

cial train accompanied by a small following of holiday-makers, which was, however, increased in strength by further delegations arriving at the "Gateway City" yesterday afternoon and leaving this morning on the regular train. The extra was in charge of Conductor Joseph Kinney, a popular railroader, and was personally conducted as far as Robson by George T. Bagnall, local ticket agent. The arrangements went off without a hitch and the trip was both rapid and pleasant.

The company paraded 44 strong under command of Lieutenant Hart-McHarg, and presented a decidedly smart appearance. The bugle band was in excellent shape under Bugle-Major Barrett, while the rank and file paraded in light marching order with rolled overcoats attached to the Oliver equipment. Many citizens witnessed the march to the Canadian Pacific depot, and at the station a couple of hundred citizens assembled to bid the company "bon voyage." At Castlegar a pleasing incident occurred when the Rossland and Nelson companies met. The men from the City by the Lake were first on the ground, and the entire company was lined up, 38 strong, in front of their cars when the Rossland extra steamed in with a flourish of whistles. The Nelson men immediately raised a chorus of cheers in honor of the Rosslanders, and the compliment was vigorously reciprocated as speedily as the men from the Golden City could tumble out of their coaches. The two companies immediately fraternized, and the cordial relationships thus established were maintained throughout. It was argued that much could be accomplished through an outing of this nature in bringing the members of the various companies together in a personal friendship, and the weight of the argument has been abundantly demonstrated in actual practice.

From Robson to Farron, the apex of the divide, the combined special trains were conveyed by two ponderous mogul locomotives and the run was made in time that has rarely been equalled. The fast run through the fastnesses of the mountains was an experience that was enjoyed immensely on all sides.

Grand Forks was reached at 7:20 o'clock, and a couple of hundred citizens were waiting at the Columbia depot to greet the militiamen. The "fall in" was sounded without delay and the two companies formed up, with Rossland on the right. Captain Macdonnell of Nelson, the senior officer on parade, assumed command, with Lieutenant Hart-McHarg in charge of

rifle ranges, where a series of matches was fired under the auspices of the Kettle Valley Military Rifle Association, a youthful but exceedingly enterprising organization of marksmen. Rossland was well represented in the contests, which continued until sundown last evening, and the men from the Golden City were successful in capturing a substantial share of the prize money.

Today the battalion joins in the parade with which the gala day is to be inaugurated, and will perform a series of manoeuvres, in which the Nelson company will practically demonstrate the use of the Maxim-Nordenfeldt rapid-fire gun.

The Golden City is well represented among the sportsmen, who have gathered for the horse racing at the new driving park, and the presence of the Rosslanders at Grand Forks' demonstration will do much to allay any irritation that may have arisen with regard to the horse race difficulty here last week.

This evening about 11 o'clock the militia battalion will entrain for the home trip. The Rossland company is expected to arrive here about 4 o'clock tomorrow morning.

AUSTIN CROWE MURDERED.

Four Men Were Seen to Enter His Premises.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 28.—Austin Crowe, a well known East Side saloon-keeper, was shot and almost instantly killed tonight. Four men were seen to enter his place and a few minutes later cries of murder were heard. Crowe was found lying in front of the bar with two bullets in his body. The police believe that the four men demanded money, and when Crowe refused and showed fight he was shot. No arrests have been made.

INDIAN MURDERERS.

Have Confessed That They Murdered a White Trapper.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 28.—A letter received here from Rivers Inlet, on the northern British Columbia coast, says: Two Indians have confessed that in 1900 they murdered a white trapper, doing away with his body and canoe and dividing his outfit and about \$80 in cash they found on him. It is not known who the trapper was, as no one had been reported missing. Other Indians corroborate the story of the self-confessed murderers.

and baseball team. The games with the University of California were thoroughly gone over and the playing of various members of the team was threshed out to a finish. As a result of the meeting it may be safe to say that several new faces will be seen before long on the Rossland team, and several who are now playing but a middling fair game will be found occupying a position on the bench. One thing is assured, and that is there will be a new catcher and a new pitcher engaged at an early moment, and possibly an infielder. This does not mean that Costello is not satisfactory; it only means that it is the intention of the local baseball management to start in from now on with a two-series game, which will necessitate the securing of another twirler to help out "Wee Willie." Costello, it is certain, cannot pitch two games in a row continually, and, although he will remain the star pitcher of the local outfit, he will have the help of a thoroughly experienced catcher and a side-partner who can twirl the local nine to certain victory. Costello will have the advantage of having Lougheed to coach him and to back him up. With Lougheed behind the bat, "Wee William" should improve in his pitching at least 50 per cent. Lougheed was in communication with the local management yesterday and promised faithfully to come here and play on the local nine after his contract with the Spokane Athletic Club expires. It will expire on July 6th, and he will come here at once. President Dunkle has promised him a good position in the mines, and that is what Lougheed wants at the present moment. Lougheed wants to learn the practicable side of mining, and the only way to do it, he thinks, is to actually work in a mine. Hence his desire to come here. Loug-

JOHNNY CANUCK.

J. H. M. Abbott, an Australian who served in South Africa as a corporal in the First Australian Horse, has written a book of the war, in which he says:

Of all the interesting groups of men who helped to form this strange medley of an army there was none who, for picturesque interest and fascinating detail of exploit, could approach within hallow-range of the Canadians. And in this connection the writer has recently been doubting very much whether in a book that purports to be written by a Cornstalk about Cornstalks, he has not already at various times devoted too much space to the doings of these

remarkable men—whether the beguiling shadow of the maple leaf has not rested too long and frequently upon pages that ought, more properly, to have been chronicles of gum-tree and she-oak men. But, through all the length and breadth of the land, camp-fire and hospital, and railway station echoed their weird deeds—they made a name and recollection for themselves within South Africa which will not be forgotten until the race feud dies out and men cease to speak of nineteen hundred. One seemed to fall, almost unconsciously, under the curious charm of their quaint collective personality. And everyone liked them. Undoubtedly they were the most interesting and picturesque figures of the war.

a baseball was just too much for me this year. Lougheed will probably be engaged to coach the team into shape, and if he can get some of the players to listen to him the team work, which is something that is sadly lacking at the present moment, will be greatly improved. The meeting the other night was largely attended and was, from all accounts, a decidedly warm one. The question as to who was responsible for the two defeats was a decidedly mooted one and occasioned a warm debate. Several thought that the cause of the bad defeats lay in the fact that the team did not get enough practice, and that if they played together every day in the year like the Berkeley boys they would have stood a very excellent chance of beating the collegians at their own game. It is no doubt true that if the locals played every day in the year they would have played a much better game than they did during the series just closed. There was no excuse, however, for all the miffing and all the wild throws that occurred in that first game, or for the numerous errors that took place in the second contest. The result of the two games was to be expected, however, but the score does not necessarily mean, as a Trail paper caustically says, that the locals were too busy playing ping-pong to pay much attention to the contest with the collegians. The meeting dissolved at an early hour without anything much being done at the time. The meeting, however, bore good results, as the above will show. There may be a game here next Sunday between either Grand Forks or Northport. Which team will come is not quite certain, but the chances are that it will be the "hot airites" under the leadership of Manager Davey.

some time in August.

NO FIGHTER—

Wun Long will fight no more; at least that is what he says. He declares that he had enough of it in his match with Klondyke, and that it will take more than a sight of the white man's money to tempt him into the roped arena.

A NEAT GIFT—

Thomas H. Graham, the leader of Graham's orchestra, was the recipient of a very fine cornet from the members of his band. The instrument was made by a well known Toronto firm and is the best of its kind ever seen in British Columbia.

OUT OF HOSPITAL—

John McReynolds, the colored man injured in the races on Coronation Day, was released from the hospital yesterday. He was around town during the day. Outside of an ugly looking scar above the eye and a bandaged head, he looked little the worse for the accident.

WELL EQUIPPED—

The furniture ordered for the court house by Government Agent Kirkup some months ago has arrived and has been installed in the respective offices. The furniture is oak of handsome appearance and adds materially to the interior appearance of the fine provincial building.

OFF FOR VANCOUVER—

The University of California baseball team left here over the Spokane Falls & Northern yesterday for Vancouver, where they play a series of two games on Dominion Day. The boys all expressed themselves as being highly delighted with their treatment here, and hoped that they would have an opportunity to return at no very late date.

NEW MANAGER—

James M. Hayden has resigned the post of manager of the local branch of the Spokane Falls & Northern Telegraph Company. The position has been filled by the appointment of Melville M. Stevens, who has been connected with the office for some months. F. E. Michaels, superintendent of the company, was in the city yesterday for the purpose of making the transfer.

A DEATH—

John H. Jenkins, the miner who has been at death's door for a considerable time, died early yesterday morning.

GETS THE MONEY—

Mary Freeman, the widow of Joseph Freeman, the miner killed at the White Bear mine in March last, was the recipient of a check for \$2000 yesterday from the Grand Recorder of the Grand Lodge of United Workmen. The check covered the amount of insurance taken out by Freeman a few days before the accident occurred. It came as a very agreeable surprise to the widow, inasmuch as there had been some talk of her not getting the insurance.

THE COKE FAMINE—

Shipments from the Granby mines at Phoenix to the smelter at Grand Forks have been substantially curtailed through the shutting down of two furnaces at the reduction works as a result of the coke famine which is the outcome of the Fernie miners' strike. It is understood that the plant may have to close down completely at no late date if the coke famine continues, although several cars of that essential commodity went through from Robson last night to Grand Forks.

RIFLE SHOOTING—

Some difference of opinion having arisen as to the record rifle shooting for this city, some comment on the question may not be amiss. It is asserted that Sergeant Harp holds the record for Rossland, having put on 99 points during the season of 1900. Militiamen maintain, however, that the record of 97 put on last week by Lieutenant Hart-McHarg should be regarded as the real record, and this is based on the great difference in the sizes of the bull's eyes of the targets on which the two scores were compiled. In 1900 when Sergeant Harp made 99 points the targets were as follows: 200 yards—bull's eye 8 inches in diameter, inner 20 inches, magpie 32 inches; 500 and 600 yards, bull's eye 24 inches, inner 36 inches, magpie 48 inches. Last year and this the targets have been as follows: 200 yards, bull's eye 7 inches, inner 14 inches, magpie 21 inches; 500 and 600 yards, bull's eye 20 inches, inner 30 inches, magpie 40 inches. It will be seen by a comparison of the foregoing dimensions that the marksmen who shot over the ranges in 1900 when Sergeant Harp's record of 99 points was made had an advantage over the marksman who shoots this year so great as to entirely alter the situation and to make comparisons between the two performances difficult.

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