

THE ACADIAN.

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Editorial Brevities.

Up to December 23d the total number of enlistments in the Canadian expeditionary forces was over 100,000, of whom 115,000 have gone overseas. It is expected that the authorized total of 250,000 will shortly be reached.

Mr. Thomas Shaugnessy has written the following open letter in the interests of the "Soldiers' Gazette":

"At a time when so many public spirited Canadian women are working for those at the front, it is almost invidious to specify any one particular activity, but the untiring industry of Mrs. D. Forbes Angus, President of Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, and of the ladies associated with her, deserves special consideration, particularly in connection with their publication 'The Soldiers' Gazette.' This is a weekly summary of Canadian news, compiled by these ladies from the leading newspapers of each Province in Canada. Fifteen thousand copies are printed each week and distributed in the proportion of one to each seven soldiers of the Canadian Contingent overseas. The news from home contained in this 'Gazette' is highly appreciated by our gallant soldiers, many of whom have little opportunity of seeing a Canadian newspaper. The publication is printed at less than cost, through the generosity of a Montreal newspaper proprietor, but even so, further funds are required to carry on the publication, especially in view of the fact that the number of Canadians overseas is steadily increasing. Large subscriptions are not required, but any small amounts sent to Miss Shaugnessy, Honorary Treasurer, at the office of the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, Windsor Station, Montreal, will be spent in this good cause."

Red Cross Contributions.

The following articles have been forwarded by the Red Cross Society since October 5th:

- 207 pairs socks
 - 270 1/2 dozen bandages
 - 120 hospital shirts
 - 43 pyjamas
 - 2 Balalaeva caps
 - 1 pair wristlets
 - 2 hot-water bottles
 - 84 towels
 - 51 cakes soap
 - 2 dozen face-cloths
 - 9 1/2 dozen toques
- The Girls' Society with Mrs. J. H. Barras as president have sent 74 pairs carpet slippers and 25 Christmas stockings; Girls' Fancy Work Club, 18 Christmas stockings; College Girls 26 Christmas stockings; Seminary Girls 30 Christmas stockings;—making in all 99 Christmas stockings sent to No. 3 Canadian General Hospital in France.

Will all Red Cross workers please take notice that the Red Cross rooms will be closed until Monday, Jan. 3rd, and only open twice a week, Monday and Thursday, during the cold winter months. Mrs. DeWitt will keep yarn at her home so that those wishing it on other days can get it there.

Gaspereau.

Miss Hattie Nowlan came from Boston this week to spend the holidays at the home of her father, Mr. Owen Nowlan.

Mr. and Mrs. Renford Martin, of Halifax, arrived to-day (Friday), for Christmas vacation at the homes of their parents here.

The many friends of Miss Alice May Caldwell are glad to know she is quickly recovering from illness which necessitated treatment at the Victoria General Hospital, where she has been for a fortnight.

Last Sunday evening a Christmas service was held in the Baptist church. Our pastor, Mr. Milbury, delivered a particularly able sermon on the Christ Child, and the choir, with Mrs. Edwin Davidson's soloist, gave excellent music.

Our young men who have this week joined the forces of the Empire are Messrs. Elmer Allen and Fred Irvine, who are now with the 112th at Windsor, training as privates. Mr. Allen is also employed as assistant book-keeper. The position he filled in Mr. Caldwell's store is now taken by Mr. Harry Davidson.

There have been a few days skating on the Mill Pond this season, and the sport was delightful for the ice was really first class.

Dr. Cutten, of Acadia, gave an address, descriptive of the object and requirements of the No. 7 Hospital Unit, Wednesday evening week, in the church. Generous contributions have since been gathered, and the amount asked for, \$75.00, will be made up.

A Christmas concert given by the school children, in the Division Hall last Tuesday evening, was attended with splendid success. Sixty pupils took part. The program consisted of Christmas exercises and singing and a wondrously pretty flag drill. Then Santa arrived and distributed presents to all from an immense Christmas tree. Miss Hicks, the principal, is spending the holidays at her home in Westport, and Miss Beckwith, at her home in Sheffield's Mills.

J. F. Herbin's remodelled jewelry store is now showing to best advantage his large stock of useful and new goods, in solid gold, silver, ebony, ivory, brass, and cut glass. Also a large line of picture frames from 50c to \$1.00.

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Temperance and Moral Reform.

One of the most favorable indications respecting the outlawing of the saloons and the lifting of civic affairs to a higher moral level, may be found in the deliverance of the higher courts of the various religious denominations. I shall be grateful to anyone who will furnish me with a statement for publication of the position of the Methodists, Anglicans, Presbyterians, etc. Following are some extracts from the report of the committee on Temperance and Moral Reform, adopted by the Maritime Baptist Convention in October of this year:

"Since our last convention there has been a remarkable world-wide advance in the interest of temperance and prohibition. Russia has taken the lead and has swept from her domain her greatest enemy. Germany has positively forbidden drinking among officers and privates in her army. France has forbidden the sale of alcoholic liquors. Advance movements have taken place in Norway, Sweden and the British Isles. In the United States, twenty of the States are under prohibition laws, and large parts of twenty others are dry under local option laws."

"In Canada marked advance has been made. Prominent clergymen and political leaders are advocating temperance reform with greater enthusiasm than at any time in the past. Some months ago Archbishop Bruchési, in a meeting at Montreal, at which the Hon. C. H. Doherty, Minister of Justice, Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and other dignitaries, took part, declared there should not be a bar in Montreal. Since then Cardinal Bégin, of Quebec, said there is a population of 400,000 in the diocese of Quebec, and outside the city of Quebec and Lévis, there is not a single license for the sale of intoxicating liquor. The Toronto Globe has declared itself in favor of closing every bar-room in Ontario, and has called on the government to take this step. The Manitoba Liberal Convention decided upon a temperance platform, and the party pledged itself to pass an Act for the abolishment of the bar. Since his election Premier Norris, on Sept. 21st, announced that if a majority of the voters of the province approve of the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquor when the referendum is submitted to them next March no new licenses will be granted by the government, when the licenses automatically expire July 1st, 1916. British Columbia also proposes to take a referendum at an early date. Saskatchewan has abolished the bar. Great progress has been made in Quebec and Ontario, and it is interesting to note that Quebec has a larger area under prohibition than Ontario."

"In Nova Scotia the Government has placed on the statutes a most excellent law, if it were only made to apply impartially to the whole Province. The fact that the city of Halifax is allowed the privilege of liquor is a serious defect in the law. Since the passing of this law, the temperance people have continually sought to have that error corrected. In the spring of 1914, it needed only one vote in the legislature to wipe out this blot on the Province. But party politics proved stronger than temperance principles, with some of whom better things were expected, and the amendment was defeated. Again, last spring, an amendment that sought to secure the same end, was lost by the Speaker of the House, casting his vote with the liquor interest of the city of Halifax, rather than in the interest of the people of the Province at large. It should also be remembered that certain members, who were not present when the vote was taken, were paired against men who were in favor of the amendment, thereby registering their votes in favor of the liquor interests of Halifax rather than in the interests of their constituencies. Men who have thus proven to the friends of Temperance that they cannot be relied on to represent them on this vital question, if returned at all should be pledged to vote straight for the abolition of license in the city of Halifax."

"Prince Edward Island has had a prohibition law since 1900, and, although improvements have been suggested, and amendments made from time to time, the Act has never been adequately enforced. About two years ago the Temperance Alliance, in an attempt to demonstrate what could be done, in an earnest and impartial effort to enforce this Act, brought detectives from Montreal. Their investigations revealed the fact that liquor was being sold in large quantities in various parts of the Province. A considerable number of prosecutions were brought as a result of their investigations. During the course of these trials, it developed that some of the officials, appointed by the government to enforce the Act, were not only insincere and inefficient, but in some cases deliberately shielded offenders."

"Formal charges were made against a number of these offenders, and a Royal Commission was appointed to investigate their conduct. The charges made by the Alliance were sustained, members of the government having been proved to have actively and improperly interfered in behalf of the offenders. Further investigation was then banked by the government. The above mentioned work of the Alliance about \$6000. During the course of the campaign it was found that the Act could be made much more effective. Amendments were accordingly prepared by the Alliance, and submitted to the legislature at its last session. Unfortunately, however, the government did not see fit to pass their amendments, but made an unseemly attack upon the Alliance on account of the expenses it had made. A campaign of education was then entered into by the Alliance; and so strongly was temperance sentiment aroused, that the government was almost defeated at the polls, its majority being reduced from 26 to 4. The present outlook is most encouraging. Temperance sentiment has been aroused as never before, and there is every prospect of obtaining efficient legislation, and such enforcement of the law as will eliminate this illicit traffic."

"In the light of the above facts your committee would recommend: (1) That a systematic effort be made to educate every community within the bounds of this convention concerning the evils of the drink habit on the individual, the home, social and business life, and the nation in general, and also its bearing in particular on the present situation. (2) The pledging of candidates for the Nova Scotia legislature at the next election, to vote to include the city of Halifax in the application of the N. S. Temperance Act. That we commend the valuable work being done by the Provincial branches of the Dominion Alliance under the leadership of Dr. H. R. Grant for Nova Scotia, and Rev. H. D. Wilson for Prince Edward Island. (4) That we urge the repeal of the Scott Act in such counties of Nova Scotia as are now under the said Act. (5) Your committee recommends the passing of the following resolution:

In view of the urgent call, on patriotic grounds, for the conservation of the resources of the nation, alike in men and material, and in view of the enormous waste of these resources through strong drink, this Convention would urge the ministers and members within its bounds to take immediate steps toward securing the application of the N. S. Temperance Act to the city of Halifax and the enactment of a Provincial prohibitory law for New Brunswick. It further urges the rigid enforcement of all prohibitory laws in the Maritime Provinces and the appointment of competent officials in the enforcement of law. F. H. BEALS.

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