

SOLDIERS START TODAY TO DRAW DOLLAR DAY PAY

Drilling Will Be More Constant—New Orders from Ottawa.

RECRUITING CONTINUING

Many Desire to Join Mr. Gault's Regiment—Local Developments.

There was an important development in military circles this morning. An order was received from headquarters at Ottawa instructing every regiment in the city to place its overseas volunteers on a war service basis and commence training at once. Up to the present the recruits who have been enlisted have been dropping into the armories at intervals during the day and if they felt inclined, have drilled. But starting from this morning every man who has enlisted for active service is under military law, will receive his dollar a day pay, and must hold himself in readiness to go wherever he is sent.

The new recruits are daily being put through their paces, but at two o'clock to-morrow there will be a full parade of the contingents in each armory, where they will be thoroughly drilled. This will go on daily, sometimes in the morning and sometimes in the afternoon. The evening drills will be continued as usual. Every one who has been accepted for foreign service must report at once to headquarters, as the order places him under strict military law.

GERMANS UNDER GUARDS.

Another important movement this morning affects the German prisoners who are under detention in the city. They have been transferred to the Immigration Building, on St. Antoine street, and a detail of twenty picked men of the 3rd Battery, 6th Brigade Canadian Field Artillery were despatched there at seven o'clock this morning to act as guards.

A contingent of 72 officers and men of the 5th Highlanders left the city this morning at 9.40, for the Soulanges Canal, to relieve the men who have been on duty guarding this waterway during the last ten days. The detail was under the command of Captain Carsley, the other officers being Lieut. Wilcocks and Lieut. Curry.

Two-thirds of the officers of the Highlanders have volunteered for active service, and the majority of them already have passed the medical officer.

RECRUITING GOING ON.

Recruiting is going on steadily, and at each of the armories there are batches of men being sworn in. They are a good type, and the sergeants are confident that they will soon be in shape.

"I want to know if my son has enlisted," declared a grey-haired man as he walked into one of the armories this morning. The sergeant of the guard adopted a non-committal attitude.

"How old is he?" was the query.

"Twenty-one years, and if he hasn't enlisted I'll make him," declared the father with emphasis.

The sergeant's face beamed, he quickly took the name and address, hustled around found the lad already belonged to the regiment and was able to assure the father that his son had volunteered, had been accepted, passing all the tests, and would be going to Valcartier with the first contingent. The old man went away delighted.

The Victoria Rifles on the canal guard, report an exciting experience in which the driver of a motor boat came very near paying dearly for his folly or ignorance. Every boat that enters or leaves the canal has to have a permit, and the possessor of it has to stop when called on to show it. The motor boat, with a fast turn of speed, came down the canal, and one of the Rifles stationed on the bridge challenged the occupants. No answer was vouchsafed and the boat sped on. The soldier fired thirty feet ahead of the boat as a warning to stop. But speed was not reduced, and a second sentry, also challenging without response, fired in a similar manner. Then the third sentry, seeing that the occupant of the boat had no intention of stopping voluntarily, aimed at the craft and his shot disabled the engine and put an end to its career for a time. "Then there was some strong language," explanations, and warnings.

HAD BAD FRIGHT.

There are hundreds of special police wandering about the canal banks and yards, and it is difficult for the soldiers to know whether some of them are undesirable loiterers or special men. One of the Vics. saw a man hanging round the lock gates and challenged him. There was no response, and the man walked on ignoring the order to halt. This was against orders, and a shot was fired over the man's head. He realized that business was serious and quickly came back, explained he was a "special," showed his badge, and was allowed to go. But he had a bad fright, and looked very pale when brought to the officer in charge.

The recruiting station of the Highlanders at Lachine yesterday succeeded in enlisting thirty men, while a score were also enrolled at Verdun.

THE GAULT REGIMENT.

The opening of a recruiting station for the Princess Patricia Light Infantry Regiment at 595 St. Catherine West, was followed by a large influx of recruits, and those that were enrolled were described this morning by the recruiting officer as a fine class of men. Over fifty have already been passed while as many have been turned down because of bad eyesight, etc.

Most of the men who have enlisted are ex-service men, but there are quite a number of Canadians who have been in the volunteers, and several French-Canadians.