

POLITICS HAS FIRST CONSIDERATION

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In the first place, the whole business of enlisting and equipping the Canadian overseas contingents has been most fearfully mismanaged. In practically every phrase of this vital duty POLITICS has been the very first consideration. The question was not "is he fit to be an officer, BUT is he a Tory."

Politics broke up the 17th Nova Scotia regiment and subjected as gallant a body of men as ever enlisted in the empire's service to insult and contumely.

Politics led the canteen privileges of the 25th Nova Scotia Battalion being formed out to Tory partizans.

Politics directed the return of a forty-cent latch inadvertently purchased from a liberal storekeeper.

Politics led to an unseemly scramble for place upon the patriotic fund committee.

Politics directed the appointment of inefficient recruiting officers who were lavishly paid out of the pub-

lic funds.

Politics led to the discharge of liberals who were employed on the censors staff and their replacement by Tory partizans.

In Cape Breton politics dictates that the militia ordered out for home defence shall be used as a convenient method of helping out of work of Tory partizans to some easy money.

Politics compel an appeal to a Tory ward heeler for a letter to a commanding officer to secure a days leave for a man in the ranks.

Politics makes it possible for Tory officers to get excused from militia duty and allowed to return to their business while like privileges are withheld from liberals.

Politics led to the "farming out" of different regiments in various towns in order that Tory partizans might profit by their presence.

Politics directed the construction of elaborate stables at a heavy expense which never housed a single horse and are now directed to be torn down.

Politics, mean and petty, directs that no liberal shall be permitted to furnish a penny's worth of anything to any governmental department.

Politics still meaner and more petty ordains that the son of any Tory with a pull can get a commission to serve his king and country while a liberal better qualified is refused a similar opportunity. Politics has filled the public offices of the country with an army of men for whom no work can be found except the labor of drawing their salaries.

BARKER'S POINT

Personal Notes of Interest-Nashwaak Point School To Re-open

Barkers Point, Aug. 25—The Rev. Dr. Rickard and wife of Valley Falls, N. Y., Mr. Harold Rickard, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dickson, Mr. Rickard's mother and step-father, left yesterday morning in Rev. Mr. Rickard's large auto for a tour of the upper part of the Province. They intend visiting friends at Woodstock, Hartland and Grand Falls returning about Saturday. Mrs. William Rickard, Sr. and her

daughter, Mrs. Arthur Wheaton and her child returned yesterday from Salisbury where they were visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sturgeon and family returned yesterday from Blackville and other places on the North Shore where they have been visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Mitton and family who have been visiting Mrs. Mitton's mother, Mrs. Frank Dickson, returned to their home at Renous by the I. R. C. express last night.

The school will reopen tomorrow morning for the fall term. Mrs. Hamilton will still be in charge of the lower grades while Miss Stickles of St. Marys will take Miss Minnie McKiel's place as principal, Miss McKiel having resigned. She has accepted a school near St. John. Quite a number of new scholars will be enrolled this term.

Mr. Manford Youmans the well known hunter and trapper is having a new dwelling erected on his premises, he has the wall finished and the frame up. The dwelling is to be two stories and when finished will add greatly to the appearance of the place.

SUBSTITUTE FOR GLASS

Celluloid bodies has been a source of danger, due to the splintering in accidents, and manufacturers have long sought an efficient substitute. Celluloid and mica, while used to a large extent in touring car tops, have not been entirely satisfactory. A new material called cello, is now being made by one of the large manufacturers of explosives. It is said to be practically unbreakable, blocks of it can be subjected to heavy blows without fracture. It can be produced in any desired thickness up to half an inch and in plates of large size. A sheet of cello may be ignited by an open flame, but the burning portion will melt and a few drops fall to the ground. It can be fastened down by nailing, or in case of the thin sheets, by sewing, or it can be glued. It can be cut and trimmed with an ordinary knife, warmed in hot water and molded to any desired shape.

WHAT HORSE-POWER MEANS

Description of Meaning Comes From Early Inventions

The use of the "horse-power" as a measure of an engine's work came naturally from the fact that the first engines were built to do work which had formerly been performed by horses. John Smeaton, who built atmospheric engines, had valued the work done by a strong horse as equal to lifting a weight of 22,000 pounds one foot high in a minute. When Bolton and Watt began to bid for public favor, they agreed to place their engines for "the value of one-third part of the coals which are saved in its use." They also increased the value of the horse-power to 33,000 foot-pounds, so that their engines were half again as powerful for their rated power as those of their competitors. In this way they established the value of the horse-power.

The following are the various values of a horse-power: 33,000 foot-pounds per minute, or 42.75 thermal units per minute.

The horse-power of a boiler depends upon its capacity for evaporation. The evaporation of 20 pounds of water from 100 degrees Fahrenheit into steam at 70 pounds gauge pressure equals 34½ pounds from and at 212 degrees Fahrenheit is equivalent to a horse-power.

The "Burmese Sherlock Holmes" Possessed of the woodcraft of the Indian, and an unerring sense of direction which amounts to almost a sixth sense, Shinebo Won, who has been called the "Burmese Sherlock Holmes," is perhaps the most remarkable detective in the world. He has followed a trail for long, relentless days through jungle and over mountain, and even swollen rivers have failed to baffle him. Once he has ridden forth on his quest he never halts till he has found his man.

So successful has Shinebo Won been in capturing criminals, that all sorts of superstitious stories have been told of him. He has simply looked a suspect in the eye and the culprit has confessed, so that those who have been fixed with his keen, searching glance vow that he can read thoughts like a book.

This Burmese Sherlock Holmes seems to bear a charmed life. Various attempts have been made to poison him, but they have always failed.

Dried Gold Discovered

A farmer in the Cape district of South Africa, whose farmhouse was burned down, found when ploughing up the spot where it had stood, a number of metal bars encrusted with sand. Upon closer examination this proved to be soft and yellow. It was then found that there were 16 bars of nearly pure gold. Their value was \$45,000. Some of the ingots represent the old South African Republic of the Kruger days.

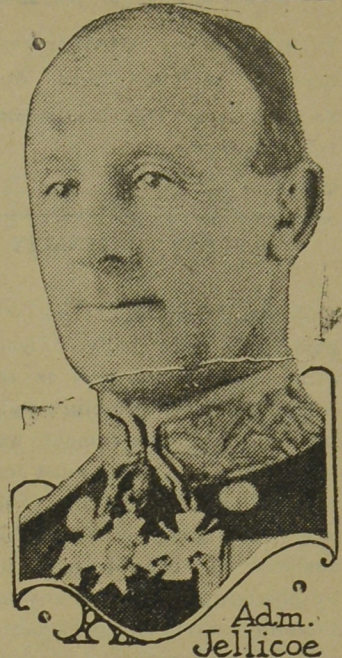
Some people at once jumped to the conclusion that this was a portion of the millions which "Oom Paul" was supposed to have removed during the war. Many years ago there was a big robbery of gold from the mines, and it is possible that this find includes a portion of the booty.

To Shaving \$10,000,000

The cost to the community of shaving was calculated some years ago by an ingenious statistician, who estimated that there were 7,000,000 shavers in the United Kingdom of three classes—those who shave themselves; those who are shaved daily by a barber; and those, like the majority of the working classes, who submit themselves to the razor only once or twice a week. Charges for shaving range from 2 cents to 25 cents; and the expenditure on shaving must reach \$10,000,000 yearly.

In the secondary schools alone in Japan more than 100,000 boys and girls are studying the English language.

In most Chinese cities the finest shops are those for the sale of optical



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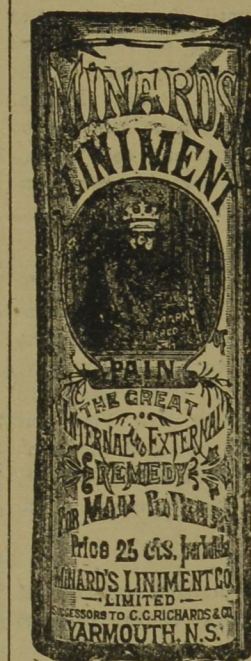
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Important Notice

A special meeting of the Retail Merchants' Association will be held in the Board of Trade rooms Tuesday evening, August 24th, at 8 o'clock. Mr. N. C. Cameron, provincial secretary will be present. It is urgently requested that every member be present as there is business of importance to be attended to.

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Who Will Enlist In the 55th Battalion?

THE PERIOD OF ENLISTMENT is for the duration of the war between Great Britain and Germany and six months after it required.

THE RATE OF PAY. For Private \$1 per day, also 10 cents field pay for seven days a week, equal to \$33 per month and found; for Corporal \$1.10 per day, also 10 cents field pay; for Sergeant \$1.35 per day, also 10 cents per day; and additional pay for special employment as cooks, etc.

A SEPARATION ALLOWANCE. \$20 per month will be paid to the wife of every soldier or to his widowed mother if he is her sole support.

ASSIGNED PAY. Every soldier whose wife or mother receives the separation allowance must assign one-half his pay which will be paid direct to his wife or mother. More than one-half may be assigned.

PENSIONS. If rendered "totally incapable," \$264 a year; if "incapable," \$192 a year; if "materially incapable," \$132 a year; if "in a small degree incapable," \$75 per year. If sergeant these amounts will be increased to \$336, \$252, \$168, \$100 respectively. To widows of privates \$22 per month and \$5 per month for each child. To widows of sergeants \$28 per month and \$5 per month for each child. Widowed mothers whose son was sole support, on same basis. For orphans the rate may be doubled.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS. 5 ft. 3 ins. tall, (without boots); 33 in. chest, good eyes, heart, and generally fit.

CONSENTS. If you are married, you must have wife's written consent; if under 21 years, must have mother's consent; if she is dead, the consent of father if living.

ORGANIZATION CENTRES have been established at the following points under the following Recruiting Officers:

ST. JOHN, Lieut.-Col. B. R. Armstrong and Capt. J. R. Miller. FREDERICTON, Major W. H. Gray. MONCTON, Capt. F. R. Sumner. SACKVILLE, Lieut. Bert-ram Smith. CHATHAM, Lieut.-Col. Howard Irving. NEWCASTLE, Lieut.-Col. Maltby and Lieut. Murray. CAMPBELLTON, Lieut. O. J. Larsen. EDMUNSTON, Lieut. A. L. Rice. WOODSTOCK, Lieut. W. H. A. Hamilton. ST. STEPHEN, Major W. H. Laughlin. SUMMERSIDE, Capt. F. A. McNutt.

Recruits will report to the nearest organization centre or to the Camp Grounds at Sussex to be examined and enrolled. Tickets from the organization centres to Sussex will be furnished by the Recruiting Officers.