

RAPINE, FIRE AND BLOOD.

Revolted Stories Told of Barbarities Practised Upon Japanese and European Prisoners By Chinese.

Would Be Suicide for the Allies to Attempt to Reach Peking With Force Now Available—Hard Fighting at Tien Tsin.

LONDON, July 5, 2.30 a. m.—The commanders of the allies in Tien Tsin inform the correspondents that it would be suicidal to attempt to reach Peking with the troops now available...

Boxers used four iron guns, bringing pieces of old iron, and were repulsed with the loss of 80 killed. Two of the guns were captured. Lieut. Colomb was wounded.

This telegram has been received: "Shanghai, July 4, 11.13 a. m., via Che Foo—Tien Tsin city fell between 7 and 8 o'clock on the morning of June 30."

The arsenal was found to be extremely well equipped with all imaginable war stores, including many Krupp and Maxim's, thousands of modern rifles and tons of ammunition and small arms.

an hour. The dowager empress also chose poison, but craftily swallowed only a portion of what was offered her and survived.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Consul General Goddow's prophecy of further trouble if the allied forces in China fail to impress the Chinese with their resources, is part of the testimony upon which the United States may base its decision to increase its forces in China considerably.

LONDON, July 6, 2.30 a. m.—The story that all foreigners in Peking were murdered on June 30th or July 1st appears to be circulating simultaneously at Che Foo, Shanghai and Tien Tsin.

ROBERTS AND BULLER Advise the War Office of the Latest Happenings.

LONDON, July 3.—The following despatch was received this afternoon at the war office from Lord Roberts: "PRETORIA, July 3.—Gen. Hunter reached Frankfort, July 1, without opposition, and MacDonald joined him there yesterday."



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MAINE AGAIN IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, July 3.—The American hospital ship Maine has reached Southampton with another batch of wounded soldiers from South Africa. A distinguished party, including the Princess Louise, Lady Randolph Churchill, met her in the Solent.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

TORONTO, July 4.—The Telegram's special cables from London say: "The Strathcona Horse while scouting encountered the enemy at Bushman's Spruit. A few shells put the Boers to flight."

OTTAWA, July 4.—The following army order (special), dated 16th June, 1900, is published for the information of all concerned:

"Non-commissioned officers and men of colonial contingents from Australasia and Canada will be entitled to a gratuity of five pounds when discharged medically unfit, or on account of their being no longer required in connection with the war, or at the termination of their engagement."

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CANADIANS GOOD WORK.

MONTREAL, July 2.—W. Richmond Smith, special war correspondent of the Star, with Lord Roberts's forces in Africa, cables as follows: "PRETORIA, June 30 (delayed in transmission)—The Royal Canadian Regiment, which is now stationed at Springs, was attacked on Thursday morning by a large force of the enemy, who tried to take a position commanding the coal mines."

TOTAL BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, July 3, 2.20 p. m.—The war office today issued a return of the British casualties in South Africa since the beginning of the war. The total losses, inclusive of sick and wounded, have been 27,706, of which the killed in action were 254 officers and 2,408 non-commissioned officers and men; missing and prisoners, 65 officers and 2,624 non-commissioned officers and men; died of disease, 183 officers and 4,204

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# OTTAWA LETTER.

## The Vastest Supplementary Estimate that Has Been.

### Despite the Most Partizan Tactics of a Grit Majority the Emergency Food Scandal Will Not Down.

#### Mr. Monk's Main Charges Fully Sustained—Hon. Mr. Blair Lauds His Own Management of the Intercolonial Railway—Boasts of Relatively Small Gains.

OTTAWA, June 27.—The House did not get much farther than the business yesterday notwithstanding the morning session. Of course it will be charged to tory obstruction, but the cool fact is that the House sat for nine hours, and more than six hours of the time was occupied by speakers on the government side nearly half of that by one minister.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's bill to let the Chinese in on payment of \$100 instead of \$50 was a sufficiently important measure to give to it. It happened that all the opposition to the increase of tax came from the government side, while both sides contributed to the argument that the Chinese ought to be kept out altogether. The premier was the only one somewhat embarrassed by the telegram which he sent to British Columbia during the last federal campaign. In this despatch Sir Wilfrid told Mr. McLaughlin, editor of the Vancouver World, that the Chinese question was not his. He came into power he would be governed entirely by the wishes of that province. There is no question that British Columbia sentiment is dead against the admission of Chinese, but Sir Wilfrid has not kept faith with the party to which he sent his telegram.

Mr. Morrison and the Rev. Mr. Maxwell are the two government supporters from British Columbia. Mr. Boston also represents the province, but he is regarded just now in local politics. The fourth representative, Mr. McInnes, has resigned to enter the local legislature. Now Mr. Morrison and Mr. Maxwell were both elected with the assistance of the Laurier telegram. They still profess the same sentiments and say that they would like to see them carried out. Nevertheless they support the government in refusing to carry them out, as they support the government in everything. They both made strong anti-Chinese speeches, and Mr. Morrison tried to work around the premier by introducing an amendment requiring the Asiatic immigrants to be able to write a European language. But the premier had that amendment voted down, and Mr. Morrison submitted without an additional murmur.

Mr. Edwards, who calls himself an advanced liberal and is himself a large employer of labor, vigorously attacked the whole idea of restricting Chinese immigration. He assured the House that the Chinese were made of the same blood and by the same Creator as Europeans, and protested in the name of civilization, liberty and Christianity against the discrimination. A more dignified and perhaps a more sincere protest was made by the venerable Dr. Christie, liberal member for Argenteuil, who does not often speak and is becoming very feeble. The doctor reads the Montreal Witness, and in his appeal to the House takes the highest possible ground. He spoke of the duty of hospitality to all nations, of the industry and frugality of the Chinese, of their oppression and how they were in their own country, and of the attempt made by all Christian nations to carry the Gospel into China. He urged that it would be a more practical way to Christianize China, if this Christian nation should treat them as brothers when they come to this country, and show the practical working of our Christianity. Dr. Christie dwelt upon the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and in a trembling voice urged the House not to increase the restrictions on Chinese immigration, but to take away the barriers that now existed.

It is perhaps fitting that Mr. Charlton should follow Dr. Christie, seeing that Mr. Charlton is also a student of the Westminster confession and of the Montreal Witness. Mr. Charlton steered his course with skill south by north. Half of his speech was an answer to Dr. Christie and the other half an agreement with him. Mr. Charlton came out in favor of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, yet held that while Dr. Christie's views were excellent in the abstract, in the concrete they were all wrong. This is a way in which men like Mr. Charlton try to square themselves with the theories they accept, while in practice they wander away from them. Obviously the thing that is right in the abstract cannot be wrong in the concrete, or a thing that is right in theory cannot be wrong in practice.

Mr. Charlton appeals straight from what he calls the "sentimental idea" of the Brotherhood of Man to the actual state of opinion. In the east we did not take strong views against the Chinese, he said, because we did not have many of them. But in the west, in California, in Washington State, in British Columbia, where the problem is a practical one, the anti-Chinese sentiment is universal. There must therefore be something in it. It was suggested that in China the anti-European sentiment is also universal, but Mr. Charlton seems to support the idea that the English should be allowed into China. He states that the English in China do not underbid the Chinese

working man, from which we gather that the Brotherhood of Man ends when war competition begins. But Mr. Charlton could not go on in this way without opposing the admission of Chinese altogether, and that would condemn the government, which Mr. Charlton does not want to do. So he explained that while the Chinese ought not to be here at all, yet we have only ten or twelve thousand of them in British Columbia, and would follow that the present restrictions are keeping them out pretty well and those now proposed will certainly be sufficient.

Col. Prior thinks that 10,000 or 12,000 Chinamen are entirely too many for a province with 150,000 population, and intimates that Mr. Charlton would probably object to the advent of 150,000 Chinese into Ontario, which would be about the same relative population. Col. Prior does not want the Chinamen to come in at all, and since the diplomatic relations seem to make it impossible to enact an absolute exclusion bill, he asks that the tax be raised to \$500 a head. Sir Wilfrid declined to accept that, even though he claimed to be sure that all British Columbia wanted it, and Col. Prior's amendment was ruled out.

There was a good deal of discussion about the Chinese and Japanese method of living, and Mr. Edwards was reminded by Mr. Maxwell that while he wanted Chinamen to come in by shiploads, he was an advocate of objectionable stock in cattle. Mr. Edwards is a great cattle fancier, and is quite exclusive on these matters. Mr. Maxwell thinks he ought to be as particular about importing human beings as cattle. The fine clerical training of the member for Burrard brought to his assistance the Mosaic law respecting the intermingling of Jew and Gentile, and Brother Maxwell is willing when the government is ready to apply that doctrine against the Chinese.

Two-thirds of the talk on this measure was from the government side, but it was ended at last, and the speaker left the chair for supply. Dr. Borden's estimates were taken up, and if they had not been obstructed, great progress might have been made. But in the absence of Sir Henri Joly it was necessary to have a minister to read the estimates, and the minister obstructed his own estimates on the occasion. It was along in the afternoon when he began what he called his statement, and he went on to six o'clock. Resuming at eight, he continued until half past nine, reading for the most part from memoranda prepared by his officers.

It is not unusual for a minister in asking for supply to explain in a general way any contemplated new arrangements, especially if they require a vote. Some ministers make a statement of this kind, some wait to be catechized as the items come up. Dr. Borden started in at confederation, sketched the origin and purpose of the militia, and then proceeded to the minutiae of his own administration, and recounted the stages of evolution in recent years. He spoke of the organization of the forces for Africa, giving dates and numbers, told of the rifle ranges that had been built, the annual drill of the Militia, the Royal Military College, the general service medals, the age and time limit of officers, the equitation courses, and generally all sorts of things that have been done or begun during the last decade. He claimed for himself and the present regime credit for the improvement in the Royal Military College, for obtaining the general service medal, and in a general sort of way seemed to be showing that the militia had been practically created by this government. Afterwards, when Sir Adolphe Caron pointed out that many of the reforms and developments spoken of dated to a period before Dr. Borden's time, the minister stated that he did not intend to claim more than his share of credit for what had been done. But he did appear to be making some invidious comparisons, particularly in the reference to the organization of the contingents for Africa, as compared with the despatch of troops to the west in 1885.

The minister showed that some 4,000 troops, including officers, had been raised for service in Africa, and in Halifax between last October and early this summer, whereas only some 3,700 had been sent to the Northwest. This comparison is worth a little consideration. In the first place, we might naturally expect that fifteen years of military evolution would accomplish something. We have had the military college turning out officers during all that period, and we ought to have something better to send to the field than we had in 1885. But Sir Adolphe Caron was able to show in a shorter time than Dr. Borden used to gather nearly as large a force, to transport it, partly in winter, thousands of miles by land, much of the distance without a railway, to maintain it in the field, with many of the units far away from a railway base, or a base of supplies; to follow an enemy fighting as the Boers fight, from behind shelter with rapidly changing positions, to guard a frontier of a thousand miles, threatened by hostile Indians and largely unsexed; and to do it all with at least equal

success to that obtained by the British forces in their early encounters with the Boers. The militia department of the present day, with the larger organization, costing double the annual grant, raised its force and delivered it on board ship at Canadian ports, the government having no responsibility on the battle-field or anywhere in the area of military operations. No doubt the military branch of Dr. Borden's department did the work well, but that is no reason why anyone should disparage the work done fifteen years ago under Sir Adolphe Caron and General Middleton.

Sir Adolphe pointed out that the work of organization can always be done well enough, and the credit does not lie to any large degree with the officials of the department or its head. It belongs to the people of Canada. So long as we have brave men ready to go to the front, to endure hardships and brave dangers; so long as we have the patriotic spirit among us, we have the better organization, and we have the honor of 1885 and 1900 where it belongs, claiming no particular merit for himself and his organization, and declining to allow to Dr. Borden the honor that belongs to the Canadian people.

On one other matter Sir Adolphe rather takes issue with the minister. Dr. Borden claims to have wrought a great change in the Military College, instead of four, and has made the course much easier for the student, while it excludes much military work that was formerly required. The minister is able to claim that he has now raised the standard of the college, and that the college is able to accommodate. Whereas a few years ago, it was difficult to get all the students wanted, at present there is competition for the chance to get there. It is so stated that 30 former students are now serving in Africa, and that the demand at the British war office for Kingston men is so large that they do not wait for the men to graduate, but take them out in the middle of their course.

Sir Adolphe is not quite sure that the present system is as good as the old. He reminds the minister that those graduates who are now in Africa, and those others who are now in the army, were students under the old regime and the former methods. The new system is on its trial, and though the shorter term and the easier work may increase the number of graduates, it does not increase the ability of the student when he goes out. The claim that the college is more efficient is not proved by the desire of the war office to get the cadets away before they have finished their course. Sir Adolphe has no absolute proof of the merits of the course of training that the war office wanted to get the students away before they had taken it.

Col. Donville offered some wandering observations to the effect that pretty near everything was wrong in the military organization and that the work of improvement should be left to the boys in the militia. The minister made a courteous struggle to find out what the member for Kings was driving at, but, as usual, gave it up. Col. Prior and Col. Kaibach advanced some ideas in regard to the future of the militia, and the member for Lunenburg especially advocating early training for students in the school. He would have the teachers instructed in the Normal school, and all the boys put through a course of drill in the play ground. It strikes Col. Kaibach that this would be a good, healthy form of physical exercise, and would greatly assist the drill of the militia in later years. S. D. S.

OTTAWA, June 27.—Among the events of yesterday were the production of the vastest supplementary estimate that has been, a partial statement in a way of a railway budget from Mr. Blair, and the sudden disappearance of Dr. Devlin.

Dr. Devlin knows more about his contract with the government than anyone else. In fact, he must know a great deal more than anyone in the department if he knows anything. All through the two weeks of investigation, perhaps, he has haunted the committee. He glided from place to place, whispering now to one member of the committee and then to another, hovering over Dr. Russell, prompting Mr. Britton, instructing Mr. Campbell and then whispering sweet nothings to Chief Justice Beaulieu in the chair. Whenever a witness was examined, Dr. Devlin was there to tell Judge Russell what questions to ask him. No one objected, but everyone looked forward to the time when Dr. Devlin would have made his own statement and stand cross-examination. This was to happen last night, but at five o'clock, according to the chairman, the doctor was called away to New York to remain until Friday. The House is too near prostration to wait so long as this, and so Dr. Devlin seems to have escaped his trial.

The other witnesses yesterday did not throw much light on the subject. Mr. Muir, who was going down to his coal sheds a year and a half ago, met Hatch on the street and seems to remember that Mr. Hatch told him that he put only 15 per cent of protein in his emergency food. Mr. Lyons, in whose shop the Devlin food was prepared, swears that he knows nothing about the contents of the can. He was able to testify that there was no such concern as the Vitallin company at his address, though the labels on the boxes bore the corporation there. Analyst McGill corroborated the other chemists who have had anything to do with the matter, by testifying that the food purchased was not a concentrated food and not more nourishing than any other every day product.

It appears that the committee is now done taking evidence and the results are as well known to many others as to the committee men themselves. How much has been proved of Mr. Monk's charges?

In the first place the charge that the goods were paid for before they were delivered is not sustained. They were paid for immediately after delivery at

In the East childlessness is considered a curse from the gods. It is a pathetic sight to see some childless Hindoo mother prostrate before an idol, imploring that the curse of childlessness may be taken away.



Are we much healthier? Thousands of women are not as they suppose under Nature's blessing, but are suffering from a diseased condition of the delicate feminine organs. It may be debilitating, or it may be a source of pain and suffering, and in any case the diseased condition must be removed and a healthy condition established before the maternal function can be fulfilled. Many a mother acknowledges her debt to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and to its inventor Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., who invites the sick to write and consult him without charge. "Favorite Prescription" promptly allays irritation, checks the debilitating drains, cures female weakness and the accompanying bearing down pains. It gives vitality and elasticity to the organs, restores the natural condition which was the easy birth of healthy children.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate the stomach, liver and bowels. Halifax, and immediately after the department obtained from the government analyst the statement that the food was not made in Montreal, but was imported from the United States and allowed in free of duty, only partly proved. The food which purported to be made in Montreal was undoubtedly brought from New York, but it has now paid duty. At the time Mr. Monk made the charge the duty had not been paid, although the government samples left over from the permit from the collector on his statement that they were for military purposes and that an order for free admission would be obtained from the member for Kings. After the enquiry began a few days ago, the collector caught Dr. Devlin and made him pay, obtaining the last instalment at the Russell House, in this town, last week. The reader can judge for himself how far Mr. Monk was justified in making his statement about the duty.

Every other one of the 19 charges, including the one struck out by the government, seems to have been sustained, and the British emergency ration, which the premier refused to allow to go to the committee. It is shown that Mr. Hatch of Montreal made in that city a substance called Protose and that the minister of militia knew him as the manufacturer. It is shown that after the test Mr. Hatch asked the department to purchase this food, for use in the Yukon and in Africa, and that the minister of militia refused to do so. The loss of \$4,000 or \$5,000 is not much in comparison with the danger that would be escaped. A supplementary estimate of seven and a quarter millions is an event in the history of the country. It is evidently an election estimate, though probably it is not the end of the estimates for this year. Last year's supplementary estimates were smaller, but they also were intended for an election. In Nova Scotia especially there was last year a multitude of appropriations for public buildings and harbors and rivers. The election did not come off, and much of the money remained unexpended. This year we have those sums re-voted, together with another host of appropriations, which will probably not be spent unless the election comes this year. For instance, in this little book there are re-votes for the Kentville and Springhill public buildings; for the Margareville public building in New Brunswick, for Cow Bay, Gabarus, Brule, Tatamagouche, Clifton, New Harbor, Port Hillford, Porter's Lake, Chezzetcook, Margaree, Wolfville, Bridgewater, River John, and many others. New Brunswick comes in strong in re-votes. The government gets these votes in two or three years, and only spends them once if it spends them at all.

When Mr. Tarte wanted the public in Quebec to "wait till you see us next year" he must have meant the year after next or the year after that. We have climbed up now to \$46,000,000 a year. The government began by adding a million a year to the expenses of their predecessors. It was charged against them that they put on the additional million every year over the year before it. But this is nothing. We have three millions this year over last year, and last year was two millions over the year before. This is on

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This takes in and sustains all Mr. Monk's charges except the two first mentioned. There are some mysteries. The committee has a majority and a minority. The majority seems to have felt it its duty not to allow too much to be learned. There is now no denying that Dr. Devlin's concentrated food had only 17 per cent of protein. But in the early part of the enquiry evidence to the contrary was shut out as far as possible, and in the house Dr. Borden himself ridiculed the idea. Yet it is now established by the government analyst, whose report has been in the department of militia for months.

It was particularly important that with this information the committee should be able to determine by independent analysis what was the amount of protein in the food tested at Kingston. But there were difficulties in the way. We have the sworn statement of the men who made it. While this statement is undoubtedly true and is sustained by the character of emergency foods used by other governments, and by the results of the test as explained by the McGill professor, the government evidently intended to throw doubt upon it. In that case there should be other samples analyzed. Mr. Hatch produced samples of his protein bread, biscuits and powder, having different strengths, but averaging, as he swears, 60 per cent protein. This food Hatch swears to be a part of a cooking the balance of which went to Kingston, and was of the same character. The majority refused to have this analyzed, making the ground that the government samples left over from the permit from the collector on his statement that they were for military purposes and that an order for free admission would be obtained from the member for Kings. After the enquiry began a few days ago, the collector caught Dr. Devlin and made him pay, obtaining the last instalment at the Russell House, in this town, last week. The reader can judge for himself how far Mr. Monk was justified in making his statement about the duty.

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Speaking of capital account, Mr. Blair began yesterday a statement about the Intercolonial. He followed the example of the minister of militia, who obstructed his estimates with a two hours' speech. The mania for speaking long has taken possession of the whole ministry, and Mr. Blair opened up his budget by speaking from half past ten last night till half past twelve. He had then reached a period eleven months ago, and left over the rest until today. The minister of railways undertook to show a great improvement in the financial condition of the road since the took office. To do this he claimed that Mr. Haggart's surpluses from 1892 to 1896 were not genuine. Mr. Blair proved that, as he claimed, by showing that Mr. Haggart had cut down by nearly \$400,000 a year the maintenance charges. This made it clear to Mr. Blair that the road was not properly maintained.

Having set this forth Mr. Blair proceeded to show how much he had spent on a railway which during the last two years had been 170 miles longer than Mr. Haggart's road. Mr. Blair's claim, which will perhaps not stand the test of analysis, is that he has spent in maintenance \$50,000 a year more than Mr. Haggart. If the fact that Mr. Haggart spent \$400,000 less than his predecessors shows that the road was skimped, Mr. Blair should have shown that he himself had spent as much as additional allowance for the extra mileage, and an addition to restore the road to the condition before Mr. Haggart took it. What Mr. Blair did to say that he had spent \$50,000 a year more than Mr. Haggart, which is a less sum per mile than Mr. Haggart spent, therefore the same argument that he made against Mr. Haggart applies to himself.

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### ON THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

(For \$64 Sun.) Each swift revolving year Adds one more jewel to the crown To England as her own renown— The crown of queenly Queens Who mightiest empires rule the way, And reign benign, serene, Enthroned where'er a R. O. flag flies, Waived a Gaiety's Sackville-Stones.

MOSS GLEN FIRE. The fire at Moss Glen Thursday night destroyed property valued at between \$40,000 and \$50,000, including lumber worth about \$10,000. There was no insurance on the lumber or on the machinery in the factory and but \$4,000 on the buildings, one half in the Aetna and the other in the London, Liverpool and Globe. The fire started in the saw mill, which was running over time and had just been stopped. A crew of men driven off by the flames before they could do very much. A scow load of deals and a small lot of boxes were saved. The members of the company—J. F. Merritt, Geo. H. White, W. J. Flewelling, E. S. Flewelling, R. G. Flewelling, S. H. Flewelling and F. W. Titus met on Friday afternoon at Hampton. It is unlikely that they will rebuild at Moss Glen. All their interests will probably be centred on their works at Hampton.

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From whatever cause arising, quickly and permanently cured by Dr. J. C. Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Medical Institute, No. 2, Bullfinch Street (opposite Bay View Hotel), Boston, Mass. Dr. J. C. Ayer, M.D., is a graduate of Harvard Medical College, and has held various positions of honor in the medical profession. He has been a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and has published several works on medicine. He is now residing at No. 2, Bullfinch Street, Boston, Mass. He can be consulted in person or by letter. A free consultation will be given to any man who writes to him, and a free trial of his medicine will be sent to any man who writes to him. He can be consulted in person or by letter. A free consultation will be given to any man who writes to him, and a free trial of his medicine will be sent to any man who writes to him. He can be consulted in person or by letter. A free consultation will be given to any man who writes to him, and a free trial of his medicine will be sent to any man who writes to him.

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Mr. and Mrs. McKim have been called to Wolfville by the death of their brother, ex-Councillor Wm. McKim.

John A. Sellar, valedictorian of the class of 1900 of Mt. Allison, enters on his probation this conference year, being the son of Nicholas Sellar, in the Annapolis Valley.

A bear was seen in the pastures by school children yesterday, pursuing in broad daylight a large flock of sheep.

HALIFAX, June 23.—The new schooner yacht Grise arrived today from Lunenburg, where she was built for John Pratt, son of Charles Pratt of New York.

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Mrs. E. B. Johnston of Upper Loch Lochnow desires to thank her friends for their kind offices during her recent sad bereavement.

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The Charlottetown Patriot says: "A report comes from Enmore River, Prince Co., of a serious scourge at that place, supposed to be the ravages of the army worm. It is said that every green herb on a section extending over a hundred acres has been destroyed."

The funeral of Mrs. Martha Fowler, widow of the late James R. Fowler, took place on Monday, July 2nd, from the residence of James Baxter of Carleton Place, conducted by Rev. G. A. Sellar of St. John, was held in the Methodist church at Bayswater, where the remains were taken for interment.

J. A. Hanway of New York arrived here Tuesday, and left in the evening for Cape D'Or, on the steamer Beaver. Mr. Hanway, who represents a lot of wealthy United States capitalists, is going to open up the copper mines at Cape D'Or. He says they will spend a large amount of money on the development of the property, which is considered a very rich thing.

Among the graduates in dentistry at the recent closing of Tufts College, Medford, Mass., was Frank H. Dickie, a former resident of St. John. The graduating class numbered 44, and included one lady, Miss Marie Marguerite Purdie, of Fredericton. Mr. Dickie is a bright young man and graduate with honors. He is establishing himself at Brookline, Boston, and there is good evidence that he has a promising future. Among the visitors at the graduating exercises was Bart. J. Holt of this city. Mr. Dickie's uncle.

Among the passengers who arrived from Boston by the steamer State of Maine yesterday afternoon were Alfred Dodge and bride. Mr. Dodge left here several days since for the Hub, but it was not generally known that he had in view any such serious step in life. Mrs. Dodge is a daughter of John A. Jones, formerly of the firm of Jones & Emery of this city.

PERSONAL.

Miss Nellie B. Blackie of Woodstock, N. B.; Fred Cormier, Fairville; W. H. Dobson, Lincoln, N. H.; A. J. Gille, Lower Ridge, N. B.; Emelina Gillies, Springfield, N. B.; Jennie A. Watters, Westfield, N. B.; Evva Burgess, New Canaan, N. B.; J. Dwyer, Millfield, N. B.; Chas. F. Reed, Fairville; Hector Laundry, Dorchester, N. B.; and Wm. J. Kirk, John Bradley and David Colgan of this city, have entered the Currie Business University recently for courses in shorthand and business.

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Regarding Remedies for Dyspepsia and Indigestion.

The national disease of Americans is indigestion, or in its chronic form, dyspepsia, and for this reason that it is so common many people neglect taking proper treatment for what they consider trifling stomach trouble, when as a matter of fact, indigestion lays the foundation for many incurable diseases. No person with a vigorous, healthy stomach will feel a yen for indigestion. Many kidney diseases and heart troubles date their beginning from poor digestion; thin, nervous people are really so because their stomachs are out of gear; weary, languid, faded out women owe their condition to imperfect digestion. When nearly every person you meet is afflicted with weak digestion it is not surprising that nearly every secret patent medicine on the market claims to be a cure for dyspepsia, as well as a score of other troubles, when in fact, as Dr. Werther says, there is but one genuine dyspepsia cure which is perfectly safe and reliable, and moreover, this remedy is not a patent medicine, but it is a scientific combination of pure pepsin (free from animal matter), vegetable essences, fruit salts and Bismuth. It is sold by Dr. Werther under name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. No extravagant claims are made for them, but for indigestion or any stomach trouble, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are far ahead of any remedy yet discovered. They act on the food eaten, no dieting is necessary, simply eat all the wholesome food you want, and these tablets will digest it. A cure results, because all the stomach needs is a rest, which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets give by doing the work of digestion.

FIFTY YEARS IN HOLY ORDERS.

(Chatham Advance.)

Monday was the golden anniversary of the ordination of His Lordship Bishop Rogers as a priest. The loyal and venerable prelate participated in the Dominion day procession at New-castle and was afterwards entertained by Rev. Father Dixon, at St. Mary's presbytery, where St. Michael's band of Chatham, and the C. M. B. A. band of Newcastle united in serenading him in honor of the jubilee occasion. Afterwards, accompanied by Rev. Father Dixon, Father McRory and Judge Wilkinson, his lordship proceeded to the Convent of the Sisters of Notre Dame, New-castle, where the judge made an address and a very pleasant time was spent in felicitations on the notable occasion.

BEAR AND BARE.

(Woodstock Despatch, 4th.)

On Thursday afternoon last at Bath, when Mrs. Ziba Giberson, Miss Ida Giberson and Miss Melissa Giberson, daughters of Whit Giberson, and a little boy, were picking strawberries in a back field in Ziba Giberson's farm, they were attacked by a young bear. He caught at Mrs. Giberson's skirt, and with great presence of mind she tore the skirt from her and she and the girls and the little boy started for the nearest fence. Miss Ida Giberson had to drag the little boy some distance and succeeded in putting him over the fence, where the party made a halt and waited to see what the bear would do. After tearing the skirt into ribbons, he left it and took for the woods. The ladies are to be congratulated on their presence of mind, as well as on the fact that the bear was not a very large one.

HON. MR. EMERSON IN MANITOBA.

(Special to the Sun.)

WINNIPEG, July 3.—Premier Emerson of New Brunswick, accompanied by his wife and son, arrived here today, on the way to the Pacific coast. Premier Emerson will remain in Winnipeg several days, attending the Baptist congress.

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The following agents are travelling in New Brunswick in the interests of the Sun.

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NEWS FROM DOWNEYVILLE

Dr. A. B. Walker, Lectures There on the War.

A correspondent writing from Downeyville, King's County, says: "The country roundabout here is looking exceedingly well. The rich foliage, the deep green fields, the majestic hills, the broad waters of the Jeddite and its faultless beach present a most beautiful and picturesque appearance. And all that the eye can behold—the neat farms and the latest utensils, the handsome and nicely furnished dwellings, the fine horses and carriages, the numerous orchards and gardens, the full-fed cattle and sheep, the very newest breed of fowls—bear conclusive testimony that the people are intelligent, prosperous and happy. I have often thought that if this place with its natural grandeur and what its industrious and courteous inhabitants have made it, were associated with some classic legend, or some great battle of antiquity, or some literary masterpiece, it would be sought out and discussed by tourists and sight-seers with as much wonder and admiration as the Bay of Naples, or the Colosseum, or the pyramids of Egypt. There is not a prettier spot, during the summer, to be found in either Europe or America.

Miles G. Jenkins, magistrate and postmaster, is one of the leading men here. He is well educated, and has a magnificent head, and most charming and exemplary family. Miss May Jenkins, his only daughter, is a young lady of rare brilliancy and attainments; she is a first class school teacher and a very talented musician, and a perfect and deserving idol of all who know her. Her father, Mr. Jenkins, is a very successful and prominent business man, and his wife, Mrs. Jenkins, is in every way fitted for such a pleasing duty and responsibility, as she is indeed a most cordial, accomplished, and generous woman. Her splendid facilities for reaching here this season. The good steamer Springfield piles up and down the Belleisle every alternate day except Sunday—leaving Charlottetown every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, returning every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A very notable feature of a trip on this boat is that the hands and officers are singularly attentive and obliging. It seems to the traveler that Captain Estabrooks was born for his particular calling and position. He spares nothing in order to welcome his passengers and make them feel comfortable.

"I now come to a most interesting individual—the persona grata of everybody who knows him—I mean Jacob D. Downey, the popular and genial steward of the good steamer Springfield, and after whom this cozy little hamlet of Downeyville takes its name. Mr. Downey is of the very best of his kind, and his refinement, politeness and kindness; always cheerful, always joyous, always glad. He owns a palatial residence at Halffield Point, and he and Mrs. Downey are ever solicitous in entertaining their friends, from far and near, and their friends are legion. In a few weeks Mr. Downey intends to take a fortnight or so holiday, when his spacious guest-chambers will be specially thrown open to visitors."

On Saturday evening, the 23rd inst., Dr. A. B. Walker, barrister-at-law, of St. John, lectured in the Temperance hall, on the war in South Africa, to a large and appreciative audience. In his peroration Dr. Walker paid a warm and eloquent tribute to the soldiers who have fallen in the war. He said, let their brave and noble spirits be most fervently congratulated; they have died well; they have died for liberty and justice and fair play; they have died for a grand and mighty cause; and their glorious memories will live on in the hearts of Wolfe and Nelson. Rather than have the names of such heroes perish, or fade away, or be forgotten, Providence would put a new constellation in the heavens, in the skies above us, with a corresponding number of stars, and raise in some place a star after each of them; and the stars that would stand for the heroes of Canada would beam forth through space with a brightness as powerful, as penetrating, as dazzling, as any in the cluster. Miles G. Jenkins, magistrate and postmaster, occupied seats on the platform. On Sunday Dr. Walker addressed the Sabbath school in the Bethel Baptist church.

"Rev. Mr. Duval of St. John is here. He preached twice last Sunday."

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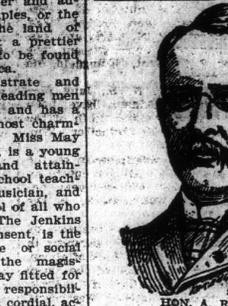
Accidental Death of Hon. A. R. Dickey of Amherst.

A Member of the Late Conservative Cabinet and One of Nova Scotia's Most Highly Respected Sons.

(Special to the Sun.)

AMHERST, N. S., July 3.—Amherst was deeply shocked this evening to learn of the terribly sad and sudden death by drowning at Amherst Shore of Hon. Arthur Rupert Dickey, Q. C., second son of Hon. Senator R. B. Dickey.

Last night Mr. Dickey stayed at J. Harvey Brownell's residence. At about one o'clock this afternoon he went out for a walk on the beach, saying as he left the house, that he would return at three o'clock. They did not see him again.



HON. A. R. DICKEY.

As he did not return, R. B. H. Davidson and Cecil Allan of Amherst went down to the shore to see if they could find him. While there they had a bath, but did not see Mr. Dickey.

At about seven o'clock they went down to the shore again, and then found Mr. Dickey's clothing laid on a rock, and after searching around for a few moments, found his lifeless body lying in less than two feet of water, a very short distance from the shore. Only a few hours before, Mr. Dickey had remarked to a friend that he would not swim as he used to. It is supposed that he was seized with cramps.

The remains were removed to Clarence Brownell's residence. C. T. Hillson and D. W. Robb tonight drove to the shore to bring the remains home. His father is now in Ottawa attending the senate, and his wife, who was a daughter of the late R. B. Dickey, is quite ill at home.

Mr. Dickey was about forty-six years of age, and since the election of 1896 has practised law here. He was president of the Amherst Boot and Shoe Company, one of the principal stock holders in the hotel business, very largely interested in lumbering business, and a man who was universally respected in town.

Flags will float at half mast from all the public buildings tomorrow out of respect to the deceased.

He leaves five children, two sons and three daughters. He has two sisters, Mrs. Harry Miller of Norwood, England, and Mrs. Martin Maynard of Ottawa, and one brother, James A. Dickey, mayor of Amherst.

Hon. A. R. Dickey was the second son of the Hon. R. B. Dickey, a member of the senate of Canada. He was born at Amherst, N. S., August 18th, 1854, was educated at Windsor and Toronto University, and was called to the Nova Scotia bar in 1878. He was first returned to the house of commons for Cumberland county on the resignation of Sir Charles Tupper in July, 1888, and continued to hold that seat in the conservative interest up to the general election of 1896, when he was defeated by Mr. Logan, the liberal candidate. Mr. Dickey was a practical prohibitionist, and when in parliament identified himself closely with that movement. He became secretary of state under Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Dec. 21st, 1894; was transferred to the portfolio of minister of justice and defence in March, 1896, and was made minister of justice in January, 1896, a portfolio he continued to hold in the cabinet of Sir Charles Tupper until the retirement of the conservatives from power. While minister of justice, Hon. Mr. Dickey introduced the remedial measure in the Manitoba school question, during the session of the seventh parliament of Canada.

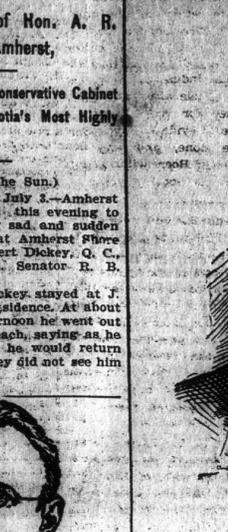
Mr. Dickey was created a Q. C. by the Earl of Derby in 1890, and was called to the Ontario bar in 1896. In 1896 he was elected a senator of Toronto University. Mr. Dickey was a member of the Church of England. In public as well as in private life Mr. Dickey was a man of unimpeachable integrity.

The Sun's Ottawa correspondent wired last night: "The report of the death of Hon. A. R. Dickey was a great shock to those who knew him here. During his career as member and minister he was singularly fortunate in holding the respect and admiration of both sides of the house, and his untimely death brings to many of his comrades the sense of personal bereavement."

Hon. Mr. Foster said to the Sun representative: "I was greatly shocked at the sad news. The loss of a man of Mr. Dickey's fine traits and high promise is a distinct loss to our country from a public point of view. Of the right left in his own immediate family and social circle no words can adequately speak, and little indeed do our poor regrets and sympathy avail to soften the deep sorrow of those bereaved. In business circles, where his activities were wide and his position acknowledged, he will be greatly missed. It was, however, as a personal and political friend that I knew him best. My acquaintance with him began in 1882, and from that time grew gradually into intimate friendship in the association and relationships of parliamentary and public life. He was a charming companion, with a distinctly literary turn, and full of brightness and vivacity. In all his dealings I found him high-minded, singularly direct and frank, a safe counselor, and inspired by the highest motives. His treatment of political opponents was characterized by the highest fairness, and few men were more respected and better liked by the following members. His term of public service though short was a brilliant one. The loss to the liberal conservative party of which he was so able and promising a member, is a heavy one."

One of Mr. Dickey's most intimate personal friends here was Mr. McNeill of North

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

HOPEWELL HILL, June 23.—The Rev. C. W. Townsend of Hillsboro delivered a lecture in the public hall here last evening on the subject of "Marriage and Divorce in Marriage." This very interesting topic was handled by the reverend gentleman in an entertaining manner, the many humorous anecdotes creating considerable amusement among the young folks. W. A. West occupied the chair. Music was furnished by the Baptist choir, and at the close refreshments were served.

Intelligence was received yesterday of the death at Swampscott, Mass., of Mrs. Mary J. McAlmon, widow of the late Capt. Joseph McAlmon of this place. The deceased was formerly a Miss Capson of St. John and was highly esteemed here, where she lived the greater part of her life. She leaves one son, Wm. J. McAlmon of this village, and one daughter, Mrs. Oscar Lockhart of Swampscott, with whom she resided for the past few years. The remains will be brought here for interment.

The McClellan mill moved here this week to saw for Downey Brothers. Mrs. Thomas and Miss Bartlett of St. John, Mrs. John Russell of this place, returning home on Tuesday. MILLSTREAM, June 22.—The public schools closed today for the summer vacation. The grants of money numbering 14 members, held a public meeting in the Congregational church. This was followed by a reception in the evening, presided over by Principal Sutherland.

The engagement of Emmett D. Bassett of Springfield, Mass., and Miss Addie M. Smith of Milltown, Me., is announced. The fine residence of Charles H. Eaton on Main street has been purchased by Dr. J. M. Desnoes of the Presbyterian church has gone to Quebec province to spend a month canvassing for the Twentieth Century fund. Rev. Dr. Macrae is supplying the pulpit here for two Sabbaths.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., June 23.—The Baptist church of Mill Cove, Narrows, and McDonald's Corner, are about to engage Rev. Fred T. Snell of Havelock to assume the pastorate of this group of churches. Subscription lists now in circulation towards this end are being freely given. Mr. Snell has already supplied these stations with much acceptance.

E. J. Wright was thrown from a carriage on Wednesday and had one arm and hand badly hurt. A picnic and festival will be held at Panjo's Point, Waterborough, on Wednesday, July 4th. The proceeds will go towards the Baptist church at Mill Cove. Should the day prove wet, the social will be held in Waterborough hall.

The glorious 12th of July will be duly celebrated at Young's Cove corner. Several horse races will come off on E. C. Lockett's race course. Mr. and Mrs. David Fowler and daughter of Lakewood visited the Methodist cemetery at White's Cove on Wednesday last and decorated the graves of their daughter and Mrs. Fowler's mother and brother.

Messrs. Hugh and Bruce Farris, who have been attending grammar school at Gagetown, will be home on Saturday. Very few of the teachers who here attended the Provincial Teachers' Institute at Moncton.

J. W. Manchester, veterinary surgeon of St. John, who has completed his second year in the medical course at McGill's University, paid Young's Cove a professional visit on Thursday. Miss Alice Hanspacher of Mill Cove, at present teaching at Young's Cove station, will stand the Normal School entrance examination in July for advanced license. After vacation Miss Hanspacher will again assume charge of her present school.

Miss Beattie Brown, daughter of John Brown of St. John, west end, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knight. Gilbert Slipp of Young's Cove road, who sold his place some time ago, has recently moved his family and house to the Duncan R. McLean place near by.

Considerable repairs are being put on the Waterborough wharf. George Slocum of the country market, St. John, has moved here on Wednesday buying country produce. Mr. Slocum distributes a large amount of money about Grand Lake during the year.

Rev. Marshall E. Mott, B. A., of Boston, son of Daniel Mott of Waterborough, is expected to preach in St. John's Episcopal church here on Sunday next.

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Dr. Borden's Vitamine No Better Than Ordinary Infant Food.

Dr. Nelson, Director of Medical Services of the Militia Department, Makes Some Startling Admissions.

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OTTAWA, June 21.—Milton Hersey, an analyst of Montreal, and his assistant testified at the emergency food enquiry this morning. Hersey's man analyzed a sample sold to the government from some goods sold to the government. Finding 17.12 per cent. protein, so far as Hersey could tell, the food was about the same as ordinary infant food, worth not more than 30 cents a pound. For this emergency purpose, he said, that could be made at 20 to 25 cents per pound would appear to him to be as good as the preparation purchased.

This afternoon F. A. Hay, manager of the Bovril Company, said his company furnished emergency rations for British army, and produced samples. He offered food to Dr. Borden, who said none was wanted. (The grit members of the committee would not allow the witness to quote prices.) Dr. Hay said the price paid for Vitamine was exorbitant. Dr. Nelson, who made the tin for 7,000 cans, for which he said he was paid \$25 per thousand. The tin were nearly water tight and not a drop leaked. It would have cost 25 per cent. more to make them air tight.

Dr. Nelson, director of medical services, was the most important witness of the afternoon. He described the Kingston test, and went to Africa when the troops were going to Africa. Dr. Nelson suggested that the second contingent might be supplied with emergency rations, such as were tested. Afterwards Dr. Devlin brought samples, assuring him they were the same as were tested at Kingston. Dr. Nelson said he gave it another name for commercial purposes. On this assurance witness recommended the acceptance of Devlin's tender and Dr. Borden approved of it. When experiments were about to be made at Kingston, witness obtained one sample of full strength and one of half strength. When Devlin tendered, witness compared the samples by taste and smell but not by analysis. He had not heard how it suited in Africa. In the afternoon of the 14th Dr. Nelson stated that there was not in the department any samples left over of the food sent by Mr. Hatch for use in the experiments at Kingston.

This evidence was a surprise to the committee, yesterday left over from these experiments, and they remain in evidence. This morning Mr. Monk wanted them sent to the government, and for testing. The majority of the committee said him out on the ground that the government had procured samples from Kingston and would submit an analysis of them. It turned out that the only sample Dr. Nelson had was the contents of a tin which Devlin had used in the British or French or German army. The department never had occasion to enquire into such matters. Witness owned he was surprised at the report of the government analyst, who reported only 15 per cent. protein. He expected a larger percentage. When he recommended the Devlin goods he had in mind the Kingston test, supposed to be with same food. It is admitted that the food was admirably adapted for forced marches, etc. In the light of his present knowledge he would like, if he were doing it over again, omit the word "admirably." Still the food was useful. The four ounce can would sustain a man through the day. Witness had tried the food on himself and found that half a can, or two ounces, sustained him for one day. Asked if he had labored hard, he said he did his office work.

This testimony made some impression on the committee, but further examination weakened its effect. Dr. Nelson remarked that he had eaten his regular breakfast at home on that cent. per cent. tin at the regular hour. Asked if Dr. Borden had spoken to him about the letter from the maker of the food tested at Kingston, who wrote to the minister telling him that the Devlin goods did not suit. Dr. Nelson said he did not. If he had seen such a statement he would have made further enquiry at Montreal, and if he had doubts would not pay for the goods if responsibility were his.

The majority of the committee ruled out all further questions on this line. Dr. Nelson continued his testimony in the evening. The manager of the bank which made advances against the contract to Lyons, who was concerned with Dr. Nelson, was called. Mr. Monk undertook to show by the bank books who got the money so advanced, stating that he hoped to show by how much was paid Devlin for the food. The majority of the committee ruled out all this evidence.

An analyst's report was handed in stating that a sample of food tested 14 per cent. It is said that this sample is taken from Dr. Nelson's envelope containing the specimens handed in by Devlin as half strength of the kind of food intended to be tested at Kingston.

A Saratoga trunk full of the Devlin Vitamine was brought in tonight by the landing water at Bonaventure station. It contains 240 pounds. OTTAWA, June 22.—Dr. Nelson made a statement before the investigating committee today, defending the conduct of the department had taken twice as much precaution as ordinary business men would use.

Mr. Clarke wanted details as to these precautions, and Dr. Nelson said he got the sample and obtained an analysis. He had to admit that the sample was not tested and the analysis was obtained after the contract was made. Dr. Nelson then stated that he knew no emergency ration he would prefer to this.

Do you know anything about British army rations? asked Clarke. No. Then do you know the French ration? No. Do you know the German? Only the one used in 1895. The Australian ration? No. The American? Witness did not know.

Witness of Montreal testified this afternoon that he ground Devlin's powder for one cent per pound. Mr. Clarke moved that an analysis be made of Hatch's food left with the committee by Hatch the other day. Hatch swore it was a portion left over from the goods tested at Kingston. Rejected by the majority of the committee.

Mr. Monk moved that a telegram be sent to Africa, enquiring into the results of the food test there, but the majority voted it down. Several witnesses testified about the grinding and packing of the Devlin powders, establishing the fact that the goods were brought in from the United States. No one engaged about the names of the men to know what the Vitamine company was. They did know vitamine as a commercial commodity sold to the public.

Hospital Sergeant Cotton, who was mentioned in the house, as having tested the Devlin food in the same way as Hatch's food was tested at Kingston and pronounced it the same in its effects, was the next witness. He said he lived on the Devlin powders thirty days at St. Johns, Que., taking, however, some broth and other food with it. The test, he swore was stricter than the one at Kingston, because at Kingston he had taken several glasses of beer per day. He was confronted with his Kingston affidavit, in which he swore that he took no liquid nourishment but coffee. I was asked about beer, he explained. It came out on further enquiry that Cotton's certificate read by Dr. Borden in the house, stating that he had tested Dr. Devlin's food as at Kingston, was made in the afternoon of the 14th day of the test and immediately after taking his first meal.

Dr. Nelson who happened to be in the room after this testimony, was asked what value he would place on this certificate. He said it was of very little value on it, said the medical director. The three conservative members made another attempt to get the committee to agree to have a government analyst made of the Hatch protose, which the maker swore was part of a lot of which the balance was used in the Kingston test. This was voted down, as usual, by Belcourt, Russell, Britton and Campbell.

OTTAWA, June 22.—This morning the investigating committee heard the evidence of Mr. McGill, one of the government analysts, who said that he did not consider the Devlin food a compressed or concentrated substance. It could not be so separated, in view of the fact that many natural foods contained more nutriment in proportion to bulk and weight.

Mr. Muir, a coal dealer of Montreal, who said he had come to give evidence at the request of Dr. Devlin, swore that he met Mr. Hatch in the street after the Kingston test of his protose. In the course of a short casual conversation Hatch told him that the food tested contained only fifteen per cent. of protose. Mr. Muir could not remember Mr. Hatch's statement in detail as it was more than a year ago, and he had not thought about it afterwards. He did not know much about protoids or food chemistry, but he remembered this remark. Muir's testimony does not agree with that of Dr. Nelson, who swears that the food which he prepared, cooked, and sent to Kingston, averaged sixty per cent. of protoids.

Mr. Lyons of Montreal, on whose premises the Devlin goods were packed, swore that he was not connected with the government contract. Dr. Devlin, who was to have made a statement this evening on his own behalf, went off tonight, leaving word that he was suddenly called to New York.

The case was accordingly closed, and the committee will meet tomorrow afternoon to consider the report. OTTAWA, June 27.—The minority report reviews the whole transaction between the department and Devlin. It reflects severely on Devlin, who, after informing the committee that he would make a statement, suddenly announced that he had been called to New York and could not attend. The minority say that they do not believe he ever intended to testify, and merely invented an excuse for non-appearance. The report says that the food bought for \$4,686 could not possibly have cost more than \$1,350.

Your committee beg leave to report and make the following recommendations: 1st.—That under the circumstances disclosed by the evidence, the contract of the 4th January last for the supply of emergency rations to the Canadian contingents was entered into with undue and unnecessary haste by the minister of militia and defence. Tenders were excluded, sufficient enquiry was not made and the sample of food by the contractor was not properly examined. The committee recommend that in the matter of purchase of concentrated foods for troops

an active service samples be secured and analyzed before contract and full security required. 2nd.—The emergency food supplied by the contractor was totally unfit for the purposes intended and an imposition was practised upon the department. The contractor is certainly civilly liable to the government. He seems, furthermore, to have committed an infraction of section 14 of the Adulteration Act, chapter 107, R. S. C., as amended by 53 Victoria, chapter 26, section 7. He violated section 448 of the Criminal Code, 1892, by offering for sale an article bearing a false trade description, as defined by subsection C of article 443 of said code.

3rd.—After the warning contained in the letter of the 25th January last, quoted in the reference, and the report of the 12th February, 1900, by Chief Analyst McFarlane, the department of militia should have disallowed payment of the \$4,686, which was made on the 14th February. The minister should have immediately communicated with the Canadian contingent.

On the whole your committee find that the minister of militia is guilty of culpable negligence in purchasing and providing the Canadian soldiers with an article totally unfit for the purposes for which it was intended.

In this connection the committee recommend that the military authorities in South Africa be given immediately by cable the benefit of the report of the chief analyst. Your committee beg further to report all the evidence taken and documents produced that the same be printed.

P. E. ISLAND ELECTION. The by-election now pending in Prince Edward Island is of general interest, chiefly because the fate of the government may be at stake on the issue and because Mr. Wise, who was elected as a liberal, and the colleague of Premier Farquharson in 1897, having left his party and been elected from the house by force, is now the conservative candidate. The new liberal candidate is Dr. Douglas of Hants River, a man of good address, about forty years of age, and new to public life. Mr. Wise is a farmer, about sixty-five years, and has been for years a representative. The district may be roughly described as strip fifteen miles wide, extending entirely across the heart of the island from south to north, and westward of Charlottetown. Each district on Prince Edward Island returns two members, known as a councillor and an assessor. They have equal representation in the powers, and sit together, but the councillors are elected by the property vote, and the assessors by practically manhood suffrage, the voters being about fifty per cent more numerous than in the case of the assessors. The present election is for an assembly of the house of assembly of 1897 of two liberal candidates were returned for the district, Mr. Farquharson by 163 and Mr. Wise by 149 majority. Joint meetings are being held nightly, at which the candidates and leaders of the two parties are heard alternately, with a time limit for speeches. There is great local interest in the fight. The southern portion of the district is liberal, and the northern portion, including the French section about the Bay of Fundy, is strongly conservative. Polling takes place on 11th July.

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SECOND CONTINGENT.

With the Canadian Mounted Rifles in South Africa.

Col. Girouard and His Engineers Make Rapid Work of Repairing the Railway the Boers Have Wrecked.

Some Tales of Battle - Changes in the Squadron - Most of the Officers and Men in the Best of Health - Sickless in the First Battalion.

(From H. S. White, the Sun's Special War Correspondent with the Canadian Mounted Rifles in South Africa.)

KROONSTAD, May 16.-We did not strike camp here yesterday morning after all. It was founded at 2 a. m.; we had breakfast in the cool - I may, indeed, say icy cold - shades of antedawn at three o'clock; and half an hour later, just as the men were saddling up, an order arrived in camp countermanding the previous order, and we headed back to camp.

Our men are not sorry for the prolonged rest; and our horses are, doubtless, entirely glad. Why the order was given, or why countermanded, is as much a mystery to us as everything else in the way of movement or halts of our own army. Indeed here, right at the front, it is wonderful what a little one can know of what is going on, even in one's immediate vicinity, and as to the happenings at any little distance - in, for instance, another column - one might as well be in Jericho as here for all one hears about them. Indeed, you, in Canada, know probably a great deal more than we do of what is happening, has happened, and is likely to happen to any of the forces but those in our own particular division.

As regards this prolonged halt at Kroonstad, we understand, in a general sort of a way, that it is occasioned by the necessity of bringing up a larger quantity of supplies than was possible during a continuous march. If the railway were running this would be a simple matter. But the railway, of course, is not running. Mr. Boer takes very good care of that. Before he retreats he blows up every bridge of any size, and wherever he has a little leisure during his generally hurried retirement he amuses himself by knocking down telegraph poles, tearing up rails and sleepers, and other little games of a similar kind. He, perhaps, thinks he is doing irreparable damage, but there travels with us a man who makes light of such trifles as the devastation of the railway across the deep river valley, much less of the mere raving of a man known very widely outside of his native country - a gentleman by the name of Girouard. Along come Mr. Girouard and his merry men of the Royal Engineers, and it is a very funny railway bridge in that they cannot substitute in the place of the short work! Up to here the worst places have been at the crossings of the Zand river, and each of these Mr. Girouard proposed to fix in seven or eight days. Yet River crossings are already completed, and we hear that Zand River may be crossed at any moment now. As soon as that happens the train will once more run into Kroonstad; supplies will be poured in, and the army can move as soon as it likes.

There is also another aspect to this restoration of railway that would be a personal one. The mail will arrive! Can you quite realize what those four words mean to us who are 10,000 miles from home, and have not seen a letter of any kind for weeks and weeks? Oh, good Mr. Girouard, hurry up that railway.

SOME TALES OF BATTLE.

Since we have had a little leisure in camp here, officers and men of the different squadrons have been comparing notes as to their individual experiences during the week, from the 3rd to the 10th of May, of almost continuous fighting. Marvellous are the escapes that some of our men have had! I could not possibly relate all these experiences, but some that I did not mention in my last letter are worthy of record here. During the fight at Brantfort, Lieut. Taylor, of C squadron, was sent with only eleven men to scout a kopje, or mound, of held by the Boers. They advanced, of course, in very extended order, and taking advantage of every bit of cover, with the skill of Indian fighters. Boers or no Boers, not a shot was fired

at them when they had reached even within a hundred yards of the crest of the kopje. Their orders were to draw fire before they reached on their supports, so Boers or no Boers, still nearer they had to advance. They declare (and they are corroborated by some of the Boers who were there and have since given themselves up) that they were actually within fifty yards of their enemy before they drew their fire. Then, of course, it was a case of getting back to the supports at a gallop, and the devil take the hindmost. We have learned since from the Boers who have given themselves up that there were three or four hundred of them in that kopje. Volley after volley was fired at Lieutenant Taylor and his men as they galloped back to their supports, and yet not a man - not even a horse - was hit!

I fancy I hear the reader saying, "How can such things be?" Who can say? The men themselves are not happy, and these marvellous escapes cannot explain them any more than you or I can. Some say that as they galloped they zig-zag and, thus, make it hard for the Boers to hit them, but it seems to me that when men are galloping under volleys of rifle fire they might as well be flying into the way of a bullet as out of it. To me, personally, it appears most probable that the Boers are getting rattled, and that they are forgetting their old-time skill with the rifle. But even after making all these allowances, it is really wonderful how our men have escaped the bullets and shells. Others whose special business does not call them into close quarters with the enemy have, in spots where they might be considered comparatively safe, got in the way of the deadly missiles. Take, for instance, the case of Stanley Brown of Toronto. Lying behind a ridge at the Zand river, where he might have been considered to have been as safe as in the rotunda of the Queen's hotel as compared with Lieut. Taylor and his eleven men at Brantfort, Brown gets hit in the leg, whereas Taylor and his men escape untouched. In a word, there is no explaining these things any other way than by attributing them to the fortune of war.

The fortune of war, so far, has favored our men probably more than the men of any other regiment in the army. So here's to the Fortune of War, and may she favor us to the end, as she has up to the present!

CHANGES IN THE SQUADRON.

There have been one or two changes in the various squadrons since their arrival at Bloemfontein. Colonel Evans has, as you know, taken command of the 2nd battalion, in place of Col. Herchmer, who was invalided to moment without intending for a moment to make any aspirations against the efficiency of Colonel Herchmer, or Major Howe, who was acting commanding officer after Herchmer left the battalion, it is only fair to Colonel Evans to say that certain the battalion was not in the best of health when he assumed the command. He is looked up to by both officers and men, and I feel sure I am doing nothing more than expressing the sentiments of practically every member of the battalion when I say that the appointment of Colonel Evans to the command was a most desirable one.

Winnipeggers in particular, and Mantobans, in general, will be glad to hear of Dr. Devine's promotion. The doctor tells me that he was altogether uncertain as to what his rank would be with the South African Field Force. He hoped it was going to be surgeon-captain. He feared it might be only lieutenant; and now, to his delighted amazement, he finds it is nothing less than major! Surgeon-Major Devine was, indeed, a very prominent figure when for the first time he saw the Gazette containing his appointment. Veterinary Surgeon Major Hall, of the 1st battalion, remains here in charge of the remount depot. This is a very responsible position, and may be taken as a decided compliment to Major Hall's ability. Troopers Rose and King, belonging to the 1st battalion, have been recommended by Surgeon-Major Devine, who is now acting as medical officer for both squadrons, for commissions as medical officers with the mounted infantry division. The recommendation will certainly lead to success, for the appointment was a most desirable one.

Most of the officers and men are in the best of health. At first, as you may remember, when the battalion was at Cape Town, Major Sanders developed a heavy cold, and fearing confinement for three months' leave of absence, to be spent at Matjiesfontein, a place which has a great reputation on account of its extremely high altitude. Since then I hear he has recovered sufficiently to convey the Boer prisoners (Cronje's command) to their place of exile at St. Helena, and is now on his way to rejoin us here, and take over his duties as major of the squadron. Poor Woolcombe, who died at Carnarvon from the effects of the hardships of the awful trip through the Karoo desert, has been the only member of the 2nd battalion to die in South Africa. It appears that he was always very delicate, but as he was well known to be one of the best soldiers in the North-West Territories, his delicacy was overlooked and his reputation as a shot gained him the coveted position in the battalion. Where we are now is an extraordinarily healthy place; the men are living well, getting plenty of fresh meat; and both the officers and their horses are benefiting greatly by the much-needed rest. It strikes me as wonderful how certain young men of comparatively delicate physique, who were selected chiefly on account of their shooting abilities, and should have stood the hardest work so well. For instance, Private Griesbach, son of the commissary, Herchmer, son of the commissary, and two young fellows who were decidedly not very robust at home, are actually putting on flesh, and are actually good-tempered which is the biggest sign of good health out here.

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Captain Greenwood, who was thought by the doctor not to be very robust, is looking splendid. Among the men of the 1st Battalion only one case of enteric fever has developed, namely, Private Ardiel, B Squadron. He has been here for some time here, and his case is not thought to be serious. There have been several cases of rheumatism, as may be imagined, the cause being sleeping out at night with insufficient covering.

You have heard by cable of the sad death of Trooper Kingsley of B Squadron. He was with his comrades, and died of pneumonia in the field hospital here. B Squadron have now lost three men - Trooper Ramsay, who died at Cape Town, and Owens, who came to such a sad end at Karee Sloing during the march from Bloemfontein.

Just as I am closing this letter, an order has come into camp for 25 of the best mounted men of each squadron to saddle up and be ready to march at 5 p. m. Our men are to be under the command of Capt. Chalmers. Besides the men of our squadrons, an equal number of the Imperial Mounted Infantry go with the force. The whole unit is under the command of Colonel Alderson, though we understand that General Hutton himself will accompany the force.

We have, as usual, not the least idea of what direction the force is taking or for what object. They are taking transport, and so we assume that they will not be away long, but that while away they will travel very rapidly and cover a lot of ground. Perhaps I will have something interesting to tell of their adventures in my next letter.

THE LATE MRS. C. J. HENDRICKS.

On Saturday, June 23rd, there was laid to rest in Lower Norton churchyard the remains of Mrs. C. J. Hendricks, who died very suddenly at her home in Hampton, June 20th. For a long time she had been in excellent health, but shortly after retiring on Wednesday evening she was found dead.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. B. Huntington, rector of the Norton, and Rev. H. Irvine Lynds of Hampton. A large number of people from the city and elsewhere attended, testifying to the esteem in which she was held. Her sons acted as pall-bearers.

Mrs. Hendricks was a woman of singularly sweet disposition, and will be greatly missed both by her family, to whom she was a wise counsellor and devoted mother, and by a large circle of acquaintances, who found in her a kind and generous friend. A great blank is left in that united home.

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CAMP BEULAH. Grand Meetings of the Reformed Baptist Alliance.

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BEULAH, June 23.-The alliance yesterday did considerable business and important matters were considered. After the opening service at 9 a. m., a committee was appointed to advertise the week day excursions to the coming camp meeting. The matter of having a training school for the young men entering the ministry was considered on the report of a committee having this subject on hand, and a resolution was passed authorizing the committee to move at once in the matter.

The report of the committee on camp meeting works was freely discussed. The idea was expressed that we had received much excellent help from workers from the United States, and it was expected that the coming of Rev. Strouse and helpers would result in much good. But at the same time it was felt the local talent should not be forgotten, and in this connection a committee was appointed to arrange for an autumn convention in some central locality.

On motion, Rev. G. B. McDonald of Meductic, who was ordained last autumn, was received into the alliance. Rev. M. S. Traflet of the credentials committee was given power to obtain certificates of ordination for the ministers of our denomination at quarterly meetings reported that ten meetings had been held with various churches with good results.

On motion, Rev. S. A. Baker was given permission to use the alliance tent in connection with his work on Grand Manan.

FOURTH SESSION.

Alliance opened in due form, and after roll call and reading of minutes, the question of giving the ministers five entertainments was brought up, and after considerable discussion it was resolved that the ministers and their wives be given half fare at the hotel.

The following reports from the committee on temperance, after some excellent speeches from some of the ministers, was unanimously adopted: Believing that the sale and use of intoxicating liquors is one of the great evils that afflict our country, we desire to put on record the solemn pledge of our denomination to use all our efforts to suppress the same.

While we are unwilling to say that temperance is on the increase, yet we see, with great regret, that Christian men and women are lukewarm in the cause of temperance, the subject being rarely mentioned by ministers of our churches. Believing that legislation will not advance better public opinion, we feel that it is the duty of Christian men and women of all denominations to give greater attention to this subject in the future than they have done in the past. And we particularly urge the ministers of our own body to greater faithfulness in this matter. And we further believe that if the women of our country had the privilege of voting, it would greatly assist this and all other moral reforms.

After some other matters were disposed of, the alliance adjourned in the usual way by prayer.

In the evening Rev. G. W. McDonald gave an excellent sermon on the three characteristics of the carnal mind, "And they Crucified Him."

FIFTH SESSION.

On Friday, 9 a. m., June 23, the alliance opened in the usual manner. A resolution regarding the giving of more power to the alliance in respect to the ordination of ministers was introduced by Rev. G. B. Traflet. After some discussion, an amendment was made changing the section in the Church Directory, giving more power to the alliance in the licensing and ordaining of ministers. This called for considerable discussion, but was unanimously passed.

The treasurer rendered a partial report of financial matters, stating that there was in his hands a balance of over \$68.

A resolution in regard to a change in the publishing of the minutes caused a prolonged and spirited discussion, but was lost, and the usual way of publishing was adopted.

SIXTH SESSION.

Alliance opened on Friday at 2 p. m. in due form. Five hundred copies of the minutes were ordered to be printed. The session was taken up by the reports of various committees.

The one on absent brethren, reported five absent, two of which were excused on account of sickness. Two sent word that business engagements prevented their attendance, and only one gave no excuse for absence. The committee of Sabbath reported as follows: It is evident to any intelligent Christian that the Lord's Day was given to us and to the world for two specific purposes, viz., rest from all secular labor and to afford the privilege of the public worship of God - a type of that rest which comes to the Christian heart through faith in Christ. Anything that infringes upon these privileges we greatly deplore and discountenance.



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meeting began yesterday morning (Sunday) with an early prayer service at 6 o'clock. At 8 the usual love feast took place, led by Rev. G. B. Traflet. It was an excellent service and a goodly number testified to their love for Christ. At 10, preaching took place by Rev. S. A. Baker, who gave a very practical sermon from Acts xiii, 24: "For he was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith." At 1:30 a Sunday school for the young people was held in the parlor of the hotel, led by Mrs. F. H. Hale of Woodstock; and at the same time there was a song, prayer and testimony service in the Tabernacle, led by Rev. W. R. Wiggins, editor of the Highway.

At 2:30 p. m. there was preaching by Evangelist C. B. Strouse of Virginia, who arrived late last night, accompanied by Mr. Oakley, who was charge of the singing. Mr. Strouse and her sister accompanied the evangelist. Rev. Mr. Strouse is not a stranger, as he was here last year, and did such good work that the committee invited him to return this year. He is a young man of about 33, and a very logical, magnetic and effective speaker. There are daily excursions to the camp ground and at a very cheap rate. Rev. Mr. Strouse spoke in the afternoon from "Blessed are the people that know the joyful sound." It was an excellent address. The singing was led by Mr. Oakley, assisted by a choir, Miss Alice N. Goodspeed presiding at the organ. Evangelist Strouse also spoke in the evening on the foundation principles of Christianity - that of having "Christ in you, except ye be reborn." It was a grand sermon and effective, as quite a number at his close knelt at the altar to have given to them from God the knowledge of His indwelling.

The camp meeting was well attended yesterday, and it bids fair to be one of the best ever yet held at Beulah.

ST. MARTIN'S NEWS.

Aubrey W. Brown, one of St. Martin's popular young men, arrived there on the 28th, bringing as his bride Miss Ethel Dayton (niece of Rev. S. H. Cornwall) of Centreville, N. S. The wedding was celebrated on the 29th, at an early hour at the bride's home by Rev. Dr. Morse, after which a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents. She was attended in a neat travelling dress of blue material. Upon the arrival of the St. Martin's train the couple proceeded to the residence of Aubrey Vaughan, where they were met by a number of invited guests, and an elaborate supper was served. After a pleasant evening the young people went to their own home, followed by the good wishes of the many friends. A pretty feature of the many given was the decoration of the highway leading up to Mr. Brown's house with wreaths of flowers by the little children of the neighborhood.

The remains of Mrs. Emma Hoegs of Boston, a former resident of St. Martin's, were interred in the family burying ground today. Much sympathy is felt for the young husband and friends.

The work of rebuilding in the burnt district is progressing. Oliver Sweet expects to move into his new house next week. George Vaughan has his house boarded in and the roof shingled. George Cutten and Wm. Smith have the sills laid for their new houses.

THE USUAL REASON.

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