

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...

The afternoon the streets presented an unusually animated appearance. There was no definite plan of celebration, but the people were abroad in thousands, admiring the handsome decorations and exchanging congratulations on the fall of Pretoria.

And all day long many were busy in preparation for last evening's demonstration, which, considering the very brief time in which it was planned and arranged, with more time for preparation and a whole day for the event, but last evening's splendid parade and general turnout, the spontaneous tribute of a loyal city, will long be remembered by all who witnessed it.

The firemen gathered on King street east, marshalled by Chief of Police Clark, about 5:30, and after waiting some minutes for the militia and corps and No. 1 Salvage Corps, got underway at the corner of Charlotte and Princes' streets; then joined in behind the local militia, under Lt. Col. McLean, with Lt. Col. Armstrong as brigade major, Lt. Col. Jones as in command of the Artillery and Major Sturdee of the 2nd Battalion.

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

tractive features of the parade was the turnout of No. 2 Company of the Artillery, who hauled two heavy field guns from the Barrack square to the Market square on the up-town march. A half company was told off to each gun, and though the work was hard, the men did it well and more than kept up to the pace of the brigade.

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 and one of the oldest men in the service.

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. There was a double arch of red, white and blue extending from the driver's seat to the rear end of the wagon.

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 HOSE 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 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 center 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 Car-

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

NO. 3 HOOK AND LADDER. 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. The cart was prettily draped its entire length with imitation roses, the whole design being almost perfect.

NO. 1 COMPANY, S. C. AND F. P. The corps wagon was magnificently decorated. It was built up on both sides and at the rear with red, white and blue materials, studded with wreaths. Over the front was an arch with flags distributed wherever there was room for them.

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.

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.

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.

ST. STEPHEN. ST. STEPHEN, N. B., June 5.—The capture of Pretoria has been fittingly observed in the town. Since the reception of the news Tuesday morning the public schools have been closed, and this afternoon they have been given over to rejoicing.

at least were but children of an older growth, made up an immense procession. The Victoria Rifles, Capt. Geo. Stuart, were an admired feature. The Maple Leaf and Crown crest bands 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.

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.

The situation is of course more complicated by the fact that with Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines looming up as sources of American supply, the British West Indies are being at a distance date to be shut out of the U. S. market.

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 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.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage on June 26th of Miss George Cole, daughter of E. C. Cole, to George Ellis of Wolfville, N. S., son of J. V. Ellis, M. P.—Moncton Transcript.

BOSTON LETTER.

Probing the Tammany Ice Trust in New York.

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

Deaths of Former Provincialists—Prominent Politicians to Visit the Province This Summer—Dull Spruce Market—Mackerel Continues Plentiful.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) 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 regular republicans, whose leaders are charged with being responsible for the multiplicity of trusts and combines, which have risen like mushrooms in the night, during the present administration, are now finding consolation in the probing which the American ice company is being subjected to.

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.

I. C. R. PASSES.

Metropolitan 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, on June 1st, 1900, it appears that free passes are given on the I. C. R. as follows, viz: 1. To R. C. bishops, 2. 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;

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 line of the railway, which the I. C. R. runs, request has been recently made that such favors be granted to all churches on the line of the railway; and Whereas, this request has been refused by the Hon. Andrew George Blair, minister of railways and canals; and

Resolved, that the special committee of the conference be instructed to press this proposal with energy until justice be done in the premises.

from Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, dated May 29, says that Alexander Chisholm, a native of Nova Scotia, died at that port of a disease suspected to have been bubonic plague. There was nothing in the letter to show what part of Nova Scotia Chisholm originally came from.

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 1-8 in. and \$3 for 1-1 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 10. 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.

WEXMOUTH 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.