

THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR IN CANADA'S LARGEST CHURCH. — A marvellous night picture of the High Altar in the Church of Notre Dame, Montreal, before which 15,000 people knelt in lowly reverence at the passing of the Old Year. When this Altar is ablaze with light, as it is during the late hours of New Year's Eve and the early hours of New Year's Day, it is a wonderful sight. The passing of each Old Year is marked at Notre Dame by a Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the birth of each New Year by a celebration of the Holy Communion. The passing of each year is announced by "Le Gros Bourdon."

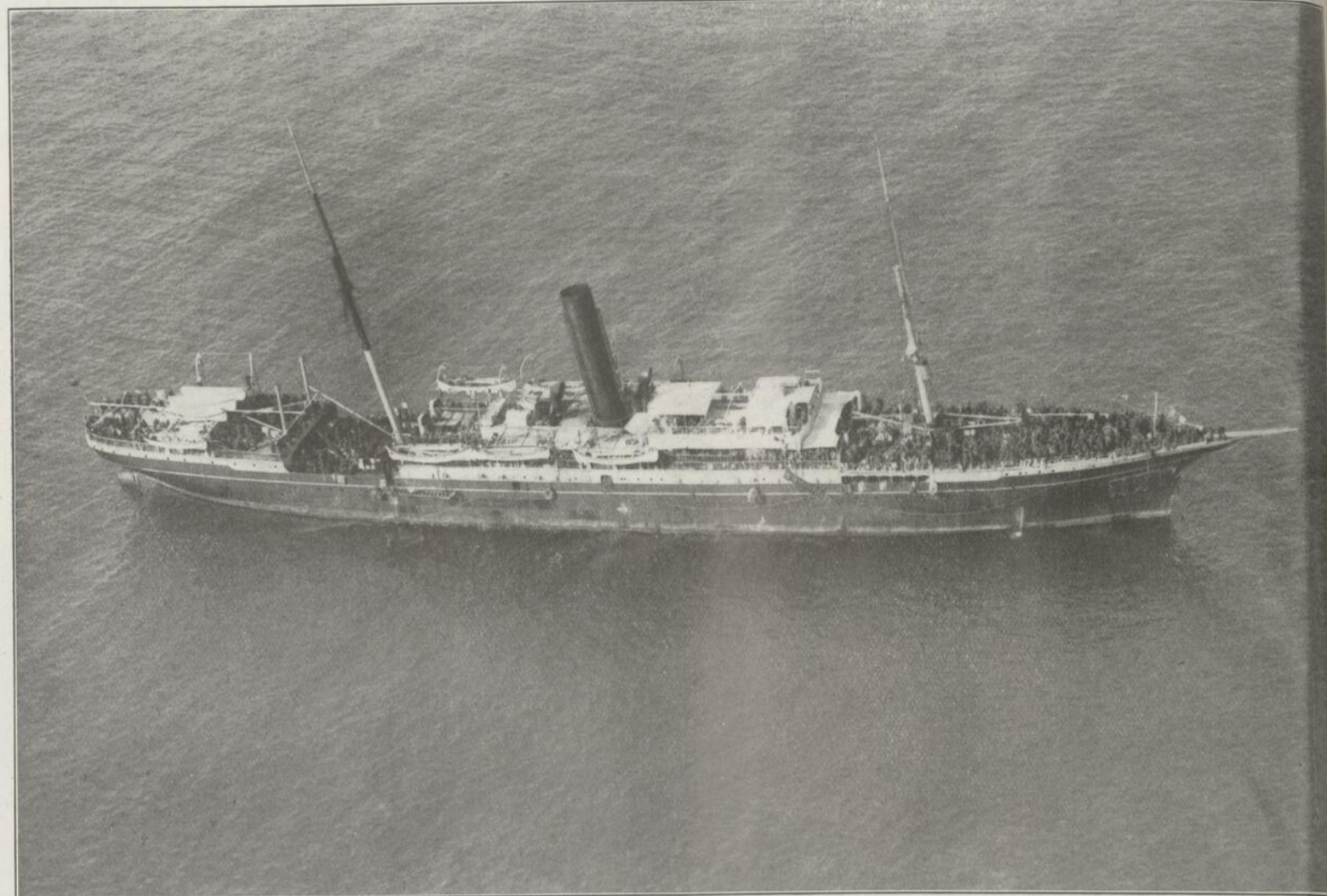
LA FIN DE L'ANNEE DANS LA PLUS GRANDE EGLISE DU CANADA.—Belle scène de nuit au Maître Autel de l'église Notre Dame devant lequel 15,000 chrétiens se prosternent dévotement au chevet de la vieille année, alors que cet autel est embrosé de lumière, à l'occasion des dernières heures de l'année et des premières heures du nouvel an. C'est un spectacle magnifique. Le feu de chaque année est marqué par la bénédiction du Très Saint Sacrement et la naissance du nouvel an par la célébration de la Sainte Messe. La fin de chaque année est annoncée par le Gros Bourdon, la plus grosse cloche sur le continent américain.

Year That Has Passed Away Will Go Down in History as the Most Tragic and Sanguinary the World Has Ever Seen



CHRISTMAS-TIDE ON THE WESTERN WAR FRONT.—A 75 gun in action in Alsace. This type of gun has proved the most effective of all French guns in pulverizing the German trenches.

LA FETE DE NOEL SUR LE FRONT OCCIDENTAL.—Un canon de 75 en action en Alsace. Ce type de canon s'est révélé le plus effectif de tous les canons français pour pulvériser les tranchées allemandes.



PHOTOGRAPHED FROM THE CLOUDS.—A troopship laden with Allied troops as seen from an aeroplane at a height of 1,000 feet

PHOTOGRAPHIE PRISE DES NUAGES.—Un transport chargé de troupes alliées, tel que vu d'un avion à 1000 pieds d'altitude.

cer holding efficiency as the first requisite of his command. He was officer in command of No. 1 Platoon of No. 1 Company, under Major Elmer Jones, also of Brockville. (Lt.-Col. W. St. Pierre Hughes, O.C., 21st Batt.)

In a recent letter home Lieut. Wilgress paid this tribute to the soldiers he esteemed so highly: "Well I am certainly in love with our Canadian boys. They are men and Christians in the finest sense of the word. Perhaps one gets as good an idea of a man's character from censoring his letters as from anything else, and I have seen the



PTE. HARRY SHIELDS, of Montreal, one of the survivors of the Anglia, the hospital ship that recently foundered in the English Channel as the result of coming in contact with a floating mine.

most delicately written and affectionate letters from big rough, hard-hitting lads that the casual observer would put down as "rough-necks" without a particle of sentiment in them. I can't say too much in praise of the Canadian troops. When they return to Canada they will be the greatest uplifting force the land has ever known. The next generation should be a generation of MEN."

In his last letter to his mother, Lieut. Wilgress said: "Thank God I am here — I would not be anywhere else for anything in the world."

Lieut. Wilgress was the youngest officer in the 21st Battalion and the first officer of that Battalion to fall in the service of his country.



LEADER IN A DANGEROUS WORK.—Lieut. Leonard Dobbin, of the 23rd Westmount Rifles, now in command of the Bomb Throwers' Company of the 14th Battalion "somewhere in France." The work of a bomb-thrower is especially dangerous as he has to leave the shelter of his trench, run out into the open, throw his bombs into the enemy trenches and then fall flat on the ground to escape being shot by snipers. He generally is obliged to crawl back to his own trench.

CHEF D'UN TRAVAIL PERILLEUX.—Le lieutenant Leonard Dobbin du 23ème corps de carabiniers de Westmount, qui commande actuellement la compagnie des lanceurs de bombes du 14ème bataillon "quelque part en France. Le travail d'un lanceur de bombes est particulièrement dangereux; il lui faut sortir de l'abri de sa tranchée, courir à l'extérieur exposé à la vue, lancer sa bombe dans les tranchées ennemies, puis s'étendre ventre à terre pour échapper aux projectiles des patrouilles.

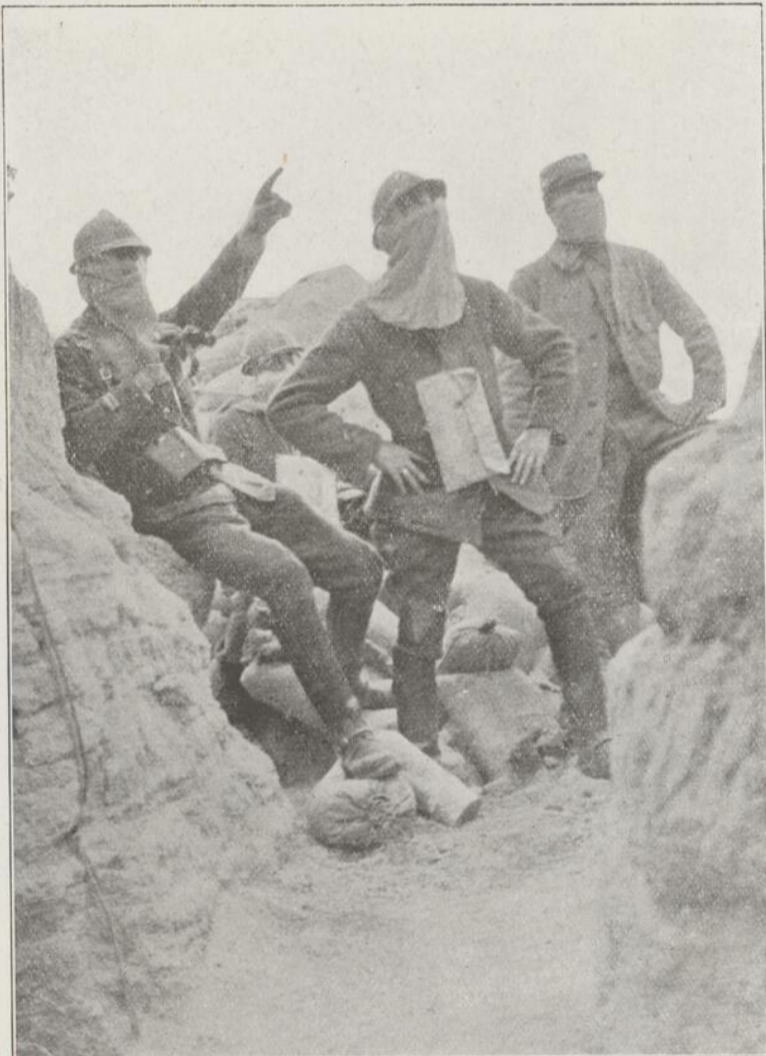
DIED FOR KING AND COUNTRY

LIEUT. GEORGE K. K. Wilgress, of Brockville, Ont., who was recently killed by the bursting of a shell "somewhere in France," was born in January 1895 at Clarksburg, near Collingwood, Ontario, and came to Brockville with his parents in his first year and spent practically his whole life there. He was educated at St. Alban's School, Brockville, and passed into the Royal Mil-



FELL ON THE FIELD OF HONOR.—Lieut. George K. K. Wilgress, a popular Brockville officer who was killed in action recently in France.

TOMBE AU CHAMP D'HONNEUR.—Le lieutenant George K. K. Wilgress, un populaire officier de Brockville qui fut récemment tué à l'action en France.



"IT'S COMING."—French officers watching the arrival of a gas cloud from the German trenches.

"IL S'EN VIENT."—Officiers français observant l'arrivée d'un nuage de gaz venant des tranchées allemandes.

tary College, Kingston, 1913, standing seventh in his class. While a student at St. Alban's he took an active part in athletics, running, tennis, etc., and was Captain of the football team in 1912 and 1913, leading his team to victory in 1913 cleaning up all the other teams and winning the Inter-School Championship.

After graduating from St. Alban's he took part in survey work in Western Canada and

while on a government survey in Alberta in 1914, after war had been declared he terminated his connection with the party as quickly as possible and came home to enlist for overseas service. He qualified as lieutenant and was attached to the 21st Battalion at Kingston. He trained at Kingston all winter and went to England with the Battalion in May, 1915. He entered the war zone in September, 1915. Lieut. Wilgress was idolized

by the men of his company, most of whom were Brockville boys, and letters from the front have contained many kind references to his great personal popularity. He was always thoughtful for the care and comfort of his men, kindly considerate of their shortcomings but withal a good offi-



RECENTLY WOUNDED AT THE FRONT.—Corporal H. G. Lomas, of the Grenadier Guards, and an employee of the Bell Telephone Company, who was recently invalided home after being in the trenches since Feb. 21 last. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lomas, 1058 St. Hubert street.

BLESSE RECEMMENT AU FRONT.—Le Caporal H. G. Lomas, des Grenadier Guards, ci-devant à l'emploi de la Compagnie de téléphone Bell, qui a été invalidé dernièrement, après avoir été dans les tranchées depuis le 21 février dernier. Il est le fils unique de M. et Mme. James Lomas, 1058 rue St-Hubert.



FEEDING AN ARMY IN THE FIELD.—French stores of corn and hay at Salonika en route to the theatre of war in Serbia.

APPROVISIONNANT UNE ARMEE POUR LE THEATRE DE LA GUERRE.—Entrepôts français de blé d'inde et foin à Salonique en route pour la Serbie.



THE MEN BEHIND THE OVENS AT THE DARDANELLES.—The Victorian section of the Australian bakery in rear of the British lines at the Dardanelles. These men have been called "The backbone of the Army."

EN ARRIERE DES FOURS AUX DARDANELLES.—La section Victoria des boulangers australiens en arrière des lignes anglaises aux Dardanelles. Ces hommes ont été appelés "l'épine dorsale" de l'armée.

Advent of 1916 Finds the Allies Pressing Forward to Ultimate Victory With Armies That Are Daily Growing Larger



A TROPHY OF WAR FOR THE TZAR'S TROOPS.—Russian soldiers inspecting a German aeroplane captured by their airmen after a desperate struggle. This illustration shows several types of Russian soldiers. The men in the sheepskin caps and tight-waisted coats are the famous Caucasian Cossacks.

UN TROPHÉE DE GUERRE POUR LES TROUPES DU TSAR.— Les soldats russes inspectant un avion allemand capturé par leurs aviateurs après une lutte désespérée. Cette illustration montre plusieurs types de soldats russes. Les hommes coiffés de casques en peau de mouton et vêtus de paletots juste-au-corps sont les célèbres Cosaques du Caucase.



WHAT A MODERN BATTLEFIELD LOOKS LIKE.—A French first line trench near the Aisne showing the gabions and the barbed wire entanglements. —Photo Service of the French Armies.

L'APPARENCE QUE PRESENTE UN CHAMP DE BATAILLE MODERNE.—Une tranchée française de première ligne près de l'Aisne montrant les gabions et les réseaux de fils de fer barbelés.

HOW THE ANGLIA SANK IN CHANNEL.

(For illustration See Page 2.)

THE sinking of the hospital ship Anglia on which Major Georges Janin of Montreal, lost his life, is graphically described in a letter written by Pte. Harry Shields, of Montreal, to Pte. William Galley, of the Canadian Army Service Corps. Shields' home is Montreal. He was invalided to England on the Anglia and wrote this letter from the 5th Northern General Hospital. He said in part:

"There was a slight mist overhanging the sea when the Cliffs of Dover hove in sight and the anticipation of being 'back to



OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO AN ARMY IN THE FIELD.—Telegraphists of the French Army at work in a dug-out "somewhere in France."

DE VITALE IMPORTANCE POUR UNE ARMÉE EN CAMPAGNE.—Télégraphiste de l'armée française à l'oeuvre dans un "dug-out" quelque part en France.

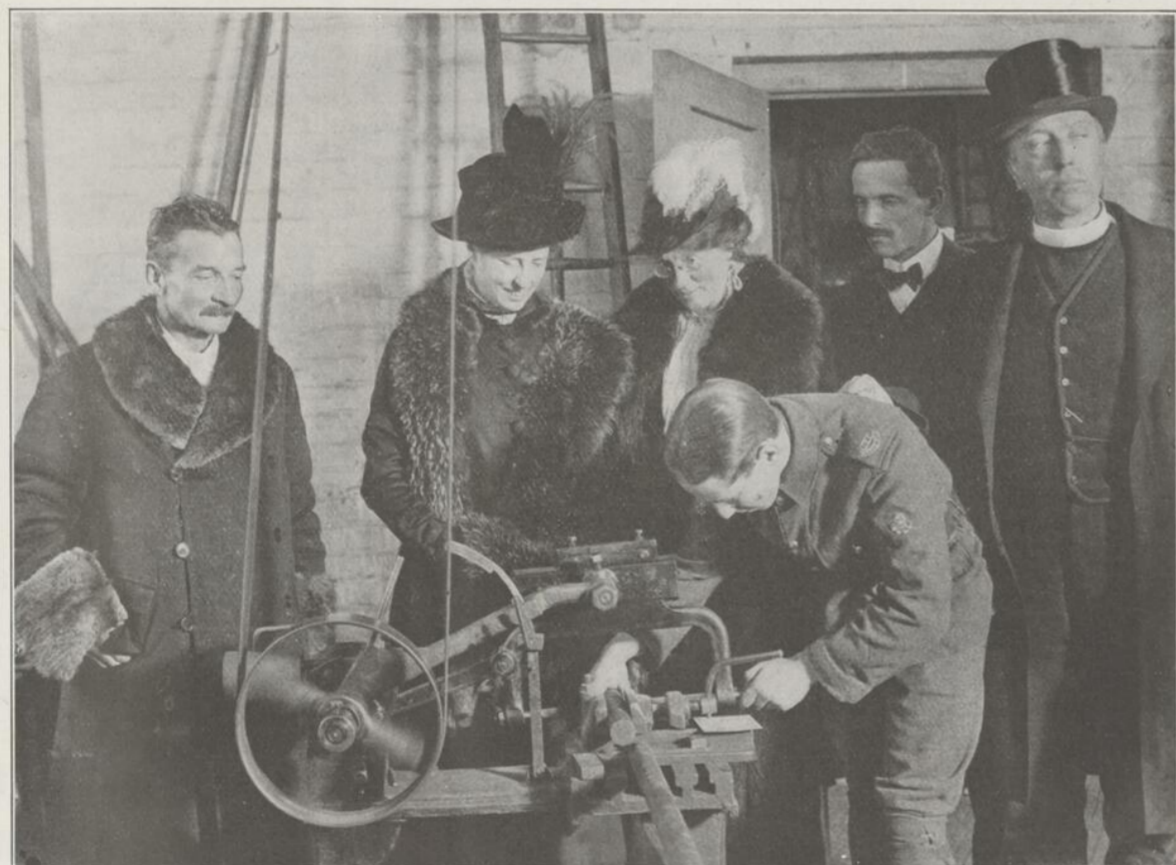


DIED FOR KING AND COUNTRY.—Sergt. Robert Key, of Montreal, who was killed in action in France.

MORT POUR LE ROI ET LA PATRIE.—Le sergent Robert Key, de Montréal, qui a été tué à l'action en France.

Blighty' was clearly written on the faces of those around me.

"I was on the back part of the boat, talking to some fellows when a sudden jar suggested that we had struck a rock; a moment after the vessel shook with an explosion. There was a rush at once for the boats but in the excitement no one seemed able to lower them, so there was then a scramble for belts. So far as I remember there was one boat lowered but there may have been more, however, I don't think so. I threw off my coat and gave a hand to get some of the stretcher cases on



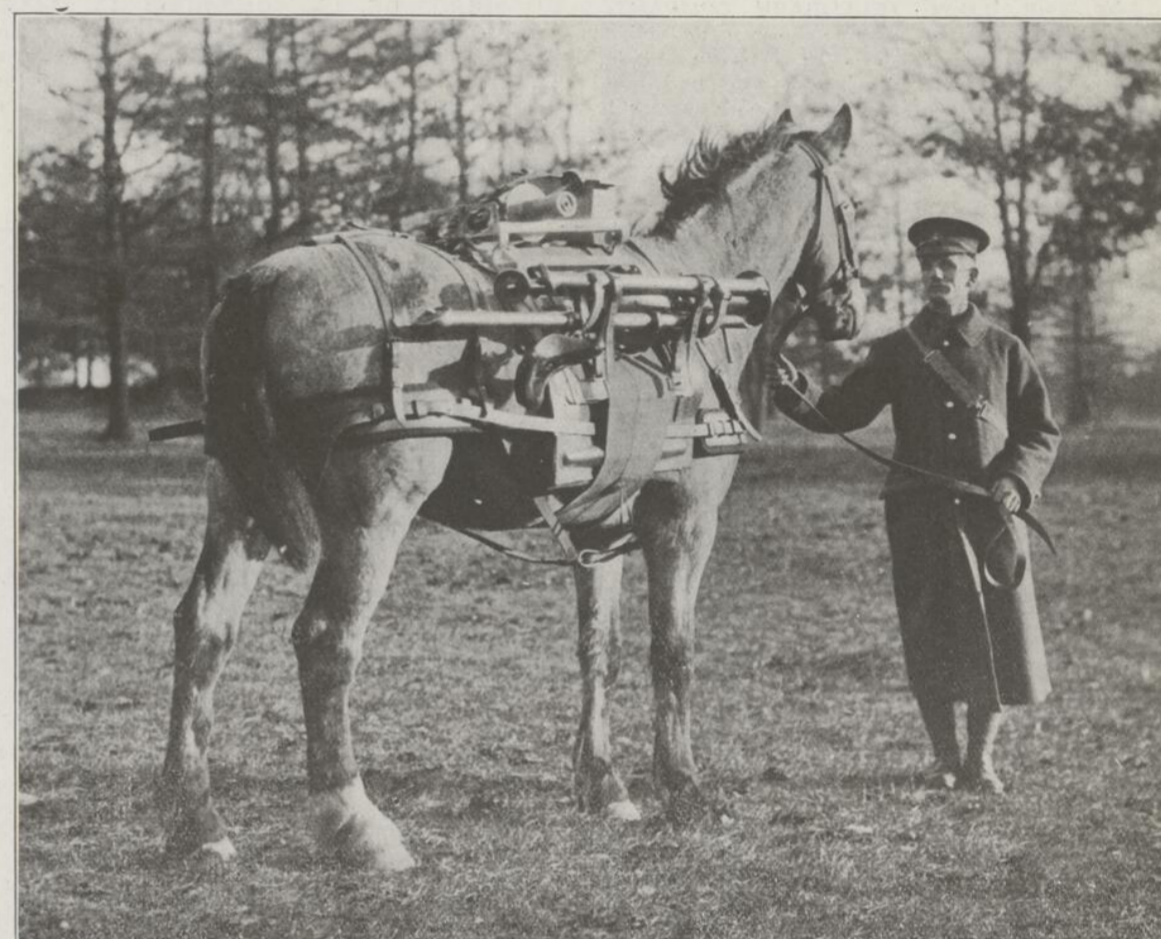
COLLEGE BOYS AS MUNITION MAKERS.—The Countess of Stanford watching a student of Bradfield College, Bucks, working a steel cutting machine.

COLLEGIENS FABRIQUANT DES MUNITIONS.—La comtesse de Stanford observant un étudiant du collège de Bradfield, Bucks, travaillant à une machine coupant l'acier.

deck where we put life belts on them and placed them near rafts. "By this time the bow was well down in the water and the propellers slashed high in the air. I made a last run below to get some belts and succeeded in obtaining three, I gave two away and while tying one on a wounded companion, my own preserver was pinched from where I left it; at my feet. I went back to get another but the water was now in the stairway. Really I don't believe I was in my own mind, my senses seemed to have become dazed.

"On gaining the deck, I removed my clothes, all except trousers and shirt; whether I jumped, slipped, or was pushed I cannot say but I distinctly felt myself being sucked down. After what seemed ages I came to the surface and clutched something and held on for dear life. There were dead and injured around me.

"It was just at this point that the ship went down; she sank in about two minutes after she struck. After being about five minutes in the water I was picked up by a destroyer. When taken out of the water I was stiff and numb with exposure and could not bend my arms or legs.



TRAINING CANADIANS FOR THE FRONT.—A machine gun mounted in knock down form on a horse, part of the equipment of the 75th Battery.

CANADIENS S'ENTRAINANT POUR LE FRONT.—Mitrailleuse, démontée, sur un cheval. Elle fait partie de l'équipement de la 57ème batterie.



TRAINING CANADIANS FOR THE FRONT.—An officer from the firing line in France showing Canadian Overseas troops how to make themselves invisible to the enemy.

CANADIENS S'ENTRAINANT POUR LE FRONT.—Un officier venant de la ligne de feu en France montre aux troupes canadiennes d'outre-mer comment se soustraire à la vue de l'ennemi.

DIED FOR KING AND COUNTRY.

Sergeant Robert Key, one of the men who gave his life for the Empire, was a young Englishman, who came to this country about five years ago. After he arrived here he went to work on a farm, but, being ambitious, he put himself through a Business College and a little later secured a position with Mr. G. C. White, Manager of the American Lloyds. About two years ago he joined the Staff of Dale & Company, Limited, and made good. He was with them up to the time he enlisted. His death was keenly felt by his employers and fellow employees. He was a member of the 13th Battalion Royal Highlanders, and lost his life "somewhere in France." He was awarded the Czar's Medal, 2nd Class. Sergt. Key was a young man of great promise and had a large circle of acquaintances. His death was a great shock to his many friends.

I cannot portray in writing the horror of those moments and the sights I saw. It was hell to hear the shouts of those poor fellows, who could not make a fight for it."



A ROYAL INSPECTION OF CANADIAN TROOPS.—Her Majesty the Queen watching the march-past of a Canadian Overseas Regiment en route to the firing line.

UNE REVUE ROYALE DES TROUPES CANADIENNES.—Sa Majesté la reine observant le défilé d'un régiment canadien d'outre-mer en route pour la ligne de feu.



HONORING A FRENCH HEROINE.—At Versailles recently Mlle. Moreau was given the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry. During the attack on Loos in September Mlle. Moreau marched in front of the French troops to lead them and killed several Germans with hand grenades.

HONORANT UNE HEROINE FRANÇAISE.—A Versailles récemment, Mlle Moreau a été décorée de la Croix Militaire pour un acte de bravoure remarquable. Durant l'attaque de Loos en septembre Mlle Moreau s'avance au front des troupes françaises pour les conduire sur l'ennemi. Elle tua plusieurs allemands avec des grenades à main.



MODERN TELEGRAPH EQUIPMENT. THE INTERIOR OF THE PRINTER DEPARTMENT OF THE G.N.W. TELEGRAPH COMPANY, MONTREAL.—The machine shown in the above picture transmits telegrams at a very high speed between Montreal and principal Canadian and United States points. The messages come out on the distant end automatically typed on a telegraph blank ready for delivery.

EQUIPEMENT TELEGRAPHIQUE MODERNE. INTERIEUR DU DEPARTEMENT D'IMPRIMERIE DE LA COMPAGNIE DE TELEGRAPHIE G.N.W., Montreal.—La machine montrée dans cette illustration transmet des dépêches avec une très grande vitesse entre Montréal et les principaux points du Canada et des Etats-Unis. Les messages sortent automatiquement imprimés sur une formule de télégramme prête à être livrée.



DIED FOR KING AND COUNTRY.—Capt. A. R. Darche of the 64th Regiment "Chateauguay and Beauharnois," who went to the front with the 4th Overseas Battalion and died from wounds received at the Battle of Festubert.

MORT POUR LE ROI ET LA PATRIE.—Le capitaine A. R. DARCHÉ DU 64ème Régiment "Chateauguay et Beauharnois," qui est parti pour le front avec le 4ème bataillon d'outre-mer et a succombé aux blessures reçues à la bataille de Festubert.



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A STUDY IN CONTRASTS.—A broken-down automobile being taken in tow by a yoke of oxen such as the early Canadian settlers used.



FELL ON THE FIELD OF HONOR.—A trench-picture of the late Capt. C. H. Crowdy, of the 13th Battalion, Montreal, who was killed by the explosion of a shell "somewhere in France."
TOMBA SUR LE CHAMP D'HONNEUR.—Une photographie, de tranchées du défunt capitaine C. H. Crowdy du 13ème Bataillon, Montréal, qui fut tué par l'explosion d'un obus "quelque part en France."

ON CANADA'S ROLL OF HONOR.

The late Captain A. R. Darche, formerly with the R. G. Dunn Company Mercantile Agency, was a captain in the 64th Regiment, "Chateauguay and Beauharnois," and went with the first Contingent. He was in charge of the Record Office at Lark Hill, also Pay Master in London. He joined the 4th Battalion the 6th of April last and took part in the battle of Ypres. The battalion was reorganized and he was wounded on May 27th at the battle of Festubert. He was then removed to the clearing Hospital at Lillers, France, where it was found necessary to remove his leg, but blood poisoning had set in and he afterwards died. He was buried in the cemetery of Lillers, France. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss Athale Lafond, daughter of the late Adolphe Lafond, and three children. Captain Darche was the



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