## HAND OF ALLISON THRUST INTO TILL

Justice Duff Uses Strong Expression Concerning the Fuse Commissions

## REPORT NOW AWAITED

G. F. Henderson, Allison's Counsel, Argued at Length Before Commission.

By a Staff Roporter.

OTTAWA, Ont., June 9 .- The Meree dith-Duff Commission concluded its labors this evening, and so thororly have the commissioners mastered the details of the evidence that in all probability the report will not be long delayed. As a commission it has created a most favorable impression created a most favorable impression here. Two strong men on the board and surrounded by some of the ablest coinsel in Canada, they have made the investigation into the fuse charges of Mr. Kyte in so thoro and fair a manner as to command the respectant tribute of those who have attended the strings. They have been probed the sittings. They have been prob-ably the ablest body of men gathered together upon one case in Ottawa, and paristaking effort on the part of com-paristaking effort on the part of com-missioners to master details as has been displayed by Sir William Mere-dith and Mr. Justice Duff. To the public the former was better known, and much interest was therefore principles of the public than the public of the former was better known.

Allison's Legal Rights.

Mr. Henderson began his address by the preposition that Allison as a partner of Yoakum had a legal right to one half of the latter's commission one half of the latter's commission.

He committee, today.

With manufacturer. The British Government's policy was to appoint agents.

Morgan was appointed in the United States and he understood there were agents in the United Kingdom. did not propose to argue the question from a moral standpoint. It was when he used the expression of an "automatic chain" in connection with Allison's relations with Yoakum, that

"I would like to know where the chain started," he observed. "I would like to see some other member of this chain. One thing that pressed me, is that your client's name is not attached to any document altho-he is the beneficiary. There is noth-

associates; I am concerned with my fellow-countrymen who are connected with this thing.
Put Hand Into Till.

minister of militia, and the shell com-

mittee, put his hand into the till to the extent of \$220,000."
"That is a strong expression," said replied Justic Duff. "I intended it to be a strong expression."

Not Hughes' Employe. Mr. Henderson said that he could accept the statement that his client acted for Gen. Hughes or the shell committee in the capacity of an em-

stice Meredith intimated that it might be possible for Col. Allison to the money back. Geo. Hughes that he was getting a

emmission on the fuse contracts.

Final addresses to the commission S. Markey, K.C., was heard for Mr. Kyte and Mr. Carvell, who were away, and Mr. Hellmuth closed the case for

Outstanding Features. Four outstanding features of the concluding arguments were the admisconcluding arguments were the admissions of the opposition counsel. On Wedgesday Mr. Carvell gave Gen. Bertram his blessing and absolution and declared him to be a "good Canadian."

Yesferday Mr. E. F. B. Johnston gave

Sen Hughes a clean hill of mores! health; and practically extolled him as possible thru the country. It was a added to Mr. Justice Duff's outsnoken declaration that he quite conget business, and a perfectly proper chared with Mr. Hellmuth, government thing for that to be done by their counsel, that there was not the slightest evidence of corruption on the part Hughes, and Sir William Meredith's hint that he could not see anything particularly wrong about a from a er, a fair guess at what will be the

character of the commission's finding Mr. George F.

influence arose out of that relation-ship; third, whether the shell commit-tee was affected by that influence; fourth, whether or not Col. Allison had effected saving by the bringing down of prices, and fifth, whether the minister knew of the fact that Col. Allison had taken commissions. Regarding the relationship between the minister and Col. Allison, the

Regarding the relationship between the minister and Col. Allison, the character of both men must be considered. He desired to keep prominent the fact that Col. Allison was a man of business and of a business which was of such a nature as to make him very useful to the minister in connection with the acceptance. tion with the events which occurred after the beginning of the war.

Allison a Broker.

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Col. Allison, continued Mr. Henderson, was a broker, openly and avowedly. He had been a broker for many years. He would not have been any use to the minister unless he had had experience. Col. Allison was not a newly-made broker for the purpose of the war.

"Concerning the minister"

"Concerning the minister," said Mr. Henderson, "little need be said, for you know him so well. May I say in passing that whatever we may have thought of Sir Sam Hughes before the commencement of this investigation, it surely must be clear to all of us that he is a man of tremendous business capacity, an extraordinary judge of men and a man who has successfully done big things in connection with the war.'

It was also true, said Mr. Henderson, that at that time General Hughes' staff was quite inadequate under the circumstances

Giant in Business.

Mr. Henderson added that after the cutbreak of the war there was an attempt to discredit the minister of militia, and one of the methods was to connect him with persons whose reputations were said to be doubtful. Col. Allison was one of these. Mr. Henderson asked the commissioners to deal with Allison of as the mind much interest was therefore the first public appearance here of Justice Duff, the young member of the subreme court bench. He has come out of the ordeal with a brilliant respiration.

No point of importance or incident which might have a bearing upon the charges escaped him, and he showed himself possessed of a marvelous memory.

Two Reports Expected.

It is quite evident that there will be two reports. The commissioners appear to be at variance upon one or two matters, but on others they agree. For instance, they both gave the impression of condemning absolutely the \$220,000 commission secured by Allison from Yoakum. They take the ground that they will have to report upon Allison's commission and the first consulted.

The minister, he said, had decided the first closely associated in the fight over the control of the Long States, because he had connections with big men. He had the confidence of some of the biggest men over there. "When the war is over," said Mr. Henderson asked the commission and the first closely with Allison, not as the minan pictured by the newspapers before this enquiry began, but as the man he was shown by the evidence to be. He was a man of business capacity such as to justify the confidence the minister reposed in him. They were first closely associated in the fight over the control of the Long States, because he had connections with big men. He had the confidence of some of the biggest men over there. "When the war is over," said Mr. Henderson asked the commission one of the sum of business capacity such as to justify the confidence the minister reposed in him. They were first closely associated in the fight over the control of the Long States, because he had connections with big men. He had the confidence of some of the bigsest men over there. "When the war is over," said Mr. Henderson asked the commission one of the season by the confidence of the minister reposed in him. They were first closely associated in the fight over the control of the Long States, because he had connecti

take the ground that they will have to report upon Allison's commission and the relation it bears to General Hughes, but they may disagree as to whether or not the contract with the American Ammunition Company was provident.

Justice Duff came out today with a fait-footed declaration that Cal. J. Wesley Allison had "as the confidential agent of the minister of milital put his hand into the till to the extent of \$220,000."

Sir William Meredith supplemented this by intimating that Col. Allison, on behalf of Col. Allison, his client, transcended all else in the final session of the commendators.

Allison's Legal Rights.

Sorden Not Consulted.

The minister, he said, had decided to col. Allison and Gen. Brain should be head of a purchasing commission in the United States. It was a compliment to Col. Allison. Those in authority at Ottawa thought it proper to make such arrangements.

Sir William Meredith asked if he thought Gen. Hughes had communicated these names to the prime minister. He thought Gen. Hughes recommendation had not been overruled, it had not been made to the premier.

Gen. Hughes was at Valcartier. He believed if he had been at Ottawa thought it proper to make such arrangements.

Sir William Meredith supplemented this by intimating that Col. Allison and Gen. Brain should be that introduced by Col. Allison. The next question, said Mr. Henders was no commission. Before he had proceeded far Justice Duff said that apparently there was no commission. Before he had proceeded far Justice Duff said that apparently there was no dispute to make such arrangements.

Sir William Meredith asked if he thought Gen. Hughes had communicated these names to the prime minister. He henderson agreed with this view.

Big Business Men.

Sir William Meredith pointed out that Col. Allison appeared to the International Company and the Dowler-Forbes Company as the representative of Gen. Hughes He asked Mr. Henderson said that Cadwell, Yoakum ,etc., had been described as

Rumors Unfounded. When the inquiry commenced he was led to believe that there was documentary evidence to "nail Col. Al-lison to the cross." He made it his business to scarch out certain rumors. "I say now," he added, "that I have yet to know of one single transaction which is discredited. I heard stories of the Morrisburg Tin Plate Works. It is all to his credit and not to his

discredit."
"Mr. Carvell," ha went on, "came he is the beneficiary. There is nothing loose about this. It was carefully concluded."

Mr. Henderson resumed his argument in respect to the relations between Cadwell and his associates, and again Justic Duff interrupted; I am not concerned with Cadwell and his associates; I am concerned with many many who did things and affairs, but a many who did things. one can imagine a more miserable flasco." He added that Col. Allison was not only a man of affairs, but a man who did things, and who deserved the confidence of Gen. Hughes.

Taking up the matter of Col. Alli-

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Mr. Henderson replied that he knew of men high in the councils of Canada, who were concerned in contracts and their names had not been used.

"Here is the situation," declared Justice Duff, with emphasis, "Alli? Justice Duff, with emphasis, "Alli? it was safe to say that no man in this son as the confidential adviser of the a man of the type of Gen. Hughes, which could be irregularly used.

Statements of Harris.

the extent of \$220,000."
"That is a strong expression," said
Mr. Henderson then took up Mr. Lloyd Harris evidence. Mr. Harris had stated that he had been told that reblied Justic Duff. "I intended it to mittee it was necessary to see Allison. Mr. Henderson thought, however, that the memorandum sent, by Mr. Harris to the premier, spoke better than the former's recollection. General Hughes had suggested to Mr. Harris that he enter the fuse business, and as was enter the fuse business, and as was usual, had told him to see Bertram. In conversation with Col. Carnegie and General Bertram, Mr. Harris, who Mr. Henderson remarked that he how they could get in touch with knew of only one case where such a thing had taken place. He admitted be more natural than Col. Carnegie, and General Bertram suggesting that a mistake in not confiding to he should see Allison, who was in tughes that he was getting a touch with the American manufactur-

Sir William: "There is one point were delivered this afternoon. Mr. that struck me. Harris I think did Laffamme, K.C., spoke for Gen. Bert-not deal thru Allison. He dealt direct Mr. that struck me. Harris I think did and Wallace Nesbitt, K.C., was with the shell committee. If he had for the shell committee. Mr. been told that he could only deal thru Allison, the fact of his dealing direct would seen inconsistent."
Allison's Influence.

Mr. Henderson then took up the question of what influence, if any, Allison had with the shell committee.
The evidence had shown, he said, that Sam Hughes a clean bill of moral should be distributed as widely as When these confessions to Mr. Justice Duff's out-

representative. "Col Carnegie said that Allison had nothing to do with making prices," said Mr. Henderson. "One has to resort to the most small-minded in-nuendo to say that Allison used in-

fluence with General Hughes to get this contract." It was just the other day Mr. Pat-terson had admitted that it was a good r. George F. Henderson, counsel Col. J. Wesley Allison, compaged his argument when the Mereafter his introduction to the shell com-



libson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin Gibson, and Mrs. Gibson, nee Miss Ione

ied with prices. He called on Col.
Allison to break prices. He got in ouch with Yoakum, altho he says he consulted many manufacturers. Yoak-um assured him he could get prices down. He communicated this to the minister, who informed the shell com-mittee. They told Dr. Harris of the International Company they had competition and the price came down. When Yoakum started in the price was \$4.90. He brought it down to \$4.50. The only effective competition was that introduced by Col. Allison.

Yoakum ,etc., had been described as a disreputable gang of thieves. When they came here they saw for them-selves the type of men they were. They were big business men. When Mr. Yoakum was on the stand Mr. Carvell addressed him only in the terms of respect.
"Perhaps that was due to his size," remarked Sir William Meredith.

"No, due to the sufficiency of his evidence," interposed Mr. Carvell.

Mr. Henderson then went on to eulogize Yoakum as a man who did big things. He had known Allison's ability well enough to pay him \$25,00 o form a business connection with Sir William Meredith: Did he of-

fer that \$25,000 for interests in all transactions Allison was then en-gaged in, with one exception, Russian business?
Later Sir William asked Mr. Henderson if he had anything to suggest why this agreement should exist. Mr. Henderson said he had nothing. It was ian business? coincidence that the first payment of \$10,000 was made about the date the incorporation of the second

company. Allison's Share. Justice Duff: The point is as to the terms of the agreement. I start from this point, that there is something. there which requires a great deal

explanation. Sir William Meredith: Is there any doubt that Allison would share whatever Yoakum was getting?

Justice Duff: You are not doing yourself justice on that point, Mr Henderson. The evidence showed hat if it was commission they should share; if an investment Allison was entitled to go into it on Yoakum's

Mr. Henderson then stated unless Allison went in on an investment basis he could not share in the profit. The nt was, he said, that the agreement was made long before the fuse contracts were contemplated.

Failed to Explain. Mr. Justice Duff asked if there was not impropriety in Allison having his arrangement with Yoakum and representing the minister, yet not explain-ing most clearly and fully to the minister and the shell committee his exac

position. Mr. Henderson: It is my view and Col. Allison's view that it is very regrettable that he did not explain everything to Gen. Hughes. Sir William: Was he not morally and legally bound to disclose his

relationship? Mr. Henderson did not agree with this. He again admitted there was an omission on Col. Allison's part, particularly when he sent a copy of his letter to Dowler to Gen. Hughes. Sir William remarked that son had not in mind at first that he would get acommission on the con-tract, but "he had not the moral courage to resist the temptation to accept the money."
Mr. Justice Duff: Was Yoakum in this without any idea of profit? Mr. Henderson admitted he was

Yoakum in Dark. Mr. Justice Duff: How did Yoa kum forget that Allison was the confidential agent of the shell committee and the minister, and did he not consider that Allison, his partner, was entitled to be interested him in any profit? To me it is

agent. Mr. Justice Duff; Allison said he



Gibson, and Mrs. Gibson, nee Miss Ione
Hunter Heintzman, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. George C. Heintzman, whose
wedding was quietly celebrated at St.
John's Wood Presbyterian Church,
London, on May 23. Miss Heintzman
was attended by the little granddaughter of Dr. Gibson, while the
groom was attended by his brother
Lieut. Monro Gibson. Lieut Goodwin
Gibson is A.D.C. to Col. Eaton of the
third Division C. F. A., and a brother

be considered somewhat suspicious that no letter was written to Yoakum, stating that he would not take no commission. There was further reference to Col. Allison accepting the money after concealing from the minister his relations with Yoakum. Sir William remarked that the matter might be rectified if Allison handed the money over to his principal. He the money over to his principal. He added that perhaps that was a difficult thing for a man to do.

Mr. Henderson said that this had not been discussed. He knew of only one man done a thing of that kind. He said he Mr. Justice Duff: I am sorry hear you say only one man has done

Jurisdiction Disputed. N. K. Laflamme, K.C., of Montpeal, counse! for Gen. Sir Alex. Bertram,

and associated with Mr. Wallace Nesbitt for the shell committee, addressed the commission this afternoon. He argued that the royal commission had no jurisdiction to make the investigation, inasmuch as the committee was appointed by the British Government. thru the minister of militia, was under the control of the British Govern-He declared that it must be assumed that Sir Robert Borden had acquainted the British Government ture of British money. with the charges made against the

ment and dealt with matters involvcommittee, and it was significant that the British Government had taken no action, nor had it been represented before the commission. He said, how-ever, that the committee was quite willing to accept the interpretations that had been placed upon the orderin-council by both the government

and opposition counsel. Status of Committee.

Mr. Laflamme then proceeded upon a somewhat delicate and technical discussion upon the status of the shell committee. The charges against the minister and Col. Allison, he said, were facts to be proven, and it would be relevant to show that the contracts in question were grossly improvident, whereas the facts concerning the shell committee were elements of proof, not as connected with the findings, but to support or destroy the charges against the minister or the charges against the minister or Col. Allison. The charges so far as

Commissioner Duff asked Mr. La flamme if he were taking the ground taken by Col. Carnegie in his letter to the premier, to the effect that their only duty was to supply the shells at the prices laid down by the war office, and that it was nobody's business how much was paid for the component parts.

Hughes Not Responsible.

Mr. Laflamme stated that they had a greed to provide five million shells at a fixed price, and that they had a free hand in supplying the component parts, including the fuses. He thought Col. Carnegie right.

By a process of elimination, Mr. Laflamme argued that the only members of the shell committee upon bers of the shell committee upon Hughes Not Responsible.

which Sir Sam Hughes could have exercised influence were General Bertram and Col. Carnegie. He de-Bertram and Col. Carnegie. He de-clared that Sir Sam did not need to be defended on this point. There had not been the slightest evidence that sny such pressure had been brought to bear upon them. Dealing with the question of why the graze fuses—the

He said that so far as Col. Allison Sir William Meredith: Did Allison and was known in all these transac- not read when being signed?

Mr. Justice Dun: Do you think we treatment also cures adults and aged leave England for France, afterwards people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.



do anything to bring the group themselves together?

Mr. Henderson: They said not. Allison simply introduced them and left the rest to the shell committee.

Mr. Henderson referred further to Allison's alleged influence.

Sir William: Why did he not write a letter to Yoakum the same as to the others?

Mr. Henderson referred further to Allison's alleged influence.

Sir William: The imputation is not of Allison's influence, but that General Hughes used his influence.

Broke Down Prices.

Mr. Henderson: His relations with Yoakum were so well understood. He kas known as a broker and he wrote to the other parties because it was known how easily brokers can make claims.

Might Restere Money.

Sir William remarked that it might be considered somewhat suspicious that no letter was written to Yoakum,

TRAINS

Mr. Laflamme: I am quite positive that Sir Sam Hughes did not read them.

Mr. Laflamme also pointed out that if there had been a conspiracy to show favor to the company from which Allison was to get commission, it was conly reasonable to suppose that the whole five million fuses would have been given to that company.

CROSS-TOWN SUBURBAN TRAINS Yoakum were so well understood. He kas known as a broker and he wrote to the other parties because it was whole five million fuses would have "I w

Over C. P. R. Between Lambton, Weston and Agincourt.

Weston and Agincourt.

Owing to the congested condition of the street car service in Toronto an agitation is under way along the whole norther profit of the city for a suburban train service along the Canadian Pacific Railway from Agincourt in the east to either Lambton or Weston in the west, with its centre at the new Yonge street station at the crossing. The line from a fagincourt to Lambton is double-tracked, less than 18 miles; about 9 miles to the cast, 7 miles to the wost of Yonge street. If the west terminal were made at Weston instead of Lambton it would would make at the stops with the train would make the stops with the street, Avenue and the terminal instead of Lambton there would be a stop at Mount Dennis, But as a matter of fact the stops could be made along the route at points most convenient for the passengers.

A great many people in Toronto, once they were at the C. P. uptown tracks, to use the stop of this hey would have a the stop of this form of the route and self-order of the steamer of the steamer of the steamer of the steamer of the suburban rate was made an aversigh of Sc, whereas at present it often takes an hour in the street car a cost of the steam way anyone could leave West Toronto or Lambton ir less than 25 minutes and so of Sc, whereas at present it often takes an hour in the street car sout to the stop and sometimes three. In the street cars than 25 minutes and so of Sc, whereas at present it often takes an hour in the street car sout to the street cars than 25 minutes and so of Sc, whereas at present it often takes an hour in the street car sout to the street cars at a cost of the street cars and sometimes three. In the street cars and sometimes three the suburban rate was made an aversigh of Sc, whereas at present it often takes an hour in the street car sout to the street cars at a cost of the street cars and sometimes three. In the street cars and come to the street cars and come to the str

the charges against the minister or Col. Allison. The charges so far as the shell committee was concerned were as follows:

Substance of Charges.

First—That heavy contracts had been granted to companies financially unable to fill them.

Second—That advances were made which should not have been made. Third — The contract had been brought about under pressure, or improper influence exercised by the minister on the shell committee, which induly yielded to it.

Fourth—That abnormal prices were charged for both kinds of fuscs; and finally—That Canadian companies were purposely excluded or neglected.

Mr. Laflamme was not very clear as a gents he said they agreed with the war office to deliver the completed article at fixed prices. As contractors they had so agreed. As agents he said they agreed with the war office to deliver the completed article at fixed prices. As contractors they had so agreed. As agents they had so agreed. As agents it was to their interest to keep down the price of component parts, including fuses. As contractors it was to their interest to keep down the price of component parts, the greater the profit.

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The Royal Grenadiers Band, under the direction of Lieut. Waldron will perform the following program at Hanlan's Point Sunday afternoon and evening:

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Second Popular Mediey ... J. Waldron Intermezzo ... Mascagni Irish Selection—The Shamrock ... Myddleton Serenade—La Poloma ... Myddleton Naval and Military Fantasia—The Red, White and Blue ... ... Hare

BETTER THAN SPANKING.

cuestion of why the graze fuses—the simpler fuse—were given to the American Ammunition Company, Mr. Lafiamme urged that General Hughes could not be held responsible for that, the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the minister had testified that he did to be the country of the country simply incredable.

The minister had testified that he did not show that Yoakum ratified and did not know that it today if your children to any mother her successions. Send no more treatment, with full instructions. Send no more but write her today if your children to any mother her successions. ratified and did not know that it today if your children trouble you in provided for the manufacture of graze this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This Mr. Justice Duff: Do you think we treatment also cures adults and aged

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of the Order of Danneborg, and he received a personal letter of comendation from Prince Bismarck.

PROCEEDS TO EQUIP WAR HOSPITALS IN BRITTANY

Able Travel Talk Delivered in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium Last Night.

Night.

An able picture travel talk on "Rambles in Romantic Brittany" was delivered by Frank Yeigh in the Central Y.M.C.A. auditorium last night. Mr. Yeigh is well qualified to talk on this subject ,and his remarks were heard with a great deal of pleasure by the large gathering. The entertainment was under the auspices of the Brittany Hospital Committee pthe Brittany Hospital Committee pthe Suffragists' War Auxiliary. Others assisting in the musical program were Mrs. W. D. Barron, Mrs. Arnot Craik and Rüsman Caplan. The proceeds will be used in assisting to the suffragister to a greater degree than ever. The territory for each minister was increased and the salaries of missionaries were reduced. Co-operation in this work with the Presbyterian Church during the past four years has meant the spending of thousands of dollars less. Fifty less men are needed in view of this union.

War Has Not Interfered.

"The Bible in War Time" was the subject of a report made at the morning session by Rev. W. E. Hassard. He said that the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society in its work of circulating the Scriptures.

Rev. R. J. Trelaven, the retiring president, praised the provincial poland Rusman Caplan. The proceeds president, praised the provincial pol-will be used in assisting to equip war itical leaders on their stand on temhospitals in Brittany.

SUNNYSIDE BRIDGE IS TO BE WELL LIGHTED

At the request of Ald. Donald C. Mac Gregor, Property Commissioner Chisholm has decided to install better lights on the Sunnyside bridge, which is poorly lighted at the best. The commissioner will erect one hundred watt. Tungsten lights on the bridge, so that it will be brightly lighted every night. Motorists and pedestrians have long been complaining of the poor lighting on the bridge, and will welcome the improvement.

FLY IN THE OINTMENT.

Mrs. Higgins was an incurable grum-bler. She grumbled at everything and everyone. But at last the vicar thought he had found something about which she everyone. But at last the vicar thought he had found something about which she could make no complaint: the old lady's crop of potatoes was certainly the finest for miles around.

"Ah, for once she must be well pleased," he said, with a beaming smile, as he met her in the village street. "Everyone's saying how splendid your potatoes are this year."

The old lady glared at him as she answered:

"They're not so poor. But where's the bad ones for the pigs?"

MEDICAL MEN RETURN.

LONDON, June 9.-Those medical graduates from Ontario who accepted service for a year certain and have been distributed all over the war zone have now returned to England on the completion of their 12 months' service. Many have signed again for a further period, but a few are returning to Canada this week.

CANADIAN COMMISSION.

LONDON, June 9 .-- The members of

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**METHODIST SESSION** 

Registration and Present Methods Involve Considerable Discussion.

Col. C. G. Williams, chief recruiting officer for the Dominion of Canada, addressed the Toronto Methodist Conference yesterday afternoon and aroused much enthusiasm by his references to the war. Col. Williams, who in peace times, is a Methodist minister, served in the British navy for several years, "The confidence of the British people in the navy," the said, "will be justified when the end of the war comes. Men who enlist for service on a British battle cruiser know

that in the hour of conflict they must be sacrificed for the good of the cause.

"The duty of the battle cruisers is to seek the enemy, hold it in line of battle till the slower moving dreadbattle till the slower-moving dreadnoughts come up and finish the job.
In the recent engagement, if the German navy had waited to exchange
cards with the British forces they
never would have reached harbor. A
British cruiser is built for speed. It
has the same guns as a dreadnought
and can give hard knocks but cannot
take them."

take the Clergy Feeling the Call.

He added that the clergy were feeling the call of the hour and are proving the call of the nour and are plaining the empire's greatest recruiting officers. If the ministers of Canada did their part, he felt confident that conscription would not have to be applied to this country.

Capt. J. W. Magwood, chaplain of the 216th Battalion, introduced a resolution advising that the government take full responsibility for recruiting, and also give registration that would prove effective. In his remarks he said that the present system will not secure the number of men that the premier has promised to the empire. It is expensive also to recruit a battalion, as it costs out of private money about what the government provides, \$10 for each recruit. Some communities are absolutely escaping their responsibilities in this hour of peril. Other individuals are making money as never before. The burdens of the empire ought to be shared more equal-ly than under the present haphazard

The resolution was not adopted but was referred back to the committee on recruiting for readjustment.

Recruiting Does Not Lag.
One clause aroused much criticism and this was to the effect that recruiting was at a standard in this country. ing was at a standstill in this country.
Col. Williams arose and said that recruiting was not at a standstill as the numbers have never 15,000 a month for the Dominion. Surely recruiting is not at a standstill with such facts. He stated that he wished to save the conference or making statements which statements which

others from making statements which could not be backed up. To strengthen the position of this body with goverment it is necessary to be sure of what is being done. Another speaker stated that instead of framing such a pessimistic resolu-

tion a message of congratulation ought rather to be forwarded to the govern-ment for the magnificent work done in recruiting.

Getting After the Slackers.

Col. Magwood then stated that he was not criticizing the government, but was getting after the fellows who will not do their duty. It was then decided to refer the resolution back for further consideration.

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Rev. F. L. Brown, superintendent of missions in Ontario and Quebec, read his report. Toronto conference had \$2400 less with which to do work this year than formerly. Economy was practised to a greater degree than the provider of the provid

perance matters. The increase of membership of the conference for the

past year was 597.

A meeting for the reception into the conference of the young men who have recently completed their probationary course was held last night. Nine men were admitted, of whom three are at present with the Canadian forces overseas.

AN EFFECTIVE MASK.

"Such a lot of things happened this afternoon, dear," said Mrs. Youngbride to her husband. "I complained to Norah about the stove not being blackened, and she put on her things and left. Then I decided to black the stove myself, and right in the midst of it who should call but Mrs. DeStyle."

"What in the world did you do?"

"I just put some more blacking on my face, went to the door, and told her I wasn't in. And off she went, saying she would call again."

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