

A Thrilling Experience

A Story Told by a Well-known Salvation Army Captain.

His Body Racked from Head to Foot with Rheumatic and Neuralgic Pains—Would Prefer Death to Undergoing Such Suffering Again.

From the Post, Lindsay, Ont.

It is the lot of but a limited number of people to enjoy the confidence of such an exceedingly large circle of friends and comrades as does Capt. John A. Brokenshire who was recently interviewed by a Post-reporter at the home of his parents at Rosedale, a pretty hamlet situated at the head of Balsam river in Victoria county, where the elder Mr. Brokenshire, who has reached the three-score years and ten, has held the position of lockmaster for the past twenty-two years. Capt. Brokenshire, the subject of this article, is 34 years of age, is well-known and highly respected throughout many of the leading cities and towns of Ontario, where, during his seven years service in Salvation Army work he has come in contact with a large number of people. He has been stationed at Toronto, Montreal, Peterboro, Ottawa, Morrisburg and minor places, and at one time was a member of a travelling S. A. string band. The following is Capt. Brokenshire's own statement:—"I had been slightly troubled with rheumatic pains for several years, and had to give up the Army work on different occasions on account of my trouble. When stationed in Morrisburg, four years ago, I became completely unfitted for work, as I suffered terribly with pains in the back of my neck, down my shoulders and arms and through my body. In fact I had pains of a stinging muscular nature from the back of my head to my toes. I could not bend my head forward if I got the whole of Canada to do so, and when in bed the only slight rest I got was with a large pillow under my shoulder. This letting my head hang backwards. I could not get up, but had to roll or twist myself out of bed, as my spine seemed to be affected. My medical adviser pronounced my trouble neuralgia and rheumatism combined, which he said had gone through my whole system. He prescribed for me, but the medicine gave me no relief. I tried various other remedies but they were of no avail. Believing my case to be hopeless I determined to start for my home in Rosedale, but the jarring of the train caused such terrible agony I was compelled to abandon the trip at Peterboro, where I was laid up for three weeks, when I finally made a herculean effort and reached home. As my mother says, "I looked like an old man of 90 years of age when she saw me struggling with the aid of two heavy canes to walk from the carriage to the house." At home I received every possible attention and all the treatments that kind friends suggested, but I was constantly going from bad to worse. In January, 1896, after many months of untold agony, I determined to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, having read so much in the newspapers of the great benefits received by others from their use. To make sure of getting the genuine article I sent direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., at Brockville, for the pills. After taking two boxes I noticed a slight improvement in my condition which gave me some encouragement and I kept on until I had taken twelve boxes, although before I got through with the sixth I could go to bed and enjoy a good night's rest such as I had not done for years. I never at any time enjoyed better health than I am doing at present. Since my recovery, I have induced several friends to take Pink Pills for various troubles and in each case they have effected cures.

The above is a voluntary and correct statement of the facts of my case and I trust that many others may by reading this, receive the blessing that I have. If necessary I would make an affidavit to the above facts at any time.

The Cure of Asthma.

Leibig's Asthma Cure will cure Asthma, Hay Asthma, or Hay Fever. Hundreds of people in four continents will say so. It is a high-class medicine endorsed by medical men, and used by the best people in all parts of the civilized world.

A free trial bottle will be sent to any sufferer, but must be prepaid. If you are afflicted, send your name and address to The Leibig Co., 179 King Street West, Toronto, and say that you saw this free offer in the Messenger and Visitor.

PRINTING OUTFITS
 We print and bind all kinds of books, pamphlets, reports, etc. and are prepared to do all kinds of printing and bookbinding. Our work is done in a high-class manner. Send your orders to 179 King Street West, Toronto, Ont.

News Summary.

Lord Strathcona is laid up with the grip and has been obliged to postpone his departure for England.

John Higham and Albert Smith, young lads, were drowned while skating at Hamilton, Ont., Wednesday night.

Alexander McNeil, a miner working at Glace Bay, was drowned Thursday while crossing the ice on the pond where the ice was thin.

Queen Emma, the Queen Dowager of the Netherlands, is suffering from a serious internal malady, which will necessitate a dangerous operation.

Rev. D. Bartholemew Price, Master of Pembroke College, Oxford, and Canon of Gloucester, died Thursday in his 81st year. He published several scientific works.

Mr. Charles Marshall, a man 50 years of age, working in the Ayer Manufacturing Co.'s establishment, Middle Sackville, dropped dead Thursday morning while taking off his coat to go to work.

The late Baron Ferdinand De Rothschild left £100,000 to the Evelina Hospital for Children, London, founded in memory of his wife. He made other considerable charitable bequests.

Mrs. Farr, of St. Catharines, visiting her daughter at Hamilton, Ont., while bringing in clothes from the back yard Wednesday night, fell and broke her neck. Death was instantaneous.

The postmaster general, of the United States, has signed an order accepting as private mailing cards, both the Canadian mailing cards bearing United States stamps, and mailed on this side of the line, and United States cards mailed in Canada with Canadian postage.

The Cuban delegation, according to a World Washington despatch, has prepared and sent to Cuba an elaborate appeal in circular form to be widely distributed among the natives. It begs them to remember that they fought for independence and not for annexation.

The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "President Kruger, in the course of an interview, has asserted that he deprecates the war-like article published on Wednesday by the Boer organ, the Rand Post, and declares that he will prohibit the proposed anti-Jameson demonstration."

Action has been commenced in British Columbia against D. A. Stoddart, formerly a member of East Lillooet, in the British Columbia Legislative Assembly, for \$260,000, being the penalty at \$500 a day, to which it is alleged he is liable for having sat during two sessions without the necessary qualifications.

The official receiver's report of the bankruptcy of Ernest Terah Hooley will show that Mr. Hooley's net loss in the flotation of twenty-six companies was £190,000. Various offenses will be charged including insufficiency of assets to pay ten shillings on the pound, imperfect books, rash speculation, extravagance in living and, possibly more serious allegations in connection with missing books and papers.

Baron Curzon of Hedleston, the Viceroy of India, arrived at Bombay on Thursday. The warships in port fired a royal salute as the viceroy landed. The city was decorated with flags, and Lord Curzon was received by the heads of the military, naval, ecclesiastical, legal and civil departments. An address of welcome was presented to the new viceroy by the corporation of Bombay. It was enclosed in a silver casket of Indian workmanship. The viceroy made a speech which left a very favorable impression.

In the United States district court at Portland, Me., on Tuesday, upon the petition of the Portland S. S. Co. that the company's liability for the steamer Portland be limited to the wreck and pending freight, William Leavitt was appointed trustee and William Bradley commissioner to receive proofs of claims of loss. Claimants were directed to present their cases on or before March 30. Injunctions were issued forbidding the bringing of suits against the company pending these proceedings.

Personal.

Mr. W. B. Bezanon, formerly of Nova Scotia and a student at Acadia College, who has been for nearly three years acting pastor of the church at South Yarmouth, Mass., while pursuing studies at Newton Theological Seminary, was ordained on Dec. 9th to the Gospel ministry as pastor of the above named church.

Rev. A. Freeman, recently pastor of the church at Newcastle, Queens Co., has gone to California where some members of his family reside, with whom, we understand, he will for a time remain. Bro. Freeman is a good and faithful minister of Christ, he enjoys the full confidence and esteem of his brethren in these Provinces, who will all hope that his visit to the far West may be a very pleasant one and that in good time he may happily return to the East.

SURPRISE SOAP

A pure hard Soap which has peculiar qualities for Laundry Uses.

5 cents a cake.

Dykeman's

Three Entrances } 97 King St.
 } 59 Charlotte St.
 } 6 S. Market St.

Mail us the required amount for any of the following goods and we will send them prepaid, and if they do not turn out satisfactory you can send them back and get your money:

KID GLOVES FOR CHRISTMAS

LADIES KID GLOVES

AT 75c.—A new make, two large bone fasteners, good, soft, fine quality German kid; black and colors; all sizes.

AT 75c.—Five hook lacing glove, nice quality.

AT \$1.00.—The Victoria glove, usually sold for \$1.25, 7 hook lacing, fully guaranteed; black and colors; all sizes.

AT \$1.10.—Four bone fasteners, fully guaranteed, black and colors.

AT \$1.35.—A real French kid glove, gusseted fingers, equal to any glove retailed at \$1.50; black and colors.

GENT'S LINED KID GLOVES

Real mocha blackskin, in nice shades of dark tan, undressed at 1.20 a pair.

DRESSED KID GLOVES

with a nice soft wool lining, best fitting, \$1.00 a pair.

FRED. A. DYKEMAN & CO. St. John, N. B.

A Great Holiday Sale

of Clothing and Gent's Furnishings at Fraser's. What more acceptable present can you give a man, boy or child than a good Suit of Clothes, a handsome Necktie, a pair of Kid Gloves, a comfortable Reefer, a good warm Overcoat or Ulster. Imagine, \$4.00 only for an Ulster. Some of them here yet. Come or write us.

FRASER, FRASER & CO.,

40 and 42 KING STREET,

CHEAPSIDE,

ST. JOHN, N. B.

AMHERST

Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co.

(INCORPORATED 1867.)

WHOLESALE Boot and Shoe Manufacturers

AMHERST, N. S.

We are also the leading . . .

RUBBER SHOE HOUSE in the Provinces

Eight Travellers on the Road in Seasonable Times, with everything required for the SHOE BUSINESS, and at the Lowest Possible Prices.

HALIFAX BRANCH: 158 GRANVILLE STREET.