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LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

Why were the bands playing and the flags flying and the crowds assembled at King Square last evening?

Because men are wanted to prevent the British flag from being replaced by that of Germany.

That is the issue, and it does not require anything more than ordinary intelligence to understand what such a change would mean to Canada and the world.

We must fight, and fight to win. It is not merely the sorrow of parting and of separation that we must consider in this hour, but the future of our families, our country, and the world. The responsibility rests upon every man and woman in this world-crisis; and they who refuse to face their duty, in whatever direction it may lie, are not true to themselves or to their country.

Last night's speakers presented the issues squarely, and left no room for doubt or hesitation, so far as the urgency of the need for men and for universal sacrifice and service are concerned. It is for each to determine in what manner he or she will sacrifice and serve, but to the young and fit and unencumbered men the finger of duty points straight toward the trenches, where their brothers are now holding at bay a powerful and ruthless enemy of all that British citizenship and British civilization stands for in the world.

We are inspired by the crowds, the bands, the enthusiasm of such meetings, but if we do not also hear the call that comes from our brothers in the trenches, and if we do not heed the silent monitor within our own souls, we fail to get the inspiration of the true patriot and the true champion of human liberty.

HEROES ALL

All honor to the men who last night made their decision to join the colors. They have set an example worthy of emulation by hundreds upon hundreds of young men in this city and province. Many who did not decide last evening are thinking hard today, and asking themselves whether they are doing their duty to their kindred and their country while they hesitate to strike a blow for the cause whose defeat would Germanize Canada. That is what this struggle means, and it is a consciousness of the fact which held the vast assemblage on King Square while the men who have offered the forfeit of their own lives appealed to other men to rally to the cause of liberty and righteousness. The more men think during the days of this campaign for recruits the more deeply they will feel the responsibility resting upon each one of them. One heard here and there in the crowd a flippant remark that stirred a feeling of indignation, but it is a part of the burden of true manhood and womanhood to suffer even for the unworthy, and to make sacrifices for those who deserve it not. Even the clackers must be tolerated, but they do not point the way to be followed by those who would live worthily or die a hero's death. The young men who give up good positions, part from their loved ones and go to fight for those principles which have been upheld by British courage and devotion and sacrifice for centuries are worthy of all honor, and are worthy successors of the men who made possible the liberties and the very prosperity which we today enjoy.

FUNDS AND SAVINGS.

The Times prints today a thoughtful article from the Maritime Merchant on the subject of contributions to the various funds which are being raised in connection with the war. The view of the Merchant is that the provision of machine guns, aeroplanes and other things which the government ought to provide is unwise, and may effect the Red Cross, Patriotic, Belgian and other funds which must be left to private generosity. There is a good deal to be said in favor of this view, but since the militia department has endorsed the machine gun fund and is thankful to receive it, and there is no doubt at all that machine guns are needed, the contributions for this purpose do not seem to be open to objection, if it is known that they will be devoted to that purpose and no other. In view of some doubts that have been expressed, it might perhaps be well at this stage to get an assurance on that point. If any portion of that fund were diverted to any other purpose, however desirable, it would not be carrying out the wishes of the people.

So far as the Patriotic and Red Cross and Soldiers' Comforts Funds are concerned, and that for the relief of prisoners in Germany, these certainly should not be starved, and at the present time the Patriotic Fund in New Brunswick needs an additional \$100,000 to provide for the demands of the next year. It would be a fine thing if that amount could be provided without delay, even if some other received less attention for

the time being. We must make up our minds that continuous demands will be made and must be met, to keep the various funds in a healthy state, and the Merchant's plea for saving and making ready for such demands is both timely and well-based. There is a tendency, while money is fairly plentiful, to let the future take care of itself, but in the face of a world-crisis such as the world never before faced, it is wise to look ahead and make provision for future needs and demands.

Monday, Labor Day, the Times will not be issued.

Go to King Square tonight and hear the recruiting speeches.

Come away, lad—your country needs you, and needs you now.

Why not have some more night work on Main street and elsewhere? There's a lot to be done.

The 58th is up to full strength. Now for the 64th and the next New Brunswick battalion. It's up to us.

Historic King Square was never put to a nobler use than now. It is a recruiting ground for the champions of British freedom.

The St. John boys on the other side are wondering why more of their old schoolmates and friends do not join them. What is the answer?

Bulgaria may over-reach herself. She may ask too high a price for her support and in the end find herself utterly disregarded in the final settlement. For with or without Bulgaria the Allies must win.

Those who witnessed last night's demonstration on King Square will never forget it. That it will bring results cannot be doubted. Such a meeting could not fail to light the fires of a new enthusiasm for Canada's cause in this war.

The young men who enlisted last night and the others who offered, but failed to pass the medical examination, will have no cause for heart-souring when the boys come marching home after the war is over.

Who pays for putting down and tearing up the concrete on Main street? The taxpayer. He also suffers from the delay to traffic caused by the quarrel between the street department and the railway company.

Never mind what we owe England or what England owes us. We are all brothers in this fight for freedom and righteousness and our existence as an Empire. Let's attend to the Kaiser first, and adjust our relations afterward. If we don't attend to him there won't be any afterwards.

The Times was misled yesterday in the statement that the ranks of the 64th would be filled by last night. The statement was brought to the office by a man in uniform who has been prominent in recruiting work, and who said he got the news yesterday morning in Sussex, from one of the higher officers of the battalion.

St. John people will hear with pleasure tonight the words of Mr. J. J. Logan, ex-M. P. for Cumberland, an eloquent speaker who has been doing splendid service in the recruiting campaign in Nova Scotia. Mr. Logan, being asked to come, very kindly offered to do anything in his power to aid the local committee. He is a very welcome visitor to the city at this time.

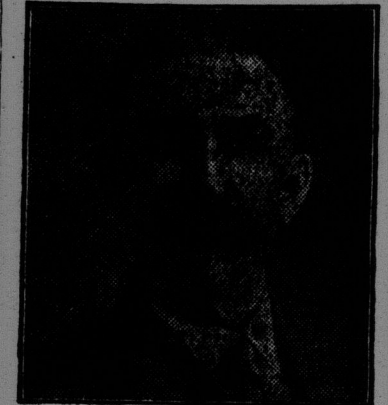
Hon. George P. Graham at Scarborough Beach, Toronto:—"We are not fighting men, in the last analysis, but engaged in a struggle for principles. It is your freedom and mine that is at stake, as much as that of the man who lives in Fleet street, London. I believe the pride of the entire world will be due these men, who will eventually lead the Allies to victory for the principles of humanity."

The Canadian Courier says that the test of the Borden government's efficiency comes now, when Canada's record wheat crop is about ready for the market. It points out that the government press predicted prices ranging from \$1.20 to \$1.50 per bushel, and a great "Patriotism and Production" campaign was carried to stimulate the farmer to raise more wheat. Now he is being offered the price of the price falling to eighty cents. The Courier declares the farmers were misled.

The following from the Regina Leader is very pertinent comment:—"Premier Borden has been endeavoring to arrange with the British Admiralty for the safe transport of Canada's surplus grain crops to Europe. What a pity it is that Canada did not proceed with its own navy as Sir Wilfrid Laurier proposed. Had the Borden Government done so, instead of tearing up the tracks, Canada would today possess a number of fast cruisers which could have conveyed not only our Canadian troops to Britain but our grain-carrying boats as well."

WILL WE EVER WALK ON AIR?

Train of Thought Inspired by a Letter About "Fruit-a-tives."



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Not Impressed

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"Yes," exclaimed the energetic girl, "the world has improved since then, hasn't it?"

The Reason

"But, Ehna," said the mistress, "your little boy was christened George Washington. Why do you call him weak Walton? Walton, you know, was the famous fisherman."

"Yes," answered Ehna, "but dat chile's reputation fo' tellin' de troof made dat change imperative."

Misunderstood Suggestion

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