

Canada is Getting Ready

Army of 500,000 Sharpshooters Prepared to Raid States.

Uncle Sam Warned of Impending Danger by Southern Paper.

The following extraordinary, and to Canadians, highly amusing, article was published in a newspaper in the Southern States, and sent here by a Toronto lady, who is visiting here.

Canada is rapidly becoming a nation of sharpshooters. This is one of the results of the Boer war.

Canada sent several thousand young men to South Africa, and they have profited from their contact with the Boer sharpshooters.

Here is an aspect of the case that may interest the people of America. If this war of hitting the bull's eye at from 1,000 to 2,000 yards continues with the singular unanimity that now prevails, conflict in which the people of the States must reckon with Canada as a hostile force may mean a serious thing.

The lesson of the South African war, indicated with lightning force, is that a body of sharpshooters can do when opposed to armies trained in the old school of war.

The result forms an interesting study for the Americans. More bulls eye shots were made than any other, and the extraordinary record was made not a single shot that would not have struck the vitals of a man had the target been shown to him.

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Shortly after the Boer war opened and the deadly work of the fine marksmen was demonstrated to the world, more attention to the subject of rifle practice. As the war progressed, the rifles became more a general subject of comment, Canada flamed up, and the rifle ranges began to encroach on the land today thousands of rifle ranges are in almost constant use all over Canada.

millia in Canada that this work is confined to, but the business men generally—the very class from which the fighting men must be drawn if Canada is ever called upon suddenly to defend her frontier or to invade the United States.

If the occasion arises, says a writer in the New York Times, here is a mobile force of sharpshooters that would make a terrible struggle against the United States.

Movements of Warships

H. M. S. Arethusa Bound Home from China—Thetis to Relieve Her.

Report that the Liffey Will Be Abolished as Pacific Depot Ship.

H. M. S. Arethusa, Capt. Startin, has been ordered home from China according to the Naval and Military Record of November 20.

The Liffey is a reminder of the transition stage of naval shipping, and the fact that the Liffey is being replaced by the new Australian squadron.

The Liffey will be sold out as she floats, and in the future all required stores will be drawn direct from the wharves.

The Naval and Military Record of November 20 contains details of court martial recently held at Esquimaux.

A court martial, composed of Capt. John Casement, of the Amphion (president), and Messrs. C. H. Ure, Egeria; C. H. Umfréville, Shearwater; and W. S. Bowman and C. M. K. Fair, of the Amphion, assembled on board the Amphion for the trial of P. Diamo.

For many years past it has been customary for the Admiralty to sell out the service some of the oldest and most useless ships in the navy.

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Once More The Library

Voters Discuss Matter of Local Habitation For Carnegie Building.

Centrally Situated Corner Lot Must Be Had At All Hazards.

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Mr. Shakespeare thought that no sane person would be in favor of putting the library on the lot at the James Bay corner of Yates and Douglas streets, which is the largest number of people, and should be put in a more central portion of the city.

Mr. McGregor was also in favor of a more central site for the reason that it would then serve the largest number of residents.

Whereas the Carnegie library question has been before the council for several months, and as yet there has been nothing done in the matter, and believing that this is not the best way to proceed, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, that in the opinion of the council, the site of the Carnegie library should be located on a centrally located corner property of sufficient area as a site and adjacent to a by-law street and a public square.

Mr. Henderson did not agree with the resolution.

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Ladies' Desks, solid oak, similar to illustration, \$14.00. In Elm, Golden Oak, \$12.00. Other Styles from \$7.50 to \$50.00. A few Mahogany Desks from \$14 to \$45.

idea of asking the council to buy a site, as the citizens had already refused to sanction the purchase of another site, and the only one of the cities which the city owned was, to his mind, the one located on the corner of Yates and Douglas streets.

Pong Wong Gives Evidence

Denies He Had Anything to Do With Assault on Look Den.

Several Witnesses For Prosecution to Be Recalled on Monday.

Pong Wong, accused of attempting to kill and of robbing Look Den, was in the witness box in the police court yesterday.

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A Fine Line of Cheffoniers, with or without mirrors—Mahogany Finish—top 18x31, 6 drawers and fancy shaped British bevelled mirror—\$28.00

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Meets in Feb

Dominion Parliament Convened on Thursday That Month

Official Circles Somewhat Priced at Mr. Stewart's Statement

Manitoba Young Convention Hold Their Conviction in Winnipeg

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—(Special) In official circles it was expected that the Dominion Parliament would convene on Thursday, February 27.

The total receipts to date amount to \$2,000,000. The Clergue Company has 3,500 tons of steel rails on hand, and the government is advertising in the next year's appropriation to purchase 25,000 tons.

Mr. Fielding's tariff unit is a very close ally of the government, and is not much longer a deputy minister to getting rid of tariff anomalies.

The charge of bribery against Mary Sutherland against Donald Sutherland, was commuted by the court.

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