

INCIDENTS OF BRAVERY

Some of the Deeds Praised by Lord Kitchener—Hand-to-Hand Fighting With Boers in South Africa.

Incidents of gallantry reported by Lord Kitchener in his monthly review for October, 1901, go to show that the prevalent idea of statelessness among the troops in South Africa is not altogether well founded. The following incidents are taken from a list which occupied about two columns in "The Times":

1st (King's) Dragoon Guards. — Capt. F. C. Quicke, promoted Brevet-Major August 2, 1901, killed in action October 26, 1901, at Amsterdam, Orange River Colony, on August 2, 1901, pursued a convoy for eighteen miles, and when he reached the wagons had only seven men with him. With these he rode to the head of the convoy and stopped it, capturing 55 wagons and 16 Cape carts, though a considerable force of the enemy were in the vicinity.

Stenackers' Horse—Lieut. J. A. Baillie, on July 4, 1901, having heard that two despatch riders had crossed the Portuguese border into Swaziland, followed them, took them by moonlight, overtook them, and after a hand-to-hand fight killed them both and took their despatches.

Johannesburg Police—Eighty-eight, First-class Sergeant W. Parks, in command of 33 police at Rooopoot when that place was attacked on July 5, 1901, after repulsing attack led by the volunteers who cleared the village, and was severely wounded in doing so, and 39 Tpr. E. Hampton, sentry at entrance to Village of Florida when, on same date, 25 Boers galloped at him, held his position, and by his steady fire checked enemy until support arrived, when he had only three rounds left, his defence saved the post.

Menne's Scouts—Lieut. A. B. Lubbock, at Joubert's Nek, on July 15, 1901, assisted Sgt. Cima to save a native scout whose horse had been killed. The Boers at the same time being within 150 yards and firing heavily.

R.A.M.C.—13,631, Corp. W. W. Weeden, promoted Sergeant by Commandant-in-Chief, at Dersfontein, Orange River Colony, on July 24, 1901, rode some distance under fire to assist a wounded man lying in the open, and stayed with him twenty minutes, being fired at all the time.

Lord Kitchener, in reviewing Lord Methuen's operations in the south-west Transvaal, also reports this clever capture by Lieut-Col. Williams:

"Lieut-Col. E. Williams obtained information that a convoy under Commandant Vermaas was to the north of him, near Katdoorplaat. He accordingly sent his wagons, under escort, towards Leeuwfontein to give the appearance of a continuance of the march in that direction, and then with his Australians (New South Wales Mounted Rifles and Bushmen) made a rapid night march upon Katdoorplaat, which he reached at 6.45 a.m. on the following morning. Before that time the wagons showed Col. Williams the direction taken by the Boers, and, after a gallop of twelve miles, he was able to ride down and capture the whole convoy, with 18 prisoners, 65 ox-wagons, 14 other vehicles, and 1,500 cattle. Amongst the prisoners were the late Landdrost of Bloemfontein and Du Toit, a telegraphist, with complete tapping apparatus. During this very successful enterprise the Australians covered 60 miles in 27 hours, and brought away with them every one of the captured vehicles."

The National Memorial. — Victoria is to take the form of a colossal monument in front of Buckingham Palace, sixty feet in height, and rich in detail. The Queen will be shown seated and looking toward the Mall, while above on the summit of the monument will be a winged figure of Victory. Other emblematical groups will be shown on various parts of the pedestal, the most notable being that of Motherhood, on which Mr. Brock, the sculptor, has bestowed loving care. The architectural surroundings, by Mr.

THE VICTORIA STATUE.

Aston Webb, will be such as to set this magnificent group off to the best advantage. A huge plaza will be made in St. James' Park in front of the palace, and the Mall will be brought into the scheme as the approach to the statue and the plaza. It is intended when the project is completed to do triumphal processions and great State ceremonies, and it will be afforded with groups of statuary representing the various parts of the empire. The plans when carried out will make the approach from Whitehall to Buckingham Palace almost as fine a thing as the vista in Paris from the Arc de Triomphe to the Place de la Concorde.

Conclusive. — Maud—You think Mr. Blushrose is not as bashful in the presence of girls as he seems to be, do you? How did you get that impression? Mabel—I had it from his own lips. Fifty years ago Cornwall supplied 90 per cent. of the world's tin. This has fallen to seven per cent.



THE OUTLOOK

For a woman's happiness in the married state depends less, as a rule, upon the man she is to marry than upon her own health. The woman who enters upon marriage, suffering from womanly weakness, is "heapin up trouble against the day of trouble."

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Mrs. Alderman's Big Apple Orchards. — Out in a country of large things even such an apple orchard as that owned and managed by Mrs. Laura A. Alderman of Harley, S. D., stands out in full bearing. It contains 120 acres in full bearing.

It is the finest fruit that the latitude affords. The land was taken up in 1870 and was gradually converted to the business of fruit raising. A source of grapes, peaches, and other fruit, and other hoppers in South Dakota left the country nearly poverty stricken for a time, and fruit dealers suffered with the rest. But luck and energy saved the day for Mrs. Alderman, and for the past fifteen or twenty years her work has been a continuous success. The apples from the Alderman farm are gathered with special care and never fail of a good market. From 8,000 to 10,000 bushels are gathered each year, and in the harvest season forty or more persons are employed in the business. Mrs. Alderman's father was closely related to Colonel Ethan Allen of Vermont. She is now a resident of Detroit, Mich.—Lester's Weekly.

Beauty Hints. — Cultivate expression of the eyes. In a short time they will speak more eloquently than your tongue. Do not draw your eyelids together or pucker your face when exposed to a strong light. This makes wrinkles. Shade your eyes with your hand. Dark eyebrows and lashes are marks of beauty. Whichever, with the eyelids, they may be made darker by applying green walnut juice with a small camel's hair brush. Do not pencil them. A slight arch and a fine line may be given to the eyebrows by pinching them between the fingers several times each day. Never bite the lips to make them red. It not only makes them dark and sore, but it makes your face look drawn and distorted while you are biting them. If you bathe your lips occasionally with a little alum dissolved in water and apply glycerine, with a few drops of water of benzoin, the lips will be kept fresh and red and without injury.—Exchange.

Women and the Rifle. — The picturesque old Surrey town of Farnham, England, has taken a step toward encouraging marksmanship among women. It has the Ivy House Rifle Club, to which women are admitted, and the first lady member was the Lady Mary Arkwright, a daughter of the house of Stafford.

There are hours on two days of the week during which the use of the range is specially reserved for women, and at all other times it is open to them in competition with the men.—Philadelphia North American.

Expensive Wedding Presents. — One of the most striking features of an up to date wedding is present giving and receiving. Wedding presents of late have become a positive tax on society. They are not given because the donor is fond of the bride or the bridegroom, but simply because it is the fashion, and each year as luxury increases wedding presents become more costly.

RHODES AND JAMESON. — Cairo, Dec. 31.—Ocell Rhodes, and Dr. Jamieson, after having reached Wadi Halfa, on their way to Khartoum, returned to Cairo very unexpectedly. The reason for their change of plan is not known here. They sailed yesterday for England, whence they will proceed at once to South Africa.

DISTRICT DOINGS:

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Miss Janie Shaw and Albert and John Shaw, of St. Catharines, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Miss Jean Forbes is visiting Mrs. Meek, of Southwold.

Charles Forbes returned from Regina the Monday before Christmas and will spend the winter here. Charlie is charmed with the Canadian Northwest and will return in the early spring.

J. C. Atkinson and grand-daughter, Miss Laura Creech, are visiting in Toronto this week.

Manley Smith, of Detroit, spent a few days here last week with his parents.

Ed. L. Smith is spending a week Hamilton, Guelph and other places.

Miss Margaret Smith left last week for London.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Shaw spent New Year's day in Beaufort.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Farquharson and family, of Chatham, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Forbes.

Miss Coates and Miss Forbes, of Chatham, were the guests of Miss Jean Forbes on the 19th.

Mrs. McFarlane and three children, of Victor, Colorado, are visiting here.

F. and A. Wilson, of Tilbury, are spending the week with friends here.

P. B. Stevens and Ira Burk, of Chatham, were here on Saturday on business.

The Christmas entertainment given by the pupils of the P. S. was a very enjoyable affair. The program consisted of drills, marches, recitations, songs and choruses, all of which were well rendered. The hall was packed and all were delighted.

F. C. Ouellette got in a car of coal on Saturday and is selling it at \$5.65 per ton.

School will reopen on Monday.

C. F. Ouellette was elected P. S. trustee.

MORPETH.

Arthur Smith, B. A., science master Essex high school, is at home for the holidays.

Miss Rose Duck, nurse-in-training, of Petoski, Mich., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, John Duck and wife.

Miss Laura Taylor, Talbot street, is slowly recovering from a severe attack of erysipelas.

Rev. Mr. Miller, of Toronto, will conduct the services at the Presbyterian mission in the village and at Scotland until another missionary is appointed.

Miss Ethel Duck, of Alma College, is spending her holidays with her parents, Isaac Duck and wife.

A Handy recently purchased the residence owned by C. Wood in the village for the sum of \$400.

Hiram and Fred Gardiner, of Detroit, are at the Park with their father, Isaac Gardiner, for the holidays.

Mrs. Titus Hall, an aged resident of the village, is lying ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chandler Wood.

The annual Christmas tree in connection with the Sabbath school at Erie Beach was held on Christmas Eve and a very enjoyable time was spent by all who attended.

Mrs. June, an old and highly respected resident, died on the 22nd inst. at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Gonthier, west of the village, at the advanced age of 84 years.

Rev. E. Softley conducted services in St. John's church at 11 a. m. and Sunday at Trinity church at 7 p. m. Sunday.

Frank Guyett, who recently sold his farm west of the village in Tuscola County, Mich., and will leave for there this week with his family.

Geo. Simpson, eldest son of John Simpson, Talbot street, was married on the 18th inst. to Miss Greenway, of Selton.

Rev. and Mrs. E. Softley will spend the New Year with Mrs. Softley's parents at Mount Pleasant.

Rev. Mr. Softley was unimpaired to the bedside of his father, who is dangerously ill, on Saturday.

Mr. Hler, of Ridgeway, conducted service in the Methodist church Sunday evening.

APPLEDORE.

Isaac Andrews is going with Mr. Purdie's corn husker.

Miss M. Wedgon, of Thamesville, is visiting with Miss Mable Saunders. S. Craven had a turkey Christmas that dressed 27 pounds.

Misses Dora and Jennie McKerrall are at home for their Christmas holidays.

Wm. Austin has been laid up with blood poison but is better now.

Miss Mary Higgs is home from the C. B. C. spending her holidays.

John Nottis has 40 fat hogs he intends sending soon.

A number of men here attended the shooting match at H. Morgan's on Christmas afternoon.

At a school meeting Thursday Ed. Overstreet was appointed trustee.

Sam Shaw has been drawing brick and sand for the new house he intends building in the spring.

There is talk of having a singing school in this village.

DOVER.

No services were held in the Richmond school house last Sunday on account of the quarantine.

Mr. Nealy, our new minister, is expected to commence his duties here on the second Sunday of the new year. It is with extreme regret that we part with Miss Neack, our esteemed teacher, who has so faithfully labored among us for years. She is taking a rest for the benefit of her health.

Jan. Smith is visiting relatives at Bowmansville.

Mr. Steen and family spent Christmas Day with relatives of Chatham.

The people of Richmond school showed their appreciation of H. Smith's services by re-electing him to the office of trustee. They know a good man when they get him.

Mr. and Mrs. Pickett are visiting at their niece's, Mrs. Jas. Smith and Mrs. R. Steen.

Mr. Stenton, of Bad Axe, is visiting with Mr. E. Hind.

Forest McNelly, of Raleigh, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Jas. Smith. Chas. Fleming, of Detroit, spent Christmas with his parents of the Fifth concession.

Peter Grant's election for councillor is certain as he has proved himself a most valuable addition to the council board.

Kenneth Campbell has been through this locality purchasing seed corn.

FLETCHER.

The Separate school concert given here under the direction of the teacher, Miss Flynn, was a grand success in every particular. A solo was given by Miss W. Dillon, of Fletcher, and numerous recitations and drills were given by the scholars.

Miss Maggie Lewis, teacher of S. S. No. 10, Raleigh, gave a Christmas entertainment, which was a complete success. Doc. Oliver acted as chairman and presided over an excellent program. Vocal solos were given by Miss Dillon, and Mr. Williams, of Toronto. Samuel Wellwood made a capital Santa Claus.

Miss Miller, of Detroit, is spending a few days with her parents here.

Michael Hickey is spending a few days in Detroit.

Mr. Peates and wife spent Christmas Day with relatives in the Maple City.

NORTH BUXTON.

We are having fine weather just now. People of this district are busy getting up their winter's wood, from Mr. Marshall, of Tilbury.

Mr. Shupe has stopped buying corn for the present, as his cribs are full.

Mrs. Ella Martin is home visiting her parents.

Emma McCrea, of Chicago, has been visiting her aunt and friends, and expects to return home on the second of January.

Mrs. Susan Williams, of Flint, is visiting her brother, Samuel Givins.

Mrs. Henry Booker, of London, is the guest of Mrs. John Brooks.

Rev. Henry Jones, and wife are entertaining their daughter, of Detroit and her sister, Mrs. Brooks, of Jackson.

The concert which was held at the B. M. E. Church for the benefit of the pastor, was a grand success.

This place has been the scene of many pleasures. Christmas concerts, balls and parties being the prevailing features, but now the coming election is beginning to stir up an excitement.

EBERTS.

A happy New Year to all readers of The Planet.

Literary Society met again last Monday evening. The program consisted of a debate, readings and music.

W. Mackenzie conducted services in the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon, and J. H. LeRoy preached in the Baptist church in the morning.

Rev. J. J. Ross will conduct the prayer meeting Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Agar, of Blenheim, was the guest of their parents last week.

John Isaac was the guest of David McNaughton on Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe, of Harrow, are spending the holidays with their numerous friends and relatives here.

Miss Blanche Harris, of Dawn Mills, spent Christmas at her home here.

The annual school meeting was held last Thursday, John Forsythe, Jr., was elected new trustee for the coming year.

Robert Miller spent Christmas day with John Oliver.

VANHORN.

School begins next Monday at P. S. No. 9, and on Tuesday S. S. No. 9.

Miss Zink is re-appointed teacher for S. S. No. 9.

C. Rose has hired at Mr. J. Schneider's for the winter months.

P. Mindorf left last Thursday for Medford, Wisconsin.

H. Gerber, of Chatham, spent Christmas on the 4th concession.

This is ideal weather for the cutting of wood and logs. G. Fields intends cutting down half of his fine bush this winter.

The regular school meetings took place at our respective schools last Thursday. At S. S. No. 9 Mr. A. Bloude was elected trustee by acclamation to succeed Mr. Jas. Livingstone.

Thomas Ross, who was injured some time ago by the wheels of an E. & D. R. H. car passing over his limb, is again laid up, and in the meantime, together with his wife, is spending the vacation in Toronto.

Sylvester Rouse is home on his holidays.

It is reported that Mrs. W. Ferguson has bought the Cephus farm.

It is also stated that Ben. Haytress is offering his stock for sale, as he intends returning to the Old Country next spring.

John Ross, of Toledo, is visiting at the parental roof this week.

GLENWOOD.

Miss Hannah Newham, of Chatham, and Rufus Newham, of Leamington, spent their holidays at home.

Mrs. H. Lott and family were the guests of the former's mother, at Wheatley, last week.

I. H. Coffey is erecting a fine new stable in addition to his already large and commodious barn.

Mrs. E. Foxton has returned from the funeral of her mother in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vipond spent Christmas in Wheatley.

Miss Gordon, our popular teacher, has been re-engaged for the coming term.

The S. S. concert, held here Christmas Eve, was a decided success. The program, given principally by the pupils, was well executed. Proceeds amounted to \$20.

Mrs. B. Shrader and children spent a week in Ridgeway.

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