

Personal & General

The following Chaplains are returning to Canada from overseas, namely: Revs. R. Herbert, C. R. Spencer, and F. Vipond.

To avoid the use of gasoline needed for war work, the Queen and other members of the Royal family have stored their motor cars and are using horse-drawn vehicles.

Capt. C. R. Spencer, son of Rev. Canon Spencer, of Hamilton, is returning to Canada after an illness, and nearly three years of Chaplain's work in France and England.

Captain the Rev. E. Appleyard, M.C., the recently-appointed Rector of New St. Paul's, Woodstock, Ont., has been unanimously elected honorary president of the local branch of G.W.V.A.

Roughly speaking, the war has resulted in 200,000 persons in the United Kingdom being married between August, 1914, and June, 1917, who, in the ordinary course of events, would not have married.

The Admiralty announced on the 30th ult. that since the start of the war nine British transports had been sunk and 9,000 lives lost. During the same period 11,000,000 soldiers have been transported.

The Chief Secretary for Scotland announced in the House of Commons that the Government had agreed to the conversion of Edinburgh Castle into a National War Museum to commemorate Scotland's part in the war.

It is reported that 1,406 British barristers have joined the colours, of whom 102 have been killed or have died, 32 have received the Military Cross, and 19 the Distinguished Service Order, whilst 26 have been mentioned in despatches.

Mrs. Elizabeth Nunn, Windsor, Ontario's oldest resident, died on February 2nd. She was reputed to be 105 years of age. Born in Buckinghamshire, England, Mrs. Nunn was two years old when the power of Napoleon was crushed by the British armies under the Duke of Wellington on the field of Waterloo.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has issued its thirty-first roll of honour, showing 85 names, of those who have been killed or wounded. Of the 5,000 C.P.R. employees who went to the front, either in fighting units or as railway engineers or members of the Construction Corps, 576 have been killed and 1,256 wounded.

The Venerable William Woodcock Hough, Honorary Canon of Southwark and Archdeacon of Kingston-on-Thames, has been nominated to be Bishop-Suffragan of Woolwich. He was formerly mathematical master at Queen Elizabeth's School, Wimborne, Curate of Hempston, Dorset, and clerical secretary for the Diocese of Rochester.

In our last issue a well-known clerical lecturer was inadvertently placed in a somewhat ridiculous position. Rev. C. B. Kenrick, of St. Philip's, Hamilton, was credited with saying in the course of an illustrated lecture that treacle was a part of the daily menu of the birds at the London Zoo. While it is true that sweet stuff plays its part in certain rations, Mr. Kenrick did not say that syrup was

fed to the birds in that institution but to the bears.

Boston's Italian Chapel. — The Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi, whose corner-stone was laid the last of November, is to be most complete and beautiful in every detail of its build and furnishing. It will be a memorial church in the fullest sense. A very beautiful altar and reredos has been given in memory of Phillips Brooks, and the Priest in charge of the Italian work in the region—the Rev. Henry C. Sartorio—has asked for the completion of the chancel by a rood-beam.

A missionary, on the eve of going to China, explains his purpose in the following language: "The Standard Oil Company has adopted the slogan, 'Standard Oil tin in every village in the Orient'; the American Tobacco Company is using the motto, 'A cigarette in the mouth of every person in China'; so I, as a unit of the Church of Jesus Christ, have taken the watchword, 'Christianity and its teachings in every hamlet within the boundaries of the Chinese Republic.'" — Missionary Outlook.

Westerham, the quaint Kentish village, which prides itself on being the birthplace of General Wolfe, has fallen into the current fashion of retrenchment. The hero's birthday should have been celebrated in Westerham this year by a banquet, as usual, but owing to the food conditions there was no ceremonial feeding. The anniversary was marked by decorating with laurel the Wolfe statue on the village green, some of the laurel having come from Quebec House, where Wolfe lived at one time.

A Roll of Honour recently unveiled in a church at Vancouver is given over entirely to recording the names of the Japanese men who, residing in Vancouver and vicinity, answered the call of the Empire for volunteers to defend the Flag. There are at present 184 names on the roll, of whom thirty-six have been killed, three are missing, seventy-seven wounded, four have returned, and the remainder are still in the firing-line. Three of them have been awarded decorations for valour, one of them, Tokuji Sato, winning the Victoria Cross.

Captain the Rev. W. R. Ramsay Armitage is now Chaplain with the 3rd Battalion (Toronto), 1st Canadian Division. He is a son of Archdeacon Armitage of Halifax, and a graduate of Wycliffe College, Toronto. He was appointed Captain, Chaplain of the 234th Battalion, but just before it went overseas the new order against Chaplains going overseas came into effect. Capt. Armitage then resigned his commission, and went over in the ranks. Later on he again received his commission, and was appointed Chaplain of No. 7 Stationary Hospital, in France.

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