

Personal & General

The Bishop of Niagara and his wife and daughter are spending their holiday on Toronto Island.

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His Grace, the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, has been spending his summer holidays at the Lake of the Woods.

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The Queen acted as sponsor to the infant daughter of the late Major William La Touche Congrave, V.C., whose christening took place recently in St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

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The Very Rev. F. S. White, Dean of St. Mark's Cathedral, Grand Rapids, Mich., has been elected Coadjutor-Bishop to the aged Bishop Williams of Marquette.

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Miss E. B. Ridley, a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto, has been decorated with the Royal Red Cross of the First Class, for bravery in removing patients from a hospital which was under fire.

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Canon Dixon, the Rector of Trinity Church, King Street East, Toronto, has been made a notary public, which will enable him to add to his many services to soldiers' families in his section of that city.

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We regret to announce that the Rev. Canon Howitt, of St. George's Church, Hamilton, Ontario, is lying very seriously ill at the residence of his son, Rev. Arthur Howitt, St. Mark's Rectory, Orangeville.

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A Chaplain writing from the French Front comments upon the curious fact that in the country recaptured from the Germans despite its fearful desolation almost without exception in every village some figure of the Christ is left. It is the one strange feature amidst all the ruin which has been accomplished that impresses even the most callous spectator.

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Trichinopoly College is the largest which is affiliated to the Madras University, and is the largest College supported by the S.P.G. in South India. The number of students in the College is 619, in the College High School 980, and in the suburban Secondary Schools 529-2,128 in all. Of the 619 students in the College 78 are Christians and 425 are Brahmins.

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In the Niger district the Mission at St. Stephen's Bonny, which is not supervised by any European missionary, reports a decrease in the number of Christian adherents during the past year from 4,633 to 1,123. It is suggested that the decrease is in part accounted for by the propaganda of the African, who recently announced himself as the successor of the prophet Elijah.

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The marriage of Charlotte, youngest daughter of his Grace Archbishop Worrell, and N. R. Desbrisay, district passenger agent of the C.P.R., with headquarters at St. John, will take place in All Saints' Cathedral, at 1 o'clock on the afternoon of September 18th, and will be a very quiet one, the bride and groom being unattended. His Grace the Archbishop will perform the ceremony, being assisted by the Dean.

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The greatest sympathy will go out to the Bishop of Liverpool and Mrs. Chavasse at the present time. All three of their sons have been for some time past at the front. A few weeks ago they received the news that their

youngest son, Lieut. Aidan Chavasse, was wounded and missing, and now in the recent fighting in Flanders their medical son, Captain Noel Chavasse, V.C., M.C., has died from wounds, and their other son, Captain Francis Chavasse, has been wounded.

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One of the most remarkable burial services ever held on a European battlefield is described by the Chaplain of a western Ontario Battalion. It was that of an Indian killed by a bomb. Sixty Indians, commanded by an Indian lieutenant, attended the funeral. They represented the Mohawks, Oneidas, Onondagas, Cayugas, Mississaugas, Delawares, Iroquois and Blackfoots. The dead soldier was a Presbyterian and the service was conducted according to the rites of that Church.

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The King lately gave his special permission for the colours of the 122nd Overseas Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, to be placed in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, and a detachment of the Battalion deposited there on a recent Sunday. Canon Dalton, in the course of a short address, reminded the congregation that among the banners suspended above the Knights' stalls were those of the present Governor-General of Canada, as well as of past Governor-Generals of the Dominion.

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Out of 4,502 Toronto University men who have been on active service, 255 have been killed, 385 have been wounded, 29 are missing or are prisoners of war, 112 have been mentioned in despatches and 205 have won decorations. Of the last number one, Major T. W. Macdonell, has won the Victoria Cross, 28 have been awarded the D.S.O., and 112 have been decorated with the Military Cross. Four have received the bar in addition to the Cross and three have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

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Under a recent agreement between Russia and Britain a Jewish corps is being organized in London. There are 20,000 Jews of military age in London alone. There are now 40,000 Jews in the British army, 32,000 of whom are English Jews, and 8,000 from the Empire abroad. The leader of the new corps was commander of the Zion Corps, composed of Russian Jews recruited in Alexandria, which corps gave a fine service at Gallipoli. Eight thousand Jewish soldiers now in Britain will probably form a stiffening corps.

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A memorial to Mrs. Handley Moule, wife of the Bishop of Durham, who died just about two years ago, has been placed in the private chapel in Auckland Castle under the Bishop's superintendence. It consists, as to the main feature, of a picture (in the south window of the ante-chapel) of the Risen Lord's interview with the Magdalene. In the small lights above are figures of three Marys: the Virgin Mother with the infant Lord, Mary of Magdala and Mary of Bethany. The cost is defrayed by contributions given last year by women of the diocese to provide a memorial of their devoted friend.

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An honour unprecedented in the annals of the British Army, so far as shown by available records up to date of February, has been won by Major C. W. Weldon McLean, of the 50th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, son of Brigadier-General H. H. McLean, of St. John. Major McLean was awarded the D.S.O. in September, 1915, and for his deeds in the battle of Arras was awarded an additional bar in May of this year. Word has now been received that, for further services he has been awarded one more bar. So far as can be learned three D.S.O. awards to one man form a unique recognition.

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