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The following letter from the provincial secretary of the Canadian Patriotic Fund is worthy of your perusal:

Re Revision of Grants

Victoria, Nov 21st.

Dear Sir:

The national executive has authorized the new schedule which follows, to be effective from the first of November. It may also be pointed out that the Militia Department has decided to increase the Separation Allowance to the dependents of all privates and non-commissioned officers to $30 per month. This, together with assigned pay will amount to $45 per month.

Childless wives and widowed mothers without children remain as before on the $10 basis. Widowed mothers with children who were prior to the soldier's enlistment solely dependent, may be placed upon the same basis as a wife with children. Therefore, the grant to wives or widowd mothrs, solly dependent, with children, is placed at $20 per month instead of $17.50 as formerly and grants will in future be paid on account of each child according to age, as follows:

Up to five years, $4 per month; between 5 and 10 years, $6; between 10 and 15 years, $9. The former plan of only paying one the maximum one, the medium and the others at the minimum has been done away with. Each child is to be paid on the basis of its age, according to the schedule given.

In the case of children at school, the age limits may be extended for bos to 16 and girls to 17 years of age.

No Deductions

Deductions on account of earnings by members of the familyl. In future $40 may be allowed as exempt and 50 per cent of the balance is to be taken account of in fixing grants.

All other rules and regulations which have been in effect during the past year are to be continued.

The usual deduction on account of free house rent and other sources of income will, of course, be taken account of as formerly.

As many of the cases have been in effect for 2, 3 and 4 years, children who came on the Fund at the time the application was taken around the ages of 13 and 14 should be carefully investigated and where they have passed the age limit, such children must be deleted from the grant.

Re Maximum Grant

The maximum grant to any family from the Fund which was formerly placed at $45 has been raised to $50 and in no case may a grant be paid to any family in excess of $50 no matter how many children there may be.

Re Contributions

I am directed by the national executive, when sending this circular letter to request all committees to continue their best efforts in maintaining collections up to and including the 31st of March next. It is expected that it will take at least 12 months in which to bring all of the men home, so that the work must be continued during that period and possibly some little time afterwards However, after the 31st of March next, we are advised that the government will make up any deficit which may be necessary to carry on the work.

Yours very truly,
F. NAT'ON, Secretary

MISSION CITY POULTRY SHOW

Remember the local Poultry Show on Thursday, Dec. 19. A good judge will place the awards. At 7:30 p.m. there will be a talk on the Medeterranean breeds and at 8 p.m. a talk on Wyandottes.

Enter your birds as soon as possible and not later than Dec. 16th, as the show committee must know how many coops to get ready. Bring the birds to t he show on Wednesday night or early on Thursday morning as everything must be ready for the judge by 10 a. m. Birds can be removed from the hall Thursday night after 9 p.m. If any one wishes to exhibit who has not received an entry form and prize list let them send their entry on any paper. Exhibitors should be careful in making their entries to clearly state the breeds they are showing and the age and sex of each bird. State also which class you belong to whether novice or open.

A separate entry is not necessary for any special except special No. 2, when it must be stated that the cock, hen, cockrel and pullet were bred by the exhibitor. Let every one enter at least one bird and let those who can enter as many as possible so that the show may be a good one, and whether you enter anything or not be present in the afternoon and evening of Thursday, Dec. 19.

There is no fee for admission to the hall but the committee will be glad to receive any contributions which anyone may wish to give as the expenses of such a show as this is heavy, although so much of the work is given free.

RETURNED FROM FRONT

Pte. Sam Giles returned from England on Friday last looking exceedingly well and as young as ever. He was about five months in the trenches and has many a story to tell, some that would make you laugh because "Sam" has his own way of telling all things. He was wounded in the head and still suffers from the effects but that does not prevent him from being seemingly bright and cheerful. He has been doing clerical work in England and it was quite a surprise when a telegram was received that the had left Halifax.

D. C. Russell, of Dewdney left Halifax on the 8th.

When the Ladies Aid meet at the Manse next Wednesday they will elect officers.

Mrs. Ryall took a trip to Vancouver this week.

Hammond News

A surprise party was given on Saturday Dec. 7th to Mrs. Wooler's of Peardonville. A dance took place in the hall about 25 couples being present, more would have been there but they stayed away on account of the "flu". Mrs. Wooler was presented with eider-down comforter, nickel plated hot water bottle and a beautiful flash-light. Mr. A. Welch made the presentation and also a speech. Mrs. Wooler made a suitable erply. Supper was served in the hall. Mrs. Wolcer is leaving for Lynden, Wash., where Mr. F. Wooler is mangaing a ranch for his son-in-law Mr. Elmer Campbell. Mrs. Wooler was a great Red Cross worker and will be missed very much. She has lived in Peardonville for the last twelve years and carried the mail for a number of years.

A party of young folks met at Mrs. Wooler's on Monday and took part in a whist drive A very enjoyable evening was spent with songs and instrumental music Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wycoff, Mr. and Mrs. Mouldy and Dorothy, Messrs H. Peardon, A. Peardon and G. Peardon and Miss I. Peardon; also Miss Eva Stewart, Miss E. Lindstrum and Mr. E. Roberts, Mr. H. Peardon won the first prize and Miss T. Stewart received the booby.

Miss E. Stewart, the popular teacher is resigning her position, All wish her joy.

FINDLAY LOSES GOVERNMENT JOB

Prohibition Commissioner is Relieved of Office by Order-in-Council Wednesday.

(From the Vancouver World).

Victoria, Dec. 11.—W. C. Findlay, prohibition commissioner, was relieved of office by order-in-council today and Deputy Attorney-General A. M. Johnson was appointed acting prohibition commissioner.

It is stated that the government has reason to believe that a recently imported carload of rye whiskey failed to reach the government store and in the meantime the department of the attorney-general is conducting investigations in relation thereto.

Findlay was arrested at Blaine last night and brought back to Vancouver where he is being held.

Newspaper Man Is Bereaved

Justina G. Harboard, wife of Victor H. Harbord, Vancouver, died of influenza, leaving four children and a husband to mourn her loss. The late Mrs. Harbord was a sister of Mrs. Nash, wife of Capt. Nash, one of the first of the men from the Nicola Valley killed overseas. Mr. Harbord was formerly provincial government agent at Merritt, and is now staff correspondent of the Vancouver World in the Fraser Valley.—Columbian.

PERSONALS

Mr. Sansom has been a visitor to Abbotsford.

Miss Laxton and a friend visited Miss Chester last week.

Mrs. White has been to her home in North Vancouver for a few days.

Miss Ina Fraser was home for a few days last week.

Mr. Mitchell moved on Tuesday into the house formerly occupied by Mr. Johnson.

Mr. C. Sumner has opened up a butcher shop next to Sparrow's feed store until the building which he is to occupy is repaired. He is in the best of company now.

Mr. Hunt is making some great changes in his barber shop. He has installed a phonograph for the entertainment of his customers.

Mr. Wagstaff has sold out his garage business to a Mission City man.

When Miss Thelma Nelson closed her school at Merritt on account of the "flu" she stayed and helped to nurse the Indians while she was required. Plucky girl!

Mr. and Mrs. Trethewey and Miss Trethewey motored to Chilliwack last week for an outing taking Mrs. McClennan, Mrs. [illegible] and Mrs. Thomas.

Mr. Jones, superintendent at the A.T. & T. Co. mill was leaving expecting to go Saturday night or Sunday but while finishing a piece of work was unfortunate enough to run his right hand up against a saw taking off three fingers and the tip of the front finger. He is in the hospital. Mrs. Jones came from Vancouver on Sunday.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davidson, Vancouver, formerly of Abbotsford, a son.

Sunday evening will be song evening before the regular service in the Presbyterian church.

DIED—Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hickmont with pneumonia. The funeral was on Tuesday.

There is a new baseball team organizing in Abbotsford. Stewart McPhee is president and Rev. Robertson, treasurer and J. A. McGowan, secretary.

Miss Urquhart gave her present and past pupils a masquerade ball in the Masonic hall on Thursday evening. The following prizes were given Fairol Little as Gypsy Girl, Spanish, 1st prize, ivory tray. Annie McPhee as a Pierrott won gentleman's 1st, a book of "The Crossing."

Violet McGuire and Connie Carter as Red Cross Nurses, Gordon Cummings as a Cavalier of the 17th Century looked charming; Edith White as Japanese Maiden; Margaret Smith, a hobo with many patches; Tommy Shortreed, Farmer Brown; Florence Cummings, Aunt Dinah; Isabelle McPhee, Pierrott; Evelyn McMenemy, Sis Hopkins; Gordon Kirkpatrick, Jeff, were all there.

There was a contest which must have been original, "Abbotsford Contest", making words from the letters in "Abbotsford". A grand time was spent. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Eby, the three teachers, Miss Graham, Miss Simlett and Miss Gilten.

This is how they amused themselves part of the time, the answers all being taken out of the letters in the word Abbotsford.

A priest—Abbot.
A good means of travelling—boat
A small animal of greyish hue—rat
A boy's name—Bob.
A full stop—a dot.
A part of a watch chain—fob.
A piece of lumber—board.
An ex-prseident of the U. S.—Taft.
An entrance—door.
A long long traill—road.
A common food for breakfast—toast
Horse's food—oats.
Part of a house—roof.
Something built by Hundson Bay Co. —forts.
Part of a row boat—oars.
A heavenly body—star.
A piece of furniture—sofa.
A cruel use of a knife—stab.
A piece of mother earth—sod.

You can make almost anything out of "Abbotsford."

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Give The Definition

There is so much talk about the freedom of the seas these days that one would like to have it definitely stated what this means exactly. We confess we are unable to say just exactly what it means.

There was a time however when the seas were free—that is before the day of the great British navy, when any ship so inclined had the opportunity of taking another's cargo—the day when the weaker vessel was the victim of the larger. The Spanish will tell us all about us. Were those the times of the freedom of the seas?

There was also a time after the European war of a hundred years ago when the British navy and the British were busy, when they tell us there was some sea piracy.

Or does it mean when the seas were patrolled by the British navy and every vessel large and small had the privilege of trading on the seas without molestation, so long as it minded its own business?

An Unwise Utterance

It is reported the other day that Sir Wilfrid Laurier at London in referring to the Germans said that they were "One of the noblest races on earth." It may have been that he was incorrectly reported, but the saying has not been denied that we have heard of. Is this the same Laurier whom we were all so proud of when he went to the Queen's Jubilee in 1897? That was the time when many Liberals were of opinion that our Canadian representative shone head and shoulders above all other representatives from the colonies and Canada was proud of him. Twenty years afterwards he makes the above reference to the enemy that has caused Canada's sons to bleed on the field of battle, and caused the heartaches at home. Can it be that through all these years he had such treacherous thoughts in his head?

No wonder that the other day the Liberal announcement came out that Canada's popular war leader was to become the leader of the Liberal party! Little wonder that the Liberals would want to throw the veteran leader in the discard. It is to their credit.

Says Proportional Representation Popular

Elsewhere we publish an article on Proportional Representation from our old friend who fathered it for Mission Municipality. He says "You will have noticed that Turkey is crazy over "P. R." since the British fleet arrived off Golden Horn." Elsewhere we read that Premier Oliver said that "He was in favor of the principle of proportional representation." Now you have two great authorities on proportional representation—the Turks and our Premier.

Incidentally it might be mentioned that our Mission council have made no move to rescind the motion which gave Mission this form of municipal election for the district last year. The matter has of course been discussed but it is altogether likely that another trial will be given for the 1919 election.

Its different with some councillors—you know the ones we mean? The one who will take the last two votes of another candidate and elect himself, even if a lady is concerned.

A Legacy From Laurier

Sir Charles Ross is making trouble. He demands of the Canadian people nearly $19,000,000 for the expropriation of the Ross rifle factory in Quebec. Of this, $10,000,000 is claimed for the abrogation of an improvident contract made by the Laurier Administration. That contract bound the Canadian government not to buy rifles elsewhere until the full output of the Ross plant had been bought, and until the Ross Company had received six months' notice for the expansion of its works. The Ross rifle was condemned in the field. Ministers expropriated the plant at a valuation of $3,000,000 and washed their hands of Ross and all his works. In these times The Globe is talking of all the benefits conferred upon the nation by the Liberal party. The benefit of the Ross rifle contract was one that the country could patiently forego. Perhaps the loss of some other of these benefits could be endured with fortitude.—Toronto News.

The League of Nations

Many estimable and high-minded persons these days are expending a lot of energy in advocating the formation of a league of nations.

None of the apostles of a new dispensation have any difficulty in showing the undesirability of war as a method of regulating the affairs of mankind. Nobody disputes their text that it would be much better if all the brethren were to dwell together in peace.

But nowhere, as yet, has there been any real attempt to answer the practical questions involved. The world already possesses a league of nations of considerable potency. The only people standing absolutely outside of it are those of the Central Empires.

Therefore, when the proposition for a league of nations is analyzed, it is found to be little more than a claim that Germany's conduct should be forgotten and she should be treated as though she were absolutely trustworthy.

This will not be done by the present generation. The affairs of the world for many years must be based on the assumption that Germany needs watching. It may be found possible to set up tribunals for the settlement of international differences among peoples who are prepared to keep faith with each other, but a league which included Germany would have treachery at its very foundation and would quickly become a curse to the world instead of a blessing.—Vancouver Sun.

Jitney Missing in Vancouver

Visitors to Vancouver now see a change in the streets. The jitney is apparently gone and country people are not so apt to get run over when crossing the strets.

The tourist to Vancouver now sees that capital is having a better chance. Perhaps the jitney should never have been there.

The Good Farmer's Creed

Now that the New Year is coming around again the time for good resolutions seems very nigh at hand. The other day we came across the following:.

I believe in a permanent agriculture, a soil that shall grow richer rather than poorer from year to year.

I believe in 100-bushel oats and in 50-bushel wheat, and I shall not be satisfied with anything less.

I believe that the only weed is a dead weed, and that a clean farm is as important as a clean conscience.

I believe in the farm boy and in the farm girl, the farmer's best crops and the futures best hope.

I believe in the farm woman, and will do all in my power to make her life easier and happier.

I believe in a country school that prepares for country life, and a country church that teaches its people to love deeply and live honorably.

I believe in community spirit, a pride in home and neighbors, and I will do my part to make my community the best in the Province.

I believe in the farmer, I believe in farm life I believe in the inspiration of the open country.

I am proud to be a farmer, and I will try to be worthy of the name.—Frank I. Mann.

DIES IRAE

TO THE GERMAN KAISER

Amazing Monarch! who at various times,
Posing as Europe's self appointed savior,
Afforded copy for your ribald rhymes
By your behavior.

We nursed no malice; nay, we thanked you much
Because your head piece, swollen like a tumor,
Lent to a dullish world the needed touch
Of saving humor.

What with your wardrobes stuffed with warrior gear!
Your gander step parades, your prancing Prussians!
Your menaces that shocked the deafened sphere
With rude concussions.

Your fist that turned pinkest rivals pale,
Alike with sceptre, chisel, pen and palette,
And could at any moment gloved in mail,
Smite like a mallet.

Master of all the Arts, and what was more,
Lord of all the limelight blaze that let us know it—
You seemed a gift designed on purpose for
The flippant poet.

Time passed and put to these old jests an end;
Into our hearts you found admission,
Ate of our bread and pledged us like a friend
Above suspicion.

You shared our griefs with seeming gentle eyes;
You moved among us cousinly entreated,
Still hiding, under that fair outward guise,
A heart that cheated.

And now that the mask is down, and forth you stand,
Known for a king whose word is no great matter,
A traitor proved, for every honest hand
To strike and shatter.

This was the "Day" foretold by yours and you
In whispers here and there with beery clamors—
You and your rat-hole spies and blustering crew
Of loud Potsdamers.

And lo, there dawns another, swift and stern,
When on the wheels of wrath, by Justice's token
Breaker of God's own Peace, you shall in turn
Yourself be broken.

—O. S., in Punch, London, Aug. 19th, 1914.

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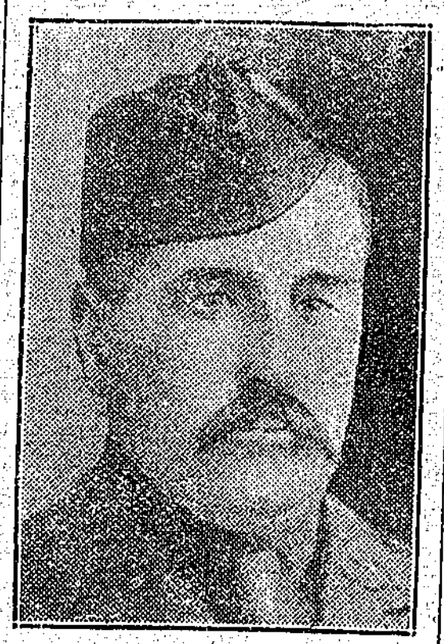

M. P. WINS V. C.—Lieut-Col. Cyril Peck D.S.O., and M. P. for the Skeena division of British Columbia, has been awarded the Victoria Cross for "most conspicuous bravery and skilful, leading when in attack under intense fire." The official description of his conduct, as published in the London Gazette gives him the highest praise. He recruited the 68 British Columbia Battalion, but has been serving with the 16th Canadian Scottish. He is the only M. P. in the British Empire to win the most coveted decoration in the army.

CANADA

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P. R. For An Irish Municipality

The Hare system of proportional representation has been prescribed by Act of Parliment for the City of Sligo. The first election it to take place in January 1919. This will be the first trial of the Hare system in connection with a public election in the United Kingdom unless general elections for Parliament take place previously, in which case the first public Hare elections in the Kingdom will be those to chose members of Parliament to represent the Scottish universities and certain of the universities of England.

The finances of the city of Sligo had fallen into an unsatisfactory condition and it was necessary to obtain Parliamentary authority to extend the city's powers of taxation. Under these circumstances some of the taxpayers insisted, before assenting to the extension that the principle of proportional representation should be adopted for the election of the council.

The Scottish Education Bill

The Scottish Education Bill, which provides for the election of Scottish school boards by the Hare sstem, had passed through Grand Committee when we received information about it at the end of August. At that time it was expected to become law in the re-assembly of Parliament. When this bill is enacted, P.R. elections for school boards will be held from one end of Scotland to the other

British Labor and P. R.

(From pamphlet No. 39 of the English P. R. Society.)

Resolutions in favor of proportional representation were debated at the Trades Union Congress, September, 1917, and at the Labour Party Conference, Nottingham, January 1918. At the latter the resolution was made part of a composite resolution on electoral reform and was carried without a division. This was the first Conference of the Labour Party at which the principle of proportional representation was endorsed. It was subsequently embodied in No. XI. (Political Reforms) of the Resolutions on Reconstruction submitted at the London Conference (of the Labour party), June 1918, in the following words. "the best practicable arrangements for ensuring that every minority has its proportionate and no more than its proportionate representation." A motion to delete these words was rejected by a large majority. Further a new proposal by the National Union of Clerks that Proportional representation should be applied to municipal and other local government elections was accepted by the Executive Committee of the Party and carried unanimously.

The London Labour Party decided (June 1918) when considering its constitution, to elect its Executive Committee by proportional representation.

Switzerland Adopts P. R.

According to press dispatches from Berne, Switzerland adopted proportional representation for the election of her federal council or parliament at a special election, held under the provisions for the constitutional initiative, on October 14th. The vote, in round numbers, is reported to have been 297,000 to 147,000.

The last popular vote on this issue in Switzerland was taken in October 1919. At that time P. R. lost by about 25,000 votes.

A comparison of the vote of the 1918 with that of 1910 is special significance because the Swiss had during the eight years the best oportunities of observing the workings of P. R. in cantonal elections of hearly half of the twenty-two cantons.

The system of P. R. used in Switzerland ist hat of the party list.

"A Berlin telegram says tha the Suffrage Committee of the Upper House of the Prussian Diet has passed in its entirety, with 18 abstentions, the amendments to the Suffrage Bill (not Kaiser Bill) which were proposed at the previous sitting. Not only were the reactionary amendments to the Government Bill again removed, but amendments, going further that the Bill in a democratic sense, were passed. As a result of this * * * the number of inhabitants required to secure a further seat in an electoral district is reduced from 250,000 to 200,000. Proportional representation is introduced in a number of large electoral districts, and can be extended by further legislation."—Daily Telegraph, 14th October, 1918.

Czecho-Slovaks: — The Czecho-Slovak "Provisional Government" whose seat is in Paris has issued—their declaration of independence which includes the following points: "Our democracy shall rest on universal suffrage; women shall be placed on an equal footing with men politically, socially, and culturally; the rights of minorities shall be safeguarded by proportional representation. National minorities shall enjoy equal rights."—Sunday Times, Oct. 20, 1918.

SUMAS SCHOOL BOARD

The resignation of two teachers were accepted by the Sumas School Board meeting on Saturday last. These were Miss E. Gamble, of Kilgard school and Miss E. C. Collins, of Straiton.

Trustee Straiton reported a satisfactory interview with the manager of the Kilgard works regarding repairs to the temporary school building there. The board will have the roof asphalted to make it water tight, and will have the use of the building until next spring.

The Books of Knowledge had been distributed to the schools by Trustee Fraser. The map deficiency at Kilgard and other cshools will be met by an order on the free-text book branch, when the sceretary has obtained a full list of requirements

Twenty cords of good wood have been delivered at Huntingdon, and the change in the heating system there is in caurse of construction Owing to a severe shortage of sheet-iron only one room will be re-ironed at once.

The suggestion of striking a medal for all the Fraser Valley school children in commemoration of peace as originated by the Matsqui School Board, was received with favor by the trustees, who will be interested in the details of the plan.

The school site at Upper Sumas has been cleared for a space sufficient for the erection of the new school. Work on this building is expected to start immediately.

SUMAS ELECTION RUMORS

It is understood that Reeve Fooks will again be put in nomination as reeve for Sumas municipality and that Cuoncillor Straiton has distinct aspirations to that honor.

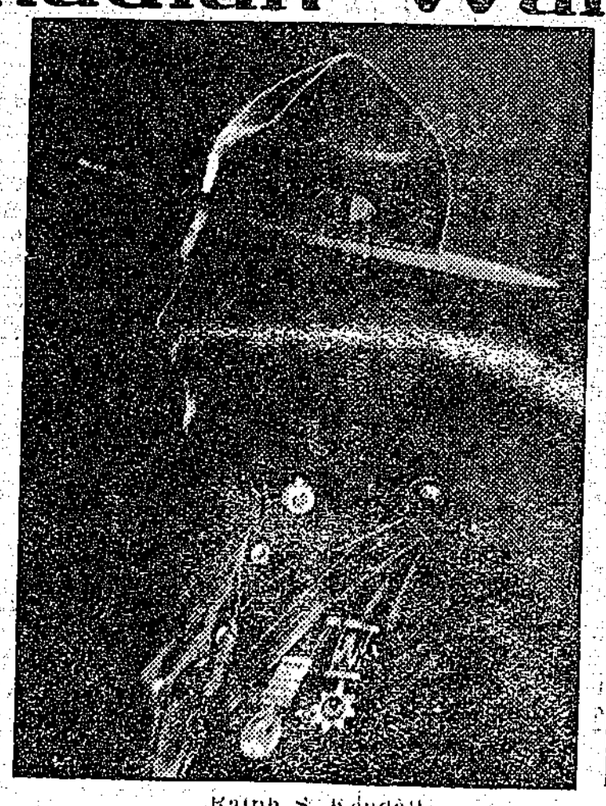
If you want to see the relation of advertising to business take pattern from the way the Victory Loan was advertised in the papers.

Three Canadian War Authors

Arthur Hunt Chute.

Among the many recent books of war experiences, "The Real Front," by Arthur Hunt Chute, has particular interest for Canadians, as the author, although an American citizen, went overseas with the first Canadian Expeditionary Force and for two years was in the Ypres Salient. "If where an Englishman," he says, "is buried in a foreign soil is called 'a little bit of England,' then we may call the Ypres salient a mighty bit of Canada. If anyone were to inquire what is the most important city of Canada, we might answer unhesitatingly, 'The city of Ypres.' The hosts of our young men who have fallen in battle around that city have hallowed the name for all Canadian hearts, and rendered the place ours in the deepest sense."

Mr. Chute suggests in a wonderful way the atmosphere of the actual fighting line and the psychology of the men while under fire, their nervous strain reaching at times to physical agony and yet their unconquerable determination to "carry on." "The Real Front" is published by Harper & Brothers, of New York.



Ralph S. Kendall.

No body of men has been associated with more romantic interest than the Royal North-West Mounted Police—whose work in maintaining law and order in the prairie provinces of Canada during the period of settlement and in the more remote North has inspired many an author to write a stirring story. For the most part, however, these stories have too much fiction and too little fact, with the result that the "Riders of the Plains," as they have been called, are rather shy of the professional writer. "Benton of the Royal Mounted," a new novel published by S. B. Gundy, of Toronto, has this advantage, that the author, Sergeant Ralph S. Kendall, has himself been for many years a member of the Force, of which he is still Sergeant-in-Charge at Calgary. This is a real man's book, in which the men talk the language that men do talk out West. One feels also that the many stirring incidents that occur have their basis in fact. "Benton of the Royal Mounted" is a book that should find a place on the shelves of all who are interested in the development of Canadian literature.

F. A. McKenzie.

Mr. F. A. McKenzie, the War Correspondent, who has come to Canada straight from the fighting front to deliver a series of lectures on the recent battles in France, is a Canadian by birth, although he has lived most of his life in Great Britain and other parts of the British Empire.

Mr. McKenzie's main lecture is "Through the Hindenburg Lines," in which he tells a first hand story of Canada's fighting men and their great victories. His second lecture, "Britain Hits Back," deals with the effort and sacrifice of the English people, and gives an intimate and first hand account of how England has fought her way through to victory. Three Governments have placed their moving pictures and photographs at Mr. McKenzie's disposal for these lectures.

Mr. McKenzie is the War Correspondent of a group of prominent Canadian daily newspapers. He saw much of war before this campaign. He has a straightforward story to tell the Canadian people of what their sons have done. Mr. McKenzie's book on the war, "Canada's Day of Glory," has just been published by William Briggs of Toronto. His one claim for it is that it tells what he has seen and is a faithful first hand picture of war as it is.

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No less than fourteen carloads of apples were sent out of Kelowna in one week recently for places outside the North American continent Eleven went to New Zealand, two to Shanghai and one to Demerara.

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School Board Meets

(From the Fraser Valley Record)

The Mission School Board held is regular meeting in the library of the Central Public School on Thursday, December 5th.

Members present: Trustees J. B. Cade, W. J. Clark, N. C. Fraser and J. A. Lampard.

Minutes of the last regular meeting read and approved.

Corerspondence read and discussed

In the absence of the chairman, Trustee E. P. Ferguson, Trustee J. B. Cade was voted to the chair.

A petition from the settlers of the vicinity of Peen's corner was again presented asking for a new school to be built on the school site owned by the school board at that point; and a list showing thirty-six children of school age who would be benefitted by the school.

Inspector McKenzie attended and gave his report after investigating the need of a school there. He said the distance was too great for small children and favored conveying them to the central school, but as the Board considered the expense too great, the alternative was to build a school there, as it has been abundantly shown that small children exposed to so much fatigue and want of proper midday nutrition so often developed tuberculosis, and other dangerous and fatal disorders and so the interests of the child must be guarded.

Moved by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Fraser and carried unanimously: That having considered the number of small children resident around the district of Peen's corner and the distance to Mission Central School, the School Board support the petition and requests the government to build a one-romed school on the school site at Peen's corner.

Moved by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Fraser: That the Board approves the action of their secretary in closing the Silverhill school on account of the prevalence of influenza in that settlement. Carried.

The secretary was also empowered by the Board to close any of the schools of the district in case of any serious outbreak of epidemic disease at those schools, and to report the matter to the medical officer.

Moved by Trustee Fraser and seconded by Trustee Lampard. That the resignation of Miss Susan Laxton from the Stave River Gardens public school be accepted and that she be given the appointment as teacher at Stave Falls public school. Carried.

Moved by Trustee Fraser seconded by Trustee Lampard: That in reply to Mr. Stafford's letter re toilets at Steelhead school, the secretary write him that if the toilet accommodation at that school be insufficient at the Steelhead school to have the necessary arrangements made, but to adhere to the earth pit system.

Moved by Trustee Fraser seconded by Trustee Lampard: That the resignation of Miss Alice Manzer from the Stave Falls school be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Trustee Fraser and seconded by Trustee Cade: That the resignation of Miss Coughlan from the position as teacher of Domestic Science in the Technical school be accepted. Carried.

Salaries and school accounts to the sum of $1866.80 were passed for payment.

The regisnation of Trustee E. P. Ferguson as member of the school board was accepted with much regret.

J. A. LAMPARD, Sec.

Demobilization of Troops

Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Maughan.

THE demobilization of the Canadian Expeditionary Force is perhaps the most important problem now confronting the Dominion Government, and the transportation of the troops from the port of landing to their home destination is a work which will require skilful handling. On reaching Canadian soil, after their hard fought battles in foreign countries, the veterans will deserve all the consideration that can be given to them.

It was therefore a wise decision on the part of the Dominion Government when they decided that the Canadian Railway War Board should appoint a committee that will make all the arrangements necessary for the transportation of the soldiers through Canada.

The War Board so constituted the committee that it is representative of the three principal Canadian railways. Ever since the beginning of the war officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway have been conspicuous as leaders in the country's patriotic efforts, and now Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Maughan, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the C. P. R., has been chosen as chairman of the committee that is to undertake the responsibility for the train transportation of the soldiers to their places of abode in Canada. Lieutenant-Colonel Maughan's long experience and his thorough knowledge of railroad affairs make him thoroughly qualified to fill the position for which he has been selected.

In March, 1892, at the age of sixteen years, Walter Maughan joined the staff of the Canadian Pacific Railway as a clerk in the Toronto offices. In September of the same year he was transferred to Hamilton to act in a similar capacity. In 1895 he was again brought back to the Toronto offices, and in March, 1897, he became city passenger agent in the Queen City. On November 1st, 1913, he became assistant district passenger agent in Toronto. One month later he was promoted to become assistant general passenger agent in Montreal.

Lieutenant-Colonel Maughan is representing the C. P. R. on the newly formed committee. Mr. H. H. Melanson will represent the Canadian Government Railways, and Mr. C. W. Johnston the Grand Trunk Railway.

By a co-ordination of effort it is believed that the representatives of the three big Canadian railways can so regulate railway transportation arrangements as to insure the safe and comfortable return of the Canadian soldier men to their homes. The headquarters of the committee will be in Ottawa, where the committee will be in direct touch with the Canadian Government.

A preliminary meeting of the committee was recently held in Montreal, when the Minister of Militia was represented by Colonel E. E. Clarke, Director General of Supplies and Transportation. The problem of transportation was discussed in all its phases, and the committee will leave nothing undone to ensure safe transit, and feeding facilities of the highest character for the Canadian soldier men who so bravely answered to the call of duty when the country was in danger.

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