ST. JOHN, N. B., JULY 22, 1915.

THE MISCALCULATIONS.

able foe to the south. As yet, how-

There is a rumor that Turkey is dis-

the 55th Battalion, issues an appeal for too well equipped. It is up to Sir Robmachine guns. He points out that a ert Borden and his colleagues to see to machine gun is equal to the rifle fire of it that Canadian lives are not needlessforty to sixty men men, and that the Germans have sixteen machine guns for whole year pass before we are officially each battalion, compared with four for told that more machine guns are needed? a British battalion. The 55th Battalion No one wishes to embarrass the govshould have its sixteen machine guns, ernment or make light of the burdens it should have its sixteen machine guns, ernment or make light of the burdens it must carry, but the people who are to do well in Mexico with a typewriter and men qualified to work them. The soldiers of Canada should be placed at no disadvantage so far as guns and munitions are concerned. Man for man they can take care of the Kaiser's men, country needs today is less political agibut mere flesh and blood cannot withtation and more attention to the task of the kaiser's intensity but mere flesh and blood cannot withstand the attack of an enemy which has a great superiority in machine guns and heavy artillery. The provincial government, the municipal councils, and the cities and towns of the province should all show their interest in this matter.

Many organizations are taking action and many individuals are generously contributing funds. All over Canada the people are showing their desire to have cities and towns of the province should for them the information they require, the Canadian forces properly equipped, and patriotism can be shown in no more practical way by those who do not themselves go to the front. The appeal of Lt. Col. Kirkpatrick is especially to the against her in this war, the British peopeople of New Brunswick, and the response should be prompt and adequate. leaders, underestimated the strength of

THE NEW COMMISSION

If the assessment commission appointed yesterday consents to act, and addresses itself earnestly to the task, there is no reason why it should not point the way to a more equitable system of taxation in St. John. It would doubtless be greatly helped in simplifying its work and making progress if it had the counsel of an expert in such matters, but its members are familiar with the present system, know something about the inequalities, and can readily make comparisons with the systems

a nation preparing steadily for years for war can accomplish and endure, Steadily for years for war can accomplish as should not be a supplied to the assent for he assumption of the magnitude of the work to be done before the enemy is crush adopted in other cities. The important thing at the moment is to get a group adopted in other cities. The important thing at the moment is to get a group of intelligent men to direct their attention to the subject, study it carefully, and recommend such changes as in their judgment are desirable. The board of trade has lately gathered a great deal of valuable information on the subject, which will of course be at the service of the commission, whose report will be fully considered by the citizens and by the city council before legislation is sought. The unseemly squabble at City Hall yesterday was altogether unneces-Hall yesterday was altogether unnecessary, and the suggestion that this or that interest should be represented is an unjust reflection upon the character of citizens who are willing to give their where the construction of elaborate best service to promote the welfare of all the people. The public interest would be best served if every self-styled champion of special interests were promptly sent about his business the moment he made his appeal on that the Balkan States will eventually join the collections of elaborate where the construction of elaborate trench systems would be impossible, because of the tremendous pressure against their lines at every point. There seems little doubt in view of Premier Asquish statement on Tuesday, and moment he made his appeal on that ground. In nine cases out of ten he is Allies, and that would mean the colthinking of himself and his fortunes, and lapse of Turkey and the withdrawal of casting about for a ladder by which to many Austrian troops from the eastern

#### CITY GOVERNMENT Nothing that has transpired in the tria is unbroken, and it will not do to

last two or three years affords any evi- build hopes on what may happen

dence that the commission plan of city weeks or months hence. The present government is not a good plan. What task calls for every ounce of available has transpired merely proves that the citizens should select the right kind of men to administer their affairs under any system of government. The city posed to make peace with the Allies. council has made a sad muddle of affairs because its members will not work together for the public good. There is constant bickering, and personal aims and ambitions are fer to the constant bickering. and ambitions are far too obvious in the and ambitions are far too obvious in the discussion and conduct of affairs. That is not the fault of the commission plan. The citizens had a good city government the first two years after this plan was adopted, and the administration was far more satisfactory than under the old system, although all the members of that council were not friends of the commission plan. Let the blame for the change be placed where it belongs—upon the council as now constituted, and upon the people who neglected their duty on election day. It is quite hopeless to election day. It is quite hopeless to look for a dignified and public spirited Washington despatches express the conduct of civic affairs until changes belief that the American government have been made in the personnel of the will insist upon its interpretation of incouncil. The people have been taught ternational law, and upon the acceptance a sharp lesson; but they have only to of that interpretation by Germany. Let exercise their franchise in an intelligent us hope the correspondence will be con-way, unmoved by the influence of this cluded before the war is over. or that society or organization, or the artful appeals of gentlemen who love The revelations of petty graft in the limelight, to place the control of Gloucester county, and the fact that ththeir affairs once more in competent names of two members of the legislature

of it? Where are the "official eye-wit-

cannot but strengthen the conviction that What is the cost of a machine gun? province is such as to call for a sweep-Is it \$750, \$950 or \$1,000? What is the ing condemnation at the polls at the very matter with the militia department at first opportunity. The province has been Ottawa that it should permit any shamed and disgraced for a number of doubt to arise? Why was there not an years past by those who should guard earlier demand for more machine guns? its honor and respect its good name. To How is it that we wait until our own say that this is the best we can do soldiers, writing from the trenches tell would be a confession that the people of the need before we are made aware prefer thievery to honest government.

nesses" and all the other gentlemen who should be fully informed in regard to these matters? It will not do to shoulder the responsibility upon the British war office. The Canadian government as responsible for the Canadian soldiers and for their proper equipment. The



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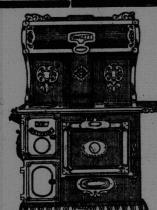
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Aeroplanes have been seen over Montreal and Quebec and the military authorities are taking an interest in them. So far their identity has not been established and there is an inclination to deal cautiously with them.

Italians to the number of 250 left Montreal yesterday to return to fight.

Promotions In 55th

MASONIC GRAND LODGE

Hamilton, Ont., July 21—The Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada opened here to day, where it had its inception sixty years ago. Over 1,200 delegates from all over the dominion are in attendance. William David McPherson, K. C., M. L. A., of Toronto, presided. Mayor Walters, who welcomed the visitors, commented on the fact that 10,000 Canadian Masons are fighting for their country. The grand master's address showed that the revenue for the year amounted to \$47,283. The expenditure for ordinary purposes was \$2,304, and the benevolence \$29,600.

The grand master was praised for his

Montreal and Quebec—Promotions in 55th

Hamilton, Ont., hopes to contribute 200 machine guns. A strong committee has organized and people of every class are contributing.

Woodstock, N. B., will collect the funds to present a machine gun to the 55th.

Prisoners of War

Sergeant Alexander Wood Whitehead of St. John, N. B., previously reported dead, officially, is now unofficially reported a prisoner at Doberitz, in this morning's list.

Edward Speight, previously reported that he died from the etaste, and besides, must be exaste, and besides, must be g. All these qualities you'll AD with the glorious crushes Butternut Process can give folks prefer BUTTERNUT

Montreal yesteruay to return to ngal. The promotions in the 25th Battalion are reported as follows—Lance Corporal D. Faichney and H. W. Heans to be sergeants; Private D. Ryan to be lance corporal. Transfers are reported as follows—Private C. J. McGill, "p" company to 6th Mounted Rifles; Private O. Orr and E. H. Gorham of "D" company to brigade staff.

Sergeant Major Alex. Galloway, formerly stationed at Fredericton city with H. Company, R. C. R., has been killed in action with the 4th Battalion.

The name of Sergeant Major Galloway appeared in the casualty list issued from Ottawa Tuesday night.

A few weeks ago he was reported as being wounded by gunshot at LaBassee and it is believed that he died from the effects of these wounds. His wife's relatives here have not as yet received any word of his death, but this is expected to arrive at any time from his wife, who is now residing at Toronto.

Sergeant Major Galloway yormerly of H. Company, R. C. R., in Fredericton, and later of Toronto. Alex. Galloway was employed as a cable tester for the Bell Telephone Company, at Toronto, until he enlisted with the Queen's Own Rifles, from which regiment he was transferred to his father's regiment, the 36th Peel. Both father and son came through Langemarcke safely.

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