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## HYMN FOR HIGH PLACES

In darkened days of strife and fear,  
When far from home and hold,  
I do essay my soul to cheer,  
As did wise men of old;  
When folk do go in doleful guise,  
And about the stocks;  
I to the hills will lift mine eyes,  
From whence doth come mine aid.  
I shall my soul a temple make  
Where hills stand up on high;  
Thither my sadness shall I take  
And comfort there I'll find;  
For every good and noble deed,  
This message doth extend—  
That evil men must render count  
And evil days must end.  
For, sooth, it is a kindly sight  
To see God's mountain tall  
That vanquisheth each lesser height  
As great hearts vanquish small;  
Stand up, stand up, ye holy hills,  
As saints and seraphs do,  
That ye may bear these present ills  
And lead men safely through.  
Let high and low repair and go,  
To where great hills endure;  
Let strong and weak be there to seek  
Their comfort and their cure;  
And for all hills in air array  
Now thanks and blessings give,  
And, bearing healthful hearts away,  
Home go and stoutly live.

## THE STOCKING OF PRIVATE PARKS

As I came out on to the convalescent veranda my brother James looked up from his paper.

"Did I ever tell you about a certain Private Parks?" he asked. "He was with me in Flanders in the early days. He came out with a draft and lasted about two months. Rather a curious type. Very superstitious. If a shell narrowly missed him he must have a small piece of put in his pocket. If while standing on a duck-board he happened to be immune while his pals were being killed, he would carry it about with him all day if possible. On one occasion he was very nearly shot for insubordination, because he would go out into No-man's-land after a flower which he thought would help him.

"Not that his superstition was purely selfish. Once, when he had had two particularly close shaves during the day, he insisted upon sleeping outside the barn where we were billeted. 'I'm absolutely certain to have a third close shave,' he said, 'and if I'm in the billets tomorrow I'll get it.'

"The Corporal let him lie down in the farmyard, but a little later he crept up the road about fifty yards to make things more certain."

"And I suppose the barn was hit and he escaped?" I put in, feeling that I had heard this story before.

"You don't know Private Parks," said James. "About two o'clock in the morning a shell fell on the road not ten yards from him. Bits of it must have made a pattern all round him, but not one hit him, and when he'd picked himself out of the ditch he went back to the billet, knowing all was then safe.

"Then one day when we were in the front line there came up with the mail a parcel for Private Parks. I was near when he opened it. When he saw the contents he gave a sigh and a curious resigned expression came over his face.

"What's the sent you?" I asked.

"It's from my old aunt, Sir," he said. "It's a stocking. 'Only one?' 'Yes, he said with great solemnity. 'The other one's been pinched?' I asked. 'No, Sir. The parcel's not been opened. It simply means that I shall lose a leg to-day,' he added. He wasn't pinched at all. But, as to reassuring him, I might as well have argued with a tank.

"We'd had a very quiet time, but that evening the Hun put over a pretty stiff bombardment. We stood to, but all we thought it was only a little extra evening halt, except Private Parks. He kept saying, 'They're coming across, till we told him not to get the wind up. But he hadn't got the wind up. Only he knew they were coming.

"And they did come. Just after it was dark they made a bigish raid and got into our front trench a little to our right. We started bombing inward, but the slope of the ground was awkward, and they seemed to be having the best of the fun.

"Then Parks jumped up on to the parapet with a pair of bombs and ran along. He fairly got among them, and by the time he was hit in the right leg they were merely casualties or prisoners. I saw him get the stretcher going back. He was in some pain, but he smiled, and said, 'One stocking will be enough now, Sir.'

## PROGRAMME OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE, THIRTY-FIRST SESSION TO BE HELD AT ST. ANDREWS, SEPT. 27 AND 28, 1917

FIRST SESSION, THURSDAY, 10.00 A. M.  
Enrolment, Appointment of Committees, etc., President's Address.

SECOND SESSION, 2.00 P. M.  
PAPER—Nature Study, School Gardens, etc.  
Miss Gertrude C. Coughlin, St. Stephen.  
Discussion opened by Principal A. B. Brooks, St. George.

PAPER—"Primary Hand Work."  
Miss Florence A. Duggan, Milltown.  
Discussion opened by Miss Sarah St. Andrews.

THIRD SESSION, FRIDAY, 9.00 A. M.  
PAPER—English Composition, Grades 6, 7 and 8.  
Miss Sara McCaffrey, St. Andrews.  
Discussion opened by Miss Grace Coughlin, Milltown.

PAPER—Writing.  
Miss Helen Young, Boxborough.  
Discussion opened by Miss Emma Veazey, St. Stephen.

PAPER—"The War."  
James Vroom, M. A., Secretary St. Stephen School Board.

FOURTH SESSION, 2.00 P. M.  
READING—Expression, etc.  
Miss Margaret Lynds, Normal School, Fredericton.

PAPER—High School Mathematics.  
Principal Gilbert, St. Stephen.

Discussion.  
Election of officers, etc.  
Usual travelling arrangements will be made.

MISS EDNA A. GIBBERSON, St. Andrews, President.  
F. O'SULLIVAN, St. Stephen, Secretary-Treasurer.

## MORE MEDALS FOR HEROISM

Military medals have been conferred upon soldiers from all parts of the Dominion who distinguished themselves during the recent hard fighting. The few cases in which reasons for the award can be called are only typical of hundreds of others. Among the awards is the Military Medal to Pte. Henry William McLean, of a New Brunswick regiment, for picking up, at great personal risk, an enemy bomb which fell among his section during the advance and throwing it into nearby trenches where it exploded. By doing this, McLean saved many casualties in the section.

Another gallant New Brunswicker who gets the Military Medal is Private Crawford Galley, a machine gunner, who although severely wounded in the face at the beginning of the advance, carried on the objective, and was responsible for the capture of six of the enemy.

Sergeant Fred Kaine gets his medal because, when his platoon commander and sergeant became casualties he took over and re-organized the platoon, led mopping up parties, captured many of the enemy and their consolidated position and won and maintained it against many strong counter attacks during the next two days.

This New Brunswicker is specially praised for displaying the greatest coolness and good judgment.

## WAR TAX BILL PASSES U. S. SENATE

Washington, September 10.—The war tax bill—the largest single taxation measure in American history—was passed last night by the Senate. It provides for a levy somewhat under \$2,400,000,000, as compared with \$1,867,870,000, proposed in the bill as it passed the House on May 23. The vote on the measure was sixty-nine to four.

The great bill, nearly four months in the making, will be returned to the House to-day, and then goes to conference with enactment within ten days or two weeks probable.

## C. P. R. TRAIN SERVICE

Effective Monday, Sept. 24th, double service on St. Andrews Sub-division, will be discontinued. On and after that date there will be only one train in and out of St. Andrews, daily except Sunday; arriving at St. Andrews 11.55 a.m. (Atlantic) and leaving at 6.00 p.m. (Atlantic).

## GREAT DEMAND FOR HORSES AND MULES FOR NEW AMERICAN ARMY

To equip 500 regiments of United States infantry will require 34,500 riding horses, 56,000 draft mules, 12,500 pack mules and 3,900 riding mules. A force of 125 regiments of artillery will require 137,023 horses, 10,000 draft mules and 900 riding mules. The equipment of ten regiments of cavalry will necessitate 154,100 horses, 15,200 draft mules and 600 riding mules and 2,900 pack mules.

The total number therefore required for the equipment of 500 regiments of infantry 125 of artillery and 100 cavalry will amount to 325,625 horses and 100,700 mules.

"Don't you suffer with the heat in summer?" "Yes, indeed; more than in any other season of the year."—Boston Transcript.

## FUEL CONTROLLER'S WARNING

Ottawa, Sept. 11.—Mr. C. A. Magrath, Canadian Fuel Controller, has issued a warning to coal dealers that they are not to increase prices, now that winter is approaching, without first making representations to him.

"The coal dealers, I am sure," he said, "understand that they are not to increase prices without first making representations to me as to the grounds on which they would justify such a step. The Department of Labour is keeping in touch with the coal situation so far as prices are concerned and if any evidence is received as to what might be regarded as improper charges, it will be promptly sent to me, and I shall act in no uncertain manner."

"I wish to say," added Mr. Magrath, "that I have every confidence in the desire of the coal dealers of Canada to deal fairly with their customers and particularly those of small means."

"Ordinarily prices of coal advance in the fall, the time when the small consumer is fully alive as the rest of us to the duty of mutual helpfulness in these abnormal times, and have not thought of charging prices that will yield them more than a fair profit."

"I wish to appeal, however, particularly to the dealers in our towns and cities, where large quantities of coal are handled in small lots, to deal in a generous manner with the small users of coal, and as far as possible to lighten the heavy burdens they are now carrying."

"I feel that the people should get their coal at the lowest possible rate consistent with moderate profits, and I have no reason to doubt that this will be the policy of the dealers. The householders should not be taken of his necessity. On the other hand the householders should co-operate in trying to buy as much coal as possible. Coal is something for which he has to find the money."

"I expect our fuel dealers to put me in a position—without my having to force the issue—to say to the public, after this abnormal situation passes away, that no section of our business organizations met their responsibilities in a more generous and patriotic spirit than those engaged in looking after the country's fuel supply."

## RECRUITING IN NEW BRUNSWICK

The official report of the result of recruiting in the Province of New Brunswick, for home and overseas service, for the week ending Sept. 8, is as follows:

St. John County—  
8th Field Ambulance Depot 1  
Canadian Engineers 5  
22nd O. S. Coy 1  
Div. Signalling Corps 2  
Home Service 1  
Recruits from the United States for the C. E. F. 23

York County—  
9th Siege Battery 2  
236th Battalion 7  
8th Field Ambulance Depot 10

Northumberland County—  
No. 2 Forestry Company 8  
Restigouche County—  
9th Siege Battery 3

Kings County—  
No. 2 Forestry Company 10  
Westmorland County—  
Albert County 4  
Carleton County 4  
Gloucester County 4  
Charlotte County 4  
Victoria County 4  
Madawaska County 4  
Queens and Sunbury 4  
Kent County 4

Total 10

Of the 10 recruits shown for York County for the week, 9 were secured in the United States.

## SOLDIERS REACH HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 10.—A ship arrived here yesterday from overseas with a passenger list of approximately 1,400, among whom were 830 men returning from the front, many on furlough.

Premier Holman, of New South Wales, who is returning to his home after a stay in the British Isles, was among those on board.

## WATCH FOR FORMER CZAR

Petrograd, Sept. 10.—Irkutsk newspapers received here say that the local Council of Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates have appointed two agents for duty at the railroad station to inspect American Red Cross trains bound east under the belief that the former Emperor Nicholas, in the company of a "mythical American mission," is being smuggled out of Siberia.

## WOMAN SUFFRAGE BEATEN IN MAINE

Portland, Me., Sept. 10.—Equal suffrage for Maine women was defeated 2 to 1 at the special election to-day, according to newspaper returns to-night from two-thirds of the state. The total for 438 out of the 835 election precincts including all cities, was 17,035 in favor of and 31,807 opposed.

The voting was on a proposed constitutional amendment, adopted last session of the legislature, after forty years of work on the part of suffrage workers in Maine.

## THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The Red Cross Society has very great pleasure in acknowledging the following generous and most welcome contributions to its funds:

The Misses B. McCann, E. McCann, and M. Craig, the sum of \$91, being the proceeds of a picnic held at Chamcook last week; Miss L. Morris, \$5; Mrs. C. Mallory, \$1; Miss K. Hunt, \$1; Miss B. Grimmer, \$13; Mrs. M. N. Cockburn, \$5.

At the last meeting of the Society Miss E. V. N. Clements, Secretary of the Provincial Branch, was present and spoke most encouragingly of the work done by this branch of the Society. Lady Tilley, Acting President and Treasurer, of the Provincial Branch, though in town, was unable to attend the meeting owing to ill-health, much to the regret of all. At the next meeting a box of hospital supplies will be packed for shipment to Headquarters in St. John, and all who have finished work are asked to bring it to All Saints School-room as soon after 3 o'clock next Wednesday afternoon as possible. Christmas Stockings to fill for wounded soldiers can be had from Mrs. G. H. Stickney at any time, and will be given to all willing to fill them. If you have not received one beforehand get it at the Wednesday meeting. These stockings must be sent in filled by September 26th, as on that date they will be packed and forwarded to St. John. They must not be packed inside boxes, but merely filled and tied securely. The following letter has been received by this branch, and as it gives full directions for filling the stockings we reprint it below.

St. John N. B. Sept. 3rd 1917

Dear Madam President—

We have to-day received word from the Executive of the Canadian Red Cross, Toronto, with reference to the Christmas stockings to be supplied to our men in the hospitals overseas. Thirty thousand of these are required and New Brunswick has been asked to contribute 3500, practically the same quantity as was sent forward from this province last year.

It is especially asked that the stockings should not be too heavy nor contain many or too valuable gifts, and the total cost of each stocking should not on any account exceed \$2.00. In order that every man should receive gifts of approximately the same value, it is suggested that each stocking should contain one gift out of each of the following classes:

- 1 Pocket mirror, cheap style; pocket pencil, pocket knife, pipe or match box.
- 2 Writing pad and envelopes. Fancy post cards.
- 3 Cigarettes, tobacco.
- 4 Candies (chocolates preferred); chewing gum. (candy must be put in a box, not in paper bags or parcels.)
- 5 Handkerchiefs; Neckties; Socks.
- 6 Game; Book; Puzzle; Mouth Organ.
- 7 Toilet Requisites such as Soap; Toilet Powder; Tooth Paste; Pin Cushion.
- 8 Packages of Raisins; Dates or Figs. Nuts. (Please do not send peanuts they do not keep fresh.)

In packing a stocking, remember that it must travel many miles, and please see that its contents are such that they will not break or spoil in transit. Do not put in sticky candy, or flimsy packets of insect powder, or matches.

Last year the gay Christmas stockings from Canada brought much joy to her wounded soldiers, and we feel that this year too the message of cheer will not be lacking and that our men who find themselves in hospitals far from home will know that they are not forgotten on the day which is dear to us all.

Once more we would ask that all directions in connexion with these stockings be carefully followed, that great care be taken in filling them, remembering that they are for our wounded men in hospital, and that they represent our thought for their joy and comfort.

Yours very truly  
ALICE TILLEY  
Organizing President C. R. C. S.  
for New Brunswick

## OPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

NO RHODES SCHOLARS THIS YEAR

Dr. C. C. Jones, chancellor of the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, has been notified by Dr. G. R. Parkin, secretary of the Rhodes Trust, that no Rhodes scholars are to be elected in 1918. The election in this year would fall to the University of New Brunswick. Dr. Parkin's letter states that the election will be postponed until after the war. It is believed that in the event of the war continuing in 1918 the election in that year also will be postponed.

Prof. C. S. McGinnis, who occupies the chair of physics and electrical engineering, has returned to his duties at the University after one year's leave of absence, on account of ill health. Professor McGinnis' health is much improved. During his absence the chair was temporarily filled by E. P. Williams.

Dr. Jones says that the freshman class promises well in point of numbers and that the new students will join other classes. The upper classes will lose some members, however. Lectures will be resumed on Monday, Sept. 17, the examinations having begun on Thursday.

## NO SHORTAGE OF WHISKEY

Washington, Sept. 8.—To-night at 11 o'clock whiskey manufacture ceases in the United States under provisions of the law and the millions of bushels of grain heretofore used in making that form of drink will be diverted to food. Importation of whiskey also stops to-night.

Stocks of whiskey in the country undoubtedly are larger than they ever have been because of active preparation by distillers and dealers in anticipation of the law. Distillers have been working at utmost capacity and imports have been larger than ever. Officials estimate the quantity of whiskey in bonded warehouses to be about 190,000,000 gallons. Stocks not in bond will bring the quantity on hand in the country up to about 290,000,000 gallons. The annual production of whiskey has been about 116,000,000 gallons.

## RED CROSS GARDEN PARTY AT BOCACBE COVE

The summer residence of Mrs. E. H. Botterell, "Orchard House," Bocabec Cove, was the scene of a most successful and interesting garden party, held in aid of the Red Cross Society on Friday, Sept. 7. There was a large and attractive display of articles prepared by the most successful of the employees of Messrs. John Henderson's factory in Montreal, which were made by the employees of Messrs. John Henderson's factory in Montreal, and chosen a most excellent way of doing it. Many of the articles were very beautiful, and must have taken some time in the making. Mrs. Botterell's interest in the Red Cross is well known, and her kindness in giving her grounds for the holding of the Garden Party, and in managing it so efficiently, is deserving of great praise. The sum realized was the very handsome one of \$50.