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WINFRED JOHNSTON WRITES OF HER NEW SOUTH AFRICAN HOME

ESTABLISHED NOW IN OTTOSHOOP, WHICH HAD A GOLD BOOM; WAS AN ARMY POST DURING THE WAR; HAS WONDERFUL CAVES DESCRIBED AS "INFERNAL."

Ottoshoop, Transvaal, Oct. 8.—Mafeking is supposed to be the dearest part of South Africa, the high veldt, the almost level, slightly rolling, practically treeless. After the rain it will burst into a mass of wild flowers and waving grass, but the mine has not yet come, except those few violent showers that blow down our marquee.

burgher camps are flying hither and thither over the country, trying to find places to settle. We had them every day of the week at the Malmesbury hotel, doctors, druggists, accountants, men who are willing to settle down on farms. We did best to boom Ottoshoop as a coming mining town, but I'm afraid a professional man would starve with the present population. To every one of them we showed off the caves, to which we will soon have squatters' rights, if we keep on.

The Caves of Ottoshoop. The caves at Ottoshoop are approached in a truly original way. A plot of ground fell in, with several trees, so the only way in is to climb down the trees. It's fairly easy, after you have been up a tree to crawl out again, but to go it blind down a brand new tree is rather terrifying. I must record that of all the people I watched climb down that tree I always sat on top while Miss McLeod showed the caves, the fair Canadian carried off easy honors for agility.

An Infernal Picture. What you see is millions of bats, whirling hither and thither with a frightened cheer, cheep, and a steadily growing whirr. They pour up through the chasm until the air is thick with them. You hand the candle to the doctor, crawl over as far as possible from the gulf, crouch close to the ground and shriek at the infernal sight. River Slyx, bats, lower legends, most frightful place I ever saw in my life.

Children Get Lesson in Cleanliness. Well, we got the school under way at Ottoshoop very much the same as we had done at Selatse, only we had a corrugated iron school house this time, and a Dutchman for an assistant. He taught them religion and arithmetic for beginners.

Some Horse Racing. Ottoshoop, for one day of its existence, was a sportsy little place, the fall race meeting was held there, or rather the spring race meeting in this blooming country. The officers of the S. A. C. worked hard, organizing the races, having marquee put up, enclosing a paddock in a temporary hedge, flagging out the course.

The Force of Example. Next day a very big boy, when school should be going in, realized he was not immaculate and made a bold dash off for the river. Such is the force of example upon a primitive people. I only wish I could turn them into a big bath tub and soak them in hot water.

officers. Shortly another ambulance arrived from Mafeking, with the inniskilling officers. After the first race luncheon was spread in the stage coach, and the ambulances, and everyone made merry. The races, of course, are run on the English plan, all riding races. The most interesting to me, was the Lloyd Lindsay competition. A team of four horses, ridden by S. A. C. men, rode over the course, jumping a hedge in one place and a bar in another. It was fun to see them try to keep the horses strictly abreast when they went over the obstructions. One team did very neat work, never leaving the bar; they jumped; others knocked it over.

A Musical Afternoon. Among the pleasant afternoons spent at Ottoshoop was one musical one. A man who, with a dramatic gesture, explained "music has been my ruin," was trekking over to Jo'burg. His friend was on his way back to Mafeking. They came in to try our piano, and they sang, in turn, all afternoon. The strangest thing about it was they sang their own compositions. Kipling's Song of the Banjo to a capital air, a genuine trekking song, composed while transporting ammunition to Bulawayo, and sung to spontaneously admiring comrades beside a real camp fire by a live soloist from the opera. The other man gave us queer Australian songs of the bushman. The gem of the whole collection, however, was an exposition of playing the Dead March in Saul. The opening notes were played gravely, then at the second bass chord the player sat on the key board, and rolled out an immense drum beat. The drollery of it was simply irresistible.

That is South Africa for you. Coming and going, all sorts and conditions of men. WINFRED JOHNSTON.

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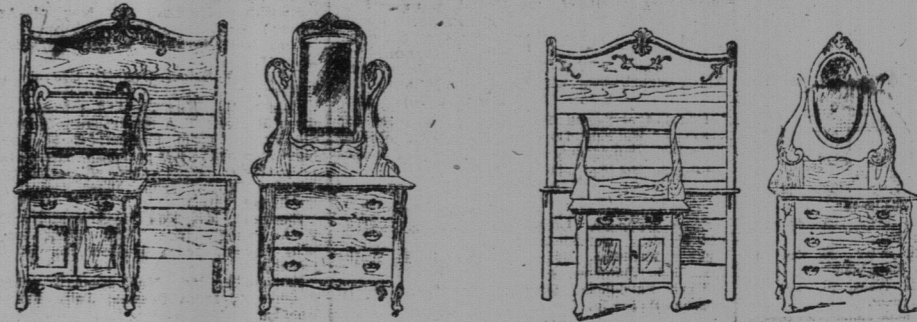
The British war office notify that recruits will not in future be accepted for the corps of infantry unless they are at least five feet four inches in height.

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REMARKABLE RELICS

London, Nov. 23.—The excavations on the site of St. Augustine's Abbey, Canterbury, have brought to light the leaden coffin and coffin-plate of Abbot Ulric I (965-1006), and a body of another abbot wrapped in silk vestments, much decorated with pieces of copper gilt clasps. Numerous fragments of carved marble, brightly-plated stones, gilded pinnacles, and figure-heads have also been unearthed.

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CLAIMED TO BE WIFE OF A NEW BRUNSWICKER. Woman, Arrested in Boston as Disorderly, Makes a Statement.

Boston, Nov. 24.—(Special)—A woman claiming to be the wife of a New Brunswicker named Montgomery, was before Judge Dewey in municipal court today charged with being disorderly. She told the judge her husband is at his father's home in Canada ill of consumption. She and Montgomery, she said, were married here in June. For some time she has been living in Chelsea. Montgomery had an office in Boston before he became ill. Judge Dewey discharged the woman.

A Highland ceilidh has been formed in Liverpool.

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QUEEN SQUARE, ONE OF ST. JOHN'S BEAUTY SPOTS.

One of the city's beauty spots, a quiet, rest-inviting place, is Queen square. With its grassy plots, its pretty flower beds, its surroundings of some of the city's finest residences, its elevation giving a view of the bay as you look down Charlotte street, it is a good place for one who wants his mind withdrawn for a time from the cares of life.

If you sicken of the odors and clash of the streets; if you tire of lending your jaded presence to the thousands who troop through its grim and grimy, if you weary of it all and yearn for some quiet corner where man and his handiwork is not so aggressively thrust before you, there's something about that big green space that seems to beckon kindly to you and say:— "Come over here, old man, and tell us all your troubles; come on over, now, and let's hear what you've got to say." And if it's a warm day along in summer, you would be exercising a praiseworthy wisdom if you skip briskly over and permit the streets and stuffy offices to do without you, even if it results in a dignified caution from the head of the firm.

A more suitable location than Queen square in which to have a public beauty spot could scarcely be conceived of within the city limits. Adjacent to the business streets and chief commercial houses, yet it possesses quietness and seclusion.

The view from the square is exceptionally fine, the bay, the island, the distant wooded promontory make the outlook difficult to surpass. The northern side of the square is made up of some of the best residences in the city, one of which is the old Governor Boyd home, purchased by P. S. MacNutt, and later from him by John H. Thomson. It was in this building that, during the visit of the Duke of York, the Earl of Minto and suite took up their quarters. Near the northeastern corner of the square is the Simon Jones residence, where the Duke and Duchess of York, now the Prince and Princess of Wales, lived during their visit to the city.

Several years ago a large number of trees, known as the split leaf birch, were planted in the square, and are growing into sturdy beauty.

There are other varieties, which, together with the flowers that are planted and cared for, make the spot one of attraction.