at Es- But there are some consolatory circum stances. The election does not come until November. The President then elected does not take office until March, 1917. Much water will pass under the bridges before that date. Effective parwould be improbable after next March.
On the other hand, there are questions

tion in the struggle is unlikely in any more comfortable neighbor than Theo-

was rash in trying to keep the enemy's was rash in trying whole fleet at grips until Jellicoe came up, the New York Tribune's naval writer makes this reply:

CLERGYMAN FOR CONSCRIP-

To the Editor of The Telegraph. Dear Sir,-It was a matter of gratifi-

South Ohio, Yarmouth Co. N. S., une 9.

A letter from Mayor Wallace, of Sus-James sex (N. B.), has been received, which reads as follows:

Dear Sir,—In reference to the followks port-of char-of char-graph of the 7st inst., "At yesterday's meeting of the commissioners a letter

meeting of the commissioners a letter was read from Mayor Wallace, of Sussex, to the effect that he had addressed a communication to the minister of militia asking that all New Brunswick units be kept in the province during the coming summer. A similar letter had been for warded to the minister by Mayor Mayor and the minister by Mayor summer. A similar letter had been forwarded to the minister by Mayor Mcand fighting re. It is discussed the matter freely and finally decided to take no action at the present time, but rather to leave the matter entirely in the hands of the militia department, feeling that the military authorities were better qualified to make a decision in the matter than anyone else."

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I did not ask for any other battalions.
I made the request believing it would add to the efficiency of the corps, and also aid recruiting—and I still believe so.
The military authorities may be better qualified to judge these matters than any one else, but one still has the right to express his convictions, and mine are that no better training grounds are offered anywhere in Canada than Camp Sussex for a limited number of men, say two or three battalions.

We still m that two or three battalions. Why this ideal camp should be side-tracked and New Brunswick troops sent to Aldershot (N. S.), as I understand offer to some of them are going to be, is beyond my comprehension. Splendid rifle range, good facilities for trench work and bayonet training, and an unexcelled health record are all possessed by Camp Sus-

r if the sex.

This is certainly the spot where the uncompleted battalions above named should have completed their preliminary when defeated

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FENWICK WILLIAM WALLACE

Saving Money for Shells.

. (Brantford Expositor.) Sir Sam Hughes, in addition to defending his own reputation and that of his as the pressed tee enquiry has been wasted. Seeing that is now already the revelations before the com-mission have resulted in a reduction in contract prices amounting to \$2,000,000, the accuracy of the minister's statement the accuracy of the minister's statement on. Mr. may well be questioned. Nor must it be forgotten that the commission, costly as it may be, will save other millions to Canada and to Great Britain and her Allies by making the melon-cutting operations of men like Allison more dictivation of the country more, cult than they have heretofore been.

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(Toronto Globe.)

"My idea is that General Hughes would stand by the devil, and I don't want to reflect on Allison in that statement," said Sir William Meredith at the fuse inquiry. If General Hughes would stand by the devil after he knew him to be the devil, is the general not rather a queer person to place in high public

ST, JOHN LAD WHO WON DISTINCTION AMONG KILLED

Monday, June 12. months. Since January last he had been in charge of twenty signallers and guides, william Withers was killed in action on

The news that Lance-Corporal Frank William Withers was killed in action on May 25 has been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Withers, 105 Hagen street.

Official word was received yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. George E. Withers, 105 Hazen street, that their eldest son, Lance Corporal Frank William Withers, had made the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of France, having fallen in action May 25. Just sixteen years ago an uncle of the young man, gave up his life in the word of the young man, gave up his life in a shell burst in the midst of a platoon marching past to a post of great danger, and a number were killed and wounded. He guided a party with the wounded to a dressing station, but three died en route. Next afternoon while viewing the spot he and some others were located by a German battery. The first shell burst directly over them, and running for cover they had to drop six times in three hundred yards, so fast came the shells, and so close. Finally they got over a hill to safety and he wrote that he expected never again to be as close to death without being hit. He and his associates had many thrilling experiences up and down the line, and were over and over again saddened by the loss of some one they knew.

The following are extracts from a let-LANCE-CORP. RANK W.WITHERS
Killed

Lance of the empire at Paardeberg. In a military sense the family is illustrious, and by the virtue of the sacrifices that have been made in behalf of the empire it is enrolled high in the order of merit.

The following are extracts from a letter received last week by Rev. D. J. Mac-Pherson from Signaller Belding, written on May 17, 45 Belgium:

"If there is a scarcity of recruits it is certainly not because they feel they will not be needed. Surely all can read the sign in the casualty lists. Are all hands working for the one cause, or for a more selfish one? St. John boys should enlist in sufficient numbers to ensure the filling up of all gaps, and also give rest which the men here deserve. Surely the people want this terrible butchery to cease as soon as possible. There is only one way, and that is to send the men. Many of my boy friends are gone, and some have been carried by my own hands. The pity of it—and the beauty of it. Does it not prove the love of home, country and the scarcifices that have been made in behalf of the empire it is enrolled high in the order of merit.

The message received by Mr. and Mrs.

that have been made in behalf of the empire it is enrolled high in the order of merit.

The message received by Mr. and Mrs. Withers follow: "Deeply regret inform you Lance Corporal Frank William Withers officially reported killed in action, May 25." Yesterday they received a formal card: "The prime minister and the members of the government of Canada send heartfelt sympathy in the bereavement which you have sustained."

Lance Corporal Withers was twenty-two years of age. He left here in the fall of 1914, shortly after the outbreak of war, leaving his position with George T. Polley, broker, and enlisted with Major Mersereau's corps of guides mobilized at Hampton. The unit went to Valcartier to mobilize with the rest of Canadian troops where it was disbanded. Mr. Withers then enlisted with the Royal Canadian regiment going from Hallifax to Bermuda.

After one year of service in Bermuda the regiment returned to Hallifax, and in August, 1916, his parents saw him in Hallifax just before he went overseas. He went almost at once to the front, and up to the present he has participated to some extent in all the big engagements of the Canadian troops. His work was scouting and in this capacity he won merit, so much so that the Canadian observer in his dispatch, dated February 27, 1916, has the following:

"Lance Corporals Withers and Lazin, of the Royal Canadian regiment, discovered a trip wire placed by the enemy hear our entanglements. Following it hack found that it the second.

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MOUNTED RIFLES.

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Dixon, S. J. MacArthur and M. S. Richardson, Alds, C. C. Hayward, James Stables, and H. H. Stuart, recretary, and Messrs. J. Ander and J. H. Ashford.

After the reading of the minutes of meetings of April 17 and May 9, a vigorous discussion on the public schools of Newcastle followed. The following committee was appointed to interview the local M.P.P. regarding government appointments to the board of school trustees: E. A. McCurdy, Rev. P. W. Dixon and J. Ander. The same committee was asked to enquire into the prohibitory law of the province and ascertain what steps are required to bring the town and county under its operations.

The meeting adjourned until Monday, June 19.

Miss Grace Ellis Robb was united in marriage on June 7 to Walter MacGregor Moffat, son of Mayor and Mrs. Moffat of Amherst. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's father. Rufus E. Robb, Amherst, by Rev. C. W. Ross in the presence of the immediate families.

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A. E. Motler goes to Tabusintac, Ernest Rowlands goes to Derby, A. E. Chapman to Richibucto (N. B.), W. B. Leard to Bonaventure, R. M. Brodie to O'Leary (P. E. I.)

The University church at Sackville is to have Chaplain H. E. Thomas instead of Dr. Squires. The latter goes to Newcastle.

Starch

Ottawa, June 9—"The whole thing is that Colonel Afflison, as the confidential agent of the minister of militia and defence, dips his hands into the till to the tune of \$220,000 in connection with these contracts."—THE HON. JUSTICE DUFF.
With this significant and unequivocal up the main moral and conclusion of the whole fuse contract inquiry in the last day of the Meredith-Duff commission. Sir William Meredith emphasised the moral by intimating that Allison's moral courage did not enable him to resist temptation but perhaps now the money might be paid back.

The comments came at the morning session when G. F. Henderson, K.C., was attempting to justify his client, Colonel Allison for taking the commission and to defend the whole agreement with Yoak um as to the division of the million dollar rakeoff on the American Ammunition Company contract.

On the question of the personal honesty of the shiell committee the commissioners have already practically returned a verdict of acquittal and Libera

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FOR THE BRITSH NAW

St. John's, Nfid., June 9—To help make up for the losses suffered by the British naval forces in the recent North Sea battle, Newfoundland authorities began making plans today for a special recruiting campaign.

An effort will be made to send forward one thousand men as the Colony's share.

Wedding at Bordet.

The St. Stephen Methodist church was the scene of one of the season's society weddings on Saturday when Miss Marjorie Hayward Baskin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Baskin of St. Stephen, was married to James Howard Stannard of New York, superintendent of the Grand Lake Company, at Woodland, with headquarters at New York. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Li. S. B. Strothard of the St. Stephen church. After the ceremony a brilliant reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where many guests were assembled, inclding many from New York and other cities. Mr.

SENSATION IN CHATHAM SENSATION IN CHATHAM
Chatham World:—She was a stranger in Chatham on Friday, and she created a mild sensation by parading in coat and gaiters. The coat was short and the gaiters long. There was no evidence of any skirt. She wore a riding hat and carried a swagger stick. She grew weary of the sensation she was creating, declared the town was too small for her, and changed her clothes. She had an escort in the evening. The electric lights went out in the evening. Did the chairman of the light department order them out to save the men from putting their necks out of joint? ecks out of joint?

THIS IS GOOD NEWS Chatham World:—Dr. Byers of Montreal, who operated on our editor's eyes last February, examined them last week and declared that the operation had been perfectly successful. He found the 'tension' of both eyes, to correct which he had operated, perfectly normal. He prescribed glasses with which after waiting two or three weeks for the effects of the atropine treatment to die out, he says Mr. Stewart will be able once more to read and write.

London, June 11—British troops, invading German East Africa from the north have captured Mombo, a town on the railroad in the Usambrad district of German East Africa, while another British force, operating from Rhodesia, has occupied the town of Bismarckburg, on the southeastern shore of Lake Tanganyila



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