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ALLEGED RECRUITING IN UNITED STATES FOR ALLIED ARMIES

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—It is alleged that recruiting in Chicago for the British army has called forth today an order for investigation by the Department of Justice. Hinton G. Clabugh, Division Superintendent of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department issued the order after circulars descriptive of enlistment offers had been shown him.

was said to bear United States and British flags and a representation of Uncle Sam and John Bull with hands clasped. The circulars were said to have contained reference to a number of Canadians who fought in the American Civil War and to have detailed information of a new battalion for service overseas to be known as the 97th of Canada, and to be composed solely of men born in the United States.

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GREETING

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CHILDRENS TREAT.—St. Peter's School Christmas Treat will take place on Monday Jan. 3 at 4.30 p. m.

LIST TO COME.—Owing to the Christmas and New Year's rush list No. 3 of the socks kindly donated in answer Col. Ing's appeal, which is being promptly responded to will not be published until next week.

NAME CHANGED.—The Prince Edward Island Siege Battery now at Roffcamp, Sussex, England, has had its name changed. It is no longer No. 2 Siege Battery but is called the 98th Canadian Siege Battery.

FUNERAL TODAY.—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Stewart, will take place this, Saturday afternoon, from her late residence, Chestnut Street, at 2.30 to St. Dunstan's Cathedral, thence to R. C. Cemetery.

SOCKS RECEIVED.—The Rustico branch of the Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks two pair socks from Mrs. Richard Stead, Wheatley River. Per Mrs. Albert Gallant, Treasurer.

CHERRY VALLEY SERVICE.—There will be an intercessory service in Christ Church, Cherry Valley next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. The Archbishop of Nova Scotia has authorized a service of intercession on behalf of the war throughout the diocese. Rev. D. J. Macdonald will officiate.

VALUABLE HORSE SOLD.—Mr. W. A. Weeks has purchased from Mr. W. S. Newsom his handsome carriage gelding. This horse for appearance, quality and good manners cannot be excelled in the lower provinces. Mr. Weeks is to be congratulated on securing such a noble animal.

AT ST. JAMES CHURCH.—Special music will be given by the choir and soloists of St. James Church at both morning and evening services tomorrow. An exceptionally beautiful Anthem by Barnby, "Like Silver Lamps," will be produced at the evening service.

RECRUITING.—The recruiting meeting which was held in Mt. Stewart on Monday evening was not as it is already known, without its consequences. Four sturdy young men in the persons of Messrs Arthur Conn, Lorne Jay, and R. Macklin, Mt. Stewart, and W. Jay, Peakes, having put down their names as being willing to go and do their part. All honor to the brave lads who have so nobly responded to the call and are ready to fight and if needs be die in defence of their country's rights.—S.

SCOTCHFORT AND THEREABOUTS.—Miss Mary Fisher who is attending P. W. C. is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Scotchfort. Messrs Edd, McQuaid and H. Hughes of Charlottetown, spent the week end visiting in Scotchfort returned to the city Monday. Miss Eva McKenna, Charlottetown, who spent the past week in Scotchfort returned home Wednesday. Miss Adeline Peters, Rollo Bay, is spending a few days visiting friends in Scotchfort. Miss Annie E. McKenna, Principal of Knutsford School is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Scotchfort. Mr. John F. McBride arrived on the Island from New Glasgow on a weeks visit to his home in Scotchfort.—S.

A visit to our store will convince you that we have a fine display of Christmas goods. These include Smokers Supplies, Chocolates, Perfumes, Ebony and Ivory Toilet Sets, Thermos Goods, Walking Sticks, Safety Razors, etc. E. A. Foster, Central Drug Store.

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RE-OPENING OF THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC.—The School of Music, which has been closed since the resignation of Prof. Thompson, will re-open January 4th. The Trustees have secured the services of Prof. H. Standley. In addition to organ and piano Prof. Standley will teach singing and voice production. Prof. Hinton studied singing and voice production under Sir Charles Santley, of London, England, being taught Nava's Italian method. His teacher in piano, organ and theory was Dr. Sinclair of Hereford Cathedral.

Nineteen-Fifteen Nineteen-Sixteen

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SCHOOL CLOSING.—The semi-annual examination of Pleasant Grove school was held on Dec. 23rd. In the presence of a considerable number of pre-graduate parents and the pupils were examined by their teacher, Miss Clarkin and showed by their answers and deportment the creditable results of careful teaching. At the close of the examination a short program was rendered by the pupils. Previous to the departure of the pupils and parents, Miss Lillian Hardy stepped forward and on behalf of the pupils presented the teacher with a beautiful handbag and the good wishes of the whole school. The teacher, though taken by surprise, made a fitting reply. She then treated the pupils with candy. After expressing themselves as very well pleased with the program of the pupils the parents departed wishing the teacher a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

ISLANDER WOUNDED.—Word was received yesterday by Mrs. Emma McPhee of Heatherdale that her son Murray Neil, was wounded on the 27th inst. No particulars have been received. Private McPhee was with the Canadian Engineers and has been at the front about seven months.

FREELAND.—The semi-annual examination of Freeland School was held on the afternoon of Monday, Dec. 20th. The examination was conducted by the teacher, assisted by Misses Phillips, Gavin, Sherry and Kilbride. The prompt and correct answers of the pupils evinced the great progress which they have been taught. A program consisting of choruses, dialogues and recitations was well rendered by the pupils between the classes. The examination was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

DOING GOOD WORK.—The ladies of Dunstaffnage have started a branch of the Red Cross with Mrs. J. D. Hume, President; Mrs. S. E. Stewart, Vice President and Sec. Miss Annie Smith. The Charlottetown Ladies Society have already received quite a donation of well made goods in the line of shirts, pyjamas suits, pillows etc. These goods have been examined and are not found waiting in any particular by the Ladies of the Charlottetown Branch.

NEW ORGANIST ARRIVES.—Prof. H. S. Hinton, Mrs. Hinton and baby daughter have arrived in the city from Moncton, to take up their residence here. Prof. Hinton has been engaged as organist of the First Wesleyan Church, succeeding Prof. Thompson, who has gone overseas with the Second Siege Battery. Prof. Hinton is a native of England and is a graduate in music of Hereford Cathedral, where he studied under Dr. Sinclair, taking post-graduate work with Sir Charles Santley in Nava's Italian method. He has been in Canada for four years and was organist in the Central Methodist Church, Moncton, for over three and a half years, and for six months in the Brunswick street Methodist Church, Halifax.

CRAPAUD HIGH SCHOOL.—The following is the honour roll of Crapaud High School for the month of December. Appended is a list of the pupils who made perfect attendance during the month. Principals: 1. Marion Nicholson; 2. Zilpha McQuarrie and Henrietta Lowther (equal); 3. Boyd Newsom, Grade VII.—1, Hollis Boulter; 2. Jean McKinnon; 3. Arthur Simmonds, Grade VI.—1, Evelyn Windsor; 2. Lillian McLean; 3. Vincent Woylch; 4. George Parker; 5. E. B. Waddell; 2. Ernest D'Athe; 3. Alton Boulter, Assistant's Department: Grade IV.—1, Annie Gill; 2. Kenneth Newsom; 3. Amy Sherren, Grade III.—1, Jack Boyver; 2. Lionel Burgess; 3. Mary Newsom, Grade II.—1, Beatrice Cobb; 2. George Parker; 3. E. B. Waddell; 4. Ernest D'Athe; 5. Carl Newsom, Jean McKinnon, Annie Gill, Mary Newsom, Lionel Burgess, Stanley Burgess, Ruby D'Athe, Beatrice Cobb, George Parker, Marjorie Leard, Kenneth Best, Lolita McVittie, C. B. Jelly, Principal Lizzie McKinnon, assistant.—V.

SCHOOL CLOSING.—The semi-annual examination was held in Mermaid School on Thursday, December 23rd, at which a goodly number of ratenayers were present. The school was very appropriately decorated for the occasion. The pupils were thoroughly examined by the teacher, Miss Ethel McKay, assisted by Miss Minnie McKay, of Springvale School. The pupils acquitted themselves excellently and are certainly a credit to Miss McKay. The trustees complimented Miss McKay on her work and the good progress made in the school during the short while she has been there. Mermaid School district was very fortunate in securing the services of such a painstaking and efficient teacher as Miss McKay. On the same evening a concert was given by the pupils of the district in connection and with it was a Christmas tree loaded with presents for teacher and pupils. The school was crowded to its utmost capacity. Mr. Walter Muir, trustee, presided as Chairman, and in a few complimentary remarks, called the meeting to order. A splendid programme of recitations, dialogues and gramophone selections was carried out by the pupils and also a solo by the teacher. The pupils and especially the little ones did exceptionally well and Miss McKay deserves the greatest praise for her thorough training of the different performers on the evening's program.

Santa Claus then appeared on the scene and distributed the presents from the tree to each pupil and individual presents from the pupils to their teacher. Mr. James McLeod was called on and gave a few complimentary remarks and also Mr. Percy Mutch, of Mt. Herbert, and Mr. Albert Robinson, of Glenfinnan. The meeting then closed with the singing of God Save the King. (Patriot please copy.)

BELGIUM LIKE A PARALYZED MAN.
Her Commercial and Industrial Life is Entirely Removed by Her Spirit Remains.

"Great as were the losses from burning and pillage," says Ernest P. Bicknell, director of the Rockefeller Foundation Belgian Relief Work, "the chief losses in Belgium are the result of the almost complete industrial and commercial paralysis which has followed by the conquerors, and the levy of tribute thereafter exacted. Belgium normally is not agriculturally self-supporting. She is one of the richest countries, per capita, in the world, but her wealth lies in her manufacturers, her mines and her commerce. Only 25 per cent of the people are classed as agricultural and she produces less than half the cereals which she consumes."

Mr. Bicknell describes the details of the inroads into and the final destruction of the commercial activities of the country and says: "The condition is somewhat analogous to that of a vigorous man, struck down by paralysis and although in full possession of all his faculties, unable to move hand or foot."

This paralysis mentioned by Mr. Bicknell is what is responsible for the dire straits of the Belgian people today. The removal of all means of livelihood has reduced the aged men, women and helpless tots to utter starvation—facing a merciless winter and a more merciless conqueror. Nearly a million Belgians fled from the country early in the war but those who were left behind are not even permitted to leave their own villages, so close a check is kept on their movements by the German soldiers.

Germany has attempted to revive some of the industries and encourage the Belgians to operate them, but the Belgians have refused in spite of the fact that it would relieve them of the pangs of hunger. They have refused to work for the benefit of their enemies and the enemies of their allies even to put bread into the mouth of their starving babes.

A sacrifice of this kind cannot be fully appreciated by those who have not known privation and hunger. A sacrifice of this kind is deserving of more than words of commendation and praise. It deserves concrete recognition in the form of the wheat that the Belgians need and must have at once to keep them from perishing. The Belgian Relief Fund is established to provide these starving Belgians with the food they might get by sacrificing their honor. The Belgian Relief Committee is sending wheat to the Belgians, the wheat of Canadians, as a reward for the bravery of the lit-

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NEW YEAR'S HYMN

The years go on! Once more of our endeavor
We bring the record of the days gone by
Where we have tried in humbleness to serve Thee
And help Thy children, be they far or nigh.

The years go on! Lord of our lives, swift passing,
Thou knowest our deeds, our failures, our success;
Enfold us in Thy love, that passeth knowledge,
Direct our doings with Thy graciousness.

The years go on! But when shall come the ending,
When earthly thoughts and labors all are past,
Within the radiance of the Holy City Grant us to gather 'round Thy throne at last.

—Anna R. Moffatt.

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SOLDIERS PAY AND ALLOWANCES, CONDITIONS OF ENLISTMENT PROVISION FOR WIVES, MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

Canada is determined that her sons shall be as well paid and their families as well cared for, as a grateful and wealthy country can afford. The scale of pay for Overseas Service, the allowances from the Patriotic Fund, and the Pensions, are on a more liberal basis than those of any other country engaged in the war.

SCALE OF PAY

RANK	Field	Separation
	Pay Allowance	Allowance
	per day	per month
Sergeants.....	\$1.35	\$0.15
Corporals.....	1.10	.10
Privates, Buglers, Drummers etc.....	1.00	.10

The men are, of course, fed and clothed by the Government. The Separation Allowance is the sum paid by the Government to the wife of each enlisted man, or to the widowed mother if the son is unmarried and is her sole support. This is in addition to part of his pay which is reserved for her.

One-half of a soldier's pay is withheld by the Government and paid to his dependents. This ensures that at least \$35.00 per month is paid by the Government to the wife of each soldier.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND

The Patriotic Fund has been created to assist those dependents of a soldier who need more help than the Government gives. From this Fund the following sums are paid if the need exists:—

Wives.....	From \$5.00 to \$10.00 per month
Children of widowers.....	
Mothers of unmarried men.....	
Children of married men according to age and number in family.....	\$1.50 to \$6.00 each per month

Ladies representing the Patriotic Fund pay regular visits to families of men on Overseas Service, and give friendly advice and practical help in case of need. Many employers have pledged themselves to give preference to returned soldiers when engaging men.

PENSIONS

The Canadian scale of pensions range for private soldier, from \$75.00 per year for certain minor injuries to \$264.00 for total disability. In case of death \$22.00 a month is paid to the widow, and \$5.00 a month for each child. A widowed mother whose son was her whole support receives \$22.00 a month.

CONDITIONS OF ENLISTMENT

Age—18 to 45 years. Height—5 feet 2 inches minimum

HOW TO ENLIST

Apply to CAPTAIN CAMPBELL or to any recruiting officer MAJOR LEIGH, CAPTAIN COOK, LIEUTENANT MOORE or write for information to
Provincial Patriotic Society, Charlottetown
T. EDGAR McNUTT, Hon. Secretary