

CARTERITES TOO BUSY WITH AXE

Hon. Mr. Veniot, Therefore
Hasn't Time to Compile
List of Road Supervisors
Guillotined.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, May 20.—To such an extent has "the business man's" government wielded the axe in decapitating the heads of provincial officials that Hon. Mr. Veniot brought down an answer in the House last week that the department did not have the time to compile a list of the road supervisors who had been dismissed. However, he promised to answer the inquiry from the Hon. B. F. Smith relative to this matter as soon as the list was compiled.

The government also gave a very lame excuse for not calling on the by-election in Carleton county. They said that the county being an agricultural one it would be unwise to have an election, although they might have informed the House that the real reason for the delay was their conviction that no chances for the success of a candidate of the Carter-Poster administration existed. As a matter of fact with polling booths centrally located throughout the county it would take an elector but one or two minutes to cast his ballot and he could return promptly to his agricultural pursuits.

Friday Boss of the Job.

Mr. E. S. Carter is apparently boss of the job for the new government. The minister of public works in answer to an inquiry from Mr. Jones, told the House that Mr. Carter acted as the agent of the government in connection with the purchase of the gasoline ferry which is now running between Gouda Point and Reed's Point.

The nominal leader of the government, Mr. Foster, told the House that the government had not decided to proceed with the completion of the Valley Railway this year. The further construction of the railway, he said, would depend on financial conditions.

The government supporters have been making some inquiries during the week. One of them attempted to connect a payment by the old government to the Smith Foundry Co. of this city as a part of the purchase price of road machinery with the date of issuing of the writs in the recent provincial elections, rather insinuating that the transaction was an improper one. The impression sought to be created probably was that the money was used for political purposes. This is positively untrue. Notices and answers to inquiries are not desirable, but the matter will be explained fully and satisfactorily by Hon. Mr. Smith when the proper time arrives. Other inquiries from the government members were equally ridiculous.

HARLEY WATSON KILLED IN ACTION WAS NEWS RECEIVED BY PARENTS

Enlisted in Woodstock—Par-
ents Reside Here—Corp.
Markham Wounded—
Other Casualties.

Word was received in the city yesterday that another St. John man had been killed "Somewhere in France," when Mrs. Watson of Ladlow street, was notified that her son, Harley Watson, had paid the supreme sacrifice.

Pte. Watson has been living in Woodstock for a number of years and leaves a wife and three children living there.

The first intimation the family received that anything had happened to the father was the return last Tuesday of the last box sent by his wife and all his personal belongings, but no word as to why they were sent. Mrs. Watson immediately wired Ottawa and they reported that Pte. Watson's name was not on the casualty list but they would make enquiries. On Saturday afternoon his wife received a wire from Ottawa containing the official notice of his death and yesterday morning she telephoned his mother here the sad news.

Pte. Watson enlisted in Woodstock and had been nearly two years on the firing line.

Corp. Markham Wounded.

Major and Mrs. A. J. Markham received word on Saturday that their son was admitted to No. 14 General Hospital, Vimoreaux, suffering from a gunshot wound in the shoulder. Pte. Ralph Corporal Turnbull Markham enlisted in a local battalion and has seen considerable fighting at the front.

J. E. Duplisse Killed.

The name of J. E. Duplisse appeared last week in the casualty list. It is now certain that this is the young man who was for some time pianist at Dreamland Theatre, Moncton. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Duplisse, who resides in St. John, also by one brother, Benjamin, of Chatham, and five sisters—Mrs. M. McIntyre, Moncton; Mrs. Wm. Blake, Nova Scotia; Mrs. Goggin, Mrs. Jemison and Mrs. Arsenault, in St. John. Joe Duplisse was well known in Moncton and had many friends who will sincerely mourn his loss.

A "LITTLE GRAY HOME" BEHIND THE FIRING LINE.



A "LITTLE GRAY HOME IN THE WEST" ON A ROAD IN NORTHERN FRANCE. The familiar London buses used by the army authorities, which was hit by a torpedo from a German submarine, is a fact which calls forth the above inscription on the side of the conveyance. "The Little Gray Home in the West" is a song that has become popular with English audiences, both in Great Britain and in the western fighting line in France.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Plummer Tuck was held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, from Centenary church, following the services conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Barclough, who paid an eloquent tribute to the zeal of the deceased and her husband, the late Chief Justice Tuck, in the affairs of the church. The pall was borne by Chief Justice McLeod, Hon. Senator Thorne, Judge J. Gordon Forbes, Dr. A. F. McAvoy, J. J. Richard O'Brien and T. H. Estabrook. The funeral was largely attended by representative citizens and the interment was made at Fernhill cemetery.

The remains of the deceased were brought to the city from Sackville on Friday evening and conveyed from the depot to the Centenary church. Mrs. Percy Robinson, Toronto, and Mrs. Freeman Lake, accompanied the body of their mother.

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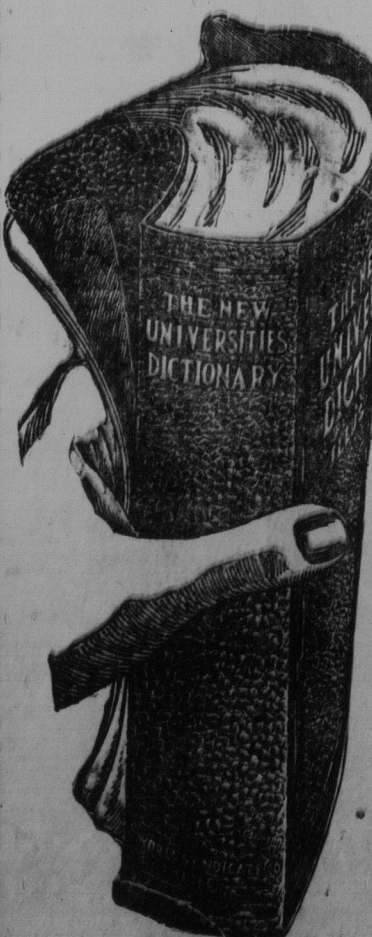
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BOY SCOUT NOTES.

At the request of the Rev. F. P. Denison, the members of the Main street church troop of scouts, attended the morning service at Tabernacle Baptist church yesterday on mass and in uniform.

As the military authorities have stated that the Scouts will not be required to be on duty at the discharge

depot daily during the summer months, it has been arranged that, commencing this week, the boys will only report for work on Tuesdays and Fridays. The Waterloo street Baptist church troop will be responsible for the first two days to supply the scouts.

Extensive Addition Planned.

Plans are being prepared by F. Nell

Brodie for an extensive addition to the LaFour Apartments on the north side of the King Square. The four story wooden building adjoining the apartments will be removed and on the site will be erected a substantial brick structure. On the ground floor will be modern planned stores, and the other flats will be laid out in nine self-contained apartments, with living room, kitchenette, bath and one or two bedrooms.

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