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"Instead of getting representative government since the election of the present legislature in 1912, the people of New Brunswick have suffered a period of misgovernment and incompetence and political corruption. One Prime Minister has been convicted by a royal commission and forced to retire; another royal commission has reported broadcast petty thieving and dishonesty among political officials and members of the legislature."—Ottawa Citizen, Ind. Con.

## MORE JOBBERY.

The Canada Lumberman is a journal which does not take sides in politics, but it does not approve of the methods employed by the Federal Government in connection with war contracts. In a recent issue it directs attention to a shell-box contract which smacks of jobbery. C. W. Burgoyne, of Fenelon Falls, in the constituency of Sir Sam Hughes, a storekeeper who was not engaged in the woodworking business, obtained a contract for 5,000 shell boxes at \$2.50 each, and afterwards secured a second contract for 25,000 boxes. Not being in a position to manufacture the boxes himself, the Canada Lumberman says, Burgoyne was willing to sub-contract with anyone who would undertake to handle the contract, or part of it. The contract was finally allotted to Mr. Alfred Tiers, of Fenelon Falls, who conducts a small planing mill and who subsequently formed a partnership with Burgoyne. Of the transaction, the Canada Lumberman says:

"In the first place, the contract was apparently secured through personal or political influence by a party who had no apparent right to it. In the second place, the contract was apparently handed on, or sublet, to Tiers, a proceeding which is understood usually to involve remuneration to the first party, although he actually produces nothing. In the third place, another contract for a much larger quantity of boxes was secured by the same parties. We cannot see how such methods of handling the shell-box business can be justified. Even in ordinary times the letting of contracts in this way could not be defended, and at a time like the present it is quite indefensible. The suspicion that this contract was handed over by Burgoyne to Tiers for a definite monetary consideration is strengthened by the fact that these two parties formed a partnership under the name of C. W. Burgoyne & Company. Evidently they wished to give the transaction a more respectable appearance; but we cannot see how this can be considered as lending the affair any respectability. It amounts to the same thing in the end, namely, that a party quite unable to produce boxes, secured the contracts and turned them over to another party. The fact that he entered into a partnership with Tiers indicates rather clearly that he did so in order to make it appear that he was entitled to a share of the profits which he was securing and towards which he had contributed nothing. When one considers that throughout Canada there are hundreds of planing mill plants which have suffered heavily through business depression and would be greatly benefited by securing shell-box contracts, he is thoroughly justified in criticizing a Government which has permitted the letting of contracts in such a manner."

In discussing Premier Borden's announcement of a 500,000 Canadian army, Mr. C. W. Rowley, manager of the Bank of Commerce at Winnipeg, says: "In order to make it possible for the young men of Canada to join the forces, it will no doubt be necessary for the women, especially the young women, of Canada, as a point of loyalty and a temporary matter, to fit themselves for office and a hundred and one other employments, so that the business of the country can be carried on. It will also be necessary for the boys of today to assume men's responsibilities earlier, and it behooves those in authority to bring our schools to the highest standard; to assist such movements as the boy scouts, who develop the boys along high ideas, in a way that the home, the school, the church, or the Sunday school cannot possibly do. We feel that the women of Canada will acquit themselves as well as the women of the old land. Every recruit brings peace nearer."

Gribble, the St. John Socialist, convicted on a charge of using seditious language at a public meeting, has been sentenced by Judge Crocket to two

months in jail. The Judge, although he tempered justice with mercy, gave the prisoner a severe lecture in passing sentence and availed himself of the opportunity to denounce the vicious Socialistic doctrines. Among other things he said: "For your present difficulty, therefore, I blame to a large extent the dangerous teaching of which you have unfortunately become a misguided devotee, and I believe that you and others have already, by means of this prosecution, been taught a salutary lesson as to the trouble which such teaching breeds."

Halifax Chronicle: "We have had occasion many times to point out that the first requisite for a successful recruiting campaign is to provide competent leadership for prospective battalions. Political pull in the past has been ranked too high as a qualification, and experience and efficiency too low. Our suggestion, frequently made, is that a number of junior officers, majors and captains, be brought back from the front to lead new regiments. We are assured by competent military authority that this suggestion is a wise one and presents no difficulties to carry out in practice."

The Russian government, which prohibited the sale of liquor at the commencement of the war, now has some 260,000,000 gallons of vodka on its hands, and is at a loss to know what to do with it. Some members of the Duma want the stuff destroyed, some want it put to industrial uses, but all agree that it must not remain in existence as a temptation to some reactionary finance minister to reopen the sale after the war. It is said that the government is now engaged in drawing up a bill on lines suggested by forty-five members of the Duma for the maintenance of temperance for all time.

St. John Times: What is the difference between a French-Canadian in Quebec who says this is not Canada's war, and a New Brunswick descendant of the Loyalists who commands his sons not to enlist? Until every available young man who is fit and free in this province is in khaki, let us keep our criticism of other provinces to ourselves and hustle to fill the ranks of our own units.

## OFFERS 4TH CANADIAN DIVISION AT FRONT

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—It is announced tonight that Sir Robert Borden, prime minister, has sent to the imperial authorities the offer of a 4th Canadian Division at the front. The troops are in England now and they will go over to France in the near future. This will make two complete corps or about 80,000 men on the firing line. With the sending of another division of 20,000 men across the channel it will be necessary to send a corresponding number from Canada to England to be held in readiness to act as reinforcements. The action of the government was made possible by the prospect of a satisfactory response from the country to the call for 50,000 men.

The Thurd Canadian Division which was offered last November and is now completely organized and in the firing line under Major General Mercer is thus speedily followed with a fourth division, which will bring the total of the Canadian troops at the front up to a little over eighty thousand. It is certain that as soon as the need arises Canada will add at least another two divisions and have an army of one hundred thousand men ready to join in the Allies' offensive movement on the western front in the spring campaign. The new fourth division will be formed from among the troops now in England. While no official figures are available it is understood that here are at least fifty thousand Canadians now in training there. As soon as the fourth division is ready to go to the front, troops from Canada will move forward to England, ready to supply the gap, and form the basis of a fifth and sixth division for the front, or for reinforcements. This will mean the departure of twenty or thirty thousand from Canada shortly, leaving more room in the recent congested training depots throughout the dominion. At the rate of enlistment at present, it will take only a month or so to fill up the gaps left in Canada and keep the total number in training in Canada up to well over the one hundred thousand mark.

## PERSONAL

Mr. C. W. Upham of Sussex, is at the Queen.  
Mr. H. B. Fowler of Chipman, is registered at the Queen.  
Mr. R. T. Morrison of Granite Hill, is at the Barker House.  
Mr. A. T. Murchie, superintendent of scalars, is at the Barker House.  
Mr. James A. Telfer of Ottawa, is in the city.  
Hon. J. A. Murray, minister of agriculture, arrived in the city last night.  
Mrs. James Dodds of St. George, is at the Queen.  
Lieut. J. W. Edwards of Kingston, is registered at the Queen.

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## KENNEDY &amp; McDONALD

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ly be to make application for a Carnegie hero medal, which he has no doubt earned.

Mr. Gall of the Hibbard Construction Company, is still here, but his claim has not yet been adjusted. His concern built the graft section of the road and there are many hooks and twists to be straightened out before he will be in a position to write out a receipt for the amount of the claim. The directors are now wrestling with the problem but have not given Mr. Gall many encouraging words. The best he is hoping for now is a "come back" order. If these "come back" orders could be converted into coin of the realm, Premier Clarke would have had the Hibbard Company head over heels in debt to the government months ago.

As for letting a contract for the completion of the road, there will be nothing doing this time. The proposition is too large for men who are serving their country at the rate of \$20 per diem to pass along without due consideration. It ought to be good for at least ten more meetings, and then the route having been definitely decided upon, it will be up to the directors to call for new tenders. There are many people who think the government would have saved time and money had it allowed Mr. A. R. Gould to finish his work.

## CONTESTED CASES

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terday afternoon in Queen street. Cross-examined by Mr. Hughes, the witness said he had not read over the copy of the subpoena served and he could not swear that it was a true copy.

Mr. Hanson then called Chief McCollom to prove that the evidence of this witness would be material. The magistrate stated that he would issue a warrant on a deposit being made. Mr. Hanson said he would take that course instead of placing Chief McCollom on the stand. Mr. Hughes protested that the witness should go on the stand and Mr. Hanson replied that he could conduct his own case. Adjournment was made at noon to permit of a deposition to be made, the court resuming at 2.30 this afternoon.

The cases attracted a large number of spectators and were enlivened by many sharp passages between counsel.

## ALBERTA LEGISLATOR ENLISTS AS PRIVATE

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 19.—Frank Walker, senior Liberal whip in the Alberta legislature, where he represents Victoria riding, has enlisted with the 151st Battalion as a private. He possesses the distinction of being the first member of a Canadian legislature or parliament to enter the ranks for active service as a private.

Among the members of the Alberta legislature there is no man more popular than F. A. Walker of Fort Saskatchewan.

Mr. Walker farms extensively in Northern Alberta. He is one of the finest specimens of western manhood and was one of the few who made the overland trip from Edmonton to the Yukon in the gold rush of 1898.

## MILITIA APPOINTMENTS.

The Canada Gazette of Saturday last contains the following militia appointments of local interest:  
71st York Regiment:  
Provisional Lieutenant (supernumerary): P. S. Vradenburg is permitted to retire, 7th December, 1915.  
To be Provisional Lieutenants (supernumerary): Harold Robbins Haley, gentleman, 23rd November, 1915.  
Allison Hunt Taylor, gentleman, 29 November, 1915.  
73rd Northumberland Regt.:  
To be Provisional Lieutenant (supernumerary): William James Duncan, gentleman, 16 November, 1915.  
Mr. M. H. Ross of Montreal, is a guest at the Queen.  
Mr. Duncan L. Kelly of Nashua, Village, was in the city today.

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