

ST. JOHN BOY WRITES OF A. S. C.

Army Service Work Not The Easiest Part

A THRILLING RIDE

Story of Trip Through Shell-Pelted Region to Take Supplies to Place Near Firing Line

In a letter recently received from Driver Charles Edwards, who is with the Army Service Corps in France, telling of his experiences at the front, he says: "As most people think that the Army Service Corps have a soft job and run no risks, perhaps the following is worth relating."

"Three of us were told to hitch up and take supplies to a certain place near the firing line. When we got there, after dodging several 'Jack Johnstons,' I found I had to take my load farther to a village that was being shelled by the enemy, and part of which was on fire. It was about three o'clock in the afternoon, and I had to wait till dark before I could proceed, as the roads all around were being shelled."

"About eight-thirty I went up to and through the village. Some of the houses were still burning. The streets were packed with reinforcements, and I had to drive very slow. Every now and then a shell would whiz over head and burst. The troops would throw themselves flat on the road to dodge the shrapnel bullets, but you can't do that on a wagon. You have to sit still and chance it. Streams of wounded were coming down from the trenches, some in motor ambulances, some on stretchers, and others hobbling along as best they could. After dodging about from one place to another I got rid of my load, and turned to go back. For some distance beyond the village I had to gallop, as the shells were still falling pretty thick along the roads and at the same time had to keep my eyes peeled for telegraph wires which were hanging low in places and which have a knack of getting one under the min and near strangling him."

"After going along several rough roads, up and down hill, and across a pontoon bridge which was being continually shelled by the enemy, I came into a portion of the main road, which is also an attraction for the enemy's guns. Some of the shells had evidently done their work, for several dead horses were lying around amid portions of wagons. After another gallop of half a mile, I was out of the danger zone and arrived back to our billet at 8.30 a. m. "I have enclosed a piece of poetry written by one of the Territorial A. S. C. men out here and I think it might make people give a thought to the boys of the Army Service Corps who, though not in the midst of the fray, are doing their bit quietly."

THE ARMY PROVIDERS

When you speak of deeds heroic, and of fighting men and fame, And you talk of famous regiments, and mention them by name, You forget they need supplying, with food and things galore; This is the work of willing hands—the Army Service Corps.

You never see their health drunk, you seldom hear them cheered. In brilliant accounts of victory their names have not appeared; But though those famous regiments with Hunns can wipe the floor, They'd be in quite a mess without the Army Service Corps.

See the drivers "hooking in," ankle deep in mud and slush; Using language that would make a London cobby blush; Clothes wet through before they start, fingers numbed, harness hard, After a hard day's work since five, and perhaps last night, a guard.

They're ready at last, "In column of route, Walk! March!" the captain cries, And off they go as willing a lot as ever met your eyes. It's dark; they can't see where they drive; they simply follow the rumble. A wagon gets stuck in the mud and the muck, but you never hear them grumble.

Bullets whiz past, left and right, and shells go screaming by, And maxims clatter their awful patter, and star shells light the sky, Wagons unloaded without a sound, save of the noise of the guns, And the lads have food for another day of the fight with the cursed Hunns.

Then fill up and drink to the health of those Who supply the troops in broad meat, and cloth; May they and their leaders live happy ever more. So three cheers, my lads, for the Army Service Corps.

MOTHERS OF THE FRENCH NATION

Let me tell you of the Widow Fardin, who sells delicious cheese in a village on the Moselle. I had not passed that way in a fortnight, and she had told me proudly of her two sons. The elder had been killed in performing a feat that had brought him the high distinction of the Medaille Militaire. So her hopes had centred themselves on her younger son, a sergeant in the Battalion of Alpines. Cheerfully I called her out into the sun and asked if she had any news of the boy. She replied sadly:—"Yes, Monsieur, of bad news. He was killed the third of May. The first bullet that had touched him, clean through the head." His commandant had photographed the graves of the two brothers side by side on the crest of the mountain, and had sent her the picture with all their effects.

I thought of what they had told me the day before that cemetery, churched into fragments by a fresh bombardment—modern artillery does not strike haplessly—and I didn't tell her of it, for she told me that "when one can" she meant to search out their resting place, and by that time it will have been restored to holy quiet. "They died well," she spoke almost sternly. "They were all I had. A life of pain and effort to make a certain position for them; all wasted. But perhaps not all, for we many mothers of France don't give

SAVE YOUR HAIR!

25 CENT BOTTLE

STOPS DANDRUFF

Every Bit of Dandruff Disappears and Hair Stops Coming Out

Try This! Your Hair Appears Glossy, Abundant, Wavy and Beautiful

Thin, brittle, colorless and scrappy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp; of dandruff—that awful scurf. There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which, if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast. A little Dandruff-tong—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Dandruff-tong from any drug store or toilet counter, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, lustre and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance, an incomparable gloss and softness; but please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp.

Dandruff is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them. Its exhilarating and life-producing properties cause the hair to grow long, strong and beautiful.

grudgingly: the world and its future mothers must be spared." She was splendidly brave, the Widow Zaccaria, but she choked very humanly and then finished quietly: "What will that William have to answer for?" And under this in the cool, aromatic dark of the big cheese-room on the Moselle.

When the mothers of a nation are like that, what becomes of our notions that the people are pale, effete, worn-out? If ever the chance presented itself to America to do justice to a friend in sore need of justice, it is here and now.

We must reject this cherished idea that has obscured our vision. We have thought that France is losing vitality because she does not display a fecundity prolific as that of rabbits or savages. Long since we accepted the theory that civilization limits population by the possibility of individual happiness and prosperity, and we must now recognize the fact that France is civilized in practice, not de-factis.

We know that like principles produce like results—both nations have developed into republics—but we have to learn that France is still France; the strong, battling mightily and in perfect unity—without advertising for it we have to learn that France is losing vitality because she does not display a fecundity prolific as that of rabbits or savages. Long since we accepted the theory that civilization limits population by the possibility of individual happiness and prosperity, and we must now recognize the fact that France is civilized in practice, not de-factis.

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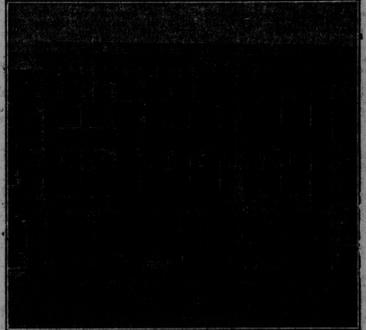
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Here's Great Clothing News for the Man Who Wants to Save

OAK HALL is closing out their Factory's Wholesale Stocks at Prices Less Than Cost of Manufacture, which means you can buy Clothing for One-third to One-half of the usual cost of such excellent clothing

The above is a clear and brief statement of the opportunity which awaits you at our Wholesale Warerooms, 101-107 Germain Street. It tells you exactly how much value you can get for the money you spend, based on what other stores charge for clothes of similar quality, and the statement admits of no contradiction, for comparison has proved and will prove it to be absolutely true. Every garment will meet any man's requirements for good style, good fit and good wear. Every garment carries with it our guarantee that it will prove satisfactory in every way.



Oak Hall's Wholesale Warerooms Where the Sale Will Take Place

MEN'S FALL WEIGHT OVERCOATS

Men's Chesterfield Overcoats with and without belt, fly front or buttoned through in fancy gray and brown mixtures in sizes 34, 36, 38 only. Regular retail prices, \$14.50, \$16.50, \$18.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$7.95

Men's Single Breasted Fly Front Overcoats, some silk faced in fancy tweeds. Regular retail price, \$12.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$8.85

Men's Chesterfield Overcoats with and without belt, fly front and buttoned through in fancy tweeds. Regular retail prices, \$18.00, \$16.50, \$18.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$9.95

Men's Overcoats in Chesterfield Suits in blue gray saxony beautiful patterns in Scotch and English tweeds, half and full-lined. Regular retail prices, \$18.50, \$20.00, \$22.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$10.60

Men's Fall Weight Overcoats in loose slip-on styles in beautiful Scotch tweeds. Regular retail prices, \$28.00, \$30.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$13.90

MEN'S WATERPROOF COATS

Currie's Tan Paramatta English Waterproof Coats in sizes 36 to 50. Regular Retail Price, \$7.50. Clearing Price, \$4.85

Currie's Waterproof Coats, fawn color, Regular Retail Price, \$8.50. Clearing Price, \$6.30

MEN'S TROUSERS

Men's English Corduroy Trousers, in fine and wide rib, Fawn and Brown shades. Regular Retail Price, \$2.50. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$2.45

Men's Bedford Cord Trousers, fawn color. Regular Retail Price, \$2.50. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$1.68

MEN'S WINTER OVERCOATS

One Special Lot of Men's Overcoats in chesterfield style with velvet collar. Regular retail price, \$18.50. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$8.65

Another Special Lot of Men's Melton Overcoats with velvet collar. Clearing at \$7.45

Men's Single Breasted Overcoats, fly front or button through with convertible collar. Regular retail prices, \$10.00, \$12.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$7.45

Men's Convertible Collar Overcoats; regular Retail Price, \$18.50. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$8.90

Men's Chesterfield Overcoats; also Single and Double-Breasted Convertible Collar Overcoats. Regular Retail Price, \$18, \$18.50. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$10.85

Men's Double-Breasted Chesterfield Overcoats; also Single and Double-Breasted Shawl Collar Overcoats. Regular Retail Prices, \$18, \$20. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$12.30

Special lot of Men's Fancy Overcoats in imported Tweeds. Regular Retail Prices, \$20, \$22.50. Clearing at \$7.45. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$13.85

MEN'S MACKINAW COATS

840s. English Mackinaw, soft and warm coats. Regular retail price, \$10.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, \$6.85

MISCELLANEOUS

Men's Black Leather Jackets—Fawn, corduroy lining. Regular retail price, \$8.50. Clearing Price, \$6.20

MEN'S BLACK LEATHER VESTS, corduroy lined. Regular Retail Price, \$8.50. Clearing Price, \$2.45

MEN'S ODD VESTS in Dark Fancy Tweeds and Worsted. Regular Retail Prices, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00. Manufacturers' Clearing Price, 60c

MEN'S OVERALLS in extra heavy weights. Black designs. Regular Price \$1.00. Clearing Price, 73c

MEN'S BLACK ENGLISH OIL COATS, bound with leather, Black Melton Collar. Clearing Price, \$2.65

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

In addition to closing out our St. John wholesale stocks of Men's and Boys' Clothing we are also closing out our wholesale stocks of Men's Furnishings as we are discontinuing this line entirely, and put this stock left on hand in this sale at less than jobbers prices and in many instances at less than manufacturers' present day prices. It should therefore be the wisest economy for you to lay in a goodly supply.

Men's Negligee Shirts, cuffs attached, some have separate collar and tie to match. Regular retail price \$1.00, \$1.25. Clearing price 60c

Men's Blue Railroad Shirts with one and two separate collars to match. Regular retail price \$1.10, \$1.25. Clearing price 80c

Men's Duck and Oxford Shirts for the workman in light and dark colors, Clearing at three very low prices. 50c, 55c, 70c

Men's White Shirt Bosom Shirts. Regular retail price \$1.00. Clearing price 60c

Men's Flannel-lined Shirts and Drawers. Clearing at 42c

Men's Ribbed Wool Shirts and Drawers, in winter weight. Regular prices, 75c, 90c. Clearing price 50c

Men's All-Wool Coat Sweaters, with collar. Regular retail price \$8.00, \$8.50. Clearing price \$2.38

Men's Heavy All-Wool Socks. Clearing at 19c pair

Men's Heavy All-Wool Country Hand-knit Socks. Clearing at 27c pair

Men's All-Wool Liama Cashmere Half-Hose. Regular retail price 40c. Clearing prices 3 pair 84c

Men's Heavy Police Suspenders. Clearing at 19c

Canvas Furnace Gloves with leather palms. Regular retail price 25c, 30c. Clearing at 19c

Men's Muleskin Leather Working Gloves. Regular retail price 75c, 85c. Clearing at 50c

Men's Leather Mitts and Gloves. Regular retail prices 75c, 85c. Clearing at 50c

This Clothing Sale Means Tremendous Savings to Men, Young Men and Boys

This is not an ordinary sale! It is the clearance of our factory's wholesale stock and it brings you the highest class Suits, Overcoats and Trousers at such big reductions from the regular retailers' prices, that the savings are from one-third to one-half of the usual cost of such excellent clothing. You shall buy for less than any store in any place at any time was ever willing to sell. You shall pay less than wholesale prices—often less than the cost of making. The values are gigantic. Opportunity never before thunders so loudly at your door.

Remember the Place--Our Wholesale Warerooms, 101-107 Germain Street, Opposite Trinity Church No Goods On Approval. A Five Day Sale, Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 12th

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CANADA IN THE WAR

The commanding officers of the various militia divisions throughout Canada have been summoned to Ottawa by the minister of militia to confer regarding recruiting, training of the soldiers, etc., during the winter.

At a meeting of the executive of the Dominion Steel Company in Montreal yesterday it was decided to undertake a \$12,000,000 order for large sized shells. The quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the corporation's preference shares was declared.

John W. Parker of Prince Street, West St. John, offered to assist yesterday but was rejected on account of his eyesight. One of his brothers has died as the result of wounds received at Hill 60, and another was wounded in the same battle, a third is now at the front and he has later nursing in a military hospital in England.

Seven Deaths from Typhoid developed yesterday in Dorchester and Lunenburg. The first was that of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Card succumbed to the disease.

A CHILD DOESN'T LAUGH AND PLAY IF CONSTIPATED

If Peevish, Feverish and Sick, Give "California Syrup of Figs."

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ills; give a teaspoonful, and in a few hours the foul waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative," and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on the bottle.

Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."