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### INTERESTING LETTER FROM WOODSTOCK BOY

**Otto Gray Writes His Mother From Rest Camp—With Another Month of Good Weather Would Have Ended War—Had Germans Going—Welcome Parcels From Home.**

Otto Gray, a member of the 26th Battery writing to his mother mentions some rather interesting incidents that occurred on the battlefield. "Queen," mentioned in the letter, refers to a horse that was raised at Upper Woodstock by Mr. O. H. Gray, the father of the young soldier. One day since going to the front he was given some horses to exercise and among them was "Queen," whom

he had left at his old home when he joined the colors. Private Gray writes:

At the Front,  
Dec. 10th, 1916.

Dear Mother:

Just a few lines tonight. I have your letter of the 25th, and am glad you are all well. I am having a good time lately back at a rest camp. Doing nothing in the morning and piling it up in the afternoon and it seems to suit me well after four strenuous months we have had since coming to the Somme. I got both the parcels you sent in good condition. I have received a number of parcels lately—one from the Baptist Church for which please thank them for me. I think them very kind and thoughtful. Another parcel from a lady in Toronto and a box of fudge from —. So you see I fared well.

The Plummer girls sent me a parcel but it has not reached me yet but will be good when it comes. In the town we are in now we can buy anything we could find in a town in Canada. The stores are

fixed up for Christmas the same as at home. We get our water at a school house where there are as many as two hundred little kiddies so you see we are not too far in the woods. I wish I was there again till the sound of guns and shells were done but I suppose in a few days I will be impatient to be at it again. If we had just a month more of fine weather we could drive them so far every day, but when the wet weather came we could not move a gun. I may get a pass to England about Christmas.

We have "Queen" yet. She was wounded at the Somme—got a piece of shell casing in her head but is all right again. She is not much of a saddle horse, being clumsy from having rheumatism. In the town we are in now there is a circus every day and lots of moving picture shows and we enjoy it—such a change from what we have been having lately. The worst trouble is I cannot talk much French.

### To Our Subscribers

The newsprint situation has reached the stage that many papers have gone out of business. Nearly all papers still doing business have advanced their rates to cope with a serious situation. We appeal to all subscribers to pay up subscriptions promptly. The price of the Sentinel may be increased—and we do not know the moment we will be forced to do so. Therefore we earnestly request all delinquents to comply with this reasonable request PROMPTLY and take advantage of the present rates. Sentinels going to the United States will be stopped unless all arrearages are fully paid up before January 15th, 1917.

### MR. F. ST. JOHN BLISS PASSED AWAY EARLY FRIDAY MORNING

Died from Self Inflicted Bullet  
Wound Shortly After 1 O'clock

Fred St. John Bliss, Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipality of York County, and Judge of Probate, passed away at one o'clock Friday morning as the result of shooting himself through the head with a revolver shortly after noon. Death probably was due to hemorrhage, as it is thought the bullet severed the temporal artery. Appearances indicate that the deceased held the weapon in his left hand when he discharged it. The bullet passed through the front of the skull, emerging at the left temple.

### Conductor Attridge of the C. P., to Retire after Nearly 50 Years as a Conductor

When the late Canadian Pacific train comes into Houlton next Saturday evening, E. A. Attridge, a conductor for this railroad for 45 years, will retire from the list of active conductors to the pensioned list.

"Uncle" Ed, as he is known by his host of friends, is the oldest conductor in the point of service, on the entire Canadian Pacific system.

During all of his many years of railroading Mr. Attridge has won the commendation of the railroad officials for his untiring efforts for the best interests of the Company which he served.

He has been one of the very best conductors of the entire system and his loyalty to the company stands out prominently now as he is about to retire from the active ranks.

Mr. Attridge will receive a pension from the railroad company and step back into retirement with the best wishes of scores of friends.—Houlton Pioneer.

### NO MORE "TEN-CENT" TEAMS.

Good-bye to the "ten centers." After Jan. 1, 1917, the public carriage drivers are to raise their prices. The former ten cent hauls are to be advanced to fifteen cents while it is to cost 25 cents from either railroad to points beyond the business section. After 8 p.m., all conveying is to be 25 cents.—Houlton Pioneer.

Charles Judge of the C. P. R. Telegraph force at Fredericton was in town New Year's day.

I met a fellow from Woodstock yesterday—I have forgotten his name, but he is the son of the editor of a Woodstock paper. Have never seen Major Good but once, then we were in action and was too busy to speak to him. I will be able to write often as I have more leisure. I hope to hear from home regularly. I will see others of the home boys soon.

OTTO.  
Otto F. Gray, No. 90297,  
28th Battery, C.P.A.

## Town Council In Special Sessions

### Scott Act Affairs Chief Topic—Some Interesting Correspondence—A Bill of \$500 for Office Rent—Town Clerk and Mayor Before Government in Reference to Patriotic Fund Apportionment

Scott Act matters were discussed at the special meeting of the town council Friday evening. The following correspondence in connection with the matter was read:

Woodstock, N. B.,  
December 15th 1916.

J. C. Hartley, Esq.  
Town Clerk, Woodstock, N. B.

Dear Sir:—

I am in receipt of yours of December 9th instant, enclosing copy of resolution passed at Town Council on December 8th, requesting a report of C.T.A. matters for the years 1913, 1914, 1915 and 1916. These reports were furnished regularly to former Councils from year to year and I presume they are still on file in the Town Records. However, I am quite willing to give the present Council the information as far as I can.

So far as the balances on hand in 1913 and 1914 are concerned, by referring to the reports for these years you will find that the balances were in the hands of Inspector Colpitts, and not in the hands of the Police Magistrate. For instance I will therefore have to refer you to the Inspector, as I know nothing about them. I have no doubt that he can explain the matter satisfactorily.

With regard to the unpaid fines in 1913 and 1914, these were as follows:—J. H. McIlwain, 1; W. E. Dickinson, 2; Daniel Niles, 1; George Titus, 3; Michael Reynolds, 1; Randolph Nelson, 1. My recollection is that in most of these cases, or at least in some of them, the Inspector suggested allowing the fines to stand on the parties agreeing to stop the business.

There has been received on account of 1915 fines the sum of \$250.00, which amount was paid to the Town Treasurer several months ago.

The 1916 report will be properly submitted at the next regular meeting of the Town Council.

Respectfully yours,  
(Sgd.) A. D. HOLYOKE,  
Police Magistrate.

Woodstock, N. B.,  
November 17th, 1916.

John S. Leighton, Esq.,  
Chairman, Finance Committee,  
Town of Woodstock.

Dear Sir:—

In answer to your enquiries respecting the duties of Magistrates under the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act, in regard to the collection and disposition of fines under the provisions of the said Act, I beg to reply that, some time after the coming into force of the Canada Temperance Act, Order in Council was made directing that any fines imposed for the violation of such law should be paid over by the Magistrate receiving the same for the benefit of the local authority which bore the expense of administering said law and it now becomes the duty of the Magistrate, immediately upon the payment of the fine, to pay the same over to the proper party for the benefit of such Municipality or local authority and it is further provided by the Criminal Code, that every such Justice shall quarterly, on or before the second Tuesday in the months of March, June, September and December in each year, make to the proper officer a return in writing of all convictions made by him, and of the receipt and APPLICATION of the moneys received from the Defendants, and in this return the Justice is to state to whom such fine has been made over, and if they have not been paid, the reasons why.

You will observe from this that the Justice is not entitled to retain in his hands any moneys received by him, the proceeds of any such fines, until the date of his

quarterly return, but should, immediately, upon his receiving such fines pay the same over, and incorporate these payments in his quarterly returns.

Yours very truly,  
(Sgd.) A. B. CONNELL.

Woodstock, N. B.,  
December 20th, 1916.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter,  
Attorney-General,  
St. John, N. B.

Dear Sir:—

I am in receipt of your favor of the 18th, in reference to resolution passed at a meeting of the Woodstock Town Council on the 15th instant.

In explanation I may say that on December 11th instant I received from J. C. Hartley, Town Clerk, a copy of resolution passed at a meeting of the Council on December 8th asking me to furnish a report of C.T.A. matters for the years 1913, 1914, 1915 and 1916. I gave the Council the information asked for, (except the 1916 report) in a communication under date of December 15th, a copy of which I am enclosing herewith. Before sending this communication I ascertained that the reports for 1913, 1914 and 1915 were in possession, rather in the hands of John S. Leighton, chairman of the finance committee. As a matter of fact I discovered what he thought was a balance due the Town in 1913 and 1914, and jumped at the conclusion that the balance was in my hands. Having discovered that these balances were in the hands of Inspector Colpitts (a good Liberal,) he has apparently dropped these two years. The chairman of the finance committee for these two years, however, went into the matter with Mr. Colpitts, I understand, and the matter was satisfactorily adjusted.

There were several fines unpaid when the 1915 report was submitted, and some are still unpaid. \$250.00 was paid in during the present year on 1915 fines, and these amounts were promptly paid over to the Town Treasurer, as were the 1916 fines when received. I have never been asked by the Inspector, nor has he ever intimated to me that he would like to have distress warrant issued for unpaid fines.

So far as the report for 1916 is concerned, and this seems to be what Councillor John S. Leighton is particularly agitated about, I may say that the only provision for a report by the Inspector or Police Magistrate is contained in Section 138 of the New Brunswick Liquor License Act. This provides that the report shall be submitted at the first meeting of the Council after the first day of January in each and every year, and this course has been regularly pursued. Councillor Leighton seems to have the idea that I have got to submit a report whenever he says so, and I don't feel like taking an order from him, or give him the satisfaction of being able to say that he made me do it. However, if it is your wish that the report be submitted before the date set by the Act, I am quite willing to do so.

I may say that there is absolute no friction between the Council and myself, with the exception of Councillor Leighton. The friction between Leighton and me has always existed, and I presume always will exist.

Will you kindly advise me as soon as possible if you desire the I should submit this report before the date set by the Act, as it takes some time to make out the report, and I have been in the habit of keeping it open till the last day of the year in order to include the full year's business.

I remain,  
Yours truly,  
(Sgd.) A. D. HOLYOKE.  
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## PARLIAMENT TO MEET JANUARY 18TH

Early Session Because of Imperial Conference

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—The Parliament of Canada will assemble three weeks from today, Thursday, January 18th. An extra of the Canada Gazette summoning the Senate and Commons for this date is being published. The session is opening earlier than was anticipated because of the impending war conference in London which Sir Robert Borden intends to attend. It will meet in the latter part of February. It is expected that Premier Borden will leave for England about a month later to attend the Imperial conference. Parliament may be continued under the leadership of Sir George E. Foster, or may adjourn until Sir Robert Borden returns.

### Biting Comment on Treatment of Soldiers

(T. K. D. in Montreal Financial Times)

Pretty nearly every public speaker today tells us that the very first thing Canada must do is to look after the boys who return from the front. "They deserve it; God bless them," we are told, and everybody nods his head and cheers approval.

That is all right, but the good is done by word of mouth and not by deed of hand. I am informed that when a soldier returns to Montreal the contribution from the Patriotic Fund to his wife ceases, which may be fit and proper, but, unfortunately, the man's pension does not begin where his pay and his Patriotic Fund allowance leave off. There is too often a waiting period, and while this waiting period may not be irksome to those responsible for pensions and those who pay, it has a knock of reducing the returned soldier and his family to desperate straits. By all means let us look after the returned soldier, but let us look after him immediately he does return.

In this connection: If it takes twelve months before a returned wounded soldier can get his pension how long can a man and his wife and three children subsist on half a loaf a day and no coal in the house? I hope presently to have at least one answer to this conundrum. It relates to a soldier who returned to Canada nearly a year ago; he has been in the hospital most of the time and has had no means of support. His wife and family are getting along very nicely! Some ladies uncovered their plight, and have purchased coal and food and clothes and other luxuries. By-and-by the pension will no doubt come along, and if the soldier's wife is not a widow by that time she and her husband may again be able to enjoy life together. And the kiddies may be able to get an occasional meal.

There is another case—but perhaps we had better not over-crowd the department.

### WOODSTOCK BOWLERS WIN FROM FREDERICTON

The Fredericton bowlers came to town New Year's day and in a very interesting game, in Welch's Alleys, were beaten by the Woodstock aggregation by a margin of 33 pins. The score:

| WOODSTOCK   |     |     |          |
|-------------|-----|-----|----------|
| G Dent      | 85  | 94  | 106—285  |
| J Blake     | 94  | 84  | 85—264   |
| D McCluskey | 84  | 91  | 78—253   |
| G Clarke    | 94  | 120 | 86—300   |
| A Atherton  | 84  | 74  | 91—250   |
| Totals      | 441 | 463 | 447—1352 |

| FREDERICTON |     |     |          |
|-------------|-----|-----|----------|
| S Staples   | 96  | 100 | 86—282   |
| W Foster    | 74  | 107 | 105—286  |
| B Smith     | 80  | 83  | 76—239   |
| J Searles   | 84  | 85  | 84—252   |
| L Monahan   | 91  | 82  | 87—260   |
| Totals      | 425 | 457 | 438—1319 |

The prize offered by B. B. Dykeman was won by Trixie Clark who had the highest average.

Thirteen teachers of the Public Schools will take a Domestic Science Course but the Vocational school will be opened for those taking Manual Training. The schools will be closed with the exception of three departments of the Grammar School during this time.

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