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(Boston Transcript.)

The Princess Pats, a famous Canadian fighting regiment, will disembark from a returning steamer at Halifax today, but of the original battalion, which set forth in pride in the autumn of 1914, there will be but eight soldiers and one officer at Halifax. Forty-four of the original remnant paraded in London, but of these only nine returned from England with the organization. If these nine men are for the sake of the tremendous story which they and their surviving comrades tell, separated from the rest of the regiment and paraded alone, they will represent a human sacrifice seldom recorded in active warfare. It balances the sacrifice of the 2nd Battalion of the Coldstream Guards in this war, of which only eight of the original members are left. The loss of the famous Light Brigade in the battle of Balaklava was a small affair compared with that of the 73 men composing that organization when under Lord Cardigan, it rode into the "wild charge" at Raglan's blundering order, 247 men and 197 horses were lost, leaving more than half the brigade unharmed. There has been a much higher percentage of loss than that of the Light Brigade in many an American Canadian, British or French organization in the great battle of this war. The proportions of the sacrifice of the Princess Pats approach more nearly to the dimensions of the great military massacres of our own history, such as that of Custer, when on the Little Big Horn, in 1876, that brilliant commander rode with 471 men and the 7th Cavalry in the attack on the Sioux Indians—an attack from which only one man is known to have escaped.

The sacrifice of the Princess Pats

has not been celebrated as yet in a poem so stirring and so immortal as Tennyson's Charge of the Light Brigade. Perhaps it never will be. The poets of this war do not show the dramatic genius, the epic quality of Tennyson. Their muse seeks rather to reveal the inner and personal emotions of the conflict rather than to celebrate its achievements. Their one great success thus far in touching the popular heart has been won with McCrea's In Flanders Fields—a poignant little chant in which the sadness of personal sacrifice is made to inspire a whole race to a deeper and higher sacrifice. The war's poetry has brought to our ears no such sobbing as The Charge of the Light Brigade. If it ever does yield such a lyric of sheer bravery, the possible parade in the streets of Halifax, Montreal or Toronto, of the nine returning heroes of the Princess Patricia's Regiment will afford a noble subject; and we on our own side of the line, with many a fiercely depleted battalion and company, will be able to furnish as inspiring a theme. These sad-triumphant returns will be many from this date on, with the homecoming of more and more of the combat organization.

Canadians To Leave Serbia April 20

Vladivostok, Thursday, April 3—(By W. E. Playfair, Canadian Press Correspondent)—The evacuation of the Canadian troops in Siberia is expected to begin about April 20, when the steamer Montague sails for Canada with seventy officers and seven hundred men, including about three hundred sick.

The Canadian Press correspondent is leaving for Omsk today to study political financial and transportation conditions.

Lady Cavendish To Become Bride Wednesday April 30

Ottawa, Ont. April 9—The marriage of Lady Blanche Cavendish, second daughter of their excellencies, the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, to Captain Ivan Cobbold, son of Mr. J. Cobbold and Lady Evelyn Cobbold, has been arranged to take place in London, England, on Wednesday, April 30th. Shortly following this ceremony, the Duchess of Devonshire will return to Canada.

U. N. B. Asks \$10,000 More

Fredericton, April 9—A delegation of the senate of the University of New Brunswick appeared before the provincial government this morning and presented the claim of the university for an increased grant; the present grant is \$20,000 and they ask for \$10,000 more. Judge Barry presented statistics showing the comparative per capita expenditure on higher education in all of the provinces of Canada. Particular attention was directed to the fact that the expenditure per capita in New Brunswick was lower than in any other province. Premier Foster assured the delegation that the government would give every consideration to their request. He pointed out, however, that the province was pressed financially and that there were numerous demands which the government would like to meet but could not. Personally he was strongly in favor of meeting the view of the delegation. The delegation was composed of Sir Ezekiel McLeod, J. M. Robinson, Judge Barr, J. T. Jennings, Dr. B. C. Foster, Chan Jones, Dr. W. E. Carter and H. V. Hanson.

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Funeral Of Mrs. McMurdo Wednesday Afternoon

The funeral of the late Mrs. L. B. McMurdo was held Wednesday afternoon from the family home on Alma Street, and many friends were in attendance to pay a last tribute. The services at the house and graveside were conducted by the Rev. W. H. Barraclough, Pastor of Central Methodist Church. At the home Rev. Hammond Johnson, pastor of Wesley Memorial Church, an old friend of the family, assisted in the impressive service. The choir of Central Methodist Church was present and rendered the hymns "Lead Kindly Light," "Peace Perfect Peace" and "Now the Laborer's Task is O'er."

- The many beautiful floral tributes testified to the high esteem in which the deceased was held and the sincere sympathy felt for the bereaved family. The list was as follows: Pillow, "Mother"—From Family. Pillow—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Donald. Basket—Mr. George McDougall. Basket—Girls of F. W. Woolworth's. Basket—Mr. and Mrs. David Cockrane. Wreath—Staff of Donald & MacMurdo. Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Taylor. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Alanach. Spray—Mr. L. D. Wadman. Spray—Mrs. Sharpe and Vera. Wreath—Dr. and Mrs. Sproul, Newcastle. Rae, Campbellton. Wreath—Mr. D. R. and Mrs. McCrescent—Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Higgins. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Kierstead. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. MacDonald. Wreath—Keith Lodge, A. F. & A. M. Wreath—Central Methodist Choir. Bouquet—Katherine and Margaret Dickson. Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McKay, Newcastle. Crescent—Mr. and Mrs. Barr. Basket—The Misses Peters. Spray—Nan and Harry Wilson. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. J. McMurdo and family. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. John Magee. Spray—Roy Dickson, Newcastle. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Arthur. Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. LeBlanc. Wreath—Clarence Miller, Newcastle. Spray—Mrs. K. Furze, St. John. Spray—Miss Edith M. Prince. Spray—Miss Flossie Beatty. Basket—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smallwood. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Lyall. Spray—Mr. R. A. Wyse. Spray—Mrs. E. J. O'Brien and Jessie. Spray—Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Rettie. The pallbearers were Dr. O. B. Price, Messrs. Leslie Donald, W. J. Jardine, C. S. E. Robertson, I. W. Kierstead and C. I. MacDonald. Quite a number of friends followed the remains to their last resting place in Elmwood cemetery.

Wilson Orders Ship to Brest

Washington, April 8—Specific instructions from President Wilson that the sailing of his steamer, the George Washington, be expedited immediately were received today at the navy department through Admiral William S. Benson, chief of naval operations at Paris. As a result the vessel will leave New York for Brest at the earliest opportunity probably next Friday afternoon. Admiral Benson's message gave no reason for the president's order and the White House professed to have no information on the subject but interpreting in the light of press despatches from Paris telling of the president's determination that delays at the peace conference must end, most officials regarded it as significant. Added importance was also given by the fact that this was the second message from the admiral regarding the ship's departure, the first, received yesterday having inquired as to the time the vessel could get under way. By fast steaming, the George Washington should reach Brest by April 17.

Two Irishmen met at a country fair and held the following conversation: "Ah, Pat, sure, is it you?" "Yis, an' it's been a long time since we met. What's the news?" "It's married I am, and I have a little boy who looks just like me." The other surveyed him critically for a moment and then replied consolingly, "Well, I shouldn't mind so long as t'ys healthy."

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