

WILL CONTINUE TO BE CALLED MOUNTED RIFLES

Reasons for reorganization of Canadian Mounted Rifles Brigades on Infantry basis explained by Militia Dept.

Special to The Standard
Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The following statement is issued by the militia department: "As there has been considerable comment based entirely on misunderstanding of the reorganization of the Canadian Mounted Rifles Brigades, it is best that the true reason for this step should be properly understood. The explanation is that it was found that the organization of the first and second Canadian Mounted Brigades, each consisting of three regiments of three squadrons, was suitable for the relief of infantry brigades in the trenches. Application was made early in November to reorganize these units into a brigade on an infantry basis. This was and extremely necessary recommendation has now been sanctioned by the Canadian government.

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WINTER SERVICE BETWEEN THE MAINLAND AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

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BARKEINTE SOLD.

Lunenburg barkentine Magie Belle has been sold at St. John's, Nfld., and will be used in the foreign fish carrying trade.

A Simple Way to Remove Dandruff

There is one sure way that has never failed to remove dandruff at once, and that is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, common liquid arvon from any drug store (this is all you will need), apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

ENGLISH LORD LOST WITH STEAMER PERSIA



LORD MONTAGU OF BEAULIEU, (X) AND PARTY, ON ROAD INSPECTION TOUR IN AMERICA.

Lord Montagu was one of the noted passengers on board the steamship Persia when she was torpedoed. This picture of him was taken when he was in America inspecting motor roads. He was an authority on automobiles. He was on his way to Bombay to serve as chief inspector of mechanical transport in India.

BRITISH CASUALTIES IN BATTLE OF LOOS LAST SEPTEMBER NEARLY 60,000

London, Jan. 5.—The British casualties in the battle of Loos, France, last September, totalled 2,578 officers and 57,288 men, according to an announcement made in the House of Commons this afternoon by Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under secretary for war.

A table showing the killed, wounded and missing follows: Killed—Officers, 773; other ranks, 10,345. Wounded—Officers, 1,288; other ranks, 38,095. Missing—Officers, 317; other ranks, 8,848. Total—Officers, 2,578; other ranks, 57,288.

On giving the foregoing figures in the House of Commons, Mr. Tennant said it was impossible to separate the casualties in the battle of Loos from those in adjacent areas. The figures, he said, were casualties on the western front from September 25 to October 8.

The Mystery of The German Squadron

Some light on Berlin statement "Our Fleet Searched the North Sea for Enemies During the Week."

London, Dec. 21. The Mystery of the German Squadron. Many people were puzzled by the German official statement that a squadron of their fleet had come out and "searched the North Sea for enemies during the last week," and everyone was curious to know why the German Staff thought it worth while issuing this story. The message was so phrased as to convey the idea that the squadron had issued from behind Heligoland, searched the North Sea and the Skagerack, and that during the entire period the English fighting forces were nowhere to be seen.

Now, however, incredible German naval reports have been, they are rarely without a little nucleus of truth. The truth in this case was, I learn in responsible quarters, that a German squadron was active in the Baltic, and probably came round as far as the Skagerack, whence a view of the North Sea can be obtained. Their cruise cost them the cruiser Bremen and a torpedo-boat, and there is good reason for believing a further considerable loss of power, although the ship attacked and damaged managed to limp to port. If we were to believe that a German squadron searched the North Sea and not the Baltic some explanation would be required—indeed the boat was given away by their report that fifty steamers were inspected and one steamer loaded with contraband was seized. To whom did the fifty innocent steamers belong? They could hardly be English or neutral steamers bound for England, for the gallant squadron would have made short work of the first and would have brought the neutrals into German ports if it did not treat them as German submarines have often treated neutrals. The probable German official explanation would be that the ships sailing in the North Sea were all German ships without contraband.

YESTERDAY'S HIGH TIDE

A high tide occurred at 11.25 yesterday morning and some damage resulted from a flooding of the lower levels in the dock areas. There was a wash-out at the corner of Smythe street and North Market Wharf, which interrupted traffic at that point.

LOYD GEORGE SENDS THANKS

For prompt assistance Canada rendered by sending skilled mechanics to work in the British Munitions Plants.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Some time ago the British authorities asked that 1,900 skilled mechanics in the Canadian forces might be released to work in the munition factories in Great Britain. The minister of militia took the matter up with Sir Robert Borden and the request was granted, as it was realized that men would be doing as effective work in the factories as at the front, if not more so. Hon. David Lloyd George has expressed his warm appreciation in the following letter just received by General Sam Hughes: "I thank you most warmly personally as minister of defence and the Canadian government for the ready response which you made to my request made to you through Sir Max Aitken to release certain highly skilled mechanics from the Canadian forces for work in our factories. I thank you again for your quick co-operation which is another sign of the ties that bind the Dominion and the Motherland. The resolution of our men in the field and in the factory is more powerful than ever, and we look forward to undoubted victory."

THREE CENT STAMP ISSUED

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Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The post office department has issued a three cent stamp which can be used in place of the two cent stamp and one cent war stamp. A million stamps per day are now being turned out and this number will be doubled in a week. Supplies have already been sent to all the provinces.

The proposal to organize a battalion of clerymen for service at the front seems to be well received in some quarters at least. Rev. Mr. Muncester of Calgary has written General Sir Sam Hughes that he is ready to go as a private or in any other capacity. If there is a general indication that a sufficient number of clerymen would join it is understood that the organization of the battalion will be proceeded with.

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J. Tweedie and W. B. Snowball, Chatham; Hon. John P. Burchill, Nelson; and J. D. Croghan, W. A. Park and A. A. Davidson.

The floral tributes were very beautiful. Among them were: Cross, Miss Ritchie and family; pillow, Mr. and Mrs. O. Nickolson and family; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Stead; broken pillar, Mayor and Town Council; cross, Hon. and Mrs. John P. Burchill and family; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson and family; wreath, Hon. and Mrs. L. J. Tweedie; spray, Rogerick and Miss McDonald, Pugwash, N. S.; broken circle, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCurdy; wreath, Geo. McAvity, St. John; spray, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sinclair; wreath, Mrs. T. Lynch and family; wreath, Baird & Peters; spray, Mrs. W. A. Hickson and family; sheaf of wheat, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sinclair.

OBITUARY.

Miss Jane Drake. Death came suddenly to Miss Jane Drake at an early hour yesterday morning, at her home 95 Princess St. Deceased was in her ninety-second year. Heart failure was the cause of her passing away. She retired on Tuesday evening in her usual good health, after having received some visitors. Deceased was a daughter of the late Gilbert and Jane Drake, and was of pure Loyalist descent, and the eldest of ten children. She was greatly beloved by a large circle of friends. A sister, Helen, at home, and a brother, W. Brunswick, of this city, survive.

John Brayley, a respected resident of this city, died this morning at his home in Hanover street after a lengthy illness. He was in his 75th year, and is survived by his wife, one brother and one sister.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of William Farren took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 42 Peters street. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Gordon Dickie and interment took place in Fernhill. Members of Union Lodge of Portland attended in a body.

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