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Only about twenty people, including one lady, turned out to the Patriotic Fund meeting the other night. This certainly doesn't represent the sentiment of Prince Rupert, for already it has been shown on two occasions that the people are ready and willing to support a cause of this kind very generously.

In the southern part of the province liberal use is made of the local press for advertising the call for funds. It is a tacit acknowledgement of the value of advertising through the press. Any cause to succeed must be advertised and there is no medium for that like the papers.

One of the striking things about the Canadian Patriotic Fund is that it will apply to the dependents of Russian, Belgian

and French soldiers who have been living in Canada before the call to arms and whose dependents are still here. This is as it should be, for they are all fighting in a common cause and deserve the assistance as well as the thanks of Canada.

The recent activities in the North Sea show the continual danger to which the ships of both parties are at all times exposed. Indeed, it must be nerve-wrecking to be in the suspense of imminent danger and not able to strike a decisive blow. It would appear, too, that the Germans have the advantage in attacking, since they know the exact location of their mines while any attack of the British has this additional monster to fear.

It would appear also that this is the set plan of the German navy, to sit tight behind their forts and mines and tackle the British by submarines. Of course, this is the only policy at their disposal. On the other hand, it can be safely assumed that Admiral Jellicoe is right on the job and that he keeps the main body of his fleet beyond the danger zone. The ships recently sunk were practically obsolete and this would incline one to think that only that class are allowed to come within the reach of the submarines. Away to the rear they keep the "Iron Walls" of Britain that will only be called into action when the whole German fleet comes out.

PASSING EVENTS

Winnipeg will not buy any more German goods, was the resolution of their Board of Control.

Premier Borden gives warning that he will punish for extortion. In war's necessities promptness is essential.

Capt. P. Mockler, of Colchester County, Nova Scotia, has given \$10,000 to St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish.

William Matthews, while motoring last week near Petawawa, Ont., was held up by two Austrians. Matthews shot twice, wounding one assailant and making his escape.

The province of New Brunswick has offered 100,000 bushels of potatoes for the use of the army at the front. The offer has been gratefully accepted by the Imperial authorities.

W. Boyle, millionaire mining man, of Dawson City, formerly of Woodstock, Ont., has offered to contribute four machine guns to the Canadian overseas contingent for use abroad.

Col. S. B. Steele, now at Valcartier, is mentioned as possible commander of the Overseas Contingent. His fame as leader of the Strathcona Horse in South Africa is still fresh in Canadian memory.

Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor, thinks that a great period of prosperity for Canada will result from the European war. Mr. Crothers claims to have based this opinion on a searching inquiry into the industrial situation and the general outlook in the Dominion.

The Government announces that Lady Strathcona has given \$50,000 towards the maintenance of the cavalry regiment founded by her father. The Strathcona Horse are to be maintained and sent to the front with the overseas expeditionary force as a regimental unit.

The women of Nova Scotia were asked to raise \$5,000 as their share of the Canadian Women's Hospital Ship Fund. The campaign closed with \$15,170.26, more than three times the amount

asked. The campaign was led by Mrs. J. D. MacGregor, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor.

The "Colonial Arms," the well known summer hotel near Deep Brook, Annapolis County, has been completely destroyed by fire. The thirty guests had barely time to escape in their night clothes, and they lost practically all their belongings, including much valuable jewelry.

At a recent meeting of the Civil Service Association of Canada it was unanimously decided that each civil servant should contribute one day's pay to the National Patriotic Fund. This will amount to about \$20,000. A proposal that a regiment be recruited from among civil servants was rejected.

Contributions are announced of 100 cases of yeast from the Gillett East Company, of Toronto, for the use of the naval department; \$10,000 from the Rosamond Woolen Company, of Almonte, and \$10,000 from the Acadia Sugar Refinery Company, of Halifax, to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Canada's trade commissioner at Birmingham, J. E. Ray, reports that there will be a record demand for Canadian foodstuffs during the war. British importers, he says, are looking to Canada for cereals, flour, cheese, hams, bacon, canned meats and lumber, to replace European sources of supply cut off by the war.

The war session of the Newfoundland Legislature was prorogued after sitting five nights. Twelve bills were passed, ten for war purposes, one for creating a commission to investigate last spring's sealing fishing disasters and another to require all sealing steamers to carry wireless telegraphy outfits henceforth.

Every possible precaution will be taken to keep the date of the departure of the Canadian expeditionary force as a secret. When the troops will leave the mobilization camp is not known officially, and when it is known nothing will be said. The Canadian force will be conveyed across the Atlantic in the same manner as were the British soldiers to France.

BRITISH INVESTORS LOOKING TO CANADA

London, Sept. 24.—Mr. A. Reid, agent-general for Alberta, makes the following gratifying statement: "I don't know how to explain it, but I have had more inquiries from British investors during the past ten days than in the previous ten months, inquiries, not for real estate, but for solid investments in Alberta. It may be a reaction from depression, or possibly the war itself is making Englishmen look to Canada for safe investments."

It is also becoming steadily recognized here that war orders and the stopping of European supplies to competitive markets must give an increasing impetus to Canadian industries, especially cotton, woolen, iron and steel.

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Valcartier, Que., Sept. 24.—At a meeting here at which Premier R. L. Borden, Hon. G. E. Foster, Hon. Robert Rogers and Col. Sam Hughes and others were present, it was decided that every man at Valcartier who is medically fit should go with the Canadian forces as soon as a convoy is ready.

This means that nearly 30,000 men, including the Princess Patricia's and the two horse regiments, will leave for the front. Premier Borden, in saying "good-bye," made this important announcement.

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