

OVER FOUR THOUSAND MARCHED IN GARRISON CHURCH PARADE

Troops Took Half an Hour to File Past Lieutenant-Governor, Who Received Salute at Parliament Buildings— Crowd Estimated at Two Hundred Thousand Lined Streets on the Line of March.

Seldom has there been a more brilliant scene in Toronto than the spring garrison church parade of yesterday. The drizzling rain of some years was not in evidence. Sunlight beamed down all afternoon, and there were breezes so warm that overcoats were unnecessary. Just how many men actually marched in the parade is unknown, as the parade state has not yet been fully made up. It is estimated, however, that including cadets, there were approximately 4000. This estimate is almost verified moreover by the appearance of Massey Hall yesterday, the troops had all entered for the service. Not one seat was unoccupied.

The five mile parade was witnessed by the greatest of Toronto assemblies. It is difficult to even guess at the number of persons who witnessed it. Officers of the different regiments, who have seen the parade for years, stated to The World that the throng that turned out this year was greater than on any previous occasion. These considerations it is safe to say that the brilliant spectacle was beheld by 200,000 of Toronto's citizens.

In scenic effect the parade was a riot of color. Newest fashions in millinery, combined with the presence on the streets of thousands of handsomely dressed women, made the scene one of rare brilliance from the soldier's standpoint. From the standpoint of the sightseer the parade was even more colorful, and only the kinematic color could give a proper idea of the gorgeous display produced as the troops marched up Jarvis street, following to the music of a dozen of the Dominion's best bands.

The main event in the parade was the taking of the salute by Lieutenant-Governor Sir John Gibson. As he took the salute Sir John stood immediately in front of the parliament buildings and smiled for half an hour as the soldiers marched past. The garrison was in command of Major-General F. G. Lessard, C.B., and the different units were in charge of the following officers: Lieut.-Col. Merritt, cavalry brigade; Lieut.-Col. Smith, Governor-General's Body Guard; Lieut.-Col. Sir Henry Pellatt, infantry brigade; Lieut.-Col. Mercer, Q.O.R. regiment; Lieut.-Col. Peuchen and Rennie, first and second battalions, Queen's Own Rifles; Lieut.-Col. Christie, Mississauga Horse, and Major McDougall, Ninth Field Battery.

The muster of the troops took place at the armories and as early as one o'clock soldiers from all parts of the city were seen making their way towards University avenue. An hour later the formation of the troops began, and it was ten minutes to three o'clock before everything was ready. Major-General Lessard then gave the command "Forward" and the biggest garrison parade that Toronto has ever seen started south on University avenue.

the divine. Gideon went forth to battle because God had issued a call and he obeyed. There was not aman today to whom there was not a call, as Gideon was called, to do his mission.

"We are all called to the fight, the fight between good and evil. There is a language we cannot help speaking. It is the language of influence. You may try to stand on the fence, or in other words, try to be a cypher, but you cannot. We are either making for right or wrong. For right and the blessing of God or for evil."

Referring to General Gordon, the speaker declared that the famous soldier realized he was a servant of God, and it was for this reason that he accomplished so much. At a certain hour every day he would have a small flag placed outside his tent and while that was there no one would enter the tent as the general was then praying to his Master for guidance. Gordon's Bible was one of the late Queen Victoria's most cherished possessions and is now in Windsor Castle.

The sermon was followed by the singing of the hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell," and concluded with "The National Anthem."

As the soldiers left the hall, a recessional was played by the band of the Governor-General's Body Guard.

Particular care was taken to make the marching uniform and dignified, but whenever the pipe band of the 48th Highlanders struck up "Highland Laddie," the regimental march, an easy stride came to the men and the long lines immediately began to lilt of the tune.

Other regiments in addition to the 48th Highlanders came in for praise and admiration. From the standpoint of the lady on the street, the members of the Governor-General's Body Guard in their blue uniforms and silver white helmets with pendant plumes were entrancing. This regiment had a remarkable turnout, having 150 more men in line than any previous year. The full dress uniform of the Royal Grenadiers is always effective on account of the black bear bushes worn by the men. Yesterday the battalion appeared at its best, and shared the praise of the spectators. The Queen's Own Rifles, too, were out in full force, and kept excellent formation.

Nothing Risque in Hoffmann Show

"Broadway to Paris" Production Won't Shock Moral Reformers.

Nice Crowd of Actors

Gertrude Has Some New Stunts Besides the "Spring Song" Dance

When the announcement was made that Gertrude Hoffman and her company were coming to the Alexandra Theatre this week, a lot of Toronto people who go to the theatre only when they expect something rather risqué, winked one eye, rubbed their hands together, and immediately prepared to go to the theatre on the opening night, expecting that the theatre censor would be on the job with both feet. It was even rumored around town that the patrol wagon would be backed up to the stage entrance and everybody rushed away in it. But such will not be the case tonight. Nobody in Toronto is going to be shocked by anything in the "Broadway to Paris" show. Not one member of the large company believes in trying to "put anything over" when speaking the lines, and, in addition to this fact, Mr. Reid, the manager, won't stand for it. It's a good show. In fact, it's a very good show; but there isn't a thing in it that will shock anybody in Toronto.

A representative of The Toronto World saw the show in Detroit on Saturday night and returned to Toronto with the company on a special C. P. R. train yesterday. By doing so The World was able to see the actors both on and off the stage, and a nice crowd of actors it is hard to find. Miss Hoffmann herself has some new "stunts" this year in addition to the beautiful "Spring Song" dance, and does some good as ever, and, in addition to her dancing, gets over some very witty lines. She also has some striking costumes. Evey Bernard, who incidentally isn't Scotch, portrays the character of Mr. Cohen from Newark. Now, Mr. Bernard doesn't believe in caricaturing Jews, or anyone else, on the stage, and his "Mr. Cohen" is just as natural as any Hebrew citizen to be seen in Toronto or any place else. In fact, to play a Jewish character, Mr. Bernard needs only to be natural. Dave Jones and Ralph Austin have a reputation as two of the most original funny men in the business, and they live up to it.

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BERLIN, May 17.—(Can. Press.)—The excitement in Japan over the question of the Californian alien land ownership legislation is well founded and comprehensive, according to an analysis of the Japanese-American situation sent by the Tokio correspondent of the Welt Korrespondenz Agency, printed today in the news columns of the semi-official Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung. The Japanese, however, he says, are scarcely in a position to place difficulties in the way of California's land policy.

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