

Consumption No Barrier. Shiloh Counteracts Hereditary Tendencies.

Many a man's life has been wrecked simply because he dare not marry. Being conscientious, and knowing that his ancestors have suffered and died from the dreaded disease of Consumption, he feels himself debarred from the pleasures and responsibilities of married life.



If taken in Time Cures Consumption.

BOERS MAKE A DEMONSTRATION

says that the British residents of Mexico have been active in raising contributions for the British soldiers' relief fund, and that the total amount subscribed and forwarded from Mexico to the lord mayor of London up to this time is over \$600,000.

WHY DOUGLAS WAS EVACUATED

Canadian Volunteers Escort the Royals to Belmont.

The Force Congratulated by Gen. Buller for Their Success.

Slight Skirmish Near Belmont—Boers Try to Rush Klooffontein, but Were Beaten Back—Boer Dispatches From Ladysmith—Gen. Joubert Preaching.

Belmont, Cape Colony, Wednesday, Jan. 3.—Col. Picher, is officially announced, being only on a raiding expedition, and for military reasons being unable to occupy Douglas permanently, has evacuated the town, bringing off all the loyalists. He has now returned safely to close proximity to Belmont.

When he announced the necessity of evacuating the place, the inhabitants of Douglas declared their lives were not worth five minutes' purchase after the troops left. Col. Picher therefore invited them to accompany him to Belmont. The preparations were speedily completed, but the vehicles of the town were totally inadequate to convey the refugees, so the troops gave up their wagons to the women and children.

The Canadians acted as an escort of the refugees, carried babies for the women, and kept everybody lively by singing as they marched pluckily along in spite of sore feet, occasioned by the heavy sand. The force received Gen. Buller's congratulations on the success of the expedition with great satisfaction.

SKIRMISH NEAR BELMONT. Orange River, Cape Colony, Wednesday, Jan. 3.—There was a small skirmish near Belmont this morning. The British fired a few shells, and the Boers did not respond.

BOERS BEATEN BACK. A detachment of about 40 Boers attacked Belmont.

More London Proof That Doan's Kidney Pills Are the Best Remedy for Backache and All Kidney Diseases and Disorders.

Day after day and week after week we have been furnishing the people of the city of London with home proof of the most indisputable and convincing nature that Doan's Kidney Pills are the best remedy for backache, lame or weak back, tired feeling, puffiness under the eyes, urinary weakness or kidney troubles.

This testimony of friends and neighbors is more reliable than the word of an utter stranger.

"I was feeling very miserable before using Doan's Kidney Pills. My kidneys were affected, my back was weak and I seemed to be getting worse all the time.

"I used several doctors' prescriptions, hoping to get relief, but my old enemy still clung to me.

"I was then persuaded to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and I can honestly say I have derived great benefit from them. In fact, am feeling better at present than I have been for a number of years, and strongly advise anyone whose kidney or urinary organs are not in a healthy and vigorous condition to use this remedy."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists, or sent by mail on receipt of price 50c a box or 3 for \$1.25. The Doan Kidney Pill Company, Toronto.

THEIR FERY "BAPTISM"

The Canadians Complimented on Their Gallant Behavior

In the Recent Affair at Sunnyside Laager—English Press Comment.

London, Jan. 4.—The bearing of the Canadians under the first baptism fire at Sunnyside is warmly applauded by the press generally. Of course, it is recognized that such minor successes only have an inspiring effect upon the military situation, but it is enthusiastically welcomed as an evidence of the spirit of the British race under trial.

The Times says: The mother country shares with the Canadians and the Australians the pride and gratification at the fine qualities displayed during the recent engagements. The conduct of both contingents was most soldierly, and is an earnest of what the behavior of all colonial forces will be on many a hard-fought field under the old flag.

The Standard says that from the point of view of imperial unity the little fight at Sunnyside was one of the most gratifying events recorded in the recent history of the British race.

The Daily News says the colonials did not go into this war as if they were going to a picnic or parade; they were prepared to die for their rights; and, if need be, to die side by side with the soldiers of the Queen. They would do whatever work was allotted them. The only complaint hitherto had been that they had not yet to bear the brunt of battle in this affair.

The Globe says that this brilliant feat of arms has a special consequence of its own apart from the immediate tactical gains. The soldiers of the empire have again fought and bled together. The chief share of the glory falls to fellow-subjects, who have hurried from the opposite ends of the world to uphold the Queen's imperial authority.

The St. James' Gazette says that the colonials fought with the coolness, bravery and judgment that goes with our saying from their methods the regular soldiers from home may learn a useful lesson. It is a military reason that Sunnyside is not to be forgotten.

Complete. SECOND CANADIAN CONTINGENT. Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Hon. Dr. Borden has had the British Columbia offer of troops for South Africa, as the contingent is up to its full strength.

Kingston, Jan. 4.—Lieut.-Col. Stone and the A. Battery officers were sent to the T. R. station to see the detachment leave for Ottawa to join D Battery. Capt. Eaton was in command. About 300 citizens were also on hand to say farewell. There were sorrowful scenes on the whole as the lads were cheerful. After setting themselves in their seats they burst into song, the refrain being, "Hall, hall, the gang's all here."

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 4.—The committee having in hand the raising of \$10,000 as a fund for the British soldiers during their absence, got over \$4,000 yesterday, the first day an effort was made, and will have little difficulty in getting the amount asked for.

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 4.—The city council may insure for one year the lives of the Kingston men in the second contingent. The council granted the Batters for the accepted volunteers for the Transvaal war from this city. This will be supplemented by \$500 more from the citizens. A farewell ball will be given the soldier boys before leaving for Belisle.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 4.—Ten young Brookville men of the 41st Battalion have been accepted for service in the second contingent. The enemy occupied Moltene and Cyperghat today, but the latter place is now recaptured by the British.

GANAQUO, Ont., Jan. 4.—Fourteen members of the 4th Field Battery were passed as members of the second South African contingent. They left for Kingston to take a few days' instructions, and will return home before long to the T. R. station. A subscription list is being circulated for their benefit, also a big benefit concert is to be given.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Lieut.-Col. T. D. B. Evans, of the 1st Battalion, is here and fit as ever, and is anxious to see active service as soon as possible. He says the mounted force could have been recruited one hundred times its present strength, without any lack of men being felt.

The Kingston section of D battery arrived in the city last evening. Dr. David Whiston, of Ottawa, has been appointed a physician with D battery.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—Major Williams has received a telegram that the Winnipeg troops of B squadron will not be required for the war in Africa. It is probable that the start from Winnipeg will be made about the 10th inst., or Wednesday of next week.

London, Jan. 4.—At the enrolling of the London volunteers at the Guildhall this morning, the lord mayor, Mr. A. J. Newton, read an extract from a letter written by the Queen's private secretary, Sir Arthur Biggs, saying: "I have to assure you how much the Queen values the corps which have been so patriotically raised by the city of London for service in South Africa."

Although the manifests of the German steamer General seized at Aden show there was no war material on board, she was compelled to discharge her cargo.

FATAL EXPLOSION. M. C. R. Pumping House at Fargo Blown Up.

St. Thomas, Jan. 4.—About 7 o'clock Tuesday night an explosion took place at Fargo, which wrecked the pumping house and probably fatally injured the pump, Mr. Hough.

The M. C. R. has a very deep well there. Gas at first came from the well, but the flow of gas disappeared, and the well has since been used to supply water for the M. C. R. The flow of gas must have again found vent to the well, for at 7 o'clock at night a terrific explosion took place, which wrecked the pumping house and inflicted probably fatal injuries upon the pump, Mr. Hough was attended by a physician from Blenheim.

ONE OF THE VICTIMS. "You look as tired," said the visitor, "if you were working in a chain gang."

"That's exactly how I am working!" responded the country postmaster, wearily reaching for another pile of letters. "Endless chain gang."

THE RAILWAYS

The Michigan Central has reopened its city ticket office in Windsor, and the agent is R. A. Reynolds.

There has been a change in the agents at the G. T. R. depot, Ingersoll, S. F. Houser has resigned, and is succeeded by John Gray, of Hespeler.

Mr. A. E. Neil, late train dispatcher of the G. T. R. at Stratford, was presented with an address and gold-headed cane at the trainmaster's office the other afternoon. Mr. Neil severed his connection with the Stratford office some months ago, and has been engaged in Toronto for the past seven or eight weeks.

Several important changes have been made in the office staff of the L. E. and D. R. R., says the Windsor Record. A. E. Drake has been promoted to the position of traveling freight and passenger agent to succeed L. E. Tolson, who has been made general agent at Chatham in place of A. R. Patterson. Hugh McDowell, of the passenger department, takes Mr. Drake's place, and H. E. Easton goes to the mail department. Mr. Edgeworth has been promoted to the position of chief clerk. F. W. Burgess, of Sarnia, goes to the main office at Walkerville, as stenographer.

Municipal Elections. Bothwell—Mayor, Geo. Mahler; councillors, N. D. MacLean, Thos. Clarke, S. C. Mason, James Dillon, Geo. Swallow, W. Goodyear.

Gosfield South—Phil. Fox beat the late reeve, Mr. A. H. Woodbridge, by 11 votes.

For Councillors. Kingsville—Elihu Scratch, reeve (acclamation); councillors, Jas. Sweet, Alex. Wigle, Robert Fleming, H. R. Scratch.

Table with columns for Divisions (Div. 1 to Div. 14) and Candidates (Clark, Gough, J. H. Hodgins, J. J. R. Hodgins, Morben, Patrick, Ramsay). Totals: 882 568 705 708 178 188 676. Jan. 3, 1900. Jas. Grant, clerk.

FROM THE WEST.

Enthusiastic Reports of the Work Dodd's Kidney Pills Are Doing in the Prairie Province.

Backache and Bladder Troubles Prevalent in Manitoba—Frank Colleauch's Letter From Oak Lake—Specimen of the Cures Dodd's Kidney Pills Are Making.

Oak Lake, Man., Jan. 3.—The climate of Manitoba has a peculiar tendency of making strong people stronger and weak people weaker. Its severe winters have the effect of hardening the hardy, but they are trying to those not so robust in the first place.

There is another thing about Manitoba that is trying on even the robust. In all wheat growing countries there is found alkali in the water. Alkali is dreadfully hard on the kidneys. Hence the prevalence of kidney troubles, such as gravel, urinary disorders, etc., in Manitoba.

Dodd's Kidney Pills have become an absolute necessity in Manitoba, and are being used to a great extent every day. They are recognized as the only reliable kidney medicine in the world.

Here is a specimen of the letters the Dodd's Medicine Company are receiving from grateful convalescents in Manitoba.

Oak Lake, Dec. 1, 1899. Dear Sirs—It gives me great pleasure to testify to the excellent curative qualities of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Almost two years ago I was attacked with severe pains in the back. A friend of mine advised me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I did so and six boxes cured me.

Since then my back has not troubled me and I would like you to publish this for the benefit of other sufferers. Yours faithfully, FRANK COLLEAUCH.

SORROWS OF SATAN. It fell to the lot of Rivers, who is exceedingly tall and thin, to personate Mephistopheles at the fancy dress party.

"Poor Devil!" compassionately exclaimed Brooks, on seeing him arrayed for the part.

For bargains in high grade cutters and sleighs, see J. H. Moran, 154 Fultarion street.

ANEMIA

is thin blood. It causes pale faces, white lips, weak nerves and lack of vitality. A blood-enriching, fat producing food-medicine is needed.

Scott's Emulsion goes to the root of the trouble, strengthens and enriches the blood, and builds up the entire system.

For Anemic girls, thin boys, and starved mothers, it is the Standard remedy.

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ALFRED TAYLOR, Manager.

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70 Children's Suits, 2-Piece and Fancy Vestee Suits. You can take your choice at.....

\$2.00

The regular prices for these Suits run from \$2 75 to \$3 75.

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154 Dundas Street, London.

A Grocer's Good-Will

The good-will of a grocer is worth having—we realize that. Oftentimes the cooperation of a grocer is indispensable to the success of an advertised article. We realize that, too. Co-operation is the life of trade. We want to co-operate with all grocers for more business on

Tillson's Pan-Dried Rolled Oats

One way we take of doing this is to advertise them extensively direct to the consumer. Another way is—pan-drying the Oats, thereby getting a rich, nut-like flavor that no other method can possibly yield. The flavor itself distinguishes Pan-Dried—the flavor alone ought to obtain "a grocer's good-will."

The Tillson Coy. Limited, Tillsonburg, Ont.

DEADLIEST WEAPON

England's Twelve-Inch Gun Can Shoot Across the Channel.

In accordance with the recommendation of Parliament, writes a Woolwich correspondent, the British navy is being strengthened by the addition of a new gun which will insure the supremacy of Great Britain over the seas for many years to come. It is known as the 12-inch steel and wire gun, and is not only the best weapon which the royal navy has ever had, but is far superior to any gun possessed by any foreign navy.

It weighs 50 tons, is 41 feet long, has a muzzle velocity of 2,367 feet per second. The projectile weighs 350 pounds, the bursting charge being 83 pounds, and the firing charge 167½ pounds of cordite.

The admiralty has ordered 450, at a cost of £10,000 each. Of these 150 have been completed, and 300 are still in the hands of the contractors.

Each man-of-war will carry four of these formidable weapons, and when the navy is supplied they will be used at the front on the sea front. The new gun will be the heaviest in the service, and will take the place of the 110-ton, 100-ton and 80-ton guns, of which no more are to be made.

The best Krupp gun can fire a shot weighing one-half mile, and the United States Government is constructing at the arsenal at Watervliet a monster gun, which, it is said, will carry a heavy shot 21 miles. The new British naval gun, though less than half the weight of the American weapon, mounted on the heights of Dover, can, however, drop a shell on the shores of France. No accuracy of aim could, of course, be obtained or maintained at this long distance, the effective range being 16,000 yards, or between nine and ten miles.

CHINESE GOING HOME

Especially Large Numbers Who Have Died Here.

[From the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.] All the overland trains arriving at Seattle these days bear contingents of Chinese homewards bound. During the past week at least 400 of the Mongolians have left Seattle for Victoria, from which port they will sail for Hong Kong.

But these are but a few. Already more than this number have arrived from the east, and more are expected on every train for the next ten days. All leave over the Seattle and International for Victoria.

Next year is to be a big one in the history of China, and this is the chief cause of the great exodus. It is then that the "Six Companies" in America will superintend the shipment of the bones of the dead Chinese to China.

STILL RESENTFUL.

"That venerable man," said the guardian spirit, who was showing him about the place, "is the poet Homer. Would you like to meet him?"

"Not in a thousand years!" exclaimed the newly-arrived visitor, who had been a college student only the day before.

"If the Cap Fits, Wear It."

If you are suffering from the consequences of impure blood—have boils, pimples or scrofula sores; if your food does not digest or you suffer from catarrh or rheumatism, you are the one who should take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It will fit your case exactly, make your blood pure and cure salt rheum, scrofula, rheumatism, dyspepsia, catarrh, and give you perfect health.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills. Non-irritating.

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