

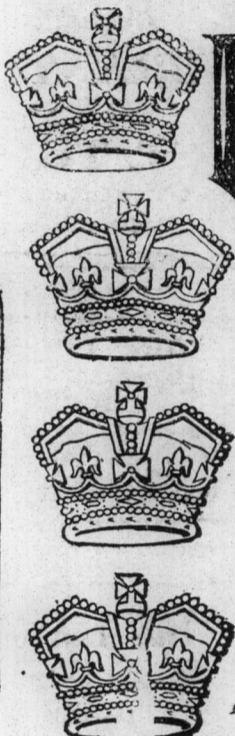
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Famous Men In To-days View

Lieut.-Colonel Herbert A. Bruce, of Toronto, who has just sailed for England to visit the Canadian military hospitals in Great Britain and France is one of the best known surgeons in the Dominion. He was born near Port Perry and educated at the University of Toronto, where he graduated in medicine in 1892. He is on the staff of the University of Toronto, where he is recognized as an authority on surgical matters. Doctor Bruce now confines his whole attention to the practice of surgery.

The Rev. Louis H. Jordan, of Oxford, was sixty years of age yesterday. He was born at Halifax and educated at Dalhousie University, Princeton and Edinburgh University. He has held a number of important pastorates throughout the Dominion, including Erskine Church in Montreal and professorship in the Presbyterian College. He is one of the best known writers in the Presbyterian church, his articles on "Comparative Religion" being regarded as classics. During recent years he has been living at Oxford.

Lieut. Hugh A. Chisholm, who was wounded in the recent fighting in France, has recovered and has gone back to his regiment. He was awarded the D. S. O. for his bravery in saving a British gun and also distinguished himself in the fighting at Ypres. Lieut. Chisholm is a son of the Rev. John Chisholm, superintendent of the Presbyterian Mission. He is a graduate of Queen's University, and at the outbreak of the war was studying law in Montreal. He went overseas with the 2nd Westmount rifles.

Mr. William Carruthers, who died just lately in Toronto, was the second son of James Carruthers, President of the Canada Steamships Company. The dead man, who was thirty-eight years of age, was a member of the grain firm of James Carruthers & Company, Limited, of Toronto and Winnipeg. He spent a good deal of his time at Toronto in the firm's interest, but was well known in Montreal where he was a member of the Board of Trade and the Corn Exchange. He was also an enthusiastic sportsman, being keenly interested in yachting and other outdoor sports.

Private Collington, a French soldier who won the Legion of Honor and subsequently met death at the battle of Vauquois while rescuing a wounded comrade is one of the most talked of men in France to-day. He was formerly Prefect General Secretary to the President of the Republic and although 38 years of age, enlisted in

the army and insisted upon remaining a private. He was a tall, magnificent figure, with a manly, full white beard and a venerable appearance. Because his army shoes hurt his feet he went about barefooted or wore sandals. He performed many feats of bravery which won for him the Legion of Honor, and as stated above met death while rescuing a wounded comrade.

Lord Arundell, who has just sold his valuable home property to a hotel company, possessed one of the most historic spots in Old London. The hotel restaurant and theatre with roof garden and other modern features, which is to be built on the Arundell estate, will be the biggest and most luxurious structure of its kind in London. The property now worth millions was won in a single night at cards by Colonel Thomas Arundell, whose only daughter has an ancestor of the present Lord Arundell. Lord Arundell is not only an English peer, but is an Austrian count, the title having been conferred upon his ancestors at the time of Queen Elizabeth, when one of the family entered the services of the Emperor of Germany and distinguished himself in the fighting against the Turks.

Theodore Botrel is the poet-laureate of the trenches in France and Flanders. Botrel is a French poet and song writer. At the outbreak of war he offered his services to the army, but was rejected as he was over the age limit. He then tried to enter the Belgian army but was turned down there. Botrel then returned to France and asked permission to go to the front and sing for the soldiers. Permission was granted and since then he has been going up and down the line, visiting the trenches, reserve depots, hospitals, military trains, or anywhere he can find a group of his fellow-countrymen. He is described as the French Kipling. His most popular song is "Rosalie," which corresponds to our "Tipperary." Another of his songs is "William is off to the War," in which he lampoons the Kaiser. Botrel is a simple, proven song writer, whose messages find a ready and warm response in the hearts of his fellow countrymen.

His own mission in the war he thus describes: "When Attila strikes down the right, And kills without remorse or ruse, Go forth, my verses, rend and bite, A song may be a bullet, too!" It is said that he has been worth more to France than a whole army corps.

THE ARMY BATTLE HYMNS.

(The writer of this sketch from the front (published in the London Daily News and Leader), is a private in the Motor Transport Section of the A.S.C. who, before enlistment, was well-known in business circles in the city.) Abide with me, fast falls the eventide, The darkness deeps, Lord, with me abide.

The last time I heard these words was in an old church, set among trees that stretched up a mountain side, towering in majestic grandeur over one of Scotland's loveliest Highland lochs; this time it was "somewhere in France."

I had come back from the firing line through a veritable sea of Shadous, and in the fading light of that Sabbath evening my ears, worn with the thunder of battle, early drank in the soft cadences of the old familiar hymn.

In the square of that little town, ravaged nine months ago by the Germans, great war wagons were ranged line upon line. Under a grove of chestnut trees a wayside motor repair workshop had been set out, the red glow of its forge told the tale of toil, that knows no end, of days that have no settled length and weeks of days that have no name. But their Sunday's task completed, the choir—as they call it—had assembled in circle, under the trees with a staff sergeant to lead their singing.

"LEAD KINDLY LIGHT."

Worn and weary though I was with fifty hours of duty, I could not pass them by but brought my car to rest. The major commanding the column, his officers by his side, stood just where I was on the fringe of the gathering; in the darker shadows, but dimly seen, many of the townspeople were collected, scarce understanding yet held in a spell by the soft sweetness of the music. From Yorkshire's West Riding came most of the singers, as one might have guessed from the great white roses adorning each wagon; but it was the broad Scots accent of the little conductor perhaps which brought to me a memory of far-off days and the distant land of my birth. In many countries I have wandered, in many strange scenes I have taken some part but never before in an alien land had home come back to me as there in that twilight hour.

For a moment or two the singing ceased; the hymn was ended. The roll of the guns but a mile or two away seemed strangely unusual; even they were silent. A few low crooning notes, scarce a whisper, like the sighs of a night wind in the tree tops, and there came to us who listened:

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