

CAPTAIN JONES KILLED

First St. John man to give his life for the Empire on European battlefields.

The war was brought closely home to St. John by announcement yesterday morning in a wire from London that Capt. Ernest Rae Jones, of the Cheshire Regiment, was killed in the battle of Mons, in France. The first reports posted Capt. Jones as among the missing left a hope that he might later be found among the wounded in some hospital, or that he had been captured and carried off a prisoner to some German stronghold. Despatches indicating a belief that many of the missing would ultimately turn up, added to this hope, which was dispelled yesterday on the receipt of a message from Mr. Jones' brother-in-law in London, Mr. Wilson, that the war office reported him among the killed. The news will be heard with the deepest regret by all who knew Capt. Jones, as well as by that larger number who respect a brave man who gives his life for his country and who know that every one fighting in the cause of liberty is a hero brave and true.

Capt. Ernest Rae Jones was the fifth son of Somers Jones, Esq., formerly Mayor of this city, and now resident in England. He was 37 years of age, and had been in England for some years. Educated at the Marlborough Castle School, Edinburgh, he entered the military service on his return to Canada and later received a commission in the Imperial army joining the Cheshire Regiment, and gradually rising to the rank of captain. He was with the third battalion and was for seven years the adjutant, residing at Chester, where he made many friends. He married in November, 1908, the only daughter of the late Major-General Hale Prior and Mrs. Hale Prior, of Berry Hall, Leicestershire, the ceremony taking place at Lichfield Cathedral. His wife and two little daughters, the eldest, but three and one-half years, are the youngest about a year old, are left to cherish the memory of a father who gave his life for his country on the battlefields of France, and who did that the honor of Britain might be upheld and the little nation of the world be safeguarded. None who have died for England have given their lives in a more worthy cause.

Capt. Jones leaves, besides his father, two sisters, one in Great Britain, Mrs. Jones in London, and Mrs. F. J. Usher in Edinburgh, and five brothers in Canada, Messrs. R. Keir, Fred C., and Simon A. Jones in St. John, and Messrs. George W., Calgary, and Andrew in Montreal.

BRANCH OF RED CROSS SOCIETY FORMED AT NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Sept. 16.—About 75 ladies attended the meeting in the town hall Monday evening, practically all of whom organized themselves into a branch of the Red Cross Society, whose provincial headquarters are at St. John and Canadian centre at Toronto. Mayor Morrissey presided, and in the course of the meeting announced that in a few hours he had secured subscriptions of over \$200 for the local charitable fund for the benefit of the poor that coming winter.

The meeting elected the following officers:

Honorary presidents—Mrs. Wm. Aitken and Mrs. W. J. Bate.
President—Mrs. E. H. Sinclair.
Vice-presidents—Mrs. (Hon.) John Morrissey, Mrs. (Ald.) Charles Sargent, Mrs. (Rev.) S. J. MacArthur, Mrs. (Rev.) M. S. Richardson, and Mrs. (Rev.) Wm. Harrison.
Secretary—Miss Hicks.
Treasurer—Miss Laura Aitken.

A special meeting will be held in the town hall next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when a box of comforts will be packed for and forwarded to the volunteers at Valcartier. The articles made at subsequent meetings will be forwarded through the regular Red Cross channels via St. John or Toronto. It is aimed to meet for work three times a week, and all ladies are invited to join the society.

MESSAGES WRITTEN IN COMMERCIAL CODE LINDLE TO BE HELD UP

New York, Sept. 17.—The Commercial Cable Company today announced that the British and French authorities had again called to their attention the regulation providing that cablegrams must be written in plain language. Messages containing trade terms or referring to goods by numbers are not considered by the censors to be in plain language, and are liable to be held up.

TRAIN BANDIT GETS TWENTY YEAR SENTENCE

New York, Sept. 17.—Charles Stewart Parnell, the Brooklyn young man who shot three passengers in an attempt to hold up the passengers in the regular New York and Hartford Railroad express train from Boston, just outside the New York City limits, on the night of July 25, was sentenced today to no less than twenty years in prison. Parnell pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree, one of the three persons whose lives he had taken from his wound.

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