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## NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

As already notified we have decided to publish fortnightly. For very many reasons, which will readily be understood, it will be quite impossible to produce at regular intervals. There are difficulties which cannot be overcome and delays which it is not in our power to avoid. As an example, we sent out the "Western Scot" of August 23 to the Front so soon as it was issued. Up to going to print with this issue, the parcel containing the former number had not been received. Moreover, ten days ago we heard from the Editor that copy for this issue was on its way to us via "The Censor"—this has not yet arrived.

However, we anticipate that when this comes to hand there will be sufficient material for another edition, which will be published before the end of the month.

Owing to these facts this number contains practically no news of the battalion, but must be looked upon as a supplement to the nominal roll number.

## BUSINESS MANAGER.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The official title of the 67th Pioneer Battalion is now the 4th Canadian Pioneers, B.E.F., France.

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Our sympathies are with Capt. S. H. Okell and Lieut. M. M. Marsden, who through sickness were unable to proceed overseas with the Battalion. It was a bitter pill for these two very efficient officers to swallow. We wish them a speedy recovery and the early fulfilment of their keen desire to "get overseas."

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Lieut. A. J. Bell was appointed Assistant Transport Officer to Lieut. W. F. Cooke, August 8, 1916.

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We congratulate the undermentioned N.C.O.'s and men on their accession to the rank of Lieutenant:—102287, Sergt. E. J. Norwood; 28671, Sergt. W. Shawyer; 103161, Actg.-Sergt. I. A. E. Daniels; 102859, Pte. W. H. Hutchinson. Once again has our gallant Colonel fulfilled his promise made a year ago to grant commissions to efficient men in the ranks.

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Lieut. S. D. Terry was promoted to the rank of Captain on the eve of departure overseas. This was a well-earned reward, and was exceedingly popular both with officers and men.

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No. 102001, O.R.S.M. Nicholls, E.F., has been attached to Canadian Section, 3rd Echelon, General Headquarters, France.

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A number of N.C.O.'s were promoted and confirmed in their rank. Their names appear in the complete list of N.C.O.'s that proceeded overseas which will be found in this issue.

## EXTRACTS FROM NEWS CABLE FROM CANADA.

British Columbia election returns indicate the election of 40 Liberals and seven Conservatives.

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All Cabinet Ministers are beaten, but Premier Bowser may get in when soldiers' votes are announced.

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Prohibition from July 1 next is adopted, but the final count depends on soldiers' votes.

Woman suffrage carried in every riding.

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An anonymous writer threatens to blow up the Parliament Buildings and City of Ottawa.

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Two cases of leprosy have been discovered among Chinamen in Victoria.

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The Pacific Great Eastern Company's locomotive started on the 16th inst., on its first run to Whytecliffe from North Vancouver.

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August 31, 1916.—Spokane leads the North West Baseball League. Vancouver holds sixth place with percentage of .416.

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The Vancouver Golf Club House on Shaughnessy Heights has been destroyed by fire.

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"Newsy" Lalonde is the highest goal-getter in the National Lacrosse Union.

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Inspector Lanauze, of the Mounted Police, reports the capture of the two Eskimo murderers of Father Lerouk and Vaurier, who were killed in the Capper Mine District in 1913. He also reports important information concerning the Radford case.

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Brig.-General R. G. E. Leckie, C.M.G., and Col. W. O. H. Dodds, C.M.G., have taken over training division and infantry brigade commands respectively at Bramshott.

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In Victoria nearly \$500,000 was subscribed for war purposes in the first two years of the conflict; the local Patriotic Aid Society receive \$256,306; this branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, \$85,978; Belgian Relief Committee, \$30,720; and the local branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, \$27,812.

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Up to July 31 over half a million dollars had been disbursed by the Vancouver Patriotic Fund since September, 1914, and the monthly expenditure has risen from \$5,442 to \$64,670. The average monthly assistance per family is \$20.62.

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Major-General Sir Sam Hughes, with the concurrence of the Imperial authorities, has arranged for permission to be given to Sir Richard McBride, Agent-General for British Columbia, that the votes of the British Columbian soldiers should be taken in the trenches. The day of the elections in British Columbia is not until September 14, but the voting in the trenches will take place in the meantime. A number of polling officers are being sent to the Front to take the votes of the soldiers.