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The Breaking-Up of Some of Canadian Battalions is a Necessity

London, Dec. 14.—The Canadian Associated Press has been authoritatively informed that the practice of breaking up units of the Canadian forces, after they have arrived in England, into drafts for the reinforcements for battalions already in action in France is a military necessity for officers whose units are broken up cannot be absorbed.

No Reflection on Officers

With these matters in mind it has been suggested that arrangements be made to give as many as possible of the senior officers a chance to go to France in order that they may personally witness the operations before returning to Canada. Some may be given employment in England, but many will go back to Canada where they may take up their civil employment or be used to assist in further recruiting.

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their abilities or qualifications, or upon their desire to serve in the trenches.

It is well-known that the Canadian battalions were recruited, organized and trained by officers of high standing and of high military ability. Owing to the exigencies of the situation they have been called upon to furnish reinforcements, and could not proceed themselves. Everyone is conscious of the disappointment of these officers and likewise realizes the good and effective work done by them in recruiting, organizing and training the battalions.

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Negotiations for the sale of the St. Croix Lumber Company's property at Hartville are about completed. The prospective buyer, Mr. Pickard, of Sackville has been operating extensively in British Columbia.

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All hail to thee, Britain
How glorious the day
When the old British Lion
Sprang into the fray
From the tyrant his spear had
relentlessly hurled,
And the conflict of ages encircled
the world:
How then could the old flag of
freedom lie furled?
Take our men and money, and
all else that helps;
For the blood of the Lion
flows strong in the Whelps.

How the continents shook
With thy terrible roar
How the Cubs leaped and
bounded
To get to the fore!
For how could they then lie
heedless and prone?
They sprang—and the Lion
stands not there alone,
Take our men and our money,
and all else that helps;
For the blood of the Lion
flows strong in the Whelps.

Though torpedoes and mines
Dye the deep with our gore,
We will rush to thy side,
Like our fathers—of yore.
Though the whirl of the Zep-
pelins startle the night,
We will mount to the desperate
unequal fight,
And compel them to flee; or, in
flames, to alight.

Take our men and our money,
and all else that helps;
For the blood of the Lion
flows strong in the Whelps
By the blood of our heroes,
Afar on the field,
Commingled with thine,
We swear never to yield
For thy freedom is our, and thy
glory and pride.

Neath the banner of Truth, and
with God for our guide,
We will stand, or we'll fall—
fighting still by thy side
Take our men and our money,
and all else that helps;
For the blood of the Lion
flows strong in the Whelps.
—Thomas Packer
Toronto, Nov. 30.

RUSSIAN SUCCESS

ON LAKE VAN

London, Dec. 24.—There is a recrudescence of activity in the vicinity of Mount Ararat, near the spot on which the Ark rested. Today's Russian official referring to operations on the Caucasian front states that near Atkune Russian scouts conducted a reconnaissance which resulted in the capture of some prisoners. South-east of Lake Van their detachments drove the enemy out of the settlement situated to the north-east of Vustan.

WITH HIS BOOTS OFF

The young private had been posted on sentry on C squadron stables. But, lo! when the sergeant on the guard came round on his visits he was nowhere to be seen. The sergeant was about to depart to make enquiries when there came a rustling noise from a heap of straw, and the sentry stood before him minus his boots and looking very sleepy.

"Hullo!" cried the sergeant. "Here you are, eh! Where were you when I came round, just now?"

"Marchin' round," was the sentry's reply, given in tones of conscious virtue.

"Marchin' round, were you? Why, you've got your boots off!"

"Yes, sergeant, I took 'em off so's I shouldn't wake the 'osses!"

Rome, Dec. 25.—Via London The official statement from Italian Headquarters issued today reads:

"On the Trentino front there were only artillery actions. Our batteries dispersed working parties in the Pasubio area and the Upper Astico."

"On the Julian front a thick mist prevented artillery action, and limited the activity to reconnaissances."

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London, Dec. 24.—A British official statement issued today says:

"Yesterday our aircraft carried out several successful raids in the El Arish region (Egypt). At Mughdaba about a ton high explosives were dropped on the enemy concentrations, causing many casualties to the personnel."

"Attacks were made on Beersheba (southern border of Palestine) and Auja, and an important railway bridge over a deep ravine at Tel El Sharia, 15 miles north of Beersheba, was seriously damaged. All our machines returned safely."

WAR CONFERENCE OF THE EMPIRE

London, Dec. 26.—The Secretary of State for the Colonies has sent a telegram to the Dominions explaining the purposes of the forthcoming Imperial Conference, announced by Premier Lloyd George. The telegram explains that what the Government contemplates is not an ordinary Imperial Conference of the Empire.

The Prime Minister of each of the Dominions is "invited to attend a series of special meetings of the War Cabinet, in order to consider urgent questions affecting the prosecution of the war, possible conditions on which, in agreement with our Allies we could assent to its termination, and problems arise."

The Premiers are urged to attend at an early date—not later than the end of February.

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I invite correspondence either as buyer or seller.

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