WITH THE SOLDIERS

Only five men were signed up this morning at the 125th Headquarters. Their records are:

George E. Lowe, English, age 22, gardener, single; 110 Brant Avenue.

Samuel H. Lowe, English; age 20; textile worker; single; 110 Brant ave.

William Creasser, English; 41; clerk; married; 3 years 38th D.R.C.; 55 St. Paul's avenue.

Walter F. Sporne, English; 32; laborer; married; 153 Bruce St.

Robert S. Thompson, Irish, age 30; tracker; married; 25 North Park St.

Music and Drama

SCHUBERT CHOIR.

On Thursday, Feb. 10th, Brantford's own chorus, over 100 members, the Schubert Choir, will sing complete, Wallace's Grand Opera, "Maritana."

In asking citizens to subscribe for seats, the committee feel that this choir merits their confidence and support. With no aim or wish for financial gain, actuated solely by desire to benefit local chorus singers, and Brantford's citizens musically, they have, since their organization, brought many of the best soloists and orchestras of the continent here and are bringing this year the following artists, who are familiar with the work, to assist: Miss Irene Symons, soprano, Miss Freeda Manning, contralto, Mr. Edgar Fowlston, baritone, Mr. Gladstone Brown, tenor. The conductor, Mr. Clifford Higgin, is experienced and capable, has won many valuable prizes with mixed choirs in England, and in 1912 with his ladies' choir, returned from the "International concours de Musique", held in Paris, France, with the trophy. This opera the music of which is particularly bright and pleasing, should be very attractive, and the fact that Mr. Higgin has conducted it before with success in the Old Land, augurs well for its reception here on Feb. 10th.

MRS. PATRICK CAMPBELL COMING.

An announcement of more than ordinary interest to devotees of the higher class of dramatic offerings, will be the appearance at the Grand Opera House shortly of Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the celebrated English actress and her London company in Bernard Shaw's delightful comedy romance, "Pygmalion."

The theme of the play, which fairly radiates Shavian wit and epigrams, deals principally with a cockney flower girl, who, through the efforts of a theorist of experimental proclivities, is moulded into a personality possessing the graces, appearance and mannerisms of a woman of noble birth.

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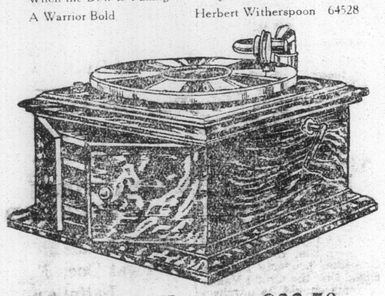

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Social and Personal

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Mr. George Finerty, of Basswood, Manitoba, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. Alway, Sheridan street.

Laid at Rest

The funeral of the late Mr. H. M. Breedon took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 156 Brant Avenue, to Farringdon church cemetery. Owing to the fact that Mrs Breedon is herself seriously ill from pneumonia, no service was held at the house, and the sorrowing friends assembled in Grace Church, Archdeacon Mackenzie and Rev. Patterson Smyth officiating. The pallbearers were Messrs Roberts, G. Muirhead (Toronto), Lt-Col. Leonard, A. Kohl, F. Frank and F. D. Reville.

FREDERICK E. MONEY.

The funeral of the late Frederick Edward Money, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Money, 93 Brock street, took place yesterday, the Rev. D. R. Jeakins officiating at the house and the grave. The pallbearers were two brothers, Herbert and Albert Money; Herbert Wilkinson and Henry Land. The floral tributes were very beautiful, including: Pillow, family; sprays—Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dickerson, Mrs. Precious, Gertie and Cyril, Aunt Edith nd Uncle Jack, Aunt Louie and Uncle Ted, Aunt Maggie and Uncle Bert, Aunt Flo and Uncle Bert, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dicker, Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Morgan Mrs. G. Wilson and Irene, Cockshutt's Blacksmith Department, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frost, Mr. and Mrs H. Mallord, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kingdon, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Graydon, Mr. and Mrs. Reub Ryerson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilkinson, Mrs. Birkett, Joe Carter, Solly Curley, Herbert Wilkinson, Henry Land, William Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Money wish to thank their many friends for kindnesses and sympathy shown in their sad bereavement.

MRS. P. M. SENN.

The funeral of the late Mrs. P. M. Senn took place on Thursday afternoon from the family residence, Peel street. A short but impressive service at the home was conducted by the Rev. T. B. Jeakins, rector of St. Judes. Basing his remarks upon the words of the Revelation, "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes"—comforting assurance and hope were given to those with hearts bowed down. Following this short service, interment took place at Mt. Hope.

The deceased, whose maiden name was Emma Ellis, was born at Mt. Pleasant some sixty-four years ago, and came to this city a bride, forty-one years ago. Although Mrs. Senn was one who kept abreast of her times, she was of a very retiring nature, taking little part in affairs outside of the home. Hers was a hospitable roof, and all who came into her home were impressed by her self-forgetfulness, her deeply sympathetic and motherly character. For the past ten years her health has been very indifferent, but not sufficiently impaired as to necessitate confinement to the house, and it was after an illness of only two days that the end came. There remains to mourn this true wife and fond mother, the husband and six daughters, Misses Jean McK., Edna, Edith and Elsie at home, Mrs. W. Sellers and Mrs. W. H. Torrance of Toronto, and one grandchild, Philip Sellers.

The many floral tributes spoke the sympathy of a host of friends.

"Now the laborers' task is o'er,
Now the battle day is past,
Now upon the further shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now our loved one sleeping."

Henry Vn Dyke, United States ambassador to Holland, has just returned home on official business. All the American ambassadors are finding it extremely difficult to carry on their work, and Van Dyke is doubtless returning for further instructions. The minister to Holland is a well-known clergyman and writer and is only one of may college men appointed by President Wilson to consular posts. Van Dyke was born in Pennsylvania in 1852 and educated at Princeton. For some years he was minister of Presbyterian churches in New York, and then professor of English literature at Princeton University. He was appointed to his present post three years ago. He has written scores of books, poems and essays, most of which deal with religious or nature subjects.

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The patriotic concert given last evening at the Grand Opera House by the Dufferin Rifles Chapter I.O.DE., was a brilliant success. The house was a very large one, and very appreciative. The qualities of each number were readily seen and encores followed each rendition. The program consisted entirely of local talent and was excellent in all respects.

The programme was opened by the band of the 125th Brant Battalion with the march "Preciosa" by Devery, which was heartly applauded. Although in its infancy this band is showing itself to be among the best.

Major H. J. G. McLean sang "Heroes and Gentlemen" in such a pleasing manner that he had to sing "Rule Britannia," as an encore. Capt. Jordan accompanied him.

The next number consisted of two very difficult violin selection, "Liebesfraud" and "Orientale," which were perfectly played by Miss Marjorie Jones. Her renditions were so splendid that she had to respond with the National Anthem of the Allies. Miss Jones received a beautiful boquet of roses.

A very interesting reading, "The Last Shot," was given by Miss Annabel Ryerson. It was long and difficult, but Miss Ryerson delivered it exceedingly well. She received an encore and a large boquet also.

Mr. J. W. Whittaker sang, "The Sergeant of the Line" (Squire) in a most pleasing manner and was encored. Mr. T. Darwen accompanied him.

The next number was entirely different than the previous ones. It was something new and therefore, most entertaining. It was a dance, "Autumn" by the Misses Edith Sanderson and Alice Brooks. Their pretty costumes and light, fairy-like dancing, made, indeed, a pleasing scene, and the audience applauded until an encore was responded to. Both young ladies received boquets.

Miss Hilda Hurley in her usual splendid and captivating manner sang "On the Mary" (Oliver), and responded with "Your Country Needs You." A beautiful boquet was tendered her. She was accompanied by Mr. Higgins.

Miss Marjorie Jones again took part this time playing "Ave Marie," and received hearty applause.

Two more readings, very amusing ones, followed Miss Jones' selection. Rev. A. E. Lavell was the artist, and he gave "Leetla Georgo Washeenton" and "Da Grafta," in an amusing Italian-American lingo His encore was another funny reading, this time an Irish one.

"In Coon Town," a most amusing sketch by Pte. Hogan of the 125th Battalion, was the next number. It was very original and aided by his good make-up, made the act a success. He was very warmly applauded and had to sing once again.

"The King Needs You" was rendered by Dr. E. Hart, accompanied by the band under the direction of Capt. H. K. Jordan. It was very well received.

The last number on the programme was the selection, "Sounds from England" (Langley) in which the band under Bandmaster Bartram showed up at its best. An encore was played before the curtain was rung down.

Gossip of Notables

In the French army General Castelnau, who succeeded General Pau when the latter was obliged to retire on account of his health, as Joffre's right-hand man is affectionately known as the "Father General"; for he is a soldier who believes in cultivating intimate relations with his men.

It is his custom, whenever possible to visit the trenches and chat with the soldiers, asking them questions as to their families and the country they have come from, in a fatherly manner, which goes straight to the hearts of the soldiers. What the men like best about General Castelnau is the fact that, like the late Lord Roberts, he never forgets a face. A short time ago, when visiting the trenches, he recognized a veteran of the 17th Army Corps whom he first met when he secured his first staff appointment as colonel in 1885. Without any hesitation the General shook hands with the veteran, asked after his family, and congratulated him on the splendid work he and his comrades were doing.

Castelnau's military record is really an amazing one. He was a young man of nineteen when the Franco-Prussian War broke out. In October 1870, he joined the 36th regiment, then being formed, as sub-lieutenant, commanded a company the next month, and received his baptism of fire by taking part in the fighting with the two armies of the Loire, and subsequently in the fighting during the Commune.

He proved his genius for military organization in 1896, when he was elected to the General Staff, and when for three years he controlled the organization and mobilization of the army. Although he is fifty-four years of age, General Castelnau is a man who can stand any amount of fatigue. A keen believer in the simple life, he often lectures his men on the follies of extravagance, and reads them lessons on the methods they should adopt for their physical well being.

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General Doubensky, in a letter home from the Russian front, published in a Petrograd paper says: "The Czar has established his headquarters in a little town in White Russia. There he has two rooms in a small house. Two other rooms of the building are used by Count Fredoriks, the Minister of the Court and Commander of the Imperial Palace. In the basement the adjutant, the physician and the valet of the ruler have their quarters, together with a few trusted servants. The rest of the entourage of the monarch is quartered in houses nearby.

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