

New Brunswick Foresters Now at Farnham, England

English Newspaper Man Visits the Camp Under the Guidance of Major Hanington and Lieut. J. Stanley Scott---The Major Described as a Man of Highly Artistic Temperament---Has Every Regard on the Feelings of the Inhabitants

An English paper contains the following account of the operations of the New Brunswick Forestry Corps now located at Farnham.

There will be many people who will express pained surprise when we say that the visit of the Canadian Forestry Corps to this district is a fortunate happening, for there will be many who will be inclined to disagree very emphatically with us. Yet that is the point which stands out most prominently in the mind of a "Herald" representative, who on Monday afternoon spent a most pleasant and interesting time in visiting the camp and saw mills, under the genial guidance of Major C. L. Hanington and Lieut. J. Stanley Scott. He writes:—

Farnham people have always gloried in their pine woods, and indeed we have had reason to do so, for we have it on authority that there are few finer in the country. We have looked upon them as one of the features of our countryside which would remain, whatever else passed, in the course of building operations which in pre-war days seemed to be ever encroaching upon the solitudes of Tilford and The Bourne. Thus it was that when the fiat of the authorities went forth that the pines of Crooksbury and Black Lake were to be sacrificed to the war demon we were filled with dismay lest our hillside

should be left bare and naked and stripped as a field over which a flight of locusts had passed. As to the coming of the Corps and the method of their work I will say a word shortly. For the moment I will try to show why their coming will be of immense benefit to West Surrey.

A Startling Suggestion

It was at the very outset of my visit that Major Hanington startled me by saying in reply to something I said as to their visit being dreaded by residents, "Yes, I know: but if we hadn't come in a few years, and unless the government did something at once there will not be a pine tree left in the district. I will show you why."

He took up a piece of bark from a Scotch pine. The inside of the bark was scored with long incised marks. In one place lay a tiny worm; in a hole snugly tucked away was a beetle.

"That," said the Major, "is the pine beetle. He first infests the dead trees but spreads to the living ones which in time he kills, and hundreds of the trees are infested. So that even if we had not come to fell the trees, in a few years time there would have been none left." Again the loss by the felling is not so great as at first sight appears, because the majority of the trees have reached full maturity and many are already dead at the heart, and in a few years would have blown down. It is only necessary to look at

some of the trunks lying by the saw mills to prove this, and it is not surprising that it should be so when one learns that some of the trees are 170 years old and that the average age is 80. The timber obtained from them is equal to anything that was imported in pre-war days, and so West Surrey's contribution to the war is a very real and satisfactory one.

A Major With a Temperament

We here are fortunate too in the man who has been sent down to superintend the tree felling operations. It would have been simple to have started at the western limit of the woods which are to fall and to have crashed and cut a way right through to the eastern limit without a single regard for the charm of the countryside or for the feelings of the inhabitants. That would have been "thorough" and when the Corps had moved on we should have been left to weep over the devastation of war. But, happily in Major Hanington we have a man who has a passionate love of nature and a highly artistic temperament. One little point will illustrate what I mean. From his bedroom window can be seen a small oak tree, on which he likes to believe Peter Pan who, as everyone knows, was created in the Black Lake woods, sat, and under which can still be seen the fairy circle. He would far rather preserve than destroy, and when the local authorities and residents in the district approached the Timber Commission with a request that so far as possible outstanding features should be allowed to remain, they not only found the Commissioners sympathetic but in the Major they found a warm friend. Let me not be misunderstood. The Major and his officers and men have certain work to do, and they are doing it very thoroughly. But they are doing it with such care that not a tree other than the Scotch pines shall be cut, or if it can be avoided, even damaged. This desire to preserve has been borne out in the building of the camp. The official way would have been to clear a wide space of every tree and bush and then to set down the hutments in rigid lines, with gravelled roads in between, with the result that as long as the camp remained Tilford Road would have been spoiled.

But that is not Major Hanington's way. He first looked for a place in which huts could be set without cutting down anything, and there he put them—officers' quarters here, stables there, equipment hut over yonder—with the result that while each is within convenient distance of the other, none is obstructive, and from the road it would be difficult to realize that over 100 men are lodged within a few feet of the roadway. The result of this care is that not a hard wood tree is being removed, and as the pines fall, oak and larch and birch whose presence was hardly recognized, are brought into view.

A Delightful Residence

Much of what I have written I learned whilst chatting with Major Hanington in his quarters—the most delightful quarters ever occupied surely by an officer on war service. The long low building, with the deep porch and the ferns on either side can be seen from the road, and has attracted much attention by its picturesque appearance. But the outside view gives no impression of the restful nature of the internal fittings. The centre of the hut is occupied by a sitting-room, panelled, as indeed are all the rooms, with the rough outward slabs of pine. Doors, window frames, and all the fittings are faced in the same way, even the handle of the door being a portion of a branch cunningly attached to a latch. The wide, open hearth fireplace is in red brick, and adds the right touch of colour to the room. From the sitting room the dining room is approached by a wide open portal, the beam over which consists of a curious pine trunk, which, having grown some length divided and after growing separately for some distance, joined up again into a single stem. The bedroom, an equally delightful apartment is at the other end of the building. The kitchen accommodation is admirable and the whole makes a residence of the greatest charm. When I say that apart from the brick-work the whole building was erected from waste wood, it affords a wonderful example of what may be done in the way of cheap housing in rural districts.

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Women Everywhere Use Lemon Juice To Beautify Skin

The beauty lotion which is becoming whole quarter pint of it doesn't cost so popular throughout the country is easily prepared by anyone, and a any more than a small jar of the common, ordinary cold creams.

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HOTELS PROFIT FROM WOULD- BE SOLDIERS

New Orleans, July 10.—Many young men informed by army and navy doctors that they were underweight, have hied themselves to the Gulf Coast and explained to hotel or boarding house proprietors that the duration of the war depended upon their gaining so many pounds in a certain length of time.

At first some of the boarding house and hotel proprietors were unenthusiastic over the prospects of a disappointed would-be soldier or sailor and loss of patronage to their establishment. Later according to those who have returned, whenever a youth, rather pale and slim applied for board he was greeted with the question: "How much do you have to gain and when must you report?"

"It's easy when you know how," one boarding house proprietor explained. "They go out and swim in the salt water, get an enormous appetite and we feed them coarse, nourishing food, nothing fancy. They gain several pounds a day, some of them."

JUDGE CHANDLER APPOINTED

Ottawa, July 10.—Hon. Mr. Justice Chandler, of the New Brunswick Supreme Court, has been appointed chairman of the board of conciliation established by the Minister of Labor to deal with the dispute between the New Brunswick Power Co. and its men in St. John.

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