

"55TH SECOND BEST BATTALION EVER COMING TO ENGLAND"

New Brunswick Boys Ready to Move End of January After Taking Vigorous Course

Lieut. A. N. Carter Writes of Delight of His Men in Kitchener's Army With Made-in-Canada Socks—His Brother Training in England With Princess Pats.

A member of the 55th battalion, writing to a friend in the city from Bramshott Camp, England, under date of Jan. 25, says:

"Nearly every conceivable form of modern war is practiced in the camp here. Daily parties may be seen marching away with pick and shovel to acquire efficiency in trench digging; another party is arrayed before some dummies and are learning the agility necessary in all bayonet charges; yet another is learning the art of bayonet throwing. Companies may also be observed marching to the ranges, where a rigid course in marksmanship is followed. Together with the football, cross country hunting, boxing and other competitions have a place.

"The sporting side of the soldier's life is not being neglected, and a syllabus has been prepared in which bayonet fighting, football, cross country hunting, boxing and other competitions have a place.

"Private A. Winchester is acting corporal whilst employed on military police duty. He is a very jolly lad and favored us with a pretty song after dinner. Really I cannot tell of the wonderful way we were used. We certainly are fighting for a nation of noble men and women. There was also Lord Osborne and his lady. She gave me a bunch of holly across the table. There was a young officer who had lost his eyesight. He was a pitiful sight."

Victoria County Does Well.

Discussing recruiting in Victoria county, the Victoria County News says that so far two hundred men have gone from that county during the past six months. Recruiting Officer Wootton says that he is confident Victoria county will do even better in the next six months.

A Crowd of Happy 'Tommys.'

E. S. Carter, of Robbsey, has received a very interesting letter from his son, Lieutenant A. N. Carter. Lieutenant Carter is well known here, and was a Rhodes scholar in attendance at Oxford University when he broke out.

Private Carter enjoys the life. Private George E. Carter, a brother of Lieut. Carter, and himself a member of the Princess Patricia's reserves in England, writes to his father, saying that he is having a very good time. He was largely taken up with shooting at the Hythe ranges some three miles distant from the camp at Shorncliffe. The daily routine has consisted of several hours of target practice, and at 4.45 with full pack.

Private Carter states that with the extra work he finds himself considerably improving in condition, and that he is gaining in weight. He believes that when the big drive does come the Allies will work together and complete success should result.

Private Antonio C. Jensen, one of the Victoria county boys in the 55th battalion, writes an interesting letter to the Victoria County News. He says: "The boys of the 55th battalion are all the best of health and quite happy—happy in their knowledge of trying to do their duty, as we know now that everybody who is able and sorely needed in the spring line to get this awful war to a speedy end. I think we have been in service long enough here and have drilled and know so much now that we are pleased to get to France, the sooner the better, to help the boys there and give them a rest."

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MEMBERS OF 26TH CAPTURE GUNS?

Moncton Hears Wm. McBeath Has Won Honors for Gallantry

CAPT. G. G. CORBETT HOME ON LEAVE

Pte. Drew Saw George Saul Breathe His Last—Siege Batteries Doing Good Work But Comparatively Safe—News of the 55th.

Private S. S. Drew, machine-gun section, 26th battalion, of this city, in a letter to his sister, Mrs. R. H. Irwin of 60 Gilbert's Lane, tells of witnessing the death of Private George Saul of St. John. He was in the same trench when Saul was hit by a bullet, which struck him in forehead and passed out through the back of his head. He lived nearly two hours, but of course did not recover consciousness. Speaking of the siege batteries he says: "They are among the best corps in the field. They are stationed miles behind the firing line and are almost as safe as if they were at home."

A letter received by Mrs. W. B. Ord, of West End from Capt. W. H. Sharpe, of the 21st battalion, says his unit is now in the trenches at the time of writing, but things were very quiet, the reason being that the Hun cannot move and we are not yet ready. We are having beautiful weather here," he writes, "though it has been very wet at times. I think that it must be spring in Belgium now, the trees are all budding and the farmers are sowing their grain and the fields are a beautiful green. The big guns keep sending their heavy missiles of destruction now and again to remind us that there is a war on but we are getting used to the screech of shells as they fly overhead, so even they do not disturb us much. Sunday as a general rule of things is quiet and we see our comrades' graves here and there."

Quintessential Sergeant Frank X. Jennings is in France with an Imperial battery.

Peter Mahony, of 384 Main street, received a letter yesterday from his son, Arthur, who was at the time of writing leaving Southampton for an unknown destination in France. He was recently drafted to reinforce an infantry unit in the trenches.

Reviewing military matters in the Moncton Transcript says: "A Moncton soldier writing from Bramshott Camp, England, says: 'An unconfirmed rumour is going around here that William McBeath, of the 26th, a son of Mr. Wm. McBeath, senior, Moncton, and is a young man of remarkable bodily strength. He has a host of friends in Moncton who will rejoice to see him confirmed.'"

Unct Memorials.

(From The Irish Times.)

I.—Nurse Cavell.

A woman, I had sought to hide My mercy from their cruel glare, False to the false of heart—I died, But faithful to my countrymen.

II.—Dead at Passchendaele.

From trench to billet, I tum about, Till, through the roof of my dug-out, Some luckier devil scored a hit.

III.—Dead at Swala.

Say not I never loved you well, Though I distressed you in my day, For you and for the right I fell, Shot through the heart at Swala Bay.

IV.—Dead at Seddud Bahr.

The spirit and resolve of him Who crowned his fame at Kandahar, Nerved us. We did not dare to dim The English name at Seddud Bahr.

V.—Dead at Anzac.

Tenders of unextinguished fires, Sons of the lion-breed of yore, We knew the courage of our sires, We proved it on the Anzac shore.

VI.—"God Tell the English."

England, our honor still survives Untarnished, Lo! thy gallantry Who lost the battle with their lives Hold, in their death, Gallipoli, Dublin, January 17. H. L. D.

Salisbury, N. B., Feb. 15.—The silver black fox which got away from the Salisbury Block Fox & Fur Company's ranch one night last week, was found dead alongside the L. C. R. track near here Sunday morning by Trunkman Albert Ward. The animal had been struck by the train. The body was returned to the ranch, in removing the pelt, Mr. Chapman, who has charge of the ranch, found that the skin was not injured.

Private Blair Gibson, of the 55th in a recent letter to relatives in Moncton, says that he is doing very well. He is now stationed at the front with the 55th Mounted Rifles. While in the metropolis he also ran across William Walsh, who went over with the 23rd, but is now in the pay and record office, London. Another Monctonian he met was Arthur Stone, of the 2nd P. I. Siege Battery. Blair says it is so warm over in England now that the boys of the

A FIGHTING FATHER AND SON



Captain Nash, of Walkerville, adjutant of "London's Own," 142d Overseas Battalion, and his little son, Bugler James Edwin Nash, who has just enlisted in the same battalion in order to go overseas with his father and do his bit for the Empire. The lad was with the Ford people at Ford City. His father was with Kitchener's Fighting Trenches through South Africa, and on coming to Canada was manager of the Gramm Motor Truck Co. at Walkerville.

Cost of Printing The Voters' Lists

In the House of Commons on Feb. 7 A. K. Maclean, M. P., asked:

1. What quantity of the voters' lists for federal elections was printed in 1915, outside of the King's printer's office?

2. By what persons or firms was the printing performed, and what were the respective amounts charged by each firm or person respectively?

Mr. Blondin brought down the following return in reply to Mr. Maclean's question:

Name of District.	Amount Paid.	Where Printed.
Hants (N.S.)	\$ 299.58	Imperial Pub. Co., Halifax.
Kings (N.S.)	848.55	Do.
Yarmouth and Clare (N.S.)	407.65	Do.
Halifax City (N.S.)	613.18	Halifax Herald, Halifax.
Halifax County (N.S.)	618.20	Do.
Pictou (N.S.)	628.55	Do.
Cape Breton South and Richmond (N.S.)	118.05	Do.
Cape Breton North and Victoria (N.S.)	826.15	Do.
Westmorland (N.S.)	660.85	Do.
Inverness (N.S.)	425.40	Royal Print. & Litho Co., Halifax.
Shelburne and Queens (N.S.)	868.64	Do.
Antigonish and Guysborough (N.S.)	426.30	Do.
Cape Breton South and Richmond (N.S.)	962.30	Do.
Cape Breton North and Victoria (N.S.)	140.00	Do.
York-Sunbury (N.B.)	544.60	The Sydney Post, Sydney.
Colchester (N.S.)	807.00	Do.
Lunenburg (N.S.)	237.80	Barnes & Co., St. John (N.B.)
Nunbertland (N.S.)	400.45	Standard, St. John (N.B.)
Cumberland (N.S.)	656.00	Do.
Victoria and Carleton (N.B.)	493.10	Do.
Charlotte (N.B.)	841.78	Do.
Royal (N.B.)	499.20	Do.
Lunenburg (N.S.)	380.60	Do.
Kent (N.B.)	294.90	St. John Globe, St. John.
Restigouche and Madawaska (N.B.)	448.80	Do.
St. John and Counties of St. John City and Albert (N.B.)	1,008.25	Do.
Brandon (Man.)	1,168.58	Telegraph Job Printers, Ltd., Winnipeg (Man.)
Lisgar (Man.)	820.75	Do.

"Lists printed in the province of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were paid at the rate of 5 cents per name and 50 cents per heading (exclusive of paper)."

"Brandon and Lisgar lists were paid at the rate of 11 cents per name, including headings and paper."

55th are able to go ground in their shirt sleeves.

On the Sicilian.

There were five maritime province soldiers returning Corporal A. R. Goucher, son of Rev. W. C. Goucher, pastor of Union street Baptist church in St. Stephen, N. B. was among the number. He was a member of the 26th Battalion and was invalided home as a result of sickness brought on by exposure in the trenches. For three months he fought against the Huns and was fortunate in escaping without a scratch, although he was engaged in many severe conflicts with the Germans. He was a member of A. Company, first in charge of Major McKenzie and later under Major Brown. During the memorable engagement when his company charged the German crater he took an active part and although bullets hissed all around him he escaped without a scratch.

He said the raid on the crater took place one afternoon. He explained how the smoke bombs had been thrown out and then the order was passed around to charge the enemy trench. Out of his platoon of fifty soldiers seven returned uninjured. Corporal Goucher was stricken with pleurisy and was sent to England. He said he hated to leave his comrades behind and would willingly rejoin them.

With Major Guthrie.

Private George McDonald of Fredericton, who was a member of the 10th Battalion, was wounded at the battle of Passchendaele just two days before his command officer, Major Guthrie fell. He was struck in the knee with shrapnel and in addition was suffering from pain as a result of gas poisoning at Ypres. The gas had a bad effect on his body and an operation had to be performed to relieve him from pain. He was in a hospital until recently when he was invalided home.

Private McDonald has three brothers at the front—John with the 7th Battalion, William and David with the Canadian Field Artillery. His father, Private David McDonald, a veteran of South Africa and also of India is with the 26th Battalion also in the trenches. He was wounded recently when he was invalided home.

Some Consolation.

Write—Everything we have here in the house is so old and shabby.

Hub—Have a little patience, my dear. When they get a bit older they will be antiquies.

The commodore of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club at Victoria has given to the Red Cross a steam yacht valued at \$10,000.

SHELL CONTRACTS CONSIDERED SACRED

Premier Borden Announces That the Government Has No Control Over the Commission, and That Any Information Regarding Its Work Must Come Through It—Mr. Hazen Says He is Unable to Furnish F. B. Carvell With the Promised Details of Steel Contracts.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—The fact that the Canadian government does not assume responsibility for the Imperial Munitions Board, even to the extent of undertaking to furnish information on its transactions to the house, furnished the subject matter of a little breeze at the opening of the house today. Sir Wilfrid Laurier asked the prime minister whether the opposition were to understand that certain information regarding shell contracts which the minister of marine had promised to get from the munitions board some weeks ago, and had not yet been furnished to F. B. Carvell, of Carleton Place, was not to be given to the house.

Sir Robert Borden said that the information would, no doubt, be afforded by the shell committee, subject to the public interest and the wishes of the British government as to the kind of information to be given out. This government had no control whatever over the shell committee.

Sir Wilfrid said the committee seemed to be a mysterious one somewhere, presided over by Mr. W. F. Flavelle, and which granted contracts.

The prime minister said the records of the committee were not in the government's possession, as it had been appointed by the British minister of munitions. There was no mystery about the matter, other than that which Sir Wilfrid Laurier conjured up himself.

Hon. J. D. Hazen rose to state that he had asked the munitions board for the information desired by Mr. Carvell, and had been this morning informed by Mr. Flavelle that it could not be furnished under the present circumstances, and had forwarded the letter to Mr. Carvell. As for his own information, in regard to shell contracts, he had obtained it from a private individual where he did not know of its name.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier asked when the public accounts and other committees were to be organized, and was assured by W. S. Middlemore that the public accounts committee had been organized and was ready for any member who wished to bring a matter before it. Hon. G. P. Graham then assured Mr. Middlemore that the committee would have plenty to do.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier again asked in regard to the Calgary soldiers' riots and was assured by the minister of militia that the report of a district inquiry being conducted into the affair had not been received, though Sir Middlemore stated that the report had been greatly exaggerated. All was now quiet. The minister also assured Hon. Charles Maclellan that he did not believe the report of similar trouble, caused by twenty men at Campbellton (N.B.), was well founded.

Hon. Robert Rogers told Hon. Charles Murphy that everything possible had been done by the government to secure the release of Hon. Dr. Beland, M.P., for Beauce, now a German prisoner. There seemed to be no justifiable cause for his detention, and the situation was not clear either to the Canadian or British authorities.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier rose to confirm the assertion that everything possible had been done by the government in this matter.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Fourteen Canadian battalions, or over 15,000 men, have been selected on their showing by the minister of militia to go overseas in the near future. They will replace in England the men who have left for the front to form the Third Division, or who are now leaving for the Fourth Division, which is being organized. Other battalions from Canada will move forward promptly, providing the nucleus for the Fifth and Sixth Divisions which Canada is now arranging to add to the Canadian forces at the front.

The battalions selected are as follows:

33rd, London, now at Quebec, under Col. Wilson.

The 45th, Brandon, under Col. Clark.

The 51st, Edmonton, under Col. Harwood.

The 53rd, Prince Albert, now at Winnipeg, under Col. Denniston.

The 56th, Calgary, under Col. Armstrong.

The 59th, Eastern Ontario, under Col. Dawson.

The 61st, Winnipeg, under Col. Murray.

The 62nd, Vancouver, under Col. Holmes.

The 64th, Halifax, under Col. H. Montgomery-Campbell.

The 67th, Victoria, under Col. Ross.

The 71st, Woodstock, under Col. Donald Sutherland.

The 73d, Montreal, under Col. Peers Davidson.

The 74th, Toronto, under Col. Windygar.

The 75th, Toronto, under Col. Beckett.

There are now 21 battalions formally authorized, and new battalions are being daily formed.

The department has had a request from the war office for 125 bakers and 55 more export engineers.

Says It Was Incendiary.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Under order before the Parliamentary Fire Investigation Commission, this afternoon, Fire Chief Graham, of Ottawa, stoutly maintained the opinion that the fire in the parliament buildings had been deliberately set. His theory is that a series of fires were started by chemicals in a number of paper files in the reading room. His main reason for the belief was the rapidity with which the fire spread, and the several explosions which he is positive occurred.

"My wife gave a reception yesterday." "Did you attend?" "Yes, I played a practical joke on her. I got in line when she was receiving and before she knew it she was smiling and saying she was glad to see me."

Wolfeville citizens gave \$885 towards the expenses of No. 7 Stationary Hospital which is being equipped by Nova Scotia.

Crimea Veteran Is Laid to Rest.

The Boston Herald has the following: "Edward J. Power, the 102-year-old veteran of the Crimean war who died last Thursday, was buried yesterday with full military honors from his late home, 97 Parker street, Charlestown. "The casket was draped with a British flag and fifty uniformed members of the British Military and Naval Veterans' Association formed the escort. There were two Scotch pipers in kilts and four former British army buglers to furnish the funeral music. At Holy Cross cemetery, Malden, taps were sounded over the grave. The Rev. Henry J. Grady, pastor of St. Benedict's church, Somerville, conducted the service.

Ladies! Think well of the grocer who handles PURE FLOUR More Bread and Better Bread

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French River, Ont. find 50c for which kindly send me, as I don't feel that I can remain in the house. I find them very fine. The house seems to be all right. I will send you a return mail. Richard Hamlyn.

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Glin Pills for KIDNEYS

Remains Glin Pills and not a "or" just the same" as Glin Pills.

World that acts so quickly in the back, cutting kidney or incontinence of urine. It will promptly refund mentioning this.

Selected, vice, C. K. Palmer, president; John Killam, vice-president; J. Fraser Gregg, second vice-president; William Todd, secretary-treasurer. The company, it is announced, had a fairly good year, although not quite up to the average.

NEW TREATMENT THAT KNOCKS RHEUMATISM

50c. Box Free to Any Sufferer.

Up in Syracuse, N. Y., a treatment for rheumatism has been found that hundreds of users say is a wonder, reporting cases that seem little short of miraculous. Just a few treatments in the very worst cases seem to accomplish wonders even after other remedies have failed entirely. It seems to neutralize uric acid and line salt deposits in the blood, driving all the poisonous clogging waste from the system. Soreness, pain, stiffness, swelling just seem to melt away and vanish.

The treatment that introduced by Mr. Delano is so good that its owner wants everybody who suffers from rheumatism or who has a friend so afflicted, to get a free 50c package from him to prove just what it will do in every case before a penny is spent. Mr. Delano says: "To prove that the Delano treatment will positively overcome rheumatism, no matter how severe, stubborn or long standing the case, and even after all other treatments have failed, I will, if you have never previously used the treatment, send you a full size 50c package free if you will send your name and address with 10c to help pay postage and distribution expense to me personally."

F. H. Delano, 589-L Wood Blvd., Syracuse, N. Y. I can send only one Free Package to an address.

Throat

seriously, but a sore throat indicates tubercle. If neglected it may become a permanent complaint. The throat is most susceptible to germs, and fall easy victims to germs and heal the inflamed membrane.

Cough Remedy

issues of the throat, strengthens same time builds up the system. Influenza or consumption germs we all things never neglect a year of suffering for it in after

—Gammie Chamberlain