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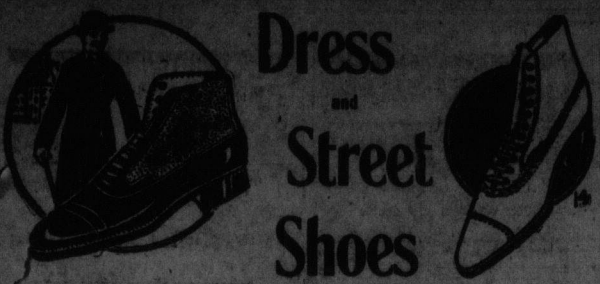
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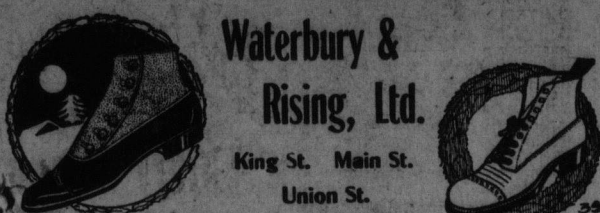
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HOW NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK COMPARE IN RECRUITING RESULTS

Mobilization will take place in Halifax—Capt. D. A. McKinnon in command

The mobilization will take place in about a week's time of the ammunition column which is to be raised from the Maritime Provinces for overseas by Captain D. A. McKinnon, and a preliminary training will be given in Halifax in dismounted foot-drill, theory of artillery work, gun-drill, use of artillery instruments, riding, driving and care of horses, and battery drill. A strong feature will be lectures on the various duties of an artilleryman, the intention being to have the corps thoroughly posted in theoretical, as well as practical, artillery methods.

Every attention will be paid to the comfort and health of the men. Very special attention will be given to each man's clothing, for fit and appearance. Capt. McKinnon thinks, as essential as soap and water.

As the quarters will not be ready for about a week yet, Capt. McKinnon is putting up at the Queen Hotel, Halifax, and will be pleased to receive applications for enlistment from this or any other city of the Maritime Provinces. As usual, applicants should forward name, age, occupation, chest measurement, height and weight.

The Nyberg Fire Loss. The appraisers have estimated the loss in the Frank Nyberg fire on Mill street at \$1,800. There is \$6,000 insurance to cover the same.

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Those who are working on recruiting committees throughout the province are determined that New Brunswick shall lead the Maritime Provinces in the number she sends overseas and they are bending every effort to bring due credit to the province, expecting at the same time that the city of St. John shall head the list in recruiting strength.

Recruiting figures for last week show that Nova Scotia led New Brunswick by sixty-eight men, and Prince Edward Island by 264. The totals were: Nova Scotia 345, New Brunswick 277, and Prince Edward Island 81. The following were the figures by counties: Halifax, 19; Guysboro, 1; Pictou, 94; Colchester, 36; Cumberland, 49; Hants, 8; Kings (incomplete), 9; Annapolis, 10; Digby, 7; Yarmouth, 14; Shelburne, 14; Queens, 6; Lunenburg, 16; Inverness, 6; Victoria, 3; Cape Breton (incomplete), 64; Antigonish, 5; Richmond, 0. Total 345.

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MAJ. WILLIAMS, OF THE 69TH, INJURED BY FALL FROM HIS HORSE

It is expected that a big addition will be made to the ranks of the 69th battalion this morning. Regimental Sergeant Major Rainsdale, who has been in Montreal on a six days' leave of absence has recruited thirty men for the battalion from the Upper Canadian city and he is due to arrive in the city with them this morning.

B and C companies of the 69th battalion went out to Courtenay Bay yesterday afternoon and spent two or three hours in practical field work. While engaged in the work of training the men Major Williams fell from his horse and badly injured one of his knees. A and D companies yesterday had extended order of drill with bayonet fighting, exercises and outpost work which continued until five o'clock when the men were released from their day's training.

MILITARY NOTES AND NEWS

MEN OF 115TH IN NEW QUARTERS LAST NIGHT AND ARE DELIGHTED

Change Will Help Stimulate Recruiting For The Battalion.

Men of 104th on West Side want a Band—Piano to be secured in Recreation Room.

"I tell you one thing that we want over here," said the adjutant of the 104th Battalion, stationed in West St. John, in conversation with The Standard, "and that is a band. I wish someone in the city would stir up some of your local bands and urge them to volunteer their services and I tell you we'd soon see to it that they be taken on with us."

It appears that the band that enlisted with the 104th Battalion is stationed at Sussex with the other members of that battalion, and since they have been quartered in the city the local battalion has had only a couple of drummers to inspire them in their regular route marches. This music is insufficient and the officers are anxious to see some complete band lined up with the lads in khaki.

A company of the 104th in full strength yesterday paraded to the square and there went through a number of difficult manoeuvres. The soldiers were highly complimented on the excellent showing that they made. A few days ago the task of guarding the government wharves was taken over by the men of the 104th Battalion and many citizens have spoken of their careful patrol of the water front. The holding up of several men who appeared to be lurking in the vicinity of the wharves has attested to the zealous watch that is being kept by those detailed for that work.

The men have found much recreation in the gymnasium which has been opened for those of the battalion and apparently keenly appreciate what has been done along these lines. A valuable addition is to be made to the recreation quarters in the placing of a piano at the disposal of the men. Some of the ladies of West St. John have taken this matter in hand; and by the method of subscription it is expected that this valuable asset to the comfort of the men will be placed in the building within a few days.

115th in New Quarters. The long waited for day when the 115th Battalion would move into their quarters in the Exhibition Building came last night, when about three hundred of the men were snugly bunked for the night. Officers in charge of the quarters of the soldiers said that the men appeared to be delighted to get together under one cover, and it was reported that they gave promise of getting down to more earnest training. Now that they have, at last, an opportunity to gather in their recruits and determine the exact strength of their battalion the officers expect that they can advance along more progressive lines. More active and regular training with route marching will be commenced at once.

The removal of the men's goods and chattels took place very modestly yesterday from the boarding houses at which they have been staying. The married men will remain at home possibly until the end of the present week on the additional pay that will be changed into separation allowance when they get into barracks.

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ENTERTAIN MARINES TONIGHT AT RECRUITING ROOMS.

A committee composed of A. O. Skinner, H. M. Bell and W. S. Lockhart waited on the mayor yesterday with the intention of having the city give an entertainment of some shape or form to the marines in the city, and it was decided to give over this evening to them when about two hundred of the jolly tars will be entertained at the recruiting rooms. There will be an interesting programme for the evening.

It has been decided to postpone the recruiting meeting which was to be held in the Imperial Theatre on Sunday evening as certain matters have conflicted with the arrangement.

Boys' Industrial Home. No appointment to the position of superintendent of the Boys' Industrial Home has yet been made. Superintendent McDonald will remain in charge of the home until his successor has been appointed.

FATHER AND SON IN KHAKI IN SAME UNIT

W. T. Edington, of Fredericton, follows "dad's" example and joins Siege Battery.

A striking example of true loyalty and patriotism was shown in the city yesterday when there was signed on for active service with the Siege Battery now at the Island, a young man from Fredericton by the name of W. J. Edington. Special interest is attached to the signing on of this man, in that his father is enlisted with the same unit, having joined the Siege Battery some weeks ago. Rarely if ever in the history of recruiting in the province has it occurred that father and son were enlisted with the same unit and the sacrificing spirit of the two who have thrown every other consideration to the four winds ought to serve as a source of inspiration to the eligible men of the community who are holding back.

The young man who joined the colors yesterday bears the same name as his father and before enlisting he proudly made the remark that he was going to show the people that he was just as ready to do his bit on the firing line as was his parent.

CHAPLAIN H. E. THOMAS WRITES OF GOOD WORK OF N. B. LONDON AGENT

What F. W. Sumner Did For Men of 55th.

New Brunswick soldiers in Empire's capital found him firm friend.

The splendid work done by Fred W. Sumner, New Brunswick's agent-general at London is praised by Capt. the Rev. H. E. Thomas, of the 55th Battalion in a letter just received by John T. Hawke, editor of the Moncton Transcript. The letter is as follows: Bramshot Camp, Hants Co., Dec. 24, 1915.

Mr. J. T. Hawke, Moncton, N. B. "Dear Sir,—In this season of good cheer would you permit me to convey to you every wish that is good and to express the hope that when Christmas 1915 dawns to you among other reasons that some expression might be made if you will do it through the columns of The Transcript of the appreciation of the officers and men of the 55th Battalion has of the fine service rendered by one of your first citizens, Mr. Fred Sumner.

"As Agent-General for New Brunswick, he has left no stone unturned to make the stay of the soldiers here as pleasant as possible. I happened to enter his office while some of the men were visiting London and found him busy directing the men to suitable lodgings and giving such information as was helpful. Besides this he has been a constant help to the men with books and pamphlets to such an extent that one would suppose that Canada was composed of but one province, and that its name was New Brunswick. If the work of the office consisted in nothing else than in its ministrations to New Brunswick military men during the war, its creation and maintenance are justified.

"I know that on public questions you and Mr. Sumner have not always made your observations through the same telescope, but I know your generous impulses will prompt you to make some reference to the appreciation we all have of the Agent-General's work.

"Near Bramshot are many points of literary interest for the community has been associated in the past with such names as Tennyson, Grant Allan, Conan Doyle, George Eliot, Prof. Tyndale. Some of their homes I have visited and an interesting account might be given. The wintry weather has made a mean attack on the men, and even the Chaplain has been off duty.

"With kind regards to the office staff,

Sincerely,
CAPT. H. E. THOMAS,
Chaplain 55th Battalion.

FOR THE 6TH C. M. R.

The following donations reached E. A. Smith yesterday in time to swell the packages of shirts being put up to be forwarded by express today to Major Herbert McLean, officer commanding the 6th C. M. R.: Miss A. V. Peters, \$5; Miss Eliza W. Peters, \$5; Dr. Adair, \$5; Miss Nellie L. Spinner, St. George, \$1.

STANDARD MAN TELLS OF LIFE AS HE HAS IT "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"

Dan Heywood writes of German Bombardments And Gas Attacks.

Clean straw for bedding decided luxury, but boys are Happy and well.

A member of The Standard staff yesterday received the following interesting letter from Dan Heywood, a former employee of this paper, and one of the first men in St. John to enlist at the outbreak of the war. The letter comes from "Somewhere in France" and is dated December 22nd. He says in part: "I am so far, safe and sound, and with the boys from New Brunswick, and a fine body of boys they are, too. I would not wish for any other, for there are no better and being an old imperial soldier myself I think I should have a good idea.

"Well, we had, on our front a very severe bombardment; all the guns in action at once. The worst roll of thunder you ever heard would not compare with the roar of the guns the least bit. Mr. German used his old tricks, gas, but the wind changed and 'Fritz' got it back instead.

"I have not seen Major Matheson for quite a while but I heard his regiment had done some very good work and when I saw his regiment last they looked the right kind of lads to give a good account of themselves.

Straw a Luxury. "Here I am now in a billet, a kind of rest camp. It is a large barn with the floor covered in good clean straw, so we are very comfortable as it is pretty soft to lie on, but I sleep in the hayloft so that I won't be walked on, as it is rather dark in the barns. The food is pretty good and plenty of it. I must thank you folks in the office for the cigarettes, they were very acceptable, and as all Tommies like their 'fags' I gave quite a lot of them away. "I am more comfortable and get better food than when I was in the South African war, but we had better wear, but they are making some sport of me here. I have a fur coat, overcoat, raincoat, gloves, and we could do with wearing the lot at times as it gets so cold. Rain nearly every day and up to the knees in mud. It will be a treat to get thoroughly clean again, although we get a hot bath occasionally and clean underwear, but lying on the ground, sometimes in mud, soon makes a chap dirty again.

"It seems a shame to see some of the beautiful churches that have been destroyed, also the poor people's homes with the roofs torn off by shell fire.

Good Words for the French. "I think the French are more kind and friendly than the Belgians, as the French always makes a British Tommy welcome, also gives him a cup of hot coffee for the asking, but we always pay a penny for the coffee. Then there are places called exalted where they sell French beer at a penny a pint. It is a very light beer and good, but wine is very cheap. I had a little flutter at poker last week and won a few francs, so I broke out and bought a bottle of champagne for seven francs a bottle—forty cents, quite cheap, but I don't think I shall buy any more.

"Our Commander-in-Chief goes away today (Sir John French). He sent his greetings to the boys through the press, and tells us the war won't last long. I hope it don't for it is a great strain on the men as they all work so hard.

"I cannot tell you anything about the war, only as regards our front, and the people in Canada know more than us. I have obtained some excellent post-cards of places in Belgium, but cannot send them through the post, but hope to bring the lot with me when I come to St. John.

"Well here I am, three days before Christmas, living in a barn, but when I think who was born in a barn on Christmas Day, I say it is good enough for me.

"I must draw to a close now, wishing all The Standard staff the happiest of all New Year, so good bye and God bless you.

"From Your Old Chum,
"DAN."

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Interesting letter from Major McKean to Mrs. David B. Pidgeon.

The following letter was received by Mrs. David B. Pidgeon from Major F. T. McKean, O. C. No. 5 Co. C. A. S. C., and shipment was made through the Soldiers' Comfort Association, St. John, to the Field Comforts Commission, Shorncliffe, Eng.

From Major F. T. McKean, O. C. No. 5 Co. Div. Train, 2nd Canadian Division.

To Mrs. David B. Pidgeon, St. John, N. B., Canada. I am now in a position to acknowledge the receipt of 35 packing cases containing comforts and Christmas gifts for the men of No. 5 Co., which arrived as they were sent—in the original boxes and, I may say, in perfect condition.

The ladies of St. John, and yourself in particular, deserve all possible praise for the magnificent efforts which have evidently been put forth in the carrying out of this splendid work and, needless to say, deep appreciation is felt by myself and officers and every man in the company.

By dint of a little extra exertion we were able to have the afternoon of Christmas day more or less free for everybody and a Christmas dinner was set for the boys. I was personally present at this dinner and I can assure you that there was never a happier bunch of boys. The Christmas packages were distributed to the men for whom they were intended, and we were, in addition, able to give everybody a generous gift from the remainder of the cases.

It speaks well for the care that was exercised in the collecting and making up of these parcels, to be able to say that in the whole consignment, from the largest box down to the smallest package, there was not a single breakage or sign of wear of any kind, and the contents of the packages showed careful consideration and forethought in their making up. You cannot imagine how keenly the lack of everyday comforts is felt, and if you know the gratitude in the hearts of everyone who received these gifts, you would be amazed for the extraordinary trouble and work that you must have endured in getting them ready for consignment. You really must be a wonder to carry out such a great work so successfully.

I wish to convey to you, Mrs. Pidgeon, and to all those who have contributed and helped, the heartfelt thanks of myself and all my officers and men for your unselfish devotion, untiring energy and capable management in the carrying out of such a splendid undertaking. Please accept my warmest appreciation and sincerest wish for the New Year and, believe me,

Very sincerely,
(Sgd.) FRED T. MCKEAN, Major,
O. C. No. 5 Co. Div. Train.

LIEUT. ROY H. MUIRHEAD WITH HOWITZER BRIGADE

Lieut. Roy H. Muirhead, who left Fredericton with the first overseas draft from the 28th Field Battery, is now senior lieutenant of the 21st Battery of the 6th Canadian Howitzer Brigade, 2nd Divisional Artillery, 1st Canadian Corps. In a letter to a friend, Muirhead has written: "We have a fine brigade and have the distinction of being the only howitzer unit in the Canadian Expeditionary Force. We would have been in France a month ago, but have been delayed by lack of equipment. However, we expect now to get over some time in January. We are leaving tonight for Salisbury for a practice shoot."

A P. E. ISLAND OFFICER WOUNDED IN SOUTH AFRICA

Mrs. W. W. Stanley, of Charlottetown, has received word of the death of her brother, Major Wendell L. Harvie, while on active service in South Africa.

He was an officer in the 3rd Infantry Brigade and had command of 5,000 men in a concentration camp at Patebafroom, preparing for the German East African campaign, when death overtook him. He had been all through the German Southwest African campaign attached to headquarters staff. He has been in South Africa since 1899.

Major Harvie was personally acquainted with many here in the city.

HALIFAX SPORTING MAN RECEIVES A COMMISSION.

Lieut. James C. Lithgow of Halifax has received a commission in the 11th Battalion. He is probably one of the best known figures in sporting circles in Eastern Canada, having come into the limelight of sport when president of the M.P.A.A.A., an office he held for many years. "Jimmy" Lithgow, as he was better known, is in charge of the parade station in Halifax at present.

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ARRIVED SAFELY IN ENGLAND.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—It is officially announced that the troopship Metagawa, which sailed from Canada Jan. 1, has arrived safely in England. The total number on board was 1,582, including No. 7 Dillworth Stationary Hospital, 14 officers, 121 men, nursing sisters, 27.

HAD WEAK HEART HAD TO STAY IN BED

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