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Room for Improvements Here Too.

An Improvement Society has been formed in Hamilton, its primary object being the beautification and cleanliness of the city.

London, as every Canadian knows or should know, is one of the prettiest and cleanest cities on earth; but its charms could be constantly heightened at very slight financial outlay if there were some aesthetic eye to direct operations.

An Improvement Society could also make itself useful in promoting the scheme of park extension, which The Advertiser has broached.

The Commerce of China.

The annual report of the Chinese maritime customs for 1898, shows the vitality of the foreign trade of China, for, in spite of local disturbances checking trade in various districts, of the Yellow River inundations, and of the uneasiness caused by a political situation which was threatening both at home and abroad, the value of the import trade was higher than in any previous year.

The country grows wealthier every year, and everything points to a prosperous future. The imports last year were 209 1/2 million taels, nearly two and a half times as much as in 1856.

The exports last year amounted to a little over 159 million taels, which is slightly less than the previous year, but the exports in 1897 were 32 million taels more than those of 1896.

The burning of candles seems to have made it remarkably warm for certain Church of England clergymen who are now on the ecclesiastical carpet in the old country.

We must congratulate the Montreal Star on the altered flavor of its political editorials. They are served up with more oil and less horse-radish than they used to be.

Zola will write a novel on the Dreyfus affair. If Zola had invented a story half as tragic and complicated as the Dreyfus case, people would have pronounced it extravagant.

Gold is so plentiful in the United States that the federal treasury and the banks are overloaded with it. They cannot force it into circulation, because the American people prefer notes.

The Attorney-General of Ohio, who has been after the Standard Oil Trust in the courts, has now trained his guns on the Brewery Trust, and will institute a suit, claiming damages of \$50 per day during the Trust's existence.

In spite of large bounties from the state, the French merchant marine does not grow. At the present time, France has under her flag only 120 steamers of over 1,500 tons.

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According to a speaker in the Methodist conference, at Brockville, there was some tall lying during the recent bye-election in that place. Among the farmers, it was asserted, the report was circulated that they would have to mortgage their farms in order to be able to pay the increased taxes caused by the establishment of penny postage.

What Others Say.

Tommy Atkins' Bangs. The authorities at Halifax have ordered the soldiers to cut off their bangs and keep their watch chains out of sight.

Our Pure Milk. The milk dealers of the city of London, Ont., supply 8,000 quarts of milk daily to the citizens of that city.

Sure Cure for Freckles. A Triplett (Kansas) girl sent a dollar to a smart New Yorker for a "sure cure for freckles."

Hell Upon Barth. Rev. Dr. Henderson said at the Windsor conference that "missionaries are not sent out to save the heathen from a future hell, but from a present hell.

That was dished up at Brockville and at Belleville. The idea is applicable near home, as well as in the foreign mission field. The preacher was a mere mouthpiece of the landlord who appointed him to his living.

Light and Shade.

The Other Way. "Does Robinson pay as he goes?" "No, he goes before he pays."—Harlem Life.

The Why. Freddy—Why does Cholly look so sad lately? Is he in love? Teddy—Yes, and the girl he loves isn't.—Harper's Bazar.

Poor Auntie. "I'll never forget the time I took my good old aunt from the country to see a Shakespearean revival at one of the theaters."

A Definition. "What's a civilian?" "A civilian is a man who stays at home and thinks up ways for the army commanders to run the war."—Chicago Record.

GRAND CONCERT ON THE HEIGHTS

Ten Thousand Citizens Enjoyed a Nice Treat.

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Sham Battle Passed With but Few Accidents—The First Hussars Were the Only Sufferers—Major-General Hutton Highly Praises the Division—Camp Breaks Tomorrow.

Maj.-Gen. Hutton will review the troops of the entire division on the heights this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The first division will be in command of Lieut.-Col. Holmes, chief staff officer. The infantry will be drawn up by brigades, in line of quarter-column at twelve paces interval, with 30 paces between brigades, and the cavalry will be massed on the right of the first brigade.

THE TATTOO. Fully 10,000 citizens attended the military tattoo on the heights last night, in which every band in camp took part. The crowd of spectators was one of the largest ever assembled in this city on any occasion.

An immense space was kept clear in the middle of the parade ground. This space was illuminated with various colored lights. At the east end, inside the lines, the bands were drawn up. One by one, carrying flaming torches and playing peacocks, they were marched into position on the parade ground.

THE MARCH AND TACTICAL EXERCISE.

The major-general commanding has been pleased to issue the following observations, with reference to the march of the troops and the tactical exercise: The regiment, one and all, marched with an excellent swing, and kept, on the whole, fair intervals. It is to be

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borne in mind that men should swing the disengaged arm. By an error, which should have been avoided, the head of the column was diverted from the route indicated, viz.: Richmond street to Adelaide street. The battalion forming the advance guard of the First Brigade carried out their duty very satisfactorily, more especially the company forming the vanguard, to which great credit is due for their zeal and energy.

The instructions given in the special order were carried out as follows: Three squadrons of the First Hussars were directed to move to the east, and by a flank march to place themselves out of sight upon the left flank and rear of the enemy's position. One squad was directed to act as an advanced cavalry screen, and, by means of officers' patrols, to gain information of the exact position occupied by the enemy.

The advance guard of the First Hussars was directed to detail one battery as an advance guard. The remaining two batteries followed at the usual distance in column of route. The bridge over the Thames, on Adelaide street was repaired. At 11 a.m. the advance guard of the First Brigade crossed the Thames, and, proceeding in the direction of the enemy, took up a position covering the employment of the brigades. Head of First Brigade arrived at cross-roads, 1,500 yards west of enemy's position at 11:10 a.m.

The regimental medical service was initiated for the first time, and the regimental stretcher-bearers undertook the duties recently allotted to them. Two collecting stations were established and the wounded collected. The major-general commanding hopes that next year the regimental medical service will have been still further developed. This important branch of the regimental organization will become more thoroughly effective and developed.

THE SHAM BATTLE.

The volunteers of the first division covered themselves with glory yesterday in the great sham battle to the north of the city. Jackson's farm formed the battle ground, and a better place for a defense could not have been selected. On the summit of a bluff a few hundred yards north of the Thames the Twenty-eighth Perth, under Lieut.-Col. H. A. L. White, Major Moscrip and Capt. Jamieson, took up their position. The first enemy discovered was the cavalry, which had forded the river a little to the east, and advanced to make an attack on the Twenty-eighth from the left, while the advancing infantry engaged them from the front. Along the brow of the hill lay the 29th, and poured a deadly fire at the advancing cavalry, repulsing them. The infantry movement was a spectacle not likely soon to be forgotten by those who witnessed it.

the cavalry was more or less marred by this error.

The major-general commanding has been pleased to express his extreme satisfaction at the excellent manner in which the men marched and carried themselves through the town, and on their way to the scene of the tactical exercise. The greatest pains and trouble had evidently been taken by all ranks to carry out the instructions given in spirit as well as in letter.

The attack by the nine battalions was, generally speaking, well done. Considering the very limited opportunities officers or men had previously had to enable them to gain an insight into advanced tactics required of modern troops, the result of yesterday's tactical exercise may be considered as a most unqualified success.

Many and varied mistakes were made throughout the day. It must be always remembered that in mimic, as in real war, mistakes are unavoidable, and that victory or success is to those troops who commit the fewest.

The major-general commanding feels that all ranks will have gained a valuable and useful experience from the practical illustration given by the tactical exercise of yesterday. The cavalry, especially, carried out with great zeal their orders, and proved themselves of much value upon flank and rear of the enemy. The mistake in the advance of the two squadrons across the ford was unfortunate, as, otherwise, the action of the cavalry upon the left flank and rear of the enemy would have been the decisive point from a military point of view of the day's operations.

CAMP NOTES.

The major-general, in conversation, was overheard to say the following to one of his friends: "The march-out from camp through the city was remarkably well done. The men carried themselves well, and kept the intervals well preserved. The attack and the maneuvers, generally, considering the short time the troops have been in training, was most successful, and shows conclusively that the intelligence of the Canadian soldier, and enthusiasm which permeates all ranks, is sufficient to warrant the general officer commanding in continuing in the principle of advanced instruction, which is being carried out at all camps in the country this year. You see, the troops, in place of being restricted to section and battalion drill, are being interested and instructed at the same time, by not only the A B C of elementary drill, but also in the advanced form of active military maneuvers."

In yesterday's maneuvers there were no mishaps among the infantry, beyond a number of bad powder-burns. Trooper McLaughlin, of the Courtright squadron, First Hussars, was thrown from his horse on Dundas street, and badly shaken up. Trooper Morkin, B squadron, was also thrown, striking a stone, and receiving a cut over the right eye, which required several stitches. Lieut. Gartschore was thrown from his horse into the river. Trooper Williamson, of Courtright, was badly crushed and nearly drowned. In fording the river his horse stepped into a deep hole, throwing the rider, and falling on him. Another horse, following immediately fell on Williamson's horse. Williamson was under water for about half a minute.

THE CASUALTIES.

The officers of the Perth Battalion entertained a number of their friends at dinner last evening, among them [Continued on page 8.]

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that, too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking the first dose that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Ham-nick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Sold by all druggists at 50 cents and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed. For sale by W. T. Strong & Co.