

DOMINION-WIDE APPEAL FOR PATRIOTIC FUND

"NO USE SENDING ANOTHER PATROL, YOU'VE GOT THE CANADIANS OPPOSITE YOU"

This Message Tied to Stone and Thrown Into German Trenches After Canadians Had Crawled Through Wheat Field, Without Disturbing Single Stalk and Captured Enemy Patrol.

London, Aug. 31. (Montreal Gazette special)—It is daily becoming more evident that the outcry of radical journalists against national service fails to command general sympathy among workers. British Socialists have formed a national defence committee, and intend to hold a patriotic demonstration at Colston Hall, Bristol, during the sittings of the trade union congress in that city early in September. The chair at the patriotic gathering will be taken by Mr. J. A. Seddon, president of the congress for many years, and a member of the Independent Labour party, an advanced Socialist organization.

and many would not be surprised should Canada shortly import munition workers from Great Britain. The sum offered by a Hindoo sportsman named Gandia to induce Canadian Jockey Herbert to ride in India next winter is believed to constitute a record retainer in connection with the Indian turf. Herbert has already ridden in India. He rode as winner for the Vice-Roy's cup, the premier Indian sporting event. The French author, Maurice Barres, writes of the Canadians after visiting the front in Echo De Paris, crediting them with all the arts of the scalp hunter and the fur trapper. He describes seeing them ambush a German patrol by crawling through a wheat field without disturbing a single stalk, finally securing the entire patrol, and then sending the following message attached to a stone thrown into the German trenches: "No use sending another patrol. You've got the Canadians opposite you."

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS WATCHING THE ENEMY'S TROOPS



In the above illustration is shown Russian soldiers watching German and Austrian troops from behind a crenellated wall. That the enemy has been active with their big guns can be seen by the large holes shot through the thick wall.

COMIC PICTURE AT MOVIES HELPED MUTE SOLDIER RECOVER HIS SPEECH

Lost Hearing and Power of Speech When Shot by Sniper in Flanders, Suddenly Cured at Moving Picture Theatre.

London, Aug. 31.—Robert Beck of Chicago, who was made deaf and dumb by an injury sustained while fighting with the British army, suddenly recovered his speech and hearing today. Beck, who was a motor cycle policeman on the Chicago force when the war broke out, became a dispatch bearer with the British troops and was struck down by a sniper's bullet in Flanders.

He was taken to Liverpool. From the day of his injury he had been unable to hear or speak until he was taken, with other convalescents, to a moving picture entertainment in Liverpool. While watching a comic picture he suddenly burst out in laughter. The next moment he found that he was able to talk and hear normally.

RECRUITING OF MORE MEN WILL NECESSITATE ADDING TO THE PATRIOTIC FUND

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 31.—Owing to the prolongation of the war and the fact that Canada will probably send a good many more men to the front than was at first expected, the patriotic fund committee are about to make a fresh appeal for funds from all parts of the country. While the twelve battalions are to go over to England have departed there will be from 90,000 to 100,000 Canadian troops in England and France. The patriotic fund has 19,000 families on its list now and it is found that a larger proportion of the new recruits have dependents.

During the last three months the surplus of receipts over expenditure was diminished by \$500,000. June was the first month in which expenditure exceeded income but in July the expenditure was \$350,000 as against receipts of \$200,000.

Sir Herbert Ames, Hon. Secretary, is leaving in a few days for the west to start the new campaign. Meetings will afterwards be held in the east.

USES SHOTGUN ON SHOPBREAKERS AND WOUNDS ONE OF THEM

Redbank Man Ends Petty Thieving—Wounded New-castle Woman Gave \$100 to Patriotic Fund.

Newcastle, Aug. 30.—The young married man of Redbank shot last Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock while trying to break into Councillor Gillis's shop for beer, and walk around again, being out on Sunday. Mr. Gillis, who had been aroused earlier in the evening, the two shopbreakers having been in the shop twice before during the night, fired from his house about 50 feet away at the two, hitting one, but discovering the second, Mr. Gillis, who is an old gentleman, did not feel like grappling with the two. He having put only partridge shot in the rifle and fired only to wound. It is fortunate that the tragedy was not more serious.

W. J. Jardine, treasurer West Northumberland Patriotic Fund, acknowledges subscription from Mrs. Eliza Armstrong, Newcastle, of \$100, bringing total to date up to \$2,227.97. The monthly payments for August total \$375.00.

GERMAN PLOT TO BLOW UP PLANTS IN U.S. MAKING SUPPLIES FOR ALLIES

Handbills Found in Mails at St. Louis and Sent Out by German Committee in Germany, Call on "Patriots" to Wreck Factories and Railroads and End War.

St. Louis, Aug. 31.—Fifty handbills, calling on German and Irish "patriots" in America to help end the European war by dynamiting factories and railroads engaged in the manufacture and transportation of war supplies for the Allies, were turned over to the postmaster here today by G. A. Hoehn, editor of a labor paper. The handbills were wrapped in copies of the Hanover Anzeiger, and postmarked Blomberg, a small town near Hanover. Postal authorities here do not take the handbills seriously.

The bills were written in English and signed "The German Committee." They contain pretended offers of \$1,000 to \$10,000 to the "patriot" who will help us annihilate our enemies. Certain factories and railroads are designated in the handbills for destruction.

EX-MINISTERS IN POLICE COURT

Charged With Conspiracy to Defraud Province of Manitoba—Released on Bail.

Winnipeg, Aug. 31.—The expected sequel to the report of the Mathers commission on the parliament buildings scandal occurred this afternoon when four ministers of the late government, Sir Rodmond Roblin, premier; Dr. W. H. Montague, minister of public works; James Howden, attorney-general, and George R. Coldwell, minister of education, submitted themselves to the authorities at the city police station.

TOBACCO FUND



TOMMY NEEDS THE SMOKES!

Contributions taken by the Postmaster of St. John for Overseas Tobacco Fund.

Postmaster Sears has received the following acknowledgments from W. J. Ambrose, manager of the Bank of Montreal, St. John:

St. John, Aug. 30, 1915. Dear Sir,—We have to acknowledge receipt from you of the sum of \$24.25 which we have transferred to the honorary treasurer of the Overseas Club, London, England, being contributions received through you for the "Overseas Tobacco Fund."

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DYNAMITE TRAIN BLOWN TO PIECES

San Francisco, Aug. 31.—A train carrying 7,000 pounds of dynamite ran off the track at Pinole, Calif., today and blew up, killing its engineer and fireman and an unidentified laborer.

Nothing remained of the train. Nearly powder plants were not damaged. Pinole is on the shore of San Francisco Bay, 15 miles from here.

Jessie P. Cooper, 427 Washington St., Brighton, Mass.; C. D. Millidge, Cranston Ave.; Dorothy Tucker, St. Georges, Bermuda; S. Elizabeth Hogarth Swain, 60 Foster St., Brighton, Mass.; H. A. DeVater, 208 Princess St.; R. Mathers, Mary Tucker, 25c each; A. Friend, 50c; A. Friend, 50c; Mrs. DeLona, Ash Point, 25c; T. D. Millidge, Miss L. D. Millidge, city, 50c each; John D. Breen, Mortimer Breen, Ash Point, N. B.; Charlie Colwell, 22 Charlotte St., city, 25c each; A. Friend, James D. Williams, 88 Charlotte St., city, \$1 each; E. B. Kierstead, post office, city, 25c; Mrs. H. Atworth Smith, Somerville, N. J., per Edwin Peters, Germain St., \$5; Edwin Peters, Germain St., Through F. A. K., the Ko-Ko Ko-Ko Club, St. John County; Miss Emeline L. Smith, Taunton, Mass., \$1 each. Total, \$17.75.

ENORMOUS LOAN TO BRITAIN PLAN OF N.Y. BANKERS TO RESTORE EXCHANGE CONDITIONS TO NORMAL

Sensational Drop in Exchange Rates Alarms Financiers in United States—Fear Cancellation of War Orders Unless Some Remedy Adopted Immediately—Mammoth Credit Loan Suggested

New York, Aug. 31.—The tremendous export trade of the United States in which the country leads the world for the first time, was imperiled today by an alarming drop in foreign exchange rates, notably sterling. At the close of business tonight, the English pound fetched but \$4.55 1/2 in American money. This is a drop from its normal value of 31 1/2 cents; from its value of August 1 of 20 1/2 cents, and from its quotation last night of 18 1/2 cents. A 24-hour break in values without precedent. It marked the lowest value yet recorded in an excited market, where every day recently has set a new record of depreciation; and it indicated that sterling was headed downward with a momentum and velocity that promised to take it to levels unthought of ten days ago.

Never within the memory of man have the foreign exchange markets been so thoroughly demoralized before, as today. Rates tumbled, not by the usual eights, but a cent or more at a time. Widely divergent quotations came out simultaneously from different bankers, to be succeeded quickly by other quotations at unvarying lower figures. One big banking house quoted a rate on sterling to a bank at Havana shortly before the market opened. By the time Havana could accept the rate was five cents lower.

The tendency of the market was so evident that speculators caught the spirit of excitement and participated, adding to the demoralization. In some instances, even messengers, attendants and clerks pooled their interests and sold sterling, figuring that they could not lose. And they didn't. Scores of transactions of this sort, it was conservatively estimated, occurred during the day.

NOT LIKELY GOVT WILL PURCHASE WHEAT CROP

Too Big an Undertaking to Assume on Short Notice and Would Mean Expenditure of \$300,000,000

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—Although no official statement will be made until after the return of the Premier, it is stated in government circles that there is little likelihood of the administration acting on the western suggestion that it take over the grain crop. The general opinion seems to be that the undertaking would be too stupendous to assume on short notice and especially during a period of heavy war expenditures. It is estimated that the handling of such a product would necessitate an outlay of about \$300,000,000.

TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS

Toronto, Aug. 31.—Bank clearings for Toronto in the month of August show a decrease of \$3,300,741. Following are comparisons: 1915—\$140,924,050, decrease \$3,300,741; 1914—\$144,224,791, decrease \$14,615,480; 1913—\$158,540,280.

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

Peterboro, Ont., Aug. 30.—Mr. M. O'Brien, for the past fifteen years separate school inspector for Eastern Ontario has received the appointment of secretary to the educational council of Ontario. He will reside in Toronto.

DIED.

ANDREWS.—At 174 Sydney street, St. John, John B. son of the late John B. Andrews, of Hull, England, in the sixtieth year of his age. Funeral from his late residence on Thursday at 2.30 p. m. Service at 2.15.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of The Union Lodge of Portland will meet at Freemason's Hall, in regalia, on Thursday next, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother JOHN B. ANDREWS.

Members of sister lodges are requested to attend. J. T. HARTT, Secretary.

"BLIND STALLION" THE MYSTERIOUS ELEMENT IN HORSE SALES PROBE

Halifax, Aug. 31.—At this afternoon's session of the Royal Commission inquiring into the horse deals in Nova Scotia, F. D. McDonnell told of the sale of a six year old horse belonging to him for \$150. Jimmy Dee sold the horse for him. He did not sign a receipt. He gave Dee two dollars. "Do you know about the 'blind stallion'?" asked counsel. "No, sir, I was not interested in other horses."

"Did you know he was a 'blind stallion'?" asked counsel. "No, I did not," replied the witness. "Who sold that 'blind stallion'?" asked the commissioner. "I could not tell."

Dr. Chalmers then testified regarding some of the other horses purchased. At the conclusion of his testimony, the commissioner asked him his opinion of Dr. Gough, but Chalmers said he was not acquainted with that official.

Terry Cameron, of New Glasgow sold a brown mare for \$160, and a bay horse for \$130. He signed two cards. There was nothing on these cards. The witness told what he knew of the "blind" stallion. It had once been owned by Tom Charlton, and several others whose names he could not remember.

W. D. Johnston, of New Glasgow, sold a pair of horses for \$290. Both were practically sound. "What about the celebrated 'blind stallion'?" asked Sir Charles. The witness said he did not know anything about this animal. He had heard of it. He did not know where it was now.

Peter Sullivan, of Westville, sold one horse for \$150 at New Glasgow.

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