EQUALIZED PENSIONS, INCREASED SEPARATION DEMANDED BY GIBBONS

Unequivocable Stand for Better Pay for Men at Front and Patriotic Fund Handled by Government Only Plank of Labor-Liberal's Platform Not "Lifted" by the Borden Supporter in London.

George S. Gibbons, the Labor-Liberal candidate, is strongly in favor of equal pensions for officers and men. He announced this some time ago, weeks ago in fact, and he is more than ever convinced of the justice of that position.

It is the only fair, equitable thing to do, he declares, and nothing but just treatment of the widows and families of the men who have died and the dependents of the men whose earning power have been ruined by their devotion to their country. Mr. Gibbons is strongly of the opinion that the patriotic fund should be lifted from the realm of charity, and the money given the wives and families of the soldiers as their right through the Government.

To secure an adequate amount for these women and children, he would tax the exorbitant, unearned war profits of the men who have made themselves enormously rich out of the blood of the men who have suffered and died at the front.

"Certainly I am in favor of equal pensions for officers and men," declared Mr. Gibbons to The Advertiser today. "When I announced my platform to organized labor, when I announced it to the Liberal party, I took a stand unequivocably in favor of equal treatment of the men at the front.

What Does Borden Man Do?

"Where does the Borden candidate in London stand on that issue? Has he discussed it? Has he even mentioned it? Will he come out in favor of it? He has taken nearly every other plank in my platform but he has not touched this plank, the one of vital interest to the widows and families of the men who have died for Canada and for the families of men who have cruelly suffered at the hands of the Huns. Does the Borden candidate support that? He does not. He does not even deign to mention this matter to the people of London. If he is not in favor of it the workingmen, the soldiers of London should know it.

"I am in favor of equal pensions because six feet of earth makes all men of one size. The needs of the widow and kiddies of the common soldier are just as great as those of the officer. When death comes both are of one size, and the children of both should be treated on a level. That is the democratic way of doing things, and that is what I stand for.

Increase Is Needed.

"There should be an increase in the pensions. The present scale is pitifully inadequate. In times when foodstuffs and other necessities are so high, the pittance handed out to the families of the men is altogether absurd.

"I was strongly in favor of the patriotic fund when Canada had a voluntary army. It performed a function. Now that human life is being conscripted, money, the minor thing, should also be conscripted.

Pay It Out of War Profits.

"Out of the excessive war profits, I would pay the dependents of the soldiers a larger grant to keep them in decency, and some degree of comfort. This should come from the Government, not as a charity, but as the inalienable right of the men who are going overseas to fight the nation's battles. Let us treat our men with decency. Has the Borden candidate stated his position on this issue? I have failed to see a single word from him in favor of it.

"The cost of living is abnormal, but the pay of the soldier, the separation allowance has remained the same for nearly three years. Give the men more pay, give the wife and children more separation allowance, so that they will be kept from starvation and hunger. Where is the Borden candidate on that issue? Vague promises of many things he makes, but on the things that are vital he remains silent. Let the people judge."

COUNTY'S GRANT TO HALIFAX AID PLACED AT $1000

Middlesex Council Passes Appropriation at the Final December Session.

SYMPATHETIC RESOLUTION

Sorrow at Great Catastrophe Expressed in the Motion Unanimously Indorsed.

The county council at its final December session sitting today granted $1,000 for the relief of suffering in the city of Halifax as the result of Thursday morning's disaster.

Treasurer T. Robson forwarded a check for the amount early this afternoon to the mayor of Halifax.

The resolution unanimously adopted by the members of the council was recommended by the finance committee and incorporated in the last report of the finance committee.

The motion to adopt the resolution of the finance committee was moved by William Robinson of Lobo Township and seconded by William Grieve, deputy reeve of Westminster.

Below is a copy of the resolution:

"That we, the representatives of the County of Middlesex, in council assembled, have learned with feelings of the deepest horror and regret of the terrible disaster which has befallen the city of Halifax, a loss of such magnitude and so terrible in its nature that it has shocked the whole civilized world. Thousands of lives were instantly wiped out, and hundreds of others were maimed beyond recovery, and many millions of dollars worth of property was destroyed. We, therefore, extend to the mayor and citizens of Halifax our most profound sympathy in the great loss they have sustained by the terrible catastrophe which has befallen their city. We, therefore, instruct the treasurer to forward to the mayor of Halifax a check for $1,000, together with a copy of this resolution."

The passing of a number of by-laws brought the sessions to a close.

Bylaws to grant $150 to the village of Wardsville, to amend the county road bylaw; for the appointment of a hospital trustee, and a trustee for Wardsville High School, were all passed with practically no discussion.

Two bylaws to borrow $20,000 and $25,000, respectively, were passed upon recommendation of the finance committee.

Continues Patriotic Grant.

A communication from Sir Herbert Ames, head of the Canadian patriotic fund, addressed to Warden Blaikie, was read.

Sir Herbert requested that the present council urge that the incoming council continue to grant the $6,000 a month.

Upon motion of William Robinson of Lobo, seconded by Councillor Morgan of Adiaa Craig, the communication was filed.

The sitting was brought to a close at noon today, the majority of the councillors leaving for their homes shortly afterward.

CORN AND BEANS CANNOT BE SAVED

WABASH, Dec. 7.—The first corn-shredding of the season began on Tuesday, and after only half a load had been put through the work was thrown over as useless. The corn is so soft and undeveloped that the only way it can be handled satisfactorily is to pull it off husks and all and throw it to the hogs.

A number of farmers who drew their corn in and stored it in the barn some time ago found that it had commenced rotting, and removed it all outside again.

Bean threshing also commenced this week, and a great deal of the beans are fit only for hog feed.

The price of hogs is $16.75, a decrease of $1.25 on last week's price.

The reason of this drop is because of a large number of hogs shipped in from the northwest.

Some farmers are drawing loads of potatoes to Chatham, where they are paid $2.50 per bag.

CHEAP INSURANCE.

By the way, you are not at all anxious to catch the Colds that are so prevalent just now. So keep a box of "Benslar' Cold Breakers in your pocket and take one or two a day. Pretty cheap "insurance" for 25c.

If it's a Cough you have, there is only one answer—

Tolu, Tar and Tamarack.

Positively will not upset the stomach; 25c and 50c.

Cairncross' The Chemists

216 Dundas Street. Phone 880

CUT PRICES EVERY DAY.

TORY TORONTO IS TREMBLING OVER FATE OF CHOSEN

Situation by No Means Hopeful, Three Seats Look "Laurier."

SOLDIERS IN THE FIELD

Oppose Union Government and Stand Good Chance of Winning the Fight.

[Written by a Toronto Newspaperman.]

With the elections a little better than a week away, the outlook is, that Conservative Toronto will return at least one and possibly three seats for Sir Wilfrid Laurier. This hotbed of Conservatism is preparing to receive such a blow. In Unionist circles the most pessimistic views on the outcome are to be heard. The election of Ald. George Ramsden in Centre Toronto is practically conceded. President C. E. Kerr of the Reform Association stands an excellent chance of beating H. C. Hocken in West Toronto. Two candidates pledging for the union vote in Parkdale argue well for Gordon Waldron, while A. J. Young is putting up a terrific fight against Sir George Foster in North Toronto.

Edmund Bristol, the Centre Toronto member of the last house, the man who achieved fame by appearing twice in the House in six years, and Archie Dralmin, a Hebrew Conservative, are Ald. Ramsden's opponents. Bristol's majority in 1911 was small. He had a wonderful organization. Centre Toronto takes in most of the "ward," which includes a large portion of the Hebrew population, admittedly Conservative. Dralmin will split the Hebrew vote. The greatest efforts have been put forth to get him to withdraw. They have failed. He was to have been one of the Sam Hughes' independent Conservative candidates. Sam went back on them, but Dralmin stuck and is fighting hard. His presence in the contest assures Ramsden's election, but his withdrawing, if the Unionists' efforts to so influence him were successful, would not change the result.

Mr. Hocken in Danger.

In West Toronto, it is a contest between Mr. Kerr and H. C. Hocken. Mr. Hocken was heckled on nomination day. He has never given the electors of his riding another chance to show their opinion of his candidature. He has confined his efforts to hole-in-the-corner meetings. West Toronto is not an Orange constituency and is not Conservative to any extent. A Labor candidate, James Bruce, is working hard, as is Mr. Kerr, and the latter's election seems assured. They should never have run Hocken there. It is a common wall heard in Unionist circles.

The Conservatives are running true to form in Parkdale. H. H. Mowat, a Liberal, was put up as the union candidate with the hope of pulling the wool over the eyes of the few Liberals that reside in Toronto. Premier Borden, speaking from the platform of Massey Hall, practically admitted this. Parkdale is a solid Conservative riding. Redistribution was engineered to make it so. The Conservatives of the riding realized after they had agreed to Mowat, that they were giving away a solid seat.

Oppose Soldier Candidate.

They could not honestly bring out a Conservative candidate, so they brought out a soldier candidate, Major MacCormack, a nephew of Senator Sharp, and a leading Conservative. Mr. Mowat practically admits his defeat unless it should be discovered that the army needs a new general before election day and Major McCormack withdraws. On the other hand, if he stays in the field, and he declares he will, Gordon Waldron is almost sure of election.

A. J. Young, president of the Ontario Reform Association, with two sons fighting in the trenches, is putting up a great fight against Sir George Foster. North Toronto is a Conservative stronghold. It was because of this that the Conservatives turned down the proposal to run Mr. Rowell in this seat and shoot Sir George back to his native village in New Brunswick. Mr. Young is receiving a fine reception, however. It would not surprise some if he left Sir George at home.

Sir Sheard may defeat Dave Carey, the Labor candidate, in South Toronto. Sir Edward Kemp may be returned in East Toronto.

Feeling Undergoes Change.

The organized effort on the part of the Unionists to break up Mackenzie King's meetings in North York, by employing returned soldiers and sending them out in motors belonging to the department of militia, has reacted strongly against Mr. Armstrong, his opponent. The Unionists condemned such tactics when Sir Robert Borden was prevented from speaking in Kitchener and then a few days later pulled an even bolder stroke themselves. This has caused a strong revulsion of feeling.

W. I. Maclean may be elected in South York. It is anybody's contest. There are four candidates and it is not impossible that James Gunn, a fighting Labor candidate, may get in.

East York is a repetition of Parkdale. There is a Unionist, a soldier, and a Labor candidate. It looks as if the soldier, Major Cockburn, will leave Controller Foster at home. The Conservatives are leaving no stone unturned to get the soldier to withdraw.

West York is a clear-cut fight. Capt. Wallace against Frank Denton, K.C. This week will decide the contest.

Many Lose Votes.

In reviewing the situation, it is well to remember a new factor that has appeared, the disfranchising of thousands of voters. The Tory enumerators, appointed by Tory returning officers, have either been almost criminally negligent in the performance of their duties or grossly partisan. Perhaps both. When the court of appeal opened its session to revise the voters' lists and add names, 10,000 citizens stormed the city hall. "It is a deliberate steal" was the general consensus of opinion. This and the fact that the election officials bungled the posting of the lists and got the people badly twisted as to the date of appeal, has disgusted thousands of fair-minded voters who disapprove of such tactics. They have unhesitatingly condemned the Government, at whose door the blame for the muddle and "steal" is laid.

LOCAL NEWS

CONDUCTING OFFICER. — Lieut. Moncrieff of the 63rd Depot Battery has been chosen as conducting officer to accompany the next artillery draft to leave for the east.

DEMOCRACY AND LEADERSHIP.—The subject of Rev. J. B. Silcox's evening sermon in the First Congregational Church on Sunday evening will be "Democracy and Leadership."

A MISSION SUNDAY.—Sunday will be missions day in the First Methodist Church. In the morning, Rev. J. W. Saunby, late of Japan, will speak, and in the evening Rev. W. J. Mortimore, returned from China.

PREACHES ON CALAMITY.—"The Halifax Calamity and the Teaching of the Bible" will be the subject of Rev. Dr. McCrae's sermon on Sunday evening in the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church.

MISSIONARY ADDRESS.—Rev. W. J. Mortimore, B.A., who recently returned from China, will deliver his first address in the Wellington Street Methodist Church on Sunday morning. Mr. Mortimore spent his boyhood days in this church, from which he went as a missionary. In the evening, Rev. J. Saunby of Japan will speak. He, too, is a London old boy.

USES LOCAL ILLUSTRATION.—The last issue of the Canadian Motorist contains cuts of the McLaughlin motor car headquarters in this city and of the manager, Walter E. Gunn, accompanied by the following caption: "The palatial home of the McLaughlin motor cars, London, Ontario, and to the right, Mr. Walter Gunn, its efficient manager, whose energy and ability were instrumental in making the new building necessary."

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—London is to have a distinguished visitor on Sunday in the person of Rev. Dr. Chappell, late of Japan. Dr. Chappell is a native of Prince Edward Island, and a graduate of Mount Allison University. He was sixteen years a Methodist minister, and 28 years a missionary in connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was professor of English literature and ethics in college, history and New Testament exegesis in the School of Theology, and dean of the Theological School. For six years prior to his furlough upon which he now is, he was also pastor in the Tokyo Church for the foreign community. He will speak morning and evening in Askin Street Methodist Church.

"SEND IN MONEY," PLEA ON BEHALF OF VETERANS' FUND

Hope Expressed That No Kiddies Will Be Overlooked.

Money continues to pour in for the Christmas treat for soldiers' children. The Great War Veterans' Association today announces another good list of subscriptions, and it reports that there will be much more next week.

The total is assuming rather good proportions, but there is need for every dollar. It is expected that the good people of London will not allow a soldier's child to be overlooked at this Christmas.

Remember the children on their day. Contributions of any amount most thankfully received. Send in your dimes and dollars.

The latest contributions are:

Col. Gartshore	$5 00
Mr. Walcott	50
Mrs. Perrin	50
Friend	25
Jack	20
Mrs. Flood	10
Mrs. F. Sullivan	25
Mrs. Wooton	25
A friend	25
Mrs. McCallum	25
A friend	50
Mrs. Stanton	10
Mrs. Friend	25
A. Legge	25
Mrs. Billington	10
Friend	10
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Friend	25
Mrs. Drew	10
C. T. Webster	25
Mrs. Oliver	25
H. C. McAdams	25
Friend	10
Mrs. Weston	25
Mrs. Webster	25
Mrs. J. Tomlin	25
G. Cambridge	25
Mrs. G. Cambridge	25
W. Nickol	25
Roy Smith	25
Elizabeth M. Rennie	1 00

PRESBYTERIANS TO HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY HERE MONDAY

300 Delegates Expected for Annual Meeting.

Monday, December 10, the annual rally of the Young People's Union of the Presbytery of London will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, this city. Rev. W. A. Bremner of St. Thomas will preside, and among those who will take part in the program are Mr. Bremner, Rev. W. R. McIntosh, A. H. Williams (Ivan), R. Ellis (Westminster), D. E. Carroll (Corval), G. W. Hofferd, London, Miss Lukes, general secretary Y. W. C. A.; R. G. Davis, boys' secretary Y. M. C. A.; Rev. J. MacKay, London, and Rev. C. S. Oke, Toronto.

The first session will open at one o'clock, and at six o'clock supper will be served in the basement. J. Lindsay of London will extend an address of welcome to the delegates.

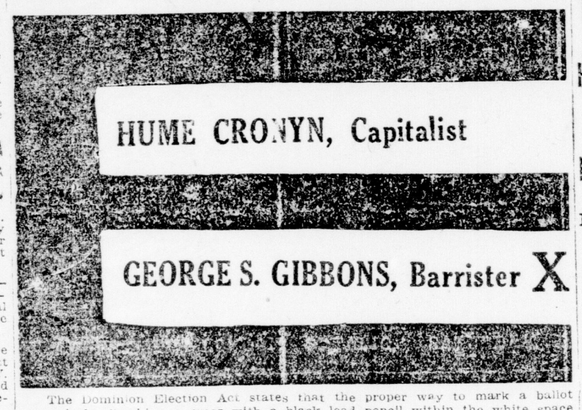
Rev. W. J. Knox will preside at the evening session, which, in addition to an address by Mr. Oke, will include greetings from presbytery, introduction of the new president and music. Reports will be presented in the afternoon.

The organization of the rally took place in Knox Church, St. Thomas, on March 9th, 1897, and in May of the same year the first rally was held in St. Andrew's Church, this city. Rev. W. R. Ross, then of Glencoe, and now of Halifax, was the first president.

Such is the interest in the rally that preparations are being made to entertain a very large number of delegates, and it is expected supper will be served to about 300.

HOW TO MARK BALLOTS

Instructions for Women Who Will Vote for the First Time December 17.



The Dominion Election Act states that the proper way to mark a ballot paper is by "making a cross with a black lead pencil within the white space containing the name of the candidate." A cross may be made either X or +—but not T or ..., or in any other shape than a proper cross, for if the cross is so made, or the ballot otherwise marked so that the voter could be identified, such a ballot is illegal, and must be rejected by the deputy returning officer. Accordingly it is advisable to use the pencil provided by the deputy returning officer, which is usually to be found tied by a string behind the curtain which shuts off the place when the voter marks the ballot. If there is no pencil there, or if the lead be broken, tell the deputy returning officer. Do not use ink.

If the voter does not make a proper cross, he or she should not try to remedy this defect by going over the lines first made; this in all probability would make the ballot illegal, as the mark thus made would be one by which the voter could be identified. If a voter in this way spoils a ballot he should return it to the deputy returning officer and ask for a new one. Do not tear up any ballot you may spoil; return it to the deputy returning officer and ask for a new ballot.

Having marked your ballot properly fold it inwards, so that the initials and stamp on the back and the number on the counterfare can be seen. Hand it thus folded to the deputy returning officer; he will do the rest.

Above is shown how voters in London will correctly mark their ballots for the Labor-Liberal candidate.

Remember that every wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter of Canadian soldiers or nurses OUT OF CANADA, of British sailors and reservists, or soldiers serving in the Imperial army, whether he be resident in Canada or not, is entitled to be on the voters' list and to vote on December 17th.

WOMEN CANVASSERS FOR BORDEN MAY BE NEW AT POLITICS BUT THEY CAN TWIST ELECTION ISSUES

Flagrant Misrepresentations in Attempt to Gain Votes for "Unionist" Reported From Many Sections—Demands to Know How Votes Will Be Cast Cause Confusion.

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier has declared that the first thing he will do if he gets into power will be to suspend the military act. You know what that means. It means that no more reinforcements or supplies will be sent from Canada to our men overseas, no more supplies from Canada to Britain and her allies. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has stated that instead of going on supporting the war he will take a referendum and that will mean that it will be at least a year before proper supplies are going forward again to our men overseas."

The foregoing is a sample of the gross misrepresentations being made to women voters in this election by zealous women canvassers for the local Borden candidate.

The proclamation quoted is the masterpiece of invention of a woman canvasser in the north end of the city, one whose strong Conservative leanings are not far to seek. As she goes about from house to house with her story calculated to terrorize the women with near and dear ones serving the colors, her usual method of procedure is to open the siege as soon as she obtains entrance by stating she hopes the "dear lady" is going to vote for the right candidate.

When the lady not to be caught too quickly in a trap, counter questions, "Who is the right candidate?" the reply is shot back, "Why, Major Hume Cronyn. Of course you are going to vote for him."

Whatever the reply, direct, evasive, sympathetic or antagonistic, the wierd tale is related of what "the Laurier-Liberal goulins will do to you if you don't beat them out."

One woman called upon had the canvasser repeat the statement twice to make sure she had heard aright.

Women Mostly to Blame.

It frequently happens, as in other parts of the city, that the "poor dears" with votes are not quite so ignorant of the real issues as the canvasser ladies imagine. And it is a sad thing to relate that it is as a rule women campaigners who are for the first time taking an active part in the election campaign who are guilty of giving out such flagrant misinformation (to call it by a mild name.) Apparently some of these fair canvassers have been terribly misinformed themselves.

But when one of the canvassers tells a soldier's dependent as if it is gospel truth that the said dependent's patriotic allowance will be cut off if she doesn't vote for union government it seems hardly possible that the "intelligent" canvasser could have been made to believe anything so totally absurd, particularly after the part played by the father of the Liberal candidate as chairman of the Patriotic and Red Cross fund as recently as last February. But it is nevertheless true that such statements are being made to soldiers' wives, mothers and other dependents with votes by the union government candidates canvassers.

Open Ballotings Return.

One phase of the canvass for Union Government among women voters which is being greatly resented is the question, in whatever form it is couched, "Whom are you going to vote for?" Sometimes it is a blunt, straight from the shoulder, question. Sometimes a businesslike request, "Will you be good enough to make a statement to me of how you are going to vote?" Again, with coyingly sweet accents, "I wonder if you will be good enough to tell me how you are going to vote?"

Several women thus canvassed have related such incidents with great amusement or indignation, and always with the comment, "What are things coming to? We might as well have open voting if we are going to be obliged to tell how we are going to vote. I thought open voting had been done away with as not to be tolerated in an age of enlightenment?"

One young matron kept her temper and her manners and also her own counsel when thus approached. She was near the door with the baby in her arms when the bell rang, and she admitted the woman canvasser before laying the tot down.

"What a lovely baby," coed the fair canvasser.

"We think so," replied the proud mother.

By that time the lady canvasser was inside and ready to launch out on her real mission. "I suppose you are interested in the elections?" she hazarded.

"Very much," was the reply.

The lady canvasser smiled. "Naturally you will be since you have a vote. You have, haven't you?"

"Indeed I have," said the lady of the house.

"And, of course, having dear ones overseas, you are naturally interested in winning the war." The canvasser was getting on swimmingly.

"I should say I am," answered the lady of the house, who has a number of personal interests overseas.

"And, of course, then," said the Union Government canvasser, "you are going to support the Government that has set before it the one great goal of winning the war. You are going to support Union Government and Major Hume Cronyn?"

Will Vote Right!

"Oh, yes, to be sure I am going to vote right," answered the lady of the house encouragingly.

And then the lady canvasser revealed her hand, the object for which she had so logically built up this climax.

"And would you mind telling me how you are going to vote?"

The arch smile of the lady of the house matched the arch smile of the lady canvasser as she replied, "Yes, I would very much mind. Really, that is my secret. Good afternoon." And the lady canvasser was being bowed out, oh, so politely.

DISHONESTY OF ENUMERATORS SHOWN TO COURT

Appeals Handed Them by the Labor-Liberals Handed in by Bordenites Today.

ROTTENNESS APPARENT

Men Entrusted With Preparing Voters' Lists Gather at Borden Headquarters.

When the election appeals court opened yesterday the Borden party had only a few appeals to present.

Today its representative brought in a roll of appeals, and the Labor-Liberal representatives discovered that these were the very appeals which had been handed to certain enumerators by the Labor-Liberals the day before.

THE LABOR-LIBERALS WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THEM WHEN PASSED INTO THE COURT. Thus was it shown that many enumerators, appointed by this non-partisan Government, are playing dishonest politics and worse.

Londoners stand aghast that such things are countenanced by the Unionists.

It is also known definitely that a meeting of enumerators was called at the Borden committee rooms last night. One of the enumerators who attended made this known.

This is the manner in which the votes of Londoners are being handled by the local Borden machine. The enumerators have been utilized for the basest partisan purposes when possible. A straight return to the days of the Family Compact.

GRANTS LICENSE AFTER WEEKS OF COSTLY DELAYING

Food Controller Permits Local Food Plant To Go On.

After six weeks of costly delay, Hon. W. J. Hanna, the food controller, last night wired the management of the Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flakes Company, of this city, that it would be allowed to carry on its business as formerly.

Following the issue of the order-in-council prohibiting the sale of cereals in less than twenty-pound packages, it was feared that the local industry would be forced to close down, and owing to the six weeks negotiations, serious financial loss has been sustained.

Loss has also been incurred through many of the employees, thinking that the plant was about to close down, seeking employment elsewhere.

COUNCIL SENDS $500 TO HELP HALIFAX

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 7.—The St. Thomas City Council at a special session held this afternoon voted the sum of $500 to be wired immediately to the relief of the citizens of Halifax. The aldermen were unanimous that should additional aid be required a further grant would be made.

DUAL PURPOSE IN TODAY'S TAG CANVASS

Halifax Relief Benefits After 5:30 This Afternoon.

NAVY RETURNS ARE GOOD

Despite Weather Conditions, Early Reports Showed Substantial Sum Collected.

The storm of today has been powerless to quench the enthusiasm of the many workers of the Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire and others assisting who have been out since early this morning tagging on behalf of the urgent needs of the sailors of the Empire and of the widows and orphans of sailors who have given their lives in the war, in response to an appeal from the Navy League of Canada. All chapters in the city are co-operating under the convenership of the regent of the Municipal Chapter, Mrs. Niven, assisted by Mrs. J. B. McKillop and Mrs. E. B. Smith.

Friday afternoon in the neighborhood of 550 boxes were given out at Cronyn Hall by Mrs. A. A. Campbell and Mrs. Tobias is looking after them as they are being brought back.

Mrs. T. H. Smallman, Mrs. Wylie, Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Richardson are in charge with Mrs. Niven of the counting department, and reported contents of boxes counted amounted to between $300 and $400 up to 1:30 o'clock. It is expected that this amount will be very largely augmented, judging from the cordial reception given the taggers by the public.

Tags For Halifax Aid.

At 5 o'clock, all sailors' relief boxes are to be turned in and at 5:30 the taggers will go out again, this time on behalf of the explosion sufferers in Halifax. For the Halifax relief tagging, a bit of purple ribbons, a badge of sympathy, and morning will be sold. So closely is Halifax associated with naval interests, and so many sailors have perished and suffered loss through the disaster of this week that it has been deemed fitting to combine the two tag events.

This afternoon the A. M. C. pipe band and juvenile choruses have furnished street attractions in connection with the sailors' widows' and orphans' tag day, and it is expected the band will assist again this evening. The headquarters tonight will be in the Bank of Commerce Chambers, in the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., rooms.

In addition to the downtown tagging there has been a house to house canvass under the convenership of Mesdames McKillop, David Williams, Greenway and E. B. Smith.

Gross Receipts Turned Over.

The gross receipts of the tag day until five will be turned over to the Navy League for sailors' comforts and relief work for widows and orphans of sailors, and after five the gross receipts to the Halifax relief fund. The chapters of the I. O. D. E. are bearing all expenses from their other funds and also have provided luncheon served to the workers at noon in Cronyn Hall.

STILL UNABLE TO GAIN NEWS FROM WRECKED PORT

Many London Relatives of the People in Halifax Living in Suspense.

MILITIA LENDING AID

Bakers from C. E. F. Will Go Today to Help Meet Shortage of Provisions.

Londoners with friends and relatives in the stricken city of Halifax are still anxiously waiting for news.

The Bishop and Mrs. Williams are anxiously awaiting news of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. D. H. Williams, who has been for some time at her former home in Halifax, and was there when the explosion occurred. They are somewhat reassured from the fact that the residence of her parents is in the southeast end of the city, a distance from the place where the greatest destruction of property and life occurred.

Confusing Messages.

On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith received a message from the admiralty department that their son, Cadet A. W. S. Smith, of the Royal Naval College, had been unhurt. They are puzzled over a second communication at noon today to the effect that he had been slightly wounded. The second message, however, bears out the telegram received from the young cadet by his uncle on Thursday night.

Telegrams Unanswered.

W. J. Wilkey, 510 Quebec street, whose sons, Lorne and W. J., it is thought, were in Halifax at the time, has telegraphed several times, but has been unable to get word of the two lads, who were in the C. A. M. C. and had missed their boat.

W. F. D. Jarvis, general manager of the C. S. Hyman Company, stated this afternoon that he was unable up to the present to get any word as to the fate of the company's aHlifax warehouse.

Q.-M.-S. Hleland of the Corps of Military Staff Clerks at militia headquarters has been unable to reach relatives by telegraph.

Both telegraph companies report a dearth of news from Halifax.

Military Bakers Go.

In response to a call for help from Halifax, five bakers from C. E. F. units quartered in this city are leaving today for the east, in order to lend assistance in providing food for the sufferers there. Three of the bakers were chosen from the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. R., and one from the Forestry and Railway Construction Depot.

SHRINERS SEND MONEY.

Amherst, N. S., Dec. 8.—Charles E. Ovenshire, of Minneapolis, imperial potentate of the Imperial Council of North America (Shriners), wired D. A. Morrison of Amherst, potentate of the Nova Scotia Philae Temple, Halifax, requesting him to draw $1,000 from the chief treasurer, and expend the money for the relief of the sufferers of Halifax.

A similar offer was received from Regina, Sask.

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WHOLE SECTION OF NAMES LEFT OFF VOTING LIST

All "G's" in Subdivision Three Eliminated by Enumerator in That District.

25 NAMES ADDED TODAY

Two More Struck Off by Board of Appeals Sitting at the Court House.

The fact that every name beginning with the letter "G" had been left off the enumerators' lists in Subdivision 3 was brought to light at the board of appeal today when A. E. Greer of that division appealed to have his name and that of his son added to the lists. Members of the court explained that it was through error the names had been omitted, and that they would be added. It is expected that this will apply to similar cases in that division.

Voters are continuing to throng the courtroom, and at the morning session today 25 names were added to the voters' lists. Two names were struck off the lists, Ada Rollison and John Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey, who resides at 139 Bathurst street, told the court that he had been born in Mississippi and, although he had come here in 1910 had never taken out naturalization papers.

Appeals to have the names of F. Smith and Alice Smith struck from the lists were disallowed as were similar appeals to have Grace M. Craig and Isabelle Craig struck off the voters' list.

Must Produce Papers.

Decision was withheld in the case of Thomas Geen, 678 Wellington street, until he could produce evidence of being a British subject. He was 80 years of age and had resided here only a short time, coming from St. Mary's. The appeal to have his name added to the lists was made by the enumerator, and as he had only met him while carrying out his duties, he was unable to state whether the man had ever lived in the United States and taken out naturalization papers. Mr. Geen stated that he wanted to vote, when asked by the enumerator, but thought at that time that he might be going back to St. Mary's, and had deferred entering his name. An appeal made by the same enumerator to have the name of James Gerrard, 499 Pall Mall street, placed on the list was granted. The enumerator stated that he had overlooked the man when covering the subdivision.

Mary Ridout Willis, whose name appeared in the list as Mary Ridout, had her correct name added to the list.

Not Here for Five Years.

An appeal made today to have the name of Helen Bapty added to the lists was dismissed today. It was proven that she had not resided here during the past five years.

The names added to the list during this morning's session were: F. Smith, Alice Smith, E. W. B. Eardley, 118 Oxford street; John M. Howe, 757 Lorne avenue; James O'Sullivan, 3 Wilson avenue; Ernest Buch, Grigg House; Nora I. Warren, 211 Talbot street; Eva M. Craig, Isabella Craig, 368 Dufferin avenue; Gost Kestel, 142 Queen's avenue; Marjorie Irwin, 370 Dufferin avenue; Helen M. Shannon, 570 Wellington street; Margaret Allen, 95 Bathurst street; Robert Allen, 95 Bathurst street; Louise Micklehorough, 291 King street; James Gerrard, 499 Pall Mall street; Mary Ridout Willis, 4 Brighton street; A. C. Johnson, 371 Princess avenue; Sam Clare, 300 Pall Mall street; John L. Johnson, 371 Princess avenue; Sam M. Clare, 300 Pall Mall street; Ernest E. Harris, 66 Princess avenue; E. F. Trebilcock, 206 John street; B. M. Aust, 773 Hellmuth avenue; A. B. Greer, 99 York street; Nicholas Hriskos, 172 Dundas street; George E. O'Dell, 308 Queen's avenue; M. L. Cook, 27 Blackfriars street; Thomas Rainey, 11 Pine Lane road; Ed. McAuliffe, 534 Dundas street.

Friday's Additions.

On Friday afternoon an appeal was made to have the name of Alfred S. Cox placed on the lists was allowed. His father-in-law testified that he was born in the city and that although for a time he had not lived here he had been a resident for the past nine years and was a householder. A similar appeal made by Charles Cundick, 236 Wharncliffe road, was disallowed. He had been living in the county until seven weeks ago. He owned property in the city and had voted at the municipal elections.

Appeals to have the names of W. A. Bleuthner and his wife Margaret Bleuthner struck off the lists because of Mr. Bleuthner's nationality were disallowed. Lieut. W. Bartlett testified that Mr. Bleuthner's son was in the army and that he had met him in France.

Decision was reserved on appeal made by Mrs. Hirtle Municum. She testified that she had resided in Canada 20 years, coming here with her husband from the United States. He had taken an oath which permitted him to vote at elections, she said, but did not know whether she possessed his naturalization papers. Decision was withheld until she could produce further proof of being a British subject. The appeal of her daughter was allowed, as he had been born in this country. Her brother, a resident of New York, went to England to enlist, and served with a an ambulance convoy, part of the British Expeditionary Forces.

An appeal to strike off the name of Molly Cartmer was allowed. Margery and Elizabeth Peters were struck off the lists of subdivision 22 and placed on those of subdivison 21.

The following appeals to have names added were allowed: William Rogers, James Kilgore, H. C. McBride, J. B. Shawcross, W. F. Howell, N. Manigaut, Thomas R. Hodgins.

Canadians Commander Thanking Council For Its Congratulations

Cables Middlesex Councillors That County Men Have Borne Themselves Gallantly in Struggle.

At this morning's sitting of the county council a cablegram from Sir Arthur Currie addressed to Warden Blaikie was read. The message was a reply to a cablegram sent by the council a few days ago to Sir Arthur Currie, extending heartiest greetings and best wishes. The Canadian commander is a former Adelaide Township resident, and was born in this county. Reeve John Currie of Adelaide is a brother. Below is a copy of the cablegram:

"Field Post Office.

"Warden Blaikie, Middlesex County, London, Ont.:

"Please accept grateful thanks for your congratulatory message, which has deeply touched me. I am proud to be able to assure you that in this mighty struggle for Christendom none have borne themselves more gallantly than the sons of old Middlesex. From them I send a message of love and encouragement to those at home.

CURRIE."

YOUR FILMS DEVELOPED and PRINTED CORRECTLY —AT— ROBERTSON & MORLEY, 310 Dundas Street. Opposite Armories.

BUILDING PERMIT.—A permit has been issued to A. M. Dillon for an addition to a house on Bruce street, to cost $2,500. The permits for December to date amount to $26,210, as compared with $18,705, for December, 1916.

Few People Know This

Large doses of pills for the liver are not as efficient as small doses.

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SURPRISE VISIT SHOWS DEALERS' WEIGHTS WRONG

Inspector and Alderman Weigh Up Market Produce With Surprising Results.

Inspector J. W. McCallum and Ald. S. R. Manness spent some minutes on the market this morning, weighing produce offered for sale there.

The inspector found a woman who was selling butter that was a trifle short weight. He warned here that 16 ounces constituted a pound in London.

A butcher had a quarter of pork marked as weighing 24 pounds, and it scaled only 22¾, another quarter 20 pounds, weighing 18 pounds 14 ounces and one or two other pieces a little short. At 26 cents per pound, the difference to the consumer is more than a trifle.

Whether he will prosecute or not will be decided later. The inspector issued a warning to the dealers, that they must be no cheating on weights, or somebody would be assessed rather high for the privilege.

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FOOD CONTROLLER

are in need, and yet the fuel controller says to the city, "Go out and buy coal."

Borden Government Creature.

C. A. Magrath is a creature of the Borden Government. That Government appointed assistants at enormous salaries, and that is the value the people of Canada are getting from Hon. W. J. Hanna is as big a joke as food controller. What have both these expensive, useless organizations done to justify the payment of $1 per annum to single member of the staff is a question which apparently cannot be answered.

"Go out and buy coal." That's good advice to the poor people of London. Go out and get it, but where? The Government could get the coal, if it intended to deal fairly with the people but it does not.

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