

HOW WE CELEBRATED!

An Enthusiastic Turn-out Last Week.

City Decorated With Flags and Bunting from One End to the Other.

One of the Best Processions Ever Gotten up in the City—Firemen and Militia Out in Force.

Thousands of People Lined the Route Cheering and Waving Flags and Colors—A Salute of Twenty-one Guns Fired on Market Square—Outside the City.

The premature celebration a few days ago of the fall of Pretoria did not dampen the ardor of the citizens of St. John when news came last week that...

A holiday was not proclaimed, but the citizens soon showed that they were in the mood for rejoicing. It seemed as if everybody had been laying in a stock of flags for this event...

In the afternoon the streets presented an unusually animated appearance. There was no definite plan of celebration, but the people were abroad in thousands...

The order of procession was as follows: Lt. Col. McLean, mounted. Lt. Col. Jones, in command of 2nd R. C. A. 3rd R. C. A., with band.

No. 1 steam fire engine. Members of Union Hose Co. No. 3, with torches. No. 2 steam fire engine drawn by four horses.

The route of the procession was then down King street, through Market square, up Dock, Mill and Main streets to the Adelaide road. Here the immense body turned into the grounds in front of St. Peter's church...

tractive features of the parade was the turnout of No. 2 Company of the Artillery, who halted two heavy field guns from the Barrack square on the Market square on the up-town march.

WELLINGTON CO. NO. 1.

The old reliable turned out two pieces of apparatus prettily decorated. The hose cart was drawn by two horses, matched team of chestnuts, driven by George Drake, the oldest driver in the department...

COMPANY NO. 2.

The hose cart drawn by their stylish team of greys was one of the features of the procession. The cart was draped with the national colors and lanterns, and considering the fact that they were under orders to answer a first alarm, the men made the very best of their opportunities.

NO. 3 HOSE COMPANY.

The hose reel never presented a better appearance. It is without any decoration an attractive piece of apparatus, but with the liberal display of bunting upon it, it was much admired.

No. 3 engine had on it all that could be lavished upon the machine to make it look well. The suction pipes were covered with red, white and blue, and these colors ran from the driver's seat to the air chamber and from the dome to either side.

NO. 4 HOSE COMPANY.

This company had their cart looking as well as bunting could make it look. Flags were flying, and on the wagon were a number of little chairs dressed in the uniforms of the Highlanders and the Royal Canadian Regiment.

NO. 5 COMPANY.

District Engineer Brown of the north end made a splendid showing, having one of the most attractive pieces of apparatus in the procession. No. 5 hose cart was particularly attractive. A splendid copy of the picture, "What We Have Held," was draped at the back of the seat, while in the cart was one of Harry McLellan's \$5,000 dogs and Master David McLellan.

NO. 1 HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

The immense truck of this company was profusely decorated with the national colors. Bunting was entwined among the ladders and on the right side was an immense flag. In the centre of the wagon and some distance behind it, were arches surmounted by flags. Larry Mahoney held the lines over the spirited pair which hauled the wagon.

THE CARLETON CONTINGENT.

No. 6 hose company, the excellent organization which protects the property of the west side citizens, turned out in full force with pretty uniforms and flags galore. They did not bring any apparatus with them, but that was no fault of theirs. The men felt out out to think that they were not given an opportunity to show how elegantly they can decorate their apparatus. Foreman J. A. Ring was in charge.

NO. 2 HOOK AND LADDER CO. OF CARLETON.

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leton were also in line, but without their wagon. Capt. Wm. Howard had command.

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The north end boys kept up their reputation for good work and clever designs, particularly as regards their ladder truck. This was probably the most handsome piece of apparatus in the parade.

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NORTH END SALVAGE CORPS.

The north end Salvage Corps and Fire Police, No. 2, made a good turnout under Captain P. G. Hamm. Their cart was prettily decorated and received general recognition all along the route.

The Fairville firemen were present in large numbers and added much to the success of the parade. A number of the Jameson raiders chartered an open car, which they decorated with bunting. A string band was engaged, which played patriotic airs and the company singing the same.

The procession concluded with one of the best features of the evening. This was the contribution of Manager Armstrong of the Victoria Rink and his friends. A brouche, containing a list of the military and firemen and displaying banners with the inscriptions, "More red paint for the map of the world," "Wanted, Old Kruger for St. Helena," etc.

AT FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, June 3.—The official news of Pretoria's capture by the British was received very quietly in the city, although the enthusiasm was none the less intense. Flags were run up, bunting displayed, church and fire alarm bells rung and whistles tooted.

Our real celebration, however, is to come next week. A hastily called city meeting was held at the City hall this morning, and it was the opinion of all present that a big celebration should be held.

AT AMHERST.

AMHERST, N. S., June 5.—The town was in a festive mood today in celebration of the occupation by the British of Pretoria. A half holiday was declared, merchants closed their stores and men in factories joined heartily in celebrating the event.

AT HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, June 5.—The Ladysmith celebration was repeated with interest tonight by Halifax people in honor of the fall of Pretoria and the collapse of Krugerism. The whole population was on the streets. Since the reception of the news Tuesday morning the public schools have been closed, and this afternoon and evening the entire city has given itself over to rejoicing.

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at least were but children of an older growth, made up an immense procession. The Victoria Rink, Capt. Geo. Stuart, was an admired feature. The Maple Leaf and Crown crest banner furnished music. The procession moved through St. Stephen and Milton streets, through St. Stephen and Milton streets, through St. Stephen and Milton streets.

BENTON CELEBRATED.

The news of the capture of Pretoria was received at Benton, Carleton Co., with great enthusiasm. Flags flying, bon-fires blazing, and men, women and children shouting and blowing horns showed how Benton felt toward our soldiers.

BARBADOS

The Island Must Secure a Market for Its Sugar.

In Any Trade Arrangement that it Makes—Canada's Turn Will Yet Come—Cable Needed.

The Sun had the pleasure of an interview yesterday with R. Rutherford of London, England, a member of the firm of Wilkinson & Graviller, West India merchants, London and Barbados. The firm are owners of plantations in Barbados, and they and their predecessors have been interested in the sugar trade of that island since early in the eighteenth century.

Mr. Rutherford, who left for Montreal yesterday afternoon, has been in the lower provinces partly on business and partly for pleasure, as he has relatives in Nova Scotia. Speaking of Barbados, he said to the Sun that the island is dependent on the sugar industry, and any effort to secure closer trade relations with Canada must take into consideration the question of a market for sugar.

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Rev. George B. Cutten, formerly of Amherst, N. S., and who in 1898-9 was centre rush on the Yale football team, has been able to pay off a mortgage of \$4,000 on the Howland avenue Baptist church, New Haven, of which he is pastor. It took him just 39 days to raise the money.

Mr. Rutherford hopes to see closer relations between the West Indies and Canada, and was glad to note that the Bank of Nova Scotia had established branches in Jamaica and Trinidad. It would greatly facilitate the transaction of business if better cable communication were provided.

Barbados, however, is really suffering loss at present because of its efforts to make better terms with the United States. The island lowered its tariff to meet a reciprocal favor from the states, but congress has not yet ratified the agreement.

Mr. Rutherford says that extensive experiments are now being made to secure better grades of cane on the plantations of Barbados. Botanical stations have been established, and the imperial government has granted \$17,000 for experimental purposes.

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BOSTON LETTER.

Probing the Tammany Ice Trust in New York.

Trappist Monks Removing from Tracadie, N. S. to Cumberland, Rhode Island.

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BOSTON, June 7.—Now that the end of the Boer war is in sight, public interest here is centred in the political campaign and the attempt being made in the courts of New York state to destroy the "wicked" ice trust. The so-called war in the Philippines has long since ceased to attract more than ordinary attention.

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from Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, dated May 29, says that Alexander Chalmers, a native of Nova Scotia, died at that port of a disease suspected to have been bubonic plague.

Webster Smith, a prominent resident of Lexington, died June 3, aged 75. His wife was Miss Caroline Combie, daughter of Peter Combie of Pictou, N. S.

Among deaths of former provincialists in this vicinity the following are announced: In Roxbury, June 5, John L. White, son of Morris and Mary A. White, formerly of St. John (leaves a widow); in Atlantic, Quincy, May 29, Velma Irene, six years old, daughter of William and Effie Fanning, parents formerly of St. John; in this city, June 4, Charles McHugh, motorman Boston Elevated Railroad, formerly of St. John, where interment occurs; in Chelsea, June 4, Mrs. Jennet Lingley, wife of William H. Lingley, aged 64 years, formerly of St. John; in Provincetown, June 3, Capt. John Smith of steamer Longfellow, aged 65 years, native of Cape Breton, in East Boston, June 4, Roderic MacLean, aged 40 years, late of Annapolis, N. S.; in Boston city hospital, June 1, Mrs. Jennie Bryant, widow of John Bryant, aged 29 years, native of Burlington, Lot 18, P. E. I. Government at Bristol, P. E. I.

United States Senator William P. Frye of Maine, speaker pro tem of the senate, expects to go to the maritime provinces on a fishing trip about Saturday. It is understood that Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont and several others well known in national politics will go to the provinces shortly for recreation.

Spruce continues dull, with cargo lumber selling under the \$1 reduction announced last week. Car lumber is not bringing as much as earlier in the season, but there is no way of telling just how much the nominal quotations of the mill men are being shaded. Laths are firm and in fair demand at \$3 to 3.15 for 1-5 in. and \$3 for 1-2 in. Spruce clapboards are quiet and steady at \$23 to 30 per extra, \$27 for clear and \$23 to 25 for second clear. Hemlock is in fair demand at \$17 to 17.50 for Canadian boards.

Mackerel continue plentiful, the total receipts here this season up to date amounting to nearly 25,000 barrels, against 4,000 at this time last year. The schools have worked further down east, and it is said the vessels off Nova Scotia are doing fairly well. New salt mackerel are worth about \$14 a barrel among the jobbers. Large fresh mackerel are worth 10 cents and medium 4 to 5 c. Codfish are quiet, with quotations unchanged at \$5.50 for large dry fish, \$5 for medium, \$5 to 6.12-2 for large pickled bank, and \$5.20 to 6 for large shore and Georges. Pickled herring are rather dull at \$6 to 6.50 for large N. S. split, and \$5 to 5.50 for medium. Canned lobsters continue in small supply, at \$3.25 to 3.40 for flats and \$3 to 3.15 for uprights. Live lobsters are quoted at 12c., and boiled 15c.

I. C. R. PASSES.

Montreal Methodist Conference Censures Hon. Mr. Blair.

At a meeting of the lay delegates of the Montreal conference of the Methodist church held in the town of Ganaquoque, Quebec, June 4th, 1900, the following resolutions were unanimously carried: Moved by J. M. Oxley, Esq., Montreal, seconded by G. N. Clarke, Esq., Clareneville, Que., that—

Whereas, according to an official statement made in the house of commons in Canada by the hon. the minister of railways and canals, in reply to an enquiry by Mr. Taylor, member for North York, that the I. C. R. R. as follows, viz: \$1 to R. C. bishops, 5 to bishops of the Church of England, 1 to the general superintendent of the Methodist church, 1 to the president of the Methodist conference of New Brunswick, and 1 to the moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church;

Whereas, in the case of these 13 passes the following are bestowed on clergymen who have no jurisdiction on the line of the railway, viz: the Archbishop of Ontario, the Bishop of Ottawa, the Bishop of Niagara, and the Right Rev. G. Guay, retired, of the Church of England, 1 to the general superintendent of the Methodist church, 1 to the president of the Methodist conference of New Brunswick, and 1 to the moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church;

Whereas, these favors are bestowed quite out of proportion to the relative numerical strength of the different denominations concerned; and

Whereas, other important religious denominations are altogether overlooked in the bestowal of such favors; and

Whereas, on behalf of the chairman of a Methodist church district in Quebec, whose jurisdiction over the same is not warranted by law or equity, and is contrary to the principle of equality of religious bodies in Canada in the eyes of the law; and

Whereas, the functions of a presbytery or of a chairman of a Baptist or a Congregational Union are purely ecclesiastical, and those of a bishop of the prelatical churches, so far as they relate to the same, no distinction should be tolerated in such matters in favor of certain ecclesiastical officers, simply because of their Episcopal titles, such as is manifestly illustrated in the facts above stated;

It is resolved, therefore: 1. That in our opinion, whether the granting of such passes should be altogether abandoned, or alternatively, strongly favored by a majority of the lay delegates here assembled, or that passes should be impartially given to the chief officers of all religious denominations having jurisdiction on the line of the I. C. R., and require to travel on the same in the discharge of their duties, irrespective of the ecclesiastical titles by which they are designated.

2. That we recommend that the special committee of this conference be instructed to press this proposal with energy until justice be done in the premises.

3. That copies of these resolutions be sent to the hon. minister of railways and canals, the hon. minister of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, the chairman of the Baptist Union of Canada, and the chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada and Quebec, and also given to the press.

WEYMOUTH NOTES.

T. C. Rice has another vessel on the stocks at Weymouth. She is now pretty well timbered up. There are at present five vessels in port loading lumber. The Sissiboo Pulp and Paper Co. have a large gang of men at work, and the new mill is being pushed towards completion. The mill at Sissiboo Falls under the management of T. M. Steadman is turning out large quantities of pulp, which goes to England. The mill has about 400 tons ready for immediate shipment.