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THE NEW BRUNSWICK KILTIE REGIMENT

Battalion Orders Issued on May 25th, 1916

By Lieut. Col. P. A. Guthrie, O. C.

Outline of Plans for Recruiting,
 Organizing and Training Unit
 —Funds for Kilts.

Battalion orders by Lieutenant-Colonel Percy A. Guthrie, officer commanding 230th overseas battalion (the New Brunswick Kilties—Sir Sam's Own) C. E. F., issued this 25th day of May, A. D., 1916, at Fredericton, New Brunswick.

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Authorization.—Lieutenant-Colonel Percy A. Guthrie, having been by H. Q. 503 6-2;—M. D. 6-133 43-1;—N. B. 315-1, (under date May 13th, 1916,) authorized to raise in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, an Infantry Unit for Overseas Service in the European War, (in which the British Empire engaged on August 4th, 1914,)—and this date being the anniversary of the day, a year ago, when he was wounded at Festubert, France, while Officer Commanding the 10th Canadians (White Gorkhas)—now proceeds to publish his first Battalion orders, giving an outline of plans and schemes for the proper recruiting, organizing, equipping and training of said unit, as quoted below:—

"Ideas in connection with the formation of the 236th Overseas Battalion [The New Brunswick Kilties—Sir Sam's Own] C. E. F.:—

1. MEMBERSHIP.—The Battalion is to be recruited out of the blood of Scotland in New Brunswick.
2. HEADQUARTERS.—The Headquarters of the Battalion and its point of Assembly will be "The Old Government House," Fredericton, N. B.
3. NAME.—The official name of the Battalion will be "236th Overseas Battalion, (The New Brunswick Kilties—Sir Sam's Own), C. E. F."
4. HONORARY COLONELS.—Colonel Sir Max Aitken, K. C. B., M. P., (England) to be Colonel Honorary.
- Colonel Hugh H. McLean, K. C., M. P., (Canada), G. O. C. New Brunswick Command, to be Honorary Colonel.
5. PATRONS.—Honourable and Mrs. J. Douglas Hazen (Hon. J. D. Hazen, K. C., L. L. D., M. P., Minister of Marine and Fisheries—Canada), who are to present the colors to the Battalion, previous to its departure for the Front.
6. OFFICER COMMANDING.—To be commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Percy A. Guthrie, M. L. A., [New Brunswick, Canada], late O. C. 10th Canadians—[White Gorkhas]—First Canadian Division, France.
7. OFFICERS.—All combatant officers to be chosen from among the Can-

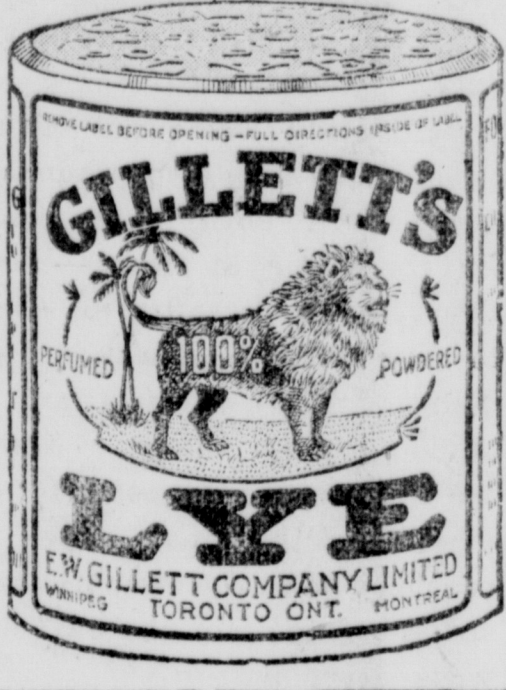
adian officers, non-commissioned officers and men, who have seen service at the front.

8. UNIFORM.—The Battalion to wear kilts, with tam o'shanter with black raven's wing feather—feather worn by men having seen service in war to be tipped in red, representing the blood of the King's enemies. One feather will be worn by N. C. O.'s and men; two by Lieutenants; three by Captains; four by Majors, and five by Lieut. Colonel. The feathers will be ranged in size, each smaller than the other where more than one.

9. TARTAN.—The tartan to be worn shall be that of Clan MacLean—being the fighting MacLeans of Scotland.

10. BADGE.—The badge shall be similar to the badge of the Fredericton Society of St. Andrew and will consist of an oval scroll of entwined thistles and maple leaves, encircling Saint Andrew bearing up the cross of Scotland, around which shall be written "Nemo me impune lacessit." Across the bottom of the badge, in honor of the 71st York Regiment, of which the Commanding Officer is a member, will appear the motto of that Battalion—"Semp. Paratus." Inside the scroll also will be written the Battalion name and across the face of badge will appear the figures 236. The above badge shall be used for cap plaidie and sporran. A maple leaf with 236 across stem will be used as collar badge, the word "Canada" for shoulder badge.

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11. WATCHWORD.—(To be adopted).

12. PIPERS.—There shall be 100 Pipers and no other music will be tolerated in the Battalion.

13. MASCOTS.—The mascots will be a Highland Scotch ram, and a Scotch collie shepherd dog, both of which are to be imported from Scotland.

14. NEWSPAPER.—A daily journal will be kept recording the doings of the Battalion and the members thereof, and this with Battalion orders and all other orders in connection with Battalion, all lectures on military subjects, as well as Battalion news items, will form the basis of a weekly publication to be known as "The Breath of the Heather", which will be supplied each week to each member of the Battalion.

15. PHOTOGRAPHY.—Upon enlistment, and being supplied with uniform, a photograph will be taken by a Battalion photographer of each member. There will be a Battalion Photograph Album kept, so that in case of casualty at the front the member can be traced. Pictures will be taken of the Battalion during its formation, while at its work, and while at the front, and these will also form part of the Album. This album may afterwards be lithographed in order that copies might be supplied to each man as a souvenir. On the bottom of each man's photograph shall be kept a record of his military history, (promotions, etc.)

16. TERRITORY.—It is proposed to have the Province divided up into districts and have the Companies recruited from their own districts.

No. 1. Company will comprise the Counties of York, Sunbury, Queens and Charlotte, and in the above order a platoon will be allotted to each County and recruited within that County as Platoons Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively.

No. 2. Company will comprise Carleton, Victoria, Madawaska and Restigouche, as above, with Platoons Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 respectively.

No. 3. Company will comprise Gloucester, Northumberland, Kent and Westmorland, with Platoons Nos. 9, 10, 11 and 12 respectively.

No. 4. Company will comprise Albert, Kings, St. John County and St. John City, with Platoons Nos. 13, 14, 15 and 16 respectively.

An Officer for each platoon will be chosen from among the officers, N. C. O.'s and men, who have seen service at the front, and who claims as his birth place or place of residence the county in question.

17. FUNDS.—(For Pipes). The necessary funds for pipes it is hoped may be raised, through the assistance of the several Scottish societies in New Brunswick. Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, of St. John and St. Andrews, has undertaken this work, and as she is a direct descendant of Cluny MacPherson, the pipes will be known as the "MacPherson Pipes."

18. FUNDS.—(For Kilts). As all Kilted Battalions in Canada must be supplied with kilts "without expense to the public," and as it is estimated that a complete outfit per man would cost about Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), it is realized that a large Battalion Fund will be necessary for this purpose. It is proposed to raise this fund in the following manner:—

There are many men of opulence and of fair means in New Brunswick and other parts of Canada, who not being able, for age, health or business reasons to go to the front themselves, would like to be represented in the fighting line. Each such man may supply an outfit, or more than one. The soldier so outfitted will have placed after his name on the nominal roll of the Battalion [in brackets], the name of the contributor, and shall be required to correspond regularly with such contributor, and the soldier's picture will be sent to him. The man in Canada and his family can supply the man at the front with the necessities and generally provide for his comfort. When such man becomes a casualty, another will be put in his place, so that until the end of the war, the man in Canada shall have a living, fighting representative in the battle line in Europe.

19. RECRUITING.—(It is proposed that a day be set to begin recruiting throughout the Province (in the meantime the staff, the Officers and the pipers of the Battalion shall have been assembled).—such date to be fixed after units now being raised are completed. Five meetings will be held in the five largest centres of population.

On the top of the five highest summits in New Brunswick will be built trestles on the top of which will be piled bundles of fagots saturated with oil. At eight o'clock on the day set these will be ignited, and in the meeting where the people are assembled there will appear, clothed in MacLean Tartan, a Scotch lassie, who will recite,—"Light, light the fire on Craig gowan Height." Immediately upon the close of the recitation there will come to the ears of the listeners the music of the bagpipes from a section of the band assembled near the building. At the same time there will start from different points in the province, so as to make a complete tour of the territory, men on motor cycles, bearing a flaming torch.

The above idea is to carry out the method of notifying the clans of Scotland, in the years ago, that their country was in danger.

20. TRAINING & SHAM BATTLE.—The Battalion shall be trained in the art of war and each man will be taught all the modern scientific methods of the present age, that may be employed in battle, with a view to having individual and collectively a thoroughly proficient unit.

At the completion of the training period, it is proposed to stage a modern battle scene in such a locality as will allow Canadian Citizens an opportunity of witnessing real war as it is on the different fronts.

A large field will be secured, (overlooked by a hillside where the citizens

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The following Oddfellows and Rebekahs of Woodstock will be in attendance at the Grand Lodge Grand Encampment and Rebekah Assembly, Fredericton, Aug. 8th, 1916:—

W. B. Belyea, Grand Master, and Mrs. Belyea.
 T. W. Baker and Mrs. Baker, President of the Rebekah Assembly.
 H. D. Stevens, Grand Representative and Mrs. Stevens.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Fields.
 " " J. A. Hayden.
 " " J. W. Ellsworth.
 " " Alex. S. Benn.
 " " J. M. Prichard.

Chas. Comben
 John Atherton
 Harry T. Stevens
 Leslie Watters
 Wm. Montgomery
 Richard Allingham
 Frank Hillman
 L. W. Fisher
 Herb. Flewelling
 Mrs. I. Churchill
 " " Harry Briggs
 " " H. V. Dalhousie
 Miss Hillman

Matriculation Exams.

The Board of Examiners for the University matriculation and High School leaving examinations for 1916, have completed their work.

There were 160 candidates who wrote the Matriculation examinations, of whom 7 wrote the subjects for engineering only.

Twenty-seven candidates wrote the High School Leaving examinations.

Of the Arts Matriculation candidates 19 passed in the first, 77 in the second, 23 in the third, and 26 in the third division conditionally, while 3 failed.

Of the 27 candidates taking the leaving examinations, 1 passed in the first, 17 in the second, 3 in the third and 6 in the third division conditionally.

In the first division (19 pupils) Mary Margaret Chaisson, St. Vincent's High School, St. John, led the province. Hubert F. Seely, Woodstock, was 12th, and Leonard G. Slipp, Woodstock, was 16th. In the second division, Susie A. Sharp, of Woodstock, was 35th.

Cheap Rates to St. Gertrude's Picnic

C. P. R. agents at Andover, Houlton, Maine, McAdam Junction, and all intermediate stations, have been instructed to issue tickets at Single Fare for the round trip for St. Gertrude's Picnic, going August 8th, return limit August 9th.

The Canadian Government Railways have instructed agents Centreville to Pokiok, inclusive, to issue excursion round trip tickets to Woodstock, going August 8th, return limit Aug. 9th, regular trains, for those who wish to attend St. Gertrude's Picnic.

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