

GENERAL FRENCH'S REPORT ON MILITIA

Distinguished Officer Finds Much to Commend and Criticize--Some Important Changes Suggested--Says Present Force is Sufficient For Peace Purposes.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—The report of General Sir John French upon his inspection of the Canadian military forces last summer, under instructions from the Imperial Army Council, together with the report by Major-General Sir Percy Lake, on the best method of giving effect to the recommendations made by General French looking to the better organization and general efficiency of the militia forces of Canada, was tabled in the commons this afternoon by Sir Frederick Borden. Both reports constitute the most comprehensive and thorough criticism of the general status of military training in Canada yet presented to parliament.

In brief, General French summarizes the principal shortcomings as lying in an insufficiently developed organization; inadequate knowledge in the higher command in the test qualifications for officers and non-commissioned officers in the active militia laid down in the regulations not being strictly enforced; and in the rank and file not being compelled to fulfil their engagements. He suggests numerous reforms in respect to organization, peace training, artillery and musketry practice, armament and ammunition, schools of instruction, camping grounds and drill halls, administration service, and so forth.

MARKED PROGRESS

At the same time he notes the excellent progress has been made during the past few years along the lines he suggests, and he notes in conclusion: "Judging from what I have seen of the excellent material and the fine spirit which is apparent in all ranks, and taking also into consideration the marked progress which has been made within the past few years and the evident signs of its continuance, I should be inclined to think that, so long as the present condition of affairs on the North American continent remain as it is the existing system, if strictly administered, on the sound basis of peace organization, should suffice to meet the needs of the dominion."

General Lake, on the whole, agrees with the recommendations by General French. He notes that the militia council is already proceeding along the lines of progress suggested and that the recommendations contemplate not a change of system but a gradual development along lines upon which our present organization is framed.

ORGANIZATION THE CORNERSTONE

General French deals with the question of organization, which he says is the corner stone of all military efficiency. After a careful study of the problem, which due regard to Canadian conditions, he declares the existing system of organization is deficient for the following reasons:

The proportion between the various arms of the service is not correctly adjusted, infantry and heavy artillery for instance, being somewhat in excess of actual requirements, whilst field artillery is at least fifty per cent. below the necessary proportions. The same remark applies to the distribution of troops. Instead of each county, province or area furnishing something like its due quota of the various arms, it appears that one part of the country altogether favors mounted troops, another infantry, another artillery and so on.

In point of actual numbers, General French believes that the present contemplated war establishments are sufficient and suitable if they were allotted in a proper proportion to the various arms of the service on the basis of a sound system of organization.

The second division which he emphasizes, is that under the present system of mobilization troops which have never served together as an organized body in peace, are to be suddenly concentrated in an organization of which they are totally unaccustomed and placed under commanders and staff who will have no sufficient practice in handling

such a unit. The annual camp trainings he said are only a large collection of troops without any information of all arms.

SPLENDID MATERIAL

The militia of Canada he adds, is composed of splendid material and is imbued with a fine spirit and energy and a desire to become efficient, and it seems somewhat illogical to hamper their patriotic and loyal endeavors by failing to organize them to the best advantage. He suggests a new war organization, which should be gradually adopted throughout the militia and that the peace establishments should assimilate to it. This organization would comprise one cavalry division five general divisions, embracing each arm of the service, two field forces and garrisons. These taking the place of the present divisions into commands and districts.

SUGGESTIONS

He recommends improvement in mobilization; that the permanent forces be increased by a squadron of dragoons and a battery of horse artillery; that infantry militia should have less ceremonial and more practical drill; that the cavalry is most in need of training, being below the other arms in efficiency; that camp training period should be increased to sixteen days; arrangements for artillery and rifle practice are good; that city corps should attend annual camps; the headquarters staff is good but not large enough, for with high power arms, brains are more than ever needed to prevent destruction.

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He commends the efficiency of the military college at Kingston. The arms are efficient but reserves of guns and ammunition too small. He would not condemn the Canadian volunteer system until it has been given a fair trial but to obtain this the full three years service must be required of every man.

General Lake in his report recommends six military divisions instead of the five recommended by General French.

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LATE COUNT TOLSTOI HAD A CURIOUS CAREER

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Inasmuch as Tolstoi was in his own way both moral and religious, it was inevitable that his writings like those of Ruskin and Carlyle, should become increasingly didactic as well as increasingly pessimistic as he passed down the decline of life. With his great natural endowment he might have become under a different sociological environment a pillar of light to overburdened humanity; surrounded by semi-barbarous Russia, he remained a pillar of cloud moving toward and at last into impenetrable gloom. His biography, if it is ever adequately treated, will be a story of persistent and heart-breaking sadness, unrelieved by even a glimmer of that humor which has been the redeeming element in the Cervantes, the Moliere, and the Shakespeares, and is hopelessly lacking in the Whitmans, the Ibsens, and the Tolstois.

There will always be differences of opinion among students of Tolstoi's writings as to which are his more important works, but there can hardly be two opinions as to those which best indicate the course of his personal evolution. His dislike of war as he saw it while participating in the defence of Sebastopol prompted his three sketches of that beleaguered town, and this dislike became more intense the longer he lived. It found still more imposing expression in his "War and Peace," published in 1864, which dealt with the condition of Russia as it was during the Napoleonic wars. His revolt against sociological conditions and conventions found its culmination in 1875 in his "Anna Karenina," in which he dealt with the problems of human life that connect themselves with the institution of marriage. After a long but busy interval there appeared in 1899 his "Resurrection," in which the intensifying bitterness of his life found powerful utterance in his arraignment of all existing institutions. The general character and trend of his writings suggest a tendency toward emotional insanity as one explanation of his curious career.

As it is quite impossible in the nature of things for a persistent and inveterate pessimist ever to become a great teacher of humanity, and as Tolstoi chose to be didactic even when he was most the artist, it is not safe to predict for him an enduring eminence in literature so far as that depends on the amount of influence he will continue to exercise from generation to generation. That he will always have admirers and disciples is safe enough to say, and for the most part his purpose in life, so far as he has embodied one in his writings, will have its effect on the constitution and course of society mainly by indirection. As an apostle of peace he will be longest and most gratefully remembered.

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The public is not trading now. The market has been strong, but uninviting. People have not had the opportunities they want to bargain for stocks. They may come in higher up, or they may not. If not, the bull campaign will fail.

STEAMSHIP MEN ARE IN CONFERENCE

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No. 321—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 11.15.
No. 323—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 16.20.
No. 301—Express for Loggieville, Chatham, Campbellton, Quebec, Montreal, etc., 18.30.
No. 327—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 18.40.
No. 329—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 22.00.

ARRIVALS

No. 318—Suburban from Marysville 8.15.
No. 302—Express from Loggieville, Chatham Junction, 13.20.
No. 322—Suburban from Marysville 13.45.
No. 304—Mixed from Loggieville and Chatham Junction, 18.50.
No. 326—Suburban from Marysville, 18.20.
No. 328—Suburban from Marysville, 19.15.
No. 330—Suburban from Marysville, 22.35.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

DEPARTURES.

6.20 a. m.—Express for St. John, Portland, Boston, Woodstock, etc.
8.15 a. m.—Mixed for Woodstock and points North. Leaves St. Marys at 8.35.
9.45 a. m.—Express for St. John and points east.
4.30 p. m.—Mixed for Woodstock, via Gibson branch. (Daily).
5.45 p. m.—Express for Montreal, and Boston, Woodstock, St. Stephen, etc.
9.00 p. m.—Express for St. John and points east.

ARRIVALS.

9.10 a. m.—Express from St. John and points east.
11.40 a. m.—Mixed from Woodstock via Gibson Branch. (Daily).
11.50 a. m.—Express from Montreal, etc.
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10.40 p. m.—Express from Boston, Portland, Woodstock, St. Stephen, etc.

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Extension to Breakwater at Lorneville, N. B.," will be received at this office until 4.00 p. m., on Wednesday, November 23, 1910, for the construction of an Extension to the Breakwater at Lorneville, Reed's Point, St. John County, N. B.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the offices of E. T. P. Shewen, Esq., District Engineer, St. John, N. B.; Geoffrey Stead, Esq., District Engineer, Chatham, N. B., and on application to the Postmaster at Lorneville, N. B.

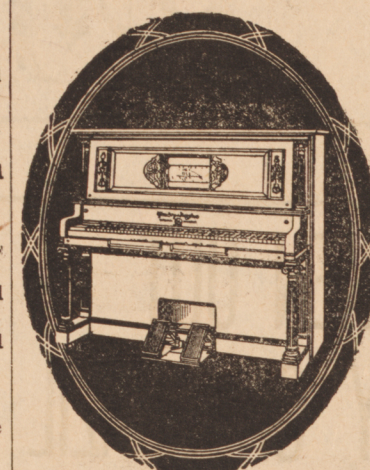
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Deputy Minister of the Naval Service, Department of the Naval Service, Ottawa, October 25th, 1910.

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