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HELP FOR HALIFAX

In response to the appeal for nurses and doctors made by the A. D. M. S., through Lt. Col. Jenkins, eight nurses and four doctors offered their services. A later message received during the early hours of yesterday stated that details of doctors were not necessary at present but might be required later. The following nurses left yesterday morning by the S. S. Aranmore: Miss Minchin, P. E. I., Hospital. Miss Beers, Fitzroy St. Miss Grimes, Southport. Miss Riggs, Charlottetown. Miss Rodd, Bayfield St. Misses McQuaid, Summerside. Misses Harker. Misses McCordie. The doctors who volunteered were Dr. J. P. McNeill, and Dr. Sinclair of Summerside, Dr. Dewar of Charlottetown and Dr. S. R. Jenkins. On receipt of the later message referred to above Dr. McNeill and Sinclair who had come to Charlottetown, en route for Halifax, returned to Summerside during the day.

RACING RULES CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR RAILBIRDS

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 12.—Although the National Trotting Association and the American Trotting Associations adopted the same rules of harness racing last winter there is more than a possibility that they may not be interpreted the same way by both organizations when the turf courts hold their semi-annual sessions next month in New York and Chicago.

The rule concerning which official opinions differ is the one which says that "after the fifth heat only heat winners shall start, unless two horses have each won two heats; in that event they shall only start in the sixth heat." The new rule made trouble all through the season on the trotting tracks and was interpreted in different ways by different judges from the beginning to the end of the campaign.

In the 220 race at Hillgrove, R. I., on June 27, for example, Robby

C., won the first and fourth heats and Capt. Velo the second and third heats. When it came to the fifth round Benzol outrotted them both and looked like the ultimate winner of the race if it went to a finish, but at this juncture the judges ruled him out, while the horse he had beaten fought out the sixth heat alone in time more than three seconds slower than his own.

In the 215 race at Warren, Ohio, the next day, a ruling directly contrary to the one at Hillgrove was made by the judges. Todd Temple won the first two heats, Ormonde Rose the third heat and Colonel Rix the fourth and fifth heats. Apparently ignoring the plain language of the new rule, the Ohio judges permitted all three horses to start in the sixth heat.

The most important ruling of the season was made in the annual races for the Transylvania purse, \$5,000 at the meeting of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, in Lexington, a month ago. Ross B. won the first heat, Early Dreams the second, Royal Mac the third heat and Ima Jay the fourth and fifth heats. All four heat winners were permitted to start in the fifth heat, as the situation provided for in the new rule had not yet arisen where two horses had two heats apiece to their credit. But the judges deemed it to have arisen after Royal

Max won the next heat, and they promptly ruled out both Early Dreams and Ross B., leaving only the two horses having two heats apiece to their credit to start in the seventh round.

Now comes W. H. Gocher, secretary of the National Trotting Association, and says in a letter to the American Sportsman that the judges were wrong in their ruling at Lexington. He maintains that the rule makers meant to limit the application of their fathomless philosophy to six heats alone, and that all four of the heat winners in the Transylvania should have been permitted to fight it out to a finish because two horses had not won two heats apiece until after the sixth heat had been trotted. E. J. Curtin and W. H. Smilinger, who represented the American Trotting Association, in making the rule in question last winter, confirm Mr. Gocher's assertion that the intentions of the turf solons was stated by him.

SOCKS APPRECIATED.

Miss Mamie Connick, Spring Valley, has received the following letter from Flanders:—

Flanders, Nov. 10, 1917.

To Miss Connick,— Dear Friend:— Just a line to let you know I received your note and also the socks which were well appreciated and they fit like a kid glove. Well you want to know what part of the Globe I am from. Well my home is in Montreal, but I have been with the Battery now for fifteen months and as most of the boys are from the Island, I am beginning to feel like an Islander myself, and I hope my good luck will stay with me. I may go back to P. E. I., with the Battery as I have heard quite a lot about the Island and I would like to have a look around. Well Marion I am glad to hear that you are well and enjoying good health as it leaves me at present. The weather out here is rather cold, wet and very muddy, but we are so used to it now that it don't seem to trouble the boys at all. It often reminds me of when I was a youngster when we would sit around and make mud pies.

My address is Gunner Geo. Hargrave, 91760, 2nd Canadian Siege Battery, France, only we could sit in peace in those days, but now a coal box is liable to drop on you and the pies are spoiled. Well I guess I have told you all for now.

Wishing you the best of luck and success.

From yours truly,

GEORGE.

(Pioneer please copy.)

GOOD KING WENCESLAS

A Christmas Carol of Long Ago

Good King Wenceslas looked out On the feast of Stephen, And the snow lay round about, Deep and crisp and even.

Brightly shone the moon that night, Though the frost was cruel; When a poor man came in sight Gath'ring winter fuel.

First Singer: 'Hither, page, come stand by me, If thou know'st it, telling, Under peasant, who is he! Where and what his dwelling

Second Singer: 'Sire, he lives a good league hence, Down beneath the mountain, Close against the forest fence By St. Agnes' fountain.'

First Singer: 'Bring me flesh and bring me wine, Bring me pine logs hither; Thou and I we'll see him dine When we bear them thither.'

Second Singer: 'Sire, the night is darker now, And the storm grows wilder, Falls my heart, I know not how I can go on longer.'

First Singer: 'Mark my steps, be brave, my page; Thread thou in them boldly; Then thou'lt find the winter's rage Freeze thy blood less coldly.'

Page and monarch on they went, On they went together, Through the rude win's wild lament, Through the bitter weather.

In his master's steps he trod, Where the snow lay drifted; That was in the very sod Which his foot had printed.

Therefore, Christian men, be sure, Wealth or rank possessing, Ye who now do bless the poor Shall yourselves find blessing.

BATTLEFIELD RELICS

In a quaint old place a little distance behind the battle line of our armies in France are housed many interesting souvenirs of the great war, curious relics from world-famous battle fields and illustrations of phases of daily life in the trenches.

Here one may see the carved oak table from Arras used by Sir Douglas Haig at his headquarters throughout the battle of the Somme. There are other memorials of Sir Douglas Haig: There is the First Corps Headquarters flag, which he carried in the Mons retreat, and his first flag as Commander of the First Army.

There is a British red cross from Verdun, the gift of the commandant of the citadel, which was suspended in that fortress during the German attack last year, and the Union Jack which the Warwick's brought into Peronne and placed in the Grand Place together with their crest and motto painted on a wooden panel.

There are several other flags of great interest—of which one may not forget to mention the first Tank's flag, the first Portuguese flag in the trenches, and the first American flag to fly in France on the Hotel de Ville, Paris, after the declaration of war by the President.

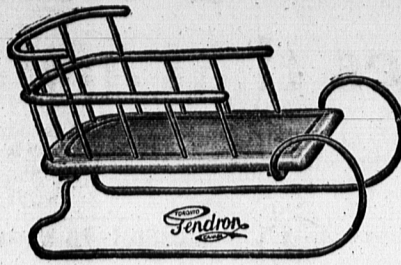
In the matter of flags, however, pride of place must be given to the great Union Jack unfurled in the early days of August, 1914, from the Hotel de Ville, Boulogne, to greet our arriving troops, the first of our national banners to be officially flown in France.

Boche material is in profusion—shells of every calibre, shell-cases and basket carriers, flamethrowers, bombs, axes, knives, pocket wire-cutters and a unique collection of trench clubs including one with a flexible handle and a heavy steel head, positively devilish in its ingenuity. There is also to be seen a series of gas alarm songs of different patterns, and a Ger-

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The goods are in excellent condition and are not mused or soiled in the slightest degree.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday Afternoons and Evenings From 3 p. m. Until 9 p. m.

These goods will be offered for sale by the old and genial friend of our childhood days

SANTA CLAUS!

Who will be in attendance and who will have entire charge of the sale of these goods.

The goods on sale will include drawn work and embroidered linens such as centre pieces, tray cloths, doileys, shams, runners, handkerchief cases, and handkerchiefs of every description.

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As there will be but one article of a kind on sale, we advise an early call. Santa Claus will be ready at 3 p.m., Thursday afternoon. Meet him face to face!

10 p.c. of Sales Made by Santa Claus Will be Donated to the Halifax Disaster Fund

TEN PER CENT. off all sales made by Santa Claus will be handed to the Treasurer of the fund in aid of the sufferers by the great Halifax disaster. The More You Buy, the More You Help! Come Early!

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man field telephone with a history, nothing through having been model. Scattered through this museum are ed and colored by a colonel who is at life-size mannequins in enemy rail- as a Royal Academician. One Boche ment, whose facial lineaments lose affords a striking representation of a ders he carries a crossbow, which dis- vice at Neuve-Chapelle.

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