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Twenty-five Canadians Seize Two Boer Guns

(Special to the MAIL.)

LONDON, June 29.—The Canadians have again distinguished themselves in South Africa, twenty five of them attacking two hundred Boers and making a grand bluff that reinforcements were near at hand seized the Boers two guns. Every effort is being made by Lord Roberts to surround the Boers, but after weak defenses they retreated east.

A special says the Canadian Rifles are scattered along the railways in the northern section of the Orange River colony, where General Dewet is causing some trouble.

Cossack post occupied by D squadron was attacked on the 22nd by superior numbers, about four miles from the camp at Honing Spruit. The Canadians took to their horses but suffered severely, Privates T. E. Patterson of Macleod, J. F. Morden of Pincher Creek, and Private Kerr were killed. Lieut. W. M. Ingles, late of the Berkshire regiment, Private T. R. Miles, of Pincher Creek; and Private A. Aspinall, N. W. M. P., wounded. Privates Bell and Ermatinger, N. W. M. P., captured. The Boers pursued the party to within rifle shot of the camp when Private Ed. F Waldy, of Calgary, not caring to be shot or captured without making a good fight for it, jumped from his horse and killed two Boers, another was shot from the camp. Their friends dared not attempt to remove the bodies and the Canadians buried them.

BIG BEND NOTES.

Gold Being Taken Out at the Parks and Hidden Treasure Claims.

Andrew Parks had a clean-up at his claim a few days ago the result of which was 9½ ounces of gold from seven shifts. He has recently taken out 17½ ounces of the precious metal.

Raymond Allen is still working the Hidden Treasure but expects to have to close down shortly. He has been successful in taking out several ounces of gold.

N. Caesar with his men are whipsawing lumber at the Ophir, on McCulloch creek, preparatory to commencing work on the claim.

Wm. Kirkup is repairing the flumes at the French creek hydraulic works and putting things in shape.

Perry Leake with three men has started work on the Consolation mine at French creek.

D. McIntosh is down from the Adair group, on Laforme creek, having closed down on account of a shortage of provisions.

The trail is flooded in several places making it very difficult to get through. John D. Boyd came in Wednesday evening and says that in several places he had to fell trees on which to cross the creeks.

S. F. Ralston and M. A. Mitchell who left Tuesday for the Bend returned yesterday forenoon after going to China Flat and finding the water too high. They left this morning for Trout Lake and will take a look around that district while waiting for the water to go down before returning to the Bend.

James Hathaway came in yesterday from 19-Mile where he has been looking after "Buster's" ranch and doing some prospecting.

Take comfort in the hot weather, and get a hammock, you can get them all prices and sizes at the Canada Drug & Book Co.'s Revelstoke.

TETE JEUNE CACHE.

Transportation Facilities Wanted for the Mica Industry.

R. C. Weldon, of Halifax, N. S., and Samuel Winters, of Moncton, N. B., spent Wednesday in town looking up information regarding transportation to the north of Revelstoke. These gentlemen are interested in the Tete Jaune Cache mica mines, which received considerable notice a few years ago, and being desirous of doing some work on the property they are naturally looking for the most feasible route over which to bring out the product of their mine, and after talking with some of the trappers acquainted with the Canoe river district have decided that this is the proper route. However in order to make shipping profitable it would be necessary to have a boat service and they express their willingness to put a boat on above Death Rapids provided one is put on to ply between the rapids and Revelstoke with a tramway connection to avoid the rapids. They are calling for tenders per ton for the delivery of mica at Revelstoke. Mr. Winters went up to the property last year going by way of the North Thompson, a distance of 220 miles from Kamloops as against 167 miles to Revelstoke from the mica mines, a difference of 53 miles in favor of Revelstoke. Besides, the route to Revelstoke is water navigation all the way with the exception of a portage at Death Rapids, down which even at certain stages of the river a boat can be dropped by a line. It would therefore seem that the best route to and from the mica mines is by way of Revelstoke, not only by reason of the shorter distance but because water transportation is in every way superior to that by pack train.

Supplementary Estimates.

Ottawa, June 26.—In the supplementary estimates brought down to-day, which totals $7,444,000 there is an item for Kamloops public building of $5,000. There is also $20,000 for the Vancouver drill hall; Columbia river improvements in the narrows between the upper and lower Arrow lakes $15,000; Columbia river improvements above Golden $5000; Fraser river improvement and ship channels protection works $40,000; general repairs and improvements to harbor, diver and bridger works $3000 in Victoria harbor; removal of dredger rock and dredging at other points, $15,000; Anderson and Kennedy lakes, clearing outlets, $2500; Salmon river, removal of driftwood, $2200; Williams head quarantine station wharf, repairs, $2000; total $82,000. Alberni Clayoquet telegraph line, $6500; Ashcroft-Barkerville telegraph line, repolving, $14,000; Golden station, Canadian Pacific railway to Windermere, telegraph line, $3000; telephone connection between Vancouver Island and Salt Spring Island, $1550; 150-Mile House to Quesnelle Forks and Horsefly telegraph line, $6000. There is also $122,000 for the Yukon and Quesnelle telegraph lines.

Trout Lake Sports.

The following is a list of the games and sports which will take place in Trout Lake on Dominion:

SHOOTING CONTESTS—
Club trap shooting, silver cup.
Highest score, gold medal.
Rifle shooting, 5 shots, possible score 25, $5, $3.

ATHLETIC SPORTS—
100 yards dash, $5, $2.50.
Boys race, 8 years and over, 50yds., $2, $1.
Girls race, $2, $1.
Fat man's race (in lumber) $10.
Prospector's race, sack of flour, $1.50.
Standing broad jump, $3, $2.
Running broad jump "
Running hop, step and jump $3, $2.
Running high jump, $3, $2.
Pole vaulting, $3, $2.
Putting shot, $3, $2.
Tossing caber, $3, $2.
Packers contest, for doubles, $10, $5.
Packers contest, single, time, $5.

HORSE RACES—
Pony race, ½ mile, 3 heats, $10, $5.
Horse race " " $15, $8.
Free for all " " $15, $8.

FOOTBALL—
Trout Lake vs. Revelstoke $25.

Seymour Returned to Tien Tsin.

(Special to the MAIL.)

LONDON, June 29.—Admiral Seymour has returned to Tien Tsin having been unable to reach Pekin. He had 62 men killed and 312 wounded. A force of 10,000 men under a Russian Colonel is believed to be at Pekin but there are from forty to 60,000 troops there. This force has relieved Admiral Seymour. Great preparations are being made to march on Pekin, twenty thousand more troops, principally Japanese, having been landed.

Ex-Governor McInnes Declines to Run.

(Special to the KOOTENAY MAIL.)

VICTORIA, June 29.—Ex-Governor McInnes has declined to run in either Victoria, South Victoria or South Nanaimo, saying that it would not be wise to oppose the government until they get the business of the country in shape, besides he could hardly oppose men whom he had sworn in.

A special from Ottawa says that the minute of the council dismissing the Lieutenant Governor McInnes was laid before parliament. He was dismissed because his official conduct was subversive to responsible government.

The By-Elections.

The writs have been issued for the by-elections rendered necessary by the acceptance of office by the Hon. Messrs. Dunsmuir, Turner, McBride, Wells, Prentice and Eberts, dates of nomination being as hereunder:

South Victoria: Nominations, June 30; polling, July 5.

Victoria City: Nominations, June 30; polling, July 3.

Dewdney: Nominations, July 5, polling, July 10.

North East Kootenay: Nominations, July 5; polling, July 11.

East Lillooet: Nominations, July 5; polling, July 15.

South Nanaimo: Nominations, July 5; polling, July 10.

It is expected that opposition will be offered to the Hon. Mr. Turner in Victoria city, and Mr. George Sangster, who was Hon. Mr. Eberts, opponent at the recent general election, has announced that he will try conclusions with him.

In South Nanaimo there is a possibility that a candidate will be offered by outside parties in opposition to the premier. The Hon. Messrs. McBride, Wells and Prentice will probably be returned without contest.

Football Club Will go to Trout Lake.

The football club met on Wednesday and decided in favor of going to Trout Lake for the purpose of meeting the club of that place on Monday next. Mr. W. Cowan is to the fore again in assisting the sport and this time volunteers the hotel expenses of the club while at the Lake; the sports committee allowing $40 towards travelling expenses. Following is the team that will go:—Wm. Lynas, goal; K. D. Johnson and J. Palmer, full backs; W. Smythe (captain), J. McDonald, and J. Lyons, half backs; L. Jehu, W. Jehu, P. Donaldson, W. Woodhouse and T. Carey or W. Hault, forwards; R. Smythe, referee.

There will be practices of the local players at the recreation grounds at 6:30 this and tomorrow evening.

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FORECAST OF THE YEAR'S TRADE

A Very Prosperous Showing Under Liberal Government.

Ottawa, June 23.—The course followed by the opposition in connection with the emergency rations is one scarcely likely to commend itself even to their own supporters who are inclined to be fair and reasonable. It will be remembered that Mr. Monk the member for Jacques Cartier, who first brought the matter to the attention of the house, read a formal statement containing nineteen paragraphs, the first eighteen of which set forth in detail the facts that are alleged to have occurred in connection with the purchasing of a quantity of concentrated food or emergency rations for the boys in South Africa. Upon those facts as thus set forth Mr. Monk charged in the nineteenth paragraph, that the minister of militia "was guilty of gross and culpable negligence," and wound up his statement by a resolution calling for a committee of investigation.

The government had promised the committee in advance, even before the indictment was formulated, for upon the first intimation from Mr. Monk that he would bring charges against the government, the premier had instantly replied, "submit your charges and you shall have your committee;" but Sir Wilfrid very properly took exception to that nineteenth paragraph, which declared that the minister of militia was guilty of grave dereliction of duty before hearing a word of evidence, and he required that that clause should be struck out of the statement before it could be submitted to the committee, saying that the committee should investigate the allegations contained in the rest of the statement and report thereon to the house, and it would then be within the province of the house to pass judgment, after the evidence had been produced and both sides heard. It would have seemed impossible that any objection could be taken to a proposal so manifestly in accord with all the recognized and accepted principles of British Judical procedure but the opposition evidently thought it would be safer to condemn the minister first and try him afterwards; such a contention however does not impress one with the idea that they have very much faith in the strength of their charges against the government.

The division upon the amendment to strike out the nineteenth paragraph gave the government a majority of 46 only, and the opposition appeared to derive immense satisfaction from it being so small, but of course the reason was simply that, being Friday night, at least thirty of the Quebec members had gone home for Sunday; the absentees were not paired because there were no pairs for them. The opposition and the country knows perfectly well that there is no significance whatever in the small majority, and that the ranks of the government's supporters remain unbroken.

The fiscal year is rapidly drawing to a close and in a few weeks the country will be in possession of the trade figures for the completed twelve months. On the basis of the imports entered for consumption and the total exports, the trade for the 11 months ending May 31 was $323,596,176. Taking the same basis the best year under conservative regime was 1893 when the total trade amounted to $249, 269,352, showing a balance in favor of the present government amounting to no less than $83,327,591 for a period of only eleven months, as compared with a full year. With respect to exports the favorable showing on the liberal side is almost equally as great, the exports in the last eleven months under liberal rule exceeded those in the best year under conservative administration by $10,240,928. A great advance is also apparent in the exports of Canadian produce only, for as compared with the whole of 1893 there is a difference of $31,547,305 in favor of the last eleven months. On the basis of imports for consumption and exports, the total trade for the eleven months as already stated was $353,600,000 in round numbers. For the whole of last year this trade totalled $312,000,000 or a balance in favor of the eleven months of the present year of $11,000,000 with yet another month of the fiscal year to come.

On the same basis for the whole of the present year it is estimated that the trade will amount to $350,000,000 which would give a still better showing. The aggregate total imports and exports for the twelve months ending June 30, safely be placed at $330,000,000, as compared with $321,000,000 or a balance in favor of the present year of nearly $40,000,000. The best showing that the late government could make in the aggregate imports and exports was $247,000,000 but the end of the present fiscal year will see these figures outdistanced by $113,000,000.

Taking the figures for the month of May the total the eleven months of the present year the imports have increased to the amount of $26,532,380, and the exports $1,256,812. The exports of Canadian products for the month shows an increase of over $1,300,000 as compared with May 1899 notwithstanding that the supply of vessels at Montreal this spring did not begin to meet the demands of shippers owing to the war in South Africa. The exports of the eleven months of the present year show an increase of $19,777,000 over those of last year; the total imports and exports for the past month amounted to $55,663,651, an increase over those of May 1899 of $13,433,000 or more than one hundred per cent.

Canada First

Canada has been awarded the first prize for the display of timber at the Paris Exposition.

C. P. R. Shops are Closed.

The employees of the C. P. R. shops in this city were somewhat surprised to receive notice on Saturday morning that the workshops would be closed from noon of that day until Tuesday, July 3, the day following the confederation anniversary. Consequently the shops will be closed all this week, the repair departments excepted. About 550 hands are affected.—Winnipeg Free Press.

Canada's Pulp Trade.

A correspondent of The Paper Mill, a prominent English trade journal, makes the following estimate of Canada's foreign trade in pulp-wood, pulp and paper: "The value of the exports of pulp was $1,275,000 as against $740,000 in the fiscal year 1897-98, that is an increase of $535,000. Nearly the whole of this important gain is to be credited to the British market. Last year Britain's imports of pulp from Canada amounts to $670,000 as against only $165,000 the year before, bounding up $565,000 in the single twelve months. To put the case otherwise, Britain's imports of Canadian pulp were last year more than four times as great as they were the year before." Much of this improved condition of the pulp trade is due to the far sighted policy of both the federal and Ontario local governments in offering substantial inducements to British capital to develop the industry in the Dominion. But so far from offering any encouragement or assistance to the administration in this wise and business-like policy, the opposition in both parliaments have done all in their power to hinder the work of bringing in British capital to develop our national resources, which but for this assistance would remain unexploited for many a long year. In making this statement it is not suggested that this was the deliberate intention of the opposition, but that it would have been the actual outcome had their policy been successful, must be admitted by all who have made themselves acquainted with the facts of the case.

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A NAPOLEONIC BULLETIN

How It Was Worded to Tell the Truth and Satisfy the French People.

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(Continued.)

eral gendarmes came out. Castellane doubled his steps in order to intercept them. At that moment he heard a shot behind him. The major had sent a bullet into his brain, dying almost instantly.

Castellane overwhelmed the courier with reproaches, the man stuttering weak excuses: "I had to do it. The health of his majesty demands rich nourishment. His majesty knows the extent of our stock of wines, delicacies and other provisions to the last bottle and pound. If he had missed anything, it would have cost me my place. Besides, you know, his majesty is a hearty eater"—

"How much was stolen?"

The courier didn't know exactly, but promised to report in a little while. When he returned, he said that luckily only two bottles of wine were missing.

"Two bottles at the price of two lives! Take that," and Castellane knocked the courier down with a blow of his clinched fist.

Then he returned to the cabinet council, where the secretary still was brooding over bulletin No. 29. "The courier is waiting," cried Mounier, "and that passage is not yet filled in. Come quick. We must decide upon one version or another."

Castellane took the paper and smiled. "I have an idea," he said. "Here is a sentence that will quiet the anxieties of the cabinets and of our allies." And he filled in the missing passage, "His majesty's health is excellent, his appetite was never better."—New York Press.

An Exception.

"I like to hear a servant girl sing at her work. It shows a good disposition."

"Not always. I think our girl sings because she has a grudge against us."—Philadelphia Record.

Taste.

"What execrable taste she showed in buying ancestors!"

"Yes, indeed! Such a lot of frights as she selected!"—Detroit Journal.

THE RIGHT THING AT THE WRONG TIME

Mrs. Otway sighed. Good heavens! How weary she was of the four walls of her drawing room! A small house, even though in Mayfair, was but a restricted area. Why had she married Jim? He was a dear, good fellow, of course, but so monotonous in his limitations. Why hadn't she married Jack Dalrymple instead of allowing Sophie to appropriate his £7,000 a year? She could so easily have done it. What lovely things would have been hers now! What would she have chosen for her birthday present tomorrow? Jim, very likely, wouldn't even remember that she had a birthday, or, if he did, he would give her something useful. How she hated useful things!

Perhaps she could cajole him out of a check? Then she could pay Cérise something off her bill and order that new tea gown that was so adorable. The one she had on was getting passe, and no self respecting woman could afford to be ill dressed, especially a pretty one. Mrs. Otway walked across the room and inspected her face in the glass. It was worth inspection, in spite of its discontented expression. It was a very pretty face. The sleek head and big brown eyes were indeed curiously attractive. As she looked the eyes changed their sulky look to one of interest. For the door opened to admit Captain Dalrymple. Lalage Otway turned to greet him and then sank into a chair—her own special chair in front of the fire.

"To think of the devil seems to have the same power as to speak of him," she said, "for my thoughts appear to have conjured you here."

"But surely you expected me?"

"I never expected anything good, therefore I'm not as surprised to see you as I otherwise should have been," she returned.

He laughed. "Frankness is veracity's vice."

"I don't pose as veracity. I'm in no mood for anything so effective. I was railing at fate when you came in."

"Were you? What has she been doing?" he asked.

"Enmeshing me in her web, and, alas" (shrugging her pretty shoulders), "it isn't even spun of silk!"

"I think, Lalage, that I would have spun it of silk had you let me."

"And I think, Captain Dalrymple, that you are using my Christian name without my permission."

"Christian name! Why, it is as deliciously pagan as you are yourself and as beautiful," he said.

"Then it serves its purpose, for beautiful things are useful, even though useful things are not necessarily beautiful," she said, as she poured out tea and handed the cup across to him. "Sugar?" she said, picking up a piece and offering it to him with her fingers.

He put out his hand and grasped hers. She freed it with a laugh.

How nice he was! It was delightful to have such influence over him. What a fool she would be to relinquish it! Jim need never know. Besides, a little comedy scene like this appealed to her artistic taste.

"What a naughty girl you are," he said.

She made a grimace and enunciated a truism: "But for our failings our virtues would have no background against which to be shown up."

The solemn manservant opened the door suddenly as she spoke. Captain Dalrymple pushed back his chair from its close proximity to Mrs. Otway's. She looked at the man carelessly—perhaps the carelessness was a little overdone—a little too obvious.

"What is it, Mallory?" she asked.

"If you please, mum, Captain Dalrymple's man has come, and will Captain Dalrymple go at once, as he is wanted most particularly," and with that Mallory closed the door discreetly behind him.

"It must be a message from the barracks," Captain Dalrymple explained in answer to Mrs. Otway's look of inquiry. "It can't be from home, for, as you know, Sophie is in Leamshire hunting and supposes me in Hounslow. And," he added, with a happy laugh at his recovered bachelorhood, "I'm entirely my own master. If I go now, may I come back presently?"

"No, no! Not tonight," shaking her head. "Jim is coming home to dinner and, although a duet is sometimes melodious, I have never heard harmony in a *trio*," she said.

"But I must see you again," he said, with insistence.

"Come tomorrow, then."

"Tomorrow is your birthday. You didn't think I'd forgotten it, dearest, did you?" he said tenderly.

"I expect that you have a convenient memory," she said, with a little sneer which was yet unable to destroy the beauty of the face.

Jack Dalrymple came up to the girl.

"Lalage," he said, "you are unfair, for you know that I do nothing else but think of you—morning, noon and night." He took her hand. It lay unresistingly in his, the pretty pink palm uppermost. He bent down and imprinted a burning kiss in it, shutting the fingers that they might hold this record of his infatuation. "My darling," he went on, speaking hurriedly, "you mustn't mind, but I've sent you a present. I came up from Hounslow today purposely to buy it. You'll wear it, won't you? I didn't ask your permission"—

The ubiquitous Mallory again appeared. "If you please, sir, they have sent for you again," he said reproachfully.

Lalage laughed as the sound of the door shutting upon the captain came to her. It was a pity he had been sent for. It had been an amusing scene, and it might have developed into an exciting one. He was so very easy to play upon. Now, heigh-ho!—and Mrs. Otway gave a yawn of prospective boredom—there was nothing before her but a dull tete-a-tete dinner with Jim, who would probably tell her little trivialities about the law courts and with pride would retail his dull remarks—remarks which it required an expert in legal wit to comprehend were intended to be an amusing repartee.

But Jim was distrait tonight. His usual bright happiness was clouded. He had no stories to recount, and he seemed generally parsimonious of ideas. It was absurd. Yet Lalage almost thought that once or twice she encountered a critical look in his eyes which was strange to her. It was imagination, of course, for she could always manage Jim—Jim, whose loyal blindness was proverbial. With an effort she forced the conversation during soup, fish and entree, which were in turn marshaled by Mallory. Even the complacency which had been left from her interview with Captain Dalrymple—the aftermath of flattered vanity—had deserted her; courtesy, the fruit of cultivation from the seed polley, alone supplying the place of the usual dinner discursiveness. A feeling of tension was in the air, the atmospheric heaviness, which precedes a thunderstorm. When the servants had left the room and coffee was upon the table, Jim passed Lalage a cigarette in silence. He watched her light it; then he said sternly:

"Lalage, as I came in tonight the postman gave me a registered letter. As it is directed to you in Captain Dalrymple's writing I felt it would be better for me to see you open it now."

"A thousand thanks, Jim, for your consideration," she said in sarcasm. Then, with that self love which sharpens people's wits and induces spurious cleverness, she calmly put out her hand for the package. She almost overreached her object by showing too great an indifference, but Jim couldn't see the terror of exposure which clutched at her heart and drove the color from her face, and the electric light was too becomingly shaded for her to dread its betrayal.

"You silly Jim!" she said, with a nervous laugh. "I believe you're jealous." Her mind was weaving impossible schemes of escape. The parcel was a small, square box, well wrapped in brown paper, with seals so carefully and admirably formed that the Dalrymple crest was impossible to mistake. With reluctant fingers she broke the seals. The brown paper gave place to a wooden box, which, upon being opened, revealed a small velvet case holding a half hoop diamond ring. Thank God, no letter was there! She gave a sob of thankfulness. The rest was now easy. Light flashed upon her as upon the diamonds.

"How absolutely delightful of Sophie!" she said, calmly putting the ring upon her finger.

"Of Sophie?" said Jim incredulously.

"Of course" (with a hysterical laugh). "Sophie Dalrymple has often given me birthday presents. Weren't we school fellows?"

"But surely not such presents as this?"

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KIRBY-WOODROW.—At Revelstoke, on Wednesday, June 27th, by Rev. Dr. Paget, Mr. Wm. Kirby, of the S. S. Rossland, to Miss Helen Henrietta Woodrow, of Revelstoke.

TODD-BAILEY.—At Vancouver, on Thursday, June 28th, by Rev. E. D. McLaren, H. A. Todd, of Kamloops, to Mrs. Jennie Bailey, of Vancouver.

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Remember the election of school trustee at the school house tomorrow at 11 o'clck.

Thos. McNaught came in from Golden Tuesday evening and left for the Halcyon Springs yesterday.

Hewitt Bostock, M. P., came in from the west yesterday morning and will remain here to-day.

The first shoot in the rifle competition takes place on the range tomorrow afternoon.

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Ralph Smith was in town Tuesday having come up from the south the previous night failing to make connection with the west bound train.

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Services at St. Peter's Church of England will be: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; mattins with second celebration and sermon, 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 2:30 p.m.; choral evensong and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Gilbert Northey and "Duke" Bennison, two oldtime Revelstoke boys, steward and purser of the s. s. Minto, were looking up old friends in town yesterday while the boat was being loaded.

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Preparations are being made for the union picnic of the Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday schools to be held near the gun club grounds on Monday next. It is understood that the picnic will be an all day event.

Notwithstanding the coolness of the evening the lawn social on the Methodist parsonage grounds Tuesday evening was well attended. The ladies provided strawberries, ice cream and coffee which sold readily netting about $10 towards the church funds. During the evening several selections were rendered by the band, and the usual games provided amusement for the crowd.

The closing ceremonies at the kindergarten were taken up yesterday afternoon when the little ones entertained their parents and friends with a programme of recitations and songs after which they came in for their share of the fun when ice cream and cake was served.

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Rev. J. G. Paterson, who will conduct the services at the Presbyterian church on Sunday, arrived this morning from Vancouver. Mr. Paterson lays claim to the most extensive travels of a missionary, having been in Scotland, England, Ireland, France, Denmark, India, Belgium, Switzerland, Russia, Finland, Burmah, Persia, Turkey, Cuba, Mexico, The Fijis, Friendly Islands, Andaman Islands, Japan, United States, Canada, Cape Colony, Transvaal, Orange Free State, Natal, Egypt, Quilamane, Delagoa, Bay, Jeddah, Zanzibar, West and South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, New Zealand, Madagascar, Jerusalem, Norway, Chili, Peru and Equador.

Wedding Bells

Two weddings were solemnized in town this week, Dr. Paget officiating in both cases. The first took place on Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. Hugh Bruce, brother of the groom, Mr. George Bruce, of Vancouver, who was supported by Mr. E. Byrnell. The bride, Miss Jane Robina Thomson, of Orillia, Ontario, was assisted through the interesting ceremony by Miss M. Corley. After the knot had been securely tied the wedding party partook of supper provided by Mrs. H. Bruce.

Wedding number two took place on Wednesday afternoon in St. Peter's Church. The principals in this happy affair were Mr. William Kirby, first officer of the S. S. Rossland, and Miss Helen Henrietta Woodrow, sister to Mr. James L. Woodrow, and well known in the city. The bride was given away by her brother and the happy couple were supported by Mr. H. Cook and Miss Savage. Quite a number of friends gathered at the church to witness the ceremony after which the wedding party drove to the residence of Mrs. Agnew where a sumptuous repast was partaken of.

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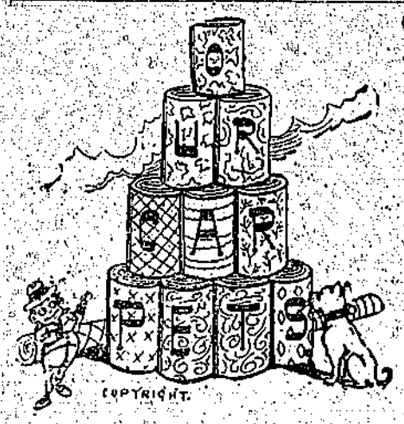

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