

**AFTER THE TRIAL**

"HEREAFTER" Yes! and once again I take my pen to write; I am happy, although suffering From pains both day and night. But when the night is ended, And the toll of life is o'er, I hope that I may meet you On that bright eternal shore.

We none of us know what we May from day to day come to; Yes, I've been in a good position Like many more of you.

But now you see my affliction: And every night I pray The God will give me friends To help me through the day.

Dearest, to all our noble souls Who have made the cannons roar And stood with Britain's bravest Upon a foreign shore: They made Britannia's guns swing round To keep our foes at bay; The din of war, the clash of arms— Withly carried them for the fray. The hand when they fall in battle And we cannot clasp their hands, We know they stand undaunted Where our gallant Allies stand. Upon the soil whose distant hills Will echo back their noble words: But now, brave hearts, we must leave them To rest in peace alone.

By W. H. Hartly.

**Letter from Belgium**

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which was one of the finest and oldest I have seen. This is said to be one of the wealthiest towns in Belgium. Then we went by Quatra Bras, of historic fame. Here the Germans had left behind a great many wagons and aeroplanes and a few guns. A German Sergeant Major was there. I suppose concerned in the handling over of the machines. I rode on to Campagne near Genappe and was given a town one kilometer south of there for the night. It was a small town but we got the finest food I have ever seen. Our mess was in a cafe and we had four beds in the same building. The odor was pretty bad I can tell you. There are some things about cleanliness that are not altogether inviting. The beds in this cafe appeared to be used on the plan that there was no use in washing the sheets because they would only get dirty again. I picked the second best bed, the fellow that got the worst had a lovely spot to rest his head on. I was sorry to leave that spot behind next morning and start out for the next night town. It turned out to be Moesty, just one kilometer south of Ottignies and twenty miles from Brussels, south east about seven miles from Waterloo and five miles south west of Wavre. Every spot about here is historic, but otherwise has few attractions and Canada looks better to me every day. We have our horses in a factory where Dent's gloves were once manufactured and nearly all the men are billeted in private homes.

We are arranging quite a Christmas dinner for the men. I will send you the menu at a later date. The men have a very good cook and they stick up for him every time. I rather a remarkable thing in the army—and he has been with them for over two years. He works his hardest for them and deserves great credit for the way he has performed his duties. You can depend upon it we will have a fine Christmas dinner for them.

When we go home I expect we will all go as units and on arriving in Canada the men will go to the different demobilization points. There is, however, no news at this date as to when we will be going. The fellows are pretty anxious to get home and will welcome any move in that direction.

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**A Tribute to Peter Yemen**

The late Peter Yemen, the subject of the following sketch, was born at Ballinacree and was a former pupil of Georgetown High School.

One of the world's Good Samaritans was Peter Yemen, of Inisring, Saskatchewan, one of the noblest specimens of Canadian manhood—physically, morally and spiritually—the writer has ever met. During the epidemic he labored unceasingly tending the sick, carrying around medicine, comfort and cheer—regardless of his own health—only seeking to aid others. He looked after over one hundred cases among the Ruthenians of Inisring municipality, and dozens of lives were undoubtedly saved through his ceaseless efforts. But at last the dread disease seized him and on Monday, February 11th, he passed peacefully to his reward. Yes, Peter Yemen is dead, but he will live in memories fond and dear among the Ruthenian settlers of Saskatchewan. They realize that they have lost a faithful friend and adviser, and the large number who attended the funeral on Wednesday, February 13th, testify plainly that he had not labored in vain among these people. One poor old man, in broken English, begged that he might be permitted to take one last look at "the good man," and when the request could not be granted he broke down and sobbed bitterly. Another Ruthenian tearfully remarked "last time me see him he help me dig well to get water for my sick family!" another paid the following glowing tribute: "I have wandered around for twenty years among Galicians, English, Americans and others. There may be as good men as Mr. Yemen, but I have never met them." Still another said, "Pete say to me, 'Never lie—a lie never got a person anywhere. A truthful man always wins out.' A poor, old, grief-stricken father told how, when his six-year-old child heard of the death of this friend of all children, could not be consoled. Many other expressions of sympathy and love could be quoted, but only one more will be mentioned: A poor, old lady, with sheepskin coat and red shawl, in offering her consolation to the sorrowing wife, said, "Good man gone!" This man has attached himself deeply to the hearts of these people, and through him they have obtained a clear sight of what is highest and noblest in our Canadian life. This is the task for our Saskatchewan teachers—than which no nobler exists.

Mr. Yemen had labored for over ten years carrying the gospel of Canadian citizenship to these new Canadians as principal of Theodore village school. Two or three years ago he was chosen as the best man available to take charge of the community centre established by the Methodist Church at Inisring. During this period he has lived in close touch with the Ruthenians settled there. With right on his side, he has unflinchingly faced all handicaps; he has taught the children and advised the parents in matters of all kinds; he has helped them in threshing operations, and advised them in business transactions; he has attended their weddings and been present at their funeral services. At all times his thoughts were busy planning their assistance. Even at the hour of death some of his last words were "the foreign problem can be solved." How true! It can be solved; but it must be solved largely by the use of the methods adopted by this Canadian here, Peter Yemen.

Mr. Yemen was born in Ontario over forty years ago. He was a staunch Presbyterian, and in politics a Liberal. He is survived by a wife and three children, aged four, six and eleven. His father, one brother and one sister also reside in the west.

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