

OUR DEAD AND WOUNDED.**JAMES CURRIE.**

Scant news is obtainable regarding the death of Gunner James Currie of the Third Brigade, Canadian Field Artillery. The Department of Militia and Defence confirms the report that he was killed in action on May 15th. No more is known. Gunner Currie was an employee of the Department of Trade and Commerce and was on the staff of the Grain Commission at Fort William. He was a recruit of the 96th Lake Superior Regiment and was attached, for a time, to the 44th Battalion, C.E.F., and again to the 13th Battalion. He leaves a widow and three children in Scotland.

CONRAD BARIL.

Sapper Conrad J. L. Baril, 5th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, C.E.F., was killed in action on November 9th. He was an Ottawa boy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Baril, was twenty-three years of age and an employee of the Topographical Surveys Branch of the Department of the Interior. Wilfrid Baril of the House of Commons and J. R. A. Baril of the Civil Service Commission are brothers. Another brother, Sergeant Wm. Baril, is with the same company in which Conrad served. Writing home to the bereaved parents, Sergt. Baril says:

"By the time you receive this letter it will be two weeks since your son, my well beloved brother, was killed. He was struck by a piece of shrapnel which broke his neck and death was instantaneous. He was in the most dangerous portion of the trenches when he was killed and it was a miracle that four of us who were in the same trenches did not meet the same fate. On the morning it happened, I said to him when he was going on guard: 'Good luck, Conrad, be prudent.' He replied: 'Don't worry about me, it will not be to-day.' I felt as though something was going to happen, and I said to my companions: 'I am afraid that Conrad is going to get hit to-day.' Unfortunately, I was not mistaken. It was about twenty minutes to noon when he received the fatal shot, and

at half past twelve, Major Osler, who was in charge of our company, told me of the terrible news. We buried him here this morning, after the burial service had been conducted. I know that your sorrow is great, as is mine, but remember my dear parents that he died a glorious death and that we must feel proud of those who have fallen, for they died like men and for the most sacred cause, in the defense of the oppressed. . . . For my part, beside the profound grief this catastrophe has caused me, I am well and eager for revenge."

LIEUT. GEORGE MUIRHEAD.

Information is received of the wounding of Lieutenant George Muirhead. He is a clerk in the Grain Commission branch of the Department of Trade and Commerce at Fort William and enlisted at the outbreak of the war with the 96th Lake Superior Regiment.

J. A. MEUNIER.

J. A. Meunier, a railway mail clerk of the Winnipeg district, who was a French reservist and responded to the call to the colours of his native land, has not been heard of since June. His friends fear that he is the victim of an unreported casualty.

BERTRAM SMITH.

Bertram Smith, mail transfer agent in the Winnipeg district of the Railway Mail Service, is missing.

RICHARD WILLIAMS.

Richard Williams, railway mail clerk of the Moose Jaw district, is returned as wounded and missing. He was a recruit of the 16th Light Horse.

LIEUT. H. A. PRALL-PIERCE.

Lieutenant Henry Albert Prall-Pierce, sub-collector of Customs at Fort Frances, was wounded in action on October 25th. He was originally enrolled with the 12th Battalion but is now with the 27th Battalion. He is forty-one years of age and entered the Customs Service in 1912.

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