



Four of the 15 inch guns that guard the North Sea and enable the British Navy to keep the Hun fleets off the oceans.—Admiralty Official Photograph. Crown Copyright.

PRINCE OF WALES
MODEST, RETIRING

Slips Away For Battlefield Un-announced, With Only One Aide

In Touch With Public—Heir to British Throne Passed "Vacation" in Inspecting War Plants That Supply Empire's Armies

"The Prince of Wales," said the Court Circular, "attended by Captain and Lord Claud N. Hamilton (Grenadier Guard), has left the palace on his return to the front."

Character and Temperament. The Prince of Wales must have taken back with him many pleasant recollections of his leave in England. The last few weeks have brought him as closely in touch with the people at home as the last three years and more have brought him in touch with the soldiers at the front.

are of the kind that lasts, and that insensibly form character along honest and manly lines. Oxford and Paris and the specialized intensive training that all in his position have to undergo, complet-



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ed the Prince's education, or the formal part of it, and turned him out a good average specimen of hardy, clean, natural English youth.

But the Prince himself would say that his real education only began with the war. From the first moment of its outbreak he had but one ambition—to get out to the front, and the weeks he spent in fighting Lord Kitchener, and tradition, and a nervous officialdom on that point, were probably the most exasperating in his whole life.

I will not say that the last three and a half years have been the making of the prince. In the fundamentals of character, in all that really matters, he was made already.

And it is all a part of his native keenness and vitality that the prince has claimed the right to run the risks and share in the danger of his brother-officers. He could no more be a cotton-wool soldier than he could be a pig or a milkop.

Those who know him best tell me that the chief change wrought in him by the war is an added confidence and self-reliance. And yet on one like myself, who has only recently met him, the first impression he makes is that of being young for his years.

SALARY INCREASE TO
POSTMEN APPROVED

Ottawa, Aug. 19.—The sub-committee of the Privy Council which recently

heard the representations of the letter carriers, railway mail clerks and postal clerks of the postal service of Canada for increases in salary has made its report which was today adopted by the government and consequently goes into effect at once.

The principal recommendation in the report is that in addition to all salaries and allowances voted by parliament and now payable there shall be paid a further provisional allowance for the current

fiscal year and as from April 1, 1918 of \$100 to employees east of Sault Ste Marie and \$50 to those at and west of Sault Ste Marie. For many years the western employees have received a special living allowance of \$180 over those

of the east and this has been taken into consideration by the committee. At the hearings the view was strongly expressed to the committee that this difference was not justified under the present conditions.

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