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## HOMeward BOUND.

Entertained by Lord and Lady Tweedmouth and Lord and Lady Strathcona.

Entertained by the Lord Mayor and Elder Dempster Company—Great Enthusiasm at the Royal Exchange.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Canadian high commissioner in London, and Lady Strathcona, held a reception for the officers and men of the Canadian contingent now in London on their way home from South Africa, at the Imperial Institute this afternoon. The Earl of Arden was present. This evening Lord and Lady Tweedmouth gave a dinner in honor of the Canadians. The guests included Princess Louise, the Duke of Argyll, Lord Rosebery, the Marquis of Londonderry, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal and the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen.

The returning Canadian troops sail for Canada Tuesday, after a week of entertainments and receptions such as have never been accorded to colonialists. They will probably leave a few of their number behind, for many of them have gone to far corners of Ireland, Scotland and England—visiting relatives they had never seen before. Certainly they could not be better treated.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The visiting contingent of the Royal Canadian regiment attended service yesterday at St. Paul's Cathedral, returning thence to Kensington barracks, where Col. Otter had arranged they should have an opportunity to meet the Earl of Aberdeen, former governor general of Canada, and the countess.

Lord Aberdeen, in a felicitous address of farewell, said they had nobly fulfilled their mission, and he was sure they would be glad to get back to their country and kin. He asked them to convey the greetings of Lady Aberdeen and himself to mutual friends in the Dominion.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—The Telegram's special cable from London says: Owing to the early hour of departure, the crowd that assembled this morning to witness the departure of the Canadian soldiers for Liverpool was small, but most enthusiastic. Lord Strathcona was amongst those present. No speeches were made, the few minutes before the train left being spent by the men in bidding farewell to the friends they had met while in the city. All the officers and men expressed themselves immensely pleased with the reception they received while in England. No speeches were made, the few minutes before the train left being spent by the men in bidding farewell to the friends they had met while in the city. All the officers and men expressed themselves immensely pleased with the reception they received while in England.

Yesterday the Duke of Cambridge sent for Col. Otter, to whom he spoke of the Canadians in the very highest praise, and showed the greatest interest in the work they had done in South Africa.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen visited the men at Kensington barracks yesterday, speaking to and shaking hands with each member of the contingent. Lieut. Col. Buchan dined with the Duke and Duchess of Teck. The Duke is very enthusiastic about the Canadians.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—The Star's London cable says: The Canadian contingent was given a magnificent reception at Liverpool today. Lieut. Col. Buchan, who was in command of the force, was welcomed by Gen. Swaine. An immense crowd gathered in front of the Lime street station, and there were great outbursts of enthusiasm and singing of patriotic songs. The Canadians were much admired by the thousands on the streets, and were wildly cheered all the way to the Town Hall.

After a visit to St. George's Hall, the Lord Mayor received the officers. After the Queen's toast had been honored, the Lord Mayor proposed a toast to the regiment in an eloquent and appreciative speech, recognizing the services of the Canadian troops. Col. Buchan responded.

After luncheon the enthusiasm was unbounded, everybody singing patriotic songs and cheering. At the Royal Exchange there was an unparalleled outburst. Among other songs heard

was the Maple Leaf. The men were afterwards taken for a trip along the docks, the Elder-Dempster Company entertaining the officers on the str. Ems tonight.

The Lake Champlain cannot sail till Wednesday.

## SOUTH AFRICA.

London Evening Papers Say a Big Battle is Going on

Between General Knox's Forces and the Boers Under General De Wet—Lord Roberts Explains Farm Burning.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The Evening Standard, which has special sources of information, says this evening that a great battle between the British forces under General Knox, and the Boers under Gen. DeWet is going on.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 10.—In a memorandum to the premier of Cape Colony, Sir Gordon Sprigg, Lord Roberts explains that farm burning has been ordered strictly in accordance with the usages of war. He says in part:

"Whether the people whose houses are burned are actual accessories to the cutting of railways and other damage, must be left to the general officers commanding to decide. They must be trusted to make a full enquiry before having recourse to extreme measures; but, as this is essentially police work, I anticipate that, when the police are established, we shall find the necessity for burning gradually disappearing, with less danger of the innocent suffering and that my successor will eventually be able to abolish such treatment."

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

An Addition to Canada's Debt of Half a Million in the Last Month.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—The statement of the public debt and the revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for the month ending November 30 shows that there was an addition of \$545,522 to the debt during the four weeks. The revenue on consolidated funds for the month fell off slightly, but taking the months ending on the 30th ult., it amounted to \$21,594,706, as against an expenditure of \$14,418,816, giving a surplus of \$7,175,890. Compared with the same period of last year, when there was a surplus over ordinary expenditure of \$7,181,562, the report shows a deterioration of \$1,305,322. The post office revenue was a little less than in 1899, but from other sources there was an increase, the figures being: Customs, \$332,844; excise, \$227,721; public works, \$257,440; miscellaneous, \$308,483.

Upon capital account the expenditure for the last five months was \$4,475,125, as against \$4,297,784, or an increase of only \$177,341. The expenditure for the same period upon public works and railways and canals was less by \$1,322,427 than it was in 1899. On the other hand, there was an increase of \$1,019,249 in the amount spent for railway subsidies. The expenditure upon the South Africa contingent for the five months was \$368,316, of which \$75,954 was laid out in November. The expenditure on public works and railways and canals for November increased \$1,455,544 compared with the same month last year.

## APPEAL DISMISSED.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The appeal court has dismissed the appeal of the Duke of Marlborough and has confirmed the decision of Judge Byrne in the Chancery division of the high court of justice in March last, which gave Lillian, Duchess of Marlborough (formerly Mrs. Louis Hammerstein of New York) and now Lady William Bessborough a jointure of £1,500 yearly.

## BRITISH COMMONS.

Conservative Member Does Not Approve of Lord Salisbury's Relatives Holding Office.

Premier's Nephew, A. J. Balfour, Claims that the Accident of Birth Should Not be a Bar to Public Service.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—In the House of Commons today, after some desultory discussion, Joseph Walton, radical, withdrew his amendment, offered on Friday last, to the effect that more adequate measures should be taken to safeguard the interests of China, than a demand should be made on the Chinese government for the punishment of Chinese officials which could not be equitably imposed in the case of a European power.

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few pounds, or even shillings; and yet the house of commons is called upon to pass a solemn resolution which will not strike me, but will be a self-lacerating ordinance for many members of the house of commons. I do not think it an altogether unwarrantable demand that the attacks had not injured him, but had given pain to a number of private individuals. Those who introduced into public life unworthy individuals had made it more difficult for honorable and sensitive men to serve the country. He was loudly cheered as he resumed his seat.

His son, J. Austin Chamberlain, principal secretary to the treasury department, followed with similar demonstrations.

Mr. B. Haldane, radical member for Wiltshire, and others, spoke, after which Mr. Lloyd-George's motion, which was offered as an amendment to the address, was rejected by a vote of 265 to 23.

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## CORPORAL ARMSTRONG

Specially Photographed by Her Majesty's Order at Windsor.

The Queen Expressed Great Sorrow at His Misfortune, and Hoped He was Getting Strong.

(Special Correspondence of the Sun.)

LONDON, Dec. 1, 1900.—Yesterday the Canadian soldiers who came home from the Boer war in the Hawarden

Castle went down to Windsor Castle in a special train to be presented to the Queen. They had a most cordial reception from the citizens of Windsor and were presented to Her Majesty. The Queen was accompanied in her carriage by Princess Henry of Battenberg and Princess Alice, and looked at the men very closely through her spectacles as they marched past.

One of the first points to attract Her Majesty's notice was one of the men who was struggling alone beside his comrades, on crutches. The Queen at once sent an enquiry for him, and directed that he should be brought up to Her. The trooper was Corporal Beverley R. Armstrong of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, who is a son of Lieut. Col. Armstrong of St. John, N. B. He enlisted as a private in the Canadian Mounted Rifles, and was wounded in the foot by shrapnel while serving under Gen. Hutton near Middleburg, and had six weeks afterwards, to have his limb amputated at Johannesburg.

When the trooper was called to her, Her Majesty, with her usual gracious courtesy, directed that a chair should be fetched for the wounded man, but Armstrong bravely replied that he preferred to stand like his comrades.

After the officers had been presented, Armstrong was formally presented to the Queen.

"I am so sorry," said Her Majesty to him, "that you have lost your leg. I hope you are getting strong."

The corporal answered that he was doing well and was proud of the honor of seeing Her Majesty.

Queen Victoria then directed that he should be photographed, as she wanted to have his photograph with her, and this was done.

So closed a pathetic incident as the war had produced in England, and one that by her gracious courtesy and never-failing tact at once endeared the Queen in the hearts of all colonialists present.

## OTTAWA.

Statements by the Secretary and Treasurer of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Colonel Otter's Final Report as to the Contingent Which Sail for Home from England Today—Other Millitia Matters.

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—At a meeting of the Canadian patriotic fund association, held on Saturday, and presided over by the governor general, reports were submitted by the secretary and treasurer, showing that up to date 824 dependents of soldiers had been assisted, and that 108 invalided soldiers had also received assistance, to whom payments amounting to \$25,537 and \$2,287 respectively had been made. The treasurer's statement showed \$358,609 remaining for distribution.

In granting allowances from the very large sum, the relief committee have endeavored to distribute the funds entrusted to them in as liberal a manner as possible, consistent with the objects of the association and with making provision in the future for those left unprovided for. Grants are based on the recommendation sent in by those reporting upon cases, and with reference to the circumstances of the applicants.

The committee have also kept in view the fact that the larger part of the fund will be required for distribution at the close of the war to the widows or dependents of deceased soldiers, and also to provide for soldiers who have been permanently or temporarily disabled while on service. The committee reported the number of casualties to date as 134, and authority was given to the committee to make special grants where assistance is required to the dependents of deceased soldiers, such grants to be in addition to the regular allowances now being paid to the dependents of soldiers still serving in South Africa and to returned invalids.

Dr. Montzambert, director general of public health, was appointed by his excellency the governor general as a member of the executive committee. Dr. Montzambert was also placed upon the relief committee.

What may be considered as Col. Otter's final report of the doings of the contingent, which sails for home tomorrow, was read by the acting department today. It describes the voyage of the men on the transport Hawarden Castle, which left Cape Town on Nov. 7th, after the contingent had been formally thanked by the mayor of the city for its services to the colony. Several other corps were on board, including the Household Cavalry, Life Guards, Horse Guards and Horse Artillery. The voyage was a pleasant one and without incident.

The Canadian officers on board were: Col. Otter, Lieut. Col. Buchan, Sergeant Major Fiset, Capt. Burstall, Capt. Macdonald, Chaplain Almond, Lieuts. Lawless, Merson, Swift, Lofferty, Temple, Carpenter, Caldwell and Cosby, Middlesex Regiment.

Before leaving Cape Town, Col. Otter received a telegram from Lord Roberts from Johannesburg, expressing his regret that he did not have an opportunity of saying good-bye to the regiment. He would always remember the good services they had done in South Africa, especially at Paardeberg.

The following men took their discharges in South Africa: Corps, Fowle and McNeil; Ptes. Andrews, Dalberg, Mallock, Morrison, Moodle, Roberts, Tierney, Doucet, Walters and Walbridge.

Capt. Weeks was left in hospital at Kroonstadt, and the following men were also in different hospitals: Corps, Bercher and Soper; Ptes. Barnstead, O'Shaughnessy, Welsh, Wilkie, Wilkins, Allen, Gerhardt, Landen, Lee, Smith, McKintosh and Boness (313).

Col. Drury, reporting from Pretoria November 1st, says that E Battery was then at Hoopstad, Orange River Colony. He reports that second lieutenant in the Royal Field Artillery had been granted to Lieut. Murray, Sergt. Jago and Gunner Duval. Murray did not accept the commission.

Col. Evans, commanding the Mounted Rifles, reports that Trooper Weaver was killed in a night attack at Nootkwaacht Oct. 23rd.

There was quite an exodus of ministers for Toronto tonight to attend the banquet to Sirton. The ministerial delegation consists of the premier Fielding, Tarte, Patterson and Mulock. From Toronto Sir Wilfrid and other ministers will leave for Halifax.

The Gough divorce case is creating much talk in the city. Both parties

are Roman Catholics, and the senate may object to going on with the case. Gough says his wife has absolutely no grounds for divorce. She left him a year ago to reside in Montreal.

Col. Tucker, M. P., is in the city. A member of the cabinet is authorized for a denial of the Toronto report that the government will move to create six additional senators under the B.N.A. Act section 28. The only objection on which such an "attempt" was made was in 1877, during the Mackenzie administration. The Queen then refused to accede to the request on the ground that Her Majesty could not be advised to take the responsibility of interfering with the constitution of the senate, except upon an occasion when it had been made apparent that a difference had arisen between the two houses of so serious and permanent a character that the government could not be carried on without Her intervention, and when it could be shown that the limited creation of senators allowed by the act would apply an adequate remedy.

## AN UNPLEASANT INCIDENT.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The German government has not taken official notice of Gen. Chaffee's letter to Count Von Waldersee, complaining of the removal of the astronomical instruments from the wall of Pekin and the return of the letters to the American commander "on account of its tone."

Only a few of the papers print the report in their news columns. The Vossische Zeitung remarks: "Whatever the cause, Gen. Chaffee had in no case a right to use such rough language in a letter to the commander-in-chief."

The Berliner Tagblatt observes: "We must, of course, reserve a definite judgment until reliable German reports have been received. Whoever knows, however, of the generally acknowledged diplomatic tact of Count Von Waldersee will not doubt that he will not have employed such a brusque procedure without the strongest kind of provocation."

## NO TRACE OF THE THIEVES.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—No trace has been found of the thieves who on Saturday last stole several relics of Lord Nelson, including his watch and many of his medals, from Greenwich Hospital. The belief in Greenwich is that the depredators were French, owing to the alleged discovery of a letter in broken English left behind, in which the writer promised to return and carry off a French flag which is among the relics.

The papers abstracted almost everything portable. Even the gold hilts of the swords were wrenched from the blades and the gold and jewels were stripped from the scarabaeus. They also broke Nelson's sword of honor.

## SWELL BOSTON HOTEL RAIDED.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—The spectacle of a squad of officers going into the fashionable Hotel Tuileries, on Commercial wealth avenue, late this afternoon was not only a novel one, but the most unexpected imaginable. It was the last place almost that one would expect a raid by a squad of plebeian bluecoat officers. The hotel has no liquor license, but the squad found some beer, liquors and champagne in a room near the wine room and some cooking brandy in the kitchen. Proprietor F. M. Crosby maintained that the liquor seized belonged to guests.

## ASHORE IN HALIFAX HARBOR.

HALIFAX, Dec. 10.—An unknown three-masted schooner, with jibs in shreds, came through the northern entrance of the harbor shortly after daylight this morning, and in rounding for shelter under lee of the island struck the bar about half a mile south of Smith's wharf, where she can still be seen. The crew do not seem to be in any immediate danger.

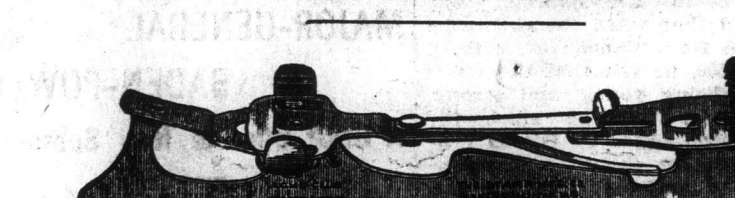
## PRO-BOER MEETING PREVENTED.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 10.—The pro-Boer meeting called for this evening, at which Miss Maud Gonne was to preside, was prohibited by the police. Despite the warning, however, she endeavored to address an open air meeting in the Irish quarter of the city, but the police interfered and dispersed the gathering.

## PROF. ARMSTRONG DEAD.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—News was received here today of the death in England of Prof. Geo. F. Armstrong, first professor of engineering at McGill.

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## A CHURCH SENSATION.

Statements of a Toronto Clergyman Bring Out Replies from the Congregation.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—There was a sensational scene at the service at McCall street Methodist church on Sunday. The pastor, Rev. J. T. Morris, referred to dishonesty in municipal affairs, saying he had even heard a contractor for dog tags had been asked how much there was in the contract for the engraver, if he got him the truth. You are not telling the truth, said H. C. Davenport, rising in his place. I must repeat myself, said the pastor, and did so amidst a scene of applause. Davenport was about to protest further, when a voice from the gallery called out: "Sit down; the cap is too small." Davenport said no more. He is a City Hall employee, and the dispensing of dog tags is a part of his duties.

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BOSTON LETTER.

Booming the Game Resources of the State of Maine.

Outlook for Apples in Europe Much More Favorable Than Some Weeks Ago.

Deaths of Former Provincialists—Sticks up for General Buller—The Spruce Lumber Market Continues Firm—General News.

(From our own correspondent.) BOSTON, Dec. 6.—The state of Maine is again booming itself in the hub of the universe by means of its game resources, which are once more being called to the attention of sportsmen.

A certain class of Americans profess to be considerably worried over the growing tendency of American heiresses to marry titled Europeans. The latest instance of this preference was noted in the wedding of the Duke of Manchester, Miss Zimmerman, daughter of a Cincinnati millionaire.

Although the Grand Trunk railroad has done everything possible towards making the city of Portland an important shipping port, that town still has a grievance. Portland men are now complaining that marine insurance companies are discriminating against that city by charging extortionate rates, and that Portland will have been dealt a severe blow unless relief is soon forthcoming.

Mr. Chamberlain proceeded without noticing the remark. WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Archbishop Ireland, in a sermon preached at St. Patrick's church today, reviewed the question of the independence of the Pope and prophesied that at no remote day the Italian people and aristocracy at large would give back to the Papacy its wonted dignity and liberty.

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RELIGIONS OF CHINA.

Address by Wu Ting-Fang, the Chinese Minister at Washington.

Buddhism and Taoism for the Dead, Confucianism for the Living.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Wu Ting-Fang, the Chinese minister to the United States, spoke before the Society of Ethical Culture at Carnegie Hall this morning on "The Teachings of Confucius."

Mr. Wu said, in beginning, that there is a general impression in this country that there are three great religions in China—Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism. It is true that the government recognize each of the three, but it is not correct to say that they have anything like an equal hold on the people. He added: "Buddhism and Taoism may be said to be for the dead, Confucianism for the living. You will see Buddhist and Taoist priests in the same funeral procession, conducting rites for the dead. You see we are a practical people, and as we cannot be quite sure what takes place after death, we employ all sorts of priests. If one kind cannot get us into Heaven, perhaps the other kind will, and so we employ both. Everything, therefore, is done for the living. Superstition is the chief support of Taoism and Buddhism. They grow weaker and weaker as men grow more intelligent. Confucianism however is taught in the schools, and students are examined every year in the Confucian classics. Every Chinaman who wishes to enter official life must study the classics of Confucius, Confucianism, in fact, binds the empire into a homogeneous whole. Just as you say that this is a Christian country, although not all the people here are Christians, so it is correct to say that China is a Confucian country. Throughout the length and breadth of the country the merchants, the scholars, the school boys would be ashamed to enroll under any other religion than Confucianism.

"The immortality of the soul is a beautiful doctrine, I admit. I wish it were true, and I hope it is true. But all the reasoning of Plato cannot make it more than a strong probability. And all the light of modern science has not brought us one step further. No, Confucius would be called an agnostic if he were alive today. There are four things that he would not talk about: extraordinary things, feats of strength, disorder and spiritual being. "How are we to serve spiritual beings?" he was asked.

A CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Important Announcement by Hon. Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The secretary of state for the colonies, Hon. Joseph H. Chamberlain, announced in the house of commons today that civil government will shortly be established in the Transvaal and Orange River colonies.

Mr. Chamberlain said the government hoped it was not too prophetic—very shortly, indeed before the house met again, something in the nature of a civil administration might be established in both the Orange River and the Transvaal colonies. Sir Alfred Milner, he added, would be appointed governor of both.

THE ROMAN QUESTION.

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SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., has accepted the position of president of the Crown Life Insurance Company, recently organized under a dominion charter, and which will begin operations early next year.

WILL BANQUET MR. HAYES.

MONTREAL, Dec. 9.—The Montreal Board of Trade has arranged to give a big banquet to C. M. Hayes, retiring manager of the Grand Trunk, on the evening of the 17th inst.

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OPENED HIS EYES.

Britisher's View: Election Day in Canada We Are Swift.

(Manchester Guardian.) Few things are more astonishing to an English political visitor than the efficiency and rapidity of Canadian electioneering.

When I contrast the cumbersome inefficiency and tedious expensiveness of our British system, my belief in this New World is confirmed, and I seem to foresee a time when the Canadian will stand by the side of the New Zealander contemplating the ruins of Westminster Bridge. For a whole fortnight the British public is kept on edge, and the public house is a mockery by the difficulty of getting to the polls, and the corrupting influence of the public houses; our candidates are felled for election expenses. Here the elections all take place on one day, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. The public houses are all closed, and all workmen are allowed enough time from work to cast their votes; and official election expenses are all paid by the state.

G. P. R. AND ST. JOHN.

Interview With G. M. Bosworth, Traffic Manager of the Road.

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—G. M. Bosworth, traffic manager of the C. P. R., in an interview today said that the company's traffic through the port of St. John would be very much less this winter than previous seasons owing to the late date at which an agreement with the government was made.

SIX ADDITIONAL SENATORS.

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HARD AND FAST ASHORE.

BEVERLY, Mass., Dec. 9.—The two schooners remaining on the beach, the S. B. Sears of Lubec and the D. and G. W. Hinds of Calais, are still hard and fast in their sandy beds. The tug Arlet and Elsie of the Boston Tugboat Co. came today this morning, after several futile attempts, to pull off the Hinds, gave it up after breaking a cable. The Camilla and the Henry Preston tried to move the Sears, but could not start her. Hundreds of people witnessed the tug at their work this afternoon.

RELICS OF NELSON STOLEN.

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BULLER'S RETURN.

Great Britain's Welcome to the Natal Warrior.

Who, According to a French Critic, Achieved What was Theoretically Impossible.

(Editorial London Telegraph, Nov. 12.) General Buller's speeches at Southampton and Aldershot on Saturday were as direct and manly and soldierly as everyone expected they would be, coming from so tenacious and resolute an officer.

General Buller's speeches at Southampton and Aldershot on Saturday were as direct and manly and soldierly as everyone expected they would be, coming from so tenacious and resolute an officer. The reception given to him in both places is one that does honor to the English nation, illustrating its best qualities of generosity and gratitude, as well as its innate sense of justice. Two feelings underlie the welcome given to the Natal warrior, one of which bears on the general conduct of the war, while the other has reference to the personal character of Sir Redvers Buller. We are more than a little conscious that at one period, at all events, of the long and difficult campaign, scant allowance was made for the circumstances under which the Natal warfare was begun and carried out. The general, who had been forced to break up his scheme of operations, and to carry himself and his army to Durban, was first criticized for the change of plan, then accused of dilatoriness and finally of the Tugela River. The successive disasters were a reaction from an earlier period of unthinking confidence, for, after the disasters at Stormberg and Magersfontein, people reassured themselves with the idea that General Buller would carry everything before him in Northern Natal. The successive disasters of Colenso and Spion Kop shook our sense of security, and turned trustfulness into captious and unreflecting blame. Popular opinion is often fickle and ill-informed, but it is known that, whatever may have been the generous mistakes of General Buller, or even of General Buller, and the tactical and strategic errors of the invading Boer army, the safety of the Garden Colony rested in the hands of one man, and one man alone—the country is being acclaimed with unhesitating cheers. It was wrong of Buller to attempt to hold Dundee, although, as Captain Mahan has recently pointed out in his interesting book, "The Boer War," it was a judgment call; but whether it was wrong or right for White to shut himself up in Ladysmith, the event proved that no course of action could have been better than that which he followed. Either they ought to have masked the place and overrun the Colony, or, if they were determined on a siege in virtue of their beautiful new artillery, they should have pressed it home with more dash and audacity. But the real merit of General Buller's policy was the dogged pertinacity with which he patiently drove back the invaders, and wore down their courage on the Tugela. It has been pointed out again and again that a general who, after retaining the pertinacity with which he has his troops, must be not only a bold soldier but a great man. Such General Buller undoubtedly is—an officer who is a tower of strength and unshaken courage, a rock against which the waves of adversity beat in vain. For ourselves, knowing who and what he is in our own land, we are aware that he represents fundamentally racial elements in that southwestern country from which he comes. In defects and excellencies, in slow, stolid, head-on pluck, he is Devonshire itself, a French critic said, many months ago, "Buller is the man to admire, for he achieved what was theoretically impossible."

MEN OF THE DAY.

Coleridge-Taylor, who wrote the incidental music for Mr. Tree in Mr. Stephen Phillips' "Herod," has done such great things already that more than ordinary interest will attach to his latest production. In many respects his is one of the most striking personalities among living musical composers. The son of a West African father and an English mother, his dusky skin and frizzy hair proclaim in unmistakable fashion his mixed descent, though his music is purely European in its brilliance, originality and finished art. His greatest hit so far has been his "Hawatha" music. Since the "Golden Legend" no composition of this kind has appealed more powerfully perhaps to the cantata-loving amateur, while musicians have been hardly less unanimous in their recognition of the technical excellence of the young musician's score. Mr. Coleridge-Taylor, who is now only 25, began his musical studies at the mature age of six. At ten he was a chorister in a church choir at Crofton. Then he entered the Royal College of Music, where he studied the violin, piano, composition, and so forth, and carried off numerous prizes. One of his earliest works—a clarinet quintet—was introduced in Berlin by Professor Stanford and Dr. Joachim. Further chamber pieces, songs, symphonies, orchestral ballads and other compositions, all marked by undeniable melodic beauty, harmonic originality, and a rare feeling for rhythm and verve, have since flowed from his fertile pen. One of his newest works, a cantata based on Longfellow's "Blind Girl of Castel-Utile," is to be heard at next year's Leeds Festival. Mr. Coleridge-Taylor is violin professor at the Crofton Conservatory of Music, where he acts also as conductor. If the critics know anything about it he should be far—M. A. P.

A BIG COAL DEPOSIT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—U. S. Consul Hugues, at Coburg, has reported to the state department the news of the recent discovery of a large deposit of "house coal," estimated to contain at least 1,600,000 tons, at Barmocz, Hungary. The quality of the coal, he says, remains to be proven, but the deposit is to be developed on scientific lines at once.

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THE MAKER OF GOVERNMENTS.

Mr. Lawrence A. Wilson, president of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, was re-elected two days ago at a special meeting. We mention this because Mr. Wilson has become so much of a public character that his history is now part of the history of the country.

A GREAT DAY FOR MR. TARTE.

We were prepared to hear that the opposition had elected three members to the Quebec legislature in the alleged contest of yesterday. So many as seven opposition members have, however, been elected, including the opposition leader and two of his half-dozen principal supporters.

Dorchester, which also follows the federal election precedent. But Mr. Nantel, another ex-minister, failed to hold his former seat in Terrebonne. This was Charles's old seat, and was captured by Mr. Tarte's party in the federal election. The defeat in Stantard of Mr. Hackett, another ex-minister, follows the capture of this riding from the late conservative member for Ottawa. All of Mr. Parent's colleagues were elected by acclamation, and only half the private candidates were opposed.

MR. TARTE'S SCANDALOUS APPRAISALS.

It is the veriest hypocrisy for Mr. Tarte's friends in other provinces to pretend that he is not making it his special and particular business to exploit the race cry in Quebec. He is doing this all the time. He does it every day in the paper which he bought with the help of Mr. Greenfield, which he personally controls, and for which he regularly writes. He does it in all his speeches to French audiences in Quebec. It may be said without much exaggeration that Mr. Tarte writes nothing else and talks nothing else in the way of politics in his own province.

MR. COSTIGAN SATISFIED.

The Ottawa correspondent of the St. John Monitor says that "the most thoroughly satisfied" of the members of the new parliament is Hon. John Costigan. His eyes in to say that the defeat of Mr. Costigan was produced by some "but they little know, and consequently did not reckon on the deep and glowing hold the old commoner had on the hearts of the constituents of the people of Victoria."

ADDITIONAL SENATORS.

The Toronto World's intimation that the government will seek to create six additional senators may have something in it. But the British North America Act does not give the government absolute power in the matter. The act says: "If at any time, on the recommendation of the Governor General, the Queen think it expedient to direct that three or six members be added to the senate, the Governor General may, in the same manner, appoint six additional senators, but was not allowed to do so. The constitution does not provide that the addition shall be permanent. No vacancy, subsequently occurring could be filled until the senate was reduced to the original number, unless special permission should be obtained from the Queen in each case."

SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

Turns His Attention to Life Insurance Business - A New Company is Formed. (Toronto Empire.) An event of great importance to life insurance interests generally is the announcement that Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., freed from arduous political labors by his retirement from the leadership of the conservative party, will in future devote a large portion of his time and energies to insurance affairs.

MORE ROOMS, MORE TEACHERS, MORE STUDENTS.

We have been slow about our advertising lately. We were afraid we would not be able to accommodate all who purpose taking our course of study. We have succeeded, however, in obtaining additional rooms, and we trust will find room for all at all events those who come soon.

ANOTHER SOLDIER HOME.

Private Walker Bell Returns to the City He Has Honored. Another St. John Boy Who Has Won Distinction in the Cause of the Empire in South Africa.

Private Walker Bell of the second contingent arrived in St. John about 10 o'clock Sunday morning. Owing to the lateness of the hour consequent to a delay to the train, his many friends were unable to meet him at the station and give him the reception he deserved, but tonight Col. McLean and the officers of the 62nd Fusiliers, accompanied by the band of the regiment and by Mayor Daniel, ex-Mayor Sears and a number of others, will wait upon him at his home, 24 Wellington row, and hold a reception in his honor.

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Dominion Iron and Steel has been listed on the Boston Stock Exchange. Opening sales were at 25 1/2 and the stock subsequently sold up to 31 1/2, afterwards dropping to 27 1/2. Some of the stock has been placed in the provinces at 30.

The last issue of the War Cry contains a long article descriptive and illustrative of the new Salvation Army Maternity Home on St. James street in this city. The illustrations are half-tones, and among them is a large portrait of His Honor Judge Forbes, who presided at the opening ceremonies at the home.

The annual sale of the Ladies Missionary Working Party of Trinity church netted \$340.51 over all expenses. Of this the Missionary Society have sent \$85 to Algoma, \$85 to Rupert's Land and \$170 to home missions. The total contribution of Trinity this year was \$1,126.31.

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The death occurred at Mouth Kenwick on Friday afternoon of Henry Shook, aged resident of that place, death resulting from the debilities of old age, he being 82 years of age. He leaves five sons and seven daughters.

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Arthur Storey, who was arrested here by Provincial Detective Ring on a charge of setting fire to Thomas Roach's barn at Studholm, was taken to Sussex on Saturday and arraigned for trial. The witnesses not being present, he was remanded until the 14th inst.

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The Halifax papers tell of lots of crime in the city at present. Halifax wants a Bishop Potter, says the Shelburne Budget.

The Oseker Stamping Co. have shut down their factory at Hampton for a month, in order to make necessary repairs to engines, boilers and furnaces. And there is some talk of further extension to their premises. The company's travellers have also been called in. -Times.

LETTER FROM GR. FINNAMORE.

In a letter received by friends from Gunner Bert Finnamore with "The Battery in South Africa," written at Modder River, Nov. 5, he writes that all the Fredericton boys are well. They had been in many skirmishes with the enemy, and all the boys from here had escaped unhurt. James Tibbitts received a bullet through his hat in one hot scrap. -Gleaner.

The artistic merits of the two beautiful pictures given to Family Herald and Weekly Star subscribers this year are receiving no end of praise from the best people in the land. The Family Herald and Weekly Star pictures improve year after year, and this year's effort has been the greatest advancement. "Christ in the Temple" is simply beautiful and well worth of the magnificent reception it is receiving. Some, and good judges, too, seem to favor "Home from the War," but when it is understood that each subscriber gets both pictures, then it is no surprise to see the thousands of complimentary letters so copious in the columns of that great paper. There should be an enormous number of dollar bills floating into the Family Herald this year. It is the biggest dollar's-worth in the market today.

ARRRESTED IN CONSTANTINOPL.

A young man from St. John who has lately been making a trip through a great part of the civilized world writes to friends here of a rather exciting adventure in Constantinople. In company with a fellow traveller he was walking in one of the principal streets of the city, when they got into an argument with a citizen who was abusing a woman. The unspeakable Turk had the better of the argument from a linguistic point of view, but the Canadian landed a couple of swings that brought the man down to the ground. The two travellers were quickly put under arrest by the gendarmes and their passports taken from them. By strenuous efforts the British consul managed to effect their release, but only on condition that they should leave by the first boat. Needless to say, they agreed to this. Their passports were returned, and under escort of a guard of soldiers were marched to their vessel. -Globe.

KINGS COUNTY DEATHS.

G. W. Langell of Norton, who had been ailing for over thirteen months, was buried in the Presbyterian burying ground up there Friday afternoon. Mr. Langell was a highly respected farmer of 38 years of age, and leaves a wife and five children.

John Pendergrass of Middleland, between Norton and Springfield, died on Friday at an advanced age. He was a well-known and much-thought-of resident, and a staunch Baptist. He leaves an aged widow and grown-up family.

Leonard Sherwood, aged 45 years, of Campbell Settlement, Kings county, died on Thursday at a protracted illness with stomach trouble. He leaves a widow.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. See E. W. Grove's signature on each box.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 10.-Arld, aged 81 Anthony, from Cheverie, N.S., for Gloucester; and a Richard, from St. John for New York; Carotta, from Hillsboro, N.B., for New York.

RECEPTIONS TO SOLDIERS.

Privates Walker Bell and Kirkpatrick Received Their Friends Last Evening.

A very enjoyable reception in honor of Private Walker Bell was held at his home, 24 Wellington row, last evening. The house was gaily decorated and illuminated, as was Col. Armstrong's residence, across the street. The room in which those attending the reception assembled was handsomely hung with bunting and flags, and facing the door was a decoration bearing the words "Welcome Home." Among the guests present were Mayor Daniel, ex-Mayor Sears, Judge Forbes, Lt. Col. McLean, Lt. Col. Jones, Lt. Col. Armstrong, Major Armstrong, Capt. Foster, Lieut. Weldon McLean, Lieut. Robinson, Dr. Christie and Privates Adams and Pascoe. The band of the 62nd Fusiliers was also in attendance and gave a number of selections. During the evening refreshments were served, in which the hostess was assisted by Misses Minnie Stewart, Lou Gerwin and Olive Lawton, and an appropriate list of songs, including "The Queen." Private Bell, and Mr. Daniel, both of whom were also in attendance, gave a most pleasant evening, the party broke up, and Mayor Daniel, accompanied by the officers of the 62nd and many of the other guests, proceeded to the home of Pte. Fred Kirkpatrick on Rockland street, where Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick were awaiting a large number of their son's friends, and assisted at his reception also.

KID GLOVES STOLEN.

The appraisers received quite a surprise today, when they opened a case supposed to contain thirty-eight dozen of kid gloves for Manchester, Robert G. Allison to find that there were only nine and a quarter dozen. The gloves were packed in the usual paper boxes, in a metal case, and also in a wooden case. The cases had been opened at the bottom and part of the metal cut, so that the goods could be extracted. The paper boxes were broken and the remains left in the case. The value of the goods stolen is \$70. The gloves were shipped from London and came out in the S.S. Daytonah to Halifax. Of course it is not known when or where the goods were stolen, but probably the thieves occurred on the other side. -Globe.

LEFT A \$40,000 CHEQUE AT P. E. I.

E. H. Jones, vice-president of the St. Richelleu Valley railway, now under Rutland management and known as the Quebec Central, and manager of Sabrovois, is in the city, and in an interview given to the Herald today he told a Herald representative that for the last two weeks he has been in Prince Edward Island buying all the live produce he could see for the Boston market. Mr. Jones is the Canadian representative of an important New England commercial institution which does a large business in farm products with the eastern townships, and he was deputed to exploit the island. While there he bought and shipped to Boston 12,000 lambs, 7,000 live geese, besides large quantities of turkeys and fowl. "I paid for these by cheque through the Summerside bank and the total amount of it was \$40,000."

SMOTHERED TO DEATH.

(Chatham Advance.) John Cobb of Chaplain Island road, while driving his load of sheep towards Newcastle last Thursday afternoon, met his death by being thrown off the load, the pieces composing which were icy. No one was with him at the time of the accident, as his son James Cobb, who had helped put on the load, the horse, about three miles from Newcastle, remained behind, cutting. The body was found by Carroll and Cobb, Jr., as they were going home, lying near the horse's heels, with a sleeper across the unfortunate man's back. The horses had stood for about two hours, evidently without attempting to move from the spot where the mishap took place. Deceased had, no doubt, been rendered unconscious by the fall and the blow from the sleeper as it came down upon him off the load as the wheels were much respected in the community.

MARINE MATTERS.

There was no insurance on the Digby schooner W. E. Smith, before reported abandoned at sea.

One half interest in the schooner Helen Steiner has been purchased by Phipps & Mills of Annapolis. She was launched a year ago.

Capt. Martin Walsh, formerly of Digby, is now skipper of the new Gloucester schooner Navaho, which has just returned from her maiden trip to the Banks.

The four masted schooner Gypsum Empire was towed to Digby the other day to fish loading lumber for the Bay of Fundy. She took on 500,000 feet at Bear river, Clarke's wharf, the shipper.

Brig. Harry Stewart, which arrived at Digby Saturday from New York, will be towed to Bear river to load lumber for the West Indies for Clarke Bros.

Schr. Helen Shannon arrived at Bear river Friday from Annapolis to load lumber for the West Indies. She took on 115,000 feet at Annapolis.

Consent was given to the Annapolis bark Ingolf, now on the mud in the Annapolis river, has been stripped of her yards and funnels.

Bark W. W. McLachlan finished loading lumber for Cape Cod for Bassac Ayres.

Bark Strathmuir, Capt. McDougall, reported on her passage Bear river, en route to Bristol, from which she sailed Dec. 5 for Boston, put back on account of ice cover having to be broken.

A Biddeford, Me. despatch of the 6th says: Schs. Thomas B. Reed and E. P. Chase, which went ashore near Sinner's Neck station in Tuesday's gale (two reported) are still on the rocks. Two tugs pulled the Chase for two hours, but failed to float her. Her bottom is believed to be badly damaged, as the ebb and flow in her. The Reed will be jacked up and launched.

FREE VALUABLE PREMIUMS to any one who will sell at or above the following prices: Rubies, Sapphires, Emeralds, Diamonds, etc. Mammoth Premium Catalogue, containing 36 Valuable Premiums. THE MAXWELL CO., Department 576, TORONTO, Canada.

SUDDEN DEATH AT DIGBY.

Walter Stewart, a Much Respected Citizen Dropped Dead Yesterday.

ELGIN, N. B., Dec. 10.-Walter Stewart dropped dead at about five o'clock this afternoon. Cause of death is supposed to be heart failure. He had been unwell for some days and was in town today for the first time, and on reaching home, about five o'clock, died suddenly. Mr. Stewart was born and educated at Digby, and at about twenty years of age entered the employ of Messrs. Young & Baker, ship owners, of Yarmouth. After working for that firm several years he went into business here, which, not succeeding, he took up farming, which he followed up to his death. He was a brother of W. E. Stewart, prominent agriculturist, and Mrs. Geo. E. Corbett of Annapolis and Mrs. Sidney Wood of Digby, surviving sisters. Deceased left a widow, daughter of Capt. James Raymond, and five children. Mr. Stewart was an expert accountant, the equal of any in the western coast. His death casts a gloom over the whole place, he being a very popular man.

FIRE AT WOODSTOCK.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Dec. 10.-A fire broke out this afternoon in the attic of the J. C. Doherty building on Cornwell street, occupied by Terence Monahan as a restaurant and dining place. It seems to have been caused by a defective flue. The firemen had a great deal of difficulty in putting out the fire, the wind blowing savagely and the cold most intense. At one time it was feared the entire building was in danger, but after long and steady work the flames were subdued. Mr. Monahan's upstairs dining room was, with the furniture, greatly damaged by water, which it was necessary to use lavishly. He had no insurance. Considerable damage was also done to the upper part of the building by fire.

CROWELL WAS A NOVA SCOTIAN.

The Star published a despatch a few days ago telling of the shooting of John Crowell, at Wakefield, Mass. The Halifax Herald, however, says that John Crowell was a native of Lawrencetown and resided there until he was a young man. His mother resides in Wakefield, Mass. (James Crowell) at Lawrencetown, she is 92 years old, and with good faculties. James Crowell sometimes heard from his brother-the last time about six months ago. He always referred in his letters to the "Crowell fortune." He would be about 70 years of age, and leaves a widow and family. James Crowell of Lawrencetown was a firm believer in the fortune; and has contributed with the other heirs to a fund for prosecuting the claim. There is another brother, Reuben, also residing at Lawrencetown.

HE IS A ST. JOHN BOY.

Said the Montreal Star of Dec. 8: John McCosca, of the Old Brewery Mission, will be the preacher at the North Baptist Mission, corner Duluth avenue and St. Lawrence street, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Song service at 6.45. Mr. McCosca is severing his connection with the Old Brewery Mission at the beginning of the New Year to take up similar work in New York city, where he formerly labored. It is therefore anticipated that a large number will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing Mr. McCosca before he leaves Montreal.

DID NOT CURE.

But Greatly Helped by Change of Food. A lady in Harrisburg, O., is frank enough to say that while she has been helped by the use of Grape-Nuts in the change of food and taking up Grape-Nuts food. She says she began eating rich and highly seasoned food when she was young and followed it until she set up a bad stomach trouble, with severe attacks of nervous sick headache.

Finally rheumatism of the joints set in, and now some of her joints are dislocated by the heavy deposits forming about them and pushing them out of place, so that she is almost helpless. Her nervous system was wrecked and the optic nerve affected so that she could not read without bringing on nervous prostration and insomnia that would last two or three nights.

"Last fall I heard of and commenced the use of Grape-Nuts as a food. It has since been both food and medicine to me, for I have taken very little medicine since I began to use it. After ten months I find a great improvement in my brain and nerve power, am no longer troubled with sleeplessness, I suffer very much less with my rheumatism, and can read several hours a day, one day after the other, and sleep well all night."

"I am by no means entirely cured of rheumatism, but I have been made so much better by the use of Grape-Nuts food that I am sincerely thankful for it." This name will be furnished by the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

ELGIN NEWS.

Quite Extensive Lumbering Operations in Progress.

Hay Scarce and Live Stock Cheap - Started a Literary Club - Personal Intelligence.

ELGIN, Albert Co., Dec. 10.-There promises to be considerable stir in lumbering operations in Elgin and vicinity during the coming winter. Manning Colliett, with his new mill at Church Hill, will probably cut over a million feet, and Thaddeus Graves, with his mill at Gibson Brook, will also have a large cut. Stevens & Co. of Hillsboro have purchased large lumbering privileges in Mapleton, and have opportunities for doing a good winter's work in that locality. Besides these, the firm of S. H. White & Co. will carry on its usual extensive operations along Pollat River. Jacob Slevens, Jr., and Benjamin Collett, each with a crew of twenty or thirty men, have gone to Nova Scotia to engage in lumbering there, the former in Halifax county, the latter in Colchester. The early snowfall permits a good beginning in work, though the unusual circumstance of there being no frost in the ground is making work in the woods much more disagreeable.

Several carloads of fat cattle have been shipped from here during the present season, Thomas McGrath of St. John being the principal buyer. Hay is scarce, and as a consequence is bringing a good price, while the price of live stock is low.

The new agricultural hall is nearly completed. A goose supper will be held in it on the evening of the 22nd inst., to raise funds to pay off a small remaining debt.

Miss Louisa Horsman has resigned as teacher of the primary department of the schools. Her retirement will be much regretted both by parents and pupils.

The fur season has opened well. John Garland, one of the principal buyers, has already secured several hundred dollars worth.

For the purpose of improving the local literary club was recently organized, with W. B. Jonah, president, and Miss Simpson, secretary-treasurer. Besides the study of some literary subjects, a course of lectures will be provided under its auspices.

Miss Pauline Johnston, the Indian postman and journalist, gave an entertainment here on the 7th inst. She was greeted by an appreciative audience, though, on account of the condition of the roads, the number was small.

A branch of the Canadian Order of Foresters was organized here recently by Organizer C. N. McLeod. Following are the officers: B. P. Steeves, C. R.; Geo. Robinson, V. C. R.; Horace Godard, fin. sec.; Fred Godard, rec. sec.; A. Goggin, treas.; Rev. H. H. Saunders, chap.; Wm. Smith, sr. W.; Steadman Graves, Jr. W.; Harris Bishop, sr. B.; Clarence Tucker, Jr. B.; Frank Steeves, cond.; W. B. Jonah, C. D.; Dr. Steeves, physician.

The annual roll call of the Elgin Baptist church will be held on Dec. 23rd.

Miss Lizzie Bourque is spending the winter here visiting her sister, Mrs. Horace Godard. Mrs. David Fitzpatrick left here a few weeks ago, with her two children, for Canning, N. S. She has since joined her husband, Capt. Fitzpatrick, on a trip to Cuba, and southern ports. Miss Bessie Godard, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Hanson, Nashwaak, York Co., for several weeks, will remain till after Christmas. Mrs. Fred Godard leaves in a few days for her home in Belleville, Ont., where she will spend the holiday season.

N. S. SCHOONER LIBELLED.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.-The British schooner Priscilla of Lunenburg, N. S., which was libelled by the Commercial Trust Co. on a claim for salvage for saving the lives of the crew of the vessel, was recently ordered by the court to be released. The vessel of Bow and Pigs' reef, Vineyard Sound, Dec. 5, will probably be a bond to-morrow and be released. Perth Amboy to Halifax, and the vessel ordered by the tug Lovett the vessel probably have become a total loss. The towboat company believes that they are entitled to at least \$2,500, as they claim the schooner is valued at \$10,000 or \$12,000, and the cargo of coal at \$1,200.

DEER ISLAND TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

ELLSWORTH, Me., Dec. 10.-The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. has purchased the franchise and line of the Deer Isle Telephone Co. and taken possession of the same. The Deer Isle company is a local corporation and maintained a line in the town of Deer Isle, Maine. The New England Co. will lay a cable across Eggemoor reach, two miles to connect Deer Isle with their system.

WANTED.

WANTED - A Female Teacher, Second Class, for setting term at Chatham Harbor, District No. 3, Musquash, St. John County, N. B. State salary waived. Apply to Jas. Thompson, secretary to trustees, Chatham Harbor.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

The Names of Canadians Who Have Been Given Posts in South Africa.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.-The following militia orders were promulgated last evening. The following army orders, issued in South Africa, are published for information: "Bloemfontein, 1st April, 1900.-The following officers will be attached for instructional purposes: Lieut.-Col. W. D. Gordon; Royal Canadian Regiment; Major Bouchanger, Canadian Artillery; to Lieut.-Col. F. H. Hall's brigade division Royal Field Artillery, 7th Division.

"Cape Town, 2nd July, 1900.-Subject to the approval of the field marshal commanding-in-chief, the following appointments are made: Lieut.-Col. W. D. Gordon, Royal Canadian Regiment, is attached to the staff of the base-commandant, Cape Town, from 1st July, 1900, and is graded as D. A. G. for pay and allowances.

"Cape Town, 13th May, 1900.-Railway Staff Officer, Captain D. I. V. Eaton, Royal Canadian Field Artillery, is appointed railway staff officer, De-Aar, from 15th May, 1900, vice Capt. J. L. J. Clarke.

"Kroonstad, 19th May, 1900.-Lee Sergeant Ross, M. D., 1st Battalion Canadian Mounted Regiment, is appointed surgeon to the battalion, with pay at the rate of 21 a day, rations and forage for one horse, from 18th inst., inclusive.

"Cape Town, 4th June, 1900.-Major R. MacDougall, Royal Canadian Regiment, from railway transport officer to be D. A. G., for entraining at Cape Town, vice Lieut.-Col. C. E. Wynne, Army Service Corps, vacated that appointment on promotion. Dated 26th May, 1900.

"Cape Town, 28th June, 1900.-Subject to the approval of the field marshal commanding-in-chief, the following appointments are made: With reference to lines of communication, order No. 171 (B), of the 20th June, 1900, Lieut.-Col. J. L. Biggar, 15th Battalion Canadian Militia, is graded as D. A. G. for pay and allowances, while attached to the staff of the base-commandant, Cape Town.

"Pretoria, 18th August, 1900.-The following are attached to the Army Service Corps, for duty, and will report themselves to the director of supplies, Pretoria, as soon as possible: Trooper W. H. Peebles, Canadian Mounted Rifles; Trooper Peebles to have the local rank of 2nd lieutenant, while so employed."

Leave of absence, with permission to travel abroad, is granted to Capt. F. W. Fisher, 3rd Victoria Rifles, from the 1st inst. to 1st February, 1901.

DEATH OF MRS. SECORD.

The death is announced elsewhere of Mrs. Secord, widow of the late James Secord. Mrs. Secord has been ill for three months, and passed away peacefully on Friday afternoon. She leaves three sons, Dr. Fred, and Dr. Charles Secord of New York, J. Edmund of this city, and one daughter, Miss C. A. Secord, who resides at home. The family were all with her when she passed away. Mrs. Secord was one of the oldest members of the Stone church.

MAN AND HORSE DROWNED.

About 9 p. m. Dec. 8, two men, named Rattee and Leblanc, were crossing on the ice from Campbellton to Cross Point, Que. When about half way across, the horse and sleigh went through the ice. Rattee escaped, and ran to Cross Point for help. Before assistance arrived the horse, sleigh and Mr. Leblanc had disappeared under the ice.

WALTER TAYLOR DEPARTS.

Walter Taylor, son of Joseph Taylor, cashier in the American Express office, has severed his connection with Messrs. C. Flood & Sons and left yesterday afternoon to enter the employ of A. T. Chapman & Co., a large fancy goods and stationery house in Montreal. Saturday evening a number of Mr. Taylor's friends entertained him at supper. He was presented with a large travelling trunk. Among the young people of St. John Mr. Taylor will be greatly missed.

READ HIS BAD DEEDS.

You may read, sew or simply, instead of doing washboard rubbing, if you use

"VICTORINE" It makes clothes white without rubbing. Guaranteed not to injure any washing fabric. 2 cakes, 5c. wash 4 bottles.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

HOPEWELL HILL, Dec. 4.—At Police Magistrate Stuart's court, on Thursday, Solomon Woodworth was fined \$8 and 11 cents for shooting and wounding a dog belonging to F. E. Rogers.

W. A. West has a contract for repairing the Shepody bridge. A successful social, under the auspices of the ladies of the Baptist church, was held last evening at the residence of Conn. West.

In response to a telegram from relatives of the deceased, the remains of the late David Brown have been sent to Windsor Junction, N. B., for interment.

BARTSVILLE, York Co., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Wade, wife of Rabson, passed peacefully away on Friday while sitting in a chair. She had been ailing for some time, but was not seriously ill. She was 69 years of age.

The funeral took place on Sunday at 2 o'clock from her late residence to the church, where a sermon was preached by Mr. Rideout, pastor of the Free Baptist church. Interment was made directly afterward in the cemetery adjoining the church.

Miss Robinson, who has been the past year visiting her brother in St. Stephen, has returned home for the holidays. Her friend, Miss Adams, accompanied her.

RICHMOND, N. B., Dec. 5.—Rowena, daughter of Donald, died yesterday afternoon. She was a licensed teacher and had been ill for nearly two months.

The smelt fishing commenced a few days ago and the catch on the small streams has been fairly good. Two carloads were sent out yesterday. The fish are bringing two cents per pound.

The schooner Polar Star arrived last Friday from Summerside, P. E. I., with a cargo of merchandise.

S. O'Donnell of the New Kent hotel had a narrow escape from serious injury last evening. The hotel proprietor was driving his spirited mare down Water street when she started to run. Mr. O'Donnell was thrown out and lacerated with scratches. The mare ran three miles before she was stopped. The sleigh was badly smashed.

A heavy northeast snow storm is in progress this morning. The schooner Advance, a son of Captain Geo. Long of this town, is also a native, having been born here.

Work on the breakwater at the mouth of the harbor has been suspended for the season. The Summer Company of Moncton have just completed a fine bathroom in Richard Street. The work was done by Weldon Carter of Moncton, one of the best plumbers in the province.

BENTON, Carleton Co., Dec. 4.—The sad death of Thomas Muce, Sr., occurred on Friday evening. He had left home on the previous Monday to cook in Alfred Wright's lumber camp, near Greenville. After the day's work was done he said he did not feel well, and retired early. Shortly after he began to moan and Mr. Wright went to his side, but he had immediately expired. His remains were brought to his son's residence here on Saturday evening, and the funeral took place on Monday p. m. Rev. C. N. Barton officiated. Deceased was 78 years old and had been twice married. He leaves a widow, one son, Thomas Muce, of this place, and three daughters, Mrs. Annie Wentworth of Biddeford, Maine, Mrs. Mary Mattocks of Boston, Mass., and Miss Nettie Muce. The family were all present at the funeral.

Murchie's mill concluded the present season's operations last Wednesday.

MAUGERVILLE, Sunbury Co., Dec. 6.—Albert S. Jones of the north end made a flying trip here on Thursday to see his friends. Fred McGowan spent a day among his friends recently.

W. W. Simpson passed through here today to his home at Scotchtown, Queens Co. He came from Truro to vote and rendered good service in his native parish on election day.

By the unwarrantable neglect of the road officers in district No. 2, the road is, as usual after a storm, impassable. Strange to say, both councillors reside in this district.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 7.—The Stanley branch railway will make their first trip tomorrow. Dr. Moore, the promoter, has just returned from Moncton, where he arranged to have a combination passenger car, flanger and plow placed on the road. The locomotive arrived on the days ago.

Mrs. Perkins, relict of John Perkins, died at the home of her son, Capt. J. D. Perkins, last night, aged 85. Besides Jas. D. deceased leaves one son, John W., who for some years was employed in the telegraph office, and three daughters, all of whom are married and living in the United States.

MILLTOWN, Dec. 7.—At a meeting of the ministers from both sides of the river, held on Friday last, it was decided to hold the week prayer the first week in the New Year, embracing the Presbyterian, Congregational, Methodist and Methodist Episcopal, and Baptist churches, two services being held each evening. They intend following a plan of topics prepared by themselves on Christian life and experience.

Rev. R. J. Fulton of Grand Manan was in town over night on Thursday last, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Best Jackson. He has been for a week in Boston visiting friends.

At the annual Thanksgiving day shooting match in Calais, Bert Jackson won a goose, and Mayor Murchie secured the decorated chicken for the lowest place on the record lists, and is proud of his prize.

Wilmberforce Division, S. of T., is to have a rally of all the old members and those who now belong, on the 14th instant. The grand division has decided to meet with Wilmberforce, Nov. 3, next May, and the members are desirous of making this visit a very pleasant and profitable one.

Bolton Haley has gone to New Bedford, Mass., and has secured a good position in the cotton mill.

Dec. 7. A. S. Bell returned from Hartland on Friday night, and took his work on the Old Ridge circuit on Sunday.

A bear of unusual proportions has been frequently seen lately on the Baxter and Coteau roads. Robert Bell, Sr., had the privilege of a close inspection a week ago, when his bearship stood up and showed his immense size a short distance from where Mr. Bell was walking on his farm at Baxter.

The second quarterly official meeting

of the Milltown Methodist church was held Tuesday night and the church was shown to be in excellent condition. The original debt of \$1,000 on the parsonage had been paid off, and C. Fred Tinkson of Moncton has given over the mill round to his son, and has gone into the lumber woods for the winter.

The snow storm of Tuesday night and Wednesday was quite severe. The electric cars were compelled to lay over until the snow plough cleared the track.

The finances of the circuit were nearly \$50 ahead of the corresponding quarter last year. The stewards for the year were elected as follows:—

Baxter, E. S., Robert Bell, Sr., Robert Irvine, Henry Smiley, Samuel Jackson, J. H. Thompson and Frank Parks. The reports from the Sunday school and the Epworth League indicated improvement over the past year, and prospects of a still greater progress in the future. The members of the Sunday school committee were Bert Jackson, John Irvine, Robert Hill. The last night of the century will be spent by this congregation in a watchnight service.

Geo. Belkum was killed by a fall in Lincoln, N. H., a week ago and his remains were brought to the home of his father, James Cooper, in Milltown, Me., and interred in Calais cemetery on Sunday.

Geo. Belkum, son of E. H. Belkum, is spending a few days with his father on Queen street. Mr. Belkum makes his home in New York.

Rev. Robert McKenzie of Vermont, who was spending his holidays at his old home, and his friends here, was called home quicker than he expected on account of the illness of his wife.

John Kerr, father of B. H. Kerr, merchant, has returned from Hartland, N. B., where he has been for eight months in Sawyer's mill.

Another of our young men has gone to New Bedford, Mass., viz., Douglas Morrison. He has secured a position in the cotton mill there.

It is said that W. H. Laughlin will likely be captain, and Mayor F. C. Murchie first lieutenant of the military company to be formed here.

The ladies of the Pythian sisterhood have presented Border lodge, K. of P., with a silk Union Jack for the altar, and a Canadian ensign for the lodge room here.

Brakeman Huzey, while coupling cars at Princeton, on the Washington County railroad, on Saturday, badly smashed one of his hands; it is feared permanent.

Mrs. Johnson has removed from Gleason road, and is living with her father, W. Fletcher Turner, at the Union. Her husband has gone into the lumber woods for the winter.

BERWICK, Kings Co., Dec. 6.—There is quite a stir in lumber operations here this winter. Russel Parlee has about ten men at work in the woods on Jas. McAfee's place. Jones Bros. of Apohaqui are buying the lumber around and above here, most of which will be cut at Smith's mill.

On Thursday evening last week Mt. Middleton division, S. of T., visited Collins division, and on Friday evening the division at Centreville visited at Mt. Middleton. On Saturday evening the three divisions from Mt. Middleton, head of Millstream and Carsonville visited that at Centreville, and on Monday evening the division at Centreville visited the one at head of Millstream.

The general public was more than surprised last Saturday to find that the post office, which has been very satisfactorily kept for about 28 years in the store of Jas. A. Fenwick, had been moved across the street into one of the occupied rooms of a Baptist house, where there is a large family, including several small children. There is a daily mail to this office, and three times a week mail is made up here for distribution to several other offices.

E. R. Polkin of Centreville is busy pork packing, and intends to put down about ten tons this season. He has had two shipments of pork and several car loads of oats from P. E. I.

CORNWALLIS NEWS.

CORNWALLIS, N. S., Dec. 5.—Frank Moore has returned to his home in Kentville from a three months' course in the military school at Fredericton.

Canning is to have an electric light plant put in to light the streets and stores.

On Wednesday, Gertrude Lynch of Canard was married in the Baptist church at that place to Daniel McInnis. Rev. C. H. Martell performed the ceremony.

The remains of Mrs. Watson Ellis arrived in Canning on Tuesday from Boston. The deceased was a daughter of the late John Coffin of Habitant, and a sister of Mrs. Gibson Cox of Canning. She was fifty-eight years of age.

Mrs. John Baxter, of Baxter's Harbor, died on Monday. She had been an invalid for more than two years. She was seventy-six years of age. She leaves a husband and two daughters, Mrs. Elsie Harris and Mrs. John Loomer of Sheffield's Mills. A son of Herbert Schofield of the North Mountain died of whooping cough last week.

Lewis Messenger of Canard has purchased the Morse residence in Wolfville and is removing his family to his new home.

Miss Janie Wicksteaf of Canning is visiting friends in St. John.

ST. MARTINS.

Court Quince was organized by C. N. McLeod, general organizer for the Canadian Order of Foresters, on Dec. 3rd with 31 members. The following officers were elected and installed: J. P. C. R., L. E. Bradshaw; C. E. F. M. Cockran; N. C. R. E. Allen Love; F. S., R. F. H. H. Hastling; R. S., Allison Bourke; treas., Frank Palmer; chap., Geo. E. Mosher; Sec. W., Jas. E. O'Connell; Jr. W., Michael McCarty; Sr. B., F. E. Bradshaw; Jr. B., John De Corsey; con., A. W. Fownes; C. D., E. A. Titus; physician, Robert Ruddick, M. D.

Joe Ptoas, a well known Indian guide, was killed in the woods on the Tuskat River, N. S., a few days ago by a tree falling upon him. He was considered one of the best rifle shots in the Micmac tribe.

QUEEN TO KING.

Her Majesty's Reply to King Carlo's Message.

Banquet on Board the Battleship Majestic. Attended by the King and His Cabinet.

LISBON, Dec. 9.—King Carlos has received from Queen Victoria the following telegram, in response to the one sent by his majesty yesterday:

"I am greatly touched by your kind telegram. I sincerely thank you, my dear nephew, for it and for the good wishes you entertain toward me and my people. It is again with the greatest pleasure that I recognize the cordial and friendly understanding between Portugal and England."

After cordial farewells to the Portuguese officials and an exchange of salutes, the British squadron sailed at noon.

At Saturday's banquet on board the British battleship Majestic, when King Carlos, his wife and family, and Prince Louise Philippe, together with the members of the cabinet and other dignitaries were entertained by Vice Admiral Sir Henry Holdsworth Rawson, the Portuguese premier, Senior J. de Castro, and other distinguished guests.

Victoria and Great Britain," saluted "the alliance that has long existed in treaties and has been confirmed in recent acts." He said the significance of the alliance was an assurance that our rights will be respected and our dominions maintained.

Sir H. G. MacDonell, the British minister, in responding, thanked the government of King Carlos for the friendly attitude maintained with such correctness toward Great Britain during the war in South Africa, which has been warmly appreciated by the government of Queen Victoria.

"The confirmation of the alliance which unites us indissolubly," continued the British minister, "is there in the presence of the Channel squadron. Ancient ties are drawn closer by recent events. The British government desire that a firm and durable alliance may be ever maintained."

In conclusion, he proposed "The prosperity of Portugal and the happiness of the royal family."

Senior Villao, minister of marine and the colonies, who responded, said: "We welcome our allies. These (pointing to the British flag) is the British flag. Let us salute it with respect and affection as the Portuguese flag was saluted at Komalpoort. These two salutes are a public affirmation of the alliance."

Senior Villao toasted the British squadron. Sir Henry Rawson, replying, said: "I welcomed with enthusiasm my instructions to come to Lisbon, where our union and alliance are now being celebrated. I thank you for the reception and I drink to our sister navy."

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HALIFAX.

Boy Employed at St. Patrick's Home Accidentally Kills Himself.

HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—The Spanish steamer Eolo, which left Hamburg for St. John, was delayed by a short of coal. Capt. Gorondo reports very tempestuous weather. She will proceed tomorrow after coaling.

Anxiety was relieved when it was announced that the steamer Oruro, from this port for Bermuda, had arrived last night, after a tempestuous voyage of seven days.

Arthur Drake, a boy of twenty, employed at St. Patrick's Home, killed himself at 10.30 this morning while examining a revolver. He has been loaded it and in some way accidentally pulled the trigger while holding the revolver in a position that sent the bullet into his head. He lived half an hour. Drake bore a good character.

Last night, of his own volition, he attended confession, and at 5 o'clock this morning took communion. A brother of his is a returned veteran from South Africa.

WARMLY WELCOMED HOME.

Private Fred A. Kirkpatrick of the first Canadian contingent, son of A. Kirkpatrick of the Vassie Co. Ltd., arrived home from South Africa via Halifax at a very early hour Saturday morning, and received a very warm greeting. He arrived on the Parisian on Thursday, with Privates Redden and Woodard of the Infantry School and other Canadians. They were delayed in Halifax waiting to be paid off, and only got away on Friday afternoon, reaching here by the night express, due about one o'clock. Notwithstanding the unseasonable hour, a large deputation was on hand to greet Kirkpatrick, and also extend a welcome to the Fredericton lads. About forty or fifty employees of Manchester, Robertson & Allison, with Private Donahue, ex-Mayor Sears and several friends, assembled at the head of King street about midnight, and drove to the depot. The sleigh was handsomely decorated for the occasion. The boys had a long walk, for the train did not arrive until shortly after two o'clock. They waited the time away, however, with speeches, songs and merriment. When the train did arrive, Kirkpatrick was warmly greeted, first by his father and other members of his family, then by his friends, who called him triumphantly to the sleigh and drove him to his home on Rockland road, where he was cheered enthusiastically.

Private Donahue was also driven to his home, and the boys then formed in line and escorted Private Redden and Woodard to the Park hotel, where they are still sojourning. They gave these a warm welcome and enlivened their home-coming with speech and song.

Private Kirkpatrick looks the picture of health. He has grown stouter and says he never felt better, although the Parisian had a very stormy passage.

He spent the sojourn in England on the way home very pleasantly. Nothing was too good for the Canadian boys, and every attention was shown them. He had enough leisure to visit several of his relatives, and his visit was most enjoyable.

THE MARKETS.

Revised Every Monday for the Semi-Weekly Sun.

COUNTRY MARKET.

Table listing various market goods such as Canadian beef, Best butchers, Carcass, etc., with prices.

Wholesale.

Table listing various market goods such as Beef, corned, per lb., Best tongue, per lb., etc., with prices.

Retail.

Table listing various market goods such as Mackerel, half lb., Cod, per lb., etc., with prices.

GROCERIES.

Table listing various market goods such as Cheese, Matches, Standard, Cream, per lb., etc., with prices.

MOLASSES.

Table listing various market goods such as Porto Rico, fancy, new, 45, 46, etc., with prices.

SUGAR.

Table listing various market goods such as Standard granulated, 4.80, 4.85, etc., with prices.

COFFEE.

Table listing various market goods such as Jamaica, per lb., green, 24, 25, etc., with prices.

LIVERPOOL, EX VESSEL.

Table listing various market goods such as Liverpool, ex vessel, 0.00, 0.00, etc., with prices.

SPICES.

Table listing various market goods such as Nutmegs, per lb., ground, 0.18, 0.18, etc., with prices.

PROVISIONS.

Table listing various market goods such as American clear pork, 15.00, 15.00, etc., with prices.

GRAIN, ETC.

Table listing various market goods such as Oats (Ontario), car lots, 0.35, 0.35, etc., with prices.

FLOUR, ETC.

Table listing various market goods such as Buckwheat meal, 2.15, 2.15, etc., with prices.

FRUITS, ETC.

Table listing various market goods such as Cape Cod cranberries, 11.00, 11.00, etc., with prices.



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Advertisement for FREE CAMERA, featuring a picture of a camera and text describing the offer.

FRANKFORT - ON - THE-MAINE, Dec. 9.—According to a despatch to the Voessische Zeitung from Bucharest the Roumanian government has broken off the negotiations with the Standard Oil Co. for a lease of the petroleum fields.

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A STRANGE STORY.

How the Boers Captured Jacobsdal and Were Driven Out by Five Men.

Boers Used Explosive Bullets and Had Very Bizarre Why the War Drags On.

The English papers to hand by yesterday's mail contain a letter, dated Modder River, October 23, written by one of the Cape Town Highlanders, giving the following account of the capture of Jacobsdal by the Boers on October 25:

Our affair at Jacobsdal was simply murder and nothing else. Fifty of us (Cape Town Highlanders) were sent from Modder River under a captain and lieutenant to protect the place. We had had to be constantly on the alert, with only about four hours sleep in three days, and were all utterly fatigued out. Jacobsdal is a village with about 100 houses, a church, and barracks, and until we went there was protected by eight mounted police. On our arrival, the captain, instead of quartering in the barracks, had tents erected in the middle of the market square, which is entirely surrounded by houses.

At 4.30 on the morning of Thursday, October 25, the sentry on the quarter-guard challenged somebody, and was instantly shot down, with two bullets in him. We jumped up at once and received a terrific volley in our tents from three sides of the market square. Our men fell in their tents right and left, wounded and dying. Four men tried to make for the barracks, fifty yards distant, but were shot down. One reached there; they others fell simply riddled with bullets. The only thing for us to do was to lie flat on our backs and take our chance. All around the wounded were groaning, and now and then we heard a voice saying, "Good-bye, my friends!"

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Meanwhile, news had reached Modder River that the town was in the hands of the Boers, and reinforcements, consisting of another fifty of our fellows and five mounted men, were despatched to our assistance. On their arrival the enemy doubtless thinking that they were the advance guard of a large force, left and rode for the kopjes behind the town. Thus we were relieved after being about nine hours under fire. We then collected our dead and wounded, and found that out of the forty of us in the tents eleven had been killed and seventeen wounded. Three of the latter died during the night, making our dead number fourteen. It is a miracle that any of us escaped. Five of the killed were very grave cases of melioidosis, the result of explosive bullets. The enemy seem to have had no others. The wounds were terrific, some large enough to put a clove stick into. In some cases heads were almost entirely blown away. After collecting our dead and wounded, we went round the town and searched all the houses. Thirty-six suspicious houses were burnt to the ground. They simply teemed with ammunition, which was exploding at intervals during the night. We found that the women were protesting had been reading the rebel paper while they were firing upon us. We managed to kill the commandant and two others, but do not know of any more. The commandant seems to have been living in the village for four days before the attack, and no doubt all the inhabitants, except four or five English families, were rebels. We returned for the night to a well-intrenched hill, but none of us slept.

Next morning we returned to the village and buried our poor comrades. It was a sad sight. We had scarcely time to bury the dead before the Boers were seen advancing on the town in large numbers, and we had to make for the intrenchments. Seeing we were prepared, the enemy again retired, and a number of our men returned to the village and commandeered all the available carts in which to take away our wounded. After setting fire to all our stores we retired on Modder River, arriving at midnight, sad and worn out. Since then we have been sleeping in the trenches, expecting an attack from the big commando which is said to be in the neighborhood. We want to be ready for them this time, and get some of our own back.

THE RELIEF FORCE. Harvey P. Finlayson, who was in charge of the relief force of Cape Modder, writes as follows: At 7.30 a. m. on the 25th four niggers came to the camp, bringing the news that the Boers had surprised Jacobsdal at daybreak, and were, at the time they left, occupying the market square. I immediately ordered all my men to saddle up, although we had been out all night patrolling to Honeynest Kloof, and then ordered 400 foot men to parade, fully armed and equipped, as soon as possible. My men were all ready and in the saddle by 7.45 a. m. but the foot men were not ready until 9 a. m. We started in skirmishing order, and all went well till we got about half-way (six miles), when I saw great numbers of Boers galloping over the flat in the direction of Jacobsdal. As our horses were not in the best of condition, I thought it useless to try to cut them off, so proceeded towards the town. When we got to a rise, which is about two miles from Jacobsdal and overlooks the town, I saw a man, a native, coming full gallop towards us, and on his getting closer I recognized him as the Modder River doctor, who, it seems, had taken it into his head to go to Jacobsdal for lunch, not knowing that the Boers were in possession. He

was within 300 yards of the town when he commenced firing on him, and his escape was really a matter of marvel. We had arranged that I and four Cape Artillerymen should take the right flank, and the rest of my men the left flank, and the foot men the centre, but the foot men delayed so long that I got tired of waiting, and asked the artillerymen to wait with me if they were prepared to rush the town. They all agreed willingly, so we galloped the intervening two miles. Not a shot was fired until we got into the market square, when fire opened from each of the four sides, and it was very hot for a little time. Of course, I did not know where our fellows were. We waited there in the market square for several minutes, but seeing some Boers ride off towards Kofffontein, we gave chase. Unfortunately, their horses were much fresher than ours, and they easily outdistanced us. We then charged the town from a different direction. By this time the Boers were getting thoroughly sick and beginning to disperse, so we dismounted and commenced arresting men from whose houses the firing had come. We (five men) relieved Jacobsdal at 2.50 p. m., and the foot men who were supposed to be the relieving party arrived, very quietly, at 5.15 p. m., after every Boer had been gone 11-4 hours.

Unfortunately, I was instructed by special messenger to return as soon as possible to Modder river, as they were expecting an attack every minute. We arrived here at 1 o'clock in the morning, and have been scouting ever since (it is Friday and we are for dinner) and have to start again at once—pretty hard work. The Boers behaved in a shameful way. One man, Rogers, of the C. A., went into the market square with a Red Cross flag to help a wounded comrade. Before he reached him he had two bullets through the leg (all the bullets they fired were explosive). He then turned round and was staggering back to the house when a bullet struck him in the back of the head, penetrating the brain and making a great hole in the forehead. After the Boers saw that he was dead, they fired 20 shots into his back, purely out of devilment. Another man got 15 bullets into him after death.

The alarm was given in this way. One of the C. A. was on guard over their gun (a 15-pounder) when he heard some whispering on the far-side of a wall, about ten yards from him. He challenged, and immediately saw seven Boer rifles pointing at him over the wall. They fired, and missed him. That started the business. The Boers on the Boer side, as far as we can find out, is the commander killed and eight men, but there may be more, and, of course, the wounded are unknown. There are supposed to be 500 Boers at Klokfontein, on the railway, seven miles down the line from the station. An armored train takes every other train, both passenger and goods, as far as Orange River. This work is intensely exciting, but my head goes wrong, and I should very much like a good sleep, with no responsibility, just for a change.

HOW THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT PROMOTES TEMPERANCE. The regulations connected with the state control of alcohol in Russia have been greatly modified in the last few years. Under the old method, from 1882, a series of monopolies for sale in bulk, worked by state agents (1892-1900). Later, from 1895 to 1900, the system was farmed at first, and afterwards duties were levied on the products, combined with special taxation of distilleries, spirit stores, and drinking bars. Towards the end of his reign, the Emperor Alexander III. substituted the sale of all alcohol by state agents; this monopoly was applied first to the provinces of Perm, Omsk, and Tobolsk, and afterwards to twenty-five provinces in the south and northwest, and to Polesia. This sweeping reform was not met with the object of increasing revenue, but to reduce drunkenness, and to relieve the population from the demoralizing influences that had grown up around the system of farming out licenses. Under the old system, the sale of alcohol was in the hands of a few large houses, and the new regulations were designed to encourage agricultural distilleries, conducted, of course, under proper supervision; the question of revenue to the state was a matter of minor consideration. This very important reform was first applied in 1895, became the general law of Russia in 1897, and has since been extended to all provinces, but very strict regulations controlling the distilleries, are enforced. The monopoly purchases one-third of the quantity required, by public tender; the other two-thirds are bought from private distilleries. In this way the Russian government stands between the producer and the customer. It no longer allows distilling a tax of 7 or 8 per cent on alcohol; but it purchases all that is to be consumed, either in its own works, or by its own agents, stores it in its own warehouses, whence none is issued without being weighed as to quantity, and sold at a price. The drinking bars that used to belong to private owners are now entirely in the hands of the state, or, rather, the government bureau has established in their place, for the sale of alcohol in bottles only, which must not be opened on the premises; all possible discouragements are given to the private distiller. The government price per litre is fixed at 3 francs 92 centimes; the price fixed for the public is 5 francs 12 centimes. The price is 13 centimes extra duty no longer collected, including all expenses, and the compensation allowed to the towns and provinces for the losses they sustained when the change was made, and licenses suppressed. No compensation was allowed to spirit merchants or bar-keepers.

OLD EGYPTIAN QUARRIES. On the way to Philae and the head of the Cataract, a short distance south of Assuan, we came upon the ancient quarries which supplied granite for the pyramids and other obelisks throughout Egypt for many centuries. An obelisk which we saw lies in its native bed. It is nearly 100 feet high, and three sides have been carefully cut, but for some unknown reason it was never separated entirely from the parent rock. The surface bears the tool marks of the workmen. The grooves in it show that it was to have been reduced to the size of the obelisk. It is supposed that the stone was split from its bed by drilling holes in it, and filling them with wooden wedges, which were afterwards saturated with water, the swelling of the wood forcing the stone apart. The great monuments were floated down the river on rafts, and the canals or dragged overland by thousands of slaves. In one of the quarries, a large block of granite is being cut. The great stone is loaded upon a huge sled drawn by a multitude of workmen. One man is engaged in pouring water upon the runners to prevent friction. Another stands at the left of the stone, while overseers, provided with whips, urge the laborers to their task. What makes the quarry, why it was left there, what it is to commemorate, we can never know. The obelisk of the Sphinx is solved, but the riddle of the obelisk in the quarry will no doubt remain with us forever.

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THE WORLD'S CONVENTION.

(A New Jersey white-ribboner sends us the following extract from a letter giving a Scotch lassie's view of the World's W. C. T. U. convention. We are sure it will interest our readers.—The Editors.)

"Dear Friends—I would have acknowledged yours sooner, had it not been for the World's W. C. T. U. Convention which was held this year in Edinburgh. It is just over and with meetings and summer school occupied an entire fortnight.

I had the honor to be one of the stewards, and practically lived in the assembly hall during that time. It was the largest world's convention yet held, 135 delegates coming from America alone. The ladies took conservative Edinburgh by storm, and the old idea that still lingers about, that a lady is bound to be unworldly if she speaks on a public platform, is dead. I never expect to meet more truly feminine women than these white-ribboners, nor sweeter, nor gentler. They commanded respect and admiration, because their brains had not been cultivated, as well as their accomplishments and personal appearance. With one exception they were far ahead of the male speakers. I admire Mrs. Lillian Stevens especially. She is a perfect orator, and a noble woman in every fibre of her being. That was made plain as never before at the memorial service for Miss Willard—an unforgettable service indeed. It was dreadful to see the whole convention giving way under the painful tension of the hours. Miss Willard's picture gave me a glimpse of her, and I should have been glad to see her. It was placed on an easel next to Lady Henry.

Throughout the whole convention there was a grave and dignity in the conducting of business quite novel to Edinburgh audiences and which could only come from the presence of graceful and gracious women.

The weather all the time of the convention was bad enough for Edinburgh. The elements have been terribly unsettled ever since the eclipse. Probably the ladies are saying they won't come back till Scotland is roofed in. They couldn't shake Edinburgh dust off their feet—it wasn't to be had, except in the form of mud. In fact, all the foreigners were so delighted that out of the fear of losing all conceit in ourselves whatsoever, as a sort of antidote I fell to reading again the articles in the late journals written by "An American Mother." It was really necessary out of sheer selfishness! We have read these articles with very great interest. I suppose they may be accepted as generally true, and if so the state of affairs is deeply deplored.

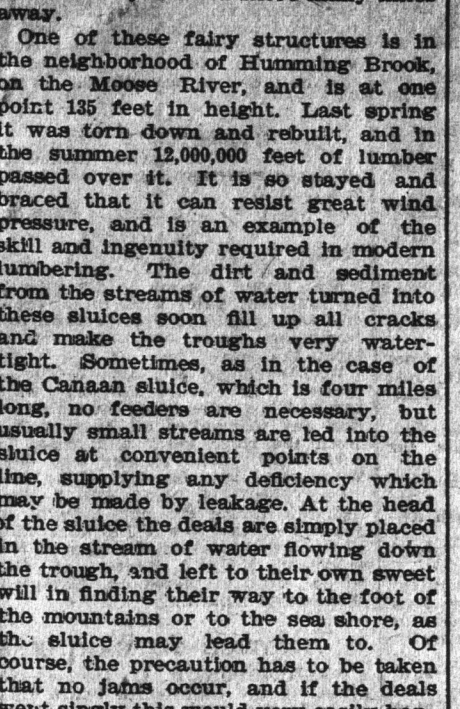
TRANSPORT OF LUMBER BY MEANS OF SLICES.

(Canadian Lumberman.)

One of the most interesting features in connection with the lumber business in the vicinity of Parboro, N. S., is the method by which lumber is transported from the mountains and hills to the coast. Slices are constructed of plank—ordinarily rough lumber—using two-inch plank for the bottom and one or one and one-half inch stuff for the sides. The slices are usually about 15 inches wide and 7 inches deep, being cleated about every three feet. They have an incline which varies according to the lay of the land, the pitch being perhaps one inch to the rod at the lowest, and in other places ten inches to the rod, and often steeper.

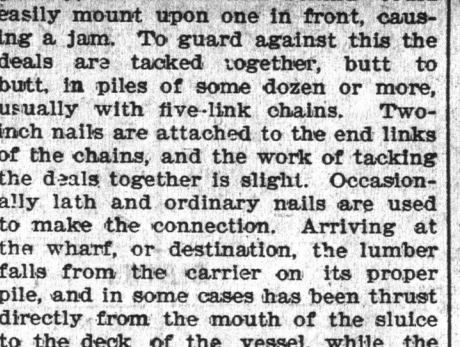
A few years ago the writer, while wheeling from Acadia Mines to Parboro, suddenly saw before him, down a long, broad and deep valley, what appeared like a gigantic spider web, drift spun from ridge to ridge, and frail enough apparently to waft in the breeze. A cautious and nearer approach proved most interesting in results. The skeleton structure of round and square logs and poles ingeniously framed, bolted and spiked together, reared aloft to nearly 150 feet overhead, supported far up there among the breezes which gently swayed it, a strip of wooden trough, which here and there trickled drops of water upon the logs. It was a sight to wonder at in the innocent eye of a stranger, who bore past on its surface thousands of feet of lumber each hour of the day, from its home in the recesses of those blue hills to the decks of vessels down by the sea shore many miles away.

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NEWFOUNDLAND. ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 8.—Public opinion warmly endorses Mr. Bond's new cabinet. It virtually means no compromise with Mr. Reid, his opponents composing a large majority of the members. The personnel of the cabinet contains an unusually large representation from the mercantile community, which will probably secure the government considerable support in that quarter and make the prospect more gloomy for Mr. Reid and the Marine combination.

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