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## RECEPTION TO WM. J. SCOTT

### Richmond Hill Welcomes Her First Boy Home from the Front

A reception and presentation by the citizens of Richmond Hill and surrounding neighborhood was given Friday evening to Lance-Corp. Wm. J. Scott, who was allowed to return from the trenches to complete his medical course in the Toronto School of Medicine.

When the 8.15 car arrived a procession was formed, headed by the Band, the soldiers in training here, and the Boy Scouts, who escorted Mr. Scott to the Masonic Hall, where an interesting programme was given.

Reeve Pugsley occupied the chair, and on the platform was the guest of the evening as well as several clergymen and other citizens. After singing "God Save the King," addresses were given by Revs. R. Herbison, S. A. Lawrence, J. R. Aikenhead, R. McKee, N. Wellwood, Father Kelly, and Messrs. A. L. Phipps, H. Lang, J. S. McNair, and Capt. Craig, of the 127th Battalion, the latter making an earnest plea for further enlistment.

Mr. Earle Newton presided at the piano, and vocal selections of a patriotic nature were given by Miss Carol Innes, Miss Olive Switzer, Mrs. Van Wart, and Miss Winnifred Aikenhead. Several of the speakers referred to the many deeds of valor already credited to Canadian soldiers on the firing line, and while the speeches were optimistic, the fact was not disguised that there is yet danger even on this side of the Atlantic. Naturally, many kindly references were made to "modest Bill Scott," and the good work he had done in connection with the sick and wounded.

The chief feature of the evening was an address read by Mr. J. H. Naughton, and the presentation of a Medical Bag by Mr. J. A. Greene, Lance-Corp. Scott, fittingly replied, thanking his friends for their kind remembrance. He then gave an interesting though guarded account of his travels from the time he left Exhibition Camp last spring, referring to many incidents while in England, France and Belgium. Before closing, Mr. Greene thanked the many friends who had contributed so cheerfully for the presentation, and stated that the committee had a neat little sum on hand, which would be deposited in the bank for future needs. Mr. George Scott, on behalf of Mrs. Scott and family, also thanked the friends for the honor they had shown their son.

The following is the address:—  
LANE CORP. W. J. SCOTT.  
We have assembled here this evening to honor you, to welcome you home and to extend to you the very heartiest congratulations of your many friends from Richmond Hill and vicinity. You have the distinction and the honor of being the first from our neighborhood to answer the call of the Empire and to take up the cause of Liberty, Freedom and Justice. You were the first to realize Canada's part in this terrible conflict. You have brought back the first laurels from the battlefield to this part of our fair Dominion. A record, my dear friend, which will ever live and which can never be broken in the history of Richmond Hill.

During the time you have been in our midst you have won a most enviable place in the hearts of our people. By your sterling qualities, you have commanded the highest regard of all. By your genial disposition you have been beloved by all. You have proved yourself a true gentleman, a loyal citizen, a faithful friend, a brilliant scholar, a devoted son and brother.

About a year ago you gave up the laurels of a brilliant academic course leading to a most promising professional career, you gave up your many friends, your home and nearest and dearest of all, your loving parents, to answer your country's call and to do your part in this great war. You went

forth to the battlefield prepared to give your very life for each and every one of us. What greater love hath any man? Your untiring efforts, your self-sacrifice and your worthy assistance among the wounded Canadian heroes on the blood-stained battlefields of France and Belgium have not only been followed and admired by the people at home, but have been appreciated and recognized by the officers under whom you served.

With your fond and loving parents we all join in thanksgiving to Divine Providence who has rewarded your noble work with a safe return from the horrors of war.

We owe you a duty, my dear friend, which we can never repay, and as a slight token of appreciation of the sacrifice you have made, we ask you to accept this medical bag, not for its intrinsic value, but as a remembrance of your friends from Richmond Hill and vicinity. We earnestly hope that you will live for many, many years to use it, whilst administering relief to suffering humanity.

"Bill," words are inadequate to express our admiration of you; you are a credit and honor to yourself, to your home and to your country, and we are justly proud of you.  
Signed on behalf of your friends from Richmond Hill and vicinity.  
J. A. GREENE,  
J. H. NAUGHTON.

**Red Cross News**  
The regular meeting of the Red Cross Auxiliary will be held Monday next at four o'clock. Members are requested to be present. The Work Committee would be glad to have all finished work brought in at next meeting.

**Pugsley—Hill**  
A Social Event of much importance was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Hill Wednesday afternoon, when their only daughter, Eva, one of the town's most popular young ladies became the bride of Mr. Victor W. Pugsley of Sedley, Sask.

The bride looked very lovely in a dress of double net, over white silk, and carrying a bouquet of lilies of the valley and carnations.

Mrs. Hill, the brides' mother, wore Violet silk and Mrs. Pugsley black velvet and satin combination. The house decorations were very beautiful, the bride and groom standing under an arch of ferns, Smilax and Carnations which was banked with Palms, the table decorations being Sweet Peas.

Between fifty and sixty guests assembled to wish the young couple "Bon Voyage" on their journey through life. Among these were the bridesmaid and groomsmen who stood up with Mr. and Mrs. D. Hill twenty seven years ago, Capt. Hill of Orillia, and Mrs. Henry of Peterboro. The out-of-town guests were:— Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hill, two sons and daughter of Buffalo, N. Y.; Capt. Hill and daughter, Orillia; Mr. James Hill and three daughters, Elmvale; Mrs. W. J. Henry and daughter, Peterboro; Mrs. Wolstenholme, Peterboro; Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hill, Peterboro; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hill and daughter, Craighurst; Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hill, Alliston; Mr. and Mrs. Howarth, Hillsdale; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Pugsley, Sutton; Mr. and Mrs. Huff, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. McConaghy, Toronto; Mrs. Brown, Toronto; Mrs. Pugsley, Toronto; Mr. James Hill, Trinity Medical, Toronto.

A Cablegram of Congratulations was read from Mr. Carl Hill at the "Front," and a Wire from Dr. Oakley Hill of New York.

The wedding was conducted by Rev. J. R. Aikenhead who also acted as master of ceremonies. The numerous and costly presents show the great esteem in which the bride is held. Among these was a piano from her father, a cabinet sewing machine from her mother and cheques from her absent brothers and grandfather.

The happy couple left by motor for Toronto and start for a wedding trip. The bride's going away gown was of navy blue gabardine.

**DR. SOMERS**  
Dentist - - - Toronto  
has removed to his new office on corner of YONGE and QUEEN STS., which has been equipped with the most modern of dental appliances. Out of town patients attended without previous appointment.

## THE BIG KHAKI CONCERT

### The Masonic Hall Was Crowded—A Unique Programme

The concert in the Masonic Hall last evening under the auspices of and in aid of the York Rangers was varied and unique. The hall was crowded, standing room being at a premium. Capt. Bell made an admirable chairman, and easily handled his enthusiastic audience. The physical drills by the "heavyweights" of the battalion, and also the "bantams" were much enjoyed as were the orchestra, the vocal solos, the mouth organ band and other features. Mr. Wyse's ventriloquial dialogues with his clever "blockheads" kept the audience in roars of laughter, and the legerdemain by Mr. C. A. Roe was so dexterously performed that observation was eluded. The programme closed with "God Save the King."



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