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Winning Golden Opinions for Its Adaptability and Cheer-

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Letter from One of the St. John Non-con missioned Officers-Right Half of the Battalion at Modder River-Constructing Railway Sidings and Tracks at Orange Biver.

Lance Corporal Globe, G company, Royal Canadian Regiment, writes as follows from Orange River, South Africa, under date of Dec. 9th:

Dear Sir-I thought I would write few lines to say we are in good health and spirits. Camp Orange River is 46 hours' steady run from Cape Town. The country round about here is hills and sand, and where we camp is nothing but sand, and whenever the wind blows there is a regular storm of sand, the same as a snow storm at home. There are about 5,000 troops here. Modder is about 10 miles farther up. Our right half battalion left this morning for Modder River. We have been here for two days now, and expect to leave tankrow morning for Modder River. We seldom know what is going on. Sometimes we get drummer up at 3 o'clock in the morning. I see plenty of Boer prisoners. They are marked with a broad arrow on

their back. They wear a kind of velvet coat and white pants. There are all kinds of men amongst them."Some are old men, some are mere boys. They appear to be happy amongst themselves. The weather is very hot, but strange to say the nights are very cold. In the morning about sunrise the water is like ice for about an hour and a half. The water here is very bad. It puts me in mind of the water i sand with the sun's heat added to the diately placed in an ambulance and we see flowing in the gutter after a heavy accurate fire of the enemy! Imrein storm at home.

At Cape Town I met with a number of the Devorshire regiment who had been wounded. As all of the troops wear the one kind of dress it is hard to distinguish the different corps. All decorations are taken off. The officers wear the same as the privates, and carry rifles and bayonets. The noncoms. have their stripes drawn with a pencil on their helmets. We are not allowed to clean any part of our clothes or equipment. The dirtier it is the better. You should see the Essex after they arrived in camp taking their white straps and haversacks and tramping them in the mud for dyę. Everything we wear is the color of the ground, and you can hardly tell a man at a distance from the sand.

Night before last a man of the Shropshire regiment on outpost shot a sergeant of his own regiment by mistake as he did not give the right answer. One has to be very careful. There is a body of about a thousand

Catarrh has been pronounced a disease used and maintained by germ life, and like other diseases where germs are present, is impossible to be cured by the ordinary constitutional medicines. Many persons suffering from this disease persist in taking stomach medicine, or snuffs, washes, &c., and yet they know that such treatments can not be of benefit because the seat of the disease is not reached.

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To effect a cure would be a comparatively easy task if the person affected would but use a little judgment in the selection of their mode of treatment.

Regular physicians tell us that the bron-chial tubes and nasal passages were intended for the passage of air alone, and the use of sneffs, atomizers and douches only further irritates these already congested parts, when a catarrhal condition is present.

They further tell us that it must be through the air we breathe that Catarrh, Asthma and Bronchitis will be cured, or

not at all. The affected parts can all be reached by Catarrhozone, the new medicated air treat-ment, which kills all the existing germ life and at the same time heals up and restores the surrounding tissues to a perfectly healthy

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its burning sand, the discomfort of dust was added to that of heat. Here at Orange River it is worse still. Its heuter, dustier, and not a drop of clean water in the place. If this keeps on we may soon expect to run up into itself in this respect. One of the vola veritable Hades on this burning unteers was sick, Sergeant G. W. karro! Imagine fighting all day in such a climate, lying in trenches of attack of erysipelas. He was immeperial officers say this campaign is by all means the most difficult and uncomfortable in modern times. It is a

Canadian volunteers, wholly unaccustomed to the kind of work required of them, day in and day out working, The Royal Canadian Dragoons and like beavers without a word of complaint. Whatever may be said of our discipline, there is no second opinion regarding

THE SPIRIT AND CHEERFULNESS of our Canadian troops. They are horse was not in good condition when earning their spurs and winning gol- the train reached Hallfax. It was den opinions even among the veteran sick and something was wrong with British officers here by their adaptability and cheerfulness. Then phys- men now here took place today, every ically, they are second to none. With the exception of the Australians I have not seen a single British regi- are making preparations to give the ment since I landed in South Africa with anything like the physique and ifax. The officers of the militia briendurance of the Canadians. Everywhere they are remarked for their fine the non-commissioned officers and appearance, and when they do get men are vieing with each other in under fire their conduct will be closely their attentions. admir

heard, however, that pickets will be sent out in all directions from here tosent out in all directions from here to-night in order to prevent a surprise and a night attack. The Canadians will furnish a number of these plok-ets and the balance will be made up of men from the Gordon Highlanders and the Shropshire regiment. But I have said all there is time to say be-the ment of the math latter. fore the mail closes. My next letter, I trust, will be from Kimberley, and will tell you about the conduct of our Canadian volunteers under fire with Lord Methuen's force between Modder River and Kimberley and our triumphant relief of that beleaguered

SECOND CONTINGENT.

HALIFAX, Jan. 14 .- One hundred men and four officers, with 147 horses arrived by the Intercolonial yesterday and took up their quarters at the provincial exhibition grounds. They constitute the 1st and 2nd troops of B squadron, the Canadian mounted rifles. Twenty-one mounted police are with the detachment, the main body being taken from the Royal Canadian Dragoons and the Manitoba Dragoons The men are very much pleased with their quarters in this city, which are warm and comfortable, well lighted and well ventilated. The trip down was pleasant, one of the Winnipeg men remarking: "It was a picnic all the way down." The soldiers detrained at Richmond, half a mile from the grounds. All were in good health and fine spirits, singing as they reached the station, and they marched gaily to their quarters, headed by Major Williams of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, and Inspector Moodie of the Mounted Police. A good crowd welcomed the men at the station, including Recorder MacCoy, who re-presented the city council. There was no cheering or any outburst of popular enthusiasm. Halifax is reserving Burns, who had been seized with an removed to the Victoria general hospital, where he will have the very best of attention. The appearance of the men is splendid. The fine physique wonderful thing to see a regiment of and soldierly bearing was praised on all sides. No men in this garrison taken collectively, can equal them. the Mounted Police are particularly fine looking and the envy of British officers here, who wish all their men were just as good. Their mount is just the kind that will be required among the Transvaal hills. Only one its negs. No church parade of the 144 man being given permission to attend whatever church he chose. Citizens contingent good entertainment in Halgade, the officers of the garrison, and

Liberal Conservative Club Rapidly Swelling Its Ranks. Circuit Court Proceedings-Patriotic Service

HAMPTON.

in the Methodist Church- Disturbing the Salvation Army.

FAMPTON, Kings Co., Jan. 16 .- The circuit court re-opened on the 15th,

Judge McLeod presiding, when the case of Alexander Spragg v. John Burns came up for hearing, Messrs. Hazen and Raymond appearing for the plaintiff, and Geo. W. Fowler for

defendant. After some argument of council the court adjourned till Jan. 22nd. The county court was opened this n orning, and adjourned sine die, there

eing no business to come before it. The Liberal Conservative Club held special meeting in their hall last night, which was attended by a large number of members from the variou sections of the parish. Thos. Carvill, the president, was in the chair, and a good deal of important business was transacted. The constitution was amended so as to provide fifteen vicepresidents instead of five, and the quorum of the executive committee was increased from three to five. The

election of additional vice-presidents

followed, with the following results: For Hampton Village, Hiram F. Chute and Samuel Stevenson; for Hampton Station, George H. Barnes and Fred Ciggy; for Nauwig-wauk, Oswald Ford and John F. Wanamake; for French Village, Newton Smith and Herbert Fowler; for Smithtown, John S. Smith and John B. Scovil. The following were also elected honorary members of the executive committee: Philip Palmer, Noah Barnes, Clarence Spooner, Fred M. Sproul and Saml. H. Flewwelling. Letters were read from H. A. Powell, M. P., and Hon. Geo. E. Foster, wishing the club success and promising to speak at public meetings in the interests of the club and party as circumstances may demand or admit. The roll was signed by a large number of persons, and the enrollment fee paid in so eagerly that the secretary was in danger of omitting some credits. It was decided to hold a public meeting in the Agricultural Hall on the evening of Tuesday, Jenuary 23rd, when prominent speakers will address the electors on the

political issues of the day. The meeting closed with cheers for the Queen, for the liberal conservative party, for Carleton county and its newly-slected entative, Mr. Flemming, and for repres J. D. Hazen. A patriotic service in aid of the South Africa contingent fund was

held on Sunday evening in the Methodist church. Every seat was occupied and extra benches had to be brought in. A special choir of young men provided the musical part of the service. A full printed programme was freely distributed, and the hymns to familiar tunes were heartily sung by the whole congregation. Solos and choruses of a patriotic character were sung by the choir, closing with Rule Britannia as the recessional. Rev. Thomas Stebbings delivered a stirring address, taking for his text II. Kings, 10: 15, "Is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart? If it be, give me thy hand." The spontaneous uprising of the colonies of the empire, the clasping of hands across the seas, and the unity of purpose to stand by the cause of liberty, truth, and justice, were admirably brought out and suitably illustrated. Another meeting of a more secular character in the interests of the same fund is to be held in the Orange hall next week. John Roberts vas arrested yesterday and tried before James E. Smith, J. P., on the charge of disturbing the service of the Salvation Army, by the use of profane and violent language, preferred by Grant Piers and conducted by Fred M. Sproul in the interests of public morality without fee. There was no defence, and the magistrate condemned Roberts to pay a fine of \$5, with costs \$6.50, or ten days' jail. The prisoner elected the first alternative.



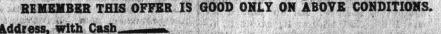
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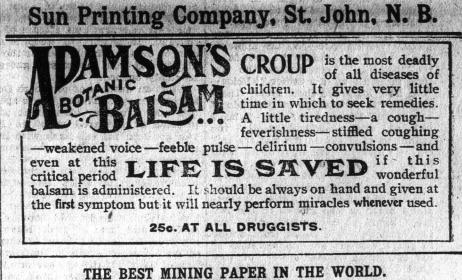
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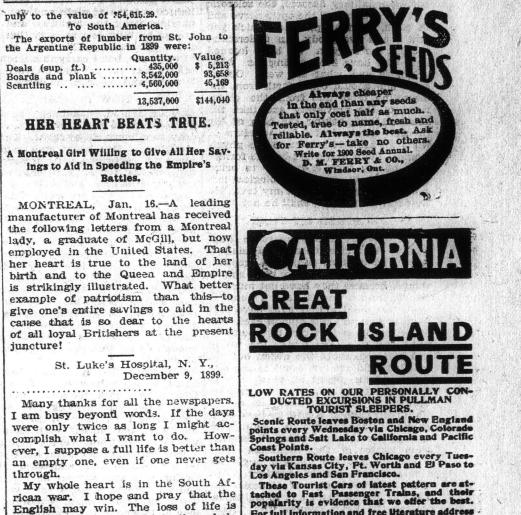
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the way of guard and picquet duty. A man from my tent was on outpost duty and challenged what he thought to be a party of Boers. Getting no answer he was in the act of firing when a comrade said he thought they were estriches. They crept up closer and found them to be a group of those birds. An ostrich after dark locks like a man on horseback.

The Gordon Highlanders left this camp for Kimberley this morning. They are a fine corps. They are the only Highlanders that are allowed to wear their kilt, and that is covered with a khaki apron. Through the kindness of the Y. M. C. A. we can get paper and envelopes. All we can carry is what we wear, great coat, extra shirt and sccks. The bandeliers that were presented by the United States are very handy and much easier to carry the ammunition in than the pouch, which we carry as well. Remember me to Mrs. Sampson.

I remain, yours truly, A. R. GLOBE.

Address, Lce. Corp. Globe, G company, Royal Canadian Regiment, S. S., South Africa.

ANOTHER LETTER

W. Richmond Smith writes to the Montreal Star from Orange River, under date of Dec. 8th, as follows:

As soon as breakfast was over, a detail of two hundred men, under Capt. Barker and Lieuts. Swift, Stewart, Kaye and Mason were sent to construct a siding and station platform which are urgently required in handling troops at this place. In fact as soon as the train containing the first half battalion reached here yesterday, Major Cartwright, who, of course, knew that the experience of Lt Hodgins, of "A" company as a railway constructor in Caneda, at once se cured his services along with a gang of men, and before the regiment was detrained a gang of rugged British Columbia and Northwest volunteers were laying ties and ballasting two hundred yards of siding. This morning the same work was continued. this time under Capt. Barker, and two sidings put in. There was some talk about the staff office arly in the morning about sending in outpost from "A" company. under Lt. Hodgins, to guard a bridge about 20 miles from here, on the line of railway, but it now seems that this proposal has been dropped.

EAGER FOR THE FRAY.

But while the Canadians have shown themselves not only willing but able to do work of this kind, which the regular British regiments could not do, the great desire of the men is to get to the front, and the way those boys have worked to get there! Their experiences on the Sardinian was bad enough, but since landing it has been hard work from morning until night and all night at times. And such a climate! From sunrise until sunset the sun beats down upon burning sands until one has to gasp for breath. There is no relief, no shade, nothing but that awful sun heat which dries one up and brings on a burning thirst which it is serious to fully quench with the dirty brown coffee-colored water, the best the country affords. Travelling up from Cape Town, two days on crowded railway coaches, the heat was intense. At De Aar, with

watched by not a few curious Boers hemmed in between here and Kimberley. We have plenty to do in ers among the imperial officers. Orange River is a God forsaken little station. Ordinarily it boasts of a railway station, a general store, and a couple of dwellings. It is situated it and the river on either side of the railway track are high kopjes, on

and on the top of the other an ina full view of the country north to the Orange River and south for miles beyond where we are encamped. All the railway station on either side of the track there are huge piles of stores and ammunition and stores protected from sun and rain by immense waterproof sheets. There is a small remount station and a large field hospital. The camp ground is about half a mile from the station on either side of the railway track. On one side is the artillery, and on the other the infantry. I have just heard before pos-

ting this that though today's report from up the line, state that there are no Boers in sight, about five hundred yards of track have been torn up and culverts blown up for three miles. In

addition, ten miles of telegraph line have been torn down. Communication was re-opened with Modder River and Lord Methuen's force this morning by means of mounted couriers over the break in the line. Lt.-Col. Giroward, director of railways, arrived here a moment ago and proceeded at once to the scene of the break in communication. It is expected that in a few days all communication will be again established with the column at Modder Rover.

A WONDERFUL RAILWAY.

One thing that has excited my wonder and admiration ever since we left Cape Town has been this line of railway. From Cape Town to Bulawayo, nearly two thousand miles, it winds up the grades onto the Karroo in a most wonderful manner, through a country so absolutely barren that one wonders that even an ostrich can live in it. There does not seem any real reason for the distance of a line of railway in such a country. One can scarcely realize that it is not a military work, so admirably does it suit military purposes. Without it no force could ever get into this country

on the west. Upon it and upon it alone depends the existence not only of the force with Lord Methuen, but

the existence of the thousands of troops between Modder River and Cape Town. Not only has all food to be brought over it, but in many cases water also. A small, narrow gauge railway, splendidly constructed, it is true, but small in every sense of the word, small trucks, small locomotives, and small coaches, but the work that has been done over it since this war began has been simply marvellous. It stands between us and starvation and capture. Without it neither food, drink nor reinforcements could reach us. We would be completely cut off. For days and weeks it has been expected that the Boer forces would try to stop Methuen's march to the relief of Kimberley by cutting his line of communication behind him. Yesterday this was done, but it does not now appear that the interruption is serious, as was at first supposed. I have just

AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA. Jan. 14 .- As soon as the present contingent is despatched, preparations will be made for organizing Strathcona's Horse. It is said that upon a level plain about a mile and a one of the reasons for not making half from the Orange River. Between the offer, which was received here some days ago, public before now, was that it would interfere with recruiting the top of one a battery is mounted, in the west for the present contingent, as many would prefer going in such fantry picket. These two pickets have a battalion corps as the high commissioner is getting up.

A militia order just issued states that the following officers of active day long the signals are seen waving militia are required to do duty perfrom those lofty pickets and are manently with the permanent corps quickly answered by the signal corps during the absence on service of the on the camp ground delow. About special service force: Cavalry, one captain and two subalterns; field artillery, one captain and two subalterns; infantry, one major and four subalterns, with the usual pay and allowances of their respective ranks. District officers commanding will forward the names of any officers who may wish to volunteer for the positions, stating their opinions and remarks on qualifications of the officers applying for appointment.

The major general commanding proceeds to Halifax on Tuesday, for the purpose of inspecting the troopships and troops prior to embarkation. D Battery is ready to leave for Halifax tomerrow.

Negotiations are still pending for transports to replace the Montezuma. It is thought the Californian of the Allan line will be one. Only one member of the medical board favored utilization of the Montezuma.

Nearly \$8,000 has been received for Minto's patriotic fund.

A LETTER TO THE LONDON TIMES.

A LETTER TO THE LONDON TIMES. Some of us are inclined to criticise and blame our generals just now for the condi-tion of things in Natal. Let us wait a lit-tle before doing so. In the year 1810 a great many blamed Sir Arthur Wellesley, who was fighting for us in the Peninsula. When the court of com-mon council (of London, G. B.), petitioned the King to institute an enquiry as to his course of action and charged him with "profiting by no lessons of experience, and exhibiting with equal rashness and osten-tation nothing but a uselees valor." Yours truly,

Yours truly, W. P. TRELOAR Norwood, England, Dec. 25.

A local Australian insurance company has offered a life long pension of £1 per week to the first Australian who gets the Vic-toria Cross.



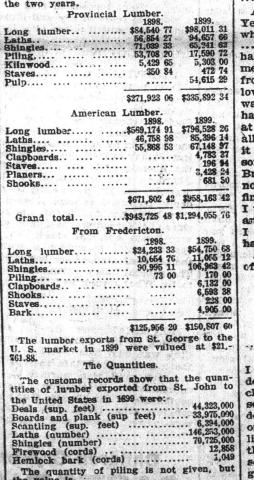
ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Jan. 16 .-Charlotte county municipal council met in the county court house today in annual session. All the members answered the roll call. Geo. J. Charke, mayor of St. Stephen, was elected warden, and R. E. Armstrong, official reporter, by unanimous vote.

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LUMBER EXPORTS TO U. S. MARKET.

LUMBER EXPORTS TO U. S. MARKET. Through the courtesy of United States States Consul Myers the Sun is enabled to give a comparative statement of the value of the lumber exports from St. John and Fredericton to the U. S. market in 1898 and 1899. It will be noted that there was a large increase last year, the exports from St. John being \$250,330.28 greater in value than those of 1898. This is in part accounted for by the higher price and consequently higher value last year, but the volume of ship-ments was also larger. It will be noted that in the last quarter of 1899 pulp to the value of \$54,615.29 was sont from this port to the U. S. market. Following are the figures for St. John for

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manufacturer of Montreal has received the following letters from a Montreal lady, a graduate of McGill, but now employed in the United States. That her heart is true to the land of her birth and to the Queen and Empire is strikingly illustrated. What better example of patriotism than this-to give one's entire savings to aid in the cause that is so dear to the hearts juncture!

Many thanks for all the newspapers. I am busy beyond words. If the days were only twice as long I might accomplish what I want to do. However, I suppose a full life is better than an empty one, even if one never gets through.

My whole heart is in the South African war. I hope and pray that the English may win. The loss of life is frightful. I do not think the whole of Africa (Boers included) is worth the sacrifice England is making. knew the Canadian boys will distinguish themselves in Africa. Again thanking you for the news-

papers, I remain, Yours very truly,

> (Signed) St. Luke's Hospital, N. Y., New Year's Day, 1900.

A very happy New Year to you. Yesterday I returned from where I spent Christmas week. Found better than I expected. This has been a very doleful Christmas to me. The dreadfully depressing news from South Africa must make all true lovers of their country sad. Now, I want to ask your advice and help. I have \$500. I suppose you will laugh at the smallness of the sum, but it is all I have, and I would like to send it to some one who could spend it on some small comforts for a few of the British soldiers. The trouble is, I do not know who to send it to. Will you find out for me and let me know? If I were a man I should join the forces and fight, but as I am only a woman, I cannot do more than give what I have.

Again wishing you all the pleasures of the season, I am, as ever; Yours, (Signed)

> St. Luke's Hospital, N. Y., January 8th, 1900.

...... I have not been able to get out since I received your letter. Hope to get down town tomorrow, before the bank closes, then I will get the draft and send it to you. I am so glad you un-derstand me. If I were to tell or that I wanted to give the little I have saved to my country, they would cry out against my doing Hemlock bark (cords) i,049 The quantity of piling is not given, but In addition, as before stated, there was I do not want any credit for what I

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am doing. Heaven knows I would willingly and gladly do more, and would be only too thankful to die for my Queen and country, if it would do any good.

One reads the war news in a state of such helpless rage, and can only wonder why such things can be. If I have any say in the matter I think I would like my little bit of money to help the home ones Tommy's left behind him, according to Kipling's "Absent-Minded Beggar." However, it does not matter.

Good night, and many thanks for your trouble taken for me.

I am, as ever, yours, (Signed)

* * * * * St. Luke's Hospital, N. Y.,

January 9th, 1900.

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NEW INVENTIONS.

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65,640-Edgar McClatchey, Leamington, Ont., fruit drier.

65,706-J. B. Payne, Granoy, P. Q.; sash holder.

65.682-Wm. & A. Smith, La Baie du Febvre, P. Q., bicycle propelling me-

chanism. 65,717-Wm. R. Hatton, Holland, Man., improvements in sleighs. 65,715-Alf Fisst, Montreal, P. Q.

tire.

