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**FRIEND TELLS A SAD STORY**

**McLaughlin Was Dumped at Wharf**

Was Then Almost in Dying Condition—Kept in Ferry House All Night

Committees from the St. John Baseball League and the Every Day Club met at J. N. Harvey's last evening and arrived at an amicable arrangement whereby the league will play ball this summer on the Victoria grounds.

Games will be played four evenings a week and on each Saturday afternoon as agreed upon. The first game will be played on the morning of Victoria day and practicing will be commenced at once. On the afternoon of Victoria day the league will assist the Every Day Club at its sports.

Four teams will compose the league, viz., Portland, Exmouth, Clippers, Marathons and Clippers. It is thought more interest will be taken in the games this season than there was last partly because two new teams, the Clippers and Exmouth streets, hail from the neighborhood of the grounds. There is keen rivalry between these two teams.

A good lively season of ball may now be looked for by the fans.

**CEILING IN TORONTO SCHOOL BUILDING FELL; NOBODY INJURED**

**LONDON, Ont., May 7.**—Shortly before noon today a report started that part of the roof of St. George's school, on Waterloo street, north of Oxford street, had fallen, and that many children had been caught in the wreck.

Apparently the plaster and masonry ceiling in the upper floor of St. George's school house had fallen, fortunately it came down on a mass of seating on the top of the seats. Children, between fifty and sixty in number had time to crouch down on the floor and in this way all escaped serious injury, some fourteen or fifteen receiving slight scratches and bruises. One of the teachers was also slightly hurt, but no one had to be removed to the hospital.

The maidens of Denmark never receive a diamond engagement ring. They are always presented with a plain gold band, which is worn on the third finger of the left hand. On the wedding day the bridegroom changes the ring to the right third finger, which is the marriage finger in that country.

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Friends of Terrence McLaughlin, the North End consumptive who collapsed in the ferry house at Indian town on Wednesday are distressed at the plight which befell him. It appears that McLaughlin, several months had been stopping with Anthony Maguire in Indian town. On Monday it was decided to send him to the hospital but according to what his friends say, he was returned on Tuesday and left at the Indian town ferry house on Wednesday. He was staying at my house, and last Monday I thought he should be taken to the hospital to receive better treatment, for the man seemed to be dying. I went to Alderman John McGoldrick and secured a permit from him to have McLaughlin placed in the public hospital. I then hired the ambulance to take him over, but on Tuesday night Dennis McCarthy, an attendant at the hospital, drove the dying man back to Indian town in a cab and left him at the ferry house. I went down to the wharf and found McLaughlin on board the ferry boat. I carried him into the ferry house and placed him on one of the seats and remained there with him until Wednesday morning. I had to keep a fire burning to keep him warm. Maguire said that the reason why he did not take him to his house was because he had no bed for McLaughlin and that the only reason the hospital authorities gave for turning McLaughlin out was that his case was incurable, and they did not want him there.

Before being taken to the almshouse Father Scully was called to the ferry house and heard the dying man's confession. It was thought by those attending him that he would die before he could be taken away.

The hospital authorities when called up last evening stated that they did not accept consumptive patients at all. They knew nothing of the McLaughlin case, but if he had been admitted, he would not have been admitted, as the Municipal Home last evening elicited the information that McLaughlin was confined in the old men's hospital under the care of the doctor. The superintendent stated that four consumptive cases had been sent to the institution of late. There were two cases of this kind now in the hospital, and most of the afflicted were comparatively young men. The superintendent thought it hardly fair that cases of this kind should be sent to his institution.

**EDWARD ROBERTSON.**

**MONCTON, May 8.**—The death occurred very suddenly at 10.30 last night of Edward Robertson, one of the oldest native residents of Moncton. He was 78 years of age, was born in Moncton, where he spent nearly all his life. He lived in St. John for a time, being engaged in the livery stable business there with his brother, the late C. A. Robertson, up to the time of the big fire, when he came to Moncton, residing here ever since. Mr. Robertson of late years had trouble with his heart, but was in his usual health yesterday, being about town and calling on friends. He returned to the boarding house of Mrs. McDonald, head of Steadman street, about five o'clock, and ate a hearty supper. An hour or two after tea he went to his room, complaining of distress in the breast and an hour later he passed away. The deceased's father was the late James Robertson, who was one of the original land owners in Moncton. The only surviving member of the family is Mrs. Hiram Humphrey, Newcastle. The late Alfred Robertson, Portland, Me., was a brother. During the construction of the old European and North American Railway between Moncton and Shediac deceased was one of the contractors. For the last thirty years he had not been engaged in any business. He never married. Mrs. Geo. R. McChesney and Mrs. Charles Fowler of this city are nieces, and he had a large number of relatives living in different parts of the province.

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It is the English rifle only that the Pathan covets, and no doubt half the joy to him is in the procuring of it. In the days when sentries in peace time mounted guard with Service rifles, the task was not so difficult. A

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**THE LITTLE WARS ON THE INDIAN FRONTIER**

"The finest chap in the world" is a pretty good testimonial to give a man who has a marked predilection for spending you when you are asleep, robbing you when you are wide-awake, and knifing you when on sentry-go, yet that is Tommy Atkins' whole-hearted appreciation of the Afridi in general, and the Zakka Khel in particular.

Tall, sinewy, happy, as a sandboy, cunning as a serpent, bold as a lion—that is the Afridi. Meet him on the footpath, and if he has a mind to—even though you wear a red coat, and the sentries of Peshawar countenances stand only a few yards away—he will unceremoniously bump you into the gutter.

Like the traditional Irish man-and, by the way, many among the pure-blooded tribesmen have red hair and blue eyes—he is ever spoiling for a fight, and that is why Tommy loves him.

**WHEN TOMMY REJOICES.**

If it were not for the periodical shindies which it is his delight to organize, partly for profit and partly for amusement, soldiering on the North-West frontier of India would be a weariness to the flesh. When the tribes are on the rampage, Tommy rejoices, and prays that it may be his particular luck to be one of the expedition sent to quell them. His wish granted, he is on the march in twelve hours, with a battalion of Sikhs or Gurkhas besides, and a battery of two of mounted artillery, "to take lay with the Pathans," as Mulvaney puts it.

And a well-armed and exceedingly peppery foe he finds awaiting him. The law makes the selling of arms and ammunition to the Pathan a criminal offence. Thus, as he may not buy—at any rate, on our side of the Afghan frontier—he sets himself to steal. A Lee-Enfield rifle, valued at \$18, Government price, is worth a good 400 rupees (\$130) on the border.

stealthy approach, a swift rush, the thud of an Afghan knife, and the flash of a bullet. Now, however, Tommy, on all points except the guard-room door, mounts with an old Marlborough, bolted and lashed with lead shot. Such a weapon is of no use to a Pathan, so he concentrates his attention on the guard-house, where the rifles are kept.

The sentry here, if the post is an exposed one, has his rifle changed to his bow. His post is also protected by glaring lanterns, reflecting outwards, in the shadows of which he stands. Even this will not deter a Zakka, the boldest of all frontiersmen. A party of raiders will worm their way through the sentry-line into the heart even of a station like Peshawar—the Aldershot of the North-West. Here, as in all contingents, the rifles are mounted on tripods, in racks, with a padded steel rod pinning the trigger-guards. With his head in this rack, sleeps the corporal of the room. The breech-bolts are hidden in the men's bedding. They are almost as precious as the complete rifle, for round them native chapsmen will build a weapon of sorts.

**TOMMY PAYS.**

Even with all these precautions, whole racks of rifles, and the breech-bolts, too, are purloined. Without anybody being the wiser.

Tommy, to give him a more direct interest in safeguarding his weapon, has to pay for a lost rifle out of his own pocket, and do punishment besides. On active service he sleeps with the rifle in the crook of his elbow, and the sling wound round his arm, and daily "revivifies" the color-sergeants.

Storable ammunition the Pathan manages to possess himself of in much the same free-and-easy fashion. Thus equipped, he looks about for trouble, of which there is always plenty for the taking among the neighboring tribes. But they seem tired of fighting among themselves. It is not possible, however, for a community to exist by taking in each other's washing; and when stock and grain have been stolen and re-stolen, and divided nothing in the process, it becomes time to stimulate trade in a new direction.

**A DOUBLE ROLE.**

"Come, let us send our women and children, our old and our sick, to a safe place, and then twist the lion's tail a little," says a wily tribesman.

"He will come up after us, and knock down our mud towers with his screwworms, but no matter, we can rebuild them in a few weeks. Meantime, by day we will sell him grass at fancy prices, ten-cent fowls at five rupees, and eggs at twelve cents apiece; then, at night we can amuse ourselves with a little rifle practice at his camp. He is a good sportsman, the rascal, and he will not mind."

And that is just what it comes to. The columns must depend to some extent on local supplies, so that a bazaar is opened outside the standing-camp, to which the natives are invited to bring their produce. Having hidden their rifles away first in some convenient cranny, in swaggers the Pathans, with bullock-carts loaded with fodder and burdens of fruit and edibles. At six o'clock the market closes, and they retire.

"What time are you going to open fire tonight?" asks one Tommy who can talk their "bat".

**PART OF THE GAME.**

"Oh, about eight o'clock" answers the foe, with a grin. And, sure enough, at that hour the rifles begin to flash on the hillsides, and in lob the bullets among the camels and mules tethered in the camp of the camp.

The sentries dotted thick round the walls, having set up a dummy or two to draw the enemy's fire, quietly watch them without replying. As for Tommy, he may spend ten minutes before turning in observing the smoke-forms crawling about the camp, perhaps only a couple of hundred yards away, but after that he drops off to sleep, safe under the shelter of the parapet, paying no more attention to the flying bullets than if they were scattered butterflies.

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A soldier visits his sweetheart; they are surprised by the return of the master and a fake spiritualist. The soldier hides in a cupboard and is rescued by the spiritualist in a very funny manner.

**THE SERVANT'S REVENGE**

How a servant who had been discharged succeeded in demolishing her former master's household.

**VOCALISTS: FRANK GARNETT, PERCY F. SAYCE.**

Great sale of Boys' and Men's clothing and furnishing at the Union Clothing Company, 26-28 Charlotte street, opposite City Market.

A militia general order announces the following: 62nd regiment, St. John Puffery, to be major: Captain J. L. McAvity, vice Major F. H. Hart, who is transferred to the reserve of officers; Captain H. Perley, vice Major W. C. Magee who is transferred to the reserve of officers.

George Buskin agent and missionary of the Evangelical Portage Mission of Algoma and the Northwest, is making his annual visit to St. John in behalf of his work of disseminating through these districts Biblical literature, which has been supplied by the mission agency in 23 languages, and many thousands of books and tracts which have been published in five languages for the work. The second part of the Ojibway dictionary in the English and Indian languages is in progress of completion, the two editions costing over \$1,200. There have been eighty editions of books and tracts published by the mission for its work in various forms, incurring much labor and cost in addition to the cost of travelling. The missionary gratefully acknowledges \$15.00 contributed last year in St. John. The depot is still at 292 King street, East Toronto.

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The poultry yard.

It was proposed to have an art room, as a special feature of the show, and a committee was appointed to see what could be done. At the Dominion Exhibition at Halifax the art room was a great success and there is also an excellent art building at the Toronto show.

The amusement features were left to a committee and something to take the place of last year's attractions will be secured. An effort will be made to make the automobile show as attractive as possible.

The president of the Kennel Club is to meet a committee from the exhibition in the near future and make arrangements regarding the dog show.

**PLAN THE BEST EXPO. EVER HELD IN ST. JOHN**

The first meeting this season of the executive of the St. John Exhibition Association was held last evening in their rooms, Sears building, King street. President A. O. Skinner presided.

Matters in connection with the exhibition were discussed at length. It was decided to make extensive repairs to all the buildings.

The opinion seemed to be general to make this year's show better than any yet held. It was also felt that something new should take the place of the different attractions seen at the other fairs. Some additions were made to the prize list. It was decided to make an increase of about \$100 to the budget of the show.

In regard to the horse show, it was decided to make an effort to bring out a better class of horses and give every opportunity to local horsemen to show their animals.

Next day the Pathan is back at the bazaar again, with fresh eggs and a cheerful smile, to inquire the extent of the "tag" overnight, and Tommy tells him.