

Budget About Our Soldier Boys In the Old Country.

Waldorf Hotel, Aldwych, W.C., March 29th, 1915.

My Dear Will—I promised to give you a report re "the boys" whom I intended visiting, but as some of our buyers who saw them (they all did I think), have reached St. John's before I had a chance to write, I dare say anything I can write you will be stale news. However, there may be something in this that may be of interest to some of your readers, and if so I will be glad to write.

I spent the week end at Edinburgh with "the boys" a fortnight ago. Went up to the Castle on the Saturday afternoon and found a bunch of the boys there, and heard of others who had been there. We were all very heartily welcomed, and the Col. was most cordial to all the visitors from Newfoundland. Very specially so was he in his welcome to Mr. Stick when they told him that he had two boys there and he said "that's the kind of man we want to see." On that basis he would have given your father a very warm welcome.

I was speaking to Ralph and Hubert, they are both looking fine. In fact all the boys look well, and the most of them have put on flesh, some up to 30 lbs. extra.

Bob Stick sends his regards to Gus and says to say the "Crescents" are still able to play good hockey.

They had one match (amongst others) a couple of days before I arrived there, to be exact, Friday, March 12th. It was Feildians vs. Crescents and was won by the latter by eleven goals to nine, so it must have been some game.

The line up was as follows:—
Feildians, Hunt goal, Burnham Strong point, H. Herd, Bert Tait cover point, Len. Stick R. Stick rover, R. Herd C. Rendell r. wing, Ern Churchill Winter centre, C. Hutchings Munn l. wing, D. Shortall
Referee:—Lieut. H. Rendell.

The boys say L. Stick and R. Stick were all right, the latter though one of the star Crescents being put on the Feildians to even up matters. The other sticks weren't up to much, being very slender and easily broken. The boys were sorry they hadn't brought their own skates, but they hadn't anticipated that. They say they prefer the artificial ice they played on to natural ice, but they didn't like the style of the fence round the rink. At the foot the puck would get caught when cannoning, and if they checked an opponent by the fence, the fence being very low, he was apt to land in one of the lady

spectators' laps, boots and all, and though the boys are all on very close terms with the Edinburgh lassies, they thought that was going too hard and fast. The ladies were all delightedly surprised with the game. The game was also attended by Col. R. de H. Burton and Lord Roseberry.

The boys, when I left Edinburgh, were in receipt of a challenge from the Canadian medical students there for a game.

Owen Steele was training some of the boys for a seven-mile Inter-Regiment run, when I was there. He himself, Stan Greene and Robinson were amongst the team. I haven't heard how they came out, but they hadn't much time for practice and training.

On the 4th of February when in Port George, previous to going on a route march, some of the boys were taken down to the sea for a foot bath, to toughen their feet. Some asked to go in swimming then and about one hundred did so on the Col. saying they could do so if they did not think it was too cold. He was very surprised, though very pleased; these men must be awfully hardy, they will stand anything.

Lord Brassey was reviewing some of them one day, and being cold, one of them, an accountant who saw St. John's only lately, had mitts on, and to him one of the officers had jocularly remarked: "See, this chap brought his mitts with him." Lord Brassey came up and inspected him and his mitts and said: "Ah, poor chap, many's the cold line he has handled with them."

It has to be explained at times that all Newfoundlanders aren't fishermen, but fishermen, clerks, accountants and "knuts," they have all been winning ecumens. The Col. has expressed himself as highly pleased with them, and the officers and boys have spoken very highly of him. They say he is on his job. He is sizing up a man all the time, without seemingly paying much attention to him.

The men feel honoured by their occupation of Edinburgh, Castle, and they are very comfortable there. Had a couple of meals with the officers mess, and it was like St. John's to see John Robinson sitting around in his usual capacity. The officers are kept busy with drills, marches, etc., and the getting up of their own work.

In places the Regiment is known as the millionaire regiment. Once north they wandered into a Hotel and ordered, a bunch of them, a pretty good dinner. The waiter said

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(thinking them a lot of ordinarily paid soldiers) "you're making a mistake, the Chip Houses are further along." They said: "No! there is no mistake, we want the best dinner you can give us"; so they say he locked the door and went for the proprietor. When they had produced Gold and £5 notes the waiter nearly got on his knees to them.

On this side there is no unemployment and trade everywhere seems to be very good.

A week ago Sunday we saw Kitchener in Manchester reviewing 18,000 Manchester troops. In files of four they took 52 minutes to pass. There were a couple of Bantam Regiments and they were received with a smile by Kitchener and hearty welcome by everybody else.

One business man in Manchester said they do things quickly here. Yesterday two of my men told me at 4 p.m. they were going to try for a place in the army, and this morning at 8.30 they were at the door and saluted me in full kit. Everywhere you go there are boys in khaki.

There are different opinions on the war. Some say it will end in August, but it is the general opinion that the Germans will have to work on clothes to stand another winter campaign. Still some Dutchmen over here who have been going into Germany quite freely say the Germans are well off for foodstuffs, etc., though they are beginning to conserve it.

It is freely said many German submarines have been caught, by steel nets, but it is not being officially announced. There is, I believe, some truth in this.

There is a story out that there is

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Worth begets in base minds envy; In great minds emulation.—Fielding.

a Japanese Fleet out on the North Sea. This story is, however, I think, by the author of "From Archangel to France via Scotland." There are, however, still some folk here who say there are Russians in France, but they are not fighting as their arms and supplies went down in the Oceanic.

You see quite a few Belgian officers here in London, on leave, amongst others. All the men at the front are getting regular rests, as the constant cannonading is very hard on the nerves.

What is the hardest part the nurses have with the poor beggars in Hospital. If they are asleep and hear a door slam or any noise they are shouting: "Look out," "Duck," "Get under," still thinking it is shells.

They are still working hard in every way with the recruiting here, and have notices and posters, that are, in many ways very clever all over the place. A chap needs very good excuses not to join the army, though many who want to go worst, are the ones who can't very well do so.

Manchester did very well, 70,000 men, being about 1 in every 2 eligible men. She is 2nd by proportion if not ahead of Birmingham, but all the towns, cities and villages are doing their share.

Expect to go to Boulogne next and a little farther.

Yours truly,
CORRESPONDENT.

Our Volunteers.

Thirty-five volunteers have enlisted with the Reserve Force since Saturday last, making a total of 1,645 enrolled to date. The names are:

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Heber Kearley, Blaketown, T.B. Roland Gossie, Blaketown, T.B. Frank Stares, Port Blandford, Jas. Moss, Port Blandford, Geo. F. Greening, Port Blandford, Hayward Cooper, Smith's Sound, T.B.

Zachariah Smith, Smith's Sound, T.B. Stanley West, Carmanville, Fogo, Gideon Ellsworth, Carmanville, Fogo.

Alan LeGrow, Broad Cove, B.D.V. Alf Styles, Dildo, Dan Linehan, John's Pond, St. Mary's Bay.

Pat Flynn, Gould's, Bay Bulls, Howard S. Clark, Glenwood, Gordon Rowsell, Glenwood, Alf. L. Hynes, Glenwood.

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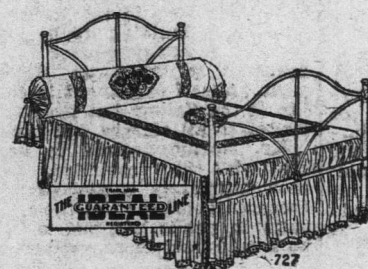
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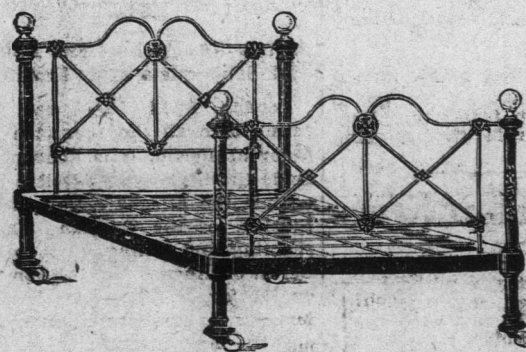
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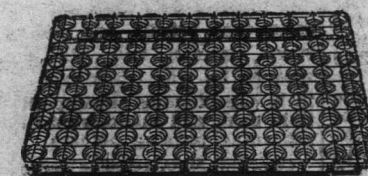
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