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HE PASSED UNSCATHED INCIDENTS OF THE DAY

THROUGH TWELVE MONTHS' FIGHTING IN FRANCE.

Pte. Howard Comstock of Mallorytown Returns Home—Was at Valenciennes, Mons and Cambrai. Brockville Recorder. Among the Leeds county soldiers who have recently returned home after long service overseas is Pte. Howard Leslie Comstock, of Mallorytown, who was a member of the 156th Leeds and Grenville Battalion, was afterwards on the staff of the 5th divisional school in England and still later a fighting member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and of the 3rd Canadian Machine Gun Battalion in France and Belgium.



PTE. HOWARD L. COMSTOCK

124th Battalions in England. On the final breaking-up of the county unit, Corpl. Comstock was attached to the Fifth Canadian Divisional School in England as an instructor. In March, 1918, Pte. Comstock was transferred to France with a draft for the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, reverting to the rank of private on receipt of being attached to this celebrated battalion. After two months spent with the P.P.C.L.I. on the Avion front, a sector taken over by the Canadians during the pressure of the German drive upon the British and French forces, he was again transferred, this time to the 3rd Canadian Machine Gun Battalion, which he passed through the actions of Cambrai, Valenciennes and Mons unscathed, except for a slight gassing and concussion from shell explosions. Altogether he was twelve months in France. Pte. Comstock was stationed for a month in Mons after the signing of the armistice and remained in Brussels until the division was withdrawn from Belgium for demobilization. After five weeks at Bailleul and a few days at Havre, the battalion went to England and was for a month at Bramshott before sailing for Canada. Pte. Comstock proceeded to Toronto for dispersal and received his discharge there on March 25th. He has now returned to his farm three miles north-east of Mallorytown.

POLICE COURT BREVITIES.

Young Man 'Intoxicated' With Car Sent to Jail. Constables Mullinger and Downey placed a young man under arrest at 11:20 o'clock on Monday night, on a charge of being intoxicated. He was operating an automobile, and both he and the car were taken to police headquarters. Asked by the magistrate as to where he had secured his liquor, the accused stated that he got it at home. The magistrate was not satisfied with his story, and said: 'I will send you to jail for three months or until you disclose where you got your liquor.' The case of the barber, charged with assault, was further enlarged, as witnesses in the case had not been summoned.

HIGHER PRICE FOR COAL.

An Advance of Fifty Cents a Ton Now Imposed Locally. Coal in Kingston is now selling at \$12 a ton, an advance of fifty cents over the price which prevailed all winter. The advance has been general and is blamed by the dealers on the cost of production. All winter the price has been \$11.50, but recently the price charged by the coal companies from which the dealers buy their supply, jumped fifty-five cents a ton. This in turn was passed on and the consumer now has another half a dollar to pay out for each ton.

A Wedding Anniversary.

An enjoyable event occurred on Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gardner, 190 Division street, when they celebrated the nineteenth anniversary of their wedding. A card party was the main attraction of the evening, and twenty-five friends were present. The home was profusely decorated with roses and carnations. The bride's table was covered with a real wedding cake, and after it was cut, a number of toasts were proposed and responded to. The happy couple were the recipients of the many congratulations and gifts on their anniversary.

Takes Editorial Charge. Dr. Thomas O'Hagan, the Canadian author, has arrived in the city, and will take editorial charge of the 'Canadian Freeman' during Father Casey's sojourn in Europe.

LOCAL NOTES AND ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Happenings in the City and Vicinity—What the Merchants Offer to the Readers of the Whig. V. Swaine, piano tuner, orders at McCully's, or phone 564W. DALY'S GOOD TEA—the highest quality in Canada. For sale at MAHOOO'S DRUG STORE, Kingston. G. Y. Chow, at present resting in Atlantic City, is enjoying the invigorating sea breeze and is feeling much better in health. Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario, annual convention, Convocation Hall, Thursday. Programme in Wednesday's paper. Rev. Dr. R. J. Wilson, of Chalmers church, Ottawa, next Sunday. This is Rev. Dr. Herridge's church. Kingston's music dealers are live wires. If you doubt it, look at the attractive advertisements in the Whig's special music number today.

Now is the time to have your piano tuned. We carry two expert tuners and will assure entire satisfaction. C. W. Lindsay, Limited. At St. George's cathedral, on Monday afternoon, Rev. J. W. Jones united in marriage Miss Eliza Thompson, of Kingston, to Ross Cota, of Bedford.

This is Canada's music week, honored from coast to coast, Kingston's part in the laudable movement is reflected in the fine eight-page supplement issued by the Whig to-day. Messrs Pigott & Healy, the Hamilton contractors who have been awarded the contract for the educational block at the Royal Military College have already commenced operations at the site.

Mrs. C. Redden, 115 Lower Bagot street, received a telegram from her son, Clarence, stating that he has arrived in Halifax and expects to reach Kingston with the 2nd Battalion on Wednesday. Prevost, Brock street, has just received a case of tweed, cheviot and blue serge for his order department. His ready-made clothing and gents' furnishing department are well assorted with the latest goods. The public school board at Portsmouth held a special meeting Monday night, and decided to postpone the question of securing a new teacher until a meeting to be held on May 7th, when it is hoped all the members of the board will be present.

Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario, annual convention, Convocation Hall, Thursday. Programme in Wednesday's paper. Sterling Reid, late of the staff of the Bank of Montreal, Ontario street branch, has resigned and left for Gannanogue, where he will spend his summer among the Thousand Islands. Later he will take up studies at Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

The old Limestone City will have the privilege to-morrow to welcome home from the war a battalion of infantry and two batteries of artillery. That welcome should be one that the boys will never forget. Let us give them a reception befitting their gallantry. We will rent you a piano, and at end of six months, if you feel like purchasing instrument we will allow the six months' rental on purchase price, and arrange easy terms on balance. C. W. Lindsay, Limited.

The Whig's circulation to-day reached 12,000 copies, the increase being due to the extra distribution of the music supplement. Regular advertisers received the benefit of this augmented circulation without extra cost to them. Just another evidence of the many advantages that Kingstonians possess.

Class Bonuses to Students. An announcement was made at Queen's University on Tuesday morning that it had been decided to give bonuses to students who had lost time from their academic term by their service overseas. In arts the bonus will be one, two or three classes, depending on the length of time spent in the service and lost in university work. In science, it has been decided to add five marks on the April examinations, these marks not to count for prizes or scholarships.

WON THE CUP. The Kingston Agency Made a Splendid Record. The Kingston agency of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company is to be congratulated on winning the beautiful sterling silver loving cup now on display in Kinneer & d'Entferre's window. This cup is awarded to the agency paying for the largest percentage of the business written during the year. When it is considered the competition is open to all the agencies of the company throughout the Dominion of Canada writing over \$400,000 during the year, particular credit is due not only to Mr. Johnston, manager of the district, but also to all of agents for the excellent work done. During the year this agency made an increase over the previous year of twenty-eight per cent. in business written, sixty-three per cent. of an increase in premium income, and had 97.52 per cent. of the business written during the year paid for by Dec. 31st. Notwithstanding this excellent record, we understand that even greater things are being accomplished for 1919, as the agency has already secured as much new business for the year as it had at the end of August last year. The district office of the Kingston agency is located at 58 Brock street, where any information regarding life insurance will be cheerfully given.

Tickets for G.W.V.A. Dance. Tickets for the G.W.V.A. dance on Thursday, April 24th, are on sale at Mahood's Drug Store, and The Veteran Clothing Company, \$2.00 per couple. Members' tickets from G.W.V.A. club rooms.

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