

THE ACADIAN.

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Editorial Brevities.

One thing is sure, farming is being done with greater care now than it once was, and we believe it is being better done as well. Modern machinery has worked wonders on the farm.

Each individual in a country has a responsibility thrown upon him in regard to public affairs. Just as he regards this responsibility so will the affairs of his country and his country be conducted.

The recent threat by the Kaiser that all German subjects who worked in America munition plants would be subject to a charge of treason, has not driven out of Bridgeport a single one of the more than 600 German-born workers who are making ammunition for the Allies six days a week.

The current issue of the Army and Navy Journal asserts that about fifty German submarines have been destroyed since the beginning of the war. The largest estimate from England—which officially never announces her successes in the submarine warfare, except where the capture of survivors makes it necessary—has been thirty two.

According to an official announcement recently made the excuse for not sending conscripts to France are over a hundred thousand wounded soldiers in and around the city. British submarines every few days look up in the harbor and throw shells into bridges, ships, buildings and anything else in the immediate neighborhood. A few days ago British and French aeroplanes visited the capital and dropped many bombs. Turks and Germans are said to be quarrelling among themselves. Nice place Constantinople!

Constantinople must be a real restful place to live in these days. There is a shortage of food of all kinds to begin with. There are over a hundred thousand wounded soldiers in and around the city. British submarines every few days look up in the harbor and throw shells into bridges, ships, buildings and anything else in the immediate neighborhood. A few days ago British and French aeroplanes visited the capital and dropped many bombs. Turks and Germans are said to be quarrelling among themselves. Nice place Constantinople!

The Davidson War Contracts Commission which has been investigating the purchase of horses for military purposes met in Wolfville on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The sittings were held at the Opera House which was pretty well filled with interested listeners to the evidence given. A large number of witnesses from the western end of the county and from Hants county were heard. According to the testimony given, most of the horses seem to have been up to requirement, but evidence was given here, as in Kentville, to show a state of affairs far from creditable. We shall refer to the matter at greater length in another issue.

A New York World editor says: Had Admiral Mahan lived to see the beginning of the second year of the world war he would have found in the events of the first year the most striking vindication yet recorded of the influence of sea power upon history. Except for the British navy, Germany to-day would be master of the world. Germany's marvelous preparedness combined with her unparalleled military resources, gave the Teutonic alliance a commanding advantage that all the rest of Europe would not have withstood had land warfare alone been able to determine the result. But for the British domination of the seas the war would be over and civilization prostrate before triumphant German militarism.

All Canada Approves.

The World of Vancouver, is a newspaper that has long been noted for its spirited opposition to the leaders and policies of the Conservative party both in provincial and Dominion fields, so that the following tribute to Sir Robert Borden for his courageous attitude in denouncing his own followers is the more remarkable.

In an editorial headed 'All Canada Approves,' the World says:

It will be observed with general satisfaction that Sir Robert Borden has not hesitated to reprimand in severe language those of his own followers who have been found concerned in questionable transactions. His assurance that no member of the Government had any knowledge of what was going on is satisfactory in so far as it assures the country that what is a very unpleasant business is not to become also an exceedingly painful one. The matter seems to have been firmly grasped. When General Hughes stated to the Vancouver Canadian Club that he favored shooting army contractors who 'assumed' supplies, his audience made silence for his impulsive nature and perhaps discredited his language as extravagant. When Sir Robert Borden, judicial of mind and habitually reserved in language, refers to the culprit, rebukes by name two of his own supporters, and promises right investigation and condign punishment to all offenders, the whole Dominion heeds and applauds. There should be but one vote in Canada to-day regarding the Premier's stand.

Why not take a trip to see this beautiful country which surrounds us? J. D. Chambers is prepared to give you first class automobile service. Phone No. 25 for my price, it is reasonable.

The Premier in London.

AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM A WELL KNOWN WOLFVILLE MAN WHO RESPONDED AT THE EMPIRE'S CALL.

London, July 20th, 1915.

DEAR MR. DAVIDSON:—I have never written anything for your paper, but as I know you to be a strong Conservative and a friend of our honored premier it occurred to me this morning that it might be all right to send a few lines to you, so that your readers might have an idea of how Sir Robert is being treated over here. I succeeded in finding a place in the ranks of the Canadian Service Corps, 5th division, second Contingent. We have been here for two months working hard and, I think, making good. We were reviewed by Sir Robert Borden and Gen. Hughes. We are hoping to go to some part of the fighting line soon, but no one but the heads know when, I have met one of the Henshaw boys. He was looking fit and I have heard good news about some of the other boys from our way.

I procured my six days leave last Monday and am about ready to make my way back to the camp life again. To state that I have had a good time in London this time draws a mildy. It is certainly some town. I am only able in this letter to relate a part of one day's experience.

I started out from my hotel early yesterday morning, it being my last day had a lot to do. I first went down to Petticoat Lane, a few quarters where you can buy a suit of clothes, hat, etc., for a pound and anything one could think of from a few shillings to an anchor. I had great fun dickering with them and succeeded in procuring what I needed at a fair price. I had a few hours in the British Museum, was at a service in St. Paul's, visited the famous Art Gallery during the other days but had not time to visit the West Minister Abbey. So I jumped over the wall and visited the most famous church in London from the east to the west end of the city is indeed a transformation. Going along Fleet street we passed the Bank of England which looks like a jail but whose power will win this war. The famous Mansion House is near and, further along, the Lower Courts, a wonderful building. I have seen along the Strand in other days when everything was full of pomp and splendour but yesterday nothing but business seemed to be about. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon we got a view of the homes of those men who are guiding the affairs of state and of the Parliament buildings. They are magnificent. Just across the way is Westminster Abbey. I was so impressed with the beauty of the building from the outside after getting at the Parliament buildings, but when I entered this most wonderful building I was impressed indeed and truth. I stood in awe gazing about me when a clerical gentleman approached me and asked if I would like to join a group who were being conducted around the church. I thought this must mean a big tip on my funds were very low, but I knew it would be interesting so I joined the party and I am thankful I did so.

We first went to the tomb of Mary Queen of Scots, the body carved in stone above the tomb. Just across from her lies Queen Elizabeth and near these lie a lot of the great of the land who have gone to rest. I had not time to take notes and cannot remember it all but the impression I received will never leave me. We next visited Henry the First's Chapel, built by him. It has something to do with the Order of the Bath. You will know more about it than myself. We saw the tomb of Edward I, he was said to be seven feet high, and his sword, which weighs about 18 pounds, lies by his side. We saw the bodies of the two children who were killed in the tower of London and the body of their sister, a three days old baby. It was a sight to see. The conductor told us that the body of Edward I was taken up 150 years ago, over 400 years after it was buried, and it was found to be in a wonderful state of preservation. The most wonderful thing to my mind was the Coronation Chair where the kings have been crowned for many years back. The stone on which the chair rests is said to be over 1500 years old. It has been customary to have the chair decorated, but King George was crowned with no decorations on the chair not even a cushion. We saw the emblems and tokens of honor of many great men, Lord Roberts being the last one to be placed on the wall. I saw Gladstone's body carved so that it looks almost alive. Sir John Moore's tomb sent my mind back to the days of glory as I was led to think of him in my school boy days. I felt like crying when I gazed upon the face of Lord Nelson, he looked so young and pure, I do not remember whether or not I saw the tomb of King Edward, but you will know. I could not spend much time over the architecture of the great church.

On my way out I bought some photos which I am enclosing, which photos I would like for you to send to L.H. My mother was a subscriber to your paper while she lived, and I will be also should I live to return home, so that I hope you will do me the favor of sending the photos.

On leaving the Abbey I bought a paper and noticed that Sir Robert Borden was to be given the freedom of London at Guildhall Park down in the city. I hired a taxi, which made me poor and started for the place where our premier was to be honored. Hearing the piano a cab stopped the taxi and demanded a price, which thing I did not possess.

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Dismissing car I had a talk with the Sergeant of Police, stating that I was from the premier's home and wanted to see him. He let me in, the only private soldier to see Sir Robert. To see the Lord Mayor of London drive up in his four horse rig, with out riders all rigged out to beat the band was a sight, but my eyes were out to see our premier, and when he entered my voice rang out so I am sure he must have heard 'Grand Pre forever'!

I was seated in the rear and could not hear the address given to him, but when Sir Robert gave his address I could hear it distinctly. He is a wonderful man and deserves all that is coming to him. After the proceedings had ended the crowd left in a drizzling rain. The policemen heard me cheering and allowed me to work my way near to the entrance. When they left the building I stood next to Asquith and Chamberlain and the Archbishop of Canterbury. It was a great time for me. As our Premier entered his auto I cheered again and went away happy.

With best wishes for the future for yourself and the home land, I am, Yours truly, ISAIAH WALLACE.

Canadian Crops.

19 laws, August 11, 1915.—The Census and Statistics Office issued today a bulletin giving a preliminary estimate of the yield of fall wheat, of hay and clover and of alfalfa, based upon appearances at the end of July as estimated by correspondents, and a report on the condition of other field crops at the same date.

FALL WHEAT, HAY AND CLOVER AND ALFALFA.

The preliminary estimate of the average yield per acre of fall wheat in Canada for 1915 is 28 1/2 bushels, as compared with 21 1/2 bushels last year and with 27 7/8 bushels, the average of the five years from 1910 to 1914. The harvested area of fall wheat in the five provinces of Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia amounts in 1915 to 1,268,700 acres, as compared with 973,300 acres in 1914 and the total estimated yield to 35,957,800 bushels, as compared with 20,837,000 bushels in 1914, an increase in total yield of 53 p.c. Its area harvested, in average yield per acre, and in total yield, the fall wheat harvest of 1915 is therefore expected to be the largest on record in Ontario the total estimated yield is 27,480,000 bushels from 972,000 acres, an average of 27 7/8 bushels per acre and in Alberta the other large fall wheat province, the total yield is 6,225,000 bushels from 215,700 acres, an average of 28 8/10 bushels per acre. The estimated yield of hay and clover in 1915 is 10,589,800 tons from 7,875,000 acres, as compared with 9,265,000 tons from 7,997,000 acres in 1914, the average yield per acre being 1 3/4 tons, as compared with 1 1/5 tons in 1914.

Alfalfa shows a total yield of 128,755 tons from 9,665 acres, as compared with 129,700 tons from 90,350 acres in 1914; the average yield per acre in 1915 is 13 1/2 tons as compared with 1 4/5 tons in 1914.

CONDITION OF PRINCIPAL CROPS. Spring sown grain crops continue to show an excellent average condition, all being for Canada above 90 p.c. of the standard representing a full crop. Beans, buckwheat and flax are 88 p.c. of the standard, potatoes and turnips are above 90 and the remaining crops are as follows: Corn 82, maize 89, hay and clover 81, alfalfa 87, sugar beets 89 and pasture 89. Converted into a standard where 100 represents the average yield per acre of the seven years from 1908 to 1914, the condition of the principal grain crops at July 31, 1915, is as follows: Fall wheat 120, spring wheat 112, all wheat 113, rye and barley 111, oats 108 1/2 x 7. That is to

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