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**So. Porcupine News**  
**Items of Interest**

The Advance, in conversation with Hank McDonald (The Grand Old Man), while in Toronto, and who is now attached to the 119th Battalion, at Niagara Camp, wished to be remembered to all his friends in the North, and by the looks of "Hank" the soldier life is more than agreeing with him.

Pete LeClair, who was in camp in the early days, is now with the 119th Battalion, which will leave shortly for Overseas, and states that this is his second trip across the water.

Word was received this week of the death of Pte. Herb Grindey who was with the Grenadier Guards, and a letter containing the news appears in another column.

Mrs. E. J. Rapsy will leave this week for Mattawa.

The sum of \$319 was realized for the Secours National by the committee in charge. This is certainly appreciated in such a worthy cause.

The residents of South Porcupine were made uneasy last Sunday owing to bush fires nearby, the smoke from which hung over the town for the greater part of the day as there was no wind to dispel it.

Messrs. Kiely, Smith & Amos have made a few changes in their staff, Mr. Hill going to Cobalt, and Mr. Anderson, who was in charge, leaving for the Toronto office. Mr. Knox will assume the duties here.

A number of the 159th Battalion are holidaying at their homes in Southend during the past week.

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The following interesting letter has been received by Mr. Ben Smith of South Porcupine.

Dear Ben,—  
 Just a few lines to say I received your postcards alright, and must thank you for same.

Things are beginning to get better now over here, the Imperial troops are doing some very good work, mostly all the old regiments being at the front. Some of our boys have got picked off very bad, although we are not up exactly on the firing line at Hill 60.

Poor Herb Grindey got hit by shrapnel, and he never knew anything about it. Ralph Caverly got a slight wound; Jack Bush from Timmins got a wound in the leg; Bill Begley, an old timer from Matheson, got hit by falling pieces of shrapnel, and on his way down the communication trench to the dressing station got hit on the thumb; Fred Connolly is missing, and word came over that Pete Muskeg is dead, he was further over from the rest of the boys so we won't know for a day or two. Steve Synn, Tim Johnston, Arthur Elgie and young lad, Jack Casey, George Connolly, Sam Crawford, are all in good shape, none of them have been damaged so far.

We have been reinforcing the 1st Can. Batt. from Toronto. The 77th Batt. from Ottawa have had 400 men and some officers drafted into our 87th Batt. to fill up. I was up in London just after we landed in England, for six days, and we sure did have some time. Bristol Jack was right at home, so was Steve Lynn and Johnston. It is some place to go, especially at Hyde Park or along the Embankment.

The Australian troops are the "candy boys" in London. They sure have got the "stand in." The Imperial troops are hardly noticed much as the deeds they have done in the last month seems as if the people think they are of everyday occurrence.

Went to see Jack Ward and he took us through Woolwich Arsenal where he is working. There is about 70,000 men, women, girls and boys working in the Arsenal, and they sure have got some bunch of aeroplanes guarding it.

One night when we were there we happened to see the big double revolving searchlights turned on, and it would seem almost impossible for any Zeppelin to cross over London without being seen. Folkstone and Dover is where one can see the aeroplanes going up and crossing over the Channel. The day we were there there was over 50 boats on the English and French sides, besides the cruisers, submarines, etc.

How is everything looking around Southend. How is Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy getting on, and how is George Stanger, is he still around. How is Dave Edwards and Lou Marshall getting on. George Comiss is down in Brisbane, Arizona. Remember me to Fred Croteau when you see him and thank him for me for the postcards.

Now I think this is all at present, hoping to hear from you soon. With best regards to all the boys, I remain  
 Your sincere friend,  
 Pte. David G. Korr.

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Among the girls is Mildred Niles, daughter of "The King of Wall St.," who is reputed to be worth millions. Mildred and Theodore are immediately drawn together and Mrs. Niles looks with favor on the love match. Meanwhile her father loses heavily in speculation and is penniless, unknown to those in Rockville.

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