



FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

FREDERICTON

Fredrickton, Dec. 16.—Invitations have been issued by Major Fincham and officers of "C" company for a dance at the Queen Hotel on Friday evening, and being the first military event since the outbreak of the war is being looked forward to with much interest.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Taylor, who have been spending the past week here with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Scott and on Monday afternoon Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Mercereau were at home when many friends called to pay their respects to Mrs. Mercereau.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thompson entertained last evening at a dance in honor of their son, Bombardier Ross Thompson, of St. John, who is visiting at his home here for a few days.

Miss Elsie Jardine was a week-end visitor with Mrs. Balloch.

Mr. Frederick Baird is returning to the United States on Saturday.

Lieut. James Shute, of Lacombe (Alb.), is in the city today and is receiving a warm welcome from many friends.

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Afternoon last in honor of her friend, Miss Bean, of Boston. Those present were: Mrs. Lionel Hamilton, Mrs. Budd, Misses Aileen Chapman, Garnet, Richard, Jean, Percy, Marie Landry, Alice Hickman, Miss Bean (Boston).

Mr. Allan Landry, of Halifax, spent Sunday last in town, guest of his father, Judge Landry.

Mrs. A. B. Pipes, who has been spending several weeks in Boston, arrived here on Tuesday last.

Mr. Horace Morrill, of Jacques River, who has been visiting in town, has returned home.

Mr. W. P. Grey and little daughter, Kathleen, visited relatives in St. John last week.

Miss Ethel Lingley, who has been visiting in Dalhousie, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Mott, has returned home.

Mrs. Frank Lewis and little daughter, Kathleen (Mass.), are the guests of Mrs. Lewis' sister, Mrs. R. K. Shives.

Mrs. D. A. Stewart, M.P.P., has returned from a trip to Ottawa and Montreal.

Mr. W. LeGallant, of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, left last Wednesday to visit at his home in Paspébeac, before leaving for St. John to join the siege at Anderson's Bay.

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was given on Saturday last when \$55 was raised in aid of the Soldiers Comforts Fund. Mrs. Irwin very kindly gave the use of her store, which was tastefully decorated with flags.

Mrs. Charles Henderson entertained the Whist Club of which she is a member at her home on Friday evening.

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Report That He Will Be Shot if Von Rittelen's Death Sentence is Carried Out by British

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Efforts to release Hon. Dr. Henri S. Beland, M. P. former postmaster-general of Canada, from imprisonment by the Germans in Belgium have been fruitless, so far, and now it is feared that he may be shot.

He is being held as hostage for the exchange of Lieutenant Hittelen, a German spy convicted in England and at present under sentence of death in the Tower of London.

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to learn of his transfer, but as it is in the line of promotion, they wish him every success in his new field.

Mr. F. E. Neale left on Friday for New York, where he will join Mrs. Neale and Miss Heloise Neale, who have been spending the past few weeks there.

Mr. Arthur Mackenzie has returned home from Toronto, where he has been studying medicine and will spend the holiday with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. J. D. B. Mackenzie.

Mrs. R. V. McCabe is in Halifax this week and will return home Saturday with her son, Rupert, who is attending the Collegiate School, Windsor.

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Mrs. Margaret F. Anderson, who has been spending the past year in Nashua and Hudson, Mass., has returned to town on Friday last.

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During the afternoon the aides were Miss Elsie Jardine, Miss Bessie Wortman, Miss Minnie Tait. In the evening those assisting at the reception were: Miss Elsie Jardine, the Misses Hilda and Lenora Tait, whilst Miss Hazel Tait ushered home in Little Shemogue, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. D. Murray Taylor, who is in somewhat poor health.

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Mrs. T. W. Ebbett, of Florenceville, is in town this week, the guest of Mrs. W. B. Bell.

Miss Mary Porter, trained nurse of St. Stephen, is expected to visit this week to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. R. B. Porter.

Mrs. George Smith and little daughter, Mrs. H. D. H. Smith, have been spending some months with her parents in Fredericton, are the guests of Mrs. Smith's sister, Mrs. I. Ham.

Miss Bessie Stevenson left on Thursday for Boston, where she will spend Christmas.

Mrs. Samuel Miller, of Hartland, was visiting friends in town this week.

Mr. Roy Stevenson leaves next week to visit friends in Halifax (N. S.), for the Christmas season.

Mrs. Elsie Hubert returned at the end of the week from St. John, where she attended the convention of New Brunswick telephone operators.

Mrs. H. W. Murray recently spent a couple of days in St. John, the guest of her brother, Capt. W. H. Milne.

Mrs. H. S. Bell, of Moncton, spent part of the week in town, the guest of Mrs. D. S. Harper.

Mr. W. H. Sherrard, of Montreal, was the guest during the week of his sister, Mrs. A. Welling, Point du Chene.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Home, of Charlottetown (P. E. I.), who have been the guests of Mrs. James Reid have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rose and children were guests of Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Rose last week.

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WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, Dec. 17.—Rev. H. C. Archer and Mrs. Archer were in town visiting on Monday. Rev. Mr. Archer preached in Hartland on Sunday. S. F. W. Elliott, of Florenceville, was in town this week, the guest of Mrs. Belyea.

branch at Winnipeg. Mr. English spent the week-end at his home in Pictou and passed through Amherst today en route for the western city. Mr. English has left many friends in Amherst, who will regret his departure exceedingly.

PARRSBORO

Parrsboro, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Hilton Tuck-nip last week to spend the winter with Mr. Tucker. Mrs. F. A. Rand, who has been visiting relatives in Bear River and Camp-ling, arrived home on Monday.

HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 16.—The govern-ment steamer Lansdowne was at Grind-stone Island yesterday, delivering sup-plies. At a meeting of the Women's Patriotic League yesterday, it was decided to hold a social at the home of Mrs. Josiah Mc-Rae on Monday evening, Dec. 27.

WESTFIELD

Westfield, Dec. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lingley and H. W. Woods, of Westford, and H. Sealey, of Woodstock, were here on Saturday attending the funeral of the late Leander Lingley.

GAGETOWN

Gagetown, N. B., Dec. 16.—The sale and afternoon tea, held in the Temper-ance hall on Wednesday afternoon, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. John church, was most successful.

AMHERST

Amherst, Dec. 15.—Miss Mary White returned from Halifax where she been visiting Miss Craig. A. B. Cox and daughter of Truro, been visiting Mrs. Cox's sisters, James Reid, have returned home.

REXTON

Rexton, Dec. 17.—Mrs. R. A. deOllou left yesterday for New Brunswick to spend the winter with her daughters. Mrs. H. J. Markes and child have returned from a visit to friends in Moncton.

SUSSEX

Sussex, Dec. 16.—Mrs. M. Garfield White returned yesterday in St. John. Rev. T. J. Dienstadt, St. John, took charge of the services in the Methodist church here Sunday. After the evening service a song service was held in the vestry, with music by St. John's.

home Tuesday. Her father, P. Palmer, went to Moncton Saturday and accom-panied her home. John Conroy returned Tuesday from Moncton, where he had his affected eye removed by Dr. W. A. Ferguson.

Two deaths are reported from diph-theria at Upper Main River. The first was that of Fred Young, aged 12 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Young, who passed away last week and the second was that of Harry McEachern, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter McEachern, who passed away Wednesday evening at the age of 16 years.

Mrs. H. E. Lowe, of River Hebert, is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mrs. Rupert L. Rand. Mrs. Harry E. Bates, of Montreal, is the guest of Mrs. J. Alex. Christie. Dr. and Mrs. Oulton, of Shelburne (N. B.), are visitors to town today.

Mrs. C. F. Worell and little son have arrived in town to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ratchford. Mr. Worell spent yesterday here and left to take the management of a bank in Ontario.

Miss Marie Barker, the Misses Dou-glas and Master Albert Barker, have re-turned from Edgely and Kings primary school to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Jonah, of Daw-son, Albert county, are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, at the Hill. Mr. Jonah has sold his property at Dawson. Hopewell Hill, Dec. 17.—The terminal examination of the advanced department of the Hill school was held this after-noon, a very large number of visitors attending. The pupils were examined by the principal, Miss Mary Archibald, in reading, spelling, history, civics, etc., and at the close of this part of the ex-ercises a nice programme of entertain-ment was given, including recitations by Miss Ella Rogers and a number of the younger pupils; essays, History of the 20th Battalion, by Marjory Wright; In-vasion of Belgium, by Nina Steeves; Serbia, by Hilda Russell; Sing exercises, including choruses and solos, by Miss Gertrude McDonald and Miss Orpha Russell. Miss Archibald took much pains in the preparation of the programme and the audience greatly en-joyed the different numbers. The room had been nicely decorated with mottoes appropriate to the season and patriotic emblems. A patriotic note was predom-inant.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Armstrong are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby daughter on Friday last. W. S. Stephenson returned today from Halifax, where he had been ill last week owing to the illness of his mother at the home of her son, Albert Stephenson. Friends here will be glad to hear that she is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Legerman went to Mars Hill (Me.) Tuesday to attend the fu-neral of her only sister, Mrs. Cyrus Shaw, who died Monday morning. James Dickinson, a Hartland boy, who recently enlisted in the 104th, is serious-ly ill with pneumonia at the Fisher Memorial Hospital, Woodstock. Wm. Hatfield arrived this week from Presque Isle to accept a position with the firm of Hatfield & Scott. Frank Carr, C. P. R. operator, has been transferred to Woodstock to take the position recently vacated by Frank McLeary, who has enlisted. Miss Ella Colpitts, Pettitodoc, has ac-cepted a position in T. G. Simms' fruit store. Frank Campbell arrived from Houll-ton Thursday and after spending sev-eral days at his home here, left for St. John, where he has enlisted for over-seas.

Misses Anna Murdoch and Faye Hal-let arrived home from Normal school to spend Christmas vacation. Henry Sharp, of the 140th Battalion, spent Sunday at his home here. Mrs. Bertram Rideout, of East Flo-renceville, is home for the Christ-mas holidays. Frank Ward, of Camp-bellton, is also visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Ward. Miss Deborah Lampkie, who has been visiting friends in Amherst (N. S.), is again at home. Misses Reta and Yvonne Buckley, of Newcastle, were guests of Mrs. W. F. Buckley this week. Mrs. H. W. Warden and family have re-turned from Hampton and taken up their residence in the Prude cottage. Mrs. Warden's many friends are pleased to welcome her. Mrs. Jas. Buckley has gone to New Glasgow to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. D. J. McDonald. Miss Iva Ward, student at the Pro-vincial Normal School, was in the vil-lage this week on her way to her home in New Glasgow. The pupils of the public school gave a very pleasing entertainment in the public hall on Thursday evening. The programme consisted of dialogues, rec-itations, patriotic songs and fancy drills. Much dramatic talent was displayed by the children and great credit is due the teachers who had them in training. Miss Jennie Call has gone to Boston to visit her brother, Dr. Call. On Wednesday evening, in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, a most enjoyable musical evening was given in honor of the men in khaki. The Ladies' Empire Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. George H. Warren, rendered an excellent programme of music. Others assisting were Miss Ethel Gray,



A ward in the Duchess of Connaught's Hospital at Chreden in which there are at least 100 New Brunswick beds.

A PROOF OF CANADIAN GENEROSITY

British Columbia's New Cabinet Headed By New Brunswicker



HON. W. J. BOWSER, PREMIER.



HON. THOMAS TAYLOR, Provincial Secretary.



L. A. CAMPBELL, Minister of Mines.

W. W. Cumming, having enlisted in the commercial travelers' platoon, 104th. Miss L. B. MacNaughton, B. A., went to Moncton today. Miss Minnie Buckley is spending the week-end with Moncton friends. The Red Cross workers of the Women's Institute made their monthly shipment of goods this week. son of Richard Coffey, of Upper Kings-clear, and had gone to Megantic only a few days ago where he had secured a position as fireman on one of the trains. He was a young man of excellent char-acter and was held in high esteem and his tragic death is great deplored. He is survived by his parents, three sisters and two brothers. The body of Mrs. Hulda Henry, who died at Waterville (Me.), was brought here on Monday and taken to Magduy for interment. The deceased lady who was well advanced in years formerly resided at Magduy. She is survived by three sons and three daughters, one of whom is Louis Henry, of Tweedside. William Messer, of Tweedside, who went to Lewiston (Me.), some weeks ago to undergo a surgical operation for an affection of one of his eyes has returned

lome in a much improved condition and is in a fair way of complete recovery. Miss Mabel Foster of this place, who is a nurse at the Chipman Hospital at St. Stephen, is very ill at that place having to undergo a surgical operation for ap-pendicitis.

ST. GEORGE

St. George, Dec. 17.—Hazen Seaman, the young man so dreadfully mangled by being caught on the shaft in the wood mill, died at 2 o'clock this morn-ing at the home of his brother, Hubert. The young fellow regained consciousness before death. He was twenty years old a few days ago, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Sea-mans, and leaves besides his parents, four brothers and three sisters, all residing here. He was a fine looking, active young man and was appointed foreman of the wood mill some time ago after the visit of General Manager Murphy, of the pulp company, here. His death, under such tragic circumstances, was a shock to the community. Miss Laura Meating is home from Edgely, Windsor, for the Christmas holidays. Her father, Henry Meating, met her in St. John and accompanied her home. Mrs. Henry Goss and her sister, Mrs. James Chase, are guests this week of friends in St. John. The schools closed this afternoon, pub-lic examinations having been held in the different rooms. With the exception of one teacher, the staff will attend the special exercises to be held in Sussex next week for provincial teachers. Nicholas Meating left this week for McAdam, where he has secured a po-sition on the C. P. R. C. Elson Meates and the Misses Helen and Alice visited St. John this week. Mrs. Henry McGrattan returned Wed-nesday from St. John.

BAYFIELD

Bayfield, N.B., Dec. 17.—Burchell Tren-holm, who has been confined to his home with measles, is able to be around again. Friends of Miss Hazel Allen (of Mal-den, N. B.), are glad to learn that she is convalescing after her recent illness with measles. Master Johnnie Reid, young son of Mrs. John A. Reid, of Cape Tormentine, who has quite ill with measles, is slowly improving. Mrs. James Seaman, of Cape Tormentine, who has been seriously ill with measles and asthma, is now steadily im-proving. Miss Gertrude Trenholm left on Mon-day for Amherst (N. S.), where she will spend some time. The Rev. Mr. Small, of China, gave a most interesting talk on the China on Saturday evening last. Mrs. H. G. Allen, of Cape Tormentine, who spent a few days in Moncton, has returned home. Mrs. W. G. Dobson, who has been slightly indisposed for a few days, is able to be around again. An event of much interest, to take place shortly, is the marriage of Miss Myrtle Allen to Walter Allen, of Cape Tormentine.

HAMPTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CLOSING

Hampton, Dec. 16.—The closing exer-cises of the Hampton Consolidated School for the current school term, were held in the exhibition hall this afternoon in the presence of the parents and friends who not only filled every seat and all standing room, but overflowed the stairs from the floor below. Indeed, greater in-terest has never been shown in these proceedings, and all were thoroughly re-paid for the time and inconvenience ex-perienced. The following programme was rehearsed: Chorus by school—The Union Jack. Presentation of highest standing cer-tificates by Rev. J. F. Rowley. Presentation of High school entrance certificates by Principal Watson, Madeline Christmas Star Drill—Grades III and IV. Chorus by school—Songs of Allies. Grade IX.—1st, Annie McGowan; 2nd, Douglas Humphrey. Grade VIII.—1st, Genevieve Barnes; 2nd, Lillian Stephenson. Grade VII.—1st, Marjory Otty; 2nd, Murray Angeline. Grade VI.—1st, Douglas Cooper; 2nd, Burton DeLong. Grade V.—1st, George Langstroth; 2nd, Dorothy Langstroth. Grade IV.—1st, Sadie Ross; 2nd, Jean Matthews. Grade III.—1st, Christine Watts; 2nd, Clyde Roberts, Mildred Brewster (tie). Grade II.—1st, Mabel Banerman; 2nd, Lole March. Grade I.—1st, Ida Lyon, Edith Snod-

grass (tie); 2nd, Stuart Angerine, Ger-trude Coleman. Yesterday afternoon the tots of Grades I and II, were gathered in one of the primary rooms and held a Christmas dolls party. The room was beautifully decorated and Santa Claus was present to do the honors. The girls were all dressed in white, and each carried a finely dressed doll, some nearly as big as the little mothers. A pretty programme was carried out in the evening, consisting of a souvenir gift, consisting of fruit, cakes and candy. The schools will close tomorrow, and the high school and Grades VII and VIII, will reopen on Monday, January 3. The other six departments below VII, will not reopen until Monday, Jan-uary 10, as the teachers go to Sussex to take the short course in agriculture.

RIVERSIDE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CLOSING

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 16.—The Christ-mas closing exercises of the Riverside Consolidated school were held this after-noon in the assembly hall and were attended by a large gathering of visitors, who greatly enjoyed the fine pro-gramme prepared and carried out by the pupils, under the direction of Prin-cipal McLean and staff. Dr. C. S. Mur-ray, chairman of the school board, pre-sented, and other prominent citizens present were I. C. Prescott, Conductor Downing, H. H. Tingley, Alex. Rogers Edwin Wagstaff, Secretary C. C. Copp, Rev. Mr. Opie, Rev. Mr. DeWolfe, and others. The programme included, salu-ting the flag, choruses, the First Noel, Canada's Sons, Christmas Eve, recita-tions by Wm. Calhoun, Louis O'Connor, Hilda Hayward, Marion Luss, Burgess Crossman, Lillian Barbour, Bessie Ber-lett, Byard Fullerton, and one by four little children; songs—The First Christ-mas, A Million Little Diamonds, Two Robin Red-Breasts; drill, Christmas Stars by ten little girls, signalling by the boys of the Cadet Corps; dialogue by four boys; the Greatest Gift, by the High school; School give by the school. At the close of the programme, R. J. McKenick, manual training teacher, who is resigning, after two years' ser-vice, to enlist, was called to the plat-form and presented with a handsome wrist watch, the gift of the teachers and pupils. Chairman Murray, in mak-ing the presentation, complimented Mr. McKenick on his good work at the school, which had been greatly appre-ciated by the school board and the district generally. The chairman also pre-sented Jack Crocker with the Lieutenant governor's medal for highest average in the county in high school entrance ex-aminations. Rev. Messrs. Opie and De-Wolfe made brief addresses. The Con-solidated school will have three weeks' vacation this year, as the teachers will take a week at the agricultural course at Sussex.

KINGS COUNTY HAS CATTLE SLAUGHTERER

Sussex, N. B., Dec. 19.—(Special)—A wholesale shooting of cattle at Kings-mondale has been in progress for some time past. W. P. Fowler, a well known farmer of that place, states that, when he brought his cattle off the upper pas-ture this fall one of his pure bred Hol-stein was missing. Search was instituted for the animal but only portions of her head and feet were found. The head showed that the animal had been shot fairly between the eyes with a rifle. The weapon had been held so close to the animal's head that there were powder marks on her face around the wound. A shooting still more daring occurred early in November, when Derwin Bros. of Hillsdale, had six head of cattle shot. Four head were skinned and hide and meat taken; the fifth ran into the wood and afterwards died and the sixth had a bullet in the shoulder, from the effect of which it recovered. Six pounds were test by J. J. Sherwood through the summer and later he found the pellets of two of them where they had been hidden under a log. Efforts are being made by owners and by local constables to track and bring to bay these marauding shotguns. It is being a business of slaughtering animals that are put out to pasture.

MURRAY BAIRD U. N. B. RHODES SCHOLAR

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 17.—Chancel-lor Jones announced today that the U. N. B. Rhodes scholarship had been awarded to Murray Baird, son of H. P. Baird of this city. There were four applicants. Baird is a graduate of Fredericton High School, and is now in his senior year at college. He has an ex-celent scholastic record. The public schools of the city held the usual Christmas examinations this morn-ing and closed at noon for the holidays. The lieutenant-governor's medal for best standing in High School entrance examinations was presented to Miss Beatrice Phillips, daughter of R. L. Phillips. Rev. A. F. Newcombe made the presentation. Miss Marjorie Massey of the Bank of Montreal staff has obtained leave of absence and will be away for Radcliffe, Sask., to spend the winter.

BIG HARDWOOD LUMBER CONTRACT AWARDED

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 16.—Stanley Douglas of Stanley has a contract to get out and saw four million feet of hardwood at Napadogan for the Part-ington Pulp and Paper Co. It is under-stood that the bulk of it will be ship-ped to the old country. It is expected that the Partington Company's lands on Nashweek contain half a billion feet of hardwood lumber, and this is the attempt being made to put it on the market. A New York manufac-turer, who lately visited the locality, declared it the finest hardwood propo-sition in Canada.

MAY QUARTER SOME TROOPS AT RICHIBUCTO

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Remember, Bangs, we are depending on your baby to cry lustily in the third act. Do you think he'll do his part? Actor Father—"He ought to. He's been rehearsing every night for months."

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CHANGING GENERALS.

Sir John French, according to London cablegrams, not only retires from the supreme command of the British forces because of impaired health but has the honor of nominating his successor, Sir Douglas Haig, and being himself created a Viscount and placed in command of the Home forces. Sir John French has frequently given praise in his despatches to Sir Douglas Haig, and he has the additional satisfaction of seeing Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien and General Sir Charles Munro honored with very important commands after he has publicly recognized their valor and ability in the field.

In the English papers of late there have been suggestions that important changes in the higher commands in the British army were likely soon to be announced, though the causes behind these statements had not been freely discussed. Sir John French was one of comparatively few high officers who made a reputation in South Africa, and since he left England in command of the expeditionary force at the beginning of the war his services have been very warmly appreciated by public men and newspapers in the United Kingdom.

We may be sure that no such important change would have been made at this time unless as a matter of military necessity. Sir Douglas Haig is one of the youngest generals in the British army, but he has seen a great deal of hard fighting and it is noteworthy that his promotion appears to be hailed with satisfaction on all sides, although there is general regret that, for any reason, it should have become necessary to accept the retirement of Sir John French.

In London the view is that the change will be followed by increased vigor in the prosecution of the war on the British front. Undoubtedly, while the facts are not yet known to the public, there was dissatisfaction over the failure to get the reserves up at Loos. While responsibility for that failure may have been fixed officially, there has been no public statement regarding it, and there is, therefore, no public reason to associate that particular incident with the change in command. Evidently the British government and the British public agree with Sir John French that, as a change was unavoidable, Sir Douglas Haig is the very man to succeed to the supreme command. Such news as we have from the British front indicates that our forces are wonderfully well equipped, that they are very strong numerically, and that their confidence is great. The difficulty with respect both to munitions and to numbers seems now to have been overcome, and there is every reason to anticipate that affairs will go well on this front hereafter.

Those who regard any change of commanders as a troublesome incident will do well to remember that the Germans and the French have changed many commanders and that in the course of any long war such changes are by no means uncommon. In the Civil War President Lincoln found it necessary to set aside a large number of generals before Grant, Sherman and Meade came to the front.

The Empire, after all, has much for which to thank Sir John French. He was in command at the Marne and during all the fighting when the British played so great a part in checking the German rush toward Paris and toward Calais. That fighting constitutes one of the most glorious pages in British military history. Sir John French, too, during the early part of the war suffered from tremendous handicaps both in the lack of men and from the fact that equipment and organization fell far below the demands of the situation. It is probable that no British general will ever encounter more difficulties than he encountered with.

PRESIDENTIAL TALK.

The Presidential elections in the United States will take place less than a year hence. It may be taken for granted that President Wilson will be chosen for re-election by the Democratic party, but no one knows what the Republicans will do. In the elections of 1914-15 the Republicans developed strength that was staggering to their opponents, but at the present time there is no outstanding man in their party for President.

For some time a movement has been developing in favor of Mr. Justice Hughes of the United States Supreme court. Close observers of American political conditions, however, declare that this movement has more support in the west than in his own State—New York—which does so much to make or defeat a prospective candidate. Judge Hughes is an able jurist, a keen student and a good speaker, and his record is clean. But there is nothing to indicate that he wants to run; in fact he says he will refuse to allow his name to come before the convention. Then there is Elihu Root, who has always had the strong backing of Colonel Roosevelt. But he is an old man and is not likely to accept. Scores of other men are mentioned, but with the exception of Colonel Roosevelt, none seems to be taken seriously. So far as Mr. Roosevelt is concerned no one can tell what he will do. He has taken a very strong stand against the Wilson administration on account of its apparent indifference to the violation of American rights on the high seas. And he has a large and increasing following which believes that if Roosevelt had been President instead of Wilson the position of the United States today would have been much more dignified than it is. Wilson has tried to keep the European war and issues growing out of it out of politics, but he has not been successful. Roosevelt has seen to that. It is possible, however, that if the Colonel leads a party denouncing the government for its "spineless" war policy, William Jennings Bryan may lead another condemning his old chief for his militarism—for Bryan is openly antagonistic to any policy of preparedness. Meantime the Republicans are searching for a leader. They want a strong man and just now there does not seem to be a really strong man in sight. But it does not follow that an able candidate will not be found. More than one Republican surplus may be sprung during the next six months.

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Few public men are giving their country greater service than Senator Gillmor, of St. George, who has three sons in khaki, two officers and a sergeant, all of whom will eventually take their place in the actual firing line. Captain Dan, the burly chap next his father in the picture is company commander in Lieut.-Col. Allan Magee's new battalion from Montreal, which has become known as "The Battalion of Athletes." Capt. Dan has made a recruiting trip to Charlotte county and looks for a good type of young men to come forward in response to his appeal.

Sergt. Horace writes from front. Actual experience at the front are described by Sergt. Horace, who is with the field ambulance unit having the care of the sick and wounded of the 26th. "Portions of the letter follow: 'There has not been much doing these last few days except an aeroplane fight—it sure was exciting. They were right over our heads. The British machine opened up on the German with the machine gun, then flew away, and the anti-aircraft guns finished the job. There were two men in the German machine, one the pilot, was only seventeen. He lost his way. His helper was wounded, but I believe he has died since. The machine just came to earth about two hundred yards inside of our lines. The Germans tried to complete its destruction, but were unable to do so. We got three machines that day. Our birdmen hate it all over the enemy. They make them look foolish. 'Don't worry about me, Mama, as I am O. K. and am taking good care of myself. The food is fair and so far the work has been easy. I do most of the dispatch riding for our unit. The nearest that I have been to the firing line is about 800 yards. It is pretty safe except just at daybreak and twilight. Then they turn a machine gun on the road. 'It is terrible some of the wounds these poor boys get, but say, nerve and endurance they have to burn. Some of them do not seem to mind pain in the slightest. You have to take your hat off to those chaps. They are men, and when they die fighting like that it is a safe bet they go to heaven. 'Yesterday it rained to beat the band,

which possesses a claim upon this great city. I cannot take that view. Manchester is not a provincial city alone; it is an Imperial city, with its interests reaching out all over the Empire and beyond. The war has made the Empire one; it has made the United Kingdom one. Let England help Scotland, and let Scotland in her turn help England. For my own part, it would seem to me a high honor for any member of this congregation, or any citizen of Manchester, that he should be enrolled in a regiment which has written its fame in such deep, abiding characters upon the British Empire as the Black Watch. 'The churches can give the greatest assistance to recruiting, and many of them are doing so. Some of our clergymen are already at the front or on the way, and others have offered to go. Many sermons in these days are recruiting sermons, and perhaps most clergymen would follow the example of Bishop Welldon and welcome recruiting parties to their churches. Any day is a good day for recruiting, and any place. 'Although no elections are to be expected in the near future, and although it is hoped none will be held, the Liberals in Restigouche-Madawaska and the opposition party in Restigouche have been setting their houses in order. At Campbellton a few days ago Hon. C. H. LaBilloy was selected unanimously to fill the vacancy created in the House of Commons by the death of the late James Reid, and Messrs. William Currie and A. T. LeBlanc were nominated for the Legislature. At St. Leonard's on Thursday a large and harmonious joint convention representing Restigouche-Madawaska unanimously selected Mr. Pius Michaud, M. P., as the Liberal candidate for the combined counties at the next Federal election. 'The action of these conventions gives very general satisfaction to the party, and when the elections come on in due course the success of these standard-bearers will be expected with confidence. 'The expectation is now that by-elections will not be contested, and that no general election will be held for a long time to come. This, at least, is the arrangement which would be preferred by the more responsible men of both parties, and people generally will hope that such an understanding may be definitely reached. The shadow of the war lies heavy upon every one, and the heart of the country is with the men at the front. Under such circumstances the political

number so enlisting has been given as 600. Much evidently remains to be done, and it can be done only through organization on the part of men of light and leading in those countries where the French-speaking population is numerous. In France it is estimated that eleven per cent of the entire population is in the army. If we were to apply that measure of duty to this whole province it would mean 39,500 soldiers. If our Acadian population of 93,000 were to provide recruits as France has done its share would be a little more than ten battalions. The Acadians are a brave, hardy and energetic people. They will never fight in a better cause than the present one. If they but recognize that they will soon fill up the ranks of the new battalion.

AUSTRALIA AND CANADA.

The Standard, reviving the naval controversy, argues at length in support of the impossible theory that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and not Sir Robert Borden is responsible for the fact that Canada today has no navy as Australia has. After a column or so of allegations against the Liberal party, the Standard comes to this weird conclusion: 'What Australia has done is to Canada's shame, no doubt. But the responsibility rests with the government that was in power up to within three years of the outbreak of the war and with the opposition that made it impossible that Canada should have in the British navy today three super-dreadnoughts.'

For what was not done after September, 1911, in naval matters, that is, for three years before the beginning of the war, Sir Robert Borden and his associates must accept responsibility. Had they carried out the Laurier naval policy, as we shall show presently, this country would have had in 1914 one cruiser of the improved Bristol class and two torpedo-boat destroyers, in addition to the cruisers Niobe and Rainbow, and by the end of this year there would have been at least one other cruiser and one other destroyer, not counting upon the fact that the construction programme would undoubtedly have been speeded up under war conditions. Winston Churchill and Mr. Borden, as their speeches show, had no idea of having the proposed Canadian dreadnoughts ready before 1916. That is made clear repeatedly by Hansard. Mr. Churchill said on this point: 'It is necessary, however, to make it clear that the three ships now under discussion in Canada are absolutely required from 1916 onwards.'

Mr. Borden, in the House of Commons on May 9, 1913, spoke of the divergence of views between the two parties, and continued: 'But for the purpose of endeavoring to construct any honorable friends on the other side of the House, I pointed out some weeks ago that even if this measure passed these ships could not be put in commission until after a general election had been held in this country, and if, as my honorable friends have so often and loudly insisted, the people of Canada are of the opinion that their proposals are those upon which this country should embark, then it is absolutely possible for this measure to pass, for this money to be voted, for these ships to be built, and for the proposals which my honorable friends on the other side of the House favor to be carried out.'

Obviously it is difficult to give the Borden government credit for the ships they did not buy or build, but the Standard is not only asking the country to do that, but is demanding that further violence be done to logic and to facts by seeking to hold the Liberals responsible for the Borden government's inaction from September, 1911, up to the beginning of the war. The country knows well enough that the Empire has not suffered from lack of dreadnoughts, but that additional cruisers and destroyers would have been most useful from the beginning of the war down to the present time. It therefore is necessary to face the fact that if the Liberals had remained in power, or if their successors had proceeded with the Laurier naval programme, some of the cruisers and destroyers would now be in commission. Of nineteen ship-building firms which submitted proposals for the building of the Canadian cruisers and destroyers seven actually guaranteed delivery on time. The call for tenders, dated February 4, 1911, called for four cruisers and six destroyers, the first cruiser to be delivered within three years from the signing of the contract, and a subsequent cruiser each following year. That would have meant two cruisers by this time at least, not allowing for the speeding up of construction under war conditions. Two torpedo-boat destroyers were to be delivered in three years from the signing of the contract and an additional destroyer at the end of each subsequent nine months. Not only did seven responsible firms tender and guarantee delivery on time, but the lowest tender, which agreed absolutely to the time limit, named St. John as the place where the ships would be built.

Great Britain has not suffered from any lack of dreadnoughts, and is not at all likely to suffer from that lack. Nor has Great Britain suffered because Canada did not agree to borrow \$95,000,000 in England for the building of ships there. Mr. Borden was asked by the Senate to refer his naval proposals to the people of Canada. He did not do so. Why he did not do so our Conservative friends never have been able to explain satisfactorily, even to themselves. The truth, of course, is well known. He did not take his proposal to the country because, in spite of all his thundering about Imperial perils, he preferred to avoid the risk of an election. The fact remains that, whatever might have been done between September, 1911, and the beginning of the war three years later, Sir Robert Borden and his party did nothing. Now his defenders say

SOCIAL HUMBUNG.

So good an authority as the London Times says that one of the gains to Great Britain brought about by the war is an increasing measure of freedom from social humbug. It gives examples. A great many people in London find it no longer necessary to pretend to be richer than they are. The Times observes that social humbug was a great nuisance from which these people should have delivered themselves without the pressure of war, but they did not do so, and very absurd conditions prevailed. People who said, 'I can't afford it,' were accused of stinginess or bad manners, and nobody ever thought of confessing having spent too much. But the war has changed all that, according to the Times, and such people are cheerfully spending for the country much of the money they formerly spent selfishly on themselves. Of course, this refers mainly to people who are wealthy or well to do. Not only have they cut their expenditures, but a great many are doing work in hospitals and in various other ways connected with the war. As social humbug and pretence in one circle have a tendency to affect other circles, the good accomplished by the war in these matters may be extensive. Those men and women who spend money foolishly, more than they can afford, 'to keep up with' other people who are more foolish or who have more money, make up an absurdly pitiable portion of every community. They make themselves miserable in an attempt to win the good opinion of others whose opinion is usually without any value whatever. Freedom from social humbug would increase national strength and sanity.

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It is a fine compliment that Sir John French pays to the Empire's volunteers. For sixteen months they have fought side by side with the regulars and have shared with them "in equal degree" the heroic courage so characteristic of the British race. The Germans look upon the damage to hospitals resulting from air raids as military advantage, and so speak of it. The Allied aviators take a different view of these things. It is not their purpose to drop bombs on hospitals; they prefer objects of strategic importance. There lies the difference between savage and civilized warfare. The Allies seem confident of their ability to hold Saloniki against any possible attack. The guns of the fleet are an important factor in the defence of this base, and every day the Anglo-French forces are growing in numbers and their fortifications are being made stronger. The Allies, it would seem, are in Saloniki to stay.

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Exclusive of officers, which would add about four per cent to the total, Ontario has raised about 77,000 men; Quebec, approximately 34,000; the Maritime Provinces, 30,000; Manitoba and Saskatchewan, 37,200; Alberta, 37,900, and British Columbia and the Yukon 19,700. Out of the total of 77,000 men raised in Ontario, the first military division (London) has raised approximately 15,000; the second division (Toronto), 42,000; and the third division (Kingston), 20,000. It may be noted that the Toronto division alone has supplied over one-fifth of the men raised by the whole dominion, and almost as many as the Maritime Provinces and Quebec together, or Alberta and British Columbia combined. It may be further noted that in the figures given for Manitoba and Saskatchewan are included the recruits for the Thunder Bay and Rainy River districts in Ontario.

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### SETTLING DOWN IN WINTER QUARTERS

Fine Body of Men Now Quite Comfortable in Immigration Building—Take Pride in Their Cooks—Their Names.

Saturday, Dec. 18. To adjust himself to new conditions and new environment, it takes the boy in khaki. This is proved by a visit to the immigration sheds at West St. John where the boys of the 140th are at present quartered.

The building is perhaps just a little topsy turvy at present, for they have only moved into their quarters recently. Each day, however, brings its improvements and soon the place will be spic and span. The renovation that has been done on the inside of the building is plain, but very convenient. Many bunks have been erected. Each bunk has two small box-like apartments underneath it for the soldier's kit and other articles.

At the head of the stairs is found an abundance of straw and the Canadian "Tommy" from this supply fills his bed and makes himself a comfortable nest.

The men of the 140th get along like one big family. Not a sour looking man is to be found in the new quarters. Each and every one of them are glad to be "from under" the canvas once again, and when they look back upon their experiences at Salinas during the late fall, they feel even more comfortable for the contrast is great.

The cook room has every possible convenience, and here the food is prepared for the men in splendid style. The 140th claim they have men better versed in the culinary art than any other battalion at present in New Brunswick. If they are pleased then it is up to the civilian to take their word for granted.

### More Men Today.

One hundred and twenty men are to arrive this morning from Sussex, and with their arrival nearly all of the battalion will be in the city and recruiting will be rushed along. The type of men composing the 140th is as fine as any that has yet been seen in the city. They are for the most part young blood, enthusiastic and eager to go forward. Their discipline is good and it is hoped that the 140th will soon be up to full strength.

Company drill was indulged in yesterday, but as yet the routine of work is not very complete. However, as soon as the boys get their "house in order" they will begin drill in earnest. It is understood that they will be drilled for the most part in the park on the west side.

The following is a list of the officers and men of the 140th battalion at present quartered in the immigration sheds at West St. John:

- West-Col. J. W. Gunning, O.C.; Capt. J. D. Davies, Lieut. C. A. Young, Lieut. J. R. Calkin, Lieut. E. Edgett, and Lieut. Jas. Bennett.

- A. Andrew, Hugh; Andrews, L. W.; Akerly, H. B.
- B. Bastarache, E.; Bastarache, Levit, Bateman, W. E.; Beasley, J. W.; Beasley, Grover Cleveland; Beasley, Chas.; Beckwith, J. F.; Beckwith Oscar; Beers, Robert; Beiding, Harry; Bell, A. B.; Belyea, R. A.; Betts, W. B.; Blakey, J. A.; Blakney, N. L.; Bress, Amicus; Brindley, N.; Brown, R. A.; Brown, H. W.; Buckley, G. M.; Bullock, M.; Bulner, Oscar J.

- C. Cady, J. J.; Caldwell, G. W.; Colkin, H. W.; Callahan, L. D.; Campbell, J. D.C.F.; Campbell, H. G.; Campbell, L. H.; Cannon, Henry; Casey, A.; Carvell, B. W.; Carrick, Andrew; Cassidy, C. E.; Carson, J. R.; Carson, Robert; Case, E. W.; Canton, Arthur; Chasworth, J. J.; Chedley, R. W.; Chisnold, J.; Chetick, G. N.; Clarke, L.; Coblen, W. A.; Choholan, G. G.; Cole, J.; Chow, H.; Collette, F. L.; Collins, J. S.; Comeau, N.; Conlogue, F. L.; Colpitts, C. L.; Comeau, D.; Cornell, R. J.; Connell, L. B.; Cole, H. G.; Corgan, J.; Crew, E.; Croyle, E. A.; Cunningham, J.; Cunningham, C. W.; Cyr, L.; Cyr, R.; Copburn.

- D. Dean, F.; Dean, H. N.; DeForest, G.; Dever, P.; Dinmore, F. A.; Duannville, C. K.; Donoet, F.; Doucet, G.; Duffell, W.; Duogan, J.; Dunham, F. J.; Donnelly, J. H.; Darrah, Joseph.

- E. Elliott, R. P.; Edwards, A.; Estabrooks, R. S.; Eatey, G. A.; Ewart, J. A.
- F. Falkner, F.; Fenton, R.; Foster, E.

- G. Galbreith, A. P.; Galbreith, S.; Garland, Z. N.; Gilbert, H.; Gillespie, E.; Goggin, A.; Goldie, J.; Gorham, C. J.; Gould, A. H.; Grant, P.; Gray, Wm. S.; Gregory, G. W.; Grimith, J.

- H. Hall, A. D.; Hanley, J.; Hanlon, H. E.; Hampton, H. R.; Hamm, F. McI.; Hayer, J. E.; Hassan, H. T.; Hatfield, R. B.; Hawkes, F. G.; Hayes, J. P.; Heagley, A. W.; Hickey, D. A.; Hicks, M. E.; Hickman, J. J.; Hicks, B.; Higgins, J.; Helle, J. H.; Holloway, J. B.; Howard, P. G.; Hughes, C. E.

- I. Jardine, J. G.; Jesso, J. A.; Jewis, W. H.; Johnson, W. R.; Johnson, F. A.; Johan, A. W.; Jones, G. H.

- K. Karzyk, N.; Keleher, D. H.; Keirstead, P. H.; Kennedy, A.; Kleup, A.; King, J. E.; King, F. W.; Knockwood, J. F.; Knox, W.

- L. Lamoureux, W. E.; Landry, E.; Landry, E. J.; Landry, J. H.; LeBlanc, H. G.; LeBlanc, A. P.; LeBlanc, C. D.; LeRoque, T. J.; Levine, M.; Lincoln, L. S.; Livingston, C. C.; Lockhart, H. S.; Long, J. K.; Logan, N. E.; Louns-

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## FRANCIS & VAUGHAN

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# EMBARGO ON THE EXPORT OF HAY

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The government has placed an embargo upon the export of hay from Canada, with the view of preserving the supply for the British and their Allies. An order-in-council was signed today giving effect to this proposal.

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# NEED A WIFE

## President Wilson and Mrs. Galt Married Quietly Saturday

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# 160 CAMPBELLTON MEN IN THE 132ND

Campbellton, Dec. 17.—(Special)—The closing exercises in the Grammar and High schools took place today. Principal Edwards, Warren, C. A.; Webb, J. J.; must was presented by the scholars. Rev. Hugh Miller presented the certificates to twenty-five pupils entering the High school, after which Judge McLaughlin presented the Lieutenant-governor from their Kings street residence. Ref. Dr. Squires presented the governor, Gen. D. McFarlane, to Miss Josephine Dickie, and the meeting closed with the National Anthem.

Lieut.-Col. Meseroux was in town today inspecting the militia. He was accompanied by the minister, Mr. G. McFarlane. The number now on the strength of the company here is 160 and the colonel expressed himself as highly pleased with the appearance and drill of the men. The finest body of men in New Brunswick was the colonel's remark after viewing their work in the skating rink where they are drilling every day.

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## PRIMECREST FARM, ST. JOHN, N. B.

### MEN OF 69TH GET PICTURES

Fine Weather Lends Itself to Drilling in Open—True Blue Lodge Sends Quota—One Member's Experience.

Saturday, Dec. 18. The canteen was the busiest spot yesterday at the armory. Every man was a king in his own realm, and money flowed like water. In some instances it is doubtful whether there will be a "war hit in the pocket for the morning," but what care they for they have a good time whilst it lasts.

Everyone Was Drilling. Owing to the splendid weather conditions yesterday everything drillable in military circles was drilled. The boys of the 118th, who are as yet only learning the rudimentary parts of the work made good progress. The streets adjacent to the armory were filled with soldiers drilling. Some were in uniform, some were not. Those not in uniform were interesting indeed. Each man carried the car marks of his former profession. There were office clerks, machinists, seamen (which were undisturbed by their rolling gait), and laborers. However, in drill they were all equal. All enthusiastic and each had the prospect of old world battle fields in his mind's eye.

Photograph Day. The pictures were distributed to the boys of the 69th which had been taken a few days ago. Everywhere about the armory you would find interested groups peering curiously into the photos that they had recently purchased.

True Blues Send Twelve Men. The True Blues L. O. L. of Carleton already given twelve of its members to the service of the empire. Some are already on the firing line, others in England and some more on Canadian soil in training. They are as follows:

- R. M. Anderson, N. P. McCool, V. Sanderson, E. Harner, R. Colman, S. Ferguson, F. Campbell, A. Galbraith, H. Smith, M. Tapley, G. Wallinsson and J. Maxwell.

A. K. Horton, a member of the lodge, was recently in receipt of a letter from Driver Vernon Sanderson, a member of the lodge, who is now in France on the firing line with the Second Canadian Division.

The writer thanks the members of the lodge for the splendid care they have sent him and other kindness shown. He says in part: "Well, this is rather a hard life, but we all seem to be happy and try to enjoy ourselves as much as we can, but you can judge for yourself how much enjoyment we are having in this part of the country, where there is nothing but the noise of the rifles and the grumbling of the cannon all the time, night and day. We have had quite a bit of hard luck since we came here, in losing some of the boys, but it is something we must expect if we are to win, and it is hard for a fellow to tell when he is going to get 'his.' Still we go around the same as we would at home and very seldom think of getting hit. It looks and sounds like a regular first to new troops coming in, but it don't take very long to forget all about fear. I have been transferred from the 28th to the Brigade Headquarter's staff. Appointed to 140th.

Lieutenant Fred Newcombe, of the staff of the railway mail department, has been appointed to the 140th Battalion and took up his duties in West St. John yesterday. He was formerly an officer in one of the rural infantry regiments. The 140th detachment here will be increased by 180 men today.

Rur caps have been issued to the members of the 69th and the 140th will receive a similar issue soon.

More Sign Honor Roll. More names have been added to the honor list of T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd., of their Kings street residence. Eight members of the staff have joined the corps recently, six with the Siege Battery and two with the 118th. The latter are Burton Ramsey and Norman Bourne, while with the Siege Battery are Stewart Henderson, H. M. Hamer, Robert Kelley, Clarence Henderson, Spurgeon McBride and John Lawson. Each has been the recipient of a handsome military wrist watch, presented in behalf of the others of the staff by T. A. Ramsey and Ernest Clarke.

Well Known in City. Corporal John M. Haslam, of the 51st battalion, who was reported yesterday morning as having been killed in action, was well known in St. John, where he had resided for several years. He had been employed in Flemming's foundry, and later in the Union foundry. While here he was a member of Vernon, No. 1, L. O. L., and his fellow members had mailed a Christmas gift to him only a fortnight ago. Mr. Haslam left St. John about eighteen months ago for Calgary, where he was located. Berlin he enlisted. His father, John Haslam, resides in Sussex.

Note With a History. A \$5 note of the Merchants Bank of Canada, which has a story to relate, if only it could tell it, is in the possession of H. H. Harvey, of this city, who received it with others from the bank. The bill bears the written endorsement of Norman Fetterly, No. 17,226, 1st Canadian contingent, Octavia, France, March 29, 1915, and also the rubber stamped inscription of the "Bank Hand and Industrial Berlin" which was How the bank note of interest, but it is probable that it belonged to a Canadian prisoner of war.

Secures Good Position. Captain D. F. Pidgeon, who left here as paymaster of the Divisional Ammunition Column, and who is now in France,

has been promoted to the general headquarters staff with an office in London. While here he designed a system of book-keeping in connection with his military duties that proved much superior to the usual form. After reaching the other side he perfected this and it came to the attention of general headquarters staff in London, with the result that it has been adopted by the British war office and Captain Pidgeon was offered and has accepted the position mentioned. It is understood that the salary is a substantial one, and the position, if he cares to accept, a permanency.

Special Recruiting Officer. An Ottawa despatch says: Colonel Guthrie, of Fredericton (N. B.), who had ten bullets in his body at one time, has returned from the front and reported to the minister of militia. He was made a special recruiting officer for the maritime provinces.

### PRIVATE SECRETARY.

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### N. B. BATTALIONS. THEIR LOCATION AND COMMANDERS

- 26th—Lieut.-Col. J. L. McAvity, Belgium.
- 55th—Lieut.-Col. J. R. Kirkpatrick, England.
- 64th (Partly only)—Lieut.-Col. H. Montgomery-Campbell, Halifax.
- 104th—Lieut.-Col. George W. Fowler, Sussex.
- 115th—Lieut.-Col. F. V. Wedderburn, St. John.
- 132nd—Lieut.-Col. G. W. Meseroux, Chatham.
- 140th—Lieut.-Col. C. G. Gunning, St. John.
- 145th—Major W. E. Forbes, Moncton.
- 165th—Major L. C. Daigle, Moncton.

# THE 26TH BATT. INSPIRES A POET IN PUNCH

"Punch" on Dec. 1 published the following verses:

### TO A BAD CORRESPONDENT IN CAMP.

To Lieutenant John Samp, 26th Regiment, The Canadian Camp, East Sandlinghore, Kent (Or anywhere else about England that the Regiment may have been sent).

Dear John,—All your kith  
And your kin (counting me)  
Are dissatisfied with  
The scant treatment that  
Have received in the matter of letters  
Since your transport first came put to sea.

One brief note as you mailed  
Thanking me for the socks,  
And the picture-card mailed  
From the Liverpool docks,  
With two sheets, with your mother from  
Reading, hasn't busted the old letter-box.

Now, if nothing is back  
Of your tactful way  
But congenial lack  
Of the right thing to say,  
Here's a little set form for your letters  
Which you're welcome to use day by day.

Dear Mother! (Aunt, Cousin)—  
I take pen in hand  
In more health than I was in

"STORY WHICH 26TH WRITES WITH BLOOD, THE PRIDE OF NEW BRUNSWICK FOREVER"

Rev. E. B. Hooper Writes of Impressions on Holding Service for Our Boys on November 21

"Mud-Covered and Dishevelled, Yet They Have Look of Men Who Have Faced Hell and Death and Are Ready to Face It Again" — A Christmas Message to Those Whose Loved Ones Are Fallen.

Captain the Rev. E. B. Hooper, chaplain of the 6th Field Ambulance, writing from the front on Nov. 22 to a friend in St. John, gives interesting and stirring details concerning the work of the chaplains and ambulances and the activities of the 26th Battalion, near which Captain Hooper has been constantly on duty.

I am still attached as chaplain to the 6th Field Ambulance, and have daily had reason to be deeply and truly thankful that duty and obedience to authority have placed me here. What I rebelled against at first, and grieved over most sorely—my separation from the 26th Battalion—has proved to be a very real blessing.

When any of the 26th are sick they come to us here, so that they share in whatever attention I am able to give to the patients here. My own son was brought here, when he was suffering from the too common complaint known as "trench feet," and right thankful I was to have him for seven days under my eye and care, for I knew that he could not be getting into mischief or trouble in the trenches.

Our ambulance is, in addition to its work as such, conducting a large rest station or hospital, and here we receive sick men from the whole 2nd Canadian Division. When men are at all seriously wounded they remain but a few hours at the most in the ambulance, whereas the sick remain for several days.

Yesterday (Sunday) I had the privilege of conducting church parade service for "our" battalions, and I wish that the good people of St. John, who during the last winter and spring gazed with admiration on the 26th as they marched on a Sunday morning, with uniforms speckled and buttons shining to their church services, I wish that they could have stood beside me yesterday morning and looked at the men of the 26th as they stood in their ranks for divine service.

They have suffered grievous losses in killed and wounded; they have had their chums and closest friends stricken down beside them; and yet today they are entirely unshaken and absolutely unafraid. The story which the gallant 26th is writing with their blood here in Belgium is a story which St. John and New Brunswick will hold in proud remembrance forever.

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Social intercourse possible. I met many of the officers here in the convent from time to time. When out of the trenches they often come for a hot bath or for a dinner, and many a time they come up after their evening dinner in the convent kitchen and have a good smoke and chat in my fine bedroom, a room which is shared by Father Guay and Father Knox, both of them most genial men and military chaplains.

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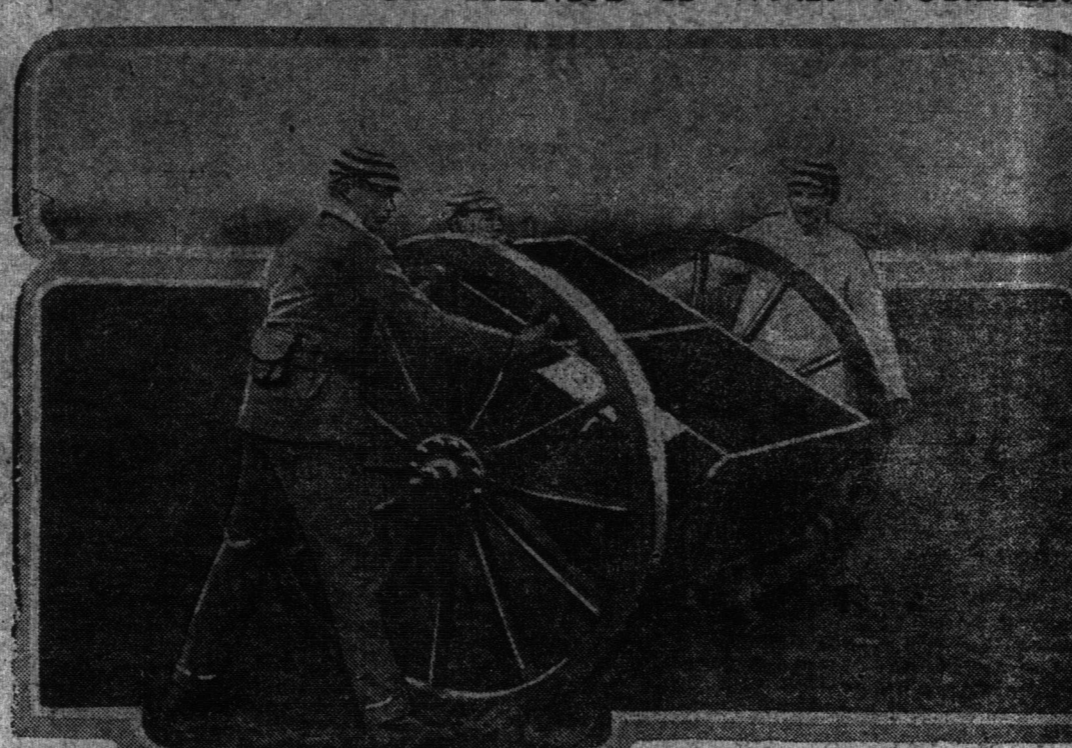
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YOUNG PRINCE HENRY A WAR WORKER



On a recent half-holiday at Eton the 700 students volunteered, instead of playing football, to unfold war stores at a nearby station. H.R.H. Prince Henry, His Majesty's third son, worked enthusiastically with his school fellows. The photo shows the Prince (on left) at the wheel.

MONCTON MAN KILLED; MEMBER OF 55TH ILL

Saturday Dec. 18. The midnight casualty list has the name of James McPhee, of Springhill (N. S.), as wounded with the 26th battalion. Although born in Springhill, McPhee was well known in St. John. For some time he was in the employ of the Canadian Press as a messenger for The Telegraph and Standard, afterwards joined the staff of McDougall and Gowans and later was employed at the Park hotel, giving up his position to enlist.

Mr. J. P. Wall, of Campbellton, reported seriously ill. Charles B. Langille, of Halifax, 30th, is reported seriously ill.

Sapper Thys Kettle, of the Construction Corps, is reported suffering from concussion.

Ottawa, Dec. 19—Today's casualty lists contain no names in the 26th battalion, but in the midnight list, Fraser, 122 Steadman street, Moncton, is reported killed in action with the 55th battalion, and Frank P. Murphy, of St. John, is reported seriously ill with the 58th battalion.

HAMPTON OFFICER WRITES FROM FRONT ASKING FOR SOCKS

Hampton Village, Dec. 16—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Dann leave today for Boston, where they will spend the Christmas season.

In a letter from Lieut. George O'Leary, of a squadron, now in France, he writes that the men are badly in need of socks, thirty or forty in his troop being without them.

KITCHENER DENIES HE IS ENGAGED

London, Dec. 17—It was officially announced tonight by the private secretary to Earl Kitchener, British secretary of war, that the report of the engagement of Earl Kitchener to Miss Minto was untrue. The announcement says: "The report is absolutely untrue, and without any foundation."

ROYAL DUKE'S YEAR-END MESSAGE TO BOY SCOUTS THROUGHOUT CANADA

Gerald H. Brown, honorary dominion secretary of the Boy Scouts, upon instructions from his royal highness the chief scout, has distributed a circular letter to the scouts throughout the dominion. In this he recalls the valuable service that the boys have done during the year, especially in receiving wounded soldiers and looking after their comfort.

ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRING TO BLOW UP WELLAND CANAL

New York, Dec. 17—Paul Koenig, formerly head of the Secret Service of the Hamburg-American line, and Richard Emil Lundecker, were arrested tonight by agents of the department of justice, charged with conspiring to attempt to blow up the Welland canal.

VISCOUNT FRENCH PREDICTS VICTORY IN HIS VALEDICTORY TO BRITISH ARMY IN FIELD

London, Dec. 19—Field Marshal Sir John French issued the following official order of the day yesterday, before leaving the army on the western front:

"In relinquishing command of the British army in France I wish to express to the officers, the non-commissioned officers and men, with whom I have been so closely associated during the last sixteen months, my heartfelt sorrow in parting with them before the campaign, in which we have been so long engaged together, has been brought to a victorious conclusion."

"I have, however, the firmest conviction that such a glorious ending to their splendid and heroic efforts is not far distant, and I shall watch their progress towards this final goal with intense interest, but in the most confident hope. The success so far attained has been due to the indomitable spirit and dogged tenacity, which knows no defeat, and the heroic courage, so abundantly displayed by the rank and file of the splendid army, which it will ever remain the pride and glory of my life to have commanded during over sixteen months of incessant fighting."

"The regulars and the territorials of the old army and the new army have ever shown these magnificent qualities in equal degree. From my heart I thank them all."

"At this sad moment of parting my heart goes out to those who have received life long injury from wounds, and I think, with sorrow, of that great and glorious host of my beloved comrades who have made the greatest sacrifice of all, by laying down their lives for their country."

"In saying good-bye to the British army in France, I ask them once again to accept this expression of my deepest gratitude and heartfelt devotion towards them, and my earnest good wishes for a glorious future, which I feel to be assured."

"J. D. P. FRENCH, Field Marshal, Commanding-in-chief, British Army in France."

Another German Cruiser Sunk

Amsterdam, Dec. 20—It has been officially announced in Berlin that the small German cruiser Bremen and a torpedo boat accompanying her have been sunk by a submarine in the eastern Baltic sea.

The Bremen was built in 1903. She had a displacement of 3,250 tons, was 340 feet long and 43 1/2 feet beam and in peace times carried a crew of about 300 men. She was in St. John a few years ago and was the only one of the German cruisers at large at the outbreak of war to escape and reach German home waters.

London, Dec. 20—The Daily Mail's Copenhagen correspondent says he learns that the torpedoing of the German cruiser Bremen and the German torpedo boat occurred Friday night close to Libau, while the Bremen was returning, with lights out, from an inspection of the entrance to the Finnish Gulf.

Paris, Dec. 18—"Two German hydro aeroplanes from the air station at Zebruggen flying over the sea close to the water were perceived and fired upon by a torpedo boat at a point ten miles to the north of Nieuport. One of these flying machines fell into the sea and the two officers on board were made prisoners," so it was announced here officially this afternoon.

London, Dec. 19—The following British official statement was issued tonight: "Early this morning the enemy discharged gas against our line to the north-east of Ypres, accompanied by a heavy bombardment. Except at a few places, where they were driven back before reaching our lines, they were prevented from leaving their trenches by our fire. Our protective measures against gas proved effective, and our line is everywhere intact."

Vienna, via London, Dec. 20—"The following official statement has been issued by the Ottoman war office: "Trak front: Local fighting is developing in our favor near Kut-el-Amara. Our front is being pushed back by the British and Avilburn there have been artillery and bomb encounters near Seddul Bahir. The enemy has used a great number of bombs and aerial torpedoes against our trenches in the centre of our line. Our line is everywhere intact."

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Britain's Defence Against COUGHS, COLDS and all Bronchial Troubles. You can cure a cold in one night with Venos's Lightning Cough Cure; coughs disappear—well, "lightning" is the only word to describe the quick curative effect of this wonderful British remedy. The reason is that it strengthens the entire bronchial system, helps Nature to cure in Nature's way.

VENOS'S LIGHTNING COUGH CURE

SUPREME EFFORT IS NECESSARY TO MEET EXTREMITY

Lord Mayor of London Appeals to the Public—Seven Millions of Heroic Little Nation Living in Misery That Can Scarcely Be Concealed.

London, Dec. 16—"Only organized effort on an unprecedented scale will avert the tragedy of the collapse of the self-restraint of the Belgian people, which must come when they face starvation," says the Lord Mayor of London.

St. Leonard's, N. B., Dec. 16—The largest and most enthusiastic convention ever held in Madawaska convened today and unanimously chose Euseb Michaud, M. P., as the standard-bearer of the Liberal party for the combined counties of Restigouche-Madawaska at the next general elections.

Fredericton, Dec. 16—(Special)—Capt. F. A. Good, of this city, has received word that his son, Lieut. Avrak Good, has been transferred from the 23rd Battalion to the 25th as signalling officer.

FORD PEACE PARTY ALLOWED TO GO FORWARD FROM KIRKWALL

London, Dec. 17—Announcement was made by the foreign office tonight that the steamer Oscar II, having on board the Ford peace party, has been permitted to proceed on her voyage to Christiania.

CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL FOR WOUNDED CANADIANS

The Editor of The Telegraph: Sir—Would you be able to publish the following appeal from one of the members of the Loyalist Chapter, Mrs. Malcolm McAvity, who is now in Folkestone?

"The Canadian women in Folkestone have decided to open a Convalescent hospital for wounded Canadian soldiers. It is greatly needed, and Dr. Rennie addressed us the other day and asked us to do it. We have to supply all funds with the exception of a shilling weekly which the government allows us; that is all the help we will get. We need about \$12,000 to back us before starting out, and we are all writing home to see what we can do. Do you think you could interest any of the Chapter, any little would help? We can also use apples, games, books, hospital shirts, etc. It seems a shame to be asking when you have so much already to give to but anything will help the hospital which have 50 beds to start with and more will be added later. Lady Allan will be present. I am going to work in the Diet Kitchen."

Sincerely yours, KATIE E. MACKAY, Regent Loyalist Chapter, St. John, Dec. 14, 1915.

Newcastle, Dec. 16—Geo. H. Oak, of Quarryville, whose two sons, one Gen. Sir George, and the other, the other Milleche C, already in France, had previously donned the khaki, has enlisted in the 132nd.

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FOR SALE FARM for sale, three Bellisle station, App Benson, Shannon post-off

We wish to thank for their continued and to intimate the term begins Monday third.

HAWKER—Born to Robert W. Hawker, 40 on Dec. 16, a daughter BOVAIRD At Hamp the 18th inst., to Mr. M. Bovaird, a daughter, BROWN—To Mr. Witt Brown, 14 Clarence 18th inst, a son.

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Lightning Cure. We wish to thank the public for their continued patronage and to intimate that our new term begins Monday, January third.

AS CANDIDATE. Liberal Convention at Madawaska. Leonard, N. B., Dec 16—The 2nd and most enthusiastic convention ever held in Madawaska convened and unanimously chose E. H. Leonard, M. P., as the standard-bearer of the Liberal party for the combined Liberal Convention at Madawaska.

RIGHT SIR DOUGLAS HAIG PROPER WAY TO GROOM A HORSE. Connection with the appointment of Douglas Haig as commander-in-chief of the British forces in France and the fact that he is now in England for France in a time.

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AGENTS WANTED. RELIABLE representative wanted to meet the tremendous demand for fruit trees throughout New Brunswick at present. We wish to secure three or four good men to represent us as local and general agents. The special interest taken in the fruit-growing business in New Brunswick offers exceptional opportunities for men of enterprise. We offer a permanent position and liberal pay to the right man. Stone & Wellington, Toronto, Ont. w-11

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FOR SALE. FARM—For sale, three miles from Bellisle station, Appleton, Kings County, Shannon post office, Queens Co.

BIRTHS. HAWKER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Hawker, 40 Summer street, on Dec 18, a daughter.

MARRIAGES. PEARMAN—WELCH. At St. David's church, on 18th inst., by Rev. J. A. MacKegan, Hugh W. Pearman, of the Bank of Montreal, to Anna Hazel Inslee, daughter of the late Robert B. Welch, of Woodstock (N.B.).

IN MEMORIAM. In memory of James McAllister, who departed this life Dec. 17, 1910. A loving memory to dear husband and father, Thomas Edward Burhill, who departed from this life, December 18, 1910.

GARD OF THANKS. Mrs. Mary Seely and her daughter wish to thank their many friends for their kind sympathy and beautiful floral tributes in their recent sad bereavement.

BACK TO THE TRENCHES. Amherst News—Gus Reese is returning to the trenches. This gallant young Amherstian, who left the shores of Canada with the 17th Nova Scotia Battalion, First Overseas Contingent, suffered a severe wound in the hand and arm in one of the first big battles of the war. It was reported that he was to be invalided home, but according to letters received from him at his home in Amherst, he was preparing to return to the trenches. His brother, Clarence, is also "somewhere in France."

CHARTERS. British schooner, 384 tons, coal, Philadelphia to St. John (N.B.), private trade; schooner, 341 tons, same.

MARINE JOURNAL. PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Thursday, Dec 16. Sch. Harry Miller, 240, Granville, Perth Amboy, J. W. Smith, coal. Sch. Helen Montague, 344, Perth Amboy, R. C. Elkin, coal. Sch. Bluenose, 168, Tower, from Perth Amboy with coal. Friday, Dec 17. Str. Corinthian, 5221, Babour, trans-Atlantic, pass and freight. Cleared. Sch. Eskimo, Pike, Nova Scotia port to load for New York.

CANADIAN PORTS. Bathurst—Old Dec 16, str. Reliable, McLean, Chatham (NB); Minor, Curlew, Halifax via Chatham, Minor, Curlew (Halifax)—Ard Dec 15, str. Stormont (Montreal Transportation Co.), Blackley, Quebec, for New York, put in leaking.

BRITISH PORTS. Liverpool, Dec 16—Ard, str. Orduna, New York. London, Dec 16—Ard, str. Finland, New York. Queenstown, Dec 16—Ard, str. Nordnes (Nor.), Erlisen, Newcastle (NB); Glasgow, Dec 16—Ard, str. Sardinian, Morait, Montreal.

FOREIGN PORTS. New York, Dec 16—Ard, str. Minnehaha, London; Philadelphia, Liverpool, Boston. Dec 16—Ard, str. Celtic, Naples, London. Dec 16—Ard, str. Oakwood, Perth Amboy; Daniel, McCloud, Bridgewater (NS).

DEATHS. BARKER—Entered into rest, at his residence, Mount Pleasant, on Dec 15, 1910, Sir Frederic Bostace Barker, C.B.E., at his late residence, Sussex, on Dec 15, William O'Grady, aged seventy-three years, leaving a wife, six sons and three daughters, one brother and one sister to mourn.

STIFF SENTENCE FOR MONCKTON SCOTT ACT VIOLATOR. Moncton, N. B., Dec 16—In the police court today, Albert Noel, was convicted of violation of the C. T. A. in eleven counts. He was fined \$250 and costs. In default of payment he must spend two years and nine months in jail.

MAINE POLICEMAN AND STATION AGENT KILLED BY ROBBERS. Portland, Maine, Dec 16—Charles McIntosh, a policeman, and Ernest Winslow, a station agent for the Maine Central Railroad, were killed in a revolver fight with robbers here today. Soon after the police were advised that the West Falmouth station had been entered during the night the train was sent, with the agent on the trail of the men, who were located after a long search and ordered to surrender. The robbers immediately began shooting. McIntosh was shot to death although a preliminary examination showed that Winslow had been clubbed and shot.

RESULTS OF THE TRENCHES. The five-passenger Tadhoe touring car donated to the Patriotic Fund by T. M. Burns, of Bathurst, and forfeited by them, was won by W. H. Spear, of Moncton.

CONDEMNED NEWS. LOCAL AND GENERAL. OUR SOLDIERS HOME AND ABROAD. Pte. F. Williamson, of St. Stephen, in a letter to his sister, written in France, says that he is writing in a gun pit in the second line of trenches. He states that he and his pal take turns on guard at the gun in case they should be needed in a hurry.

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SERIOUSLY HURT IN PULP MILL. A very serious accident occurred yesterday afternoon at St. George when Hazen Seamons sustained injuries that may prove fatal. You're Seamons, who is a foreman in the St. George Pulp Mill, was attending his duties as usual. About 4 o'clock he had occasion to put a belt on a wheel from which it had slipped.

MORE SOLDIERS REACH WOODSTOCK. Sixty soldiers of the 104th Battalion arrived here last night on the late train and are quartered at the army. Part of the number will go to Hartland tomorrow, where accommodations have been provided for those recruited in this vicinity. It is expected that a hundred more will come here tonight.

BRIEF DESPATCHES. Ottawa, Dec 16 (Special)—Clarence Jamieson, M.P., has been given a commission by the minister of militia as a special recruiting officer for Nova Scotia. Petrograd, via London, Dec 17—The following details were furnished in financial circles today regarding the success of the Russian loan of 1,000,000,000 roubles 4 1/2 per cent. Six hundred million roubles were subscribed by Russian banks and the remainder was placed at the disposal of the people who already have taken 800,000,000 roubles worth.

RESULTS FATAL. Friday, Dec 17. Hazen Seamons, the St. George youth who was injured in the St. George pulp mill on Thursday afternoon, died yesterday morning at the General Public Hospital here.

CONGESTION OF FREIGHT ON C.P.R. Winnipeg, Dec 17—The C. P. R. has declared an embargo on cars out of lake front and interior terminals to West St. John. The embargo was placed in the east and is said to be only temporary, and due to the large number of late cargoes arriving at Port McNichol. To make room for these cargoes it had been necessary to rush cars from Port McNichol to West St. John, and if serious congestion was to be avoided a temporary embargo on western cars had to be declared.

THREE TOBY STALWARTS GOING TO THE SENATE. Ottawa, Dec 19 (Special)—It is reported in well informed circles at the capital that one of the vacant Ontario senatorships will go to Alex. MacLaren, ex-M. P. of Perth, the well known cheese manufacturer. Richard Blain, M. P. for Peel, will get one of the other Ontario vacancies, while Sir James Aikins, ex-M. P. for Brandon, has it understood, been definitely promised appointment to the senate vacancy created by the death of the late Senator Kleboffer.

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THE BANNER DEANERY. To the Editor of The Telegraph:—Sir,—In your issue of Saturday, Dec. 11, under the heading of Anglican Church Notes, your correspondent says, "Kingston deanery still keeps up its record as the banner deanery of the diocese." This has been said so frequently and for so long a time that people as is the rule with constant assertions, begin to believe it must be true. In a spirit of friendly rivalry, and for the better information of your many Anglican readers, I beg to submit a challenge, and to state that by the facts and figures recorded in the 1910 Diocesan Synod Journal the banner is held up in the far north of the province, namely in the Chatham deanery.

IN PRAISE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS. (Toronto Globe.) These spirited verses were written shortly before his death by the late Judge Walter Malone of Memphis, Tennessee, a gifted Southerner, who loved Righteousness and hated Oppression in whatever form it manifested itself. They were sent to E. T. Malone, K.C., of this city by Judge Malone's brother, and have not hitherto been published.

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# TWO ST. JOHN BOYS HOME WITH OTHERS FROM FRONT

## Pte. Harold Duplissea and Gordon Nuttall in Party of Returned Wounded on Corinthian—Officer in Charge Predicts Big Change Next Spring—Steward's Daring Rescue of Soldier in Mid-Ocean.

Saturday Dec. 18. The steamer Corinthian, arriving last night, brought back twelve wounded soldiers from the front, and some forty others who had received their discharge. The soldiers were under the command of Major Mayes, who had with him Lieutenant Balydon of Winnipeg, and Private Botterell. The latter has not only seen much service in this war, but has also taken part in the South African war, and given valuable service in India.

Major Mayes is also a veteran of the South African war and carries not a few ribbons on his breast. He left the city last night for Quebec where he will enter upon other military duties connected with his new appointment as inspector of physical drill and bayonet exercises.

Stretching Tangled Wire. Lieutenant Christie, who returned wounded, was attached to the 17th Battalion on going to England, and was later transferred to the Fifth Royal Highlanders. With the Highlanders he was brigade wiring officer. As may be inferred, he was engaged in putting up the barbed wire entanglements, one of the most dangerous positions at the front.

Speaking of his experiences, he said: "On going into the trenches at night, it is like one big Fourth of July celebration. But one soon gets used to it. The entanglements are put up at different distances in front of the trenches from thirty to 200 yards from our own lines. I have been as near to the German entanglements as forty-three yards. It is all done at night and of course you don't see much of what is going on.

"The Germans as a rule are good soldiers. They are not much good at hand to hand fighting and they are very nervous or less unscrupulous in their tactics. I was wounded on the night of November 1. We were out setting up entanglements, and I was hit by a stray bullet or else a German in a listening post got wise to where I was.

"The Germans are just as good fighters as the papers report them to be. They are respected in England on all sides. They are just as good as the Allied troops and can stand more hardship, from their life in the open."

"I was at Festubert, arrived there shortly after the Orchard fight. It was a very bad scrap. As to German atrocities I saw very few evidences, but at Festubert after the battle I did pick up a German bandolier with the bullets in the shell reversed, the blunt ends foremost so that they would inflict terrible wounds."

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Steward's Daring Rescue. The trip was a very rough one and on the way shortly after the steamer left Havre, Private Tupper, a wounded soldier, fell overboard. In spite of the fact that a high sea was running, Steward Weatherston, of the Corinthian, dived overboard after him and was successful in rescuing him from what would certainly have been a watery grave.

Other officers returning on the Corinthian were Lieutenant Christie, of Truro, who was wounded and invalided home for two months and a half, and Captain A. C. Armstrong, of Moose Jaw, who was attached to the Medical Corps. Both these officers left for their respective homes last night.

The first soldier in the uniform of France seen coming off a trans-Atlantic boat at this port was last night, when the Corinthian docked. He had been a French reservist living in Canada, who was called upon by his old regiment when war broke out. He has served France faithfully for many months and was finally invalided home. The dashing blue uniform of the French army was very conspicuous among those of the khaki-clad boys of Canada who returned last night.

Among those who returned were eight Bulgarians. They had enlisted in Canada and gone with the first contingent. Their intentions were perfectly good, as an officer who was with them stated, but when Bulgaria joined the central powers they had to be recalled. Some of them had seen active service at the front and had been recalled by the British office upon the entrance of Bulgaria into the war.

The Corinthian carried twenty-two second cabin passengers and 127-third cabin passengers together with a crew of 65. Troops numbering 61 were brought across. Seven passengers disembarked at Havre, France.

Big Shuffle Next Spring. "There is going to be a big shuffle next spring," said Major H. S. Mayes, inspector of physical drill and bayonet instruction, who arrived back from the front last night. "The armies on the western front are going to come to grips in the winter, and they are recognized as such at the front," added the Major.

"When the Germans are pushed out of France," he said, "it will be by a hand-to-hand struggle. That is the weak point of the German soldier, he cannot stand cold steel. In view of this the standard has been raised and will be raised from now on so that no man will be drilled in bayonet fighting will be more thorough and the soldier who steps on French soil after this will be better trained than the ones that preceded him."

By spring Kitchener will have 4,000,000 men ready, trained and equipped to take the field. Recruiting in England is going on rapidly and Lord Derby's scheme has thus far proven a complete success.

Major Mayes was in the reserve trenches at Festubert and saw the last part of the fight, but when asked as to what conditions were on the western front today, he said: "I can only answer as Kitchener did when asked

the fire department will officiate at his funeral at 2.30 tomorrow afternoon. Deceased leaves a widow, three sons—William, George, with the 8th Battery, C. E. F. in France, and Claude, at home; and three daughters—Jean, Annie and Jessie, all at home.

Miss Josephine Moore. Miss Josephine Moore, daughter of the late Charles Moore, died quite suddenly at her home at Hopewell Hill on the evening of Dec. 8.

Miss Moore had only been ill a short time and her death came as a great shock to her many friends and acquaintances. She was a lady of most exemplary Christian character and her many kindly qualities of heart and disposition endeared her to all who knew her.

For many years she had been a devoted and faithful member of the Methodist church and the influence of her cheerful and consecrated life will long be felt in the community.

Miss Moore is survived by three sisters—Mrs. Alex. Rogers, Mrs. Brewster, Miss Olivia J.; and one brother, Fred G., all residing at Hopewell Hill. Lieutenant Donald M. Moore, who was killed in action recently in France, was a nephew of Miss Moore.

The funeral took place from her late residence on Dec. 9 and was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. R. Opie. Interment was made in the family lot at the Hopewell Hill cemetery. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Albert C. Lloyd. Grand Falls, N. B., Dec. 15.—The death occurred in Sibbald, Alberta, Tuesday, Dec. 7, of Albert C. Lloyd. Death was caused by heart failure and the news of his death was a great shock to his friends and relatives in this community. The deceased is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Fern A. Rideout, of this place; also three brothers and three sisters. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved wife and relatives.

Hugh J. Sweeney. Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 18.—Hugh J. Sweeney is dead at his home in Yarmouth. He was seventy-five years of age and leaves children, William of Boston, Daniel, of Kentville, Arthur of St. John, mate of the steamer Yarmouth, Mrs. Sarah of Gloucester, Mrs. Mrs. G. McDonald, Mrs. Byron Sweeney, Mrs. Ernest Ross of Yarmouth and Mrs. James Johnson, St. John. At one time his family owned the whole of Cape Forchu.

John Brittain. An old resident of the city passed away on Saturday evening in the person of John Brittain, who died at his late residence, 88 St. Patrick street. The deceased, who enjoyed the esteem of many in the city, was in the 90th year of his age. For the last forty-three years he had been a resident, a greater part in West St. John. He is survived by his wife, three sons and one daughter. The sons are: James and Ernest, of West St. John, and William, of Westford. A daughter, Mrs. Margaret Totten, of Westford, is a sister. The funeral will be held on Monday evening. The body will be taken on Tuesday morning's train to New Brunswick where interment will be made.

Mrs. Amy Branscombe. Mrs. Amy Branscombe, widow of John Branscombe died at her home in Somerville (Mass.), yesterday (Sunday) at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Branscombe was the daughter of the late Isaac and Mary Ann McLean, of Waterbury, Queen's County, and was married to John Branscombe in Somerville and two sisters, Mrs. W. H. White and Mrs. Sharpe, of Queen's county, also one brother, Fred McLean, of Fredericton. The funeral will be held at Waterbury, Queen's county, on Thursday, December 23.

Greek Frontier Inviolable; Enemy Heralds to Cross. (Continued from page 1.) grobe district, on the plateau between the Torra and Astico valleys. Along the remainder of the front there have been artillery duels.

Russians Disperse Turkish Garrison. Petrograd, via London, Dec. 21.—The following official communication was issued today:

"Western (Russian) front: In the region of Viday, there have been unimportant encounters with small enemy detachments. At Sobonowitz, southeast of Zaleski, the enemy exploded two mines in front of our trenches and afterwards attempted to occupy the craters, but was driven back to his own trenches.

"In the Baltic Friday we sank the cruiser Bremen and a big torpedo boat. In the Caucasus Saturday our scouts, under Ensign Kolebski, in the region of Schiban, northwest of Olti, approached within fifty paces of a Turkish outpost and attacked it with the bayonet, killed the garrison, and scattering the remainder. Turkish reinforcements arrived in front of our trenches and a Russian detachment, which was compelled to retire, Ensign Kolebski was captured.

"Then another detachment of Russian scouts, under command of Sergeant M. Gorenko, advanced to the front and by the use of some of them, and captured Ensign Kolebski. Both Russian detachments then retired to their own positions.

"The strong detachments repulsed yesterday between Zabrana and Hamadan have not resumed the offensive."

Government Party Triumphs. Paris, Dec. 20.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Athens, dealing with the results of the election, says: "Up to the present two hundred members of the Gounaris party have been elected to seats in the Greek parliament. The other results, thus far obtained, show that thirty adherents of M. Theodoris, twenty of former Premier Rhalis, and seven of M. Dimitracopolous were elected. The results from six districts are not yet known."

The Patris, organ of M. Venizelos, says, with regard to the election: "Taken into account the abstentions from voting, the results of the election prove that if the Liberal party had entered the campaign its victory would have been greater than on the 18th of June."

The few Himer, which voices the opinion of the opponents of M. Venizelos, maintains, on the contrary, that the paucity of voters was attributable to the mobilization and says that if the voters had been able to vote they would not have given a single ballot to the followers of M. Venizelos. Their obligatory abstention from voting, the newspaper adds, deprived governmental candidates of a number of voters.

No Heavy Fighting Here. Paris, Dec. 20.—Small engagements between Montenegrin and Austro-Hungarian troops with no important results were reported in an official message given out here today. The statement follows: "On Dec. 17 enemy outposts appeared on the Karalovez-Cora-Chachovich-Blelopolje line. During engagements we captured more than 100 men. On the other fronts there were lively fusillades."

Gun Capture Reported. Vienna, via London, Dec. 20.—The following official communication was issued today:

"Rusian theatre: There is nothing special to report."

"Italian theatre: On the entire front there has been moderate artillery activity but only in the Chiasso sector and in the direction of the lake. It increased to vigorous proportions."

"Southeastern theatre: Gen. Kovess' troops stormed the strongly consolidated enemy positions on the Tara, southwest and near the town of Gornje, north of Berane. In the fighting on the Tara three mountain cannon, two field cannon and 1,200 mines were captured."

Allied Monitor Espy. Berlin, via London, Dec. 20.—Entente Allied monitors yesterday shelled the German positions at Westende, on the Belgian coast, but were finally driven away by land batteries, says the official statement issued today by the army headquarters. The statement adds that German aviators attacked the town of Poperinghe, near Ypres, numerous balloons being concentrated there.

"Western theatre: Five from our coastal batteries drove off enemy monitors which shelled Westende yesterday. On this front there was lively artillery activity and also successful mining operations by our troops."

"One of our air squadrons attacked Poperinghe where numerous troops of the enemy are gathered. An English biplane was shot down in an aerial fight near Brugge. The occupants of the machine were killed."

"Eastern theatre: The situation is unchanged."

"Balkan theatre: In the fighting northeast of Tara, previously reported, three mountain and two field guns were captured."

"Near Molkovac fighting continued successfully for the Austro-Hungarian troops. Several hundred prisoners were brought in. There were no important changes in the German and Bulgarian army corps."

Victory Hangs on Labor's Attitude. (Continued from page 1.) fortnight than in the entire first year of the war.

Continuing, he said: "There have been other developments of our work, which I dare not mention. There has been experimental work of a kind better not discussed: As to explosives, we shall be able to continue to supply ourselves, and our allies."

"As to economy, I may cite as an example new contracts for gun ammunition, which is the principal item of expenditure—the cost of eighteen-pounder shells has been reduced forty per cent, and of 4.5 inch howitzer shells, thirty per cent."

Possible To Win In Forty Days. "It is too early to talk of the danger of over-production. In the last great battle, although there was a tremendous accumulation of ammunition, the general staff stated that with twice the quantity of ammunition they would have achieved twenty times the result. Two hundred million rounds, or the cost of only forty days of war, would produce an enormous quantity of munitions. If you had that quantity at the right moment the war might be won in forty days; whereas, without it, the war might be prolonged, perhaps four hundred days."

"With regard to munitions, what is spared in money is spilled in blood. If there are risks to be taken, let them be risks to the pockets of the soldier, and not to the lives of men."

German Mechanically Superior. "The successes of the Germans have been due almost entirely to the mechanical superiority they achieved at the beginning of the war," said Lloyd George. "Their advances east, west and south alike were due to this mechanical superiority, and our failure to drive them back in any direction, or our advantage in the east, was due to the tardiness with which the Allies developed their mechanical resources."

"But the superiority of the Central Powers in these respects will be brought to an end at the earliest possible moment."

Referring to the lesson learned from the prodigious use of machine guns by the Germans, Lloyd George said: "There was a place for it, stunted machinery, but we have now a far more advanced and more powerful machine. In one direction, he added, the Allies had the superiority on the mechanical side.

"Our command of the sea," he said, "is a great advantage. We still control more than 8,000,000 shrimps, and to our overwhelming superiority of machinery."

Lloyd George explained the work of the ministry of munitions, which now controls more than 3,000 munitions factories employing about 1,000,000 workers. He said: "In May when the Germans were turning out a quarter of a million of high explosives daily, we were producing only 2,500,000. We are now producing a million and a half more. The house listened with closest attention as Lloyd George took up the shortage of munitions for the Allies in the early stages of the war.

"Our troops knew it, the enemy knew it, and the world knew it. We were in some very essential particulars," he said, "take guns and ammunition. English military opinion was welded to shrapnel, when we suddenly found the high explosive was the thing. We still have a higher opinion of shrapnel than the French or the Germans."

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WEDDINGS. Vincent-Josephson. The wedding of Gunner Walter C. Vincent of the siege battery to Miss Blanch Josephson, of Halifax, was solemnized Wednesday by Rev. Dr. Raymond, rector of St. Mary's church. The ceremony was attended only by relatives of the bride and groom.

Clark-Moore. In Main street Baptist church at 9 o'clock Wednesday evening the Rev. Bernard Clark of Bear River (N. S.) and Miss Grace Edna Moore of Middleton (Conn.), were united in marriage by Rev. D. Hutchinson, D.D. Mr. Clark is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Clark of Bear River, and his parents were present at the ceremony, returning to their home yesterday morning. The bride and groom are still in the city. They will make their home at Bear River.

Pearman-Welch. The wedding of Hugh Weston Pearman, of the local staff of the bank of Montreal, and formerly of Halifax, to Miss Anna Hazel Inaue Welch, of Woodstock (N. B.), took place Wednesday evening in St. David's Presbyterian church. Rev. J. A. MacKeigan officiating.

Sabine-Fullerton. An interesting wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Frederick Fullerton, Tower street, West St. John, when their daughter, Mabel, was united in marriage to Mr. J. B. Sabine, of Saskatchewan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. T. Sabine, brother of the groom. The bride is a graduate nurse of Boston and the groom is a prosperous farmer of Needpate (Sask.). The good wishes of many friends are with the newly married pair.

Ross-Wiggins. Andover, Dec. 16.—A wedding of interest to the people of Andover and Perth, the bride being assistant postmistress at Perth for several years, took place in the Episcopal church at Four Falls at 10 o'clock Wednesday evening. The bride was Miss Elizabeth Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wiggins became the wife of Arthur Sherwood Ross, of Four Falls. Rev. J. R. Hopkins performed the ceremony. The bride, who looks very pretty in a gown of cream crepe de chine, is the daughter of her father, Mr. Newcombe, a friend of the groom, was best man and Miss Anna Wiggins, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The wedding was dressed in pink chiffon. After the marriage a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where a number of relatives and friends gathered to wish the young couple every happiness through their wedded life. The wedding gifts were many. The guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burke of Fort Fairfield (Me.), Mrs. M. L. F. Carvell and Miss Johnston of Perth and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hefferman of Andover.

Kent County Man Killed; Several N. S. Men Wounded. Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Nathan A. Ward, of Harcourt, is the only New Brunswick man in the midnight casualty list, he being reported seriously ill in the 30th Battalion. Several Nova Scotia men are reported wounded.

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- FIRST BATTALION. Died of Wounds—Frederick Horne, Chatham (Ont.).
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- THIRD BATTALION. Dangerously Wounded—Charles J. Armstrong, Ottawa.
- FIFTH BATTALION. Killed in Action—David McDill, Scotland (Ont.). Wounded—Company Sergt.-Major W. W. McLellan, Scotland; Corporal Henry Halstead, England; Fred Harris, England.
- THIRTIETH BATTALION. Wounded—JOHN F. CAMPBELL, GLENCAI MILLS, INVERNESS (C. B.); SYLVESTER IVES, SYDNEY MINES (N. S.).
- FOURTEENTH BATTALION. Accidentally Slight Wounded—Joseph Bourque, St. Angele De Laval, Nicolet (Que.).
- FIFTEENTH BATTALION. Wounded—John Irwin, Ireland.
- SIXTEENTH BATTALION. Died of Wounds—Corporal George H. Fandy, England.
- TWENTY-SEVENTH BATTALION. Seriously ill—Arthur W. Simmonds, Winnipeg.
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Lieut. Coderre, Desjardins, the second orderly, corroborated the story, both orderlies explaining their failure to report the affair until next morning on the ground of fear of Coderre, who took supper in the house, as usual, with the witness and told him to burn it. This was found by the police half consumed. Keller was also given a bloody carving knife, produced to clean.

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J. H. BELL, P. E. I., LIBERAL LEADER. Souris, P. E. I., Dec. 20.—(Special)—J. H. Bell, P. E. I., barrister of Summersburg, and a member of the provincial Liberal opposition today. He is an experienced parliamentarian, having been in provincial and dominion parliaments. He was formerly M. P. for Prince county. His selection adds much strength to the Liberal party in this province. He will take an active part in the bye-election campaign in the first district of Kings, and spoke at the big opening meeting in Souris.

Loughlin McDonald, who was nominated by the Liberals, yesterday, to oppose H. D. McLean, is a former member of the provincial executive and is regarded as a strong candidate.

GREAT BRITAIN ASKED FOR EXPLANATION FOR STOPPING PARCEL POST. Washington, Dec. 20.—The United States has protested to Great Britain against interference with parcel post shipments between this country and Sweden, Secretary Lansing announced today.

Mr. Lansing said that the Swedish minister has complained to the state department that parcel post shipments had been held up by British ships on the high seas. Besides filing a protest, the state department asked Great Britain for an explanation, Mr. Lansing said.

NO CHANCE FOR HENRY TO SPOUT IN COPENHAGEN. Christians, Dec. 20.—Henry Ford has received information that he would be prohibited from holding meetings in Copenhagen, it was learned today. He will go there, however, to select the delegates to accompany his party to the Hague.

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London, Dec. 22.—The positions in the late Loss at Varna, Bulgaria. The note appeared in headlines reflected the about details swept as. Up to a late hour Russian occupation of the same critics of to a new effort for Co. On the western front the Vosges, is regarded useful, operation at a months. The number great Champagne-Loos. The English public taken the withdrawal of tralian newspaper in the "We here highly re this nation, under God. The most important appeal by the leading war's financial requires of munitions, at appealing to them for demanded in his speech. The reports of the the Entente capitals, w many believing that it to be the ultimate ch clares that the Sociali one members having a organization. THIS REPORT DOES London, Dec. 23.— ing at Varna. A Bus "A Russian fleet of day) of Cape Kalkiaki lent bombardment, was. "According to off engaged in the bombas firing lasted from 8 to to the fog, and the sq "Simultaneously w on the Bulgarian fro British in Artillery Dus London, Dec. 22.—Th fish official statement w "During the last tw there has been artillery portions of the front, Pricourt, on both side Canal, and at Ypres. plied effectively." French Victory Ends S Paris, Dec. 22.—Har of the French at Har was made for the purp an end situation whi garded as intolerable. of this mountain tre sant firing by both si were separated by onl tence. The result of an appreciable loss. The French success r ful artillery preparation onslaught of the troop have been forced bac the eastern slopes of t 1,300 Germans Taken. Paris, Dec. 22.—Th communication was is office tonight: "In Belgium the ar tivity in the region Boesinghe. To the south of Ar successful shelling ar resident a mine whi enemy trench. "The Belgian commu under our fire, fled, wounded. "On the heights of sector of the Bouchou violently bombarded and caused the explos depot. "In the Vosges, at E kopf, after a series of enemy gained a foot of the trenches whic terday and which wec vanced detachments. German prisoners ta surpasses 1,300. "The Belgian offic reads: "Our batteries ha today. They bomba posts on the left bu well as the center. "To the north of guns completed the blockhouse overturne the enemy attempted. Greece Impressed By London, Dec. 23.—A to Reuters' Telegram Tuesday evening, says "News of the landin

### HAROLD DUPLISSEA, returned here...

feeling recovered from nervous shock sustained by shell fire and on reaching port were conveyed to the hospital for further treatment.

Two local boys, Gordon Nuttall and Harold Duplissea, were among the number, also suffering from shock. These soldiers have a most honorable record and their friends will hope for their speedy recovery.

The trip was a very rough one and on the way shortly after the steamer left Havre, Private Tupper, a wounded soldier, fell overboard. In spite of the fact that a high sea was running, Steward Weatherston, of the Corinthian, dived overboard after him and was successful in rescuing him from what would certainly have been a watery grave.

Other officers returning on the Corinthian were Lieutenant Christie, of Truro, who was wounded and invalided home for two months and a half, and Captain A. C. Armstrong, of Moose Jaw, who was attached to the Medical Corps. Both these officers left for their respective homes last night.

The first soldier in the uniform of France seen coming off a trans-Atlantic boat at this port was last night, when the Corinthian docked. He had been a French reservist living in Canada, who was called upon by his old regiment when war broke out. He has served France faithfully for many months and was finally invalided home. The dashing blue uniform of the French army was very conspicuous among those of the khaki-clad boys of Canada who returned last night.

Among those who returned were eight Bulgarians. They had enlisted in Canada and gone with the first contingent. Their intentions were perfectly good, as an officer who was with them stated, but when Bulgaria joined the central powers they had to be recalled. Some of them had seen active service at the front and had been recalled by the British office upon the entrance of Bulgaria into the war.

The Corinthian carried twenty-two second cabin passengers and 127-third cabin passengers together with a crew of 65. Troops numbering 61 were brought across. Seven passengers disembarked at Havre, France.

Big Shuffle Next Spring. "There is going to be a big shuffle next spring," said Major H. S. Mayes, inspector of physical drill and bayonet instruction, who arrived back from the front last night. "The armies on the western front are going to come to grips in the winter, and they are recognized as such at the front," added the Major.

"When the Germans are pushed out of France," he said, "it will be by a hand-to-hand struggle. That is the weak point of the German soldier, he cannot stand cold steel. In view of this the standard has been raised and will be raised from now on so that no man will be drilled in bayonet fighting will be more thorough and the soldier who steps on French soil after this will be better trained than the ones that preceded him."

By spring Kitchener will have 4,000,000 men ready, trained and equipped to take the field. Recruiting in England is going on rapidly and Lord Derby's scheme has thus far proven a complete success.

Major Mayes was in the reserve trenches at Festubert and saw the last part of the fight, but when asked as to what conditions were on the western front today, he said: "I can only answer as Kitchener did when asked

### OBITUARY

Miss Bridget McDonald. The death of Miss Bridget McDonald occurred Wednesday afternoon at her residence, 140 Brussels street, after a lengthy illness. She was a daughter of the late Richard and Margaret McDonald and is survived by three sisters, Mary, Annie and Elizabeth all at home.

Mrs. Albert E. Cheesman. Mrs. Albert E. Cheesman died Wednesday night at her home, 31 Prospect street, Fairville, after a brief illness. Besides her husband she is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Richard McGarr, of Antigonish, Philip and Richard, and four sisters, May, Katherine, Margaret and Jean all of this city. She was in the twentieth year of her age and was well known and respected.

Miss Claire Kelley. Frederick, Dec. 16.—W. S. Kelley of the Victoria Hospital staff has received word of the death of his sister, Miss Claire Kelley in Los Angeles, Cal. She was suffering from tuberculosis and gave up a position as stenographer in New York more than a year ago to seek a change of climate. She is survived by two brothers and three sisters. The body is being brought home for burial.

Dr. Fred A. Cook. Frederick, Dec. 16.—Dr. H. H. McNally, received a telegram from Yonkers (N. Y.), this morning, announcing the sudden death of his brother-in-law, Dr. Fred A. Cook. He was operated upon for abscess a few days ago, and was thought to be on the road to recovery. The deceased was connected with the public schools, and was prominent in Yonkers. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Bessie McNally of this city, whom he married two years ago.

Frank Masson. Newcastle, Dec. 16.—The death of Frank Masson, plumber and tinsmith, occurred suddenly after only a week's illness late Tuesday night. Deceased, whose son, William, was called home from Alcorn (Sask.) lately because of illness late Tuesday night. Deceased, whose son, William, was called home from Alcorn (Sask.) lately because of illness late Tuesday night. Deceased, whose son, William, was called home from Alcorn (Sask.) lately because of illness late Tuesday night.

### WEDDINGS

Vincent-Josephson. The wedding of Gunner Walter C. Vincent of the siege battery to Miss Blanch Josephson, of Halifax, was solemnized Wednesday by Rev. Dr. Raymond, rector of St. Mary's church. The ceremony was attended only by relatives of the bride and groom.

Clark-Moore. In Main street Baptist church at 9 o'clock Wednesday evening the Rev. Bernard Clark of Bear River (N. S.) and Miss Grace Edna Moore of Middleton (Conn.), were united in marriage by Rev. D. Hutchinson, D.D. Mr. Clark is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Clark of Bear River, and his parents were present at the ceremony, returning to their home yesterday morning. The bride and groom are still in the city. They will make their home at Bear River.

Pearman-Welch. The wedding of Hugh Weston Pearman, of the local staff of the bank of Montreal, and formerly of Halifax, to Miss Anna Hazel Inaue Welch, of Woodstock (N. B.), took place Wednesday evening in St. David's Presbyterian church. Rev. J. A. MacKeigan officiating.

Sabine-Fullerton. An interesting wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Frederick Fullerton, Tower street, West St. John, when their daughter, Mabel, was united in marriage to Mr. J. B. Sabine, of Saskatchewan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. T. Sabine, brother of the groom. The bride is a graduate nurse of Boston and the groom is a prosperous farmer of Needpate (Sask.). The good wishes of many friends are with the newly married pair.

Ross-Wiggins. Andover, Dec. 16.—A wedding of interest to the people of Andover and Perth, the bride being assistant postmistress at Perth for several years, took place in the Episcopal church at Four Falls at 10 o'clock Wednesday evening. The bride was Miss Elizabeth Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wiggins became the wife of Arthur Sherwood Ross, of Four Falls. Rev. J. R. Hopkins performed the ceremony. The bride, who looks very pretty in a gown of cream crepe de chine, is the daughter of her father, Mr. Newcombe, a friend of the groom, was best man and Miss Anna Wiggins, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The wedding was dressed in pink chiffon. After the marriage a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where a number of relatives and friends gathered to wish the young couple every happiness through their wedded life. The wedding gifts were many. The guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burke of Fort Fairfield (Me.), Mrs. M. L. F. Carvell and Miss Johnston of Perth and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hefferman of Andover.

### NEW BURDENS ON GERMAN PEOPLE

(Continued from page 1.) that the empire's income be more than doubled to meet these obligations, and the current expenses. Before the war, it says, the financial state of Germany was a source of anxiety to the government in 1909 taxation was increased by 500,000,000 marks, but the budget did not balance. In 1913 the government adopted the extraordinary measure of taxing wealth and levying a non-recurring contribution for armament, in order to rise prices.

"Maintenance of the existing financial situation, the Vorwaerts continues, is impossible, so far as taxation of imports is concerned. Provisions, raw materials and many other articles may be expected to rise in price after the war, and if the present tariff were continued it would lead to an artificial increase of prices for Germany, which would undermine the capability of German industry to compete to govern the world.

"Therefore the interest of consumers and producers," the Vorwaerts concludes, "demand abolition of these import taxes after the war, which would reduce Germany's income considerably; and therefore the time has come for the government to declare what course it is steering."

American Sole Leather Prohibited. Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 20.—The