

OTTAWA.

The New Contingent Will Be Known As the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

They Will Concentrate at Halifax Instead of St. John.

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—An important change in the militia order of last Friday referring to the Mounted Rifles will be made within the next twenty-four hours.

The reason for the change, the minister explained to the Sun tonight, is that experience has shown it to be necessary for horses to be kept at Halifax for a few days before taken on shipboard.

The Mounted Rifles are to be taken to South Africa on an imperial transport. A private message received in Ottawa today conveyed intelligence that the transport Hosiya Castle, returning from Cape Town to England, had been intercepted at Cape Verde and ordered to proceed to Halifax without delay.

Col. Macdonald, director of stores, is providing a splendid kit for each man. The badges for the shoulder straps will consist simply of the word "Canada." This is Col. Evans' opinion.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 4.—Hon. J. W. Longley, president of the exhibition commission, and Mayor Hamilton, chairman of the executive, were considerably surprised and made delighted when informed tonight that the government proposed to make Halifax the place of concentration for the Mounted Rifles, instead of Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—Considerable interest is felt regarding the destination of the new force, after it reaches Cape Town. Colonel Evans hopes his men will be brigaded under General Anderson, but, of course, that depends upon the commander-in-chief in South Africa.

It is generally understood here that Capt. Barker, of Toronto, will receive one of the captaincies in the new corps and another will go to Capt. Leckie, of Halifax.

NEY WOODS. The piney woods is a happy, rich, fertile land, and his remarks are worth reading. "I coffee drinker since my infancy. If I missed coffee brought on headache, it showed me that I was a drug habit. Finally, my eyesight began to fall, best optical specialists had an affliction of the eyes and after two or three treatments my eyes slowly lost and I became almost blind."

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GUILTY OF TRIPLE MURDER

One of the Longest Trials in Maine's Criminal History.

A Crime of the Most Shocking Character

Killed Father and Mother, and Their Daughter, the Object of His Lust.

DOVER, Me., Dec. 4.—A verdict of murder in the first degree was returned today against Henry Lambert, a young French-Canadian guide and woodsman, after one of the longest criminal trials in the history of the State.

FAMOUS SURGEON DEAD.

Sir William MacCormac, President Royal College of Surgeons.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Sir William MacCormac, Bart, president of the Royal College of Surgeons, died at Bath this morning. He was born in 1836.



SIR WILLIAM MACCORMAC.

Sir William MacCormac was born in Belfast in 1836, and was the eldest son of Dr. Henry MacCormac. He was educated at Belfast, Dublin, and Paris, and was surgeon to the Anglo-American ambulance in 1870, and was present at the battle of Sedan.

He was an officer of the French Legion of Honor, and possessor of several other foreign decorations; Knight of Greece and principal medical officer, Order of St. John of Jerusalem, hon. mem. Academie de Medicine de Paris, and many other foreign societies.

He was knighted in 1881, made a baronet in 1882, and created K. C. V. O. in 1893. Among his public works are Surgical Operations; Antiseptic Surgery; Notes and Recollections of An Ambulance Surgeon; Lectures, Addresses and Papers on Surgical Subjects.

His recent work in connection with the South African war was the crowning stone of a noted professional life.

COW PUNCHERS

See God's Hand in McKinley's Death and Endorse Teddy Roosevelt as One of Themselves.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—The national stock convention in session here today adopted resolutions lamenting the death of President McKinley and voicing its satisfaction derived from the fact that President Roosevelt is well acquainted with the cattle industry.

"Whereas, the inscrutable will of the Divine Ruler of nations has seen fit to take from us the beloved and deeply lamented president, William McKinley, and has elevated to his position Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, who has taken the reins of government with a firm hand and has his first public act to Congress displayed a keen insight into the needs of the people and has voiced in vigorous tones the demands of the people for progress in the right direction; therefore be it

MYSTERIOUS BURNING

Of Three Children and a Dwelling Near Truro.

Two of Them Were Little Girls—Very Ugly Rumors in Circulation.

TRURO, N. S., Nov. 5.—Yesterday morning at East Mountain, Robert Campbell came home after a short absence in the lumber camp, and found a most awful calamity had overtaken him, which removed three of the youngest of his children, Edie, aged 16 years, Arthur, 11 years, and Myrtle, 7 years of age.

Mr. Campbell lost his wife several years since, and his eldest daughter had kept house for him and nurtured the two younger children since that time. There were other children in Mr. Campbell's family, but they had gone to other parts, one girl having married a gentleman named Reid. Five of his children had been consumed by the fire, which left the remaining children sleeping, leaving nothing but smoldering ruins and the charred bodies. The dwelling was about a mile distant from East Mountain Station. The first indication of the disaster was observed by men on an intercolonial train approaching Sable Lake station, at twenty minutes to seven o'clock. Shortly afterwards the neighbors brought word of the particulars, and before noon the stricken father had arrived. Only one explanation of the cause of the fire is given, to the effect that it had been the habit of the boy to get up at five o'clock, light the fire and return to bed, leaving his elder sister to rise at six and prepare breakfast. The late fire, which the fire was observed, has given rise, however, to very ugly rumors, which may possibly be without foundation.

Mr. Campbell has suffered a series of reverses within a few years, some of which have been quite as mysterious as the fire above recorded.

The utmost sympathy is expressed for him on this unfortunate climax in his history.

WITH ANTIPODES.

Canada Will Have to Educate Australia on Reciprocity.

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—According to Mr. Lester, in his report, it Canada wants reciprocity with the antipodes, Canada will have to educate that commonwealth up to it.

Premier Barton, in referring to a reciprocal trade agreement with Australia, said a good many matters would have first to be considered. The first overtures would have to be received from an authoritative source. Some information would have to be had as to the goods which should have the benefit of a preferential tariff.

The recent experience of Canada in connection with Germany was not, Mr. Barton thought, very encouraging. There was a suggestion that a conference of representatives of Australia, Canada and South Africa be held at the time of the coronation. He felt, however, that it would be more favorable to the holding of a conference of that kind. Mr. Lester says little interest is taken in this matter in Australia, and only one leading newspaper referred to it. He believes if people were informed upon the subject they would favor a proposition from Canada.

U. S. CONGRESS.

Senator Hoar's Bill to Protect the President Against Anarchists.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Practically the entire time of the senate today was devoted to the introduction of bills and resolutions. Two of these measures, relating to the suppression of anarchy and methods of dealing with anarchists, were allowed to lie on the table, so that their respective authors, Mr. McComas of Maryland and Mr. Vest of Missouri, may bring them to the attention of the senate. The isthmian canal report was transmitted to the senate by the president, and several bills providing for the construction of the waterway were taken up by Mr. Morgan of Alabama, who has led the movement for the canal in the past, were presented.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Senator Hoar today introduced a bill for the protection of the president, which provides as follows: "That any person who shall within the limits of the United States, or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, wilfully kill or cause the death of the president of the United States, or any officer therein, or who shall will-

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AT GUILDHALL.

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The scene in the library of the corporation's historic quarters where Their Royal Highnesses were received by the Lord Mayor, Sir Joseph Dimsdale, and the corporation, was picturesque. Leave or diplomatic dress, uniforms or judicial robes were worn by the majority of the guests, among whom were the agents general of the colonies. Prominent among the other notables present were Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery and Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain.

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