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ARE CLEARING UP CAMP

COMMANDANT INSISTS THAT EVERYTHING BE PUT IN SHAPE.

The Sanitary Officer is Superintending the Work in Vacated Battalion Lines—Great Change on the Grounds.

Barriefield camp, which opened in all its glory with over 17,000 soldier inhabitants, is slowly dwindling down until in a very few days there will be nothing left but the buildings on the bleak plains to remind one that it was the home of the largest camp ever held on the historic camp grounds. The camp is losing in numbers every day, as some unit leaves for the winter quarters in the city. There is mud on the ground. There was much mud when the troops first came, but it has been dry weather, which made it possible for the camp to send overseas some of the finest battalions ever mobilized.

The biggest job just now is to see that everything will be left in ship shape for the winter. Beginning with the grounds lately occupied by the 155th and 156th Battalions, there is a squad of men from the special Service Company, working away under Lieut. Weller, piling tent floors and gathering up bits of wood and paper and everything that would mar the appearance. There was a huge fire burning in the 156th vacant ground, and the men were carrying wood and all kinds of discarded material to be destroyed and put out of the way. Lieut. Col. McCabon, Camp Sanitary Officer, is very strict at his work, and the men are doing a splendid job under his watchful eye. He has greatly changed the appearance of the grounds, and will make an equal improvement in the rest of the camp. When units move out, however, it requires time and labor to clean up, and this the colonel will

HAS A SPLENDID STORY

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY BATTALIONS TRAINED HERE.

This City and the Camp Has Been the Training Centre for Thousands—New Page is Opening.

Since the war broke out in August, 1914, Kingston has had a military history that is in keeping with its military reputation of many years. With the closing of Barriefield camp another chapter will be added, and a winter's campaign for recruits to its next battalion is already being planned.

OVERSEAS DRAFT DIRECT TO R. C. H. A.

Next Draft from "C" Battery Goes Direct to Old Brigade in France.

The R.C.H.A. depot is sending overseas in a very few days a draft of 100 men, who with 300 from other batteries, will go under the command of Lieut. H. Brownfield, Kingston, and Lieut. Morton and Clark. This draft will be trained in England for service with the R.C.H.A. at the front, and will have the honor of being the first to do this since the first draft of fifty marched out of Tete de Pont Barracks.

The depot will be coming to the city from Petawawa with well over 125 men, and this, with about fifty here, will make a strong unit. Lieut. Porter has arrived to assist Lieut. McCarter, battery commander here. Lieut. Sheppard, who has been on duty with Lieut. McCarter, is reporting for immediate overseas service.

A lot of people call foolish management hard luck.

NO MORE RAISING CHEQUES

ANOTHER ON WAY "EAST"

A TYPEWRITER TO BE ISSUED THAT PERFORATES PAPER.

Capt. C. Turner, Camp Paymaster, Has One Which Should be Sent to All Paymasters in the Country. In all probability the Militia Department will soon make an order absolutely prohibiting hand-written cheques, and will issue non-raising cheque typewriters to every unit mobilized, and such should have been done long ago. Capt. C. Turner, camp paymaster, has just received a new machine which perforates the paper, being written on in such a way that a forgery or attempt at raising the amount on the cheque is an absolute failure.

235th TO BELLEVILLE.

This Battalion Arrived in Winter Quarters on Friday.

Capt. Palmer, Camp Engineer, was in Belleville on Friday arranging for the reception of the 235th Battalion, which arrived yesterday by train after a most successful trek through Durham and Northumberland. Lieut. Silan was camp engineer in the absence of the captain.

PROBABLE TO BELLEVILLE.

Capt. Allen, Canadian Army Dental Corps, has been detailed for duty as dental officer with the 235th Battalion at Belleville, relieving Capt. McGill, who goes overseas with a draft.

Eight men were transferred on Friday to the Convalescent Homes here. Lieut. Graham, 230th Battalion, was at the camp on Friday on military business.



CURFEW. 'What particularly annoys Lieut. Jones, R. F. A., (who thinks he can get a better view from the belfry) is that irritating prediction which keeps going through his head, 'The Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night.'—London Bystander.

Denies the Report.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 20.—Captain Beck, master of the British steamer North Pacific, has positively denied published reports that his ship received information from a British warship to the effect that the German submarine U-53, which raided allied and neutral shipping off Nantucket on Sunday, October 8, had been sunk.

AMSTERDAM, OCT. 20.

The Volks Zeitung of Cologne says: "German submarines will operate in the future in the western Atlantic. They will visit the well-known shipping routes around the eastern point of Nantucket island and will sink British merchantmen after giving the crews opportunity to save themselves. The newspaper believes this activity will influence the supplying of food, especially grain, bacon and lard, to England."

PRINCESS WEDS DRUGGIST.

The Romance Begins in an Austrian War Hospital. London, Oct. 20.—The Frankfurter Zeitung announces the marriage of Princess Marie-Therese of Hohenlohe, to Otto Kohleisen, of Innsbruck, an apothecary and a descendant of an humble Austrian family. The Princess, married Kohleisen while he was in a hospital suffering from an illness contracted on the battle field.

600 SICK HORSES HELD.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—Shipment of 4,000 horses purchased by the Allies was stopped yesterday by a quarantine on the Calumet ship yard, following the discovery that 600 of the animals were suffering from contagious stomatitis, which causes a sore mouth. They were isolated and orders given that none could be shipped until further notice.

Major C. T. Van Straden.

Canadian Dragoon, has been gazetted to command the Canadian corps of cavalry with the rank of Lieutenant-colonel.

The Cooke works of the American Locomotive Company of Paterson, N.J., has just received an order for 100 small type locomotives for the British.

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Some Ottawa Glimpses

Special Correspondence by H. F. Gadsby.

Omens of Defeat.

Ottawa, Oct. 21.—The Borden Government is in doubt whether to pull off a general election in December—make it a coonskin coat campaign, as it were—or to postpone the day of wrath until next April. The chances favor the later date.

The April date suits better because many of the surprise packages that found themselves supporting a Conservative Government after the election of 1911 realize that their present sojourn in the House of Commons is their last. If the people, at that time, had had any idea that these fellows were going to be elected they would never have received the nominations. They were forelorn hopes and they looked it. With brighter chances of success, better candidates would have been put in the field.

Naturally, these last-chance statesmen want to hang on as long as possible. They need the money. It's the last bit of easy money they will make, so they demand another session. Being about to die, they want to die in as good condition as another session's indemnity will make them. The Government's friends, the trusts, the combines, the price boosters and the food wars also favor the April date, because they believe that the high cost of living can be given two or three more twists in that time.

The Borden Government has been very kind to the High Costs, never once giving them a slap on the wrist or in any way exercising their power to keep prices at a decent figure, as has been done in other belligerent

countries. No indeed! Let them take their fill, said the Borden Government, and we will take ours. Which was done accordingly. The Borden Government is willing, maybe, to continue its kindness to the High Costs, but the High Costs themselves are the first to see that the goose that lays the golden egg is near its last squawk. They reckon that next April will see a limit to the people's tolerance of their extortion. After that, the Borden Government may do as it pleases. The High Costs will be gorged to the same by that time. They will be ready to quit and, if the Borden Government quits then, too, why who cares? They will go out together, both with full feeling after eating. Meanwhile, as I said before, they will give the deap public a couple more squeezes.

The Government itself looks on April as a desirable date to test public feeling for two or three reasons. In the first place, an April campaign means a short session of Parliament. To dissolve the House and make the writs returnable means a clear space of a month, and that in turn means adjournment by the end of February. A six weeks session, occupied largely with estimates and appropriations will not give a scandalous chance to make headway. The Borden Government has enough scandal on its hands already. It doesn't want any more. Above all, it doesn't want a long session devoted to new scandals of tremendous proportions, many of which the Opposition has up its sleeve. The people

have enough scandal to remember already. Frank Carvell and his comrades must not be allowed another last word to the jury. The verdict is fatal enough right now.

The Borden Government has given up hope that a great victory by the Allies will cause the Canadian people to forget its long list of sins, because it realizes that no victory, however great, could do that. Even if the Allies could show a victory for every sin the Borden Government has committed, the people would not forget their grievance. It has been accumulating ever since the Borden Government took office five years ago. It didn't take the people long to see which way the Borden Government was headed. All the war did was to grease the skids. However, the Government will hesitate as long as possible before taking the plunge next April.

Yes, and then some, of the Government can bring it about. It will get for another extension—that goes without saying. But it will not expect to get it, because it is quite clear that the country doesn't want it. The old excuses are all played out. What the country wants is to get rid of the Borden Government—the sooner the quicker. Armageddon or no Armageddon, the Borden government realizes that it has got to go. The millennium won't get a fair start until the Borden outfit of listless lingers is out of the way. However, that won't prevent for another year's reprieve, the idea being to put the onus on the Liberals for refusing.

Truth to tell, this onus is only a booby. Nobody takes any stock in it. The citizens of Canada, the honest patriots on both sides of politics, are ready to prevent to assume any onus that will put the Borden Government on the blink. One onus is a good as another, so long as it does the trick. A million onuses won't save the Government's bacon. It will put an argument—sure it will. It will say: "Don't swap horses while crossing a stream." Yes, it will say that, even if the horse is broken winded and spavined—the kind of a horse, in short, that Arthur DeWitt Foster, M.P., used to buy. The voters know all about that. They will see to it that the horse is on the Borden Government, not on them.

What bothers the Government a great deal is the omens. To go to the country they will need to neglect the omens. Everybody remembers what befell Julius Caesar for ignoring the omens—and Julius Caesar was just as great a statesman, if no greater, than Premier Borden. The omens of which J. C. got his—simply because he coo-pooed the black cat that crossed his path, the hen that got run over by the funeral, the pin that he failed to pick up, the sudden condition of Pompey's Statue—probably erected by the Bob Rogers of the day on a cost plus ten per cent. basis—and other prodigies and portents.

These much worse than any that happened to Julius Caesar have been heaving to the Borden Government ever since the war started. Almost any day you could drop into the Public Accounts Committee, or the Power Shoe Committee, or the Keio Inquiry or the Davidson Committee, and see anywhere from one to a dozen members of the Borden Government simulating the Government's list of omens.

the later omens are still fresh in their memory.

For instance, there was the Manitoba election omen, with its aftermath of accused Cabinet Ministers who escaped punishment simply because there were three invincible doubters on the Jury. That was followed by the Bob Rogers omen, which is the most dreadful of all. Circumstances and the evidence closed in on the Honourable Bob to the extent of obscuring his judgment and shattering his temper, with the result that he started out to purify the Manitoba bench, which was quizzing him too hard. Bob purified it to the extent of getting four newspaper men put in jail, two of whom were fined in such amounts that they will probably have to issue debentures to pay them. That's Bob's way—he doesn't care how many newspapermen go to jail so long as he gets the right kind of Judge to run the show. And the right kind of Judge is a Judge that will stick by Bob, right or wrong. Particularly wrong, because who needs a Judge to stick to him when he is right and everybody knows it?

The Honourable Bob's predicament only goes to show how a simple act of kindness can get a man in wrong. He telephoned to Contractor Carter that he wasn't getting enough by \$8,700 for the new power house at the Agricultural College. Bob had exercised power in Manitoba for a number of years and naturally he knows what power houses cost. His idea was that Contractor Carter was \$8,700 shy and Contractor Carter accepted the suggestion, although he had already figured in his campaign contribution with his original contract.

However, Contractor Carter held the money only long enough to kiss it good-bye. From hand to pocket, they pocket to hand—that was the way it went. The Conservative campaign fund needed the money more than Carter did. At all events, the party collector called around and eased his lump by \$7,500. Carter was allowed to keep \$1,200, probably as a guarantee of good faith. Thus was the Honourable Bob kind only to be cruel.

What did Carter say? Well, he probably said: "Bob givev and Bob taketh away." Blessed by the name of Fate.

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