

WHAT TO FORWARD TO MEN AT FRONT

Some Suggestions For Christmas Gifts For the Soldiers--What Not to Send--The Cost of Sending Parcels Overseas.

What shall I send to the boys in the trenches? That is a question that is puzzling a lot of Kingston people just now. It is difficult to give advice on this subject, but it will perhaps be of some service to point out some of the things that it is not advisable to send.

A Few Items.

Bachelor's buttons, washing soap, handkerchiefs, playing cards, tooth-brushes, plum cake, butter, scotch and bonbons, Balaclava helmets, woolen comforters, warm socks, and a score of other things which each of those will suggest to one's mind, would all find a hearty reception when they were delivered to the men in the trenches or back in the rest billets.

The charges for all parcels or boxes must in all cases be prepaid. Any shipment over 56 pounds will be refused, as the authorities on the other side positively decline to handle the same.

every effort will be made to make delivery.

What Not To Do.

Packages must not under any circumstances be addressed to the War Office, and no single packages of eleven pounds and under must be consigned to the Southampton Docks.

Goods of perishable nature, such as fresh fruit, vegetables, chicken, etc., will not be accepted, and cakes, jam, etc., should be packed in tins, not glass. Nothing likely to cause damage can be accepted.

They will be pleased with a Christmas gift from home. They deserve a remembrance -- don't disappoint them!

Table with 2 columns: Parcel Post Rates, and corresponding prices for various weights from 1 pound to 11 pounds.

Parcel Post Packages are limited to not exceed 11 pounds in weight.

The above rates are for parcels going to France or Belgium.

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HOW TO ADDRESS MAIL TO SOLDIERS.

The following correct method of addressing troops has been issued by Dr. R. M. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General.

- (a) Regimental number. (b) Rank. (c) Name. (d) Squadron, battery or company. (e) Battalion, regiment (or other unit), staff appointment or department. (f) Canadian contingent. (g) British Expeditionary Force. (h) Army Post Office, London, England.

and the Worst is Yet to Come.



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SOME OTTAWA GLIMPSES

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Thrust Greatness on Sir Sam

Ottawa, Nov. 13.—The outstanding feature of the war, so far as the Borden Government is concerned is that it has thrust greatness on Sir Sam Hughes. He is the only Conservative politician who harvested Knighthood out of it with the exception of Sir Herbert Ames whose company made such good shoes for the soldiers that he simply could not be overlooked.

Meanwhile it does not please his colleagues that at the glory should centre in the Minister of Militia and the Rogers press in Winnipeg and Montreal is more or less free to admit that there may be other pebbles on the beach, not mentioning any names but looking straight at the member for Winnipeg, who has not sought the public eye so much since the recent midsummer frost in Manitoba.

Other Conservative newspapers chirp up from time to time acting as a sort of skeleton at Sir Sam's feast, reminding him in a whisper just loud enough for Premier Borden and the rest of the Band of Hope to overhear, that even the greatest must die.

Whether Sir Sam will die a lingering political death, as is the course of nature, or a sudden one before the next general election, is a moot question. He is now as famous, not perhaps as Alexander the Great, but at least as grand as the panacea, and it might be injudicious to drop him.

It is even worse than that—Sam hogs the centre of the stage—Premier Borden hardly get a look in—which is as if the first walking gentleman should shove the leading man aside and take his lines, a grave perversion indeed of the customary practice. But don't imagine for a minute that his colleagues are jealous of Sir Sam. Not at all. They're simply dazzled by his wonderful career.

Take that knighthood for example. The sly things they say about it! How our Minister of Militia was received coldly by Asquith and Kitchener who asked him to explain the Shell Committee. How British statesmen on both sides of politics penetrated his pose and discovered—bluster. How his Unionist friends experienced a chill towards him and the newspapers forgot to mention his name.

It is not the Liberals who are saying these things. It's his own friends whose sources of information are supposed to be better than those of the Opposition. Sir Sam should pray night and day to be delivered from his friends—they're ripping him up the back. Not even his knighthood is sacred from their rude jeers.

Of course such an account of the greatest historic event of the war is a pure invention but it only goes to show what emotions Sir Sam is exciting in the breasts of his associates. One of them the other day referred to him as a greater man than Cromwell. Asked how he made that out, he replied that Oliver had turned down the title of king when it was offered him but that Sam took it and to some extent acted upon it.

And indeed the Cromwell metaphor is a good one because Cromwell believed in government by major-generals and wished eleven of them on England until parliament wished them off again. Sam also believes in government by major-generals but not by eleven of them. One major-general will do if he is big enough and that Major-General Sir Sam meets and shakes hands with every time he looks in the glass, which by the way, is not a few. Canada is at this minute under the rule and sway of one major-general—the other cabinet ministers do not count—and that alone shows that Sam is eleven times bigger than Oliver Cromwell because Sam does it alone and Oliver couldn't do it with ten to help him.

Another point to remember is that Cromwell ransacked all England to get eleven major generals, including himself, that were equal to the job, whereas Sam Hughes did not have to go outside his own family. There are in the Hughes family now three generals and two colonels which make five generals altogether, because a Hughes colonel is more than a colonel, he is a general in the bud. It has to be that way because it is not seemly that the overflow from the fountain of honor should swamp the fountain itself. In other words the country is now so full of honorary colonels, created by Sir Sam, that being a colonel is no more distinction than being an L.L.D. or a

K. C. or any other payer of water rates. So the Hughes family, which makes honorary colonels as easily as you or I make smoke wreaths, becomes major generals in sheer self-defence. It would never do for the Hughes family to be anything else in such a stampered of colonels.

Sir Sam is, of course, the major general of all the major generals—ex-officio and by merit. Moreover he has a definite plan in adding constantly to the vast number of honorary colonels who already freckle the Canadian landscape. Like Cromwell, our Minister of Militia aims to build an army on the new model—an army that will always be sober enough to recognize a great major general when it sees one and give him the salute. Part of Sir Sam's plan is the dry canteen which applies to the privates and which may be ultimately extended to include mince pie and other heady refreshments.

Still another part of his plan is the honorary colonels who have not adopted the dry canteen yet, but who may be obliged to do so if the clubs decide to close at 8 p. m., though one can always keep a shot or two in his locker, eh what? However, as I was saying, Sir Sam has sterner work for the honorary colonels than sitting around in arm chairs waiting for their highballs to cool. He reserves them for higher, nobler uses. As they are unwilling, or let us say rather unfitted, to fight in Flanders and the Dardanelles, and other places where real shooting is going on, it is Sir Sam's intention to keep the honorary colonels along with the church parade colonels and other paper colonels, right here in Canada to form a Home Guard which will never so far forget its name or its duty as to gadding about in foreign parts. Sir Sam knows his honorary colonels like a book and he realizes that they will never stray far from their own residences, particularly if there is any firing to be done. The honorary colonels are indeed admirable material for a Home Guard and that is the way Sir Sam proposes to use them.

Sir Sam intends to make a statement presently in regard to honorary colonels, an arm of the service which has been the object of a great deal of carping criticism. The statement will show that honorary colonels are an absolute necessity in Canadian public life, many a man refusing to work unless his wife gets one to play with. Moreover the people of Canada are beginning to realize the varied usefulness of honorary colonels and hardly a day goes by that the Militia Department doesn't get a dozen telegrams from all parts of the country requesting the presence of honorary colonels at one function or another.

"Send us a good Scotch and soda colonel to make a fifth hand in poker game." "Brewers' picnic here. Want the fattest, thirstiest colonel you've got to award prizes." Such are the messages the Department receives, not only proving that honorary colonels fill a long felt want, but that Canada is waking up and making use of them along national lines.

The honorary colonels are to be used but not endangered. The honorary colonels wear such uniforms as may be seen on equestrian statues, but that is about as far as they care to go in the way of riding. Anything off the stand as ease the horses do entirely at the risk of the honorary colonels. An honorary colonel was recently injured by a fall from his horse—the cause being that his horse moved. As a matter of fact honorary colonels are safer inside their horses than out and knowing that to be the case Sir Sam took measures long ago to provide them with dependable mounts.

It transpires only now that the horses, purchased by the Government in Nova Scotia, the old fellows that liked to lie down and think it over, and couldn't get up short of a crowbar and a blast of dynamite—it transpires only now, I repeat that these steady, reliable, highly deliberate and contemplative chargers which were asked in some cases to eat hay that never existed outside a forged freight order, were intended for the honorary colonels. If the four hundred horses which ultimately found their way to the glue factory had only lived, at least one regiment of honorary colonels could have been mobilized with impunity.

—H. F. G.

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