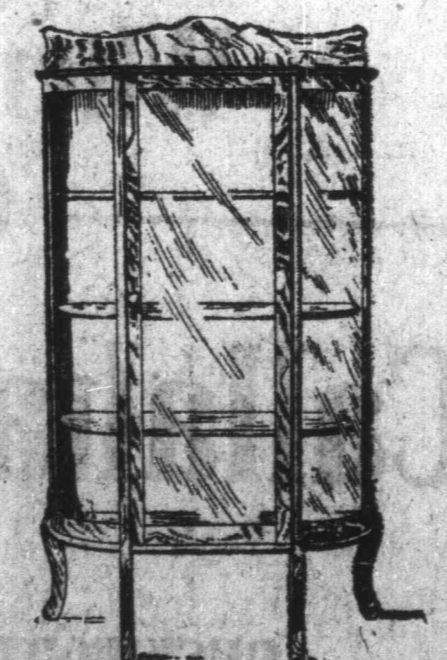
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