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MEN OF THE KENT 24TH TO ATTEND KING'S CORONATION

Color Sergeant Max Fraser and Bugle Major Plum-ridge the Choice.

Splendid March-out and Drill Last Evening—O. O. Cadets met Much Applause.

The 24th Regiment held a march-out last evening and acquitted themselves admirably. These march-outs, which are held every Friday evening, are getting more and more popular as they progress, and are witnessed every night by large numbers of Chatham's citizens. There was a good turnout of spectators last evening, and they were well rewarded for their interest thus shown.

It is interesting to note the improvement the regiment is making, both in their marching and their military movements. A stranger witnessing one of their parades would be forced into the belief that they have been drilling for years. This speaks well for the officers as well as the men. The band also is well up to the standard and the pride of the Regiment. The men assembled at the drill shed at half-past eight o'clock and after a half-hour's drill on the park sallied forth on King street, marching to Third street and back again to the armories, where they were dismissed by the Major. As they passed along King street they were enthusiastically applauded by the spectators, who evidently appreciated good marching and took this way of expressing their admiration.

Last night after the parade the officers selected two members from the Regiment to represent the 24th Regiment in the coronation contingent, Color Sergeant Max Fraser, of "C" Company, and Bugle Major Plum-ridge were appointed.

HOT LEGAL FIGHT
Montreal, May 16.—The writ of habeas corpus which was issued in Quebec yesterday at the request of Mrs. Gaynor after her husband and Capt. Green had been taken on board the tug Spray, was served on Chief Detective Carpenter this morning after the arraignment of the prisoners. That officer has not yet responded to the writ, and a legal battle is likely to follow over the attempt to secure the release of the prisoners.

WILL BE BROUGHT BACK.
Quebec, May 16.—Mrs. Gaynor left for Montreal on the 1.15 train this afternoon, accompanied by Jules Tessier, attorney for her husband, Mr. Parent communicated this morning with Mr. Archambault, attorney-general, to have the habeas corpus writ, which was signed yesterday by Judge Andrews, of the Superior Court, executed. This practically means that Col. Gaynor and Capt. Green will be brought back to Quebec, but nevertheless a determined effort will be made to have them retained in Montreal.

A telephone message was received in Quebec from Col. Gaynor to-day. He said he was feeling quite well, and felt confident that everything would turn out all right.

"We have the assurance of the Minister."

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FARGO RESIDENTS STARTLED BY A MIDNIGHT EXPLOSION

While Boring for Water a Strong Vein of Natural Gas was Struck.

Special to The Planet.
Fargo, May 17.—Leslie Roe, who for the past few days has been drilling for water on the farm of Jas. Gardiner, of this place, last night had reached the depth of 102 feet.

About midnight the occupants of the house, about 100 feet from the house, were awakened by the roar of gas, which had forced its way through the sand and was flowing at a pressure of from 300 to 400 pounds. They expect to cap the pipe this morning.

This unexpected strike of gas, the flow of which continued all this morning, is believed by some to be from the permanent vein which prospectors in Kent county claimed was in existence, but which they had been so far, unable to locate. That natural gas abounds to a considerable extent in this district has long been recognized and proven by the Leamington and Kingsville operations.

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CITY'S SHARE

The Maple City's contribution to the Canadian Coronation Contingent now rests between Color-Sergeant Fraser and Bugle-Major Plum-ridge.

Both men were examined by Dr. Tye, Surgeon-Major of the Regiment, last night, passing successfully.

Col. Rankin forwarded the names to the Militia Department this morning, where the final choice will be made.

The successful soldier will sail for England on June 7th.

4TH CANADIAN CONTINGENT
The Second Party Sailed This Morning—Third to Follow on Tuesday.

All Members of the Coronation Contingent Must Have Good Vaccination Marks.

Ottawa, May 16.—The second lot of 750 men and horses of the fourth Canadian contingent will sail to-morrow morning from Halifax on the troopship "Winnipegian." The necessary supplies and equipments have been forwarded from the militia department, and all the troops are now ready to sail. The third-quota of men will embark on Tuesday.

Every officer, non-commissioned officer and man selected for the coronation contingent will provide himself before leaving his place of residence with a certificate from a militia medical officer to the effect that he has good vaccination marks or that he has been recently vaccinated, stating by whom, or that he has had small-pox.

Lord Minto to-day received the following list of casualties from the casualty department: Dangerously ill of enteric fever, May 14 at Vryburg—2nd C. M. R., Emerson Tiffin; May 14th, at Potchefstroom, S. A. C., Edwin Samuel Woods. Please inform father, Samuel Woods, New Westminster, B. C. Dangerously ill, enteric fever, at Vryburg—Farrier, J. J. J. E. Margeson. He enlisted at Halifax, N. S. Tiffin enlisted at Kingston, Ontario.

ZOLA DENIES STORY

Paris, May 16.—M. Zola has written a letter to the Annuire in reference to the statements made at Chicago by M. Hugues Le Roux that M. Zola had changed his opinion regarding the guilt of ex-Captain Dreyfus. M. Zola says:

"I am bound to break silence to give M. Hugues Le Roux a most formal denial. Never has Alfred Dreyfus signed an appeal for pardon, never has he admitted that he was guilty even of a questionable act. To-day I affirm his complete innocence."

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VICTORIA DAY

Mayor Sulman has issued a proclamation, owing to the 24th falling on Saturday, Chatham's big market day, calling for the observance of Victoria Day this year on Monday, May 26th.

KAISER'S GIFT

Wiesbaden, Hesse-Nassau, May 16.—The German Emperor on Wednesday last telegraphed as follows to the President of the United States at Washington—"I am still under the deep impression created by the splendid and cordial reception of my brother, Prince Henry, by the citizens of the United States of America. In the speeches with which he was greeted the fact was often mentioned that my ancestor, Frederick the Great, maintained a friendly attitude toward the young American republic during the course of her formation, thereby laying the corner stone of the friendly relations which have always existed between our two countries. The example set to me by the great King I intend to follow. I wish to commemorate the visit of Prince Henry by a gift to the people of America, which I request you to accept in their name. I intend to present a statue, in bronze, of Frederick the Great, to the United States, to be erected in Washington, on a place which you will kindly choose. May this gift be looked upon as a lasting sign of the intimate relations which have been successfully fostered and developed between our two great nations—(Signed) William, I R."

President Roosevelt sent a reply to-day. In German, a translation of which is as follows—"Washington, May 15.—Emperor William, Wiesbaden—(I) highly appreciate your grand, friendly offer. I thank you heartily therefore in the name of the United States. Will submit it immediately to Congress. It will no doubt be to the greatest pleasure of our people to receive from your hands a statue of the famous ruler and soldier, one of the greatest men of all times, Frederick the Great, and it is especially appropriate that the statue should be erected in the city of Washington, the capital of the Republic, upon the birth of which he looked with such friendly interest. For this new proof of your friendly feelings towards our country, I thank you in the name of the United States. Your gift will surely be considered here as new evidence of the friendship existing between the two nations. We hope and believe that this friendship in the coming years will become still stronger. It is a hopeful sign for the welfare of all mankind that in the beginning of this century the American and German people are working together in a sense of happy friendship."

CHANGE CREED

New York, May 16.—The special committee on revision of the Presbyterian confession of faith recommends that with reference to chapter 10, section 3, that it is not to be regarded as teaching that any who die in infancy are lost. "We believe," says the report, "that all dying in infancy are included in the election of grace, and are regenerated and saved by Christ through the spirit, who works when and where and how He pleases."

The committee says concerning the brief statement of the reformed faith that it was prepared "with the view to its being employed to give a better understanding of doctrinal beliefs, and not as a substitute." A brief synopsis of the 16 articles follows:

"We reaffirm our faith in the ever-living God, infinite, eternal and unchangeable and in the trinity of the Godhead.

"We believe the Holy Scriptures, given by inspiration, to be the faithful record of Christ's revelations, and the only infallible rule of faith and life.

"That God is the creator, upholder and governor of all things, that He made man in His own image, free and able to choose between good and evil.

"That our first parents, being tempted, chose evil, and so fell away from God and came under the power of sin, the penalty of which is death, and that no man can be saved except by God's grace.

"That all who come to years of discretion can receive this salvation only through faith and repentance, and that all who die in infancy and all others given by the Father to the Son who are beyond the reach of the outward means of grace, are regenerated and saved by Christ through the Spirit.

"That the Lord Jesus Christ is the only mediator between God and man.

"That God pardons our sins and accepts us as righteous solely on the ground of obedience, by faith alone, and that this saving faith is always accompanied by repentance.

"That the Holy Spirit only is the author and source of the new birth.

"That the church invisible consists of all the redeemed, and that the church visible embraces all who profess the true religion, together with their children. We receive the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's supper, alone divinely established, together with the word, as means of grace.

"That the Lord Jesus will come again in glorious majesty to judge the world and make a final separation between the righteous and the wicked. That the wicked shall receive the eternal award of their sins and the chosen the full enjoyment of eternal life."

DEFINITE ISSUES OF CAMPAIGN PLACED BEFORE THE MEN OF KENT

STRONG SPEECH

At the meeting in Merlin last night Matthew Wilson, K. C., took up the machine cry that Mr. Whitney favored the removal of taxation on corporations and exposed its utter falsity.

His address was clear and forcible and is worthy of the attention of every elector. Mr. Wilson's keen grasp of legal matters enabled him to thoroughly sift this issue and present a logical and definite statement of the facts to the electors.

PEACE NOW IS CERTAIN

Words Credited to Boer Commander—British Successes Hastening the End.

Leyds Gets Into Closer Touch With Kruger—The Burgher Peace Conference.

London, May 16.—No details are to hand regarding the Boer deliberations at Vereeniging. The Daily Mail understands that sufficient indications have transpired to justify the assertion that peace is absolutely assured. The source from which the Mail obtains this information is the same as that which enabled the paper to announce on April 18, that peace was assured. That was before anything had been said about meetings between Kitchener and the Boer leaders.

The correspondent of the Times at Pretoria says the fact that the Boers are meeting at Vereeniging does not necessarily imply peace. In view of British successes of the past week, it is within the bounds of possibility that energetic continuation of hostilities will be more productive of results than academic discussions among the burghers.

The Brussels correspondent of the Times says Leyds has definitely left Brussels and has settled in Utrecht, in order to be in closer touch with Mr. Kruger.

PEACE IS CERTAIN.

Liverpool, May 16.—The Post this morning is informed that a message has been received at Brussels from Lucas Meyer, the Boer leader and peace delegate, containing the words "Peace is certain."

HUNGARIANS JEALOUS

London, May 16.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times comments on jealousies excited by the fact that the Archduke Franz Ferdinand will be accompanied to London for the coronation of King Edward by three Austrians and only one Hungarian.

Count Golichowski, Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, has taken occasion to explain to his fellow-Hungarians that only the Archduke represents the Emperor, the others being merely his suite.

BIG REGISTRATION RECORD MADE BY CITY YOUNG MEN

Large Total Reached at all the Booths—Busy Times To-day—Close To-night.

Registration continued to-day. Before Judge Houston, at the Police Court, from appearances up till noon, there was little chance that as many would be registered as were enrolled at the registration sittings held at the Police Court for the Dominion election. Two hundred and nine were registered then, but this mark will not be reached by about twenty, and probably more. Several cases were brought to light where men were unable to register, although they were good British subjects and should have been entitled to vote.

One man had moved in to Chatham from Blenheim about two months ago. He is on the list in Blenheim but can't vote there, neither can he vote in Chatham, because he has not been here three months. Another man came back to Canada from Buffalo a year ago on Friday, but, according to the oath prescribed by the act, he must reside in the province a year from the 12th day of May.

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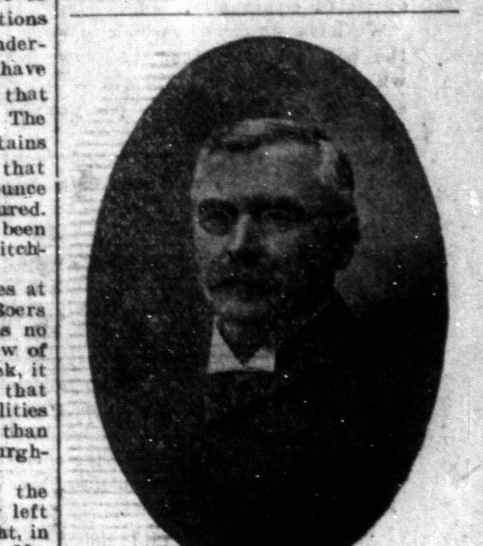
Magnificent Meeting at Merlin in Liberal-Conservative Interests.

Phil. H. Bowyer, Matthew Wilson, K. C., and John S. Fraser Deliver Addresses.

One of the best meetings in the West Kent campaign was held last evening, in the Liberal-Conservative Interests, at the thriving town of Merlin. The gathering was a large and representative one and took a deep interest in the proceedings, which were characterized by a thoughtful, intelligent and forceful discussion of the public issues.

Samuel Wellwood occupied the chair and proved a capital presiding officer. His remarks at the opening of the meeting and in introducing the speakers were heartily applauded. The speakers for the evening were Philip H. Bowyer, of Ridgeway, Matthew Wilson, K. C., and John S. Fraser, the candidate. The effort of each gentleman was attentively and cordially received.

P. H. Bowyer was accorded a hearty reception and was at his best. In earnest, eloquent language he dealt briefly with the issues of the campaign. Figures and statistics are



JOHN S. FRASER. Liberal-Conservative Candidate for West Kent.

Bowyer and he devoted himself to a short and apt discussion of the alleged surplus of the Ross Government, showing beyond doubt that their liabilities exceed not only the cash on hand but the Dominion trust funds and such other available assets as might be used in the satisfaction of the liability.

Mr. Bowyer concluded by apt and telling comparison of the two candidates who sought the suffrages of the electors of West Kent, depicting Mr. Pardon's eight years' record of nothing but automation voting. Mr. Bowyer concluded amid applause.

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