GRENADIERS 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED AT HUGE BANQUET

Fifteen Hundred and Twenty Five Members and Former Members of Regiment Enjoyed Col. Gooderham's Hospitality at the Armouries and Heard Many Stirring Times Recalled.

The semi-centennial of the local battalion of the 10th Royal Grenadiers was celebrated in a most fitting manner at the armories on Saturday night, by what was termed by many who had been connected with the Toronto militia force, as one of the most successful and stupendous banquets ever held under such auspices in the City of Toronto. It was the result of Lt.-Col. A. E. Gooderham's hospitality.

Fifteen hundred and twenty-five members and ex-members of the battalion were marshaled within the space outside of the huge marquee within which the feast was to take place. At 7.30 companies were formed, in response to the call of the bugler. The present members were stationed along the south wall, and those of the past, towards the north. The veterans were then ordered to march south and join their respective companies. This being accomplished, they marched two deep within the precincts of the dining tent to the tune of "Boys of the Old Brigade," rendered by the regimental band.

Identification of each individual seated at the tables was an easy matter, each man beng labeled, giving his name, rank, time of entering the ranks and length of service, also in what expedition he happened to serve There were men who had served under the colors in the Northwest Rebellion, the Fenian Raid, Red River Expedition and Batoche. Many men attended resplendent with medals, some obtained for long service, others earned under fire.

Old Times Recalled.

Many an old warrior waxed reminiscent, and fought his battles over again. Some argued as to which expedition was of the greater importance or which entailed the greater hardship. Innumerable were the greetings and meetings of old comrades who had left the corps years before, and had not set eyes on one another since. "Helo Bill!" cried one, "Why I haven't seen you in forty years. Where have you been?" "In Toronto all the time," was the reply. They had both fought side by side in the Fenian Raid.

Altho it was pre-eminently a love feast, the affair was not without its pathetic side. A warrior who had fought in the Red River Expedition, who had since gone blind, was conducted to a seat near the officers' table, while "Old Mac," Private McQuillan, the oldest surviving member of the "old brigade," was, by the help of his two sticks and two younger comrades, assisted to a place of honor among the boys.

Grace being offered by the regimental chapiain, and Major Rev. C. Ensor Sharpe, the army of waiters filed out of the aperture in the easterly end of the tent, and the real fun of the evening commenced. At the head table, which was stretched the whole length of the southerly end of the tent, sat the officers. The trophies won by the regiment were here displayed. At the opposite side was erected a temporary platform, which was occupied by Messrs. Albert Slack and Jules Brazil, who conducted and led the singing of appropriate songs rendered by the diners, while waiting for the different courses to be served.

Speeches Were Short.

The after-dinner speeches were of the short and sweet order. The officers of the present waxed optimistic of the future, while those of bygone days told of the deeds of yore, and how the rank and file under their command, had excelled themselves, and reached a higher state of efficiency than could be obtained by other corps. Ex-colonels of the regiment, Grasett, Stimson, Bruce, Ryerson and Mason, spoke, and all confined themselves to the needs and deeds of the regiment. As each of them rose to speak they were greeted by their intimates of the rank and file with a cognomen given to them while in command. Much merriment was caused by the call of "Boots" when Col. Mason rose, and the oft-repeated story was retold of how the colonel, while on his way to the northwest rebellion, was unfortunate enough to have his boots stolen. He did not learn who the culprit was until 48 years afterwards.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Gibson responded to the toast of Canada and the Empire, but had considerable difficulty to make himself heard. Music and song dominated, and speeches were only tolerated by individual effort.

"A man who attempts to make a speech tonight will get into trouble," declared his honor, at the outset, and the remark was greeted with loud cheers. "We have all come here tonight to have a jolly good time," he continued, "and I have to thank Lieut.-Col. Gooderham for his personal invitation to me to be present. It has given me an opportunity to see how well the Grenadiers can do things under his command." (Laughter.)

Forty or Fifty Years Ago.

"The toast assigned me, is Canada and the Empire, but I think, that when I am thru, I will be accused of giving the subject a pretty wide berth. I prefer to talk about old times, when the 13th, under my command, used to fraternize with the old 10th Royals. We used to enjoy many a holiday together. I remember very distinctly some 40 or 50 years ago, when we used to have many good tussles at the ranges. When under the command of Col. Grasett you succeeded, with a great deal of difficulty, mind you, in defeating us or proving yourselves obstacles to our schemes when engaged in our sham fights.

Making Canadians.

"If I said anything about Canada, it would be to express the hope that regiments like the old 10th and 13th Royals enlarge their scope for protecting this expanding country of ours. Personally I have very little respect for the young man, who, without reasonable excuse, does not put in his three, six or fifteen years' service in the ranks. (Cheers.) It is by this sort of experience that we make the best Canadians. We want to make this Canada of ours a great country, and we want the population to put Canada before anything else. We want it to be filled to the brim with truly patriotic citizens, who will prove their loyalty by their actions in defence of the country and the crown, so that those who strike Canada will be striking the right arm of the empire." General Cotton also referred to the indifference of some young men who were content to stand at street corners and watch the parades.

Lieut.-Col. A. E. Gooderham responded to the toast to the regiment, and when rising was greeted with deafening cheers, and the continual singing of "He's a jolly good fellow." He said: "I feel highly honored tonight for being permitted to preside at such a gathering. We have many old friends with us tonight who have traveled many miles to attend. Some of them joined the regiment in 1862, many of them taking part in the expeditions in which the regiment was called to serve."

Outside Greetings.

He read a letter from Sir Sandford Fleming, who stated that ill-health alone prevented him from coming, but altho he could not be in attendance himself, he wanted the colonel to read a part of what he would have said had he been privileged to be present. The colonel read of how the regiment came to be organized, at the time of the Trent affair and the subsequent changes which have taken place. He also read a letter containing the Q. O. R.'s greetings for a happy and successful time. And an illuminated card, presented by the Grenadiers' Chapter, Imperial Daughters of the Empire, which also offered its greetings to the regiment.

At the close of his speech he presented a comparatively ancient cup, which had been secured in a peculiar manner in Chicago, to the regiment. It is a challenge vase presented by the merchants of Montreal for competition by teams belonging to Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton and London, at two, four and six hundred yards. The inscription showed that it was won by a Lieut. Edwards of Toronto with a score of 27.

Many Good Times.

Many were the good times referred to by the past colonels of the regiment. The venerable Colonel Shaw stated that he was proud at his time of life to be present and hear of the doings of the boys of the old brigade, of which he was one. They had always done their duty to their King and country, as the many shields around the tent demonstrated, and old as they were, if the necessity arose, they would not be the last to respond to a call to arms.

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CHURCH PARADE WAS FITTING CLIMAX

More Than 1500 Grenadiers Attended Divine Service at St. James' Cathedral, When Rev. C. E. Sharpe, Regimental Chaplain, Preached an Eloquent Sermon.

As a fitting climax to the great celebration of their 50th anniversary, the 10th Royal Grenadiers held a ceremonial parade to St. James' Cathedral yesterday afternoon. In one particular, at least, it eclipsed anything of the like ever seen in Toronto before. Thousands, who lined both sides of the parade route, saw men who joined the regiment half a century ago, marching to the strains of regimental airs. Some there were who were unable to go the distance and were forced to drop out on the way to the church, while a few others who had made the journey, were too tired to walk back.

The "fall in" was sounded at the armories at 2.30 and over 1500 men—1000 of whom were ex-members—turned out. The ex-members led the procession, the route of which was down University avenue and Simcoe streets and along King street to the Cathedral. The return journey was made via King, Yonge and Queen streets. The ex-members weer headed by their own band of about 50 pieces. None of these bandsmen were in the uniform of the regiment. Following the ex-membrs was the regular regiment, led by their band. The parade took more than 15 minutes to pass a given point. Bringing up the rear of the parade were the commander, Col. Gooderham, and the chaplain, Rev. C. E. Sharpe, who preached the sermon in the cathedral. When the dismiss order was given at the armories, the bands played "For Auld Lang Syne," followed by cheers for the ex-members and for the regiment.

Every seat in St. James' Cathedral was occupied for the service, and many soldiers stood at the rear of the edifice. A squad of policemen was detailed to stand at the entrance to the grounds to hold out the crowds which pressed to enter.

Rev. Mr. Sharpe preached an eloquent sermon, which touched principally on soldiering. He urged that it should be a part of the life of a man wearing the country's uniform to likewise fight for Christ. He spoke about the greatest soldiers—Napoleon, Wellington, Lord Roberts and others—who, besides having served their country, had served God.

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A GREAT ACT

GREEKS MOVE TO ATTACK SALONIKI

Two Armies Invest City, Which is Expected to Surrender —March is Uninterrupted.

SALONIKI, Nov. 2.—(Uncensored.)—(Can. Press.)—A complete Greek division under Gen. Smolensky landed at Stavros, on the northeast of the Chalcis Peninsula and occupied the villages and mining district, as well as the capital Poligyro, from which the Turkish officials were expelled. The division is now marching on Galatista and Saloniki, accompanied by 6000 well armed Greek peasants, many of whom are deserters from the Turkish army.

There is a prospect that Saloniki will be attacked simultaneously by two Greek armies converging from the west and east. It is understood that the municipal authorities have decided in favor of a prompt surrender.

It is reported that Salih Pasha, minister of marine, has arrived to take command of the Turkish western army.. Gen. Kadry Pasha and Mehmed Pasha, an Albanian chief, have been sent to Constantinople in irons to be courtmartialed for the Turkish defeat at Kumanova. According to the current rumors fifteen Turkish officers have already been tried and shot "for the encouragement of the others." Many Bulgarian prisoners here or on the way here have been maltreated. In some cases Bulgarian prisoners have been murdered.

MORE GREEK SUCCESSES.

ATHENS, Nov. 3.—(Can. Press.)—The Greeks have captured Prevesa, a fortified town in Epirus, on the north side to the entrance of the Gulf of Arta. The Greek troops entered the town at 4 o'clock this afternoon. About noon the Greek squadron, which had been blockading the porte, sent two gunboats cleared for action into the harbor, but no resistance was offered.

Prevesa was suffering the effects of the blockade and famine threatened the town. Prior to the capture of this place, a Greek detachment occupied Nicopolis, a commanding position a short distance away. The Greeks blew up the Turkish battery, which occupied the heights where the Turks were entrenched. The Turks and Bashi-Buzouks took to flight, but 450 of them were captured.

A Turkish torpedo boat in the Gulf of Arto was shelled and burned.

The Turkish forces are concentrating at Janina, altho they still hold Pentepigadia, strongly fortified heights. The Janina army numbers 20,000, with strong positions, but all communication with the Monastir army, on which it is dependent, has been cut, and ammunition and provisions are scarce.

WOODROW WILSON HURT

Injuries in Motor Accident Will Not Prevent His Speaking.

PRINCETON, N.J., Nov. 3.—(Can. Press.)—Gov. Woodrow Wilson tonight wears a narrow stripe of collodian and gauze across the top of his head, covering a scalp wound three inches long, which he received early today in a motor car mishap on the way home from Red Bank, N.J. His automobile struck a mound in the road and jolted him up against a steel rib in the roof of the limousine car.

The wound is not serious, and the Democratic presidential nominee will fulfil his speaking engagements in Paterson and Passaic, N.J., tomorrow night.

"I guess I'm too hard-headed to be hurt," said the governor, smilingly, as he received the correspondents.

Bellona's Situation Bad.

MONTREAL, Nov 2.—Tho there is room for hope with regard to the Thomson Liner Bellona, aground in the Upper Traverse below Quebec, her situation is precarious.

Taft Favors Hadley.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—(Can. Press.)—After a conference between President Taft and several members of his cabinet and Republican senators and representatives, it was officially announced tonight that no successor to Vice-President Sherman would be selected until after election.

Gov. Hadley of Missouri is known to be favored by President Taft and many of the leaders.

CONSTANTINOPLE FEARS BLOODY OUTBREAK

Moslem Fanatics and Hordes of Desperate Soldiers Threaten Lives of Foreigners, and the Coming of Warships is Feverishly Awaited—Many Families Leave City.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 2.—(Uncensored.)—(Can. Press.)—Constantinople is in a fever of excitement over the alarming reports from the field of battle. Foreigners and natives alike are suffering from the tension caused by the series of military disasters, and, altho the city is in a state of siege, crime in some quarters is unchecked. Many families are leaving the city.

The people fear, first, an outbreak of Moslem fanaticism by the turbulent elements, the lower classes, and, second, a rising of hordes of maddened soldiers, who are being driven by the Bulgarians to make their last stand a few miles outside of Constantinople and then, perhaps, to fall back on the capital.

The battle still continues on the Plains of Thrace, and, if the Turkish soldiers fall back within the gates of the city it is feared that they may turn their guns and bayonets on those who are awaiting here in trembling the outcome of the conflict.

Foreigners in Danger.

There is a large and unruly element of the population which would be glad for any pretext for massacre and pillage. The presence of more than 10,000 Moslem refugees from the war zone, who have lost all their possessions, adds to the danger of the situation. Rumors are current that the young Turks committee may start rioting with the object of overthrowing the government, but there has been no tangible proof of such a plan. It is doubtful whether a rising would be directed against foreigners, as much as native Christians, but the danger to foreigners is very real. If the Turkish army sustains complete defeat, the lives and property of thousands of foreigners, as well as native Christians, will be in imminent peril.

Warships Needed.

The presence of foreign warships is of the greatest importance, and would be the surest guarantee of the security of foreign interests and public order generally. The government has made more severe the state of siege; strong patrols circulate thru the streets and the police have received orders to use the utmost vigilance and repress disorders rigorously.

A brigade of infantry has been despatched to Tchataija with orders to prevent all fugitives, particularly soldiers, from proceeding to Constantinople, but it is questionable if the brigade, under certain conditions, could carry out such an order.

On Thursday the diplomatic representatives of all the nations held a conference. Just what measures were decided on is not known, but the Austrian ambassador visited the foreign minister and called attention to the disquietude on the part of foreign residents respecting their safety.

WILSON WINNER HERALD PREDICTS

Final Straw Vote Taken as Index — Some Swing Towards Roosevelt is Admitted.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—(Special.)—"Woodrow Wilson, the next president of the United States and congress Democratic."

This is the complacent conclusion reached by The Herald (Ind. Dem.) as a result of its straw vote, covering, it is asserted, very state in the Union. All told, 319,321 have been recorded, and the standing is given as follows: Wilson, 133,792; Roosevelt, 97,589; Taft, 66,293; and Debbs, 319,321. By percentages the showing is: Wilson, .418; Roosevelt, .306; Taft, .208, and Debs, .069.

If the statistics are to be accepted as a criterion, Wilson has gained during the past week, his percentage increase being .9, while Roosevelt's gain is .1, and Taft has slid back .8 per cent.

In summing up The Herald says:

"Wilson and Marshall are indicated by the great flood of test ballots gathered in 37 states. They are indicated by the conclusions of experienced political reporters, who carried their enquiry into every county in every debatable state, getting information from men in all walks of life.

Analysis of States.

"Based on the test ballots and the personal investigations, the following analysis of the electoral votes is justified:

"Gov. Wilson, 360; President Taft, 27; Mr. Roosevelt, 7, and 137 doubtful.

"To Gov. Wilson are given 30 states. To President Taft six—Idaho, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont and Maine. To Mr. Roosevelt is given one—Washington—while 11—California, Colorado, Illinois, Massachusetts, Montana, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wyoming—are classed as doubtful.

"Of the 37 states wherein test ballots were taken Gov. Wilson leads in 26, President Taft in 5 and Mr. Roosevelt in 6.

In the same group of states Mr. Roosevelt runs second in 21, Gov. Wilson in 11 and President Taft in 5.

"Thruout the campaign there has been but the slightest fluctuation in the relative positions of the nominees. There have been persistent reports of threatened landslides to this or that candidate, but the voting, taken withe greatest care in the very sections where the outbursts were expected to occur, failed to foreshadow any such thing.

Swing to Roosevelt.

"In the closing days there are rumors that the great silent vote—that of the men who decine to express any preference n advance—wil swng to Mr. Roosevelt. The Herald has made every possble effort to "sense" any such general drft, but has been unable to do so. It s true that n New Jersey there has wthout doubt been a swng to Mr. Roosevelt. It has been so marked that The Herald the week places the governor's home state n the doubtful column. Heretofore it has been regarded as certain for Mr. Wilson. Test ballots give the governor a good lead over his rivals. Just how extensive the shift away from Governor Wilson and to Mr. Roosevelt will be no one pretends to estimate exactly. From what The Herald has been able to gather there is a possibility but not a likelihood that Mr. Roosevelt will carry the state.

"There are intimations also that Mr. Roosevelt has been gathering strength among workers in some of the New England factories, and that in Pensylvania he may make a "clean-up." There is no indications in The Herald's ballots or in the reports of its investigators to support that declaration.

CHRISTIANITY IS MAKING IT RIGHT.

Not Social or Any Other Reform, Says Famous London Preacher, in Speaking to a Large Gathering of Men—Good Advice Given Fathers and Young Men.

"It is not social reform or any other reform movement which is going to make the world right, it is Christianity," declared Rev. Watts Ditchfield before the mass meeting for men yesterday afternoon in the Church of the Redeemer.

Taking as his subject, "The Power of Christianity for Good," Rev. Mr. Ditchfield cautioned the young men present against believing the expression of men of the world who declare that Christianity in this 20th century is dying out, is out of fashion. "Be careful, young men, they'll tell you scientists and other men of knowledge uphold the theory. It is not true. When in England the greatest scientist of the age told me the more he learned the more convinced was he that all good things came of Christianity.

"Take the great Gladstone, Salisbury, Mr. Asquith, premier of Great Britain, and Mr. Balfour, all good living Christian men. Who was the greatest social reformer, an infidel? No. Shaftsbury. Was it an infidel who spent years of life endeavoring to free the slaves from their chains? No. It was Wilberforce. Was it an infidel who went into the depths of Africa preaching the gospel? No. It was Livingstone. Was it an infidel who believed that when men were deep down in the gutter, Christians should seek to raise them up? No. It was the great General Booth, a man beloved by the whole nation. Did you ever know of an infidel to accomplish any great good for the nation?"

To the Fathers.

Speaking to the fathers present he asked them if they realized the tremendous responsibility which rested upon them. "Do you realize that in bringing your children into this world you are bringing them into a never-ending existence? Are you preparing them for it, or are you merely clothing, feeding them, and giving them an education to combat the trials of this world, the least part of their existence?"

Speaking to the man with a sin, which he declared might be that of drink, impurity, or temper, he entreated them to get rid of it. "I was once asked what was the greatest sin in England," he declared, and I replied that temper caused more heart pangs in England than any other sin. A man may come home drunk once a week and abuse his wife, but what's that to the man who is continually nagging, complaining that this is cooked too much, and that too little? Never praising when anything is right, but always with a grouch."

Keep Yourselves Pure.

In conclusion Rev. Mr. Ditchfield gave a few words of advice to the young man. As a lesson he related to them incidents he knew of in England of deranged minds, consumption and diseases worse than death, the result of impurity. "Oh, young men," he declared, "keep yourselves pure. It is perhaps one of the greatest temptations which beset the young man, but be strong, and don't give way to your passions."

UNITED STATES HOLDING ALOOF

Pursuing Policy of Non-Interference in Europe, Warships Will Not Be Sent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—(Can. Press.)—Strictly adhering to its policy of non-interference in the policies of Europe, the United States has no intention of sending warships to the theatre of the Balkan war or projecting that voice in the terms of peace. This became known today as the present attitude of the American Government, altho no official statement was made.

This position coincides with the declaration of the United States senate in ratifying the Algeciras convention of 1906, a pronouncement of policy which since has served as a guide for the state department. The senate resolution specifically stated that the participation of the United States in he Algeciras conference was solely to promote American commerce in Morocco, protect American life and property and aid in removing friction which might result in war, and was "without purpose to depart from the traditional American foreign policy which forbids participation by the United States in the settlement of political questions which are entirely European in their scope."

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