

COL. GREGORY HOME AGAIN

He Tells the Story of His Trip to London with the Other Canadians.

How Britishers Treated the Canadians—Admired by All Who Saw Them.

From Friday's Daily. Lieut-Col. Gregory was a passenger homeward on the Charmer yesterday evening, returning from his trip to London with the Canadian contingent who went over to assist in the celebration of Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The colonel's office in the board of trade building was this morning besieged by his many friends, who called to congratulate him. Among those who were representative of the Times, and during the visit the newspaper man heard from the colonel the following story of his stay in the old land:

Lieut-Col. Gregory arrived in Liverpool about the middle of June, in company with the rest of the Canadian contingent, and here they were met and welcomed by many of the home officers, many of whom journeyed on the special train to London with them. Arrived at Euston station, the London terminus of the London & Northwestern railway, the Canadians were given a warm reception.

There was a large number of the home officers there to welcome them to London, and a military band played a series of military airs as the Canadian volunteers departed from the train. The platform was crowded, and as they were being heralded about, Londoners had assembled in thousands to bid them welcome. As the Canadians marched from the station to Chelsea barracks, where they were to be quartered, round after round of applause rent the air, and the marching and general appearance of the volunteers was the subject of much favorable comment.

The Canadians were the best of all. The contingent of Northwest Mounted Police were probably the most envied of all. And many of the larger London papers all lavishly praised the men and the Life Guards; well, they felt like men with their noses put out of joint.

A parade of the colonials was held two days before the big procession, the route chosen being in Eastern London, a portion of the city not traversed in the route of the big procession. They made an excellent showing, and the large crowds which lined the streets and rooftops over them. It was extremely difficult at times for the soldiers, who made a living fence along the route, to restrain the excited Britishers from rushing into the streets and hounding the Canadians. They cheered and cheered for Canada and Canadians until in the fever of their excitement the tears ran down their cheeks.

The Canadians when they wandered in little squads about the city attracted great attention, and no one could do too much for them. It was difficult for any of the colonials to pay for anything he received, and particularly in the public houses, for if the barkeeper did not refuse to accept their money, as in most cases he did, someone would instantly step out from among the crowd and present and offer to pay. When they were walking along the streets the Canadians were frequently stopped by some Englishman and asked to have something. It was, "Come and drink with me," here, there and everywhere, the Canadians practically owned London for the time being.

And the demonstrations? The crowds were not quite as large as was anticipated, and there was, owing to the perfection with which the arrangements were made, no difficulty in getting about. The streets, over which the procession passed were closed to vehicular traffic as early as nine o'clock in the morning, and in the afternoon no one was allowed to walk in the streets. The crowds were kept back by British troops, who were lined up shoulder to shoulder.

In the procession, a description of which would be re-telling an old story, the Canadians were looked for more than any of the other contingents. The colonials, altogether, were the admired of all admirers, but to Canada was

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San Francisco, Aug. 27.—The steamer Mariposa, which arrived yesterday from Sydney via Honolulu, brought a consignment of \$2,250,000 in English sovereigns in 64 treasure boxes, for the Anglo-Californian and London, Paris and American banks in this city.

given the greatest applause. It was "Hurrah for Canada," "Bravo, Canadians," and similar cheering remarks from noon till night. After the Canadians, probably the most admired of the colonials were the Australians, who were extremely picturesque in their "kiki kits" and ostrich feathers.

Lieut-Col. Gregory did not march in the procession, as, in common with the other colonial officers, he had been offered a seat to view the procession in the home office stand, and after turning it over many times in his mind, it was his duty to choose, he had decided to sit there and watch the procession. The majority of the colonial officers followed his example; others, though, marched with their men.

After the day's celebration there came dinners without end. Invitations came in from every side, inviting the officers to lunches, dinners, dances, balls and to every other function.

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It was told that Lieut-Col. Gregory said that the Canadians were obliged to leave so early, as the colonial office had arranged a series of trips to different places of interest about the south of England, to which officers and a certain number of men were invited.

The homes and castles of the English aristocracy were visited, the grounds of each and every one being opened to the Canadian march that you were treated like a prince, and Englishmen were to be heard on all sides wishing that they were Canadians.

Well, he was the lion among the lions. He looked the distinguished among the distinguished. It was a question, who after the Queen, received the most applause, Lord "Bob" (General Roberts) the idol of every British soldier, or Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Sir Wilfrid was cheered on every side, and when he, with smiling smile, doffed his hat, his recognition the applause was doubled. He was given a glorious reception at the Dominion Day dinner, and every speaker spoke in praise of him, saying "Welcome to this our country, the Premier of Canada. From the jubilee day it was a succession of dinners, and at each of them Sir Wilfrid was the 'poet' of the hour. He delivered some very brilliant speeches, which, perhaps, had not been somewhat nervous, been even better.

In France the French were somewhat disappointed with Laurier, they having underestimated his loyalty. They expected to hear him talk of the glories of France, but no, it was the glories of Canada that the silver-tongued speaker spoke about. He was proud of his French origin, he said, but he gave the people of France distinctly to understand that he was a Canadian of the Canadians. Canada was his home, and the British flag his flag, England's Queen his Queen.

He was the victim of much mistreatment. While the other Canadians were being treated in the British public, he was lying in a sick bed in St. James' Home, London. He, however, accepted his afflictions philosophically, and at times was even cheerful. He saw the view from the windows of St. Thomas' Home, the nurses having propped him up in one of the windows. He was extremely pleased with the procession, and so he told Lieut-Col. Gregory on one of the latter gentleman's visits to his bedside.

Col. Prior's misfortunes date back to a day prior to his leaving Canada for the shores of England. He was spending the night at St. James' Club, in Montreal, when suddenly he fainted, then falling against one of the letter boxes at his head. When on the steamship the ship's doctor attended him and bandaged his wound, but he was compelled, notwithstanding, to take to his bed from the second day after landing in England, a touch of blood poisoning having set in. He was placed in one of the cabins adjoining the Chelsea barracks for the reception of the colonials, and after a few days' residence there a heavy rain storm was experienced, during which the roof of the cabin was blown off. He was then taken to a hospital, where he remained until soon before Lieut-Col. Gregory left for home. He is now convalescent, and staying at the residence of a London friend.

Lieut-Col. Gregory, who saw him in hospital many times, had not heard from him for many days prior to the time he left England. He was taken from Liverpool just before taking passage on the outward steamer, but received no reply. The last news received from Col. Prior by Lieut-Col. Gregory was in the middle of July.

Lieut-Col. Gregory is extremely pleased over his trip, and, as he says, he hopes to be in a position some day to return, in a measure, some of the kind treatment received. Everbody assists in making the stay of the Canadian and himself in England a pleasant one, from the shopkeepers to the aristocracy. They wanted to show them that England was a country to be proud of, and they succeeded.

Lieut-Col. Gregory is proud of the representatives from the Fifth Regiment, and if he went away proud of them, he was a great deal prouder when he came back.

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SOME ARE HOPEFUL

Men on the Trails Believe That They Will Reach the Mines This Fall.

How a Victorian Enjoyed the Trip from Skagway to Lake Bennett and Return.

From Friday's Daily. Unlike the men who have returned from the north, the men who are still working their way across the Chilkoot and White passes are hopeful of reaching the mines before this winter.

The following letter, received by Mr. E. W. Wilson, of San Juan, shows that the members of one Victoria party, at least, do not think the task a hopeless one: "Lake Bennett, Aug. 10, 1897.—Dunk McCrimmon and I left Skagway two weeks ago to-morrow. Fifteen of us volunteered to go over the trail and put it through to this place. At that time the pack train had been gone from Skagway four days and should have returned, but not one had been seen since we left. We took our blankets and tents, but no grub; the company that is putting the trail through was to furnish us that much, but they sent us nothing, so we were 32 hours before we got a square meal and walked over just such mountains as those you see every day behind Port Angeles. I had about a 35 pound pack and I thought I would drop by the wayside. We got over to the camp where they were working on the trail and went to work, finishing up the trail to Lake Bennett. We worked like niggers every since and have had no rest till to-day. I'm resting all day. We left the rest of our crowd in Skagway, and one in Juneau, to get the rest of our outfit, bacon, flour, and granulated spuds, but I was careful to have no rest till to-day. I'm resting all day. We have everything now except granulated spuds and extract of beef. Those we could not get, and will go in without. We started, ten of us, five days ago, to get our lumber for building houses. We cut 170 logs, which will make 10,000 feet of lumber. Then we made horses of ourselves and brought them to the banks of the river, and dumped them in. That was the worst work I have done since more to drive logs to the mill. It is a very rough and swift stream, full of canyons and falls. Many a place I was working where the least step amiss and I would have been in my grave. I have not had a night's sleep since we got past Lake Bennett. George Baker, formerly of the Victoria Ice Co., Phillips said, had abandoned the idea of going in at when he had sold his outfit and his way back to Skagway to work.

Public Requested to Subscribe to the Fund for Their Introduction Here. It is estimated that it will cost \$1,000 to carry out the project of the Natural History Society to introduce British song birds in this province. The sum, it is believed, will be sufficient to meet the necessary expenses in connection with the introduction of two thousand song birds in British Columbia. These will include most of the well-known Old Country birds, the blackbird, thrush, lark, starling, goldfinch, linnet, robin, etc., etc. It is proposed to procure a large number of each species to enable the society to liberate sufficient birds both on the Mainland at Vancouver and on the Island at Victoria to ensure their certain and speedy propagation, and still to retain a sufficient number in breeding pens at Victoria to enable them to liberate and distribute a large number each year in different parts of the province. Care will be taken in the selection to see that no destructive species are introduced, but only those known to be of service to the agriculturist and gardener, or famous for their song.

A PROMINENT LIBERAL. Visit to Victoria of Dr. Landerkin, M.P. for South Grey. There is probably no name more familiar to the reader of Canadian parliamentary proceedings for the past twenty-five years than that of Landerkin. Dr. George Landerkin has represented South Grey almost continuously—there being but one short break—since 1872, when he was first elected to parliament. The doctor was born in West Gwillimbury, Simcoe county, in 1829, was educated at Victoria College, where he was a fellow-student with the Rev. Emmanuel Johnson, and has ever since conducted actively his profession, except when campaigning or attending to his parliamentary duties, which necessarily occupy a considerable portion of the time of an active politician. Dr. Landerkin is a Liberal to every inch of him, and there are not a few, and possessions in a somewhat marked degree—his friends who sit directly opposite him in the House say—the quality known as "grit." He is straightforward and outspoken—a splendid type of the Liberalism which had its apotheosis in Alexander Mackenzie.

Dr. Landerkin has visited the Kootenay mining camps, and is delighted with what he saw. He was shown today a few of the charms of Victoria, as seen from a carriage, by Mr. George Riley, and also inspected the dry dock. His visit, unfortunately, will be shortened by the serious illness of his daughter, news of which reached him a day or two ago. Mrs. George Henderson, who died on the 9th inst. at the residence of her son-in-law, Henry De-veney, of Langley, B. C., was a sister of Dr. Landerkin resides at Hanover, Ont.

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mit. Their party was pretty sure of getting through all right, but there were lots of others who were afraid they would not get over this fall, and it was too late for anyone to get in who expected to leave civilization now, as the winter would close in shortly.

Another Victoria party that is making good progress is the one which includes in its membership Dan Carmody, Lou Casey, Harry Howard, Dr. Richardson, F. W. Flint and others. They went well equipped with horses, and most of the party are well acquainted with the work ahead of them to their snout. They had passed all of those who left here on the Island a week ahead of them, and also many of those who had left the Sound a month earlier. They expected to be the first to reach the lakes with their goods. The first day out they got across the first mountain, but here found the trail blocked for two miles with dead horses and mules, which had fallen over the side of the mountain. They had to go back and start their pack train at 4 a.m. each morning, and gone ten miles to where their first cache was, their second cache being three miles beyond. Mr. Vincent, assistant manager of the C.P.N. Co., wrote the board on the question, future trouble of the kind being avoided by the action of the United States government in making both Skagway and Dyea sub-port of entry.

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