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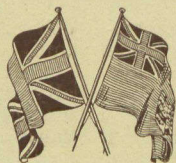
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EVENING AT KINGSWOOD.

## Report of the Resident Secretary

For September, 1916

During the month of September, we experienced some of the preparations for, and the results of, the heavy fighting in which the Canadians took part on the 15th to 17th September.

A large number of Canadians were moved early in September from the Ypres district to the Somme battleground, and in preparation for the anticipated casualties in their ranks, the Canadian hospitals and convalescent homes in England were evacuated as far as possible.

Following several special examinations early in September by members of the Canadian Medical Staff, a large number of our patients were sent out from "Kingswood," some to re-join their regiments, others for special treatment in specially equipped hospitals, and still

others for return to Canada and discharge as unfit for further active service.

In the latter part of the month we gradually filled up again to our full capacity of 110, and already have a number of patients who were wounded in the desperate fighting around Courcellette on 15th, 16th and 17th September, in which the Canadians covered themselves with glory, and alas! suffered such heavy casualties.

Several men who were through the fighting around Ypres and St. Eloi, as well as on the Somme, say that even the worst of the battles in the Ypres district were nothing compared with the terrific bombardments, and the desperate hand-to-hand fighting in the trenches and dug-outs on the Somme battlefield.

A very noticeable feature in regard to the men returning now from the front as compared with even a few months ago, is their greatly increased hopefulness and optimism regarding the war.

The men from Ypres were rather dejected and hopeless; those from the Somme are very optimistic and hopeful, and full of praise of the overpowering weight and marvellously accurate shooting of our Artillery, of our greatly superior air-craft service, and of the superiority in numbers and morale of our troops.

They all seem satisfied that we can at last beat the Germans in all departments, and that a big German withdrawal may not be far off.

On 1st September our new Matron, Miss E. H. Hardinge, from Toronto, commenced her duties, and met with a hearty welcome from the Staff and patients alike. The weather during the month was wet and cold, but whenever it was fine enough the patients were out in the grounds doing light gardening work, and taking part in various games on the lawns. On wet days Quoits, Skittles, etc., are played in the Palm House, or on the Terrace.

The bad weather and shortage of gasoline consequent on the Government restrictions, caused a slight curtailment in the motor-drives, but these continue to places of interest in London, which lately have included the houses in southern London wrecked by the recent Zeppelin raids, and the open-air performances and street processions taken part in by the French National Band (La Garde Republicaine), now on a week's visit to London.

Our boys enjoyed two or three more Garden Parties in the early part of the month, but the season for these is now over, and in-door entertainments and concerts are taking their place. In the cold, dark evenings the Billiard Room and the large Recreation Hall prove a great boon and are greatly appreciated. In the Recreation Hall, in addition to a large supply of books, magazines and newspapers, the men can enjoy games of Chess, Draughts, Dominoes, etc., and the Gramophone is always "busy" discoursing a varied selection of songs, speeches, orchestral, and the ever-popular Bagpipe music.

Whist Drives are organized by the Matron and Nurses, in which they and many of the patients take part of an evening, for small prizes presented by London friends. There are always a number of good singers and pianists among the men, and during the evenings they gather around the piano, and join in their favorite songs.

During September the men took part in the following amusements and outings, all of which were very much enjoyed and appreciated:

Our good friend and neighbor, Mr. R. B. Leech, as in the past, has had on several occasions small parties of men to his house for tea, in the evenings and on Sunday afternoons. On

two afternoons also he had parties of four men at a Variety Theatre performance, followed by tea. Another afternoon a party of four went mulberry gathering in his grounds. On two other afternoons, small parties of men, accompanied by two of the Nurses, went on a black-berry-gathering expedition in his grounds. The fruit on each occasion was proudly brought back to the cook at "Kingswood," to be made into pies for all the boys, and certainly no pies ever tasted half so good! He also sent a quantity of large, delicious dessert pears from his gardens, enough to go round all the boys after their Sunday dinner. As hitherto, he continues to send us weekly from his gardens and hot-houses large quantities of beautiful flowers for the decoration of the rooms in the Home.

On 2nd September, 25 men attended the Military sports, followed by a tea, organized by the local Volunteer Regiment at Anerley, nearby. On 2nd September, 6 men attended a small garden party and tea at a neighbor's house. On 6th September, 20 men, by the kind invitation of Lady Allan and Miss Mathews, went to one of the principal Picture Shows in London to see the official war pictures of the Battle of the Somme, and afterwards enjoyed tea at the Maple Leaf Club for Canadian soldiers, in Oxford street. On 9th September, a party of four ladies gave a concert for an hour after the men's supper, which included vocal, violin, 'cello and piano selections.

On 16th September, 6 men spent the afternoon and evening with games and music, followed by tea, at a neighbor's house (Mr. and Mrs. Laing), the third time they have had similar parties during the summer. On 16th September, another neighbor, Mr. Bingham, had four men out for a drive in his motor car in the afternoon, followed by an hour or two spent at a Picture Show. On very many occasions during the summer evenings and on Saturday afternoons, Mr. Bingham has kindly taken parties of the men out for drives in his motor car. On 19th September, 20 of the men went to another of the favorite concerts and teas at the Savoy Hotel, by invitation of a neighbor, Mrs. Corbett, one of the committee of ladies who arrange these fortnightly concerts at their own expense, for three hundred convalescent soldiers each time. This is the fifth time she has kindly invited a party of 20 of our men.

On 22nd September, 13 men attended a display by the London Fire Brigade at their headquarters, followed by an inspection of their engineering workshops and then by a concert and tea. The invitation came through Mrs. Corbett from Mr. Percy J. Simmons, Chairman of the Fire Committee of the London Municipal Council, and this is the second time a party of our men have been so fortunate to enjoy this very instructive and interesting outing. On 23rd September, 35 men were entertained by the Local Sydenham Troop of Boy-Scouts to an

excellent concert and tea at their headquarters. On 23rd September, a party of six men spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening at games, music, etc., followed by tea, at the house of a neighbor.

On 24th September, 40 men formed part of a company of a thousand convalescent Canadian soldiers who were guests at an afternoon concert given in the large Albert Hall, London, by massed Canadian Bands, 250 performers, in aid of the Canadian Base Hospitals in France, and before an audience of several thousands of the general public. On 26th September an evening concert was given in our large Recreation Hall by a party of local ladies, assisted by some sailors from the Naval Division now in training near "Kingswood," and which comprised songs, piano and violin selections and conjuring en-

tertainment. On 30th September, during the afternoon, a number of our men attended the school sports of the well-known Dulwich College, by kind invitation by the Masters.

In one way or another, there is healthy amusement and recreation for all, which is the greatest help to a satisfactory convalescence, especially in the case of shell-shock and nerve cases, occupying their mind, and preventing them from brooding over past troubles.

On 23rd September, the Hon. Mr. Hearst, Premier of Ontario, and Lt.-Col. Pyne, Minister of Education, paid a visit to "Kingswood." They made a close inspection of the Wards, Recreation Rooms, Garden and Grounds, and expressed great appreciation and satisfaction with all the arrangements made for the care and comfort of our Canadian soldiers.

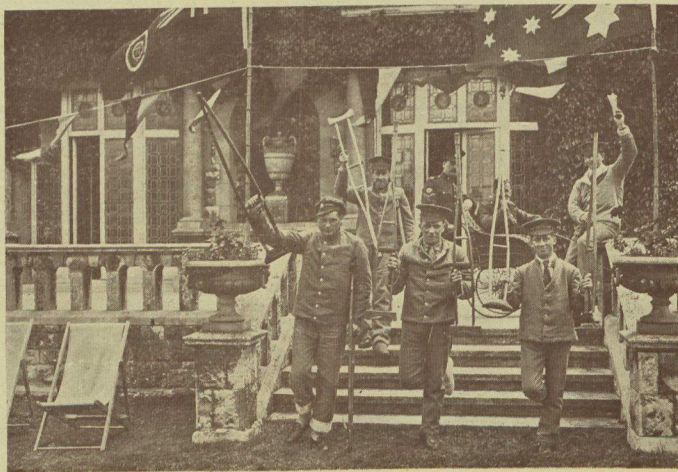
## A Visit to the Houses of Parliament

—Reported by Nurse Powell—

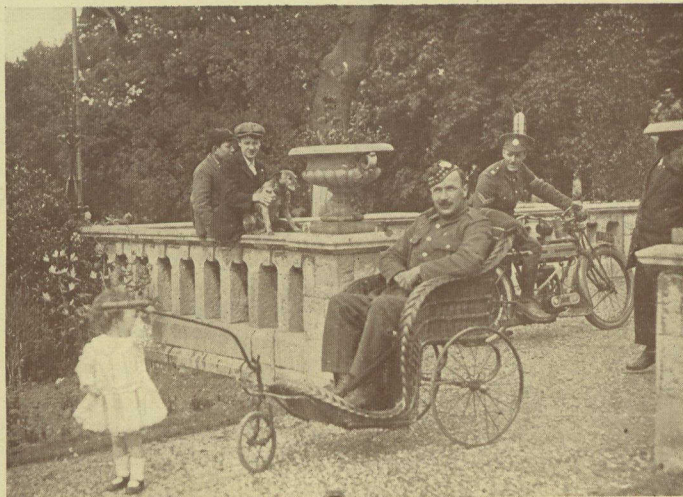
The outcome of our visit to the Maple Leaf Club on July 26th, was an invitation from Mrs. Buckland, a London friend, to come with a party of ten men and see through the Houses of Parliament. Accordingly we set forth on Wednesday, August 1st, at one o'clock, every man in a fresh suit of "blues" and bright red ties, and the Sister in uniform. The ride into town on the top of the 'bus was thoroughly enjoyed, and we arrived at St. Stephen's entrance to the Houses of Parliament, where we were met by Mrs. Buckland at 2.15 p.m. It was important that we get into the House of Commons before the afternoon session or sitting. In these days it is necessary to have a

Member of the House to escort you there, and we were fortunate indeed in meeting Mr. G. N. Barnes, a Privy Councillor, and being taken by him all over the buildings.

First he took us from the Outer Lobby through the Members' Lobby (explaining that no one could enter there unless with a Member) into the House of Commons. It is a dignified, business-like looking apartment, with seating capacity for not more than half its Members: he pointed out the Speaker's Chair and different galleries, seats of some of the noted leaders, and told us interesting stories about the customs and procedure in both Houses of Peers and Commons.



From the Commons, through writing and sitting rooms into the fine old Library, where the rows and rows of books reach almost from floor to ceiling, almost, but not quite, for above, in gilt letters on the wooden paneling, are the names of all the Speakers from the first one up to the present Government. Here, too, we met Mr. Will Crooks, the labor leader, with his big, sonorous voice, and short but portly figure—with a rather overawing one. However, his genial manner soon expelled any such feeling as he walked round the room showing us the interesting things; one in particular was the exhibit



under glass of some old records of Oliver Cromwell's time and his signature to the Death Warrant of Charles 1st.

Next into the House of Lords, where the rich red leather furnishings and the throne of the King and Queen, used on state occasions, as well as the Wool-Sack of the Lord Chancellor, were interesting sights. The fine windows and decorations of ceilings and walls called forth admiration.

8 The statues of all the Barons who extorted the Magna Charta, and the Bar from which all official communications from the House of Commons are delivered was most interesting. Hurrying back to the Main Lobby, to the House of Commons, we were lined up with a party of Australians to see the Speaker's procession: we stood at attention as the Sergeant-at-Arms came into view, calling out "Make way for the Speaker," heading the procession and bearing the wonderful Mace, he called out "Strangers, remove your hats." Then, as they disappeared into the House, once more he sang out "Close the doors." Our party then separated, the men going away in charge of Mr. Cathcart Wason, M.P., with the Australians, to the Main Gallery over the entrance to the House, and the women in charge of another Member, Sir S. Smith, to the Ladies' Gallery on the opposite end. The boys told us afterwards that we looked like "birds in a gilded cage," but the Sister felt as if she were "behind the Bars."

Often and often had we seen pictures of Premier Asquith, and read with interest his masterful speeches, but it was far more thrilling to listen to his voice in that forceful speech on Tariff, and his resumé of the War. Our luck was indeed "jake," as the boys expressed it,

for we also heard Sir Edward Carson speak, and many other famous Members were taking part in the debate; it was quite exciting, as some of the Irish Members rose in debate on the question of the disposal of prisoners who had taken part in the Rebellion. Through the kindness of Sir Stephen Collins, Mr. G.N. Barnes and Mr. Cathcart Wason, we had tea on the Terrace, the cooling breezes from the Thames fanning our faces, and the good things to eat satisfying the "inner man."

In discussion of various subjects and times and in description of our own fair Canada, the men rose to the occasion, and our distinguished hosts came to the conclusion that Canadians were splendid conversationalists. I must not forget our visit to the Crypt to see the Chapel of St. Stephen, built by King Stephen and restored later by Edwards 2nd and 3rd. The guide pointed out the wonderful mosaic panels in the walls, carving in solid stone in the ceiling—one of the most beautiful ceilings to be found anywhere—and the quaint old altar cloth and brass candles date back to Queen Elizabeth's time. It was most fascinating and thrilling to think of the history connected with the place: it was here that Guy Fawkes placed his infernal machine, but to-day the weddings of prominent people take place here and many a child is baptized at the wonderful font.

Thanking Mrs. Buckland and the hosts for a wonderful afternoon, we left for home by "underground," as the 'busses were crowded, and such fun and excitement in changing up in "lifts" and down moving stairways with several men as yet on sticks! But, at last, our charges arrived safely home, a tired but satisfied bunch.

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25th September, 1916.

H. B. Robinson, Esq.,  
Massey-Harris, Limited,  
53-55, Bunhill Row,  
London, E. C.

Dear Mr. Robinson,

Allow me to again express to you the great pleasure I received on Saturday in visiting the splendid Home your Company has provided at Kingswood for convalescent Canadian soldiers. It certainly would be difficult, if not impossible, to find a more charming spot than that which you have obtained for this work, and everything possible is evidently being done to make the lot of these brave fellows comfortable and happy in every respect.

As a Canadian, it was a great source of pleasure and pride to me to visit your Institution, and to see what the generosity of our own people was doing in caring for our men who are so nobly fighting for the Cause of Liberty.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*R. Reid*

# Register of Patients at "Kingswood"

With Home Address wherever furnished.

No.	NAME	HOME ADDRESS	No.	NAME	HOME ADDRESS
333	Palmer, A.,	Winnipeg, Man.	388	Baker, C. H.,	Edmonton, Alta.
334	Wilkinson, C. L.,	Quebec, Que.	389	McIntosh, J.,	Sydney Mines, N.S.
335	Nelson, F. M.,	Sunny Slope, Alta.	390	Winter, R.,	Durham Mt., Eng.
336	Sewell, F. R.,	Fort William, Ont.	391	Ray, R. R.,	Comox, B.C.
337	Ham, A.,	Guelph, Ont.	392	Thomas, W. E., Sgt.,	Bristol, England
338	Sims, J.,	London, Ont.	393	Herbert, W.,	Canning Town, Eng.
339	Campbell, G.,	Montreal, Que.	394	Ball, C. S., Sgt.	Putney, England
340	Herber, A. S.,	London, England	395	Yeomans, G. D.,	Gibson, N.B.
341	Weller, H. I.,	Maidstone, Eng.	396	Savard, N. L., Cpl.,	Montreal, Que.
342	Parker, W. R.,	Toronto, Ont.	397	Gendron, L.,	Montreal, Que.
343	Price, W. B.,	Grand Falls, N.B.	398	Learmouth, T. F.,	Hastings, Ont.
344	Patterson, W.,	London, W.C., Eng.	399	Groom, J.,	Glace Bay, N.S.
345	Heisler, G.,	South Qu'Appelle, Sask.	400	Brooks, H.,	Toronto, Ont.
346	Creighton, F.,	Embro, Ont.	401	Caillard, A.,	Montreal, Que.
347	Noble, J. D.,	Oldham, England	402	Goffin, V.,	Victoria, B.C.
348	Bentley, A. G.,	Bronson, Ont.	403	Harvey, N. T.,	Udora, Ont.
349	MacDonald, G. G.,	Brampton, Ont.	404	Craig, R.,	New Westminster, B.C.
350	Cleveland, B. S.,	Toronto, Ont.	405	McLeod, A.,	Blacklow, Scotland
351	Baldwin, J.,	Welling, England	406	Townson, H.,	Dolphin, Man.
352	Moss, A.,	Winnipeg, Man.	407	Hyde, J. S.,	Edmonton, Alta.
353	Sharrocks, C.,	Cobalt, Ont.	408	Craig, R.,	Gordon, Scotland
354	Hayles, W.,	Wingham, Ont.	409	McKenzie, J., Sgt.,	Toronto, Ont.
355	Cameron, A.,	Winnipeg, Man.	410	French, A.,	Hammersmith, Eng.
356	Schafer, J.,	Hilda, Alta.	411	Miles, W. I., Cpl.,	Brin-y-moi, Gibraltar
357	MacDonald, J. M.,	Dominion, N.S.	412	Lyon, G. S.,	Toronto, Ont.
358	Brayman, G. W.,	Brockville, Ont.	413	Scott, W. J.,	Stratford, Ont.
359	Laville, J.,	Port Arthur, Ont.	414	Hickey, T. S.,	Stekham, England
360	Lamping, J. M. J.,	Smith's Falls, Ont.	415	Beeson, A.,	Dalston, England
361	Bainbridge, K.,	Durham, England	416	Christian, A.,	Liverpool, England
362	Tooley, H. E.,	Plenty, Sask.	417	Gilchrist,	Montreal, Que.
363	Humphreys, T.,	Aldershot, Ont.	418	Gilbey, H. E.,	Montreal, Que.
364	O'Brien, W.,	St. John, N.B.	419	Defieux, D.,	Ponoka, Alta.
365	McCallum, D.,	Toronto, Ont.	420	Luke, G.,	Halifax, N.S.
366	Steltner, G. W.,	London, England	421	Warren, J. L.,	Edmonton, Alta.
367	McDonald, G.,	Calgary, Alta.	422	MacClurg, W. J.,	Lambeth, England
368	Macaulay, R. V.,	St. John, N.B.	423	Corwardine, C.,	Toronto, Ont.
369	Earl, J. W. D.,	St. John, N.B.	424	Williams, H. C.,	Tetbury, England
370	Spalding, J.,	Oxdrift, Ont.	425	Paule, H.,	Daysland, Alta.
371	McCreery, J. B.,	Belfast, Ireland	426	Evans, V., Cpl.,	Aldershot, Eng.
372	Brown, G. H.		427	Larore, G. E.,	Trois Pistoles, Que.
373	Kerseck, J.,	London, England	428	Millar, J.,	Winnipeg, Man.
374	Blissett, R.,	Brondesbury Pk.	429	Bromley, E. H.,	Pembroke, Ont.
375	Upper, C.,	St. Catharines, Ont.	430	Merrigold, N. A.,	Hamilton, Ont.
376	Blanchard, R.,	Montreal, Que.	431	Wells, J. E.,	Dauphin, Man.
377	Weeks, H.,	Trenton, Ont.	432	Sanson, H. K.,	Stanley, N.B.
378	Grant, J.,	Amherstburg, Ont.	433	Smith, J. R., Sgt.,	N. E. Margarie, N.S.
379	Vipond, F. W.,	Nakusp, B.C.	434	Sturdy, J.,	Winnipeg, Man.
380	Cameron, R. H.,	St. Catharines, Ont.	435	Feakes, J.,	Brandon, Man.
381	Smith, A. W.,	Toronto, Ont.	436	White, J. W. C.,	Farnworth, Eng.
382	Menzies, R. P.,	Glasgow, Scotland	437	McLean, J.,	East Calgary, Alta.
383	McDonald, A. S.,	Sydney Mines, N.S.	438	McFarland, K. E.,	Toronto, Ont.
384	Poulsen, C.,	Wiborg, Denmark	439	Redwood, W. L.,	Spitfire Lake, Alta.
385	Burgess, A. E.,	Newbury, England			
386	Rall, E. G.,	Toronto, Ont.			
387	Williamson, H.,	Edmonton, Alta.			

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441	Geels, J.,	Streatham, Eng.	493	Denesuke, N.,	Fernie, B.C.
442	Hunt, J.,	Toronto, Ont.	494	Fisher, J.,	Winnipeg, Man.
443	James, H. M., L.-Cpl.,	St Marys, Ont.	495	Cook, H. B.,	Foam Lake, Sask.
444	Doiran, M., L.-Cpl.	South Rustice, P. E. I.	496	Duncan, A., Sgt.,	Banff, Scotland
445	Falconer, O.,	Coulsden, England	497	McDonald, J.,	Port Arthur, Ont.
446	Barton, F.,	Hamilton, Ont.	498	Wright, G. G.,	Vancouver, B.C.
447	Vipond, H. C., Cpl.,	Summerstown, Ont.	499	Mather, J. F.,	Yeovil, England
448	Clarkson, C. E.,	Mateque, B.C.	500	Stacey, E. C.,	High Bluff, Man.
449	Parry, G ,	Knockland Hill, Scotland	501	Reid, E. S.,	London, England
450	Mist, H.,	Terrice, B. C.	502	Roberts, G., L. Cpl.,	Montreal, Que.
451	Lantz, G. H.,	Acton West, Ont.	503	Brown, H. L., Cpl.,	Toronto, Ont.
452	Anderson, W. F.,	Fredericton, N.B.	504	Campbell, A.,	Berkhamsted, Eng.
453	Stewart, J.,	Winnipeg, Man.	505	Dipple, E.,	Toronto, Ont.
454	Gutteridge, C. W.,	Montreal, Que.	506	Cinnamond, R., Cpl.,	Brantford, Ont.
455	Steele, F. A., Sgt.		507	Williams, F. G.,	Beaverton, Ont.
456	Howie, W.,	Glasgow, Scotland	508	McMillan, D.,	Cleckheaton, Eng.
457	Brunette, A.,	Montreal, Que.	509	Crosbie, S. C.,	
458	Blackham, G. W.,	Winnipeg, Man.	510	Hanlon, J. J.,	
459	Ruty, E.,	Bagot, Mass.		Co. Sgt Major,	Fredericton, N.B.
460	Gilbert, H.,	Montreal, Que.	511	March, E. H.,	Vancouver, B.C.
461	Ostall, H.,	Kitchener, Ont.	512	Dickson, G. A.,	Greenock, Scotland
462	Taylor, E. M.,	Morris, Mass.	513	Walton, W. V., L. Cpl.,	
463	Barber, C. W.,	Glacier, B.C.	514	LeBlanc, H.,	Lowell, Mass.
464	Munro, D. W.,	St. John's, N.B.	515	Whittaker, R. H., Sgt.,	Cootehill, Ireland
465	Evans, H. P., Sgt.,	Treforest	516	Converse, H. E.,	Barnston, Que.
466	Lyons, W. H.,	Edmonton, Alta.	517	Snowden, J.,	Pattapiece, Man.
467	McGregor, A. E.,	East Sherbrooke, Que.	518	Curry, L. M.,	Glace Bay, N.S.
468	McKenzie, J.,	East Linton, Eng.	519	Twigg, G., Sgt.,	London, England
469	Cox, E. H.	Vancouver, B.C.	520	Herbert, W.,	Canning Town, England
470	Spendlove, J. R.,	Ayer's Cliff, Que.	521	Keneck, J.,	London, England
471	Macguinis, W.,	S. Vancouver, B.C.	522	Haines, C.	
472	Bilton, A. L.,	Youngstown, Alta.	523	Cole, J. E.,	Port Greville, N.S.
473	Mitchell, W.,	Maybole, Scotland	524	Allain, E.,	Rogersville, N.B.
474	Reeve, G. C.,	New Milton, Eng.	525	Williams, H. C.,	Tetbury, England.
475	Oke, E. T.,	Hensall, Ont.	526	Walling, G.,	Newton Abbot, England
476	Robinson, M. W.,	Montreal, Que.	527	Patterson, C.,	Port Arthur, Ont.
477	Campbell, D.,	Leith, Scotland	528	Gayne, W.,	Aurora, Ont.
478	Gilchrist, P., L. Cpl.,	Montreal, Que.	529	Mitchell, H. G.,	Portage La Prairie, Man.
479	Leonard, C.,	Toronto, Ont.	530	Blair, C.,	Hull, Que.
480	Hills, H.,	Watford, England	531	Trainer, R.,	Victoria Bridge, B.C.
481	Lewis, G.,	Toronto, Ont.	532	Cunningham, H.,	Montreal, Que.
482	Wyce, E.,	Goring, Ont.	533	Rowntree, H. K.,	Weston, Ont.
483	White, N.,	Walla Walla, U. S. A.	534	Hunt, J. M.,	East Calgary, Alta.
484	Russell, A.,	Toronto, Ont.	535	Walton, H. B., Cpl.,	Brockville, Ont.
485	Stratford, G. S., Cpl.,	Brantford, Ont.	536	Ayles, A. J., L. Cpl.,	Broughton, Eng.
486	Treilhor, I. S.,	Winnipeg, Man.	537	Rowland, H.,	Blackpool, England
487	Forbes, G., Sgt.		538	Blackhall, H. G.,	Knowle Hill Terr., England
488	Crick, E.,	Alcester, England	539	Milburn, A. L ,	North Shields, Eng.
489	Middleton, J. R., S Sgt. Major,	Toronto, Ont.	540	Gilbert, H.,	Montreal, Que.
490	Colebrook, S.,	Widnes, England	541	Roseberg, H.,	Toronto, Ont.
491	Humble, W. J., Cpl.,	Fredericton, N.B.	542	Davidge, F., Sgt.	Burgeo, Newfoundland

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