

Mutt and Jeff--Oh, Yes, Generals Come All Sizes

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BOXING MATCH BROUGHT RECRUITS

Thirteen Signed Yesterday, Most of Them After Sporting Event and Addresses in St. Andrew's Rink

Recruiting yesterday in St. John was in keeping with the spirit of Trade Day, and many applied to be taken on the muster of the 88th Battalion. Thirteen volunteers were accepted, the majority signing at the recruiting meeting in St. Andrew's rink, when an exhibition of physical culture by some of the pupils of John T. Power was given, with speeches on the call of empire. Besides those whose names were published in

yesterday's Times, the following joined: Harry Allingham, W. J. Joyce, E. R. Joyce, J. A. MacDonald, Wm. McKell, Charles Henderson, Donald Walsh, and Charles W. Hughes all of St. John, and John Rowan of Liverpool. The Canadian militia department will continue to recruit in the dominion, in anticipation of authority to enroll more men being received. A total of 164,000, the full number authorized, has been enrolled, but it may be increased to 200,000. There were also several applications for the siege battery which, however, is now full. H. A. Powell was the chief speaker at the meeting and he also presented the long service medal to Bandmaster F. W. McNichol, of the Temple Band, for twenty-one years' service in the artillery militia, and who is going to Sussex shortly as bandmaster of the band to be raised for the 64th battalion, taking possibly some of the bandmen with him. Other speakers were L. P. D. Tilley, M. P. P.; Rev. M. E. Fletcher and Lieut. tenant C. F. Sanford. A. R. C. Clark, of

West St. John, gave \$50 as pocket money to be divided among the recruits who had been already taken during the evening. There were three three-round bouts arranged under John T. Power, to whom perhaps the real success of the gathering was due. They were between Arthur Garnett and E. McCann; George Camel and Frank O'Leary, and T. Barrett and Hugh McHugh. These bouts were well balanced and some of the work shown as first class sport. The innovation was timely. Mr. Tilley, in the course of his remarks, stated that he had offered his services to the government for whatever time they should think suitable, but he mentioned the fact that he thought that the incidence of recruiting ought to be that of compulsory service by which the single young men should go first and that the married men should not be called upon until the single ones had done what they could. (Applause.) H. A. Powell. Mr. Powell told of the astonishment of a Canadian representative of one of

the big steel manufacturing plants who was in Essen, the home of the Krupp gun factory, some years ago when he was shown a complete plan of the whole position and size of the Canadian steel factories that could be used for making munitions of war. That preparedness of the Germans was nothing else than a proof of their desire to take possession of this part of the world if they could. He then went on to show that Germany was jealous of the colonies that the English race had established while they were laying at home. "Great Britain is responsible for the war, but not in the sense that Germany wants the world to believe. If it had not been for the care of England and her sending her sons to fight Napoleon there would be no Germany today, for Prussia would have been swiped off the face of the earth a hundred years ago. The British saved Prussia and Bavaria from demilitarization then, and this is Germany's gratitude now. Then after that England opened her markets in the world to Germany free and untraded, but Germany took advantage of her position

to raise against Great Britain the highest protective tariff that the world has ever known. In that way England is responsible for this war today." (Applause.) Fight for Men's Freedom. Mr. Powell went on to say that a few years ago he was traveling to Vancouver with an educated German who then paid the highest tribute to the British navy since Napoleon by saying that all through that time its chief work had been in looking after the black races when other nations wanted to take them as slaves. Our fight with Germany was the fight for men's freedom; whether men should rule themselves or be ruled by absolute monarchs. Mr. Powell then told the opinion of an American general with whom he had

conversed in Washington, who said that any other army but the British would have been wiped out in the retreat from Mons. The general said that that was a feat of arms in which the retreat of the ten thousand mentioned by Xenophon was not to be mentioned in the same day, and he estimated the value of the British soldier as equal to two and a half Germans. (Applause.) And among these German officers were of the belief that the Canadians were the pick. (Applause.) Rev. Mr. Fletcher made a strong appeal for recruits, and Lieut. Sanford followed the appeal up by pointing out the advantages the Canadian government gave in pay and pensions. Bandmaster in Khaki. Bandmaster McNichol, in replying to the speech in which Mr. Powell presented

the medal, said that in the 21 years he had not before had the opportunity of enlisting for active service as during the South African war he was in the United States, but now he hoped soon to be in khaki. (Applause.) He could not understand how young men with British blood in them could read of the atrocities like that of the murder of Miss Carvell in Belgium, and branch calmly at home. They should get into khaki and send some of the German swine where they belonged. The Temple Band played selections at the gathering. Unnecessary Exertion. Pullman Porter—Next stop is no station, eh. Shall I brush 'ry' off now? Morton Morse—No; it is not necessary. When the train stops I'll step off.

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