FORMER MEMBERS OF FIRST BATTALION FORM ASSOCIATION

Chester Butler Elected President by Acclamation.

OTHER OFFICERS NAMED

Organization Shows Promise of Becoming a Most Successful One.

Some fifty former members of the 1st Battalion met in the armories last night and organized the London branch of the 1st Battalion Comrades' Association. Officers were elected, and plans for getting a social program under way were discussed. Although the battalion is among the last of the London units to form an association of its former members, the organization promises to rank among the successful ones, judging by the enthusiasm shown by those who were present at last night's meeting.

Chestler Butler was elected president of the branch by acclamation. Gen. F. W. Hill, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., of Niagara Falls and Lieut.-Col. A. W. Sparling, D.S.O., of Saskatoon, who succeeded Gen. Hill, were made honorary presidents. Three vice-presidents, Major R. B. Ross, Lieut. H. W. McCrimmon and Sergt. James Murray, were elected. Sergt. D. J. Christinson was made secretary and Sergt.-Major Whitfield was elected treasurer.

An executive committee consisting of Q.M.S. E. Grier, L. S. Hopwood, Sergt.-Major F. C. Newell, A. P. Goss, Sergt. A. D. Davis, Sergt. W. Elliott and Sergt. H. Wyse were elected, and given the work of making arrangements for social evenings, the securing of a permanent meeting place and the fixing of the amount to be charged for fees.

A social evening will be held by the London branch on the night of March 10 to commemorate the landing of the 1st Battalion in France and the taking up of headquarters at Merris; and, incidentally, to become more firmly organized. The officers expressed a desire for all former members in the city to be present. Plans are also being arranged to hold a reunion of all former members of the battalion on the night of April 23 to commemorate Neuve Chapelle, the first battle in which the battalion took part. The final plans for this meeting will be made on March 10.

A movement is on foot in all of the larger centres which confributed men to the battalion to form branches, and when this is accomplished it is planned to amalgamate the whole into one large association with central headquarters here.

An attempt will be made to have a division of the 1st Battalion canteen funds, which are held in trust by Ex-Mayor C. R. Somerville and T. W. Baker, made among all the branches of the association when the organization has been completed. The division would probably be made on a per capita plan.

G. W. V. A. ADOPTS A NEW MEMBERSHIP CARD DESIGN

Will Be Costly, But Is Very Highly Artistic.

The G. W. V. A. has adopted a form of membership card which is probably more artistic than that of any organization in the country. The card, which was designed by Farrier-Sergeant Cooper of Peterboro, has as a centrepiece the G. W. V. A. crest, with draped British flags over the top. The surrounding panel is a building of Corinthian architecture.

On the columns of the building are inscribed all the battles the Canadians were in, from the time the first division got in the fray at Ypres in 1915, till the whole corps finished at Mons at the signing of the armistice.

The cards, which will be rather costly, will be distributed to every member of the association. Spaces have been left in which the photograph of the owner may be inserted as well as full particulars concerning his association with the G. W. V. A.

Possessor of 80 Motor Cars and 500 Wives

Oh, boy! He must have some income. Nizam Hyderabad purchased the celebrated diamond, the "Victoria," for $2,000,000. It weighed 180 carats. Those of us, who have but one motor car and one wife, the fact that a man can maintain such luxuries as 80 motor cars and 500 wives, causes the trifling outlay of $2,000,000 for a diamond to appear quite insignificant and hardly worth a passing thought, "mere trifle." John A. Nash, My Jeweler, has no $2,000,000 diamonds, but what he has are of the finest quality Blue White Perfect Diamonds, that are sure to please. His store is 206 Dundas street, "where you will eventually buy." "Meet My Jeweler and wear diamonds." b

WHEN LIVER IS TORPID

or sluggish all the other vital organs of your body are affected—you have stomach and bowel troubles, your head aches, your skin loses its clearness, and you have the "blues." Take Hood's Pills—prompt and thorough. Do not irritate or gripe. Sold by all druggists.

HOUSING COMMISSION WILL MEET PROVINCIAL OFFICERS

To Discuss Issue of Debentures and Other Matters.

The housing commission last night authorized City Clerk S. Baker to arrange a meeting with J. A. Ellis of the provincial organization. The issue of debentures for the housing commission work and other matters will be discussed. Mr. Baker expects to be in Toronto in connection with other business next week, and will use the opportunity to arrange this meeting.

A special meeting of the local commission will be held Monday to consider sketches of houses to be erected on the Pine Lawn survey. These are being prepared by Architect H. C. McBride. They will include plans for two and three bedroom houses and semi-detached houses.

Lightens work for Ma

and keeps me well fed

—says Bobby

POST TOASTIES

"MADE IN CANADA" CAMPAIGN INDORSED BY A. AND N. V.

At their last regular meeting the Army and Navy Veterans of London adopted unanimously a resolution in favor of "Made in Canada" goods, and undertook to co-operate in any scheme to promote such buying.

It was also decided to send a resolution to the Soldier-Citizens' committee, at its meeting on Friday night, recommending that it co-operate with the chamber of commerce, the Rotary Club and other bodies in the promotion of a canvass of the citizens of London for funds for the Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

GUILTY OF BIGAMY, PROTESTS REMAND ORDERED BY COURT

Charles Geary Married in England and Canada.

Charles Geary, 18 Palace street, was convicted of bigamy in police court this morning, and was remanded for sentence. He admitted having married a girl in England, and then, after coming back to this country, going through the marriage ceremony with Edna L. Calvert of this city.

In defence, he said that his English wife had run away from him. He wanted to get a divorce from her, but she could not be located. On inquiring in England he claimed that he had been led to believe that he was free to marry again.

Miss Calvert did not know that he had been married before until she found out at the Soldiers' Aid Commission office, where she had some business. Immediately on receiving this information she laid a complaint with the police.

Commenting on the case, Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon said: "If the marriage system is disregarded, the whole social system breaks down."

Geary objected to being remanded, saying that if he was going to "get it," he would like to get it immediately.

DR. FISHER REFUSES SUPERINTENDENCY OF MILITARY HOSPITAL

Dr. (Major) Stuart M. Fisher, neurologist for the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment for this district, announced today that he had definitely refused the offer of the medical superintendency of the new Westminster Psychiatric Hospital. He said that the statement in a local paper a week or so ago to the effect that he had definitely announced that he was to take charge was premature

Although the position carries a substantial financial remuneration, Dr. Fisher said that he preferred a private practice which he intends to locate in this city. As far as Dr. Fisher knew no move had been made by the department to secure a substitute.

WAS TAKING HOT DRINK TO SICK BOY; CAUGHT IN ACT

Angus McDonald Had to Pay a Fine of Two Hundred Dollars.

Angus McDonald, 298 Wolfe street, was fined $200 and costs in police court this morning for having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling. He claimed that he was taking the partly-filled bottle which was found on him last night to a sick boy, who was sick. He intended giving him a hot drink. The boy was 13 years of age.

Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon reminded him that if he had given the boy the whiskey he would have made himself liable to a charge of supplying liquor to a minor. He denied the charge that he was intoxicated, and it was not pressed.

TRAFFIC HELD UP WHEN SLEIGH STICKS ON TRACK

One mild-looking, but powerful team of horses, in front of a load of paper for The Advertiser, held up all traffic on Dundas street for a short time this morning. The horses were not unruly or disorderly in any way, but the runners of the sleighs got caught in the car tracks, and there they stopped in spite of the team's best efforts.

Street car No. 128 tried to push behind, but this was a failure. Then it tried pulling the load backward, and this threatened an upset.

Eventually a motorman solved the riddle. He got a crowbar and lifted up the front runner, while the horses, with a vigorous tug, brought their load safely across the rails.

SENT TO REFORMATORY OVER CHARGE OF THEFT

Joseph Murray of Windsor was sentenced to an indeterminate period of from three months to two years less one day in the Ontario Reformatory, in police court this morning on two charges of theft, one to which he pleaded guilty and the other of which he was found guilty. His chum, William G. Finlay, also of Windsor, was discharged on both counts.

During the week of February 2, Charles F. Wolfe of Toronto lost a club bag at a local hotel, and Harry Atkinson, 562 Richmond street, lost a gold watch and chain while bathing at the Y. M. C. A.

On Saturday, Murray and Finlay were arrested at the C. P. R. station by the city detectives. They were searched at the police station. On Murray was found some of the articles which were in the clubbag, and the watch. He pleaded guilty to stealing the watch, but said that he found the other articles at the C. P. R. station.

I. Levy, Herman Silverman and Noah Fox, three pawnbrokers, declared that Murray had come into their shops to sell them some of the goods which he had stolen.

Murray will be sent to the reformatory, and Finlay to Windsor, to face a charge of stealing several pairs of pants in that place.

QUEBEC TENANTS FORM AN ASSOCIATION FOR MUTUAL PROTECTION

Quebec, Feb. 13.—At a large meeting of tenants held here last night an association was formed for the objective of protecting the interests of tenants. The following resolution was dealt with:

"That immediate steps be taken to obtain a pledge from the two candidates for mayor, from the aldermen-elect and from the candidates for aldermen still in the field election day, providing if elected:

"'To abolish the tenants' tax.'

"'That the new council will at its first regular meeting after the election take up the housing question for immediate action, make arrangements and communicate with the provincial government for borrowing its share out of the $25,000,000 set aside by the federal government to relieve the present housing situation in Canada.'"

EMERALDS SCARCE.

London, Feb. 13.—Owing to a world shortage, emeralds have become the rarest and most expensive of precious stones. Dealers are prepared to pay big prices for what they consider the best investment in the market. Prices during the past four years have been bounding up, until the emerald is now four times its pre-war price.

SPRING PROSPECTS IN TRADE HERE ARE BETTER THAN EVER

So States Bradstreet's Review of Situation.

London reports to Bradstreet's that there is little change in the trade situation, except that spring prospects appear more attractive as the season advances. Country produce prices are firm; the easier price tendency for eggs has been temporarily checked. Consumption of meats is rather diminished recently. This is partially accounted for by the influenza outbreak. Shortage of raw materials, particularly of steel and lumber, is evident throughout the western peninsula. Stove manufacturers report a scarcity of steel sheets. With the exception of industries that are unable to get adequate supplies of materials operations are close to maximum capacity.

Toronto reports to Bradstreet's that current trade among the wholesalers is of a satisfactory character, with evidences of an active spring season. Retailers are continuing the policy followed in January of clearing out broken lines of seasoned goods. Announcements of price sacrifices are conspicuous, and the reductions have stimulated business. In house furnishings, clothing, footwear, etc., trade has been reasonably active for this season. Wholesalers report that there is a lively demand for carpets, and indications point to a good trade in this department in spite of stiffening prices. Industries are impeded by a shortage of semi-finished steel. Deliveries from United States points have been hindered by the car shortage in the producing areas, and the efficiency of the mills has been lowered. It is the exception rather than the rule that users of steel products ordinarily secured from the United States, are able to operate at full capacity under present conditions. Tin plate and galvanized and black sheets are particularly scarce, and there is little hope of relief for a number of weeks. Lumber prices are very firm, and stocks have been lightened by exportations to the United States, a large part of which are for the motor car industry. The lumber cut in Ontario is appreciably larger than that of last year, but this is not expected to have any effect on prices since there is bound to be a shortage in any event. There is little change in the market for country produce. Eggs have been quoted at slightly higher prices. The live stock market is duller with a slight easing in prices.

Representatives of the building trades met during the week and took steps to have prices of materials fixed on a stable basis, so that there would be no irregular fluctuations. The building program for the calendar year is likely to eclipse the 1919 record. The paint and oil market is taking on a more active tone, and distributors are preparing for a busy season, in which export trading is figuring. There are no complaints about remittances on commercial obligations.

Montreal reports to Bradstreet's say the wholesale trade continues to be active. Some of our wholesale grocers have been busy with inventories. The labor trouble in Cuba is one of the principal reasons for the scarcity in the raw sugar market. Molasses and syrups show a further advance in prices during the week. Market conditions in most of the grocery lines show prices holding firm with the prospects of further advances in some lines.

A feature of the butter trade is the cable received this week from the British ministry of food advising our local commission not to make any more purchases without further sanction. The cheese trade is very quiet, exports being almost nil. Hay exporters have also received advices from their English houses to stop shipping, the stopping of exports in all cases being due to the exchange situation. Egg prices rule easier with the advancing season.

More moderate weather was the means of increasing the receipts of potatoes from country points, which has caused an easier feeling in the market. The offerings of live stock this week were of inferior quality and prices sagged 50c to $1 per hundred. Liquidation in all lines of grain was the cause of prices dropping to new low records.

The wholesale drygoods and hardware trades were quite active during the week. Lumber prices have advanced. There is a big demand for most lines in the retail trade, principally furniture, the offerings of which are being made at reduced values. Collections are reported good.

Windsor reports to Bradstreet's that city retailers are optimistic. They are not looking further than the immediate future, since price movements are uncertain under any circumstances. There is a very firm under tone at present, however, and those who have reserve stocks are congratulating themselves that their goods were bought at lower than replacement values. The building outlook appears more promising as the season advances. Collections are good.

Winnipeg reports to Bradstreet's that the spring trade outlook for this province is auspicious. City retailers are doing a fair trade, and the advance in prices on drygoods staples has encouraged a fair amount of buying. Farm improvements during the spring months will be more extensive than for some time, in spite of high prices of all building materials. In the local cash grain market, oats and barley are especially strong; demand for United States export account is centred in oats and this has caused an upward price movement. The prevailing exchange rates and the shortage of oats in the American grain centres have been contributing factors. Collections are quite good.

Quebec reports to Bradstreet's say conditions are generally satisfactory. In spite of rising prices, country storekeepers are ordering staple goods freely. Groceries and provisions report a fair turnover for the season. Paints, oils, varnishes, etc., are quiet, which is usual at the season. Amongst the factories, activity is general and labor is fully employed. In the city, retailers continue to advertise bargain sales, to make room for spring stock. Collections as a rule are fair.

For Colds, Grip or Influenza and as a Preventive, take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Look for E. W. GROVE'S signature on the box. 30c. 22tf

Only Good Things

find a place in "Barnard" boxes.

Be fair to yourself, and do not fail to at least inspect the best line of modern jewelry and the choicest range of ultra-quality diamonds in Western Ontario.

Of special interest are the Diamond Engagement Rings at $30, $50 and $100

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Diamond Merchants and Jewelers.

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New Georgette and Crepe de Chine Blouses

In February Sale Saturday, $5.75

This price is very low, because the blouses are decidedly charming in the line of fabric. In the group are four distinct styles, with a range of sizes and a variety of colors; the balance of the lot consists of one and two of a kind, a point which makes them more desirable; the styles are varied, too varied to make description possible, but you'll find your size here in some pretty style and color. Sixty blouses in the group, and all should go in the forenoon at this very low price. All are new. A clearance from the factory this week. Here is a brief synopsis:

Crepe de Chine Blouses, beaded design in front, copen or reseda green, sizes 36 and 38. Sale $5.75

Fine Georgette Blouse, trimmed with pin tucks and hemstitching, full-length sleeve; rose, saxe and reseda green; sizes 36 to 40. Sale $5.75

Fine Crepe de Chine, made with round neck trimmed with pearl buttons and pin tucks; rose, grey, helio or sky; sizes 36 to 42. Sale $5.75

Crepe de Chine, made with tucked vestee and large pearl buttons, roll collar, in white, sand, saxe, coral and rose; sizes 36 to 40. Sale $5.75

Twenty Georgette Blouses, every one different, some very elaborately braided, others plain style trimmed with tucking and fancy stitching, an assortment of dainty shades; sizes 36 to 42. Sale price $5.75

SATURDAY SALES IN BASEMENT.

100 dozen Odd Cups. Special for Saturday only .....10c each

Glass Tumblers .....2 for 15c

Light Glass Tumblers.....10c

Duskil Floor Mops.....$1.50

O-Cedar Mops $1.50

O'Cedar Oil .....25c to 50c

Satisfaction Toilet Paper ....3 for 25c

Great West Toilet Paper ....4 for 25c

Royal Toilet Paper, 800 sheets to package. Extra special ... .2 for 25c

Banner Ash Sifters to clear at $3.79

Sale of Flannelette Saturday, 37c Yard

Upwards of a thousand yards of good useful stripes, in an extra strong, durable flannelette, light or dark colors, pinks, blues, fawns, greys, all the colors you like best for men's nightshirts, pyjamas, ladies' and children's underwear or sleeping garments. The new year has seen steady advances in all grades of flannelette, and still higher prices are being quoted. You have the lowest price for a good flannelette offered this winter. Saturday shoppers, let these head your list; 34 inches and 35 inches wide. Special .....37c yard

42-IN. PILLOW CASES, 55c EACH.

Made of a very nice, fine weave, pure bleach longcloth, a lovely cotton, and a well-made case; 42 inches only. Extra value .....55c each

JEWELRY!

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Extra Fine Pearl Beads, graduated sizes, 23 inches long, French-filled Pearls....$1.00 string

Graduated Dull Jet Beads, 23 inches long. Price .....75c each

Long String of Medium Dull Jet Beads, 42 inches long. Price .....$1.50 string

Just a few Rosaries left at greatly reduced prices .....69c and $1.19 each

Sterling Silver Bangle Bracelets. Prices.... .....$1.00 and $1.50

Dainty Gold Lingerie Clasps. Prices, per pair .....35c, 50c and 75c

Sterling Silver Lingerie Clasps. Price $1.00 pair

SATURDAY NEEDS AT NOTION COUNTER

Good Strong Tubular Shoe Laces, 63 and 72 inches long. Price..10c pair

Lingerie Tape, ten yards, with bodkin, pink, sky and white. Price 10c

Hump Hairpins, don't slip out, assorted sizes. Price 15c

The Wear-Well Children's Skeleton Waist, with supporters, small, medium and large. Price 35c

Silk Mendings, all shades. Price .....8c ball

Celluloid Hairpins, large size, four on card. Price 10c

Celluloid Hairpins, small crimp, ten on card. Price 10c

De Long Domes, rustproof. Price .....10c card

Tatting Shuttles, with removable bobbin and pick, metal or celluloid. Prices .....25c and 15c each

Ladies' So-Op Hose Supporters, extra good elastic, rubber-covered buttons. Prices....35c and 50c pair

Infants' Diapers, washable, stainproof rubber, small medium and large. Price .....$1.00 pair

Padded Trouser and Skirt Hangers. Price .....2 for 25c

Celluloid Bag Frames, two-boned, shell, bronze, green, blue, etc. Price .....$1.75 and $2.50

Separate Shell Chains, for handles. Price .....75c each

Your Week-End Needs At the Toilet Counter

Roger & Gallet's Lip Stick. Price.....25c

Hutax Tooth Paste. Price 30c

English Pebeco Tooth Paste. Price.....50c

Fuller's Earth, with Sprinkler-top can.....10c

Pond's Vanishing Cream. Price.....50c jar

Minto Toothpicks. Price .....5c box

Carlton's Almond Cream. Price 25c

Melba or Love-Me Talcum, flesh or white..35c

Melba Foot Powder, for tender feet. Price 30c

Melbaline Face Powder, flesh or white 35c

Melba Deodorant, for excessive perspiration. Price $1.00

Melba Skin Lotion, soothes chapped hands and face. Price ...30c bottle

Melba Nail Paste and Polish. Price 35c

TOILET SOAPS.

Large Bar Genuine Castile Soap. Prices .....23c and 38c bar

Vinolia Bath Tablets, rose, violet and lavender. Price .....20c each

Large Cakes of Vinolia Castile. Price .....10c each

Lifebuoy Antiseptic Soap. Price .....2 for 19c

Lux. Price .....2 for 25c

Taylor's Carbolated Soap. Price .....2 for 25c

Healata Medicated Soap. Price .....25c each

Goblin Soap, a thorough cleansing soap. Price .....2 for 15c

Peroxide Bath Tablets. Price .....2 for 25c

Cuticura Soap. Price.....30c cake

WARMER STOCKINGS

Ladies' Plain Black or Brown Cashmere Hose, extra fine quality, seamless double feet, sizes 8½ to 10 inches. Price.....$2.00 pair

Ladies' Brown Cashmere Hose, seamless, double sole, spliced heel and toe, good value, sizes 8½ to 10. Price .....$1.00 pair

Ladies' Extra Fine Cotton Hose, full fashioned, seamless, widened top, in black, brown, pearl grey, gunmetal and pink, also black with natural sole. Price .....75c pair

Ladies' Fancy Drop-Stitch Fine Lisle Hose, in black, white, brown or navy, double garter top and sole, also high-spliced heels, sizes 8½ to 10. Price .....$1.25 pair

Children's Fine Ribbed Cotton Hose, in black, white or brown, seamless, double heel and toe, neat and comfortable; size 6½, price 45c; size 7 to 8½, price 50c; sizes 9 to 10, price .....65c pair

February Sales For Men and Boys

There are certain events which seem to have become traditional, and such are the final clearings in February just before the entry of new spring stocks. No matter how completely we thought we had cleaned up before stocktaking, there is always a final brushing out at this time, and here are sales for Saturday of interest to every man, affording an opportunity to make an investment and save at the same time. The prices make this one of the most notable offerings planned for some time. NOTE THE PRICES FOR SATURDAY.

BOYS' SUITS ONLY $3.95.

A final clearance of all broken lines in the Junior Norfolk styles, including velvets, corduroys and tweeds, mostly 3, 4 and 5 year sizes, a few 6 and 7 year sizes in the corduroy and velvet only; remarkable bargains, and should be cleared out by noon. Come early and bring the boys. Every suit worth nearly double the sale price. Sizes in velvets, tweeds and corduroys for boys 3, 4 and 5 years; sizes in velvets and corduroy only for boys 6 and 7 years. Price .....$3.95 suit

YOUTHS' SUITS, $14.95.

Here is a bargain for the youth just going into long pants; a good choice in fine mixed tweeds, semi-body-fitting and waist-seam styles; sizes 32 to 35. Clearing at $14.95

YOUTHS' SUITS, $19.95.

Another lot of very fine Brown and Mixed Tweed Suits at a special clearing price for Saturday, good smart-looking suits, long trousers, in sizes 32 to 37. Price $19.95

BOYS' UNDERWEAR ABOUT HALF PRICE.

A clean-up of Boys' Shirts and Drawers Saturday morning at just about half the regular price, odd lines in elastic rib, medium weight, natural shade, 100 garments in all, and more drawers than shirts; the sizes range from 22 to 32. These are worth a special effort to secure. Very special at....59c garment

Specials For Men and Boys

MEN'S CASHMERE JERSEYS, $2.25

Men's All-Wool Cashmere Pullovers at about half regular values Saturday; a very big bargain for this class of goods; green and heather, white and royal, plain navy, grey and cardinal, plain brown, black and orange, navy and red combinations, extra good quality, rolled collar; about 50 only of these Sweaters to clear Saturday morning; 36, 38 and 40 sizes. Come early for choice. Price .....$2.25 each

MEN'S NECKWEAR, 59c.

A clearing of several dozen Men's Four-in-Hand Ties Saturday, broken lines, all good quality, and worth almost double this price, assorted shades and many patterns to choose from. Very special at .....59c each

Boys' Jerseys, $1.98

A few dozen only Pure Wool Cashmere Jerseys for boys, button on shoulder, very choice quality and well made, heather mixed shade, saxe blue, purple, navy, brown and cardinal; these are seconds, but the imperfections are very slight; sizes 24 to 34. Special clearing price $1.98

MEN'S GLOVES, $1.95

Saturday we group three different lines of Men's Gloves at one price, all very special values, medium and dark tan cape gloves of real good serviceable quality, in sizes 7 to 9. Price $1.95

Men's Wool-Lined Gloves, dome fastener or strap wrist, in sizes 7½ to 9½. Price $1.95

Men's Motor Gauntlets, black leather with wool lining, a very serviceable and comfortable glove, mostly medium sizes. Price $1.95

FEBRUARY FURNITURE SALE
10 to 50 Per Cent Off.

Cortese Orchestra — Restaurant, at Noon Luncheon, 12 to 2.

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FEBRUARY VICTOR RECORDS NOW ON SALE.

Grill Service, Restaurant—Planked Steaks, etc.