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Gods in his heaven, All's right with the world. - BROWNING.

Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds-all they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have. -[EDWARD EVERETT HALE.

London, Monday March 12.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER, with its morning and evening editions, covers the ground. With one exception, it is THE ONLY EARLY MORNING DAILY IN ONTARIO, outside of To-

-Only those communications to which the

writers are willing to have their names appended in print will be published in these columns. Neither the writing nor the pubcation of anonymous letters can be justified.

-If Dr. Ryerson continues to blunder as he has been doing, the friends of Sir Oliver Mowat will coax him to talk often; he is a first-rate vote-maker for Ontario's Grand Old Man.

-Practically navigation is open on the lower lakes, the earliest in many years. For some days there has been no ice in the neighborhood of Toronto, and yesterday the ice moved out of Hamilton Bay. As far as the eye could reach, Lake Ontario, off the Halton county coast, was clear of ice. The Detroit River boats were on the move on Saturday, and it is improbable that any of these waters will be again frozen over this spring. The early opening of navigation will be welcome to vessel owners. Railway men do not take kindly | regular fatigue parties, seemed to enjoy it.

does not wish Mr. Carling to boss the liquor licenses again, as was his wont in the old days. Its desire is to let the county judge have a finger in the pie. Would that be an improvement? The experience of Londoners is that Judge William Elliot is the most bitter partisan in this bailiewick. Our contemporary cannot get the sanction of the majority of the citizens of London for its latest scheme for the employment of its judge-editor. They are satisfied with the work of the gentlemen whom, in its unwisdom, the Free Press has maligned.

-"Knoxonian," in the Canada Presby. cerian, says: "A strong and at the same time a contemptibly mean disposition to magnify the mistakes and faults of its best friends, has always been one of the distinguishing characteristics of Canadian Liberalism," This arraignment is hardly justified, in view of the fact that Sir Oliver Mowat has been sustained as Prime Minister of Ontario for twenty years. Despite the attempts to seduce the Liberals of the Province from their allegiance to progressive principles and the stalwart conserver of the interests of this Province, there can be no reasonable doubt that Sir Oliver will again be returned to power with a handsome majority at his back.

### AS VIEWED BY AN OUTSIDER. The Montreal Witness says:

"Ontario is to be heartily congratulated upon her financial position. She has a surplus this year of ordinary revenue over ordinary expenditure of \$312,768, and a total surplus of interest yielding assets over liabilities of \$6,135,480. She seems to have \$1,500,000 in the banks at interest, including a balance on current account of \$75,016. This splendid position is the result of a business-like management of the Province's timber limits and other sources of revenue, and a strictly economical and honest spending of the people's money by the Mowat Government during 25 years of uninterrupted administration. Under the management of Mr, Fraser, the retiring Minister of Public Works, upwards of \$3,000,000 have been spent during the last five years upon public buildings, including nearly \$1,500,-000 upon new parliamentary buildings, and yet not a dollar was challenged as misspent. Not a single extra of any kind was allowed in the construction of the new parliament buildings. There has been no conspiracy between the contractors and the Government by which the contractors getting extras contributed to election funds. The only wonder is that during the carnival of corruption and extravagance which has reigned at Ottawa and Quebec such a government as that of Ontario has been able to guard a full treasury from friends and foes alike and yet remain in power. Ontario's loyal Opposition, like her Government, have refrained from encouragbeen able to guard a full treasury from ing boodlers to make raids upon the ring to the early endeavors of these corps treasury, and deserve credit for their attitude. There is encouragement and hope If Sir Adolphe Caron was born at the for every province of Canada and for the period referred to, he might then have been Dominion in Ontario's splendid example of what Canadian statesmen are capable."

Our Quebec contemporary's tribute to the management of our Provincial affairs is front rank as commander-in-chief of well deserved. Perhaps it does not recol | Canadian militia! The Volunteer Artillery, lect, though, the herculean effort that was and Lieuts. John Norval and Thos. Kair, made some years ago. with the connivance | had a muster roll of about 40 rank and file,

of advisers of the Ontario Opposition, to overturn Sir Oliver Mowat's Administra-Murray. We used to meet at the Rob tion. The same boodle element is as anxious as ever to get its hands into the Provincial money chest. It looks for the defeat of its friends at Ottawa, and would fain get con-

How the Military Cleared the City of Stumps.

Indoor and Outdoor Amusements in Upper Canada's Aldershot.

Rise and Progress of Volunteering in the Forest City.

Comical Implements of War in Primitive Days.

[Fourth contribution by the veteran Mr. Railton.] Since two installments of these reminiscences have appeared in your issues of Dec. 9 and 18 last it has been hinted that I had forgotten such and such things, alluding to events of more recent date, but these I purpose to overtake when the proper time comes, if I am spared to tackle the early fifties. A friendly pen having refreshed my memory about certain happenings which I had lost sight of, I shall endeavor to interweave them in the reminiscent web before my cogitations are exhausted.

Referring to Col. Wetherall, of the First Royals, whom I remember well in Glasgow when that distinguished corps occupied the old barracks "down the Gallowgate" in 1832, old residents of London will remember the pride which the "future hero of St. Charles and St. Eustache" took in the development of the Forest City and its surroundings. Essentially the father of his regiment, which was his chief care, he was intensely alive to the prosperity he held civil and military command. There were no "labor strikes" in those days, for although work was plentiful, yet laborers were few; and that gallant brigadier hit upon a plan which not only supplied the demand for help, but make timber eighteen inches square. benefited citizen and soldier alike, by a judicious distribution of working passes among the good conduct men of his regiment, who gladly helped the husbandman in the field, as well as the artisan in his shop. In place of keeping "disorderlies" confined to barracks at punishment drill, or perchance in the black hole, he turned out the rascals to work under a corporal's guard in the removal of gigantic stumps, which then abounded on the primitive roadways. Thus Wellington street, from Dunmen so employed, whether as prisoners or Before the Royals were relieved by the Twenty-third Royal Welsh Fusiliers, com--Our city contemporary tells us that it | manded by Major Holmes, an immense square extending from the pallisades in rear of the officers' quarters down to Duke street, had been transformed from a stumpy waste into a beautiful sward, and leveled like unto a bowling green, by Col. Wetherall's directions. That field, bounded east and west by Wellington and Sarnia streets, was piled up shoulder high and laid with geometrical precision. Military reviews, inspected by Gen. Clitherow and other commanders of her Majesty's forces in Canada, used to be held there, and athletic sports inspired by the officers of the garrison, cricketing and other amusements, at which one of the regimental bands usually attended, always attracted crowds of citizens. Scarcely a week passed in seasonable weather without some pleasurable excitement in those days of military pomp.

In 1842 the officers of the garrison got up a tournament (after the fashion of the Engintown tournament in Scotland) at which prizes were given for successful encounters with lance and single stick, tilting at the ring, etc., wherein some of our dashing artillerymen distinguished themselves by equestrian performances which "Wild Bill" might not have surpassed had he been built at that period. Upon that occasion a sprinkling of sportive citizens contributed to the amusements of the day by sack racing, wheeling hand barrows blindtolded, foot racing, leaping, vaulting and hopping, sparring with boxing gloves, climbing a greasy pole, and last, though not least, which created inordinate laughter, was grinning through a horse collar ! The officers were not stingy in bestowing their rewards, and Sir James Alexander, captain of the light company of the Fourteenth (which regiment had relieved the Eighty-third), was most enthusiastic in his encouragement of manly sports. Besides their regular field days on the inclosure referred to (which was afterwards swallowed up in the Queen's Park), and brigade exercise in the country, with occasional encampments at Schofield's Plains, the military had lots of recreation and the citizens plenty of amusement, for what with a garrison theater, a racquet court and a gymnasium, a pack of hounds and good steeds to follow them, together with hurdle races and flat races, etc., the chase being often variety with picnics, fishing and shooting parties, there was no lack of amusement to fight against the monotony of the bush! Game was then abundant, the sportsman having his choice of pheasant, wild turkey, partridge or deer. Neither was it difficult to get a shot at a bear, a racoon, a wildcat or a wolf, the scalps of the latter being then worth 50 cents each, Bruin madefrequent incursions by moonlight in the vicinity of the barracks to the consternation of the recruit upon his sentinel

Capt. Smyth (father of A. G. and J. B. who were boys at school then) and old Squire McKenzie, both veteran pensioners who had served their king and country in their youth-the former under Sir John Moore, and the latter under the "Iron Duke"—were instrumental in arousing a martial spirit among the young men by the formation of volunteer companies of artillery and rifles, and as the writer belonged to that branch of the service which formed to acquire a local habitation and a name. "playing at soldiers" in the nursery, but nobody at that time ever dreamed of the formidable military organization which so soon followed, to place him in the which was officered by Capt. McKenzie

Roy, then kept by Finlay McFee, on the northwest corner of Dundas and Richmond streets. Drill sheds had not then been invented, and as the volunteers were allowed to find their own clothing, ammunition and rations, without any Government recognition, for a long time, in place of a brass six-pounded which we coveted for gun drill, we were driven by the mother of invention to improvise the unique contrivance of a short-range stovepipe mounted upon an old chair, which our active gunners used to sponge out with a condemned kitchen broom! By and bye, by reason of their im. portunities, the "arteelery" were given some old cavalry sabres from the ordnance department, and permission was granted by the Royal Artillery to drill at their bar. racks. The Rifles were more fortunate, for they obtained some old flintlocks, and their esprit du corps placed them in such favor as to obtain full equipments in everything needful except pay. Now that I think of it, there was in existence the remnant of Aleck Robertson's cavalry troop, which was reorganized by Capt. Rivers, of the Bank of Upper Canada, so that London had become a military depot of some importance, garrisoned as it was by two battalions of British regulars, a half battery of royal artillery, engineer and commisseriat departments, besides the volunteer forces, such as they were, of horse, foot and artillery. It was a veritable Aldershot in Upper Canada!

### A GEOGRAPHICAL EYE-SPENER.

The Labrador Explorers Make a Great Discovery.

Thousands on Thousands of Equare Miles Covered With Giant Spruce.

OTTAWA, March 11 .- A. P. Low, of the geological survey staff, who left here on June 5 last to explore the interior of Labrador, and who is now wintered with his party at Rigalet Inlet, a Hudson's Bay post on Hamilton Inlet on the north shore of Labrador, in a report tells a story that will open the eyes of the scientific world, this being the first known exploration into the districts traversed.

He says the vast interior between the north shore of Lake St. John and Ungava of the entire community, over which Bay is thickly wooded with spruce trees, mixed here and there with poplar.

There are thousands and thousands of square miles of spruce-sufficient to last for years after the local forests are done out, The majority of the spruce trees would

Here and there over the country are indications of vast deposits of the richest of iron ore. The whole of the route traversed was a revelation to him. Mr. Low has so far made a very extensive and arduous trip-from St. John to his present quarters, Following the various streams in canoes, with part overland journeys, he and his party have traveled close on 900 miles.

Mr. Low expected to leave his quarters early this spring and be home during the fall. He will try and make the return trip das street upwards, was speedily cleared overland through the southern part of of the unwieldy pine aborigines; and the Labrador, just above the Quebec boundary.

FROM HONOLULU.

Washington's Birthday Observed -Suspicious Arrivals-A Loyalists from British Territory?

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The steamer Australia brings Honolulu advices to the 3rd inst. The observation of Washington's birthday was general among Americans. Minister Willis invited officials of the inclosed upon three sides by immense roots | Provisional Government to notice the day, which request they cordially complied with by closing the public offices for the afternoon. The most serious alarm has been taken

by the Government at the fact of the very large number of arrivals of steerage passengers from Victoria and San Francisco during January and February, more than 100 in excess of what might be expected. About that number are evidently Canadians and Englishmen, corresponding to the class reported to have been enlisted at Vancouver by Sansome. More than ten of these men have been marked as wearing military badges of honor. Sixty such men are marked as lodging together at different houses. They are not in pursuit of employment, and are evidently supplied with means of subsistence. Their sympathies with the royalists are not concealed, as they are known to be in communication with them. From various sources of information the police authorities are entirely satisfied that these men are persons enlisted by Sansome, and that a decided move to get possession of the executive building with the aid of these men has been fully planned by the royalists to be executed within a few days. The Government are taking precautions.

AMERICANS returned from San Domingo give a curious account of the republic. The native negroes live in a state of extreme simplicity. Children run about naked up to the age of 12 years. When a family goes a-visiting the children that go along are clad for the journey after some crude fashion, but when the place of destination is reached all the children of hosts and guests are turned loose together in a state of

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