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248th Battalion Notes.

(Intended for last week)

A well attended recruiting meeting was held in Holstein on Thursday night last, under the auspices of the Women's Institute of the village at which Capt. Parsons, Mr. John Philp and Lieut. J. L. Yule spoke. A good musical programme was provided by Mrs. T. Abbott and Lieut. Yule. Capt. Parsons gave a stirring appeal for more intensive production among more men. It was a very enthusiastic meeting, and much good is expected from it.

One of the officers of the 248th Greys gives as follows some of the experiences in asking men to enlist.

We met a young man the other day, who upon asking him to enlist said he could not do so as he "was going to get married." He has since become married and has now, very comfortably, settled down for life in spite of the great responsibilities of honour and duty involving upon him in this time of the country's need.

Another young man told us "frankly that he was afraid." We suggested that the Forestry and Construction Battalion offered him the safety that he demanded, but he then found that "he could not get away."

We came across another fine big strapping eligible of 28. He was the hired man on a farm and at the time we saw him, was in the act of making some patch repairs to a bit of harness. Amongst other things he said he thought he was "doing his bit" remaining at home producing for the men in the trenches. However he promised to think the matter over, and when we saw him again he had had a talk with his father, about it, and "had decided not to enlist." His father, by the way, worked 350 acres of land and had four other sons to help him. Not one of these boys has offered himself for services.

Recently a young man offered himself for service in the 248th Greys, but was rejected because of deafness in one ear and blindness in the other eye. We felt very sorry until we found out that he really sent his family's contribution to their country for military service, while two brothers, presumably physically fit, refused to offer themselves. Such is some people's "patriotism".

A man in Owen Sound could not enlist because he had just bought a horse, while another said he could not as he "was going to buy a car." Still another said he had been used to thin-soled boots all his life and could not stand the heavy boots he would have to wear in the army.

A young chap of eighteen told us that he wanted to finish his education before enlisting. We wondered at this as we knew he was working in a flour mill. He explained by saying that he was engaged in a "necessary" industry, but he planned to go back to school next September and would be able to enlist when school closed in June 1918.

Pte. Giles (on sentry duty at night). "Halt! who goes there?"
Lieut. Yule—"Officers of the Day."
Pte. Giles—"Well what are you doing out at night, then?"

One young chap who boasts of holding a real man's job, told Capt. Parsons that he should be under the control of his parents until he was 21. Capt. Parsons reminded him before the war the law allowed him to take a wife at 18 years of age, and now it expected him to protect one at the same age! Just an excuse.

Capt. White and Armstrong of the A. M. C. of Headquarters, were in Grey County for the purpose of inoculating the men of the 248th. The Durham's quotas were treated on Thursday last.

Notice to Creditors

In the matter of the Estate of Agnes Lynn, late of the Township of Bentinck in the County of Grey, widow, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Agnes Lynn, who died on or about the 29th day of December, A. D., one thousand nine hundred and sixteen at the said Township of Bentinck are required, on or before the first day of June next, to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned, John Mills Administrator, with the will annexed, of the said Agnes Lynn, deceased their names, addresses and full particulars in writing and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them, duly verified.

And take notice that after the first day of June next, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the said Administrator with the will annexed, will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said Administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not then have received notice.

Dated at Hanover this first day of May A. D., one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

JOHN MILLS, Hanover
Administrator with the Will annexed of Agnes Lynn, deceased.

Echoes from England

By Corp. C. C. Ramage

Orpington, Kent, April 18, 1917

Dear Home Folks :

A few remarks about things in general and nothing in particular. It has been decidedly rotten weather that this country has been having for the past several weeks. In fact the perpetual rain, sleet and snow makes one begin to wonder what delight there can be living in a country like this, why they are fighting for it and why they can't give it to the Germans. That's the pessimistic side of the fray.

Hospital life is very busy at present, the big advance and casualties from same being largely the cause. Medical officers, nurses and men are always busy these days. The patients are pleased to be back in England and thoroughly satisfied with the look of things in France. Some are waging heavily that the war will end by August 1st, the third anniversary of the Titanic struggle for liberty. Premier Borden was here recently and commended highly the work of Canadians in France. In a fine speech he said that there was but one reason why the Germans were retreating and that was they simply were unable to go forward. The Premier also presented a Military Medal to one of the men of the 1st Can. Division, very few of whom are now left in France.

A couple weeks ago I heard Mrs. Pankhurst speak in Trafalgar Square, London. She is a fine speaker and there is certainly a charm to her motherly looking face. For the present she has buried her suffragette hatchet and works in the interest of National Service, the great cause in which everybody in England is now enrolling. She is doing splendid work I understand. Just to show how democratic Mrs. Pankhurst is, let me say that she and her co-worker mounted the same omnibus as myself on a chum did after her meeting, sitting in front of us, and humanlike and womanlike, they quarrelled over to see who would have the privilege of paying the penny bus-fare for the other. Mrs. Pankhurst lost.

The same evening we went to the Shaftesbury Theatre and heard Harry Lauder in his big Revue "Three Cheers." Harry is nothing to write home about though, and I would rather hear him on the gramophone. He carries a bigger cane than ever and sings some tuneful melodies about his soldier boys and "Lassie Jean."

I had the pleasure of meeting Willie Mills of Durham in the Hospital the other day. Willie enlisted in a western battalion and was drafted to the 27th Canadians. He was in France for two months but never in the firing line, a severe sickness overtaking him while waiting in the reserve lines. As a result he has lost his voice completely and cannot speak now above a whisper. However it seems his misfortune is but a temporary one and notwithstanding such he is cheery and bright as ever. I saw him yesterday in his ward helping the nurse to make up the beds. A man by the name of Tanner introduced himself to me, as belonging to the 31st Battalion and knows Stanley McNally very well. He informs me that Stanley is now in England taking out his commission.

Dr. Gun is extremely busy with two wards filled with medical and surgical cases. His time is fully taken up with his patients but I often have the pleasure of a chat with him. A Canadian hospital staff is being organized for Russia and as a call has been made for six medical officers from this Hospital, the doctor tells me he may offer his services and go abroad.

I spent my Easter with Edinburgh friends and had a nice time there. I was in St. Giles' Cathedral for the service there on Sunday. This church is one of the most famous in Scotland and is filled with its relics of every description. I was more interested in this fact than in the service itself, the form of which is very high. On this occasion no sermon was preached although three divines were present. Instead the service was flooded with Easter music by the choir and it was a great treat to hear "The Messiah" rendered by a well trained musical body. I could not help thinking what some of the good old Scotch Kossowians would think of this service, when in the good old days it would be the

reverse only with a great deal of prayer added. A sermon had been slated according to the church folder but this seemingly was of little importance and was dispensed with while the music was printed in full and the choir program was fully carried out.

I learn that Earnest McGillivray is sick in a Canadian Hospital in France and was unable to take part in the capture of Vimy Ridge. It certainly was a stroke of hard luck and I am sure Earnest would consider it such. In this conflict, all four Canadian divisions went over the top at the same time. Vimy Ridge was the key to the whole situation and it was up to Field Marshall Haig to pick the best men in his armies to capture same. His choice fell on the Canadians and it shows undoubtedly that the great general considers our men the best fighters in the world to-day.

ABERDEEN

The Red Cross Ladies met last Saturday at Mrs. Dan McLean's and conducted a very successful meeting. 35 pairs of socks were turned in and a collection amounting to \$60 taken up. Mrs. McQuarrie and Mrs. Haslett were appointed to represent our workers at the packing of supplies at Mulock next Saturday. The next meeting will be at Mrs. D. Stewart's on Saturday May 19.

Mr. Preston of Markdale, our new Inspector pro-tem visited the school on Tuesday.

Mr. Jim Haslett lost a valuable horse last week.

Very little seeding is done in this vicinity and it is telling on the farmers' nerves.

Mr. George Gray is busy erecting a garage for Duncan McLean's new Chevrolet car.

Miss Bella McLean of Durham is visiting Aberdeen friends.

STEEL BRIDGE

Still watching for more aeroplanes is the order of the day. One passed over this burg on Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McFadyen, and family and Mrs. U. M. Rozel and baby of Owen Sound motored to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Wylie recently.

Mr. Bert Eva and lady friend of Hespeler, Sundayed at the former's home here.

Mrs. H. Lobsinger and Missy Margaret spent Tuesday with Miss Mary Hudson.

Mr. Edgar Hillis and Pte. H. Fenton of Port Elgin visited friends in this burg lately. Pte. Fenton is a returned soldier from France and belongs to the 18th Battalion. He gave us some very interesting talk of the war.

Miss Effie Parves returned to her school at Louise last week after a fortnight at her home here owing to illness.

We congratulate Mr. Will Hudson of Owen Sound who is a brother of Mrs. John Wylie of this burg, on his fine work at the veterinary work. He will practice this summer with Dr. C. R. Mitchell, V. S., Owen Sound. We wish him every success.

Mr. Allan Wise of Allan Park called on friends in this burg on Sunday. There must be some attraction Allan? Miss Martha Hertzberger and Maria Gilmour of Hampden Sundayed at the former's home here.

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