village of Bear Hills is sure to be very heavy and troublesome, the trail running through low-lying swamp land, much of which is submerged, except in very dry weather. The Indian village referred to is a small collection chief, who real themselves brothers. Their names are Samoon, Bodtail, and Ermine Skin. Twenty miles from the villager is what is known as the Bear Hills Indian farm. The intervening country is swampy, low-lying, and sparsely everyed with clumps and bluffs of grey willows. Another half-day's travelling through thickgrowing, low-lying swamps of willow and black abler, brings us to Black Mud Biver, a wretched place to cross at any time. The approaches to the stream are of very soft black mud, into which horses and loaded waggons would sink intelliging.

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A messenger to Calgary, as late as April 29th from Edmonton, stated that all the residents had been in the fort there for weeks. When the course left the Indians were threatening an attack, and the arrival of troops was eagerly and the arrival of troops was eagerly and the course of the Indians of the Indians of the Indians of I

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the other over the Gating gun, which grine with its ten toeth on the stern of the stemmer, At twelve o'clock they get their dinner; at 6 pm, supper, and at seven the retreat sounds, as green, two corporals, and twenty men, is told off every day, and at night the sentres are doubled. When we can we anchor in midstream, but when that is not practicable outlying pickets are placed on land, at some distance from the steamer, and over; prezention taken as as to play on an attaching force of the men are obliged to retreat to the boat. Captain Howard, an American from New Haven, Conn., has command of the Gating. His services have been secured by the Canadian Governitor to be as much at home we an Apache on a trail. We have a detachment of the ambulance corps under Surgeons Bell and Gravely, with eight assistants, and a large quantity of medical stores on board, and these, with myself and another staff oilier, complete the expedition, and appears of the substantial of the complete of the substantial of the complete the expedition of the substantial of the complete the expedition of the substantial of the complete of the substantial of the complete of the substantial of the complete the expedition of the substantial of the complete of the substantial of th

pecetrateit at any of its many ports. Her pilothones could be inade untenable by rillemen on the banks unless protected by improvised any five horses on bearin, and some of them are indian ponies, or 'shaganappies,' as they are called in these parts. They are hady little brutes and accustomed to the plains. They are not fleet, but they have great ataying powers, and they never stumble over the gopher or badger holes with which the parties are borryen, and they never stumble over the gopher or badger holes with which the parties are borryen, and they never stumble over the gopher or badger holes with which the parties are horryen, and they never stumble over the gopher or badger holes with which the parties are horryen, and they never stumble over the gopher or badger holes with which the parties are followed by the parties are should be also the parties and the voices of the orderlies are shouling hears oath as them to be still. The noisy heads with the chorns 'Hold the Fort,' which the glee club has darted.

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