

3 CANADIAN DIVISIONS AT FRONT ON MARCH 18

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EFFECTIVES NOW 240,000

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(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Ottawa, April 5.—A memorandum summarizing the work of the Department of Militia in connection with the war during the past twelve months was presented to Parliament to-day by Sir Robert Borden as a preliminary to the request which will come on a day or so for the voting of \$250,000,000 to provide the sinews of war for the coming fiscal year. The memorandum covers reports from the Chief of the General Staff, the Quartermaster-General, the Master-General of Ordnance, the Paymaster-General, and the Director of Contracts, and includes several hundreds of orders in Council dealing with contracts and war operations of all kinds.

Forces and Their Disposition.

Perhaps the most interesting information given is that **Canada** had actually at the front on March 18 last about 60,000 troops, or practically three complete divisions. Also in England or in passage to England on that date there were 44,000 troops; in **Canada** there were 134,000 troops; in the West Indies there were the 38th Battalion at Bermuda and a company of the Canadian Royal Garrison Artillery at St. Lucia, while with the British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force there were three Canadian general hospitals and three Canadian stationary hospitals. Out of a total of effectives amounting to 240,000 there were only 60,000 troops actually in the fight. On garrison duty, etc., in **Canada**, including the permanent force, there were 13,000 men. At the present time, to complete the total authorized army of a half million, a little more than 200,000 men have still to be recruited.

Two Divisions in England.

Of the 44,000 troops in England about half are at Shorncliffe as one training division under Brigadier-General J. C. Macdougall, while another training division is at Bramshott under Brigadier-General Lord Brooke.

Seven Summer Camps.

It is intended, as soon as the weather permits, to concentrate the men in training in **Canada** at camps for the summer, namely, at London, at Niagara, at Petawawa (with a detachment at Barriefield), at Valcartier (including the Quebec and the Maritime Province men), at Camp Hughes, Man., at Vernon, B.C., and at the Sarcee Reserve in Alberta, near Calgary.

Transport, Housing, Defences.

To transport 87,659 of all ranks, and in addition 2,891 **Montenegrins**, overseas during the past twelve months has required 157 special trains and 94 steamships. In addition, 17,013 horses had been sent over on eighteen steamships.

The housing of the troops in **Canada** for the winter months cost a total of \$853,130, while for the housing of guards, prisoners of war, the establishing of convalescent homes, etc., the cost was \$447,135.

On the defences at Halifax there has been an expenditure of approximately \$145,000, and on the Quebec defences nearly \$90,000.

Total Expenditures.

The report of the Paymaster-General shows that for the sixteen months ending with December 31 last the total expenditure on war account had been \$153,000,000, of which \$118,000,000 had been expended in **Canada** and \$34,600,000 in England. Of the total expenditures approximately \$82,000,000 went for pay allowances, rations, etc. The total amount expended in separation allowance is given as \$9,148,000. At the present time the monthly expenditure is up to about \$18,000,000, or considerably more than half a million per day.