Flesherton Advance.

"TRUTH BEFORE FAVOR."—"PRINCIPLES NOT MEN.'

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Letters From The Boys In Khaki

A young lady in town has received a letter from Harold Brown, ex-high school teacher here, who is with the forces in Flanders, from which we cull the following:

Here, we are getting along fine. If a few more of those Balkan states come into this fuss, we will be here until all you girls have trained as nurses and come across. I may see you over here even yet.

I wish I could be explicit and tell you where we are and where we have been, but Mr. Censor must see all outgoing mail. One city we visited about six or seven miles away, was an awful revelation of war. You could walk for hours and see nothing but houses in wreckage. Cathedrals with only a spire left, stores and public buildings razed to the ground. On a corner you could see shell holes large enough to obscure a small cottage, the roadway piled up ten or twelve feet with stone and brick, houses with the whole front or side wall blown out. The furniture as it was in peace times, beds unmade, with clothes still on them, cradles, pictures, china cabinets and all household fittings, just as the people had left them in a sudden exile from the place. It was as impressive as Canterbury, Edinburgh or London.

Here at the battery we are fairly comfortable, due to much effort in building a palatial dug-out for we signallers. One day, when up near the trenches after a roof for our hut, the Germans caught sight of us and opened up with heavy shells. We thought our last day had come, with those shrieking shells all around, but we lit in a ditch every time we heard the whistle, and eventually got back with skins, and roof too.

We go up to the trenches quite a lot, one of us having to be at the phone there all the time. I had quite a trip up last week, over battle fought fields and old trenches, then Fritz, (pet name for Germans) let loose some high explosive shells or coal boxes and away from this, it was water, water. The trenches were several feet deep with muddy water and though with hip boots, I would slip off all most up to my waist. At last it was too deep and I had to crawl up on the parapet and walk the open fields, four hundreds yards from Fritz.

The front trenches are just about 100 yards apart, and the water has washed so much away that casualties are frequent from sniper and machine gun fire. Star shells at night are vivid as lightning and give quite a fire-work effect.

Another exciting little incident occured the other evening just about dark. In an old shattered house behind the trenches several of us were sitting around a log fire. Hearing a regular hail of bullets going by, we ran out to the corner. Here was a huge German areoplane coming straight at us, planing close to the ground. It barely cleared the corner of the house and like a huge tent over us for a second, with its immense black crosses on the underside of its wings. It seemed it must light beside us, so we [illegible]ed our revolvers and ran out, but the engine worked intermittently and it kept up for another mile and was captured near the Battery. A German officer and pilot, perfect machine, camera, films, etc. We were very much disappointed in not getting a chance at capturing them.

Victoria Corners

Mr. Milton Bannon was in Owen Sound last week attending the jury.

Mr. T. McQuay of Meaford, and his son, Mr. Jas. McQuay of Dalton, Man., visited old friends in the neighborhood of Inistoge for a few days.

Miss Allan of Flesherton visited over the week end with her chum, Miss Mina Heard.

Miss Richardson, of Clinton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Ludlow.

Mrs. Alec. McConnel and two children from Swift Current, Sask., are home for a couple of months visit.

NEWS FOR FLESHERTON

A new 'phone to ring, to P. Steinhart Markdale, 87, for poultry alive, produce, hides, skins and wool, rubbers, rags, horsehair, iron, copper, brass, zinc, lead of all sorts, top price paid in cash, or drop a card to Box 121, Markdale Will call for it. Don't mistake the name,

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Kimberley Budget

Good sleighing and quite a few of the farmers are busy drawing sawlogs to the sawmill.

F. W. McQuay of Meaford visited during the past week with Mr. G. A. Hutchinson.

The Kimberley Poultry Association are not going to hold an exhibition this winter.

Mrs. W. S. Bishop visited last week with friends in Toronto. Her daughter, Elvie, who is attending university, accompanied her home.

Charles Hetherington of Thornbury made a business call here on Monday.

Albert McConnell of Sturgeon Falls is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McConnell.

Mr. John Smith and son, Stanley, of Rob Roy, visited with the former's daughter, Mrs. T. Lewis, during the past week.

The Misses Enna and Nellie Burritt of the Normal School, Toronto, are spending Christmas holidays at the parental home.

The next monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. James Walker on Jan. 6.

Following are the newly elected officers of Kimberley L. O. L. for the ensuing year: Master, T. Abercrombie; Treas., H. Smith: D. M., H. Gaudin; Lecturers, Wes. Cornfield, T. Allen; Chap., W. Sloan; Dir. of Ceremonies, Thos. Lewis; Rec. Sec., R. Lawrence; Fin. Sec., Andrew Wallace.

Wm. Hammond of Toronto university is spending Christmas holidays at the parental home.

Mr. Albert Osborne, accompanied by Viola Lewis and Rena McNiven, visited Rob Roy friends one day last week.

Eighth Line, Artemesia

Merry Christmas to all.

Miss Lou Lee, of Owen Sound, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. E. Betts.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Best spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Magee.

We understand that several of our young men have enlisted for overseas service. Good luck to our bays,

Mrs. Edgar Betts spent the week end with her parents near Flesherton.

Mr. J. W. Greenwood, of Durham, visited recently with his lady friends.

Mrs. Wm. C. Hanley received the sad news of the death of her brother, Wm. R. Carson, who died on Dec. 19th, at his home in Port Huron, Michigan.

Feversham L. O. L. No. 1085

The members of L. O. L. No. 1085 held their annual meeting in their hall on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1915. There was a fair attendance of the members, and after the usual business had been disposed of, Bro. John H. Scilley of L. O. L. No. 887 took the chair and conducted the election and installation of officers, which resulted as follows: Worshipful Master, Bro. Thomas W, Conron; Deputy Master. Bro. S. T. Wilton; Chaplian, Brother A. J. Conron; Recording Sec, Bro. James McKenzie; Fin. Sec., Bro. R. J. Colquett; Treas., Bro. Sam Park; Dir. of Cer., Bro. Albert Hollingshead; Lecturers, Bros. A. Brownridge and M. B. Conron; Committee, Bros. J. Sayers, John Elliot, John Ottewell, F. Hale and James Davidson. The above officers being duly installed, the Lodge closed in due form, after which the members sat down to a bountiful lunch and enjoyed a real pleasant hour together.

"To-day's paper says that church union is shelved for good." After all their blathering and talking, their praying and singing, it has all ended in wind. A couple of thousand years ago an attempt to unite two factions in the doomed Jerusalem would have ended the same way. Don't you forget that the people take notice of all this, and the influence of the church is waning. But folks say: "The Lord won't let His Church be destroyed." He won't, eh? He permitted the Assyrians to smash one temple, and He gave Titus a license to smash the next one—not to leave one stone upon another! It is just a question whether any of the churches of to-day are any more precious to Him than that stately fane that once dominated the east and was the wonder and the pride of the universe.—The Khan.

Eugenia Paragraphs

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Graham have returned from their trip and are now at their home here.

Recruiting officers hrve been in our vicinity this week and have secured a number of our brave young men to go to the front.

Mrs. George Williams and daugnter, Doris, have gone to join her husband in Toronto.

Mr. R. Purvis has returnad from a visit to his mother in Toronto.

Graham Bros. have purchased the store lately occupied by W. Hill and purpose starting business at once.

The Presbyterian congregation intend having a tea meeting on Dec. 30.

Miss Georgina Smith is home for the holiday and her many friends are pleased to see her.

Sacrament was dispensed on Sabbath in the Presbyterian church. Two new members were enrolled.

T. Gilliland has a freak pig with three legs.

A farmer here had a pig ready to kill when he noticed it looking lazy and weak, and it at last died. He curiously opened it, and found a fourteen inch worm in the animal's heart. I wonder what the doctors would call that? Disease of the heart? It was rather an expensive worm to the owner.

Mr. Lewis Pedlar has gnne to Toronto to see a specialist as his health is poor.

Heathcote

Intended For Last Week.

Mrs. Fiegehen is visiting with her sister, Mrs. H. Kerr, of Duncan, this week.

Miss Williams who has been visiting here with her sister, Mrs. Rev. Laidlaw, or the past month, returned to her home in Holland Center on Tuesday last.

We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Flynn is improving.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Robt. Kerr is ill.

The Heathcote Methodist Sunday school intend holding a sleighing party on Friday next for the children.

A large number from here attended the party held at Mr. Alymer Campbell's on Tuesday evening, returning at the little small hours of the morning.

Mr. Charlie Turner and Miss Alice Turner visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fiddis, on Sunday.

Miss Ethel Irwin visited wiih her sister, Mrs. Ernest Charters, of Epping the week end.

Mrs. Thomas Sewell is visiting at Creemore for a few days now.

Teachers' Fund

Previously acknowledged....	$183.50
Hurlburt's School Box Social....	12.15
E. D. McArthur, Markdale.....	5.00
F. M. Chisolm, Maxwell.....	3.00
E. Lever, Eugenia	3.00
M. Shepherdson, Elmhedge.....	3.50
Total to date	$210.15

S. S. Petch, Sec., Treas.,
Thornbury, Ont.

Durham

Mr. W. H. Ryan, the veteran reeve of Normanby and one of the best known men in the South riding of Grey died yesterday after a brief illness.

A bill of costs for the installation of the Hydro was presented to the Council last night. It amounted to over $11,500. There is still some unfinished work, which in all probabiligy will run the amount to more than $12,000. It was thought that about $9,000 would cover the expenses of installation. The increased cost of material owing to the war is given as one cause of increase.—Chronicle.

Seven members of Stratford City Council who are personally opposed to local option got an eye-opener as to their municipal duties when Justice Middleton decided that as the petition had been sufficiently signed the council was compelled to submit a local option by-law. The seven who voted against allowing the electors the privilege of voting were compelled to pay the costs of appeal. The seven have been taught the lesson that they were elected to serve their fellow citizens.

Ceylon Chat

Mrs. W. White spent a few days the past week at Dundalk.

Miss Lilly Muir, of Dundalk, spent a couple of days last week with her friend Effie Chislett, returning home Saturday accompanied by Miss Effie.

Miss Muriel Legate spent Saturday with Proton friends.

Mrs. Ferris, of Toronto, is visiting her brother, Mr. W. Meads and other friends.

Miss Agnes McPhail who has been in Toronto for several weeks, returned home on Friday rccompanied by her sister Lilly, who has been attending Normal.

Those who have been attending Normal in Toronto for the past three months and have returned to their respective homes are, Murray Legate, May Muir, Misses Kate and Annie McMillan.

A troupe of Indians held a concert in The Orange hall Wednesday evening last which was poorly attended.

The Canadian Egg Market

For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand for eggs on the part of the British market and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs, and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

So great in fact has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the old country. As a result there is not in Canada at the present time sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh receipts in appreciable quantities begin to come in.

Quantities of eggs from the United States, however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down at the present time, duty paid, at several cents per dozen less than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling for, for export, and they should be procurable by the consumer accordingly. On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time is very firm for Canadian "specials" (new laid) the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points. Producers may thereforo definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh gathered eggs that will grade "Special."

The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on tha part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains therefore for those most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by careful supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in the future.

William Howe, aged about 70, employed on the farm of Mrs. Jos. Williams, 5th con. of Tecumseth, met with a serious, if not fatal, accident on Manday forenoon. He went down to the creek—a quarter of a mile distant—to water the horses, and being away longer than usual, it was concluded that perhaps some misfortune had befell him. Mr. Wilfred Williams set out to ascertain the cause of his prolonged absence and found the man lying in a pool of blood (approximately two quarts) on the road. He was conveyed to the house in an unconscious condition and medical aid was summoned. Dr. Brewster, of Beeton, who arrived shortly, found the injury, in the region of the ear and evidently the result of a kick from a horse, to be of such a serious nature that recovery is doubtful.—Enterprise.

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