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Over One Hundred Delegates in Attendance -High Chief's Report - Attended the Celebration at Houlton..

WOODSTOCK, July 4.—Over a hundred delegates are in attendance at the High Court, I. O. F. Over fifty of them took in the celebration at Houlton today, where the British ensigns and Canadian flags were seen among the decorations on every hand. The weather was delightful, and a great crowd thronged the race track, but the

races were not exciting. The High Court opened this evening. High Chief Ranger Macrae in the chair. Among the visitors were Supreme Treasurer Harry A. Collins of Toronto, and Clarence Scott of Oldtown, High Chief Ranger of Maine. After the reception of delegates, committees were appointed and reports of officers were submitted. The High Chief Ranger's report fol-

HIGH CHIEF RANGER'S ADDRESS. To the Officers and Members of the High

Court:

Brethren and Companions—It affords me the greatest pleasure to greet you at this our seventsenth annual session, and to felicitate you upon the very excellent position which our order today holds in the ranks of fraternal societies.

You will rejoice with me in the harmony which has characterized the order in this province during the Forestric year just closed, and that more particularly on reflecting that the harmony in our jurisdiction is but a reflex of the condition of affairs throughout the entire Forestric world.

I think that this is an opportune time for us ito review the history of our order during the past decade. In the beautiful town of Woodstock, in the first year of that decade, our high court held its eighth annual session, in July, 1891. It was then that for the first time I was elected a member of your high standing committee. At that time the latted membership of the order was 28.894:

give you all information upon this head in his report.

In the city of St. John and some other portions of the province the anniversary of the familing of the order was celebrated, in accordance with the expressed wish of the supreme executive, by a parade and attendance at divine service. The turnout of Reyal Foresters on this cecasion at the city of St. John was especially commendable. By-laws for the government of companion courts, and the reports of the special com-mittee upon Royal Forestry, will be laid be-fore you for consideration.

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It is with great satisfaction that I announce that there are now two companion couris in good standing in the jurisdiction. Their representatives are with us today, and I take great pleasure in extending to these ladies a hearty welcome, in doing which I feel that I voice the sentiment of the delegates of our subordinate courts, and I have no doubt but that the presence of our companions will materially assist in bringing to a happy conclusion the deliberations of the high court on this important occasion.

During the past year the British empire has been engaged in a terrific struggle for supremacy in South Africa. On the declaration of war being made the people of this dominion offered the services of a contingent to the mother country. Two, I may say three, bodies of troops have gone forth from our midst armed and equipped by the people of Canada to battle for Queen and country on the scorching yeldt of the southern part of the dark continent—a spontaneous expression of the deep-seaked loyalty which is a living actuality in the hearts of Canadians from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In the ranks of those devoted sons of the empire there were many members of our order. The supreme executive made no extra charge for the insurance carried by them, and I understand that we were the only benefit order or insurance institution of which this can be said. All the members of the leaver members of our order, as I believe this can be said. All the members of the first contingent from Prince Edward Island were members of our order; as I believe were all the members of that gallant band of young heroes who enlisted in this very town of Wcodstock in the second contingent. I believe that the action of the supreme executive in this respect will meet with the hearty endorsation of this high court.

woodstock in the first year of that decade, our high ourt held its eighth annual session, in July, 1891. It was then that for the first time I was elected a heme time the high standbership of the order was 23,94; today it is over 183,000. Then our surplus was \$120,741.87, or \$11.44 per capifa; today our surplus is \$4,08,108.90, or about \$24.80 per capifa. Then in this pro-mohership of 1.834; today we have 15 subordinate courts, with a membership of 6,000, as well as two companion courts.

Of a truth we have sood cause to take courage and press onward with our work, as the court of the courts and the courts and the courts and the courts are in the ranks of the established and well recognized financial institutions of this great Canada, which today occupies such a proud restination for the second time to the high office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office to which you unanimously elected me, I announced that I would not accept this office two years ago, as compared with its present state. On the first of July, 1888, out is a substitute of the province of the work of visiting the courts. I independ to a substitute of the province secutivo in this respect will meet with the hearty endorsation of this high court.

Last year I urged upon the high court the arpropriation of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars to defray the expenses of visiting the subordinate courts by the high standing committee. The high court in its wisdom saw fit to adopt the recommendation with the limitation that the money should be expended in holding public meetings. Not one hundred dollars of the amount so voted has been used. This is not due to any indifference on the part of the members of the high standing committee to the importance of the work of visiting the courts. I have visited courts and addressed publimentings in the counties of St. John, queens, Sunbury, York, Carleton and Victoria. I arranged to hold a number of meetings on the North Shore, but was compelled to abandon them by reason of the outbreak of smallpox in that section of the province. I endeavored to arrange for a series of public meetings covering a fortnight in the counties of Skings, Westmorland, and Albert, and corresponded with the high secretary for the purpose of determining where the meetings could be best held. He finally advised me that he had made every effort to arrange for a series of meetings in that section of the province, but had utterly failed to do so and could not see how this could be done to the purpose of determining where the meetings covering a fortnight in the counties of Kings, Westmorland, and Albert, and corresponded with the high secretary for the purpose of determining where the meetings covering a fortnight in the counties of Kings, westmorland, and Albert, and corresponded with the high secretary for the purpose of determining where the meetings could be best held. He finally advised meetings to the finally advised meetings to the final province, but had utterly faile

warn us that time is but short. Let us so live that our lives may be looked back upon as evidencing something done to extend the great circle of fraternity, the perfect unity of which finds its strongest bonds in the foundation principles of our order.

The thirty-five thousand dollars' endemment carried by our deceased brethren been promptly paid as well as the five hardred dollars reported last year as awaited the filing of letters of administration, as only outstanding claim, as you will see by another report, is one awaiting the filing of a bond agreed to be given by the beneficiary to the supreme court.

And now, brethren, in returning to you

MORE HOPEFUL.

Chinese Situation Considerable Brighter Than for Some Time Past.

LONDON, July 7, 2.40 a. m.-The ply military forces in China. The terms of this consent are summarized in the subjoined despatch from St. Petersburg, under date of July 6, in reply to an inquiry from the Jap-anese cabinet, regarding the despatch of Japanese troops to China to render aid to the foreigners in Pekin, the Russian government declared on May 27, that it left the Japanese government full liberty of action in this connection, and the Tokio cabinet expressed its readiness to act in full agreement with the other powers. It is in consequence of this

doubt, that Japan is preparing to embark 20,000 more troops.

From these authoritative utterances

it is inferred that Japan does nominate conditions and that the concert of the powers is a little jangled. Recitals of further horrors in Pekin are gathered by correspondents at Shanghai from Chinese sources, especially of the slaughter in the Chi-

nese quarter and Tartar city of thousands of native Christians, so that the capital reeks with carnage. The ruthless thirst for blood is spreading. in all the northern provinces, and wherever there are native Christians the scenes enacted in the capital are reproduced in miniature. From these stories nothing further comes regarding the legation forces except a repe-

tition that they are all dead.

Prince Tuan's coup d'etat is deecribed by the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail as a sequence to the grand council of ministers at which Yung Lu advocated the suppression of the Boxers promptly. The dowager empress gave her whole support to Yung Lu and a scene of disorder ensued. Prince Tuan passion-ately intervened, backed by Kang Li. They rushed from the council and their partisans raised the cry, "Down with the foreigners." This effect was electrical. The palace officials of all sorts and most of the populace took up the cause of Prince Tuan and his agents immediately put the emperor and the dowager empress under re-

WASHINGTON, July 6.-The state department is waiting with almost an agony of expectation for news from Pekin, but none comes. Heartrending appeals are being received from relatives and friends of the persons supposed to have been in the United States legation at Pekin, praying for some information as to the fate of their people, but the department is unable to give them any satisfaction. LONDON, July 10, 3.25 a. m.-With the foreigners in Pekin probably safe amidst civil war with Prince Ching on their side, with the powers united and their forces constantly increasing, the outlook in China is now rather more hopeful than it has been for a month past. It appears from the cautious statement given out by Tao Tai Sheng in Shanghai that the reason the heavy guns bearing on the legation at Pekin were not used is that Prince Ching. who is served by 10,000 troops, seized all the artillery ammunition. Sheng likewise intimates that Yung Lu, commander in chief of the northern army, is associated with Prince Ching in opposing Prince Tuan's ferocious designs and dictatorial ambition. Sheng,

Beverley R. Armstrong Slightly Injured in an imb or organ, and often not even entailing admission into hospital.

"Severe"—A wound requiring careful treatment in hospital, but not Engagement on Saturday.

Canadians Under General Hutton Were in Another Fight on Sunday-Lieut. Young Slightly Injured-The Latest From the Front.

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We king Street, St. John, M. B.

The total indebtedness from subordinate courts has been reduced about 400 during the past year.

During the past two years our net increase a little over four hundred, and the financial recition of our subordinate courts is generally much stronger than it was in July, 1882. I regret to say that the experience of the past year are all which will be a seen all the past year in my annual report at Sussex to the subordinate courts, and the past year in my annual report at Sussex to the subordinate courts, and the past year were a great awantage in disseminating Forestic information, and membership.

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firmatory replies were given.

Another one of the party, however, when interviewed declared the patients were robbed by dirty, unprincipled or-derlies acting as nurses. Another said he had been robbed of curios, money and khaki uniform. He also saw en-Foreigners in Pekin Probably Safe

Amidst Civil War.

at Cape Town with the first contin-Russian government announces that gent, only 350 remain on active service. it will give Japan a free hand to ap- The majority of the remaining 800 had been stricken with enteric fever. This was due to drinking putrid water at Paardeberg, where they fought so brilliantly.

At Standerton on 5th July Strathcona's Horse gave a gallant account of themselves. In fighting at Vlaklaagte they killed five of the enemy and captured a number of horses. LONDON, July 7.-Gen. Paget is moving toward the heart of the

country held by De Wet. Lord Roberts telegraphed to the war office, under date of Pretoria, July 6,

battalions, Canadian Mounted Rifles, who have repeatedly been conspicuous for their gallant conduct and soldierlike instincts. During the attack by the Boers on Katbosch, on June 22, a small party of Pinched Creek men of the 2nd battalion displayed the greatest gallantry and devotion to duty, holding in check a force of Boers by whom they were largely outnumbered. Corp. Morden and Pte. Kerr continued fighting till mortally wounded; also Corp Miles and Pte. Miles, wounded, continued to fire and held their ground. On 18th June a party of the 1st bat-

talion, under Lieut. Young, when operating with a force under General Hutton to the northwest of Pretoria, succeeded in capturing two of the enemy's guns and brought in a herd of cattle and several prisoners without osing a man." LONDON, July 9.-The Times Lou-

renzo Marquez correspondent says,

under date of July 7: "A general movement of Boer setlers into Gazaland, Portuguese territory, seems to be in contemplation. Already large herds have been driven across the border. The Fortuguese

welcome the movement." LONDON, July 9.-Late news from South Africa reports that the Boers ineffectually attacked Gen. Buller's escort between Standerton and Heidelberg on Saturday as he was returning

from a visit from Lord Roberts. The Boers attacked Ficksburg garrison at midnight on Tuesday, but were driven off after 45 minutes' fighting. lapse of 21 days if later and definite in-

TORONTO, July 6.—The Telegram's Gen. Brabant on July 5 occupied Bornspecial cable from London says: Thirburg between Senekal and Winburg, by Canadian invalids from South Af- which served as a base for bands assailing convoys, Col. Mahon of Gen. Hutton's mounted troops on July 6 and 7 engaged 3,000 Boers east of Broukerspruit and drove them off. The British casualties numbered 33.

> ture Rustenburg on July 5 but was driven back Thirty-four of Strathcona's Horse. by 200 Boers east of Standerton on July 6. The British soon took posses-

Commander Timmer tried to re-cap-

sion of a kopje, which they skilfully withsfood the attack of the enemy. OTTAWA, July 9.—A cablegram was received at the militia department this morning from Lieut, Col. Otter, dated Johannesburg, 9th, reporting that his battalion had been taken from the 19th brigade and detailed for duty at Springs. He also reported the following officers and men of the 1st lattalion, Canadian Mounted Rifles, as being wounded in action on the 7th:

Mortally-No. 408, Pte. H. B. White, Waterville, N. S. Slightly-Capt. C. M. Nelles, Royal Canadian Dragoons; No. 325, Pte. T H. Marriott, Manitoba Dragoons; No. 284, Pte. H. Palmer, "B" squadron, R. C. D.; No. 330, Pte. S. J. McGregor, Brandon Infantry Co.; No. 413, Pte. B. R. Armstrong, 3rd regiment C. A.; No. 258, Lord, is also included among the casualties.

(Pte. Armstrong is a son of Lt. Col. J. Russell Armstrong of St.John. There is no man by the name of Lord in the 1st battalion, C. M. R., and the name of the man whose regimental number is 258 is Larea, who enlisted at Winnipeg. Capt. C. M. Nelles was a member of the R. C. D. He came from Toronto. Pte. Thos. Marriott, Manitoba Draas follows:

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Palmer was of "B" squadron, enlisted with the R. C. D. at Winnipeg. Mrs. Palmer lives at 44 Greyhound street, London, England. Pte. Sam J. Mc-Gregor was a member of the Brandon infantry. His next of kin is M. P. Mc-Gregor of Brandon.)

> (Extract from militia orders of Saturday, 30th June, 1900.)

The procedure followed at militia headquarters respecting casualties in South Africa is as follows: The following cases are reported by cable by the high commissioner, Cape Town, to his excellency the governor general, who immediately forwards them to the department of :nilitia, and by the officer commanding the corps to which the officer or man may belong to the officer commanding the militia:

(a) Death from any cause. (b) Wounded in action.

(c) Missing from any cause. Immediately upon receipt of notification of a death from any cause the officer commanding the military district to which the deceased belonged is notified by telegram, and this officer communicates the information to the relatives of the deceased with the least possible delay. The list of casualties is then given to the press, and it is published in the first issue of militia orders.

Some cases of serious illness are reported by cable by the high commissioner, Cape Town. In such cases the information is given to the press and the relatives are informed by mail. If no subsequent information is communicated it may be safely assumed that the case has not resulted fatally. In all the above cases all informa-

tion received is conveyed to the relatives concerned. There is therefore no object in telegraphing or writing to headquarters for additional particulars. If any are subsequently received they are communicated without delay. Application is frequently made to the department to ascertain by cable information respecting a soldier supposed to be dead, sick or missing.

This can be done at the public expense only if there is good reason to believe that a soldier is dead and official confirmation has not been received by the department or in the case of a soldier officially reported as missing, in which case enquiry will be made after the

The following terms when applied to woulds may be taken as conveying the

signification stated against them: "Slight"-A would likely to heal rapidly, not impairing the use of a

necessarily dangerous, often involving fractures of bone, and sometimes even the permanent impairing of a limb.
"Dangerous"—A wound such as

might occur from the penetration of the head, chest, abdomen or any vital

LONDON, July 9.—Lord Roberts telegraphs to the war office from Pre-

toria as follows:
"The officer commanding at Heilbron reports that State Secretary Blignant, State Attorney Dickson and members of the council Vantander and Kuppervergen came in yesterday and sur-

"Hutton was attacked yesterday in a position he was holding by a large number of Boers. He cut them off without much difficulty, the 5-inch guns with him being found most useful. Our only casualty was Lieut. Young of the first Canadian mounted troops, slight scalp wound? The enemy left several wounded on the ground under Lieut. Anderson, were attacked and sent a flag of truce with a request that they might be received in our field

hospital. "I regret to say that Captain Currie and Lieut. Kirk of the Imperial Light Horse, who were reported wounded in my telegram of yesterday, were both killed. One squadron of this distinguished corps pressed a very severe force of the enemy in a gallant attempt to carry off a wounded comrade, to which they attributed the heavy loss sustained.

"In addition to the officers, a farriersergeant, and three troopers were killed and the sergeant major, three sereants and seven troopers wounded."

CAPE TOWN, July 9.-At a meeting of the Afrikander women here today, called to protest against the annexation of the republics to the British empire and the punishment of the rehels, Mrs. Olive Schreiner Cronweight denounced the British policy. She said she was ashamed of her English descent and added:

"If the republics are annexed, if the Afrikanders are opposed; peace is impossible. Every trench of Boer dead s a grave of England's honor. Every bullet making a wound also finds a tillet in the hearts of the empire."

It is reported here that President Kruger's retention of large amounts of gold at Machadodorp has created the utmost discontent among the mercenaries, officers and men. They expected substantial rewards for championing the Boer interests, but have received nothing. It is added that visiting foreigners who have subsequently advocated intervention are believed to have received substantial sums. Proofs, it is further asserted, have been discovered in Pretoria which promise startling developments.

TOROXTO, July 9.-The Telegram's special cable from London says .— Gunners A. G. Howard, formerly of St. John, N. B., and J. Neild, formerly of Carberry, Man., both now with "E" Field Battery in South Africa, and Fte. Lutte, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, as well as No. 2,489, Welmore, have been reported to the war office as dangerously ill.

LONDON; July 10.-As Lord Roberts's despatches reveal, the Boers are unusually active, both in the Orange Colony and the so-called pacified western Transvaal, but without producing any serious impression upon the British arms.

The Bond leaders at the Cape are extending their boycott of British firms, and Dutch companies, with £200,000 cupital, have been formed. Passengers arriving at Lourenso Marquez on July 9 from Middleburg, say there has been severe fighting between the latter place and Machadodorp, in which the Boers were de-

The Lourenso Marquez correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says under date of July 9: "I understand that Mr. Hollis, the American consul here, has been recalled. He is a well known

feated and demoralized:

LONDON, July 9 .- The Cape Town correspondent of the Standard says, under date of July 9: "The post office authorities have issued notice that civil mails have been suspended for Johannesburg. This, with the fact that telegrams for Pretoria are refused, causes uneasiness."
LONDON, July 9.—The five Afri-

kander leaders who arrived on Saturday last, seek to impress the idea upon the English that public opinion is favorable to Boer independence. They have been asked to leave the hotel at which they are stopping. Amongthem is Prof. Devos, of the Stellerbosch Theological Seminary, and D. DeWet, formerly a member of the Cape Colony cabinet.

eign consuls by the confidential com- ing, said the trouble in China would be division of armored ships which I send far reaching and disastrous in its conmunications, but takes excessive precautions to prevent the Chinese from thinking him friendly to the foreign-The feeling of unrest in the southern

and central provinces continues. The members of the official class in those provinces strive to remain neutral, with a leaning toward the foreigners, until they shall see whether the moderate or extreme factions will win in Pekin. Prince Ching seems to be standing for the dynasty and the old order against Prince Tuan's inordinate ambition.

parliamentary Geo. Wyndham, in the house of commons yesterday that since 1895 English firms had sold the Chinese government 71 guns of position, 123 field guns and 297 machine guns, with ammunition for each class. He also said that a German firm in 1899 sold China 460,000 Mauser rifles.

Rear Admiral Lord Charles Bereswho appears to be the sole Shanghal ford, speaking at Malta, at the naval prior to its departure for China Emconduit of Pekin news, cheers the for- and military society on Monday even- peror William said: "Yours is the first powers,

sequences to Eritish trade there. It would be a military, not a maritime war, and the powers that could place on the spot the greatest number of troops would eventually have substantial advantages. The powers not consenting to the "Open door," particularly Russia, he declared, would eventually lose supremacy. He said it was a pity that his proposals respecting the reorganization of the Chinese army had not been accepted by the British government with a view to the possibility of a general war. Lord Beresford advocated an imperial conunder-secretary of state for war, said ference, to which all the colonies should be invited, to discuss a scheme of de-

> KIEL, July 9.-The German East Asia squadron sailed this morning for China. Emperor William and Prince Henry of Prussia witnessed the departure of the warships.

Addressing the first naval division

abroad. Remember, you will have to fight a cunning foe, provided with modern weapons, to avenge the German blood which has flowed. But spare the women and children. I shall not rest till China is subdued and all the bloody deeds are avenged. You will fight together with the troops of various nationalities. See that you maintain good comradeship with

ST. PETERSBURG, July 9.—Authoritative information just obtained confirms the report that Russia has consented and is even desirous that Japan should actively co-operate in the pacification of China.

Russia places no limit on the number of Japanese troops to be employed, and only stipulates that this agreement is not to constitute a mandate whereby Japan will obtain a privileged position. Japan, it is added, must cooperate in the work of pacification on the same condition as the other

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