

A FAREWELL TO GEN. WILLIAMS

Dinner Tendered By Forty Military Associates And Citizen Friends.

DEEP REGRET EXPRESSED

AT THE TRANSFER OF GEN. WILLIAMS TO TORONTO.

The Speakers Referred to the General's Sterling Qualities as a Man and as a Soldier.

At the Frontenac Club on Monday evening a long-to-be-remembered dinner was tendered to Major-General V. A. S. Williams, C.M.G. (on the eve of his departure for Toronto) by forty of his military associates and friends of Kingston.

Major-General Williams will complete his duties here on Saturday next when he will leave for Toronto, and on Monday Major-General Emsley will reach Kingston on Monday the 31st inst.

Several delightful selections were played by the band of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment, to Bandmaster W. J. Christmas and the members of which General Williams extended his congratulations upon their success which has not only endeared their work since re-organized, but also secured excellent, prepared and served under the direction of Chef Tierney.

In a very entertaining manner General Macdonell traced, from the time when they were cadets together at the R.M.C. to the morning of the 2nd of June, 1916 (when the Hun attacked the position of the 3rd Canadian Division at Sanctuary Wood). At that time he was commanding the 7th Infantry Brigade, while General Williams was in command of the 8th Brigade. And finally, their recent association in Kingston, had been a continuation of a happy friendship.

General Williams' Reply. When responding to the toast in his honor, General Williams expressed his very deep appreciation of the hosts of complimentary references to him. He stated that he was very deeply touched at the testimonies of goodwill and wishes for a continuation in the military district No. 2 of the success which has always attended his work in his chosen profession.

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General Williams referred in the highest terms to his successor, General J. H. Emsley, and asked for him the loyalty and support which had been his.

At some length the general spoke of the ex-service man, and stated that he had decided that his last duty in Kingston would be to visit the soldiers' graves at both cemeteries, and the erection of crosses and markers of which he had been instrumental in arranging for.

In addition to Major-General V. A. S. Williams, C.M.G., Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and Major Nickle the following were present:—Lieut.-Col. B. W. Brown, D.S.O., M.C., Lieut.-Col. J. B. Dunbar, Lieut.-Col. R. J. Gardner, Lieut.-Col. T. J. de M. Tascher, Lieut.-Col. G. H. Gillespie, Major G. G. Greer, M.C., Major O. Larson, Capt. C. T. Peterson, Lieut. W. G. Bailey.

C. A. P. C.—Lieut. Col. E. R. Tooley, Lieut.-Col. J. F. Faulkes, D.S.O. R.C.H.A.—Lieut.-Col. W. H. P. Elkins, D.S.O., Major H. C. Lafferty, Capt. H. M. Roberts, M.C., Capt. R. Forté. R.C.G.A.—Major R. Leach, M.C. Canadian Permanent M. G. Bde.—Lieut.-Col. E. W. Sanson, Capt. J. K. Lawson. R.M.C.—Lieut.-Col. C. F. Constantine, D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. H. J. Dawson, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. A. D. Cameron, D.S.O., M.C., Lieut.-Col. E. J. C. Schmida, M.C., Major E. de L. Greenwood, Prof. Iva Merritt, Fourth Brigade, M. G. Corps—Col. W. H. Craig. Princess of Wales' Own Regiment—Lieut.-Col. H. E. Pense, D.S.O., M. C., Major E. B. Sparks. First Canadian Field Ambulance—Major J. V. Williams, M.C. Colonel G. Hunter Ogilvie, Colonel

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY

LOCAL NOTES AND ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Visited Soldiers' Graves. Major-General Victor A. S. Williams, C.M.G., made his last official inspection as general officer commanding M. D. No. 2, on Monday when he paid a visit to the soldiers' graves at Catarqui and St. Mary's cemeteries. Gen. Williams' interest in the returned soldier and everything effecting his welfare is well known and was shown immediately upon his assuming command of the district.

The June Ball at the Royal Military College will take place on June 21st and it promises to be a fine event.

The use of fireworks on Victoria day was not extensive. At night, fire crackers and cannon crackers were heard exploding.

Miss Leslie Taylor, daughter of Principal R. B. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, Queen's University, has been engaged as violin soloist for the summer months by Chalmers church.

A meeting of the Frontenac rural deanery is being held in the city. On Tuesday morning the services commenced at St. John's church, Portsmouth, when holy communion was celebrated. Rev. J. H. Coleman, of Napanee, preached the sermon.

The Westbrooke dog case which has been brewing for some time, was finally disposed of by Justice of the Peace George Hunter, on Tuesday morning. The court found the dog was guilty, and suspended sentence.

Mrs. Orser, who was involved in the automobile accident on Sunday, at the corner of Princess street and University avenue, states that she did not see the car, although she took the precaution to look. She also says that the driver was on the wrong side of the road.

Archbishop Spragg took part in St. Peter's, Rome, on Sunday, in the beatification of Oliver Plunkett, the Irish divine, who was made first archbishop of Armagh in 1669 by Pope Clement IX., and who was executed for treason at Tyburn, July 1st, 1681. It was a brilliant ceremony.

According to the Tageblatt, the Japanese government is considering a claim submitted by Germany that the Shantung (Tsingtau-Tsinautsu) railway is private and not state property. In the latter case, the railway would become forfeited to Japan, in accordance with the same terms of the peace treaty.

Japan proposes to release all German property under her control up to the value of 10,000 yen. Property worth more will be subject to a deduction of a certain percentage to indemnify Japanese who have claims against Germany for war damages.

An inquiry into emigration possibilities from Germany to Japan shows, the Tageblatt says, that although public feeling in Japan has become generally favorable toward Germans again, the prospects are not favorable, except for engineers and practical scientists. Foreign manual laborers especially are not wanted in Japan.

NEW COMMODORE OF OSWEGO YACHT CLUB

Edward C. Schilling Succeeds James Parker, Who Declined Re-election.

At the annual meeting of the Oswego Yacht Club Edward C. Schilling, vice-commodore of the club for the last eight years, was elected to the office of commodore, succeeding James Parker, who was commodore for ten or more years. Mr. Parker was elected vice-commodore to succeed Mr. Schilling.

The other officers elected are as follows: Fleet captain, Fred Harman; motor fleet captain, Neary Schilling; measurer, Michael Cummings; feet surgeon, Dr. J. T. Dwyer; directors, James R. Botting, Donald S. Gordon and Dr. S. Slocum; secretary and treasurer, John C. Henry.

MAPLE SUGAR MAKING

Art Learned From the Indians by Early Settlers.

The making of maple sugar and syrup has become but a memory in the recollection of residents in many of the older parts of Canada where even the woodlots have given up their places to cultivated fields. The industry is still, however, an important one over large areas in Quebec, and to a less extent in Ontario and the provinces down by the sea.

Sugar making from the maple, which is confined entirely to this continent, had a very early beginning. Before the advent of the white man the Indian had learned to extract and concentrate the sap of the maple tree.

The early settlers from the Old Land learned from the Indians the method of sugar making, and indeed followed for many years their crude methods of manufacture. Even yet primitive equipment and methods are stated to be used in back sections of the country that turn out the maple crop of dark, inferior syrup and sugar.

For perhaps a century the white man followed very closely the primitive methods of the Indians, save the substitution of iron or copper kettles for vessels of clay or bark. In the early days before the timber acquired much value the axe continued to be used for tapping the trees, the sap was caught in wooden troughs and conveyed in buckets on the shoulders with a sap yoke to a central point to be boiled.

The maple products made by this crude method were strong in flavor, dark in color and variable in quality. Until about fifty years ago there was little improvement made in the methods of sugar makers, but since that time the advance has kept pace with that in other branches of agriculture until it has become a more or less highly organized commercial industry.

An early improvement was the substitution of the auger for the axe in tapping, coopered buckets took the place of the "birch bark" or hewn sap trough, while the kettle was made of iron, and iron plates, which has, in latter years, developed into the modern evaporator with corrugated bottom and separate compartments. Not alone for the conservation of the life of the tree, but to render the work easier, the wooden spout has almost disappeared in the most advanced sections, in fact the tendency now is toward the use of metal in every article of equipment with which the maple maker is concerned.

Furthermore, the increasing cost of labor is being met by the ingenious inventor, who has provided facilities for taking full advantage of the law of gravitation in handling the fluid, which in a well-equipped plant flows of its own accord from the collecting tank to the storage vat, from thence to the evaporator and, when boiled to a proper consistency, into the receiving can. Indeed, it was the people of the sugar orchard will permit of it, pipe lines are laid to conduct the sap from outlying collecting centres to the camps where evaporation takes place.

All the advance that has taken place in manipulation, sugar making has not lost its romantic side. "Sugaring off" at the sugar camps in the woods is still looked forward to by young and old, who regard the event as a social feature affording rare enjoyment. The tramp to the woods on a spring day, the aroma of the escaping steam, the paring of a wooden paddle by the settler and to awaken the sap, the hot syrup just on the verge of solidifying into sugar, or the tasting of the "wax" that has been allowed to harden on the clean snow, all serve to inspire the reminiscent storyteller and to awaken the amorous instincts of the budding youths. Such was the sugaring off of decades ago, and such it is to-day, where sugar orchards are operated for from two to four weeks in the spring in certain sections of the year.—J. B. Spencer in Canadian Forestry Journal.

Tribute to Our Fliers. "Out of a population of eight millions no less than 11,000, or one in 800 of the population, took part in Britain's great war in the air. In Canada the people have played a very large part in obtaining supremacy for the Empire. No country of its population provided so many pilots."

This tribute to the remarkable record in aviation that Canada achieved during the war was made by Mr. Frederick Handley Page, inventor of the celebrated Handley Page bombing machine, during an address to the Canadian Club in Toronto. Mr. Handley Page foresees great possibilities for commercial aviation in Canada, owing to the large number of trained pilots available and through the possession of the natural resources essential to airplane manufacture. He stated that commercial aviation in England had been accepted as practical and highly satisfactory, pointing out that not a single accident had occurred in 83,000 hours of aerial travel, during which 4,200 passengers and 48,000 pounds of freight had been carried.

The Roman signal for battle was the unfurling of a red flag. The white flag is a token of peace in every part of the world.

Mrs. Frances Daroe, widow of the late Benjamin Daroe, died at her home, Zion's Hill, Saturday. She was born in Whitby and was a resident of Thurlow township for fifty-four years.

Ellis Moran, beloved wife of Ernest Courvoisier, passed away at her home in Stoco, on May 14th, after a brief illness. The deceased was only thirty-five years of age.

OBITUARY

The Late Miss Wiltshire.

Miss Victoria Elizabeth Wiltshire passed away at her residence, 151 Colborne street, on Monday night after an illness extending over three months. The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wiltshire, and for the past sixteen years was an assistant in the office of the registrar at Queen's University. Miss Wiltshire was a member of St. Luke's Anglican church, and president of the St. Agnes' Guild. She took an active part in church work, and her loss is deeply deplored by a wide circle of friends, to whom she was attached through her pleasing personality. Besides her parents, she is survived by four sisters, Mrs. S. A. Soanes, of Grand View, Wash.; Mrs. J. A. Kimble, Monroe, Wash.; Mrs. James Howie; and Miss Beatrice, of Kingston; and two brothers, Percy, of Warren, Kansas, and Eric, at home.

VERONA DEFEATS SYDENHAM.

In the First of the Inter-County Baseball Games.

A Verona correspondent writes that in the opening game of the Inter-County Baseball League there, Verona won by 3 to 2. Sydenham failed to hit Williams when hits meant runs, while the home team bunched their hits. Both pitchers pitched winning ball, but Koen received poor support, and was continually called upon to pitch himself out of bad holes.

In the eighth, Sydenham tied the score, but in the same innings Verona chalked the game up. Vanderwater hit to centre field. K. Trousdale advanced him to third on his second double of the game. Curran brought in the winning run on his single to centre field, which for the second time no one got. Davy and W. Craig ended the inning by striking out. Sydenham went out one, two, three in the ninth, and the game was over.

On May 23rd, Sydenham takes on the highly touted Yarker team, and is determined to start climbing to the top of the league.

The teams: Sydenham—Koon, p.; Harper, 2b.; R. Lee, 1b.; Stevenson, c.; A. Lee, c.f., s.s.; Blakeslee, 3b.; Roche, s.a. c.f.; Goslin, i.f., c.f.; Woodruff, i.f.; Young, r.f.

Verona—Williams, p.; E. Trousdale, s.s.; R. Craig, i.f.; Burnett, 2b.; Vanderwater, r.f.; K. Trousdale, c.f.; Curran, 3b.; Davy, c.; W. Craig, 1b.

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Presentation to Miss N. Telgmann. At the final rehearsal of the Kingston Symphony Orchestra in St. Andrew's hall on Monday evening, Miss Norma Telgmann, who has been playing first violin, and who has become endeared to all of the members, was presented with an address and a silver tea service upon her approaching marriage. The address, which expressed the high regard in which she was held by all, was read by J. W. Fraser.

The death occurred Friday night of Mrs. Matilda Fox, widow of the late Dorland Fox, Sophiasburg. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Rednersville, after an illness of about five years. The deceased was born in Picton in 1833. The militia department has issued a statement emphasizing the reasons why it would be practically impossible to exhume the bodies of Canadian soldiers buried in France in order that they might be brought to Canada for burial. Although walls have been drilled for oil in 33 states only sixteen states can be regarded as oil producers.

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