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The Surgeon and Chaplain of the Canadians Deserve it.

They Both Worked Bravely in the Firing Line Paardeburg.

Quebec, May 4.—A letter from Private Hudson, of "E" Co., wounded at Paardeburg, has been received by his father, Lieut.-Col. Hudson. It is dated Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, Bulfontein, 25th March, and speaks in high terms of the treatment received there. It goes on to say:—

"You will be glad to hear that Eugene Fiset has been recommended for the Victoria Cross, for bravery on the field, and I assure you he deserved it, for he was the only doctor in the firing line at the battles of Paardeburg, Oosfontein and Driefontein. Rev. Father O'Leary is also mentioned in the despatches to the war office. This old man of 63 has always followed us on the march, and on Feb. 18th, at Paardeburg, he passed the whole day in the firing line, giving succor to the wounded and dying. He is an old blood, and is adored by the men. He has been very kind to me."

"Our company and 'F' Company are almost destroyed; out of 24 non-commissioned officers there are only seven on duty. Corporal d'Orsonnes, son of the colonel, and Corporal McTaggart, both of my company, have been taken prisoners; Corp. Withey, of Quebec, 'R' Company, was killed at Driefontein. In fact, our losses are serious, but I hope to escape the slaughter if I return to the ranks, for I should very much like to see you all again. I trust in Providence."

THE WATER COMS.

Tenders Opened—Pipe Purchased—Financial Statement for April.

Chairman Dr. Bray and Mayor Smith formed the quorum at last evening's meeting of the water commissioners.

The following accounts were passed: Thompson Meter Co., \$3.03; Con. E. Shea, \$2.50; Park Bros., \$31.65; Penn. Salt Mfg. Co., \$21.28; S. Bradley Co., \$13.75; O. W. Shigman Co., \$33.49.

Applications for service pipes were received from Mrs. Thomas Brady, residing on Prince street, Stanley Ave., and Violet street, and granted.

Secretary Walr's monthly cash statement was adopted as follows:—

Ap. 3—To S. Bradley Co.,	\$38.00
April 4—To City, coal, el. light	110.63
April 6—To Mrs. J. C. Church, coal	16.76
April 6—To R. C. Church, coal	9.93
April 19—R. I. Weaver, coal	3.14
April 6—To W. H. Benson, meter	12.00
April 18—To Charlie Som, meter	12.00
April 4—To Mrs. Ryan, meter rent	.75
April 19—D. D. McCarthy, material	2.60
April 30—To Water sales	437.71
April 30—To Water sales paid, bank	6.34
Balance bank overdraft	607.83
\$1,301.79	
March 31—By bal. due bank	\$405.52
April 6—By refunds	5.46
April 30—By operating	424.38
April 30—By maintenance	58.52
April 30—By extensions house	12.75
April 30—By service	395.16
\$1,301.79	

Tenders were opened for pipe and pipe fittings on the following: John A. Morton, \$550; Geo. Stephens & Co., \$577.59; Jas. Watt & Sons, \$545; McKeough & Trotter, \$550; Park Bros., who tendered in detail.

The commissioners left the tenders in the hands of the superintendent and secretary to look into and estimate the total figure of Park Bros' tender.

Supt. Jones was empowered to purchase 700 feet of piping from Park Bros., at \$6 per 100 feet.

HARD ON BRITISH INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Montreal, Que., May 3.—The Star to-night publishes the following special cable: London, May 3.—The Ottawa fire has caused the British insurance offices to carefully consider their position in Canada. Their books show that during the past thirty years the fire losses in Canada consumed 68 per cent of the premiums, while the commission and other management expenses consumed 35 per cent, leaving a loss of three per cent. But they will hang on the hope of better times.

MURDER THEIR OPPRESSOR.

London, May 4.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail, describing the Ruzhchuk riots, says:—"The peasants stormed the prefecture, yelling for vengeance. They were armed with scythes, hatchets, pitchforks and logs of wood. Only a few had firearms. They pursued the prefect into an upper room. The wretched man, driven into a corner, seized a crucifix and abjectly prayed for mercy, but the peasants fell upon him and beat out his brains. They then burned the furniture and wrecked the building, but refrained from molesting his wife and children."

LOCAL BRIEFS

Wm. Capilde was able to sit up yesterday for a short time.

The Red Cross Society is serving out sweaters to all the Canadians in the field.

The board of health will hold its regular monthly meeting next Monday afternoon.

Col. C. E. Montieth, United States Consul, returned last evening from a visit to Detroit.

The infant child of Wm. Askin, section-man on the Lake Erie, died of convulsions this morning.

J. B. Rankin, Q. C., who has been seriously ill with a severe attack of la grippe, is somewhat improved.

Miss Irene Wilson, who fell off her wheel on Adelaide St. and broke two ribs, is resting a little easier to-day.

Manager Black, of the Baseball Club, has signed Pitcher Johnston, of last year's Guelph team, who will report to the city police commissioners to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

Irene Black, the five-year old daughter of Mrs. Hugh J. Black, gave a birthday party to seventeen or eighteen of her little friends yesterday.

P. J. O'Reilly and Thos. Brady, of the Detroit Medical College, are spending the holidays at the home of the latter, Richmond St.

A meeting of the baseball directors will be held at five o'clock this afternoon to arrange for the procuring of the grounds during the international schedule.

Messrs. J. M. Curtiss, James Woods and D. H. Kimberley, of Cleveland, Ohio, are registered at the Rankin, and leave this evening for Mitchell's Bay on a fishing excursion.

Musical at Conservatory to-night. Students of Misses Pratt, Idle, Hillman and Bright will render an interesting program. Public cordially invited.

Late reports from the peach district of South Essex are very gratifying. The trees are budding out and the present outlook for a large crop is good. The apple and plum trees also look very promising.

J. B. Stringer is the proud owner of a splendid magnolia. It stands ten feet high and is at present in bloom, being covered with several hundred white blossoms. There are only two of these magnolia plants in the city. McKenrie Ross & Sons having the other one.

T. B. Farley is inclined to dispute the assertion of the bakers of Chatham as regards the London bread. Mr. Farley says that since Monday nothing but fancy bread has been imported and sold. He further remarks in his emphatic way that the London Vienna bread weighs 1 lb. 10 1/2 ounces, while the Vienna bread made in Chatham weighs one pound eight ounces.

J. F. Mackay, formerly of Chatham, who has been secretary-treasurer of the Montreal Herald Publishing Company since it became an evening paper, has severed his connection with that journal, having associated himself with Mr. Patullo of the Sentinel-Review, of Woodstock, in the management of that daily. Since coming to Montreal, says the Gazette, Mr. Mackay has made hosts of friends, who will regret his departure, but who wish him success in his new venture. Before leaving, the employees of the Herald presented Mr. Mackay with a handsomely-bound encyclopedia, accompanied by an illuminated address, expressive of their appreciation of the pleasant relations which existed between them during the past three years.

A PLUMBER CLOSED.

Clarence Chrysler and Dennis Mulcahy, two complainants, appeared at police court this morning to conduct their case for non-payment of wages against George Stinson, plumber. The defendant, however, was not present and is supposed to be out of town, his place of business being closed, and a seizure made by landlord Murray.

Mafeking can still hold out for two months, it says.

POURSE FOUND.—On May 2, containing a sum of money, the owner can have it by giving a proper description of it and contents and paying expenses by applying to

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Fresh Bananas, per doz.	15c
1 lb. Baking Powder with a nice apron	25c
Ginger Snap, per lb.	5c
Granulated Sugar, per lb.	5c
Yellow Sugar, per lb.	4c
5 lb good new Prunes	25c
3 lb Lemon Biscuits	25c
5 and 10c Shoe Polish	3c and 6c
Monkey brand Soap 10c bars for	8c
Evaporated Peaches per lb.	12c
Bread, per loaf	5c

Just received a quantity of new DISHES.

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BOER PROMISES.

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The Victims Will Ultimately be Left Stranded and Penniless in South Africa.

London, May 4.—A special despatch dated Lorenzo Marquez, dated Tuesday, May 1, says:—That Boer agents on the continent stoop to fraud in their attempts to inveigle recruits into the Transvaal for military service is shown by the story told by a simple-minded Teuton who arrived on the Herzog. In conversation with a compatriot, he confessed that his sole motive in going to the Transvaal was the promise to receive £1 per day during the war and the free grant of a farm when the war was over.

Moreover, he was assured that within a few weeks the Boers would be completely victorious, so he had barely time to qualify for the grant. When he arrived here and was informed that there was no prospect of securing either £1 per day or the farm, he seemed much crest-fallen, and feared that his friends, sincerely deceived, will at the end of the war find themselves stranded without money, occupation or friends. The incident explains the eagerness of so many destitute foreigners to join the Boers.

According to information from trustworthy sources, the Boers are only held together by the remarkable hold President Kruger has over the older burghers, who still believe in his ability to secure intervention.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

No fresh cases of small-pox have broken out in Winnipeg and the scare is subsiding.

The \$2,000 guinea stakes, run, at Newmarket, was won by the Prince of Wales' Diamond Jubilee.

The Mansion House Fund for the relief of the Ottawa-Hull fire sufferers amounts to \$80,000.

Rev. J. Maggs, B. A., D. D., of London, has been appointed Principal of the Wesleyan Theological College in Montreal.

John Weldon, of Collingwood, quarrelled with his son, while both were drunk. Mrs. Weldon tried to make peace and was knocked down and killed.

The school board of London, Ont., will take legal action to compel the council to pass their estimates without deductions.

Capt. T. J. Craig has been appointed Traffic Agent between Montreal and Hamilton by the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company.

The House of Representatives at Washington, at the conclusion of the most stormy debate of the present session of Congress, passed the Nicaragua Canal bill by a vote of 225 to 35.

As a result of the explosion in the Scotland mine, Utah, 200 bodies have so far been recovered, and 100 more are yet supposed to be in the debris.

Judge Cantrill has ordered a change of venue from Frankfort, Kentucky, to Scott County for the trial of Powers, Davis, Youtsey and others, charged with complicity in the Good murder.

The militia department announces the wounding of Lieut. J. J. Ross, and Privates R. Irvine, P. R. Foster, J. Letson, Jno. Lutz and J. M. Ross; also the killing of Private H. Cotton, in action, and the death of A. E. Yong, from enteric fever.

ROBBERY AT OIL CITY.

Oil City, Ont., May 4.—Some time during last night bold burglars entered W. T. Trout's general store here and carried off a quantity of tobacco and footwear. It is very difficult to estimate the loss at present. This makes the fifth time the same store has been burglarized in a few years. The miscreants selected a good hour of the night to do the work and retire, as no one seems to have any track of them.

TILBURY.

May 4.—Jos. Burdoun and family, Tilbury North, left this week for the eastern states.

Harvey Lumley, St. Thomas, has been engaged by Carless & Beno, butchers, for the summer.

Mrs. Douglas, who has been visiting her daughter here, Mrs. Munro, left yesterday for her home in Owen Sound.

A. H. Roszell is opening a furniture factory in the old laundry building. He has purchased the boiler and engine of the burned elevator for power, and has engaged Mr. Morris to manage the business.

Miss Minnie Stevenson pleasantly entertained the C. B. B.'s on Wednesday evening.

Archibald Coutts left yesterday for Mount Clemens.

Engineer Wymer, of Crawford's handle factory, left on Tuesday to take a similar position in C. C. Kippen's factory in Windsor.

Opportunities for Business.

All towns on the new lines of the Chicago & North-Western Railway are summarized in a pamphlet that may be obtained upon application to W. B. Kniskern, General Passenger, and Ticket Agent, 22 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill. We #21, 28, m5

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White Muslin Underwear—Corset Covers, Chemises, Drawers, Skirts, Night Robes, fine tucks and insertion trimmed—all sizes—at sell-on-eight prices.

Ladies' Vests, cotton or silk, cream or white, ribbed or plain, high or low neck, open or closed in front—cotton vests from 5c to 50c—silk vests from 40c to \$1.50.

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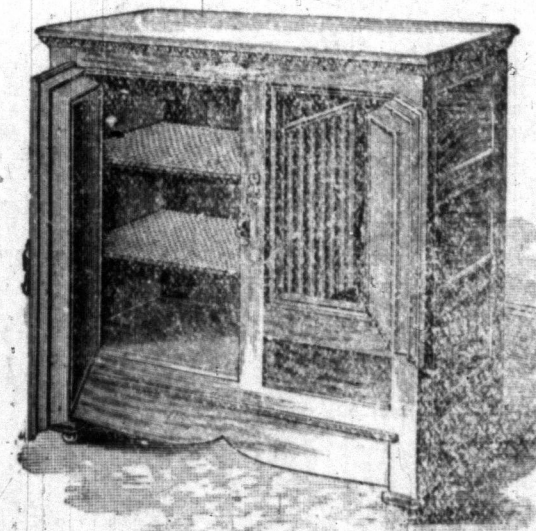
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