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GOD SAVE THE KING

A GREAT many of us, no doubt, have never stopped to consider the enormous responsibility that rests upon the shoulders of our Most Gracious King, especially in these troublesome times of war and strife. Not for a single moment, day or night, is he free from the cares and worries that are to-day making old men of those who yesterday were boys, and turning the hair of thousands grey. Notwithstanding the great demand upon his time and energy from the War Office, and the heads of departments, the King has found time to visit nearly every centre of activity in connection with the present war, not only in the British Isles, but in France and Belgium as well. In order to show his sympathy and get as close to his people as possible, the King has visited the coal mines, away down in the bowels of the earth, where men are playing a most important part in the present conflict. He has also personally inspected the shipyards, where great monsters of the deep were in the course of construction. He went all through the principal munitions factories where shells, large and small, were being turned out in a ceaseless stream. These places, and many other industrial works, he visited in order to personally come in contact with the people, and to show his appreciation for the work they are doing at home.

Not content with this, His Majesty has visited all the important battle fronts in France and Belgium, he reviewed troops, talked with the soldiers, and everywhere took a keen interest in anything that concerned the men, or the cause they were serving.

The Queen also has the welfare of her people equally at heart. While the King was visiting battlefields, and going behind the lines, Her Majesty was making a separate tour in the war zone. She spent a good deal of time in the hospitals, where a smile here and a cheery word there made many a lad happy.

As Canadians we are proud of the democratic spirit shown by our King and Queen. They have come into our lives as we never expected Royalty could or would do. In spirit we will in future add a sentence to the National Anthem and sing:—

God Save our Gracious King—and Queen.

THE EDITOR.

THE "PILL-SLINGERS" LEAGUE

By Capt. Wilbur C. Lowry, C.A.M.C.

Granville v. Princess Patricias

Perhaps one of the most exciting games staged on the Chatham House Grounds was played on Saturday, July 21st., when the outfit of hitters from the Princess Patricias encountered for the third time a tidy team from the Granville. A large number of people watched the game, our English friends are apparently developing a keen interest in the Pill-slingers'. The railbirds were unusually noisy and on several occasions were inclined to tackle the umpire for what seemed to them to be wrong decisions. It is perhaps these antics on the part of the bleachers that the "Ramsgaters" find so interesting.

The home team was first at the bat but they failed to register. Bennet of the visitors knocked the first ball pitched away over hostile territory and cavorted around the bags for a home run. During the first five innings the Red Cross sluggers crossed the plate the greater number of times. Each clan played gilt-edged ball but the collection of runs remained in favour of the Pats. In the sixth inning the Villians got their bats working and when the fire-works had stop they had sufficient tallies to their credit to keep the game on ice, and in spite of loud vociferous coaching from their supporters the Patricia's could not uncork a rally sufficiently strong to overcome the local's stonewall defence and they had to retire to their own abode with their score of five runs, outdistanced by nine.

The hurling department of both teams had many choice slants on their balls. Half-fare vouchers were hard to obtain. The support was excellent, each player was responsible for many sizzling stops; base tenants always found difficultly in advancing a bag.

The final score was 14—5 in favour of the Granville.

In-Door Baseball Game

On Thursday, July 19th, the Officers and Corporals clashed for the third time, to date each had won a game so neither clan was looking for easy pickings. In several innings each side pulled down the cipher, though many players was left stranded on the bags. On one occasion with a man on first and one on second, the second baseman for the officers caught a pop fly to centre-field, touched his bag and tossed to first making a triple play.

¶ The score was 10—5 in favour of the officers.

CHATS FROM CHATHAM

Pte. Lowrie is a happy man these evenings. The little fellow can now sit up and take notice.

We do not agree with the Granville Sergeants' system of baptism, personally we prefer Johnny Walker.

Cheer up "Happy" the war is not over yet; who knows, you may yet get that "good knowledge" of first aid.

Who is the guy that is walking out a sweet little Ramsgate damsel, who can talk of nothing but his beautiful blue eyes and his lovely legs?

From whom does the Lance Jack get the authority to frame his own rules and regulations for the conduct of R.P. duty at the main gate?

Who was the fellow seen walking out two married ladies the other evening, and one of them a publican's wife, too. Oh, you Scottie.

Who is the guy who the other evening, while helping two of our Nursing Sisters to fix the tennis net, pulled the ropes to pieces, then surreptitiously, with his jack-knife, "borrowed" a rope from a near by tent?

The Instructional Corporals' farewell :—

No "Moore" we'll knock upon the door,

No "Moore" we'll visit the Q.M. store.

Our last meal's made, our stomachs are empty;

But, deep down in the store, they've still got plenty.

How much did it cost the Supply Store Sergeant for Lemons to clean his belt, and who is the daily runner to fetch the Lemon. Does the Flapper at Margate like the belt better than his bandolier, Sergeant?

We have collected records of thirty-five N.C.O's who possess the Regimental No. 1 and who were the first Canadian to enlist. The *Hospital News* is arranging for a battle royal, the winner, to receive one month's leave in Canada. †

GRUNTS FROM GRANVILLE

Was it an "eye-opener" to Pte. Hatch when he discovered his lóss?

What did Pte. Ross do with the tent peg? Harboursing Government property is a serious offence.

What did Pte. Law do with the two dozen cakes of soap he purchased at the Penny Bazaar?

Pte. Wardell, Sunday Morning—"Sh-h-h! I want to hear the air raid." Some people are particular.

Is the present location of the Sergeants' Mess considered more convenient than the former?—Between two fires.

If that plane is B 4,
And the same as before,
How many parapets will
B 4 demolish before she
Will B no more.

Since the production of his new theatrical success, "The Phantom Provost," we see Pte. Pratt supports a red chevron. *Qu'est que ça signifie?*

Route marches are now in vogue on early morning parades. Well, pushing a pram. does make one rather stooped, and he may need it.

By putting up a new sign over the door, the Dispensers will probably dispense with indisposed loiterers while dispensing. Be reasonable, Prim, we all like to help you.

Sleuth's not yet extinct. We have received the following letter:

I thought a certain M.O. had gone back to Canada, but the other day while prowling around the Granville on the alert, I saw a skeleton labelled with his rank and name. Needless to say I ate no dinner, and determined to report the matter immediately.

This young Sherlock would only be calmed with a very lengthy explanation of how it was a shipping tag on the instructional skeleton that had caused the delusion.

THE ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION

By Staff-Sergt. Dive

The galleries of Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson & Hodge, New Bond Street, London, on the afternoon of Wednesday, June 20th, was the scene of a Royal acknowledgment and appreciation of the work done in very diverse directions by blind and wounded soldiers and sailors. H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, who was accompanied by our beloved Princess "Pat," declared the exhibition open, shortly after three o'clock, while the band (wounded soldiers) from Shepherd's Bush Orthopædic Hospital played the National Anthem.

The exhibit of vital interest to us, Canadians, was that sent by the Arts and Crafts Department of the Granville Canadian Special Hospital. It comprised 61 items, which included, mechanical, saddlery, boot-making, printing, and photography, all performed in our own workshops at Chatham House. Space does not permit of a minute description of the various articles, but a glance at the accompanying pictures will give some little idea of the work carried on by our patients and soldiers returned from the front.

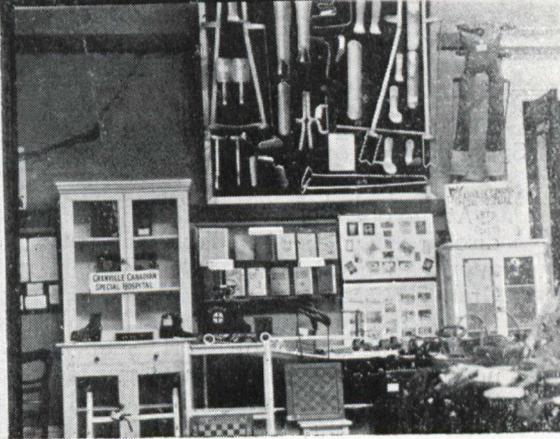
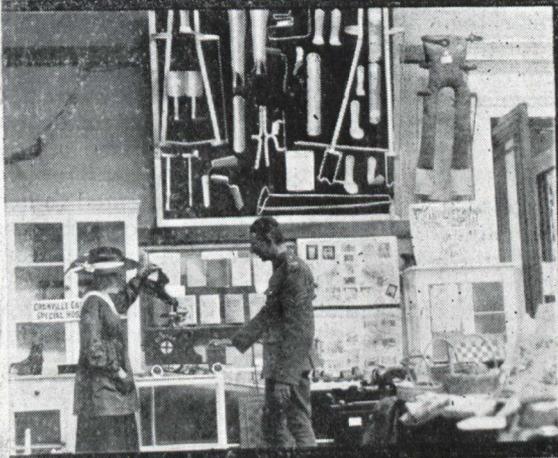
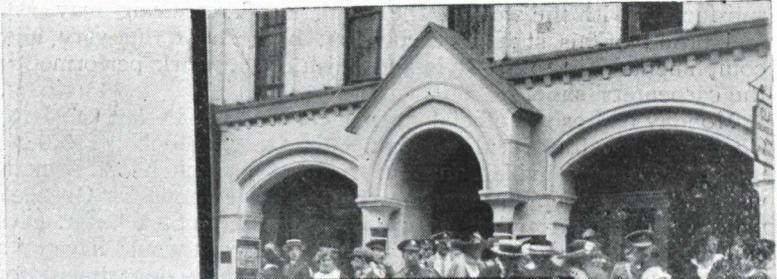
Our first picture, that of Her Majesty, Queen Mary, is from a photo taken by Corp. La Sauvage, of the Granville staff. After a few minutes' conversation with him, Her Majesty expressed her appreciation of his work by her willingness to pose for the picture. The second picture shows Sir George Perley, High Commissioner for Canada, at the Granville Hospital stall, which was under the charge of Staff-Sergt. Dive. Conspicuous behind Sir George is the evolution of the *Canadian Hospital News*, and various proofs of work done in the Print Shop at Chatham House.

The top picture on page 9 depicts the entrance to the galleries. In the right-hand corner are seen Lady Beaverbrook and her little daughter, accompanied by Lieut.-Col. J. T. Clarke, our commanding officer. The other two pictures show a few of the many surgical contraptions made for alleviating the sufferings and the healing of our wounded heroes.

On Thursday the Exhibition was opened by the Marchioness of Salisbury, when many notable personages were present. Lady Beaverbrook was an early visitor at the Granville section, and purchased from Staff-Sergt. Dive the miniature aeroplane, the toy ambulance, and a checker-board. Several checker-boards were ordered, these have been made and forwarded to the purchasers.

G. J. Wardle, Esq., M.P., opened the proceedings on Saturday. An early visitor was our Queen-Mother Alexandra. On her tour of inspection Her Majesty evinced great interest in the various departments, especially in the Granville section, where she pur-





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chased a bed-side locker, at the same time expressing complete satisfaction with the work of the soldiers. Sergt. Craig may well feel proud of his staff of carpenters, because of the very high compliments paid to the style and finish of the work performed in the carpenters' shop.

Monday had as the official opener Sir George Perley, the High Commissioner for the Dominion. Sir George took a profound interest in the Granville Canadian section, to which he paid many visits. The centre picture on the previous page shows Sir George's private secretary examining a surgical boot, while Staff-Sergt. Dive explained the device and the beneficial effect it would have on a patient. Much credit is due to the boot-making department for the manner in which their work was turned out, as also to the machine shop staff for their splints, shields, etc.

On Tuesday afternoon the exhibition was declared open by the Marquis of Lansdowne, K.G. Her Majesty, Queen Mary, was present, and while inspecting the various exhibits, made an extended visit to the Granville stall, where she purchased a bed-side table. Whilst in the Granville section Her Majesty desired that Lieut.-Col. Clarke, also Staff-Sergt. Dive, be presented to her, with both of whom she shook hands, and to our commanding officer expressed her satisfaction and appreciation of the work performed in the Chatham House workshops.

The whole exhibition was a complete success, and great credit is due to the various hospitals represented, for the variety and the excellence of the work sent in.

Extract from the *Montreal Gazette*.

SOLDIERS' HANDIWORK

Latent Qualities of the Men Being Developed

Special cable from the *Gazette's* resident staff correspondent :—

London, June 25th, 1917.

At the opening of the Exhibition of work done by wounded discharged soldiers to-day, Sir George Perley expressed his appreciation of the creditable handiwork turned out by the Granville Canadian Special Hospital, Ramsgate. He remarked that one of the recompenses of the War was the bringing out of latent faculties of this sort, such as the men themselves never suspected they possessed. He assured his audience that the Canadians would do their utmost to follow up along these lines. One Canadian Officer so admired the Granville exhibits that he ordered a duplicate of each to be sent to the Dominion Government.

PATTER FROM PATS

Has anyone seen the Orderly Buff-Stick ?

Is the R.S.M. taking a correspondence course in tennis, if not, why not ?

The P.T. Instructor has found his kit, so the search party is out of a job.

The answer is :—No matter how hungry the horse may be, he cannot eat a bit, and thereby hangs the tale.

Who stole the P.T. Instructor's cross swords, and when will he learn the time and place to turn in a pass ?

There is an old saying that the older they are, the shorter they wear 'em. Ask the Quarter-Bloke if it is so.

We are still trying to find out who the Lance-Corporal was who tried to light a cigar on Corporal Stevens' nose ?

We would like to know how long Corporal Cruse joined the Camel Corps' and does he ride a clothes horse or a rocking horse ?

Has the Sergeant-Cook found out what makes the leaves move. Any body fra Bonnie Doon ought to have learnt that with his porridge ?

What is the attraction for the Corporals at Margate these days. Possibly it is Gibson Girls. Perhaps S.-Sergt. Firth could enlighten us on the subject ?

How is it that the Scotch Dental Sergt. and our Scotch friend the Sergt. Cook were absent from the Sergeant's photograph, possibly spending a shilling might break their hearts.

If one-legged patients are having a Croquet tournament, and one-armed patients a Tennis tournament, and rookies being severely strafed by irritable Non-Coms, how long would it take a flea with a wooden leg to crawl down one of our safety valve fire-chutes. ?

BULLETS FROM BROADSTAIRS

What does the Q.M.S. think of the widow? Mixed bathing—
Eh, Quarter?

Why does the Orderly Room Staff-Sergeant at the Yarrow worry
so much about his typewriter?

Why does our "Pat" stay out so late at nights? Does the
little girl from Margate keep him!

Did "Bill" Campbell, of the Pats, sing "Whizz Bang Lane"
when he saw the establishment in orders?

Who was the young lover at the Grand who received a post-card
from the girl in Tonbridge which placed him in a compromising
position?

We notice that N.C.O's. from the Granville and the Pats are
honouring us with their presence. They know where the sweetest
little Flappers are.

Who is the Sergeant at the Grand who purchases so many post-
cards at a certain shop in High Street, and what motive has he
in doing so. Is the girl nice?

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Twilight

By Dorothy L. Warne

The drowsy earth is lulled to sleep on Twilight's breast,
Adorned with jewels from Nature's secret store.

The moody-crooning sea

—Whereon each sapphire wave is tipped a silver crest—

Moves slowly towards an opalescent shore

In murmured harmony.

The dying Sun-god leaves his tracks of molten gold

Behind a bank of coral-tinted mist;

A dark'ning pathway gleams

With shining diamonds that the closing flower-cups hold;

Then Nature draws her veil of amethyst

Around a world of dreams.

CRICKET

By Pte. J. A. Ford

On Saturday afternoon the Granville cricketers took a short trip to Westgate-on-Sea and played the boys of the R.N.A.S. The weather was on its very best behaviour, and the best game of the season was the result, when a double innings match was pulled off. On a previous occasion the Westgate boys visited Chatham House when they were beaten, and on Saturday they got their own back by inflicting a substantial defeat on the Fragments. Strutton was unfortunate to lose his bails before making a run, and in his second venture ran up unlucky 13. Harrison made good in both innings. Ayres tried what seemed an impossible run and got pinched; but he did his bit next term carrying his bat for 31. Willis also made a poor start with a duck, but subscribed 19 to the second score.

For the Airmen Surgeon Berry played a lovely game for his 39, and Saunders, Ibbson, and Turner all added very substantially to their score. Captain Preston did good work with the ball, putting down ten overs, and taking five wickets for 48 runs. Kingston was completely off his step at the bottom end of the pitch, so he switched round to the top end, and did much better, taking four wickets for 41. Altogether the best game of the season resulted in a win for the "Flyers" by nine wickets.

GRANVILLE			
Strutton, b Perkins	. . . . .	0	b Mack 13
Harrison, c Wilkinson, b Mack	. . . . .	19	lbw, b Saunders 22
Preston, c Turner, b Mack	. . . . .	2	c Morley, b Saunders 6
Bowskill, b Mack	. . . . .	2	c North, b Wilkinson 3
Dive, b Perkins	. . . . .	13	c Morley, b Saunders 5
Ayres, run out	. . . . .	0	not out 31
Houldcroft, b Mack	. . . . .	2	b Browning 3
Willis, c Turner, b Perkins	. . . . .	0	c Douglas, b Saunders 19
Shepherd, lbw, b Mack	. . . . .	1	c Browning, b Perkins 2
Kingston, lbw, Perkins	. . . . .	0	b Perkins 9
Brade, not out	. . . . .	4	c Berry, b Perkins 1
Extras	. . . . .	14	Extras 8
Total	. . . . .	48	Total 121

WESTGATE AIRMEN			
Berry, lbw b Preston	- - - - -	30	c Harrison, b Bowskill 9
Saunders, b Dive	- - - - -	5	not out - - - - - 32
Ibbson, b Preston	- - - - -	22	c Ayres, b Dive - - - - - 4
Mack, b Preston	- - - - -	3	not out - - - - - 8
Perkins, c Preston, b Kingston	- - - - -	8	
Browning, b Preston	- - - - -	8	
Wilkinson, c Strutton, b Preston	- - - - -	0	
Douglas, lbw, b Kingston	- - - - -	8	
North, c Strutton, b Preston	- - - - -	1	
Turner, c Shepherd, b Kingston	- - - - -	18	
Morley, not out	- - - - -	3	
Extras	- - - - -	6	Extras - - - - - 5
Total	- - - - -	112	Total - - - - - 58

DOINGS AT THE RANGE

By Pte. H. W. H. Smith

Rifle Team makes 79 bulls out of a Possible 80

The highest score ever made in the Granville Canadian Rifle Club's history was made last Monday, July 16th., when they shot a match with the Essex Regt., Colchester. This opposing team were the winners of the B.S.A. Championship for the United Kingdom for this year, 1917. The remarkably good form of both teams will be realized by the teams and scores shown below.

CANADIANS		COLCHESTER	
Pte. H. Smith	100	Lient. Siggers	100
Lc.-Cpl. Graham	100	Corp. Soar	100
Pte. Heathman	100	.. Leeds	100
Pte. Tomson	100	.. Higgles	99
Pte. Croysdill	100	.. Heard	99
Sgt. Henderson	100	.. Mills	98
Sgt. Travers	100	Sgt. Agnew	98
Pte. Fry	99	Arm. Sgt. Bartholomew	97
	799		791

Two 98's were counted out for the Canadians and the Colchester team counted out two 96's.

Another win to the Granville teams' credit with Cambridge was gained on Wednesday 11th., in which the boys won an easy match by 33 points.

COMPETITIONS

A club competition for ammunition resulted in the division of 1st. prize between S.-Sergt. Slinn, Sergt. Travers and Pte. Mathison while Pte. Fry and Sergt. Henderson carried off 2nd. and 3rd. prize.

The Donagal Badge was won by Pte. Fry by 229, the possible being 240. S.-Sergt. Slinn and Pte. Tomson coming 2nd. with only 3 points less, 226. Scout Heathman scored 225; Sergt. Henderson 224 and Pte. Kerr 209. The Donagal Badge can only be won once but a holder of a badge may qualify for a bar if his score is above the winner's. Pte. Smith in making a score of 232 thus adds a bar to his badge which he won in this country in 1909. The result for the Bell Medal on a 500 yards figure target, possible 150 are as follows:—Pte. Smith 146; S.-Sergt. Slinn 145; Sergt. Travers and Pte. Fry 143 each, were the highest in this competition.

A competition for the Boy Scouts of the Granville and Annexes is open this week for two silver S.M.R.C. spoons. Pte. Smith has qualified for his certificate on the National Roll of Marksmen and is now registered as such by the Society of Miniature Rifle Clubs. This carries with it a handsome silver gilt medal. The score was 378 out of a possible 400.

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By Major E. Bertram Hooper, (Chaplain)

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This statement shows that the past week has been a good one for my "Fund," and that I have reason for encouragement. This is, of course, the harvest season for receiving contributions. I can not expect it to keep up the year round. But I have great hopes that I may, within the next month or two, see the "Fund" with a sufficient balance, to insure the good work being kept up through the remainder of the summer, the autumn and the coming winter. We had our three outings during the week, two from the Granville and one from Townley Castle. On Thursday last, while we were in the Bell Inn Tea Gardens at Minster, a number of patients from Hill House Military Hospital, Minster, appeared on the scene. There were some 18 of them, and were carrying an excellent piano borrowed from the Y.M.C.A. hut. They placed the instrument in the middle of the lawn, and then proceeded to give us a very delightful and entertaining concert. My lads enjoyed it very much, and greatly appreciated this kindly act on the part of the wounded boys from "Hill House." We had a jolly time together.

The popularity of these outings could not be greater than it is. They cost £3 each, but they are well worth it. They give real enjoyment and practical benefit to those who are able to go to them.

Some day I hope to furnish a summary of all that the Wounded Soldiers' Fund has been able to accomplish in addition to the cigarettes, drives and teas. It will, I am confident, surprise everybody, and will convince all donors that they acted both wisely and well in helping the Chaplain's Wounded Soldiers' Fund.

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The exceedingly warm weather has made it necessary for a slight lull in the Granville concerts. The long summer evenings, the various outdoor attractions, baseball games, cricket matches, tennis, etc., are all having their innings now, and it is neither to be expected nor desired that our convalescents should crowd into a stuffy hall. Nevertheless two or three shows a week are being run, and the attendances are very fair.

On Sunday last a goodly number were present at the usual Sunday evening Song Service and Exhibition of Sacred Pictures. These services have proved both attractive and helpful, and will be continued every week.

Movies were shown on both Tuesday and Friday evenings, and splendid programmes were thrown on the screen. Suitable music always plays its part on Movie Nights. Our gratitude is due to Mr. Paulding who operates in the Cinema Box. The temperature in that box in this weather feels like 120 deg. fahr.

Mr. Boyland's party gave another of their "always-up-to-the-mark" concerts at Chatham House on Wednesday night. Despite the warm weather, the popularity of this talented party was sufficient to draw a large audience.

COMING EVENTS AT THE GRANVILLE

Sunday, 8 p.m.—Illustrated Sacred Lecture and Sing Song.

Tuesday 7.30 p.m.—Cinema Show.

Wednesday 7.30 p.m.—The "Rusties" Concert Party.

Friday, 7.30 p.m.—Cinema Show.

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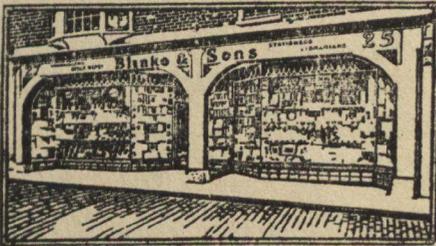
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