

## OFF TO THE WAR

## The St. Clair Borderers Left Thursday Morning

138 OFFICERS AND MEN IN LINE FOR THE FRONT

The Local Section Attend Church and are Entertained by the Ladies of Watford. "Watford's Own" Will Compare Favorably With Any Going to the Front

The seriousness of the war has been strongly emphasized to the people of Watford and vicinity during the past two weeks. Reciting for the overseas contingent had been going on quietly, but on Wednesday of last week when the order came for the men to mobilize and they were put on the militia pay roll, people began to think that war matters were affecting us right at home. Daily since then six hours drill (by Drill Sergeants Davies and Owens) has been the order, and the sound of the bugle on our streets morning, afternoon and evening tended to remind us that every preparation was being made by the local militia to support Britain in her justifiable war for the preservation of the liberty of her subjects. On Friday night a picket guard was ordered to patrol government property during the night. Friday, Saturday and Monday nights the local company marched out to the country under command of Capt. T. L. Swift, and were put through field manoeuvres.

After drill Friday night the local members of the overseas contingent were addressed by Rev. W. G. Connolly, who was a member of the Third South African contingent. He tendered to the men some very sound advice and many useful hints as to their conduct while in the King's service.

On Sunday evening the overseas contingent and other members of the local militia, about fifty strong, paraded from the Armory, headed by the Watford band, to Trinity Church where the Rev. S. P. Irwin, Hon. Capt. and Chaplain of the 27th Regt. preached to them. The sacred edifice was crowded to the doors, many worshippers standing in the vestibules. The interior of the building was profusely decorated with flags. The scene was a bright one, the full dress uniforms of the soldiers and the white surplices of the choir lending a touch of attractiveness that was pleasing to the eye. The service was most impressive in its character, special prayers for the troops and for victory over our enemies were read, the processional hymn was "Fight the Good Fight" and the recessional "God Save the King," in which the congregation joined with a lustiness never before heard in Watford. "Eternal Father Strong to Save," and the war hymn "O Lord of Hosts" were selected as the other hymns, and the choir rendered "O Canada" as an offertory anthem. The rector took for his text Psalm 144: 1: "Blessed be the Lord my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight." The preacher said that God, home and country were sacred things and that mankind should be willing to sacrifice life for them. England was justified in this fight as it was for the preservation of King, home, country and liberty. There was a wave of patriotism sweeping over the country that showed we are willing to do sacrifice with our blood to keep inviolate our liberties. For all great advances made in this world the price has been paid in blood. Even Calvary was won by the shedding of precious blood. The speaker emphasized the need and value of prayer in this crisis. The fight was for liberty and progress and God will give us victory. Canada was proud of the men who have answered the call for the first overseas contingent now going to the front to uphold the dignity and power of the Empire. The soldiers were told of the seriousness of their undertaking and urged to accept Jesus Christ, who would give them inward peace and life that knows no ending.

The smart uniforms, the flags, the soldierly bearing of the officers and men helped to intensify the solemnity of the occasion and many hearts were filled with silent prayer for the safe return of the gallant men who were going to the front to defend our King, homes and country. After the service the troops marched back to the Armory and were dismissed until bugle call next morning. The streets were lined with rigs and autos and the sidewalks crowded with people.

Tuesday forenoon was spent in preparation. At noon the ladies of Watford tendered the officers and men a luncheon in the Armory. It was the intention to have the Watford company go to Sarnia at 2.45 to join the rest of the unit, but shortly after noon Lieut.-Col. Kelly received word from the Department of Militia that Watford had been made the headquarters of the regiment, which news caused a complete change of plans. The Colonel made the announcement at the luncheon and it was received with cheers. The afternoon was one of excitement. The business houses were decorated with flags and bunting. The band gave a plentiful supply of patriotic music and a military parade was given which was witnessed by a large concourse of people.

On Wednesday at 11 o'clock the Sarnia and Petrolia men arrived by train and were escorted to the armory by the Watford band. Sarnia section was composed of 86 men and two officers, and Petrolia sent 18 men, which with the 32 from Watford compose the 27th unit. One hundred and twenty-five men were asked for and 138 have offered their services. The Company will be commanded by Capt. J. E. Hahn, of Sarnia, with Capt. Swift, of Watford and Lieut. Lucas, of Sarnia, as subalterns. Fifteen of the 27th regt. have offered their services and are in training for wireless service.

No 14 Field Ambulance Corps, 40 strong, under command of Major Dr. D. B. Bentley of Sarnia, are now on their way to Quebec. The equipment of each of the men while on march, weighs eighty pounds. It consists of rifle, cartridges, 2 blankets and rubber sheet, water-bottle, overcoat of Irish frieze and what is known as the Oliver equipment. Carrying a total weight of 80 lbs. the average march when on active service is from twelve to eighteen miles, with forced marches half as far again when necessary.

On Thursday morning at 7.43 the company entrained for the east. Notwithstanding the early hour and a heavy rain shower, a large number of people went to the depot to see them off. The train pulled out amid cheers from the spectators, and the band playing God Save The King. May they return without seeing active service, but should it so happen that they are called on to fight, may they come home singing:—

And when they say we've always won, And when they ask us how 'tis done, We proudly point to every one Of England's Soldiers of the King.

## THE HONOR ROLL

Below are the names of the men who go to Valcartier from Watford:

Capt. T. L. Swift  
Lieut. B. C. Binks  
" R. S. Stapleford  
Col. Sergt. L. G. Newell  
Sergt. Arthur Owens  
" F. C. C. N. Newell  
" T. Ward, Oil Springs  
Corp. Sidney Welsh  
" Alfred Woodward  
" M. Cunningham  
Pte. M. Blondel, Alvinston  
" Wm. Blunt  
" R. W. Baillie  
" E. Caspary  
" A. L. Johnston  
" R. A. Johnston  
" C. F. Lang  
" G. Mathews  
" C. Manning  
" W. G. Nichol  
" F. Phelps  
" S. P. Shanks  
" G. Shanks  
" H. F. Small  
" M. F. Strathroy  
" E. W. Smith, Alvinston  
" C. Ward  
" J. Ward  
" F. Wakelin  
" T. Wakelin  
" H. Whittitt  
" Herbert Hardy

## Junior Matriculation Exams

The following list issued by the Department of Education contains the names of the candidates who were successful in whole or in part on the pass junior matriculation examination. Normal entrance candidates who were also candidates for matriculation have been considered in the results.

Group I, names of candidates who have obtained complete matriculation by passing the twelve required subjects.

Group II, those who have passed nine papers.

Group III, those who have failed to obtain the minimum required on the whole examination, but who have obtained 40 per cent on at least 8 papers with an average of 60 per cent.

LAMBERTON  
Group I.—L. Beatty, A. F. Beckton,

M. E. Cook, R. W. Gray, M. E. M. Heath, E. M. Lambert, J. A. Mathewson, M. E. McDougall, R. A. McGeachy, J. C. McQueen, F. G. L. Pettipiece, G. A. Reid, H. Rose, J. A. Ross, E. A. Shannessy, J. A. Smith, M. H. Wilkinson.  
Group II.—E. G. Ellis.

Group III.—C. H. Carrothers, C. M. Core, M. L. Kennedy, M. V. Kerr, E. McCormick, G. M. Mead, W. G. Morris, D. G. Seaton, J. Shannessy, H. R. Telfer, H. Young.

## HONOR STANDING

The results of the examination for Honor Junior Matriculation are given below. The standing obtained in each subject is indicated after a candidate's name.

F. L. Kelly, Math. II., Latin III., French I., German I., V. C. McDonald, Eng. II., Math. III., Physics II.; H. M. Morris, Math. II.; J. C. Smith, Eng. III., French II., German I.

## MARKETS

WATFORD	
GRAIN AND SEEDS—	
Wheat, fall, per bush	\$1 00 @ \$1 00
Oats, per bush	40 40
Barley, per bush	45 60
Beans, per bush	1 25 2 00
Timothy	2 00 3 00
Clover Seed	7 00 12 00
Alsike	7 00 8 00
PROVISIONS—	
Butter, per pound	18 18
Lard	18 18
Eggs, per doz	20 20
Pork	10 50 10 75
Flour, per cwt	2 90 3 50
Brar, per ton	25 00 30 00
Shorts, per ton	29 00 30 00
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Wood	2 25 3 00
Tallow	6 6 6
Hides	8 8 10
Wool	16 23
Hay, per ton	9 00 10 00
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT—	
Potatoes, per bag	1 30 1 30
POULTRY—	
Turkeys, per lb	16 18
Chickens, per lb	9 11
Fowl	8 10
Ducks	14 14
Geese	10 12

## Toronto

Toronto, August 18.—The demand for butcher cattle was apparently well supplied yesterday, for there was almost no demand today, and trade was in consequence extremely dull. Buyers urged that there were no good cattle offering and, therefore, that prices were no lower. Actual transactions, however, would seem to bear out the contention of the sellers that prices were a good 25c to 30c lower all round on cattle.

There were no \$8 cattle to-day and only a very few at or near the \$8.50 mark. Medium butchers were very dull and hard to sell at concessions. There was a shortage of lambs and this market took a sharp upturn of 50c to 75c.

Hogs were also firmer, with a light run, and the market was up 25c.

To-day's quotations:	
Butcher cattle, choice	8 20 to 8 50
do., medium	7 50 to 7 75
do., common	6 50 to 7 50
do., cows, choice	7 15 to 7 35
do., medium	5 00 to 6 00
do., common	4 50 to 5 00
do., bulls, choice	7 50 to 8 00
do., good bulls	6 75 to 7 00
do., rough bulls	5 00 to 6 00
Feeding steers	7 00 to 7 25
Milkers, choice, each	60 00 to 95 00
do., com. and med.	54 00 to 63 00
do., springs each	50 00 to 80 00
Shorthorn	7 40 to 7 50
Stockers, choice	6 75 to 7 00
do., medium	6 25 to 7 00
do., light	5 00 to 6 00
Canners and cutters	2 50 to 4 00
Sheep, ewes, light	4 00 to 6 25
do., heavy	3 00 to 4 50
Spring lambs, each	3 50 to 4 00
Calves	9 25 to 9 50
Veal	6 00 to 10 50
Yearling sheep	7 50 to 8 00
Hogs, fed and watered	9 50 to 9 60
do., off cars	9 75 to 9 85
do., f. o. b.	9 15 to 9 25

## East Buffalo.

East Buffalo, Aug. 18.—Cattle—Receipts 900; slow and steady; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts, 75 head; slow; lower; \$5 to \$11. Hogs—Receipts, 5000 head; fairly active; heavy, \$9.40 to \$9.50; mixed, Yorkers and pigs, \$9.45 to \$9.55; roughs, \$8.15 to \$8.25; stage \$6.50 to \$7.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,000 head; sheep, active; lambs, slow; lambs, \$5 to \$8.50; yearlings \$4.50 to \$6.75; wethers, \$6.25 to \$6.50; ewes, \$2.50 to \$5.75; sheep, mixed, \$5.75 to \$6.25.



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## Latest War News

London, August 18.—Dispatches from Belgium to-night indicate that the check of the German army advance is now complete, the kaiser's troops falling back in several places before the Belgians and French, the latter having advanced, following the arrival of the British, who have taken the places of a portion of the republic's soldiers in the long line behind Brussels.

London, August 18.—The French advance in Lorraine is proceeding rapidly and, according to military strategists, is most decisive fighting so far in the war. The work of the French forces has been marked by excellent strategy, ably carried out. To-night it was officially announced that the Germans have abandoned Sarrebourg, where they were strongly established with heavy artillery. This was regarded as a strong point in the German line and the evacuation is a surprise.

London, August 19.—The British official news bureau announces that desultory fighting occurred to-day between the British patrolling squadrons and flotillas and German cruisers, which were reconnoitering. No losses are reported or claimed. The Liege forts are still holding out. Not one of them has been taken.

Ottawa, August 18.—The war session of Canada's Parliament opened this afternoon with a simplicity of ceremony which emphasized the national crises which faces us. The government will ask for \$50,000,000 for war purposes.

London, August 20.—The advance of German troops around and above Brussels and even into what are practically the suburbs of Antwerp, is indicated in Reuter dispatches from Antwerp, which report that German cavalry has been encountered near Herenthals, 15 miles east of Antwerp, and also near Turnhout, which in 24 miles northeast of Antwerp and close to the Dutch frontier.

A dispatch from Brussels says:—The German troops on the north bank of the Meuse comprise sections of different army corps, whose efforts have been directed toward the capture of Liege, and who are now disengaged.

## BORN.

At Waskada, Man., on August 11th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Ashmore, (nee Maude Harris) a daughter, In Brooke, on Sunday, Aug. 1st, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Colhoun, a son.

In Brooke, on Tuesday, August 11th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Powell, a son.

In Arkona, on Sunday, Aug. 9th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Garnet George, a daughter.

In Bosanquet, on Saturday, Aug. 8th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stewardson, a son.

In Bosanquet, on Sunday, August 9th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Stewardson, a son—Francis Thomas. At Sarnia, on Aug. 16th, 1914, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tait.

## MARRIED.

In Sarnia, on Wednesday, July 29, 1914, Miss S. Watterman, of Arkona, to Mr. Sanford Lucas, of Alvinston.

At the home of the bride's parents, on Monday, Aug. 3rd, 1914, by the Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, Mr. Edward J. Niddery, to Pearl I., only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bannister, all of Bosanquet.

## DIED.

In Warwick, on Wednesday, Aug. 12th, 1914, William Ward, aged 75 years, 8 months, 6 days.

The Dominion Government has awarded the contract to George A. Proctor for the construction of a public building at Kingsville, at the price of \$25,837.

Harry Kipp, a farmer of South Yarmouth, died of lockjaw, the result of having a thumb torn from the socket by a rope with which he was leading a cow.

The barn of John Jeffery, lot 5, con. 1, Ekfrid, was destroyed by fire on Friday morning, cause unknown. It was a new building and contained about 25 tons of hay.

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