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INSPECTION OF SEVENTH WAS MOST RIGID IN TWENTY YEARS

Brigadier-General Otter Had Corps in Hand for Three Hours—Satisfied With Battalion, But Not Company, Work.

"The most rigid inspection the Seventh Regiment has undergone in twenty years," was the way in which one of the officers of the regiment described the inspection last night of the corps by Brigadier-General Otter, head of the Western Ontario command. The men were drilled for three hours.

The brigadier-general had with him Col. Peters, D. O. C. of London district; Col. Little of the Seventh Regiment, Major Wynn of the local stores department, and Capt. Shannon, district staff adjutant.

The regiment mustered at the Armories at 8 o'clock, and headed by the band and the bugle band, marched to Tecumseh Park.

The streets were lined with people who admired the regiment as it swung along. The band also came in for praise. Headed by Drum-Major Cockburn, the musicians rendered popular airs all the way to the park. Of course, some of the men are not thoroughly accustomed to playing while on the march, and the music was at fault occasionally on this account, but on the whole, the band acquitted itself in a manner which reflected credit upon Bandmaster Slater.

The inspection. In Tecumseh Park, the regiment, which was commanded by Capt. Reid, was formed in a line, with the bands in the rear, and the coming of Gen. Otter was awaited. For half an hour or more, the regiment remained in this position, and the crowd in the stands became impatient.

Finally, Gen. Otter and his staff arrived. It turned out that he had gone to Queen's Park, and had waited there for nearly half an hour before he was acquainted with the fact that the Seventh was at Tecumseh Park. Then he drove to Tecumseh without delay. When he arrived, there was something doing, as the officers are willing to bear testimony.

First the men were put through battalion drill, and the general appeared to be pretty well satisfied. When it came to company drill, however, he was anything but pleased, and he said so pointedly.

Rigid Drill. Company after company was kept marching and counter-marching in the intricate sectional movements. The light was bad, and the ground was un-

even, and these facts did not improve things. In several of the companies, there were also recruits who have been drilled but a week or ten days, and these men were nervous.

The sectional drill was kept up in the park until after 10 o'clock, when an adjournment was made to the Armories.

There the general had Capt. Stanley call the roll, one day's pay being deducted from all the men who were absent. It is a fact that the regiment did not turn out strong, many of the men finding it impossible to get away last night, owing to the fact that they work in stores, and nearly all the stores were open till 11 o'clock.

Dismissal Unsatisfactory. When at last the inspection was concluded, the order of dismissal was given, and it being about 11 o'clock, the men went to their quarters in a hurry.

They were astonished a few seconds after to hear the bugle sound the assembly, but they responded rapidly, and soon were in formation on the floor.

The general informed Capt. Reid that he did not think the men obeyed the dismissal order properly, and that was why he had then called back. After a few movements, the troops were again dismissed, and this time they were allowed to remain in their quarters. It was about 11:15 when they left the Armories.

Before their departure, Gen. Otter called all the officers to one side, and he had a heart-to-heart talk with them.

Pretty Good, After All. It is understood he told them that he was satisfied with the battalion drill, but that they would have to brush up in company drill.

He commented favorably upon the appearance of the men, and expressed the hope that they will one day all work hard to keep the regiment in the front rank of the militia corps of Canada.

The officers took the talk in a proper military spirit, and, no doubt, will profit by the advice given.

The regiment will today be commanded by Col. Little, and will muster at the Armories at 1:30, when it will march to Queen's Park to take part in the military tournament.

PREST MCKINLEY'S WIDOW PARALYZED

her Physician Says There Is No Possible Hope for Her Recovery.

Canton, Ohio, May 23.—Mrs. William McKinley has suffered a stroke of paralysis, and her attending physician, Dr. O. E. Portman, said this afternoon that she is unconscious, and there is no hope of her recovery.

A message was sent to Surgeon-General Rixey at Washington this afternoon, asking that he come here if possible. He was physician to the late President McKinley, and attended Mrs. McKinley during her last serious illness after the trip of President and Mrs. McKinley to California, and is thought to understand well the treatment necessary for her.

A consultation of local physicians is called for this afternoon at the McKinley home to determine what treatment will be resorted to in a hope of saving her life.

Mrs. McKinley had been out driving almost daily up till Tuesday, although she suffered from an attack of grippe a week ago. Later she suffered an attack of bronchitis, and she was stricken with a slight attack of apoplexy, and her left arm became paralyzed. She lapsed into a comatose state and this afternoon became unconscious.

Washington, May 23.—Surgeon-General Rixey arranged to leave here at 7:45 this evening for Canton to attend Mrs. McKinley.

GUELPH MOLDERS ON STRIKE. Guelph, May 23.—Twenty molders are out on strike here as a result of the decision of the Guelph Stove Company and the Guelph Stove Company to keep an open shop.

South American Swindle Balked by Canadians

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, May 23.—The apparent attempt on the part of some persons in Buenos Ayres, who call themselves wholesalers, to swindle manufacturers in Canada, and whose scheme was exposed by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, is evidently repeated in the United States. A representative of the American Exporter, a trade paper published in New York, called on the secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association today, and stated that the same kind of swindle was being tried in the Eastern States. Several large firms had been written to by the Buenos Ayres people, asking to have goods forwarded to Buenos Ayres, and then have drafts made out on a bank in Madrid, Spain. Mr. Scully, secretary of the Toronto branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, said today that about fifteen Canadian firms had been approached by these persons, who represented themselves as wholesalers, but the publication of the scheme a few days ago had interrupted the swindle.

ACCIDENT TO LAUNDRESS HAS A FATAL ENDING

Mrs. Harriet Hammond Dies of Injuries Received Several Days Ago.

The death occurred in Victoria Hospital yesterday morning of Mrs. Harriet Hammond. Mrs. Hammond was a laundress at the Tecumseh House, and while at work the other day she had her arm caught in a mangle. She was very badly injured, and was taken to the hospital, where, as stated, she died yesterday as the result of the injury. She has a husband residing in this city.

BOECKE IS CLEVER

In Midst of Manhattan, But the Police Can't Get Him.

[Special to The Advertiser.] New York, May 23.—That J. Edward Boecke, the cleverest jewelry salesman in the world, was really cleverly became known today. Boecke did not confine himself to the sale of jewelry alone. He took a flyer at any old business so long as it proved profitable to him, and he made good with one exception. He was a mark for the races. There is no question but what Boecke lost considerable amount on the races.

An indictment was handed down today against Boecke, and the detectives are now looking for him. Where Boecke has gone is a mystery. Only three days ago he called the Iowa apartment-house on the telephone. The Illinois boy there says that Boecke's voice was quite distinct when he talked over the phone, and that he was not talking from a long distance. The hall-boy is inclined to think that Boecke was right on Manhattan Island when he was talking. The reason for Boecke calling up the Iowa was that he wished to talk with Miss Sadie Redish, who lives in that apartment-house, with her mother and married sister.

ASYLUM COAL TENDERS

Supplies for the Various Institutions Contracted For.

Toronto, May 23.—The successful tenders for coal supplies for institutions in the provincial secretary's department were announced today. In every instance only standard qualities of coal were accepted. The institutions, the tenders and the amounts are: Brockville Asylum, 2,000 tons, A. L. Reynolds; Kingston Asylum, 2,700 tons, James Sowards; Mimico Asylum, 2,500 tons, P. Burns & Co.; Orillia Asylum, 2,420 tons, Midland Coal Dock Co.; Penetanguishene Asylum, 1,420 tons, Midland Coal Dock Co.; and 1,650 tons, P. Burns & Co.; Woodstock Hospital for Epileptics, 420 tons, Frank Frank; Central Prison, 2,500 tons, Weaver Coal Co.; and 150 tons, Standard Fuel Co.; Mercer Reformatory, 630 tons, P. Burns & Co.; London Asylum, 3,250 tons, Chantler Bros.

RADIAL LINES COMBINE

Brantford Street Railway and Grand Valley Road Combine.

Brantford, May 23.—Conditional on the exchange of bonds by the present bondholders of the Brantford Street Radial Company and the Woodstock and Ingersoll Railway Company for those of the new organization, the plan for the amalgamation of these companies, and the transfer of their interests to a new company have been consummated.

The new company will operate under the name of the Grand Valley Radial Railway Company, the Grand Valley Mr. M. A. Verner, a well-known capitalist of Pittsburgh. Great improvements and extensions will be made by the new management.

The financial details of the deal have not been announced.

TORONTO BEATEN AGAIN

Street Railway Company Can Have the Contested Curves.

Toronto, May 23.—The Toronto street railway has scored another complete victory over the city by the Ontario Railway board giving judgment granting the company the right to construct curves at the intersection of Richmond and Yonge streets, and ordering the city to "refrain from doing any acts to prevent the company from constructing the curves in question." The board makes no order as to costs.

The city will not accept the decision, but will carry the matter to the court of appeal.

TRAMPS BLAMED FOR A FIRE.

St. Catharines, May 23.—The barns of Mr. James Nesbitt, a short distance from the city, were destroyed by fire last night, together with a quantity of hay. Loss \$1,000. Cause of fire unknown, but it is thought to be the work of tramps. The buildings were covered by insurance.

DESERTER SURRENDERS.

Toronto, May 23.—Thomas Rawson, a middle-aged Englishman, was today handed over to an escort composed of Corporal H. Morrison and Private Philip Lachance of the permanent army medical corps, at Quebec. Rawson has been in jail since Monday. He deserted from the above corps while at Petawawa camp, last July. He surrendered himself to the police on Monday last and admitted that he was a deserter. "I suppose this is a case of wanting a free trip home," remarked the crown.

SCHOOL BOOK TENDER AWARDED

The Canada Publishing Company Given Contract for 18 Months From June.

Toronto, May 23.—The tenders for the publication for eighteen months from June 30 next of the public school readers, has been awarded to the Canada Publishing Company, of this city, of which Mr. S. G. Beatty is president. This decision was announced by Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, at the close of a cabinet meeting this afternoon. The prices offered by the company are far lower than even the most sanguine members of the cabinet had hoped for.

In the case of part one of the first reader, the company's tender for retail price is 5 cents, which is exactly one-half of the present price. For the other four readers of the series the price is, in every instance below one-half. In addition, there is a discount of 25 per cent on one or more copies bought direct from the publishers, and an extra discount of 10 per cent on all quantities purchased of the value of \$250 and upwards. On the basis of the official reports of last year's attendance it was figured out by one cabinet minister that if only one reader is purchased by every pupil in the respective forms there will be an actual aggregate cash saving to the parents, who have to provide the money for the books of \$60,000 a year.

REGISTERING CLYDESDALES

Canadians Guarding Against Carelessness of Scotch Breeders.

Toronto, May 23.—A call meeting of the Canadian Clydesdale Association was held today to amend the constitution of the association in reference to the registration of unregistered stock from Great Britain and Ireland. Owing to the carelessness, particularly of the Scotch breeders, in not recording their stock in the Clydesdale stud book of Great Britain and Ireland, Canadian importers often find their animals purchased in Scotland difficult to register in Canada. Frequently also the pedigree is extremely short, because of the defective system of registration made in Great Britain. This carelessness on the part of the Scotch breeders has been the cause of a severe reprimand from the United States breeders, and now the Canadian breeders have gone a step farther and insist upon practically all imported Clydesdale males and females, together with their sires and dams, grandfathers and grandmothers being registered in the record books of Great Britain before July 1, 1907.

EYELASHES TO ORDER

Thriving Business Among Women Who Ride in Autos.

London, May 23.—"Please send me another dozen eyelashes," was the request of a woman who had just returned from a drive in her motor. This is a sample of numerous orders being received by an ingenious inventor who has created a demand among the women beauty-seekers for false lashes to replace nature's eye fringes with which the owners are dissatisfied. The women are eagerly buying eyelashes, especially those who spend much time in automobiles. They visit him to be fitted in the first instance, but after their preliminary fixture the lashes keep in good shape for a month. They may then need a little attention, such as curling with warm tongs and receiving a touch of a special fluid.

FIRE AT ELORA

Considerable Damage by Early Morning Blaze in Stone Block.

Elora, May 24.—At 1 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the Stone Block, occupied by J. L. Baker, tailor, and before the firemen could extinguish the flames the stock and a great part of the building were destroyed. Loss on stock about \$1,500, and on the building about \$2,000, covered by insurance. This building is situated in the principal business portion of Elora, and only for it being a very calm night there would have been a great conflagration.

WHISKY DEARER.

Cincinnati, May 23.—The price of whisky was advanced two cents a gallon in the market here today, selling on a basis of \$1.31 per gallon.

THE WEATHER.

TODAY—FINE AND WARM.

Toronto, May 23—p.m. The weather has been fair today in all portions of the Dominion, and in most localities a little warmer, especially in Saskatchewan, where a marked rise in temperature has set in. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 40-50; Vancouver, 51-63; Kamloops, 44-72; Battleford, 26-53; Prince Albert, 25-40; Calgary, 40-46; Qu'Appelle, 32-55; Winnipeg, 32-48; Pelly, 30-44; Montreal, 44-59; Ottawa, 38-44; Quebec, 38-50; St. John, 40-50; Halifax, 44-62.

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Victoria Day in London; How It Will Be Spent

For the first time in some years, the majority of Londoners will spend the day at home instead of going elsewhere for entertainment.

The big military tournament, with the famous Forty-eighth Lancers in the center of it, attracted thousands of people to the city. Last night all incoming trains were loaded with visitors for Londoners. From all the adjacent towns, strangers poured in to spend the day in the Forest City. The railways report out-of-town business to have been only fairly good, which means that Londoners will spend their money at home today, instead of going elsewhere to spend it.

Today is the 88th anniversary of the birth of the late Queen Victoria, who died on January 22, 1901. Londoners in common with millions of other people of the British Empire, appreciate the spirit which prompted King Edward to have his subjects celebrate this day for his own birthday, instead of the ninth of November, his natal day. Londoners have become so much attached to the holiday that they would be loath to give it up, for it is associated with pleasure linked all the way from childhood's hours to manhood's mature years.

Years ago it was a great day from a fire cracker standpoint. It was a poor child who did not have a couple of bunches of fire crackers with which to disturb the neighborhood, but now all this has changed. The sturdy arm of the law has intervened, and has forbidden the setting off of fire crackers within the city limits. Fear of fire has promoted this move, and justly so, for some of the worst fires the city has had have occurred in the night of the 24th of May. For example, the worst fire in recent years, the Dymott-Baker mill, occurred on the night of May 24, two years ago.

Of course, there will be not a little fireworks set off in the city today, but it will not be on the streets—neither will such celebrations take place in the business district.

Londoners may have many and varied forms of entertainment before them today.

In the afternoon, the military tournament will take place, and at night a magnificent military tattoo, by massed bands, has been arranged for at Queen's Park.

There will be two baseball matches, one at 10:30 a.m., and the other at 3:30 p.m., in both Tecumseh and Queen's Parks.

In the afternoon, there will be a matinee at the Grand, where Manager Bowers is putting on a splendid vaudeville bill, and at night the performance will be repeated.

The Port Stanley season opens in earnest today, and no doubt many people will spend a few hours at least, at the lakeside. Thirty-cent return fares have been put in vogue by the Pere Marquette.

NOT ANXIOUS TO SERVE ON JURY

Haywood Jurors Make All Sorts of Excuses To Be Released.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Boise, Idaho, May 23.—Every one of the sixty good and lawful persons summoned as members of the second open panel in the Haywood murder case showed up when Judge Wood ascended the bench after the day and a half recess taken to give Sheriff Rodin time to round up the sixty.

When the judge made his usual announcement that he would hear what a talesman thought was a legal excuse for his not serving as a juror, about a third of the sixty swarmed up in front of the bench. The court was not in an essentially liberal mood, and only six of the nineteen were excused. The first man who got off did so by reason of a statement that he was expecting sickness in his family; it appeared that he was a married man. The next man desired to be excused because he was inspector of rifle practice of the state militia; it didn't go. He was succeeded by an ancient who alleged that his health had been so feeble for years that he was accustomed to lay down part of every day.

"It's probable that you will have time for that in the course of this trial," was the comment of the court in turning him down.

The first man called was Lee Egbert, a farmer, whose appearance created an opportunity for counsel on both sides to deliver lectures to the talesmen outside the hall under the guise of questions to Egbert. Egbert had an opinion which it appeared was formed exclusively on newspaper statements, yet it was an unqualified opinion.

"Do you want to tell me that you are in the habit of forming fixed opinions in such grave matters merely on newspaper accounts?" demanded Lawyer Hawley. Clarence Darrow, for the defense, at once objected, saying that it was inadmissible that counsel should thus terrorize talesmen so that they would not dare to state exactly what their minds were. There was a sharp passage between the lawyers, which the court with difficulty suppressed by overruling Mr. Darrow's objection. Mr. Hawley insisted on speaking his mind, even after the court had sustained him. Egbert finally got off, after he had replied in the negative to this pointed question from the court. "Is the opinion you entertain in any way related to any desire on your part not to serve on the jury?"

Nobody objected to the dismissal of A. J. Swain, after it appeared that he used to belong to a miners' union in the County of Alene, and once knew Pettibone. The examination of talesmen will be proceeded with tomorrow.

Two Witnesses Called. Four witnesses had been subpoenaed for yesterday, but only two were placed on the stand. A large number of Indians were on hand when the hearing resumed, and all evinced great interest in the case.

Annie Fisher, who is rather attractive in appearance, was very careful and deliberate in her replies, and appeared to weigh each word before speaking. Her evidence in a nutshell was that she had attended the dance on the night of May 3, and had, about 2 o'clock in the morning, walked out of the house with the defendant, Noah, to a buggy belonging to an Indian named Doisen. The couple were seated in the vehicle. A little later Abraham Fox and Willis Grosbeck came alongside of the buggy and chatted with them. Finally, in an apparently

joking manner, Noah said to Fox, "I can whip you."

Appeared on Good Terms. "You can, eh?" replied Fox. Shortly afterward the witness and young Grosbeck left the buggy, and later they learned that Fox had been fatally injured.

The witness also stated that Fox and Noah were apparently on the best of terms, and held no grudge against one another that she was aware of. When asked whether liquor had been served at the dance, the witness said yes, and that Fox was drunk when he met his death.

The evidence of the other witness, John Hall, was of little importance. He had been present at the dance, and had seen Fox after he was injured. He did not know at that time, however, that the injury was a fatal one.

No Motive Shown. This concluded the hearing, and on Saturday Noah will again be brought before the magistrate, when it is expected he will be committed for trial on the charge of murder. The delay is caused by the fact that the evidence, which was taken in shorthand, must be transcribed.

Counsel Makes Protest. Just previous to the taking of evidence yesterday, Mr. Ed Meredith, K. C., who, in conjunction with Mr. H. C. Tothe, is conducting the defense, stated in court that he considered it manifestly unfair for the newspapers to publish statements supposedly coming from an Indian, and that he would call several of the witnesses had held back important evidence which might possibly show a motive for the crime. Such talk prejudices a case, said Mr. Meredith.

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