

ON LEAVE.

We walked upon the sunny hill,
My own dear lad and I;
We walked and talked, as dear
friends will,
Of many things—the deep blue
sky,
The blood-red maples on the hill,
The sunlight through the yellow
trees,
Its gold upon the woods did spill,
As if some Midas, passing through,
With magic touch had turned their
hue,
We flung the milkweed to the
breeze,
And laughed to see it sail afar;
We laughed and did not speak of
war.

And so we filled the pleasant day
With laughter, love and fancies
gay;
And then he went away.
I walk upon the sunny hill,
I walk and pray as women will.
Who can do naught but pray:

O, God, give Thou, my dear lad
strength
To nobly do his part
For justice, honor and for Thee;
Then pure in body and in heart,
If it shall be Thy will, at length,
O bring him back to me.

—M. C. Raby.

VICTORY LOAN

1918

Province of Quebec Headquarters

142 Notre Dame Street West
Montreal, Nov. 20th, 1918.

Dear Sir:—

A great Campaign will be held throughout the Province of Quebec during the next few days. The Campaign is a Thanksgiving Appeal for the Canadian sick and wounded soldiers and sailors. The work of the Canadian Red Cross Society, the Navy League, and the Canadian War Contingent Associations, through their marvellous organizations, call for no description by us.

Canadians who have not gone to the front have given generously throughout our wide Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific; and by means of this generous response all Canadian sick and wounded soldiers and sailors have been helped and comforted.

Our sister Provinces have responded to the appeal for funds during the present year—not only Ontario, but also Manitoba and Saskatchewan with their small and scattered populations (neither of them having a population equal to the City of Montreal) have given

most generously—Manitoba \$1,300,000—Saskatchewan \$1,200,000.

Now the call comes to the ancient Province of Quebec with its population of 2,300,000.

The response to the call should be as generous as our sister Provinces in the West so that it cannot be said that this great and wealthy Province has failed to bear its share in the great work of the Red Cross.

You have just finished a wonderful work in bringing the Victory Loan to such a triumphant conclusion, and it is to you who have been chosen as the leaders in your district that we appeal to undertake the present campaign.

If you will voluntarily give your services, we know you will be successful in your territory, and in the years to come you will have the great joy of having done this great work for your brothers who are ready to lay down their lives for Canada.

Will you not do your part in celebrating our great Victory by making "The Thanksgiving Appeal" a record which old Quebec may be proud of?

All subscriptions obtained should be sent in to A. D. Anderson, Honorary Treasurer, Canadian Red Cross Society, 403 Drummond Bldg., Montreal.

Yours very truly,
E. A. MacNutt
A. P. Frigon

A collection will be taken at the Church Parade on Sunday, December 1st. May we bespeak a generous response from the E. T. D. on behalf of the Red Cross Funds.

Editor.

Heard In Whitehall.

A young officer after undergoing a terrible time in France was at last rewarded by receiving ten days' leave. Having to attend to certain urgent domestic and financial matters he was anxious to secure a few days' extension, and made up his mind to tackle the War office.

He arrived there early in the morning, and after waiting for three solid hours he was eventually shown into the office of a dapper little captain, who had obviously never been out of England at all.

He put forward his case respectfully enough, but the staff captain only stared at him rudely and ejaculated:

"Don't you know there's a war on?"

"Really!" came the ready retort; "those damned Mexicans again, I suppose!"



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