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THE SOUTH AFRICAN CLIMATE.

Deaths occurring from enteric fever among British and Canadian troops give rise to an impression that the South African climate is distinctly unhealthy. It is therefore the more satisfactory to learn, from an apparently well-informed writer in the Montreal Witness that such is not the case. This writer states that except along the coast belt the climate of South Africa is really one of the most healthful in the world. That country has become the great resort of people troubled with chest complaints, who have little means and have to earn their living. Its altitude, the dryness of its climate, and the evenness of its temperature render it a health resort, and except in the coast region and in Bechuanaland and Griqualand and Rhodesia, it is very free from malaria or malarial influence.

In South Africa the spring months are September, October and November, the summer months December, January and February, the fall months March, April and May and the winter months June July and August. In Cape Town and generally from Port Elisabeth westward

and northward the rainy season is during the winter months, and the rainfall is quite heavy on the average along the coast, but light in the interior. The average rainfall during five years at Bloemfontein was only 21.29 inches. The rainy season is not the unhealthy season in the high plateaus where our soldiers are fighting, but the drying season which follows the rainy season is unfavorable.

There is no doubt that the intense heat of the day, followed by cold nights is trying to the health and constitutions of unacclimated persons, and renders abundant food and warm clothing imperatively necessary. It is in order to accumulate warm clothing and other sufficient supplies for his men that Lord Roberts has apparently waited so long at Bloemfontein, although more horses and further supplies of munitions are no doubt also needed.

An official statement just issued gives the strength of the United States army in the Philippines on April 1 as 31,382 regulars and 32,203 volunteers, a total of 63,585 men. This does not include the marines and seamen stationed on active service at Cavite and elsewhere, who would swell the total to very nearly 70,000 men. With a single exception this is the largest force of white men ever serving at one time against Asiatics, the exception being the 75,000 men employed by Britain in suppressing the Indian Mutiny of 1857. The cost of the war in the Philippines, according to the Boston Herald, is running at the rate of \$80,000,000 to \$90,000,000 a year. Even in time of peace the cost to the United States of maintaining an army is estimated at \$1,000 for each man. In war time it is, of course, considerably greater. The Philippine war is therefore a very costly affair.

A GRATEFUL CONTRACTOR.
 Spent Hundreds of Dollars to obtain Freedom from Asthma—was Permanently Cured by Clarke's Kola Compound.
 Mr. Albert Dixon, contractor, Nanaimo, B.C., writes:—“For nearly nine years I have been a constant sufferer from bronchial asthma, night after night having to creep sitting up in a chair. I spent hundreds of dollars with doctors and remedies, but got only temporary relief. My druggist, Mr. Stearman, recommended Clarke's Kola Compound. I took in all five bottles of this grand medicine, and am to-day completely cured. I can now sleep well every night, and now play my instrument in the city band once more.” This remarkable cure is also certified by Mr. F. C. Stearman, Phm.B., one of Nanaimo's leading druggists. Sold by all druggists, or by the G. & M. Co., Limited, 121 Church street, Toronto.

Her Majesty, if she lives to see the 24th of May again will be 81 years of age. Preparations are making to celebrate the day in many parts of the Empire with more than the usual enthusiasm.

The population of the British Empire is only exceeded by that of China. It is greater than that of all continental Europe with the United States added, and is greater than that of North America, South America and Africa combined. In area it exceeds any existing kingdom that now is or that ever existed. “We hold a vaster empire than has been.”

Those who think that the war in South Africa will embitter the two races for all time to come should reflect upon what has occurred in the United States during the war of secession and since. There is today a far more united and friendly feeling between the North and South than existed for a generation before the war. And the existing conditions could never have been brought about by any compromises. It was necessary that the two antagonistic systems should settle once for all which should prevail and hold the ascendancy. So it is in South Africa. The Briton, not the Boer, free government and not a restricted oligarchy must be established, and then will come peace on a sound and enduring basis.

The Herald endeavors to discredit the proposal to combine the best men of both parties in the Government of the Island, by a statement that in New Brunswick, where the Administration is made up of men from both parties, corruption is alleged to prevail. The Herald says:—“The boodling scheme, recently ventilated, by which two or three prices were paid for steel bridges by the present Emmer-son Government, is sufficient to illustrate how they manage these affairs in New Brunswick.” The Herald appears not to know that the alleged “boodling” in bridges was charged before the general elections in New Brunswick and the people so thoroughly discredited them that all the Opposition leaders were defeated and in a House of 46 members the Government secured 41 seats. The people of New Brunswick are no more in favor of dishonesty they are the people of Prince Edward Island and surely their verdict is entitled to some measure of respect.

CHARLOTTETOWN MARKETS.

(Corrected every Tuesday.)

Beef (quarter) per lb.	80 05 to 0 07
Beef (small) per lb.	0 05 to 0 12
Butter (fresh) per lb.	0 24 to 0 25
Butter (tub) per lb.	0 24 to 0 27
Creamery Butter.	0 27 to 0 28
Cabbage (per doz.)	0 25 to 0 35
Cabbage (per head).	0 00 to 0 05
Cheese (per lb.)	0 14 to 0 16
Celery.	0 00 to 0 00
Eggs.	0 12 to 0 13
Fowls per pair.	0 05 to 0 85
Flour, per cwt.	1 00 to 2 00
Oatmeal, new, per cwt.	2 25 to 2 50
Geese.	0 00 to 0 00
Hides per lb.	0 03 to 0 07
Hay, pressed.	0 05 to 0 20
Hay, per cwt.	0 45 to 0 00
Oats.	0 32 to 0 34
Du ks, per pair.	0 85 to 1 00
Beets, per doz.	0 10 to 0 12
Mangels.	0 00 to 0 14
Pork.	0 03 to 0 00
Turnips, per bushel.	0 00 to 0 20
Potatoes.	0 00 to 0 28
Mutton, per carcass.	0 08 to 0 10
Parsley, per bunch.	0 00 to 0 05
Onions per lb.	0 03 to 0 05
Squash each.	0 00 to 0 00
Carrots, per bushel.	0 35 to 0 40
Wild Geese.	0 80 to 0 90

HEART HUMBUG.

It is fashionable to day to have a new heart scare every 24 hours. The commonest symptoms of dyspepsia or nerve trouble, such as palpitation, weak spells, loss of appetite and poor circulation, are magnified and distorted into serious signs of heart trouble, with the object of frightening the public into taking this or that heart remedy. If a hundredth part of the heart trouble we hear about were real, the cemeteries would be filled in a month. A wrong construction is put upon common ailments in order to humbug the people into the belief that heart disease is prevalent, where as real heart trouble, which is so sadly and suddenly fatal when it does occur, is a rare disease. Lopsided arguments cannot convince an intelligent people. Iron is a vital element of the blood. Too little iron means weakness, lack of spirits, pallid cheeks, shortness of breath, sleeplessness, nervousness, loss of vital force, ending in general break down. The iron in Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills is in the soluble form you need, in combination with other curative agents in such a manner that disease can't resist their action. You feel yourself getting well when you take Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills.
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Knows a Good Thing.

Mr. Geo. F. Christian writing from Halifax, under date of Dec. 20, states that he is very much pleased with Dearborn's Perfect Baking Powder, and finds it equal, if not better, than any he has tried. Mr. Christian is chief cook of the Dominion government S. S. Acadia.

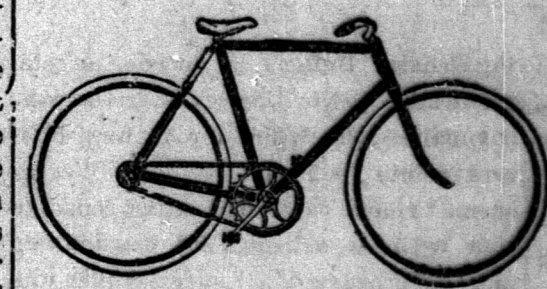
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ST. GEORGE'S DAY

Is held to assist the wounded soldiers—those who have shed blood for their country.

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Under the Direction of Brother Professor W. Harry Watts, in Celebration of

St. George's Day, MONDAY APRIL 23RD;

OPERA HOUSE

PROGRAMME.

- March..... Selected Professor Vinnicombe's Orchestra.
- 1. Society Ode "Red, White and Blue" Arne Solo by Bro. A. W. Mitchell. Chorus by members of the society.
- 2. Patriotic Airs..... Selected..... Orchestra
- 3. (a) Chorus—"Lords of the Waves We Are"..... Fanning
- (b) Verse Apostrophe to Colonials Mrs. L. A. W. Lamont
- Verse apostrophe re Patriotic Fund Mrs. W. H. Watts
- Song—"The Uncommercial Traveller" Mr. E. H. Mitchell.
- 5. Recitation..... Storm Along Miss Enid McLean.
- 6. Song..... "After the Sun Went Little Misses Fannie and Jean G.H.
- 7. Song..... "Flora"..... S.
- 8. Patriotic Song..... "Who Carries the Mrs. W. H. Watts.
- 9. Sword Drill and Royal Salute..... Capt. (Miss) Fitzgerald and twelve Young Ladies.
- INTERMISSION.
- Light Cavalry Overture by Von Suppe. Orchestra.
- PART II.
- 1. Solo and Chorus—"The Reconciliation"..... De Koven Mr. L. W. Cook and Chorus.
- 2. Gipsy Scene—Scene arranged by Miss H. McDonald.
- By the Ladies of the Sword Drill.
- 3. Song..... Selected Miss Earle, Piano, Professor W. H. Watts.
- 4. Recitation "Our Bit of the Tintin Red Line" Miss McKenzie.
- Tableau arranged by Lieut. A. G. Peake.
- 5. Song—"Change Front on Preoria" March Mr. W. F. Collings and Men's Chorus.
- Pictures by Lieut. A. G. Peake.
- 6. (a) Chorus "Soldiers' Chorus" Faust (b) Patriotic Chorus "Victoria" GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
- Accompanist Miss Amy Moore, Miss Stewart, Mrs. W. McKie.
- Director (Bro.) Prof. W. Harry Watts.
- Tickets on sale at usual places on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Positively no tickets will be sold till 10 o'clock.
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