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EVERY MAN A SOLDIER

Lord Roberts On "The Army As It Was And As It Is to Be."

No Matter to What Grade of Society a Man May Belong He Ought to Be Taught Enough of Military Exercises to Enable Him to Shoot Straight and Carry Out Simple Orders—No Compulsory Service.

London, Dec. 30.—"The Army as it was, and as it is to be," is the text under which Field Marshal Earl Roberts, in The January Nineteenth Century, reads Britons a noteworthy lecture on the duty of all classes if Great Britain would meet the demands of modern warfare. Every man should be trained to be an efficient soldier should the nation ever require his services, is the burden of his article. After frankly pointing out the existing deficiencies, Earl Roberts writes:

"A terrible lesson awaits the nation whose soldiers find themselves opposed by equally brave but better trained opponents on the field of battle. No amount of money, no national sacrifices, will then avail, for modern warfare moves fast in time and space, and the man who is lost in peace can never be made up during the stress of a campaign. I hold this view very strongly, and would urge my fellow countrymen with all the force at my command to look to the plain facts of the case."

Earl Roberts does not advocate compulsory service, "because it is distasteful to the nation and incompatible with the conditions of an army which has a large proportion of units in foreign service, but maintains that Great Britain must have a large reserve force, and 'if the citizens of so great and prosperous a nation as ours are to remain exempt from compulsory service in time of peace without the safety of the Empire being endangered, the right class of men must be attracted to the regular army by good conditions of pay and pension; and it is the bounden duty of the State to see that every able-bodied man in this country, no matter to what grade he may belong, undergoes some kind of military training in youth, sufficient to enable him to shoot straight and carry out simple orders, if ever his services are required for national defence."

Earl Roberts interestingly reviews the changes of the last fifty years, describes the military system prior to the Crimean war and points out how the introduction of modern guns necessitated the complete abolishment of the idea that men must be mere machines. Officers, he says, are no longer directly able to control their men because the fighting formation has been changed, and therefore the men must have a fair higher standard of individual intelligence, self-reliance and the power of leading must be on a proportionately higher level.

"The sooner this is realized to the fullest extent," Earl Roberts says, "the better for all ranks when the hour of trial comes."

Earl Roberts says the report of the commission on the war in South Africa made it clear that much is still needed before Great Britain has an army fit in all respects for war with a modern foreign power. Among other things, she must have a larger proportion of mounted troops for rapid reinforcement, and in order to quickly seize points of vantage. He refers to the action of the Government in ordering new quick-firing field guns and of the complete re-equipment of the army, and says these guns would be 12½ pounders for horses and 18½ pounders for field artillery. Simultaneously with Earl Roberts' article, it is officially announced that 160 batteries will be supplied with new guns at a cost of \$17,500,000, and that the order will be executed within twenty months.

Earl Roberts concludes his article as follows: "It will be necessary to have a reserve force of officers amounting to some thousands. These can be made available by a system for the military training of the entire youth of the country, which is essential to our success, no matter under what system our army may be organized."

Two Charges of Forgery.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—Two cases of alleged forgery will be tried in the Police Court this morning. William Schott of Bridgeport, was arrested in that village by Constable Gastmeyer, charged with forging the name of George Shirk to a note for \$253 and passing it on A. Dressau. W. H. Jenkins of Wellesley was arrested there, charged with forging a note for \$45. The note was signed "George X (his mark) Cruithers," and when presented at the Western Bank at Wellesley was declared to be a forgery.

An Open Verdict.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 30.—The coroner's enquiry into the death of George Bancesse, shot in the riot on Monday evening, last night brought in an open verdict, stating: "We, the jurors, find that George Bancesse came to his death by being shot by party or parties unknown, and we believe that the said party or parties shot with intent to kill."

Warrant From Lord Elgin.

Belleville, Dec. 30.—Anson G. Northrup, clerk of the County Court of Hastings, for more than fifty years, died Wednesday night. He was probably the oldest appointee of any legal office in the Dominion, having received his warrant from Lord Elgin in 1854. Mr. Northrup was the father of W. B. Northrup, M.P.

Dying in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—George Simpson, Deputy Minister of Public Works for the Province, who has been in the hospital for several weeks, is sinking fast. An operation is to be performed this morning and small hopes are held out for his recovery.

DID INSPECTOR BRIT IN?

Otherwise, No Friction in S.M. No. 4, Early, Might Have Developed.

Lindsay, Dec. 30.—Concerning the reported trouble at Downeyville, in Victoria County, over the converting of a public school into a separate school, Rev. Father Bretherton states that there were some inaccuracies in the published report. There are, he says, only two Protestant ratepayers in the school section, Mrs. Parker and Mr. Ayers, and the Ayers children are the only Protestant pupils in the school. Neither of these families have raised any objection to the transfer, but of the 50 or so Catholic ratepayers, perhaps ten have raised objections. "But," says Father Bretherton, "I have heard of no one threatening any legal proceedings. As a matter of fact, it has really been a public Catholic school, with a Catholic teacher and every other Catholic except the books." Father Bretherton also denies that any reference at all was made to having received instructions from Bishop O'Connor of Peterboro. The authority which prompted Father Bretherton and the co-rectors, Lucas and Clance in action as they have, was under the statute, which says that when a public school becomes non-supportable through non-attendance, the property can be transferred or sold. The intrusion of Inspector Ker, which we regarded as the cause of the trouble, As a Government official his right to organize a separate meeting and elect three trustees is questioned.

SHIBLEY OWES \$20,000.

Affairs of Late Liberal Candidate in Frontenac in Bad Way.

Kingsford, Dec. 30.—A meeting of the creditors of W. J. Shibley, late Liberal candidate in Frontenac, was held at Harrowsmith Wednesday, and his financial affairs were shown to be worse than was expected.

His liabilities are known now to be over \$15,000, but the accounts are in will reach nearly \$20,000. The assets are a few chattels.

T. J. Rigney, barrister, of this city, was appointed permanent assignee in place of John Shibley, brother of W. J., and W. D. Hart, Kingsford, and J. W. Bertram, Harrowsmith, inspectors.

SAM HARRYETT BAILED.

Four Bondsman Furnish Ten Thousand Dollars Security.

Belleville, Dec. 30.—Samuel Harryett was bailed on bail last night. The bondsman are: Charles Stanger, John Kelskey, Henry Harris, James Harryett, \$2,500 each.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

Mr. Whitney will speak in Brampton Friday evening on behalf of Sam Charters.

Peter Stalker was nominated for the Legislature by the Liberals of West Elgin on Thursday.

The Conservative convention on Thursday unanimously selected G. N. Kidd as candidate for Carleton County in the provincial election.

Ross Liberal Club of Toronto, will banquet the Premier this (Friday) night. The Premier's speech is expected to be an important utterance.

The Liberals of the north riding of Bruce in convention Thursday unanimously nominated C. M. Bowman as the standard-bearer in the provincial contest.

At the Liberal convention held at Port William Thursday afternoon, D. C. Cameron of Winnipeg was chosen as party candidate for the Local Legislature.

Toronto Conservatives nominated the following candidates on Thursday night: South Toronto, J. J. Foy; West Toronto, Thomas Crawford; North Toronto, Dr. Heuthe Nisbett; East Toronto convention was postponed until a later date.

In the Brandon election petition a cross-petition has been filed by Howell, Matthews & Howell, acting for the Hon. Charles Sifton, against R. L. Richardson, asking for his disqualification. The charges and allegations are the usual ones of bribery and corruption.

The complete election returns from every constituency in the Dominion, except the Yukon, have been compiled at Ottawa. In the Northwest Territories the vote was: Liberal, 27,173; Conservative, 19,347. The Galician candidate, Mike Gabourd, created a record, receiving only 6 votes in British Columbia the vote was: Liberal, 12,450; Conservative, 9,774; independent, 2,933.

Work of Railway Commission.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The Railway Commission have approved the lease of the Tilsonburg and Lake Erie and Guelph and Goderich railways to the C.P.R., and the leases will be forwarded to the Governor-in-Council for approval.

The commission have also approved of bylaws authorizing the preparation and issuance of a tariff of tolls for the Oshawa Electric Railway and the Bay of Quinte Railway.

The Canadian Trunk Railway have received permission to construct a siding at the town of Niagara Falls.

Crime to Use U.S. Money.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—At the next session of the Dominion Parliament, Robert Bickerdike, M.P.-elect, will introduce a bill making it a criminal offence to circulate American money in Canada, and rendering anyone doing so liable to a fine of double the face value of the money circulated. The bill will be an addition to the Banking Act, and Mr. Bickerdike says it is in retaliation for the high commission charged by American banks on Canadian money. Mr. Bickerdike is vice-president of the Hochelaga Bank.

Pere Marquette to Do Something.

Detroit, Dec. 30.—The Pere Marquette system will spend two and a half million dollars for betterments, including larger yards at Sarnia, St. Thomas, Blenheim and Walkerville.

A THOUSAND JAPS FELL

After Months of Sapping and Mining Rihlung Fort Taken.

Another Fine Position Captured By the Japanese—An Important Vantage Point, and the Doom of Port Arthur Further Sealed—Attacks of Russian Cavalry Repulsed With Small Loss—A Cossack Prince Killed.

Tokio, Dec. 30.—A report from headquarters of the third Japanese army before Port Arthur received here on Wednesday, Dec. 28, at midnight, says:

"On Wednesday, Dec. 28, at ten o'clock in the morning, the left central column of our army, following some heavy explosions on the frontal parapet of Rihlung Mountain, charged and occupied the parapet under cover of fire from heavy guns and constructed defence works despite the enemy's fire."

"At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when our occupation was practically assured, we charged and occupied the inner lines of heavy gun positions, subsequently dislodging a remnant of the enemy's force stubbornly holding the parapet, which we occupied and captured the entire works."

Jap Casualties One Thousand.

Headquarters of the Japanese Army before Port Arthur, via Fusan, Dec. 30.—Rihlung fort was captured at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, with a thousand Japanese casualties. Seven dynamite mines exploded at ten o'clock Wednesday, made breaches in the front wall through which a large body of Japanese troops charged under cover of a tremendous bombardment and captured the first line of light guns. A bitter fight resulted in the capture of the fort. The garrison, numbering 500 men, escaped.

Rihlung fort, situated on Rihlung Mountain, formed part of the inner circle of the chain of forts defending Port Arthur. Rihlung is situated about two miles from the outskirts of the town of Port Arthur, from which it bears due northeast. The fort just captured is a mile and a half west of the east Korean fort, recently captured by the Japanese. The possession of these two forts should make a most important breach in the fortifications of Port Arthur.

From Rihlung Mountain, which is nearly opposite 203-Metre Hill, it would appear that the Japanese will be able to reach anything in the harbor and town which the Japanese heavy guns on 203-Metre Hill are unable to hit, thus making it apparently impossible for the Russian second Pacific squadron to make use of Port Arthur, even should the Japanese content themselves with holding the strong positions they now occupy.

Captured 43 Guns.

Tokio, Dec. 30.—(1-30 a.m.)—The Japanese captured forty-three guns when Rihlung fort was taken.

Russian Cavalry Repulsed.

Tokio, Dec. 30.—Manchurian army headquarters reporting yesterday, says: "On Dec. 27 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon the Russians with heavy field guns bombarded the Shakhe River railroad bridge from the neighborhood of the station and the Russian guns at Talantun shelled Chihsiangtung and Shulintzu. Russian cavalry attacked Heilintun at sunset on the same day, but were repulsed by Japanese cavalry. At 8.30 o'clock on the same evening the Russian cavalry enveloped the Japanese pickets, who were reinforced and finally repulsed the enemy. The Japanese casualties were three men killed."

Prince Yildoroff Killed.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.—General Sakharoff, in recording recent reconnoitering operations, reports that a Cossack officer, Prince Yildoroff, has been killed.

KUROKI STILL LIVES.

Answers a Telegram of Congratulations, Showing He Is O.K.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—A convivial circle at Dortmund sent Gen. Kuroki in September a card of enthusiastic congratulations on his military successes, and has now received the following answer:

"On the battlefield in Manchuria, Nov. 5, 1904—To my I rejoice to be congratulated so great a distance upon our victories. As you know, we are pupils of German tacticians, hence I have double pleasure in being congratulated by German men. With special regards, Your obedient servant, (Signed) Kuroki."

The above letter from General Kuroki removes all doubt, if any existed, that General Kuroki is alive.

Russian Member Recalled.

Paris, Dec. 30.—The members of the international commission of the North Sea incident were surprised yesterday to hear Admiral Kasenkoff, the Russian member, had been recalled.

Drumzler Abandoned By Crew.

New York, Dec. 30.—The steamer Drumzler was entirely abandoned by her captain and crew yesterday afternoon. Soon after 15 of the men had been taken off by the Sandy Hook life-savers, the remaining members of the Drumzler company, including Capt. Nicholson, were rescued from the steamer by the life-saving crew of Gas Island. This accounts for the 29 members of the Drumzler's company.

Shooting After Snowballing.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 30.—The police are looking for Louis Price, 16 years old, who shot William Turner, 12 years old, Wednesday. The boys were out hunting together. Price had a small rifle. The lads got to throwing snowballs at one another, and, in the midst of the quarrel, Price fired at the smaller boy. The bullet lodged in the muscles of the boy's back. The wound is not considered serious.

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This season we have manufactured our own fur lined coats, and consequently can give you a more stylish and luxurious garment than you will find the ordinary wholesale furrier turns out.

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The Letter-Box

Editor of The Planet:

I have been told by my friends that I will lose a large number of votes on account of being agent for a railroad. I would like to assure the Chatham electors that I am not running as a railroad man nor was I asked to run by the railroad, but am in the field as a citizen and ratepayer to work for the best interests of Chatham, which I consider the best business city for its size, and I have lived in a good many in Canada, and I think with my 20 years railroad experience I may be able to give the city fathers a good many pointers in railroad matters that can only be learned from actual experience.

Yours truly,

L. E. TILLSON.

Chatham, Dec. 29, 1904.

CALIFORNIA.

The Chicago & North Western Ry. has issued a new publication entitled "California." It contains a beautiful colored map of the state, a list of hotels at California tourist resorts with their capacity and rates; and a most interesting series of pictures showing California's resources and attractions. The prospective visitor and settler should be in possession of a copy of this profusely illustrated folder. Sent to any address on receipt of two cents in stamps. Low rates from all points. E. H. Bennett, 2 East King St., Toronto, Ont.

Every man should bear his own grievances rather than detract from the comforts of another.

We hear that your hair is very sick

That's too bad! We had noticed it was looking pretty thin and faded of late, but naturally did not like to speak of it. By the way, Ayer's Hair Vigor is a regular hair grower, a perfect hair restorer. Sold, the world over, for 60 years. Lowell, Mass.

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