

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

The following casualties among members of the Canadian expeditionary force are announced by the militia department, Ottawa:

PRINCESS PATRICIAS. Killed in Action. Lance Corporal C. Cole, Next of kin, Clara Cole, No. 1 Clarence street, Richmond, Surrey (Eng.)

THIRD BATTALION. Killed. March 6—Private J. Cromley (formerly 9th Battalion), Next of kin J. Cromley, Box 214, Minnedosa (Man.)

FOURTH BATTALION. Killed. Private Harold Charles Thompson, admitted to No. 2 General Hospital, Havre, March 17, gunshot wound in forehead. Next of kin, Mrs. Bessie Thompson (mother), 19 Hook street, Toronto (Ont.)

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SIXTEENTH BATTALION. Killed in Action. Private James Innes, March 5. Next of kin, Mrs. Innes, Creighton, Kirkcubright, Scotland.

SEVENTH BATTALION. Killed in Action. Private Reinhold Oberig, March 8. Next of kin, A. J. Oberig, Clefsuhl, Sweden.

EIGHTH BATTALION. Killed. March 9—Private Herbert Vaughan Naylor. Next of kin, Benjamin Vaughan Naylor, Noyan (Que.)

NINTH BATTALION. Killed. Private G. E. Long, No. 18 General Hospital, Boulogne, gunshot wound in shoulder. Next of kin, Mrs. James Patterson, 59 Stewart street, Ottawa.

TENTH BATTALION. Died of Wounds. Private Thomas Burrow. Next of kin, Mrs. Agnes Burrow, Grainger-Oversands, Lancashire (Eng.)

THIRTEENTH BATTALION. Killed in Action. March 7—Private John A. McConnahey. Next of kin, Robert McConnahey, 186 Lewis Ave., Westmount, Montreal.

THIRTEENTH BATTALION. Killed in Action. March 25—Captain Robert Gifford Darling. Next of kin, Mrs. P. A. Darling, No. 1109 C. P. R. Building, Toronto.

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British Commander Pays Highest Tribute to First Contingent in Note to Duke of Connaught—'Has Never Seen a More Magnificent Battalion Than Princess Patricias'—Worth of Whole Division Proven in Action.

Ottawa, March 27—His Royal Highness the Governor-General today received a message from Field Marshal Sir John French, commending highly the work of the Canadian division. It reads as follows:

"The Canadian troops having arrived at the front, I am anxious to tell your royal highness that they have made the best impression on all of us. It made a careful inspection of the division a week after they came to the front, and I was very much struck by the excellent physique which was apparent throughout the ranks. The soldierly bearing and the steadiness with which the men stood in the ranks (on a bleak, cold, snowy day) was most remarkable."

"After two or three weeks preliminary education in the trenches, attached by unit to the Third Corps, they have now taken over their own line on the right of that corps—a complete division—and I have the utmost confidence in their capability to do valuable and efficient service."

"The Princess Patricias regiment arrived with the 27th division a month earlier, and since then they have performed splendidly in the trenches. When I inspected them—also in pouring rain—it seemed to me I had never seen a more magnificent looking battalion—German or otherwise."

"Two or three days ago they captured a German trench with great dash and energy, and excellent results. I am writing these few lines because I know how deeply we are all indebted to the untiring and devoted efforts your royal highness has personally made to insure the despatch in the most efficient condition of this valuable contingent."

"I have the honor to be, Sir, Your royal highness' devoted servant, (Signed) 'J. D. P. FRENCH"

Admiralty's Statement. London, March 29, 6.45 p. m.—The admiralty tonight issued the following statement: "Twenty-three members of the crew and three passengers are missing from the steamer Azula."

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"Then followed a horrible scene," said the passenger. "Some of the boats were swamped, and the occupants were thrown into the sea. Several were drowned almost immediately."

"Barely ten minutes after we received the order to leave the ship I heard a report, and saw the vessel heeled over. The Germans had actually fired a torpedo at her at a range of about one hundred yards, when a large number of passengers, the captain and other officers were still distinctly to be seen aboard."

All the passengers and officers say that the submarine fired a torpedo before all the boats were lowered and while many persons were still aboard the steamer. One officer said: "I was sitting in a boat which was suspended from the davits, and was waiting for two women passengers, when another officer shouted 'look out,' and then I saw the bubbles marking the track of a torpedo."

"There was a tremendous crash, and the boat fell from the davits and turned over, throwing the passengers and crew into the cold water. The water was highly icy, and there were many who died from exposure."

The quartermaster of the Falaba, describing the scene of the destruction of the steamer, said: "All on board helped splendidly in the rescue work. There were eight women

on, and Mrs. Frank B. Hopkins, all of this city. He also leaves five grandchildren. The deceased though a person of a kindly and retiring disposition, was a man of sterling qualities, very fond of home life, and will be greatly missed by a large circle of relatives and friends.

George T. Shaw. The death of George T. Shaw occurred Friday at the home of his niece Mrs. E. C. Bilzard, 18 Hanover street. Mr. Shaw was eighty-eight years of age.

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Charles Colson. Saturday, March 27. A telegram received yesterday morning by Mrs. J. J. Dwyer, 72 1/2 Waterloo street, brought the sad news of the death of her nephew, Charles Colson, aged 20, who died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. J. J. Dwyer, 72 1/2 Waterloo street, on the 26th inst.

Mrs. Alice Hart. Monday, March 29. After a lingering illness, Mrs. Alice Hart passed away yesterday morning at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. Isaacs, 29 Coburg street. She was in her 82nd year. Mrs. Hart, who was the widow of Solomon Hart, a native of London, England, came to this city some thirty years ago.

Mrs. Joseph C. Risten. Frederickton, N. B., March 29—(Special)—The death of Mrs. Joseph C. Risten occurred at her home, Smythe street, Saturday night, after a lingering illness. The deceased was Miss Ritchey before marriage. She is survived by her husband, including the captain, died afterwards. It is feared that many persons on the steamer were killed by the explosion of the torpedo.

Monday, March 29. News of the death of a prominent Canadian business man well known in St. John was yesterday received by J. W. Merritt, New Brunswick manager of the Great West Life Assurance Company, in the following telegram from Winnipeg:

"Mr. Brock died at Long Beach (Cal), today at noon, just received further particulars as soon as received. A. Jardine" The late J. E. Brock was a well known director and the first founder of the Great West Life Assurance Company. When the first branch office was established in St. John twenty years ago he was himself to come here for the opening. The board of directors of the Great West Life Assurance Company then was composed of the late J. De Witt Spurr, Dr. Thomas Walker, Joseph Allison and G. W. Merritt.

The late Mr. Brock came of well known eastern Canada family but he settled in Winnipeg over thirty years ago. He was a member of the St. John's Club and was connected with the Carpenters until Mr. Brock decided to strike off on his own account. He met instant and remarkable success, working up one of the largest and best companies on the continent. The Winnipeg Tribune said of the late Mr. Brock:

"It was during the agitation for emancipation that Mr. Brock, a well known lawyer, came into prominence, and that the public discovered his real and pronounced ability. With those deep black eyes of his burning with interest and sometimes with indignation, and with cheeks flushed with excitement in the struggle, Mr. Brock would take the platform and with facts and figures backed with unanswerable logic, would fight the case for the people through what a fine public servant and representative Mr. Brock would make. The country missed a fine thing when Mr. Brock turned his wonderful energies and abilities to private channels, instead of adopting the career of a statesman and patriot."

Miss Mary Black, who died on Wednesday, after a long illness, took place this morning, interment in St. Mary's cemetery. Deceased is survived by her husband, two brothers, George Black, of Newcastle, and John Black (deceased), and three sisters, Mrs. Holmes, Bangor (Me.), Mrs. John F. Ruth, and Mrs. George Brooks.

Mrs. Anastasia Mahar. North Head, G. M., March 18—Mrs. Anastasia Mahar, who has been suffering for nearly a year with paralysis, died at her home at Castalia, on the 18th inst. She leaves her husband and five children, all of whom are married. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. A. Hovey, interment in Maple Grove cemetery.

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Canadian Record Headquarters Amazing and Thrilling Work

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Canadian Divisional Headquarters, April 2—Y army in the field, spray the long, weary edge line men in the fire very forefoot of affluence's throw of the line. Some hundreds this firing line, the also filled with men, firing and supporting places every forty-eight days' spell they day's rest and weary their four days' rest to the trenches. All are carried out in the enemy's rifle fire.

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OBITUARY

Robert H. Robertson. Hampton, N. B., March 28—Hampton loses one of its oldest and highly respected citizens by the death of Robert H. Robertson, who passed away March 28, aged 88 years. He was a pastor and until quite recently had been vigorous.

Two sons, Robert and Thomas W., at home, and one daughter, Mrs. William McAllister, Salina, are left to mourn the loss of an only brother. Captain Ellis had died some thirty-one years ago.

Capt. Omar P. Brown. St. Martins, March 28—The funeral of Captain Omar P. Brown took place on Saturday the 28th inst. A service was held at his late residence, West Quaco, conducted by the Rev. W. A. Snelling, pastor of the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. E. E. Rice, pastor of the Methodist church at this place.

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WEDDINGS

Swim-McDonald. At the residence of Rev. Gideon Swim in Adelaide street Thursday evening, David Edward Swim was united in marriage by him to Miss Gertrude McDonald, of Chatham. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Mason, of Fairville, were witnesses. Mr. and Mrs. Swim will reside in Fairville.

ST. JOHN BANK CLEARINGS. The St. John bank clearings for the week ended yesterday were \$1,357,750, corresponding week last year, \$1,373,750.

Hardland Items. Hartland, March 29—Mr. and Mrs. William Tinker and daughter, Dorothy, who have spent the last four months at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hagerman, left on Tuesday for Bangor (Me.). They were accompanied by Mrs. Hugh McGregor, St. Andrew's, who has been visiting them for a short time.

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An Irishman knocked at a door one day and asked the lady of the house if she could help him, as he was hard up on the road. "Indeed I'll not," she replied, "and if you don't clear out of this I'll call my husband, who is a policeman, and he'll come and take you."

"I quite believe you, miss," he retorted. "He'd take anything when he took you."

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