

The Advertiser

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Enforcement of Law

The question of the protection of officers appointed by the Municipality to carry out the laws, should receive attention at the next session of our County Council. Certain officers appointed in this county to enforce the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act have had their property wantonly destroyed, and further threats have been made against the lives and property of those individuals. Those who have suffered most are Mr. A. D. Nichols Scott Act Inspector and Mr. S. W. Bligh Stipendiary Magistrate, both of whom have nobly tried to do the duties for which they were appointed.

Kings County has a quiet and law abiding people except for a very few desperadoes who have evidently of late determined to terrorize the officers of the law, destroy their property and threaten their lives and thus create such a fear that no one would molest them in their unlawful work.

We will briefly relate what has already taken place that the people generally in the County may understand what some people have suffered to execute our laws and thus give a further thought as to what the Municipality should do to protect our officials and make good the loss sustained.

In June Mr. A. D. Nichols Scott Act Inspector while absent from home had 26 of his apples trees entirely cut down and 12 more badly mutilated. The trees were most all 12 years old. Everyone will understand something of the amount of that loss. A month previous, in May, Mr. S. W. Bligh, Berwick, had 18 large panes of glass broken out of the front of his warehouse. Recently Mr. Bligh had one spoke in each wheel and the pole of a team wagon sawed into and nearly severed and otherwise damaged, the wagon being in front of his warehouse.

Since these depredations have been committed it has been found almost impossible to get any Constable to take any action under the Scott Act. They claim they could not afford to have their property destroyed without any restitution.

The persons who have suffered we have named, and they are regular appointees of the Council, and the Council should do everything to protect them. Steps should be taken to have the guilty parties discovered and summarily dealt with. Messrs. Nichols and Bligh have no desire to do the work they are doing but being appointed have sufficient courage to attempt to do their duty. We believe all would desire to see these men paid for the damage to their property and we believe it will be necessary for the Municipality to see that this is done or hereafter no one will accept such an office and lawlessness will prevail. When desperadoes realize that such destruction of property will be made good to the owners and that they themselves will be obliged to pay a fair share of the tax to pay it then such acts will cease.

We ask our readers to consider this question and give expressions to their councillors as to what action should be taken.

THE APPLE CROP

The apple crop of the valley has been variously estimated at from 35 per cent. to 75 per cent. of a crop. There is no doubt that we will only have about half a crop as compared with our most fruitful years but the quality of the apples is good and it would appear now as if Nova Scotia would export nearly as many apples as last year, or about two hundred thousand barrels. With the present prospect of good prices the returns for the crop to our fruit growers should be double that of last year if

careful handling and packing is observed.

The estimated crop for different sections is, Ontario, 35 per cent.; Nova Scotia, 75 per cent.; New England, 25 per cent.; New Jersey, 40 per cent.; Pennsylvania, 40 per cent.; New York, 20 per cent.; Maryland, 50 per cent.; Virginia, 65 per cent.; West Virginia, 65 per cent.; Kentucky, 35 per cent.; Tennessee, 35 per cent.; Ohio, 40 per cent.; Michigan, 30 per cent.; Indiana, 40 per cent.; Illinois, 40 per cent.; Missouri, 45 per cent.; Arkansas, 50 per cent.; Kansas, 45 per cent.; Nebraska, 45 per cent.; Iowa, 25 per cent.; Colorado, 85 per cent.; Wisconsin, 15 per cent.; California, 90 per cent.; Oregon, 80 per cent.; Washington, 80 per cent. The average for America will be about 46 per cent.

LETTER

FROM CORPORAL W. H. SNYDER, 17TH TROOP, C (EASTERN) DIVISION, SOUTH AFRICAN CONSTABULARY.

July 25th, 1901.

Dear Mr. Editor,—At last I have had an opportunity of visiting the places made famous by the campaign of General Buller and I know how interested the people were in this hard fought fight in the early part of the South African campaign. Truly at every hand will be found "books in running brooks" and "sermons in stones." The Tugela River itself has a stirring romance, and every kopje and boulder between Colenso and Ladysmith hides a tragedy. The nobleness and grandeur of that tragedy is written in monuments on the hills, where among the thorn bushes and grand aloes, with the placid river flowing beneath, they tell their stories of heroic gallantry to our nation.

In the majority of cases the Boer trenches across the several routes to Ladysmith and farther north remain intact; some there are that have already been subjected to the destroying influence of the elements and to the vandalism of the tourist, but for many years to come they will remain speaking tributes to the ingenuity of the Boers and the fortitude and fighting ability of our troops.

Under fire at beyond 2000 yards and advancing in full view upon a concealed and well protected enemy, the fact that General Buller ever "forced the passage of the Tugela" is a matter of surprise to me, after I saw the strategic strength of the Boer entrenchments and the power of the modern weapons of warfare.

In construction all the Boer entrenchments bear a family likeness. Under the able direction of the German and French military officers they were clearly designed to serve at least a threefold purpose: (1) deep and narrow for protection against heavy shells, (2) with an overhanging ledge of sand-bags to protect the occupants from shrapnel and time fuse common shell bursting overhead, and (3) with every facility for invisible defence and easy retirement.

I visited the flatlayers cottage which was occupied by General Joubert for some time and opposite to which was laid the fuse to destroy Frere Bridge. The site of the armoured train disaster and the graves of some of the officers and men who fell in the Spion Kop engagement are close to here, this house is very central.

The Armoured Train Disaster took place on November 19th as you know. Early in the morning the train started for Chierley, just beyond Frere station. The Boers let it pass and awaited its return, having torn up several rails. Back it came with Dublin Fusiliers and Durban Light Infantry and as it was passing between two kopjes (which I was well over) over it went. The Boers fired over 90 shells at the train and its occupants. As you know two privates without orders held up two white flags. Those who escaped with the engine to Estcourt reported a loss of 75. The graves of those who fell are just beside the railway.

I visited the village of Colenso, east-

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ward of the Railway station about half a mile along a beaten track leading to Hlangweni is the site from which the ill fated battery of Col. Long was firing on Fort Wylie across the river on Dec. 15th.

Near at hand on both sides of the Tugela will be seen innumerable evidences of Boer occupation and from this point can be seen the impregnable positions held by the Boers and General Buller's difficulties may then, and not till then, be fully appreciated.

I travelled over Pretet's Hill, or perhaps more correctly termed the Tugela Heights. This will be held in close association with the relief of Ladysmith. It was the final stroke after fifteen days continuous fighting.

Here I saw where many of the dead were buried. The lonely graves on the veldt are a sad sight, where far from the haunts of men, amid unbroken silence, a gallant band of heroes lie buried.

I was at Ladysmith for some time. The story of it comes within the category of deathless fame. The names of those who lie in the town cemetery have been indelibly written on the heart of our nation.

"For four long months the Boer horde besieged the little town. For four long months their canon roared. The flag would not come down. The flag would not come down at call. But flaunted in the air. The battle flag—Imperial—Would not surrender there."

I saw Lombard's Kop and Gun Hill where the Boers heavy guns were placed. I was at Elandsburg where our cavalry charged the enemy so fiercely. In Dundee I saw the grave of the brave officer General Penn-Symons in St. James' churchyard. His was the first notable name placed on the now lengthy roll of honoured dead. Some person has printed on a board near.

"Oh ye in the far distant place, O'er the infinite seas; When ye think of the sons of our race, Think deep upon these."

One thing I noticed from nearing the Boer positions that they have, when practicable, adopted the tactics of having a hill in reserve, behind which they could retire, and from which they could render the position untenable for the attacking force.

But I must bring this rambling and disconnected letter to a close. As I visited the battle scenes of Natal, the disasters of the armoured train and Colenso, the mistakes of Spion Kop, and the splendid victory of Pretet's Hill was brought closer and the true value of those mistakes and accidents, intermingled with glorious achievements, which so fatefully marked the campaign in Natal, will be placed upon them. With kind regards.

Yours very truly,
W. H. SNYDER.

Kentville School

Mr. Editor:—In a former issue you published the results of the grade B examinations, promising, at the same time, to publish, later, the results for grade C and D. Now that the candidates have heard and the teachers are back, who can furnish the information, you are in a position to fulfill your promise. But in addition to this there is a great deal more about which definite information is desirable viz: 1. The number of pupils in each grade in the Academy. 2. The license, salary, this term and last, and work of each teacher. 3. The number of pupils enrolled last term and the daily average. 4. The number of pupils from outside the section last term and this term. 5. The amount of Provincial Grant received last term. 6. The names of the teachers of the departments below the Academy; their license, sort grade; salary this term and last, exclusive of Provincial Grant; grades taught; and the number of pupils in each grade. Your giving the desired information in your valuable paper is, I think, the only way to put a stop to the contradictory reports now in circulation. Citizen.

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