

A Letter From Valcartier Camp

Lt. Col. Mersereau Writes of the Doings of the
North Shore Boys, and Pleads for 100 more
Volunteers

Valcartier Camp, P. Q.

C. E. Fish, Esq.,

Mayor of Newcastle, N. B.

Newcastle, N. B.

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Our boys are getting comfortably

settled here at Camp and have al-

ready put in some profitable days of

work. The thoroughness of our pre-

paration and the work already done

here have been such that it is thought

we shall not be required to remain

longer than six or eight weeks to be

fit to go to England.

Yesterday we had a field day. The

exercises lasted from 8.30 a. m. till

1.30 p. m. There were about 15,000

troops in line. We "Marched Past"

in "Column of Companies" and "Ad-

vanced in Review Order" with the

Battalions in "Close Company" for-

mation, and then gave a "General

Salute" and "Three cheers for the

King". It was an inspiring sight

to see so many khaki clad boys to-

gether and know the purpose they all

have at heart.

Our Battalion made a good show-

ing as to size and steadiness. It

ranked among the largest in size and

there were not more than two others

that excelled it in march discipline,

and they both are scheduled to sail

within the next ten days.

We got our equipment yesterday

to try to practice a little with the

rifles and bayonets before marching

out to the review.

There are Battalions here that

have all sorts of conveniences, such

as automobiles and camp equipment,

but their Officers are wealthy men

and one Battalion has \$60,000 of a

Regimental Fund to draw upon. I

am told it is nothing unusual for one

of those Ontario Units to have

\$5000 to \$10,000 of a Regimental

Fund. We have had but \$25,000 given

to our Regimental Fund so far and

that was given to me by Mr. Fred

Foxley of Little Branch before we

left Chatham "to use in any way I

saw fit for the benefit of the Bat-

talion," so I promptly turned it over

to start the Regimental Fund. The

Band Fund was closed some time

ago, but part of that Fund was raised

by the Officers and men and they

have authorized us to transfer what

they raised to the Regimental Fund.

This will realize nearly \$1,000 and

will pay for many needed things not

otherwise provided for.

This shortage in the Band Fund

can easily be made up by donations

from the Schools, each one of which

is to get a Panoramic Picture of the

Battalion, when the photographer

goes to England to have a bit of fun.

I had a letter from Mrs. Aspinwall

and she is fine. She said in her let-

ter that you were well, so I was

pleased to hear that.

Well, I met in with a fellow here,

and he has a violin, so that is the

way I put in my time at night.

Well, mother, I will have to be

drawing to a close for my news is

scarce.

I remain your loving son,

DAN.

The Gilbert and Ellise Islands, in

the Pacific Ocean, which were pro-

claimed a British protectorate in

full vigor of their young manhood,

1892, have now been annexed to the

British Empire as a grown colony.

The population of these islands was

reported in 1911 to be 26,417 natives

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I OWE MY HEALTH

To Lydia E. Pinkham's Veg-
etable Compound.

Washington Park, Ill.—"I am the

mother of four children and have suf-

fered with female

trouble, backache,

nervous spells, and

the blues. My chil-

children's loud talking

and romping would

make me so nervous

I could just tear

everything to pieces

and I would ache all

over and feel so sick

that I would not

want anyone to talk

to me at times. Lydia E. Pinkham's

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restored me to health and I want to thank

you for the good they have done me. I

have had quite a bit of trouble and

worry but it does not affect my youth-

ful looks. My friends say 'Why do you

look so young and well?' I owe it all

to the Lydia E. Pinkham remedies."

—Mrs. ROSE STORREY, Moore Avenue,

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from female troubles, nervousness,

backache or the blues could see the Ly-

dia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you have any symptom about which

you would like to know write to the

Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn,

Mass., for helpful advice given free of

charge.

career of Miss

Anna McLeod

As Given in an Interview With

the Reformed Baptist Den-

ominational Organ

"The King's Highway" of the 30th

ult, has the following sketch of Miss

Anna O. McLeod, who went from

Newcastle six years ago as a mis-

sionary to Japan, and who revisited

this town a few days ago and gave an

address:

"Miss Anna McLeod returned

Missionary from Japan—the youngest

daughter of Brother and Sister Simon

McLeod, formerly of Woodstock, N. B.

—spent Sunday the 18th inst., with

the Editor and Mrs. Baker, and gave

a very interesting and enjoyable ad-

dress in the Fredericton church in

the evening.

"Knowing that many of our readers

would be deeply interested, being ac-

quainted with her father and mother,

and with her personally, we asked

Sister McLeod for a brief sketch of

her call and preparation for the Mis-

sionary work and in response to the

request she has given us the follow-

ing:

"I was born in Woodstock, N. B.,

in 1875, and baptized at 8 years of

age. When five years of age my Sun-

day School teacher went to India

(Mrs. Sander). This made me think

that to be a missionary was the great

est thing in the world. I went with

my parents into the Reformed Baptist

church at its organization.

"At ten years, my day school

teacher (Mrs. Hale) went to Africa.

At her farewell meeting she said to

me 'Anna you will go some day.'

Those words I never forgot and so all

through my life this thought was with

me, that at the right time I should

go some place to the foreign field to

carry the Gospel message, the won-

derful words of love, to those who

had never heard. Early in 1909 God

said very plainly to me 'this is the

time, I want you now, so I left the

plan which I had been making for

further study in medicine and after

a year spent in the Methodist Na-

tional Training School in Toronto, I

went to my appointed field of labor,

Japan.

"God has been abundantly with

me through five years of service

there. His abiding presence has made

all the difficult things possible and

filled my life with a song in whatever

circumstances I have been placed. I

rejoice that 'I know whom I have

believed and am persuaded that He

is able to keep that which I have

committed unto Him against that

day.' I have committed my life, my

all to Him and He is all in all to

me."

The letter was intercepted by the

prosecutor at Sydney. The man was

indicted him, bringing in a true bill

of high treason.

The case came up before Justice J.

A. Chisholm, who fixed the date of

trial for July 27th at Sydney.

The Canadian Criminal Code pro-

vides death as the sole penalty for

high treason.

Miramichi Presbyterial Met in Bathurst

Most Encouraging Reports of the Year's Activities
Presented—Officers Elected for Coming Year

The twentieth annual meeting of the Miramichi Presbyterial of the Women's Missionary Society, convened in St. Luke's Hall, Bathurst, on the 4th inst. About 50 delegates were in attendance, besides officers and visitors. These delegates represent the constituency covered by the Miramichi Presbyterial extending from New Carlisle, P. Q., to Harcourt, N. B.

Among the visitors were Mrs. R. C. Cruikshank of St. John, the Society's Secretary of Young People's Work, Rev. F. L. Jobb of New Mills, and Dr. Kate McMillan, a Korean medical missionary who is now spending a furlough at her old home in Jacques River.

The delegates were hospitably entertained by the ladies of St. Luke's and their friends. An address of welcome was presented by Mrs. R. Dunn of West Bathurst, the President of the Local Auxiliary, and responded to in a pleasing manner by Mrs. O. Nicholson of Newcastle.

The business sessions were presided over by Mrs. F. L. Jobb of New Mills, the President of the Presbyterial. A visit to one of the meetings would convince one that women are just as capable in the transaction of business as men.

The weather throughout the day was in an extremely torrential mood and the problem of navigation on some of the village streets was a rather acute one, but the visitors made the best of it and some even seemed to enjoy it, and once within the comfortable hall, the ladies went ahead with their meetings as if bad weather were never thought of.

The reports of the year's operations were on the whole decidedly optimistic and encouraging. The Secretary reported 28 auxiliaries with 678 members and 95 scattered helpers. 50 members were added during the year and five life members. 21 of the 28 auxiliaries spoke of increase in funds and this notwithstanding the many other activities—especially war activities—in which the women are engaged. The various auxiliaries connected with the Presbyterial raised a total of \$2,068.63 for foreign missions; \$584.27 for Home Missions; and \$91.75 for the Hospital Fund; making a grand total of \$2,744.65, which is a very creditable showing and represents an increase over last year.

The way in which the H. M. funds were allocated is instructive in that it shows the various Canadian activities in which the Presbyterial is particularly interested. The allocation was as follows:—

Read These Booklets And You'll Be Pleased

The Canadian Publications of the Canadian Government Railways This Season will Delight All

(Halifax Herald)

The summer publications of the Canadian Government Railways have just appeared and they are a delight to the eye and a pleasure to the intelligence—beautifully printed and illustrated and full of interesting and informing reading matter—a real credit to the advertising department of the People's Railway. The books make a collection of seven, including the red folder of "Summer Excursion Fares" of the Government Railways system from the newest Musquodoboit branch to far-off Winnipeg, for the government system now stretches from the Sydneys and Musquodoboit in the east to the very centre of the continent at the prairie capital, "Summer Excursion Fares" also has a list of hotels and rates.

Each of the booklets has its own different story. Three are devoted to the Bras d'Or lakes; Prince Edward Island, the euphonious "Abegweit"—"cradled on the waves," according to the happy and picturesque symbolism of the noble red man; La Bale de Chaleur, the name given the beautiful inlet of the sea by Jacques Cartier in 1534, when that gallant French navigator sailed into the magnificent haven. The loveliness of those territories and waters, made accessible by the Canadian Government Railways system, can never be forgotten by those who have seen it, and that is almost everyone now; but those who have not had this privilege may obtain a fascinating idea of nature's matchless beauty as there displayed by the reading of these charming railway brochures and the others of the series. They are worth perusal by those who may not immediately intend seeing the country described, but for those who have seen it and who may propose doing so they are invaluable.

There are also the twin booklets "Notes-by-the-Way—one describing 'Lines Quebec and West' the country from Quebec's ancient capital with its past romance and its present attractiveness to Winnipeg. Some of the chief points of interest are noted and illustrated for it would take a big volume to tell anything

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