

# 1,400 CHILDREN MADE HAPPY

### At Christmas Tree Event in the Armouries on Friday Afternoon.

## WHIG RAISED THE MONEY

### NECESSARY TO ENTERTAIN CHILDREN OF SOLDIERS.

#### Five Hundred Soldiers' Wives Also Treated—Six Huge Trees Were Beautifully Decorated—The Ladies Who Assisted.

The dreams of anticipation of a Christmas tree event which would equal those held in the days when their daddies were here were realized at the armouries on Friday afternoon when over 1,400 children of soldiers overseas were entertained by the committee in charge of the administration of the \$1,000 raised for the Whig Christmas Tree Fund. Five hundred mothers were also entertained. The event was a success beyond all hopes and to the ladies and other workers who have done so much for the thousands of hundreds of children and mothers go out.

Six immense Christmas trees were lined along the rear wall of the armouries. Due to the splendid work of members of the Engineers under Lieut.-Col. P. S. Benoit there were innumerable electric lights strung through the trees which added wonderfully to the general effect. Mingled with the branches and showing all manner of colors were decorations of tinsel, flags, colors and bunting that added to the beautiful picture. On the trees and piled on long tables were the presents for the children. It would be absolutely impossible to give a list of what the kiddies re-

ceived. There were piles of dolls' beds, picture books, horses, blocks, and hundreds of such things, that brought delight to the soldiers' kiddies.

#### A Big Task.

Mrs. T. D. R. Hemming, wife of the G.O.C., deserves to a great extent the credit of organizing the large staff necessary to carry out the undertaking. She had the earnest co-operation of all of the chapters of the Daughters of the Empire—Frontenac, Victoria, LaSalle, Cataraqui, Annandale and Prince Charles—and the officers worked with her in getting the members of those chapters to do their utmost in making the event a success. There were hundreds of ladies, aside from the list published below, who should be mentioned, but under the circumstances it was difficult to secure all of the names. The thanks of the children and of the mothers for their work is sufficient, however, to make it known that their energies have not been expended in vain.

In one end of the armouries on the crowded balconies the R.C.H.A. band played during the afternoon. When the presents were being distributed and when the refreshments were being served, the band discoursed music that added much to the afternoon's pleasure. The selections were patriotic and popular and were well received by the people.

#### Crowds Watched.

The balconies of the armouries were lined with people who were interested in watching the Christmas tree event for the children of the soldiers. They watched with interest the way in which each of the six Santa Clauses announced the names and the dolls and other things which go to gladden the heart of kiddies at Christmas time.

Lieut.-Col. W. H. Macnee and H. G. Nickle were at the big entrance to the armouries. As each little family of a mother or sister or friend and one or more children, many in baby carriages and in arms passed through, they were directed by either the colonel or Mr. Nickle to the tree on which hung their presents. Each mother had a card that introduced her and the greatest possible kindness was shown. They were invited to bring their baby carriages directly into the big main floor, where the heat from the furnaces made it more comfortable to dress

## ARE ISSUING NO FIGURES

### ORDEES GO OFF FOR MEN TO REPORT FOR SERVICE.

#### Military Service Commission to Keep Figures of Number Called a Secret—Men Training Here.

The public is not to be allowed to know the numbers of men being called under the Military Service Act from this district or city or from any part of Canada. The reason for this is difficult to understand, particularly as the numbers under the voluntary system were issued periodically. The order to report for duty reads as follows:

"You are ordered to report for duty at the headquarters of the Depot Battalion at Kingston on the following date:—

"Failure to obey this order will render you liable to punishment by the civic courts, as well as making you subject to be taken into custody at any time as a military offender.

"You will retain this portion of the order and will present it upon your reporting at the headquarters of the Depot Battalion. Keep it carefully as your means of identification."

Accompanying the order is a warrant for transportation. Apparently the draftees for No. 2 Military District will undergo their preliminary training before going overseas at Kingston, as all men, except those near Ottawa, called up under the Act, have been ordered to report in this city.

At the south end of the main floor were long lines of tables which were filled to overflowing with all kinds of nice things. There was ice cream and cake and coffee and such other things that appeal to the appetite of a healthy child. Every one was carefully looked after by the waiters and waitresses who had volunteered for the work. It was fun to watch the little eyes as they tried to take in the pretty sight of the trees and Santa Claus and still remain attentive to their food.

The whole affair was a tremendous success. There were no unhappy incidents, but great pleasure was evinced by the 500 mothers and 1,400 children who have sacrificed their husbands and fathers for the cause of the Empire, and it is the happiest of New Year's gifts that Whig wishes every one of them.

The organization for the distribution of the presents was perfect. The alphabet was divided up, and the names of those to receive presents were placed in the divisions so that there was no confusion. Each Chapter took charge of one tree. From this list, as stated above, there are omitted many names of ladies who should be mentioned. They also deserve and receive the thanks of 1,400 children and the deep appreciation of 500 mothers for their work.

#### Ladies Who Assisted.

Letters "A" and "B" tree was in charge of Annandale Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Mrs. J. B. Carruthers, Mrs. D. R. Hemming, Mrs. C. F. Constantine, Mrs. H. R. Duff, Mrs. J. Cappon, Mrs. J. M. Strange, Mrs. E. J. B. Pense, Mrs. J. Taylor, Mrs. H. Saunders, Mrs. J. Strange, Miss E. Mowat, Miss Ferguson and Miss Daly.

Letters "C," "D," "E," "F" and "G" in charge of Cataraqui Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Mrs. W. H. Macnee, Mrs. S. A. Calvert, Mrs. C. N. Perron, Mrs. H. G. Nickle, Mrs. J. L. Whitling, Mrs. N. Fraser, Mrs. W. R. P. Bridger, Mrs. H. C. Wotherspoon, Mrs. Ingpen, Mrs. R. J. Carson, Mrs. P. C. Stevenson, Mrs. P. S. Benoit, Mrs. F. Macnee, Mrs. J. N. S. Leslie, Mrs. W. Leslie, Mrs. J. L. Wood, Mrs. R. E. Kent, Mrs. T. Z. Wood, Miss Hora, Miss L. Callaghan.

Letters "H," "I," "J," "K" and "L" tree in charge of Frontenac Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Mrs. T. G. Smith, Mrs. D. G. Laidlaw, Mrs. John McKay, Mrs. W. T. Connell, Mrs. E. S. Waldron, Mrs. H. N. Robertson, Mrs. F. Mahood, Mrs. H. W. Richardson, Mrs. Elmer Davis, Mrs. F. Phillips, Mrs. P. Welch, Mrs. G. Emery, Mrs. W. Gibson, Mrs. G. Y. Chown, Mrs. A. Rogers, Mrs. R. J. Gardiner, Mrs. Arthur Ellis, Mrs. S. Roughton, Mrs. W. T. Minnes, Mrs. L. T. Best, Miss I. Kidd, Miss Minnie Crothers.

Letters "M," "N," "O," "P" and "Q" tree in charge of LaSalle Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Mrs. H. T. Coleman, Mrs. R. J. Rodgers, Mrs. S. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. E. J. Bidwell, Mrs. (Prof.) Stone, Mrs. W. E. Macpherson, Miss A. M. Gibson, Miss Frances Wilson.

Letters "R," "S," "T" tree in charge of Prince Charles Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Miss B. Smythe, Miss Gordon, Mrs. M. Pense, Miss L. Swift, Miss Tandy, Mrs. E. Cunningham and Miss Edie Richardson.

Letters "U," "V," "W" tree in charge of Victoria Chapter, I.O.D.E.—Miss H. Campbell, Miss H. McKay, Miss E. Carruthers, Miss G. Folger, Miss M. Hemming, Miss D. Folger, Miss Rogers, Miss S. Kirkpatrick, Miss G. Merrick.

## NOMINATIONS ON MONDAY

### THE CIVIC REPRESENTATIVES ARE TO BE NAMED.

And It is Expected That All Will Be Elected by Acclamation—The Places of Nomination.

The civic nominations for Mayor, aldermen, utilities commissioners and school trustees take place on Monday. The mayoralty nominations will be in the city hall from ten to eleven o'clock. It is pretty certain that Mayor Hughes will be re-elected by acclamation. The utilities commissioners will also be named at the city hall, and a contest is not anticipated.

The aldermanic and school trustee nominations will be in the wards from twelve to one o'clock and arrangements are under way to elect everybody by acclamation and save the expense of holding elections in these strenuous times. The places of nomination in the wards are: Sydenham Ward at No. 83 William street; Patrick Daley, returning officer.

Ontario Ward at City Council Chamber; Alexander Jamieson.

St. Lawrence Ward, at Stratford store, Princess street; A. E. M. Longcombe.

Cataraqui Ward, at No. 72 Queen street; W. J. Clark.

Frontenac Ward, at corner Colborne and Barrie; W. J. Driver.

Rideau Ward, at corner Brock and Division; William Neal.

Victoria Ward, at corner of Division and Union; William Perry.

Even a crook can hand out a straight tip if he wants to. No, Eva, kissing isn't always what it is cracked up to be.

## PRIMROSE BORN IN PICTON

### THE FAMOUS MINSTREL TO VISIT THERE NEXT SUMMER.

#### He Has Been in Kingston, But Has Never Visited His Native Town Since He Left It.

Calgary Herald Contribution.

"Born in Picton, Ontario, more than sixty years ago."

Probably I would never have attended Pantages Theatre that Saturday afternoon if those words in the Calgary Herald had not held me spell-bound. And these words followed: "George Primrose has danced his way into millions." I wonder how many of the elder residents of the town, if any, have any recollection of a family of that name or even that a boy was born in the town is now with his seven minstrels touring on the Pantages Circuit offering nightly a novelty which is acclaimed to be one of the best in vaudeville this season. To step behind the scenes of a theatre for the first time is an experience that is hard to describe. I am going there next summer.

So some day perhaps, a tall elderly man with thin visage and a most engaging smile will walk soberly down your streets and you will never guess what wonderful skill and amount of matter are concealed in what laurels he has won. Another thing I learned too—that he has never had a foot trouble, corn nor callous, and he attributes it to all ways wearing the one make of shoe.

Through his long life he has always managed to get the same make puzzled me, but I never spill a good statement by asking questions.

**JACK AND THE BEANSTALK.**

An Event of Very Great Interest Coming.

Kingston will have its chance to see the noted William Fox fairy spectacle, "Jack and the Beanstalk," for four matinees and four nights, beginning Monday, Dec. 31st. The noted picture, which has caused a sensation throughout the country, opens at the Grand with a Monday matinee and will continue giving two performances a day.

The elaborate production of "Jack and the Beanstalk" enlisted the services of two directors, C. M. and S. A. Franklin; of 1,300 juveniles, and of J. M. Tarver, the biggest man in the world. Tarver stands 8 ft. 6 inches tall. The two principal roles in this epic of the screen are taken by Francis Carpenter and Virginia Lee Corbin. The work is undoubtedly the most amazing display of histrionic ability the shadow stage has ever seen for players of such few years.

The film version of "Jack and the Beanstalk" cost William Fox more than \$500,000, as the photo-fantasy was made in the making in Old and New Mexico, in Hawaii, and in the greater valleys of California. A large part of the fortune spent on the subject went into the erection of the wonderful walled city and into the construction of other massive and complicated settings.

Although "Jack and the Beanstalk" has an especial interest for the younger generation, the film is not limited in its appeal. It is a production for all children between five and ninety, for it is the youngsters' comedy and the grown-ups' drama.

On the printed page, the story of "Jack and the Beanstalk" has always been counted as one of the most engrossing ever written. The fireside tale has been translated into a score of languages and has been handed down for scores of years as a priceless heritage from some anonymous story teller.

**QUEEN'S HOCKEY TEAM**

Are to Go Overseas During the Coming Year.

The New York Times says: "Practically every member of the Queen's University hockey team of Kingston, which will meet the Wanderers Hockey Club at the St. Nicholas Rink on Saturday night, will be in the medical corps of the Canadian overseas forces by spring.

J. V. Fisher, who plays point for the Decimurians, is in training for the aviation service now. He expects to leave in a few weeks for France.

The Canadian collegians will arrive in New York on Saturday morning. They will take a short work-out at the St. Nicholas Rink before the afternoon skating session begins."

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## KINGSTON EVENTS

### 25 YEARS AGO

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Abraham Shaw will probably be chairman of the Board of Education next year.

E. C. Hill and E. O. Slier tested their pneumatic bicycles on the ice in the harbor.

At the request of the Finance Department the Banks will be open for the delivery of Victory Loan Certificates, Thursday and Friday next from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. and all Saturday afternoon, Jan. 5th.

Parties wishing to take advantage of the discount and pay in full can do so.

\$50 bonds—\$59.55 and \$5 . . . \$4.55  
\$100 bonds—\$78.11 and \$10 \$89.11  
\$500 bonds—\$395.55 and \$50 . . . \$445.54  
\$1000 bonds—\$791.05 and \$100 . . . \$891.05

John Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bell, Picton, has gone to Toronto where he has accepted a position.

## CATARRH LEADS TO CONSUMPTION

Catarrh is as much a blood disease as scrofula or rheumatism. It may be relieved, but it cannot be removed by simply local treatment. It breaks down the general health, weakens the lung tissues, and leads to consumption.

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**Mayoralty Announcement**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of citizens, who have waited upon me and presented to me a numerous signed petition requesting me to offer myself for Mayor for a second term, and having had this petition reinforced by an almost unanimous request from my colleagues in the City Council, who have been associated with me during the last year, and who have asked that I stand again; I have consented to accede to their request. I do this with some reluctance as I have always felt that the honors should go around, and in addition, as my retention of the office will mean that for another year I shall be obliged, as in the past year, to sacrifice my personal and private business interests. But at a time like this, when the call of duty comes, I feel like many other citizens who have responded to that call, that if I can be of service, I should set aside my personal preferences or desires and respond whole heartedly to the call. It is in this spirit, therefore, and in no desire for mere office, that I answer the call, and offer myself again as a candidate for the mayoralty for 1918. If elected I shall "carry on" as in the past year, endeavoring always to do my duty fairly and efficiently and honestly.

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