

# THE RECRUITER.

*When the present finds us doing our duty the past has no regrets and the future holds out a welcoming hand.*

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No. 2

## Big Recruiting Campaign

Huge Recruiting Meetings will be held in this county next week, as follows :

Westville, Monday, Nov. 22nd, Orange Hall, 8. p. m.

River John, Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 23rd, 1 p. m.

Pictou, Tuesday evening, Nov. 23rd.

New Glasgow, Wednesday, Nov. 24th.

Trenton, Thursday, Nov. 25th.

Stellarton, Friday, Nov. 26th.

Hopewell, Saturday, Nov. 27th.

The 85th Brass Band, formerly the 78th Band, will play at every meeting, and among the special speaker of military note, whose names we have already secured, will be Col. Allen and Capt. Lix, of the 106th; Col. Borden Major Day and Lieut. Madden, of the 85th; and Capt. Harrison, Capt. Parker and Lieut. Clarke, of the 64th.

## Men Wanted for Overseas

As we go to press we are recruiting for the following:

106th Nova Scotia Rifles

Tunnelling Corps

Pioneer Regiment

Royal Flying Corps

Transport Corps

and the following Overseas Drafts: Royal Canadian Regiment, Composite Battalion, 63rd Regiment, 66th Regiment.

## Billeting of Men Here

Capt. Tupper has received the following telegram:

"Another new Oversea Battalion is authorized, the 112th, to be recruited by Hon. Col. H. B. Tremaine, recruiting to begin at once. Recruits to remain where recruited until further notice.

The 106th (that is the Nova Scotia Rifles) commanded by Capt. Allen, of Truro, is to be recruited in Pictou, Colchester, Cumberland, Antigonish and Guysboro Counties, and the island of Cape Breton. The 112th in Hants, Kings, Annapolis, Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne, Lunenburg, Queens and Halifax Counties.

Ascertain and report whether municipal authorities desire billeting, and whether they offer inducements in the way of free accommodation or otherwise, also, if not already done, report as to facilities for training and in other respects."

(Sgd.) Chief Recruiting Officer.

Capt. Tupper is not able to personally interview the mayors of all towns and people in different localities because of too much work, but gives this message to them in this way and will gladly forward their requests and do all he can to further the interests of Pictou County. Write him at Westville.

Captain Tupper can place several men on Home Defence if they will communicate with him at once.

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Westville, N. S.

Once an Irishman said to his spiritual adviser, "Father, do you know I am the best Catholic in this town?" "Well," replied the priest, "You have such a remarkable way of concealing it that I am sure nobody is aware of the fact but yourself."

There are people who hitherto succeeded to a wonderful extent in hiding their zeal for righteousness and their joy in keeping the commandments who now are troubled about many things because Christian leaders appeal for recruits. Their question is, "Why are these men preaching war?" Men who appeal for recruits are not preaching war. We have war without either the asking or the desire to have it. They are preaching the only means by which peace can possibly be secured. Only a foolish man would sit idly in his pathway and allow himself to be run over by an angry bull. One who, under such circumstances, would quietly say, "peace, peace" without making an effort to curtail the actions of the beast, would, with good reason, be considered a raving maniac. Is it not infinitely more foolish to make no attempt to prevent our nation from being "run over" by Germany?

If attacked by a pack of wolves, and a man saw his wife and children

being torn to pieces before his eyes, that would be no time for him to deliver a lecture on being kind to dumb animals. His first duty would be plain to be seen before him. Can we not see ours, when a nation of monsters continue to perpetuate the most horrible atrocities ever known in history?

**The Band is Coming**

There is a treat in store for the people of Pictou County, and unless we make a mistake, they are going to enjoy it to the fullest extent. It is a treat that some of us have had before, and shall look forward to it all the more on that account. It is a treat that we may never have again, and all of us should make the most of it for that reason.

Anyone who knows the people of this County knows also that they are among the most hospitable people in the world. The hand of friendship is not hidden in their pockets. Their doors are not closed when an old friend comes to visit them. They are a people of deep feeling, of sincere affection, and in the matter of patriotism they stand second to none in the Province, or, for that matter, in the Dominion. And now they are to be given an opportunity of expressing these characteristics. Some of the finest men who ever left this County for any reason—and the men of whom we are thinking left for the best of reasons—are about to pay a visit to their native towns, and if they do not receive a most enthusiastic "welcome home again", it will surprise us.

After a great deal of labor, and at considerable expense to individuals as well as the Government, the services of the magnificent 85th Battalion Brass Band have been secured for meetings to be held in the County

**Important to Nova Scotians Who Enlist for Overseas Service**

When a man is thinking of enlisting there are five questions that he wants answered. They are:

1. How long am I to serve? Until the end of the war, and six months after, if required.
2. What pay shall I receive? Your pay as a private shall be \$1.00 per day and ten cents field allowance. Besides this you will be clothed, equipped and subsisted by the government.
3. What shall my wife receive during my absence? Every month there will be paid her a separation allowance of \$20 (also a part of your pay), and if this is not enough to comfortably maintain your family the Canadian Patriotic Fund will further assist them.
4. What will happen if I am wounded or sick? You will be cared for by the government and your pay continued until you are discharged. If you are permanently disabled, an allowance will be paid you, varying according to the extent of the injury or disability.
5. What will be done for my wife and children if I die while on active service? The government will provide an adequate pension, that will enable the family to live comfortably until the children are old enough to look after themselves. The widowed mother of a single man, if son be her sole support, is treated in the same way as a wife.

If you wish further information ask the secretary of the branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in your town.

**Pay and Pensions, Etc. of Privates**

Pay including field allowance, \$1.10 per day—\$33.00 per month.

Separation allowance to wives of married men—\$20.00 per month.

Total—\$53.00 per month.

Additional allowance from Patriotic Fund if required, of \$10.00 per month for wife, with from \$3.00 to \$7.50 per month additional for children.

There are many opportunities for promotion and consequent higher pay.

In case of disablement, pension according to class:

First class pension, \$22 per month. For wife, under any class, \$11 per month.

Total, \$33.00 per month.

Each child, in addition, \$5.00 per month.

Allowance from disablement fund if required.

In case of death, from injuries or illness, contracted during military service, pension to widows and children:

Widow, \$25.00 per month.

Each child, \$5.00 per month.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Age—18 to 45 years, married or single.

Height (except artillery) 5 feet 2 inches in stockings.

Artillery—5 feet 4 inches in stockings.

Chest Measurement (normal and bare)—18 to 30 years, 33 inches. 30 to 45 years, 34 inches.

Teeth—Men who have defective teeth are not rejected on that account.

Dental surgeons in camp attend to any defect in the teeth of recruits, supplying plates where necessary

Otherwise physically sound.

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### Where to Enlist

The itinerary of the Recruiting Officers, Volunteer Deputy Recruiting Officers, and Volunteer Deputy Recruiting Agents in Pictou County, from Wednesday, Nov. 17th, to Saturday, Nov. 27th, inclusive, as follows:—

Westville—Captain Tupper will be home every day till one p. m. (except November 23rd) and all day Saturday and Sunday (except the afternoon and evening of Saturday, Nov. 27th). Mrs. Tupper will attend to all interested when he is out.

Pictou—Major Hamilton at office every week day. Captain Tupper and Major Hamilton at Recruiting Meeting evening of November 23rd.

Trenton—Rev. W. W. Clarkson, Deputy Recruiting Officer, at home every morning. Captain Tupper and Mr. Clarkson at Recruiting Meeting evening of November 25th, and at Town Hall from three to five p. m. on November 26th.

River John—Rev. A. W. L. Smith, Volunteer Deputy Recruiting Agent, at home. Captain J. F. Tupper on November 23rd at Recruiting Meeting from 1.30 to 3.30 p. m.

Stellarton—Captain J. F. Tupper at Town Hall from 4 to 5 p. m., November 19th; from 4 to 5 p. m. November 17th; at Recruiting Meeting November 26th and at the Town Hall from 3 to 4 p. m. on November 27th.

Hopewell—Captain J. F. Tupper at evening Recruiting Meeting on November 27th.

New Glasgow—J. A. Lawrence, Volunteer Deputy Recruiting Agent, at the Videll Cafe every afternoon and evening. Rev. W. W. Clarkson, Deputy Recruiting Officer, at Videll Cafe from 7 to 8.30 p. m. November 17th. Captain J. F. Tupper at Videll Cafe from 6 to 8 p. November 19th; from

3 to 5 p. m. November 25th, and at the Recruiting Meeting the evening of November 24th.

In addition, Captain Tupper will make special appointments as need arises.

If it is not convenient for you to be at one of the above places at the time set, and there is a doctor near you who has been appointed to examine recruits, (there is a list given elsewhere in this paper) go to the doctor and get examined first. If you are physically fit he will tell you what to do.

Should you live in a place where there is no doctor who has been thus appointed, write to Captain J. F. Tupper, Westville, N. S., and he will attend to your case with the least possible delay.

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### Subscribers Wanted

The purpose of this paper is to keep all the people of Pictou County in touch with information that will assist the recruiting campaign. It is desirable that this paper should visit every home in the county weekly. The publisher has been informed by the Post Office Department that they can only grant newspaper rates on papers sent to regular subscribers who have ordered the paper. This makes it very important that all who can should subscribe at once, in order to carry out the idea that prompted having this paper published. The subscription price has been placed at the small sum of twenty-five cents for six months, which, of course, will not meet the expenses of printing, but will enable the publisher to comply with the postal regulations. Kindly send 25 cents by return mail to Captain J. F. Tupper, Westville, N. S., and say you wish him to send THE RECRUITER.

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### Tunnelling Company

No. 1 Tunnelling Company is authorized to recruit in Nova Scotia. This is a company of three hundred men which has been authorized by the Militia Department at the express request of the War Office, in England. The Company will be largely comprised of men who have had experience in mining in soft soil, the object of the Company, of course, being to engage in tunnelling for Military operations at the Front. The Company will be commanded by Major R. P. Rogers, Civil Engineer, of Cobalt Ont. They will be mobilized at Pembroke, Ont., and the enlistment of 150 men for this Company, in Nova Scotia has been authorized. The mobilization at Pembroke will only be temporary, as it is expected that the Company will leave for Overseas very soon after mobilization is completed.

The officers of the Company, in addition to Major Rogers, will consist of eight lieutenants, and of these four will probably be taken from Nova Scotia. At present two have been appointed, Lieutenant R. R. Murray, Canadian Engineers, who comes from Springhill, Cumberland County, and Lieutenant Moriey, who comes from Cape Breton. Qualifications, pay and allowances in this Company are the same as in other units of the C. E. F.

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### Canvassers Wanted

Patriotic people in all sections of the county are respectively asked to secure subscribers for THE RECRUITER. We are not issuing it to make money, but to give information that will help recruiting. Please assist us in this work by securing all the subscribers you can in your locality. Every cent taken in will be spent on this paper.

from Nov. 22nd to 27th inclusive, at places advertised elsewhere. These meetings are Recruiting Meetings, and the people who attend them will have the treat of hearing again—it may be for the last time—the Band of which Pictou County is so justly proud.

You may be sure that on such an occasion as this we, of this County, will live up to our reputation. These noble men of talent, who have offered themselves to the service of King and Country—this country as much as any other—are going to be given one of the most united and heartfelt welcomes ever heard of. Huge crowds will turn out to greet them at every place they visit, not simply to enjoy the music, but also to express admiration of their heroic sacrifice, and it is hoped that many who are able will follow their example.

People of Pictou County! It is "up to us" not only to make the most of this unique opportunity from our own pleasure's point of view, but also to show these men how much we think of them by crowding to overflowing every meeting at which they shall be present.

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### Military Medical Officers

The Medical Officers in Pictou County, at present, are:

Dr. S. Keith, New Glasgow.  
Dr. M. Sutherland, Westville.  
Dr. C. Miller, Stellarton.  
Dr. F. B. Day, Thorburn.  
Dr. W. A. McLeod, Hopewell.  
Lieut. D. Murray, A.M.S., Pictou  
Dr. D. A. Murray, River John.  
Dr. C. W. Stramberg, Trenton.

Men wishing to enlist with any unit are requested to go to one of the above first and get examined. The doctors will gladly advise them what to do if they are found physically fit.

# New Nova Scotia Regiment.

## Recruiting Already Commenced

Capt. Tupper has received the following telegram :

"A new overseas battalion is authorized, the 106th Nova Scotia Rifles, to be commanded by Lieut.-Col. Allan, of Truro and I understand Major Innis, of the headquarters staff, will be senior Major. Recruiting to begin at once. Recruits to remain in county where recruited until place of mobilization is fixed."

Sgd. CHIEF RECRUITING OFFICER.

### Re Enlistment of Russians

Captain Tupper has received the following communication from the Russian Consul General :

SIR,—In answer to your request of the 27th ult, re the above matter, I would like to bring to your knowledge the following facts, in order to avoid any future unnecessary correspondence with the matter.

1. It is by a special decree of His Imperial Majesty Emperor Nicholas II. issued on June 5th, 1915, that the Russian reservists and territorials, privates and non-commissioned officers only, residing in Canada, have been authorized to enlist with the C. E. F. Consequently all the recruiting officers can freely enlist Russian subjects, but it depends on them to make sure that the recruit enlisting is really a Russian.

2. In order to give more guarantees to the Canadian military authorities as to the identity of the man who claims to be a Russian subject, the Imperial Consulate is willing to issue a certificate of identification to the Russian reservists or territorials applying for enlistment.

3. The Imperial Consulate can only deliver an identification certificate to the Russian subject who presents :

a. Russian identification papers, passport or military booklet, or birth certificate.

b. Photo attached to the document.

c. Money order for 88c., covering government consular fees, 80c and postal expenses, 8c., for returning document.

4. It is only if the above mentioned conditions are fulfilled that the Imperial Consulate will deliver an identification certificate. In the contrary case all the applications for identification certificates will remain unanswered.

The Imperial Consulate will not answer applications made by wire.

### Whom to Write

Those wishing information are requested to write Captain J. F. Tupper Westville, N. S. He will gladly put you in touch with the proper official should your request not come directly under his own supervision.

### Mechanical Transport Drivers for the Imperial Army.

Memorandum in regard to pay, allowances, etc. :

The rate of pay shall be (\$1.46) per diem for Skilled Driver Mechanics in addition to free rations, clothing and accommodation.

Separation Allowance will be granted to families or dependents at the following rate:—

Wife only.....	\$2.67
Wife and one child.....	3.50
Wife and two children.....	4.35
Wife and three children...	5.20

60c. per week for each child in excess of three, and who are under sixteen years of age.

Separation allowance will be paid every four weeks.

### Enlistment for Royal Flying Corps

Halifax, Nov. 8th, 1915

Instructions have been received from Headquarters that Candidates for the Royal Flying Corps can now be enlisted in Canada under the following conditions:—

(a) They must be British born, i. e., born of British parents, or in the British Empire.

(b) They must be under 30 years of age.

(c) They must be medically fit for service Overseas.

(d) They must be of good character.

(e) They must belong to one of the trades given in Appendix "A", and be capable of performing the proficiency tests therein prescribed.

(f) They will be enlisted as 2nd class Air Mechanics, pending classification on arrival in the United Kingdom.

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(g) They will be required to enlist for the duration of the war.

(h) Rates of pay are as shown in Appendix "B".

(2) Should candidates fulfilling and accepting the above conditions make application to you, I am to request that in each case you will furnish this office with name in full, place of birth, present age, address, trade, and special qualifications (if any).

(3) These will be submitted to the representative of the Royal Flying Corps in Canada for consideration, and you will be further instructed on receipt of authority to enlist any of such candidates.

W. B. RITCHIE, Lieut.

Chief Recruiting Officer 6th Division

### APPENDIX A.

Schedule of Trades in Royal Flying Corps, with tests of proficiency of candidates:

Fitters and Turners Fitter, making steel hexagon shaft, then fitting same in plate filed to match, also, fitting dovetailed plates to fit.

Turner, turning shafts to gauge, limit 001 in., also cutting square threads.

Riggers—Wire splicing, general handiness and intelligence.

Motor Cyclists—Riding tests and oral examination.

Batman—Suitable character references.

Carpenters—Making simple articles such as boxes.

Instrument Repairers—Taking to pieces and refitting watches or other instruments.

Sailmakers—Patching fabric and making engine covers, etc.

Electricians—Making diagrams of

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motor or other circuits and jointing cables.

Coppersmiths—Hammer T pieces out of plate and brass seams.

Cooks—Practical tests.

Clerks—Shorthand and typewriting, handwriting and arithmetic.

Blacksmiths—To make a butt weld and form a T piece, make a pair of blacksmith's tongs.

Motor Car Fitters—Practical work, as bedding crankshaft,

Acetylene Welders—Simple practical welding, management of plant.

Vulcanizers—Vulcanizing tubes and cobsers, working Harver-Frost plant.

Photographers—Good results at press speeds.

Tinsmiths—Make square petrol funnel.

Motor Cycle Fitters—Simple practical test.

Painting—Either sign writing or coach painting.

Draughtsman (Mechanical)—Sectional drawing of lathe or machine.

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### Ads. Wanted

THE RECRUITER should be a first-class advertising medium. It is published to keep everybody in Pictou County in touch with matter appertaining to the war. An effort will be made to make it a weekly visitor to every home in the county. Business men by taking advertising space will help themselves and also assist in our efforts to carry on a vigorous and successful recruiting campaign. All the money received from adv. and subscriptions will be spent on the paper, and special donations in addition.

Write THE RECRUITER, Westville, N. S., or see Captain Tupper.

### An Invitation

The receipt of a free copy of THE RECRUITER is a special invitation to you to become a subscriber. We are only allowed newspaper rates on copies sent to regular subscribers, so kindly become one as soon as possible.

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### How to Keep Posted

If you wish to keep posted in regard to recruiting subscribe for this paper. It is being published to furnish you with such information.

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### Transport Drivers Needed

The Imperial authorities have requested that 3,000 skilled mechanical transport drivers be enlisted in Canada for service with the Imperial Army. The general officer commanding at Halifax has to report on the 19th inst. the probable number of men for this service that can be raised in the maritime provinces. Applicants must be mechanical transport drivers, men not only well qualified to drive motor cars and trucks, but also able to make necessary mechanical repairs. All applicants will be enrolled with a view to examination at a later date, when the number to be enlisted in the maritime provinces is determined.

The rate of pay is \$43.80 per month to unmarried men, and \$55.25 to married men, with additional allowances for children. This in addition to free rations, clothing, and accommodation.

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Don't fail to attend the Recruiting Meetings which will be held in this county, commencing Monday, Nov. 22nd. 85th Band in attendance.