

The War's Toll

From the Freeman

SERGEANT. HAROLD W. SHAUGHNESSY KILLED IN ACTION.

Gave Up Responsible C. P. R. Position to Enlist—Pte. W. E. Owens Reported Missing—Casualties Sadden Many New Brunswick Homes.

A graduate of McGill University and occupying a position of great trust with the C. P. R. at Montreal, Harold W. Shaughnessy, son of Mr. John Shaughnessy of the Customs, St. Stephen, gave up all that he might enlist at the outbreak of the war. He joined the 73rd Highlanders of Montreal with the rank of Sergeant-Major and crossed overseas with that famous unit. Late Saturday night official word was received by his sister, Mrs. J. M. Elmore, Sydney street, that he had been killed in action. It had previously been reported that he was missing. Harold W. Shaughnessy gave up a life of promise that he might do his bit. That he would have risen high in his chosen sphere of life was patent to all who knew him. May he rest in peace.

Last month The New Freeman published an extract from a letter received by Mrs. J. M. Elmore. He wrote from Paris that he had been in England convalescing, "There is no place like Canada," he wrote. "I'm now off to my home at the front." Sergt. Shaughnessy was a graduate of the St. Stephen High School and also was graduated at McGill University. He was a young man of sterling qualities and the news of last week came as a severe blow to the many friends of the family. A brother G. W. Shaughnessy crossed with the 104th Battalion and has since been invalided home. Besides his father a brother Joseph resides at Fredericton and another brother, Arthur in California, also a sister, Mrs. J. F. Daley, in Bangor, Me. Sergt. Shaughnessy was a brother to the late Dr. Charles Shaughnessy who practiced in St. John. He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus and past Grand Knight of St. John's Council, No. 149.