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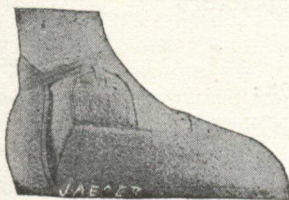
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Editorial Efforts

Starving Out England

IT is absolutely certain the Hun is going to be disappointed in his calculation as to his "Starving us out" policy. The people of Germany were told a short time ago that before winter England would be so deprived of the means of getting foodstuffs that she would be eager to accept peace at any price. The German people were told that England would be brought to her knees by the U Boats, all shipping would be destroyed wherever found. Transports, mercantile vessels, and hospital ships would all be treated alike, *viz.*, torpedoed without warning, wounded soldiers and sailors would be slaughtered, even Nursing Sisters and Red Cross workers would not be spared. In fact, poor old starving England would be begging for something to eat in a few months.

Once more the German missed his calculation and underestimated the resourcefulness of the British people. His destructive mind could think no farther ahead than the sinking of ships that might be carrying food and merchandise to and from this country, and by the time we devised some means to combat the U Boat, and so protect shipping, there would be practically nothing left to protect. What a glorious victory the Germans had in mind: England starving and begging for peace.

But what do we find to-day? The British Isles turned into a veritable garden, a great big garden, growing good wholesome food, enough to practically feed the people. Vast stretches of land, hitherto considered worthless for agricultural purposes, are now fields of potatoes or a sea of waving grain. Back yards, which were chiefly used as a dumping place for boxes, barrels, tin cans, etc., are now growing enough vegetables to feed the family the greater part of the winter. Even in the training camps soldiers are utilising the space between the hutments to grow their own potatoes and other root crops.

It is a wonderful revelation what the British people can do. They never were beaten yet, although they have often suffered reverses. This only makes the British Bulldog set his teeth the harder and tighten his grip. The Hun will soon learn that this country is not only a grain, vegetable, and fruit garden, but it is going to be a Garden of Eden, where there will be no room for Satan in the shape of the murdering German.

THE EDITOR.

OUR PALS OF YESTERDAY

*(Dedicated to Privates Hillyer and Shier. Killed May 1st,
1916 at Ypres.)*

By Pte. P. Adams, 9th. Brigade Bombers.

Oh, where are our Pals of yesterday,
Of whom we were so fond
Alas ! They are no longer with us,
But out in the Great Beyond.

Dusk, and the field guns are booming,
Hark to nerve - wrecking duel.
Crash ! Our comrades lie bleeding,
God, but this war is cruel.

Back to the rear they were carried,
Two of Fair Canada's Sons,
And there they are peacefully sleeping
Undisturbed by the voice of guns.

True ! They were somebody's loved ones.
Somewhere the tears will start.
Somebody's fond hopes are shattered.
Somewhere a broken heart.

They answered the Call of their Country ;
They fought the good fight and are gone.
And altho, they are sleeping in Flanders,
Their souls up above still march on.

CHATS FROM CHATHAM

Pte. Short has returned—a short addition to the staff, like.

Did a Fisher-lady catch Spr. Whiting or is it another fish story?

It is perfectly true that we of the Personnel Mess now enjoy our meals in peace and quietness.

“Then there’s the other.” We extend a warm welcome to Frankie Willis who has returned to Chatham House.

Pte. Watson, the Wizard (opening a box of leather soles.)—Guess these are for the Shoemaker? S.-Sergt. Moore—No! These are steaks for the Personnel breakfast.

Who is the Corporal Wardmaster who pinches shirts from the patients, and then issues same shirts to the patients again as fresh ones?

Fragment of cupboard love poetry, found in Corp. Shear’s tent:—

“ I love to gaze into your eyes,
And sit beside you, (telling lies.)
But dearer far than this I prize,
Your mother’s home-made lemon pies.”

If the Chatham House boys ever expect to win at baseball they had better “fire” the first-baseman, or else cause him to wear a 4-inch collar on his bathing suit. Shun-n-n-n.

Well, Corp. Perry, this page only mentions a man when he is either doing too much work, or none at all. We have never had the pleasure of writing up one of the former abnormal species.

We understand that a new department has been inaugurated in the Arts and Crafts, it is the manufacture of hot-air, which is made in large quantities and packed in fancy boxes. We have not seen a photo of it as yet.

It was noticed that Inst.-Corp. Smith, on seeing the “Pats” winning in the baseball game on Tuesday evening, changed his coat to one of Grey with Red facings. We have heard of Gunboat Smith, and Trombone Smith, and now we have a Turncoat Smith.

GRUNTS FROM GRANVILLE

Granville parade. "On the march form two deep."

Soloist Margate Winter Gardens. "God send you back to me by request."

Room "5," 3 a.m. "I think—hic—it was you who broke the wash stand?"

If a certain Lc.-Corp. at the Granville is a Sugar Bowl. Please tell us who is the Bee?

Cheer up Lc.-Corp. Ascott, if they won't give you a place on the Cricket team, try checkers.

Russian ladies do not seem to like your colour combination with those tailored made greys "Red"—o-o-o-o

Irish patient, when chimney sweep appeared in grate in his room. "Oh! Here comes the East Indian troops."

It must bring the "dark and murky past" vividly back to certain of the Transport and Pay Office staff with their hair cut as of old.

Yes Corp. Sutherland if you had your good conduct badge up with the other two that would make you a sergeant providing nobody was looking. Where did you get your ruling???



One day while Larry Harris was out in the suburbs in his automobile he discovered that he needed some lubricating oil for his engine. He drove up to a farmhouse where a small boy was playing. "Son," he called, "run in and ask your mother if she has any lubricating oil—or castor oil will do, if she has that." Soon the lad returned and announced: "Ma ain't got no castor oil or nothin', but she said if you would wait a few minutes she would fix you up a dose of salts."

CURRENT TOPICS

Watch next week's *Canadian Hospital News*, for some excellent pictures of the Arts and Crafts exhibit held in London recently.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent at St. Luke's Vicarage grounds on Saturday last. A splendid programme was carried out by the girls belonging to the Day Schools. The entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, and was a complete success both socially and financially.

An enjoyable entertainment took place at the Chatham House Annex on Tuesday evening last, the occasion being a dance tendered to the Nursing Sisters by the Officers of the Granville Canadian Special Hospital. Dancing was indulged in by a goodly number of couples during the evening, while others enjoyed themselves at card games. Lieut.-Col. J. T. Clarke, the officer commanding, made an admirable host, and was ably assisted by Lieut.-Col. Starr, who had charge of the arrangements. About 11.30 refreshments were served, after which the gathering dispersed, having spent a very enjoyable evening.

Some Persistent Rumours

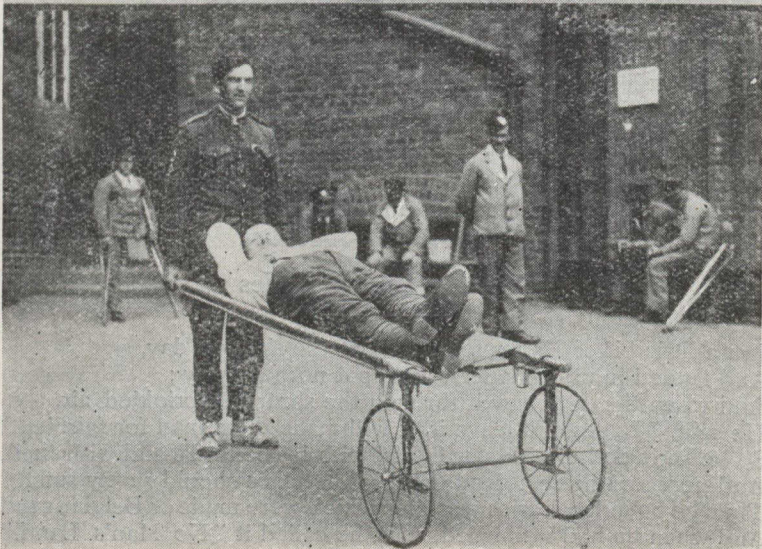
- That we are going to Liverpool (if we get marked Canada).
- That we are going to Canada ("After the War is over").
- That we are going to Deven (perhaps).
- That we are going to Alberta (on harvest leave).
- That we are receiving £1,000 of blood-money (from barrack damages—but I hae ma doots).
- That we are receiving 1,000 acres of land (in Labrador).
- That we are receiving promotion (by "Boot Post").
- That Christmas this year falls on December 25th (well, ask the Padre).
- That we are "Fed up" (but not with food).

A Little Bit Of Hades

Just a little bit of Hades fell from out the sky one day,
 And landed in old Flanders, in a spot not far away ;
 And when the devil saw it through the shrapnel-sprinkled air,
 He said, "I guess I'll leave it, it will make them mad for fair."
 So he sprinkled it with star lights, with barbed wire and with shell,
 And here and there a dead man, so the place should surely smell,
 Then he bounded it with trenches which were made of Belgian sand
 And when he had it finished, sure, he called it "No Man's Land."

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By William J. H. Gould, Capt., C.A.M.C.



BASEBALL

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

The return game between the Princess Patricia's and the Granville Hospital was staged on July 17th., on the Chatham House Grounds. It was a game full of tension; each side was out for gore. The vociferating crowd of fans kept the air ringing with repartee as they lauded their own favourites and kindly pointed out the failings of their opponents.

* Granville men came first to bat but they could not score. the P.P.'s fared no better. The second innings produced an equally lean score for both sides. In the third innings McDonald got around the bags for Granville and dispelled the duck-egg hoodoo, and Hayes crossed the home plate for a tally for the Pats. The fourth and fifth innings added a run to each team's score. The seventh inning was disastrous for the home team. Dutton on a bunt arrived at first base; Dawson was caught out on a foul fly by Howe; Hayes made a safety hit and Dutton planted himself on third; Priestman followed with another safety hit and Dutton completed his tour of the bags; Bennet was out but Noah driving the pill to left field brought two men across the plate; Hines knocked a safety and Greenwood's drive brought in Noah, and Hines shortly after stole across the plate for the seventh run.

Pridham as short-stop played skillfully and prevented many Red Cross men from getting a mortgage on first base. In the sixth inning after a long run he caught a fly over third base and throwing the sphere to second put two runners "hors-de-combat."

McDonald was no ornament in the box, he gave no free transportation to bases. In the sixth he pitched five balls only: two were foul tips, the other three grounders to short-stop who nailed the runners at first.

Noah as catcher for the visitors was well out of the ark, and Bennet the big voiced pitcher kept everybody interested.

The score was 7-6 in favour of the Patricias.

The third game between these two teams will be played Saturday afternoon—All Rooters out.

The Teams and Scores as below:—

GRANVILLE		PATRICIAS	
Simonson	1st. base	Bennet	Pitcher
Pridham	Short-stop	Noah	Catcher
Howe	Catcher	Hines	1st. base
Forbes	Short-stop	Greenwood	Left Field
James	2nd. base	Godfrey	2nd. base
Garvin	3rd. base	Dutton	3rd. base
Heatherington	Right Field	Dawson	Centre Field
Pollard	Centre Field	Hayes	Left Field
McDonald	Pitcher	Priestman	Right Field

Chaplain's Wounded Soldiers' Fund

By Major E. Bertram Hooper, (Chaplain)

It was May 1st when, unwilling to be credited with providing out of my own pocket, the funds required for carrying on the work I have been trying to do for the benefit of our wounded men for more than a year. I presented, through the *Hospital News*, an explanation of the sources of all these good things, and since then have given each week a statement of receipts and donors. Look at the brief statement this week, and every reader will realise how greatly I am indebted to Canadian and local interest in our wounded lads.

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Sister Davenport	-	-	-	-	1	0	0
Trench Knitting Club, Toronto	-	-	-	-	5	0	0

In addition to this, Major and Mrs. Morgan provided the outing for the patients from Townley Castle last Saturday, including the delightful tea at the New Inn, Monkton. It was one of the best we have ever had. A merry party it was, 29 in all, including the driver and myself. After a lovely two-hours' drive, we reached Monkton at 3.30 o'clock, and found the tables spread with a "tea" which was most tempting. Plenty of the very nicest bread and butter, fresh lettuce just out of the garden, quantities of raspberries and strawberries, with cream that you read about but don't often see, lots of cake; and what the lads appreciated more than anything else—Mrs. Morgan herself welcomed her guests, then took her place at the head of one of the tables and poured tea for her large and happy party. She won all our hearts, and not one of the lads will ever forget this outing and the hour spent at the New Inn. The good effect upon hospital patients of such an afternoon is evident.

Three such outings every week is what I am now carrying out. The cost is three pounds each. Expenditures since the 1st May total £140.

Let me refer once again to the capital song, "The Immortal Kitchener," words by Sergt. Crowe, music by Miss Dorothy L. Warne. All profits on the first 2,500 copies will be given to my "Wounded Soldiers' Fund." The price is 1/8 per copy. Buy a copy, send it to your friends, ask them to buy a copy, and in less than no time, the 2,500 copies will be disposed of, and my "Fund" very considerably enriched.

THE PADRE.

DOINGS AT THE RANGE

By Pte. H. W. H. Smith

Result of "Hospital News" Competition

The *Hospital News* competition ended on Saturday, July 15th, with a total of thirty-two entries. Both prizes were won by patients, Chatham House carrying home the first, Scout Heathman winning with a score of 78 out of a possible 80, while the Granville patients had the honour of seeing Pte. Myles, D.C.M., of the second floor taking second with a score of 77. These prizes to the value of 10/- and 5/- respectively, are generously offered by the *Canadian Hospital News*, the second week in each month. Orders for which will procure prize winners anything they may require at storekeepers advertising in above.

For the Daily Express Medals, Sergt. Henderson and Pte. W.G. Fry, tied as regards actual scoring but Fry easily came out top in respects to the grouping. The Daily Telegraph Certificate going to Pte. H. Smith.

In a return match with Maidenhead, R.C., the Granville Canadians lost to a good team by ten points. This makes the fourth match between these teams in which the result has been two each. Arrangements are being made for a decisive match.

This week the Donagal Badge and the Bell Medals promises some good sport among the crack shots.

Lt.-Col. Watt Cup

Next week we have the above competition and from the way Chatham House are shaping they should be able to have a very good team to represent them.

Special Canadian Medals

A competition for two Silver Medals and one Bronze Medal will be held during the week from Monday, July 23rd, to Saturday, July 28th. The above dates applies equally to the Lt.-Col. Watt Cup.

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No. 1 In The Canadian Army

The Eighth Canadian Infantry—so I gather from one of their majors—are very proud that it is one of their men who is No. 1 in the Canadian Army. There is, however, another No. 1 in Princess Pat's regiment, the men of which were, by a mistake, numbered from one upwards. Otherwise there is no duplication of numbers in the Canadian Army, so that the latest recruits have numbers running into hundreds of thousands.

THE "PILL-SLINGERS" LEAGUE

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

On Wednesday Capt. Gavin was elected to fill Capt. Bedford's place as President of the Pill-slinger's League. Capt. Gavin takes a keen and active interest in baseball. He has won for himself a place on the team as 3rd. baseman.

Granville *v.* Princess Patricias

The hearts of baseball fans were cheered by the revival of the league after a season when it appeared almost defunct, when the grounds of Princess Patricia's Canadian Red Cross Special Hospital was the scene of a hard fought game between the Grunts and the Patterites.

Many of the players on the Pats team were Yarrow men: McDermaid the pitcher who heaved in his usual steady manner and Noah who has lost none of the art of freezing on to the ball behind the home plate. This battery received the support of a good infield and a very accurate outfield, though a few errors were made none of them where costly. At the bat the home team kept McDonald twirling for every ounce in him.

The visitors had Sergt. McDonald in the box. He was the dark horse who replaced Bedford and Langelle, and well he graced the mould. Howe caught in his usual form getting several flies of the bat. The outfield played well, a number of fast drives were neatly nailed. The infield played a close game, James on second on one occasion swooped down on a swift grounder which had passed the pitcher and while still stooping tossed the ball to first and put the runner out by an inch.

The style of playing may be judged by the final score. The Granville boys winning by 3—2 runs. Dutton scored for the Red Cross men in the third inning which Howe balanced in the fourth. No other scores were made till the seventh when McDonald got around the bags for the Patricians, but Simonson crossed the plate and Howe followed shortly with the winning tally.

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Howe	Catcher	Hynes	1st. base
James	2nd. base	Godfrey	2nd. base
Smith	Short-stop	Bennet	Short-stop
Davis	Left Field	Hayes	3rd. base
Gavin	3rd. base	McDonald	Centre Field
McDonald	Pitcher	Cruise	Right Field
Pollard	Right Field	Dutton	Left Field

CRICKET

By *Pte. J. A. Ford*

The cricket club continued its victorious career on Saturday afternoon when they defeated the Thanet C.C. on Chatham House ground. It was fully expected that the Islanders would be a hard nut to crack, but when the game got under way, it was quickly seen that the soldiers had the game up their sleeve. S.-Sgt. Dive and "Captain" Kingston, who bowled all through, got rid of the "civvies" for 41 runs in nineteen overs, including seven "maidens." Taken all over the game was a most enjoyable one.

The Thanet lads went first to bat, but none of them succeeded in reaching double figures, and whatever the cause there were no fewer than six "ducks" on their score-sheet at the close of their term. Two old friends were included in the team—Ellis and Stalker, who played with Government Workers in a recent match at the Recreation Ground. Those two took the bowling between them and eventually got the soldiers all out for 82 runs, exactly double, Stalker taking six wickets, and Ellis three.

On the Granville side Sutton was top-scorer with 28, but he was very lucky, as he had a couple of "lives" before he had well started, then he woke up and found the boundary line five times before he quit. Corp. Strutton came second with 13 runs when Ellis got his bails very neatly. Capt. Preston was naturally a little sore over the rotten decision, lbw, given against him when the ball actually hit his shoulder. The new recruit, Corp. Reece, very softly run himself out: These funny stunts are all right at practice, but no good in match play. Houldcroft was the only "duck" on military team on this occasion; with his second or third ball he playfully lifted it into Setterfield's hands, and wondered why he should have caught it.

The match finished at five o'clock, and as it wanted an hour to the drawing of stumps, the Civilians went in a second time, when they improved on their first score, totalling 63 runs. Kingston and Dive were relieved at the fifth over by Corps. Reece and Bowskill, who bowled the remainder of the game, and secured two wickets for 1 run and three for 11 respectively. Details:—

CIVILIANS.	SOLDIERS
Gray, b Dive 4	Sutton, b Ellis 28
Heard, c Sutton, b Dive 0	Strutton, b Ellis 13
Hiller, not out 3	Preston, lbw, b Stalker 1
Locke, b Kingston 0	Ayres, b Stalker 5
Phillipson, b Dive 0	Bowskill, b Ellis 6
Fall, c Shepherd, b Dive 0	Dive, b Stalker 1
Stalker, st Reece, b Kingston 7	Houldcroft, c Setterfield, b Stalker 0
Ellis, c Strutton b Kingston 4	Shepherd, c Laming, b Stalker 5
Culver, b Dive 0	Reece, run out 6
Laming, c Kingston, b Dive 4	Hall, not out 4
Setterfield, run out 0	Kingston, c Ellis, b Stalker 3
Extras 14	Extras 5
Total 41	Total 82

POPULAR OFFICER DECORATED

Major W. G. Turner, C.A.M.C., while in London on Wednesday last was invested with the Military Cross for services rendered on the field. Major Turner came over from Canada with the Third Canadian General M'Gill Hospital in May, 1915, and landed in France the following month. For a time he was attached to the 14th Battalion, returning to the Third Canadian General where he remained until January, 1916. He was then attached to the Field Ambulance, where he did excellent work, until March, 1917, when he was ordered to return to England to take up Orthopædic Surgery at the Granville Canadian Special Hospital under Lieut.-Col. C. L. Starr. Major Turner earned his honours at Ypres and the Somme, where he proved indefatigable in ministering to the wounded and suffering. His hosts of friends will be pleased to congratulate him on his well-deserved honour.

Lc.-Corp. J. R. Temperton, No. 472181. Was born in Yorkshire, England. He lived for twelve years in Canada previous to the outbreak of the war. He is a locomotive fireman and has his home in Prince Albert. He enlisted in the 65th. Battn., and was drafted to England in September, 1915. He spent ten months' in France with the 10th. Battn. He was awarded the Military Medal for scouting with his company commander in No Man's Land and rescuing a number of Northumberland Tommies who were out there wounded. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge. His Medal was presented by Sir Robert Borden, at Hastings,

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ENTERTAINMENTS

Arranged by Capt. Armour, Y.M.C.A.

Cinema pictures were shown once last week, and a good variety of comedies and dramas were on the programme.

Owing to the Garden Fete at Ellington Park, on Thursday evening, the concert arranged by Mr. Boyland's "Carry On" Party, had to be postponed.

On Sunday evening the usual Sacred Pictures were shown and a goodly attendance of men showed their appreciation of the beautiful views thrown on the screen. This series of pictures and lectures on the most popular hymns in the language is drawing to a close. Next Sunday sees the close of the series, and owing to the great interest which has been evident in these Sunday evening gatherings a new series will be commenced forthwith.

Probably the best concert that has ever been given at the Granville, was that put on last Saturday night by the Lena Ashwell Concert Party of London Artists. Mr. Barry Linden's great basso voice was a source of marvel to all, and his humorous touches kept the audience in fits of laughter. Mr. Geo. Burrows who rendered several songs at the piano, is the possessor of a grand baritone voice, his rendering of Amy Woodward Finden's "How many a lonely caravan" being a magnificent number, Miss Winifred Brown, soprano, and Miss Elsie Gough, contralto, sang delightfully, and also gave some fine duets. Miss Clara Hubbard, elocutionist, Miss Gladys Jackson and Mr. Tom Burrows, ventriloquist, captivated the audience completely.

This was the first visit of Lena Ashwell's party to the Granville, and it is hoped that it is the forerunner of many.

COMING EVENTS AT THE GRANVILLE

Sunday, 8 p.m., Illustrated Sacred Lecture and Sing Song.
 Monday 7.30 p.m., Dancing Display, by pupils of Miss Collias.
 Tuesday 7.40 p.m., Cinema Show.
 Thursday 8 p.m., Mr. Boyland's Concert Party.

Only a Scrap of Paper

Germany is now forced to use paper instead of fabric for covering planes. This idea is obsolete now in this country for once a tear is started—as, for instance by a machine gun bullet—paper has a nasty habit of ripping. But there is one advantage in that when a machine "goes west" they can comfort the German public by saying that it was "only a scrap of paper."

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