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PARLIAMENT MEETS

FEBRUARY 1st.

THE GAZETTE FOR THREE MONTHS \$1

In view of the approaching session of the Dominion Parliament, THE GAZETTE will be sent to new subscribers daily for Three Months for One Dollar.

ADDRESS ORDERS, RICHARD WHITE, Man. Dir., & WHITE PRINTING CO., MONTREAL.

TENDERS!

Indian River Church.

Tenders are asked for the construction and completion of St. Mary's Church, up to the 5th March, next, to be addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Indian River Catholic Church."

LETTERS FROM BELMONT.

Written by our Boys With the Canadian Contingent.

The following extracts are from a letter received from Mr. Richard Taylor written at Belmont on the 17th December:

The days here are very warm and the nights very cold. Fruit was plentiful in Cape Town, including oranges, figs, dates, bananas, ground plums and apricots. But this was mostly imported stuff. I did not have much time in Cape Town, but was able to see many sights on the march from our camp-ground to the station where we embarked. The decorating of the windows far surpasses anything I have yet seen anywhere.

Since leaving Cape Town we have passed through a desolate, mountainous country, whose only contribution to vegetable life is a few evergreens, and these have been transplanted. Water is a luxury at Belmont. It is brought here mostly by trains from Orange River in iron tanks, and is dull orange in color.

At present we are drilling rather steadily, and are on different duties. Every alternate 24 hours "G" Company has to do picket duty. Thus: we rise at 2.45 a.m., still dark, and dress in light marching order. No lights are allowed. No one is allowed to undress at night even take off his boots. Everything must be to hand, rifle and ammunition at his side; everyone must be ready to "fall in" at 3 a.m. While the rest of the companies are filling the trenches, we are marched to the neighboring mountains to relieve the pickets there.

All our extra kit has been left at Cape Town, and we have with us one suit underwear, uniform, greatcoat, helmet, service cap, and soap and towel. Some of the boys say we will not see the rest again. Don't believe half what you read about us, as we see articles in papers which are false. Why, we have been actually reported in a battle at Orange River which never occurred.

I have been searching the hills and battle-fields for souvenirs of the British. So far I have succeeded in finding dead Boers and horses, and some cartridges. I received a packet of letters from home on the 15th, and was delighted.

Writing from Belmont, 17th December, to his parents in this city, Mr. Arthur Melish says:—

My second batch of letters arrived yesterday, and needless to say I was delighted to receive them. We had just come off twenty-four hours hard picket duty outside the camp on a hill or mountain commanding it. During the night we could see the flashes of the cannon and bursting of lyddite shells.

This was the first English had occupied the height and reconnoitered the battle of Spionkop. The day before we had been at work constructing a road between our sentries. Captain Weeks has been shifted to the topographical department, and Captain McDonnell has been given command of our company. He was a permanent officer at the Royal School of Infantry, Fredericton, and was adjutant here. A captain, a sergeant and a private of regiment stationed nearby, helping to hold the line of communication were killed in a skirmish last week; but so far we have not been attacked although the Cape papers stated so. Our men are constantly on the watch and the country is patrolled not only by our own outposts but by Remington scouts and detachments of the battery stationed with us.

If we succeed in the battle now going on in cutting off and capturing the Boer force it will be a crushing blow to the enemy. Supplies, cannons, etc., are constantly passing through except when the Boers manage to destroy some part of the railway which they do almost every day. But it does not usually take the Royal Engineers long to make the repairs.

A great many of our regiment are sick. Yesterday there were five cases of malarial fever. On Tuesday last Private Chappell of our company died. He was from Moncton. We buried him on the open veldt near the camp, and afterwards made up his grave very nicely, surrounding it with stones and placing a large stone at the head on which Riggs painted an inscription. We also made with white stones the name "Chappell" on one side of the mound, "Canada" on the other side and a cross in the centre.

The houses here are built of iron or brick and stone often covered with cement, and are very low buildings. There are no trees worth mentioning, and of course wood is very dear. The other day I discovered that the fuel used in cooking our meals was mahogany. I hope you poor frost bitten people manage to keep yourselves warm. Of course we cannot expect everybody to go South for the winter. Still if you could send us some ice down here there would be a fight for it that would beat Modder River all hollow.

Writing to his father from Belmont, under date of Dec. 22nd, Pte. James Matheson says:—

"Everything is quiet around here now. The fighting at the front has been stopped till after Christmas. In the letter I wrote Tom I told him we would likely be in the fight at Modder River, but it has not come off yet.

"We have lots of work to do here to watch the railway and the hills. We have to do patrol duty for six miles from camp. I always take the lead when we are out

for the first night. We lost five men in the Orange Free State, and I took the lead and got them out of the hills. "We expect a great time here at Christmas, after which we go to the big battle about twelve miles up."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—The Ben Davis apple has the floor for export.

—According to Professor Gilbert the Barred Plymouth Rock is the hen to keep.

—We are told that the attitude of the London press remains resolute and undimmed.

—The thermometer registered 42° above the zero yesterday and 48° a few days previously. We are having March weather in January. But snow is needed.

—Dr. Pethick, Government veterinary declares that we have less tuberculosis than any country in the world. Score again for our snug little Island.

—One of the conclusions reached in London is that the British misfortunes have arisen largely from blunders at the outset of the war in the choice of defensive positions in Natal under provincial advice.

—A large meeting held at Kensington last evening, was addressed by Mr. Gilbert on behalf of "poultry" and by Mr. Patriquin on behalf of "fruit." Both gentlemen were listened to with the deepest attention. We expect that a decided impetus will be given our poultry and fruit interest as a result of the addresses of these two talented specialists.

—Toronto Globe: "The Tories will go wild if they retain Sherbrooke." Laurier, Tarte, Patterson, Fisher and Fielding undertakes that they shan't go wild. \$25,000 in beads is put into the constituency, promises the most profuse are made, rum runs like water, while Sidney Fisher closes his prohibition eye. The five jolly ministers celebrate the victory before the election is over. Result: Honest John McIntosh, Conservative, carries the seat. The Tories are wild with joy. Will the Toronto Globe or its very pale and indistinct reflection in the Patriot blame them? Hurrah for Sherbrooke. The way of Conservatism rolls beautifully along.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Alex. McAlway, of Morell, is in the city.

Mr. Westlake was a passenger west this morning.

Rev. I. R. A. McDonald, St. Teresa's, is in the city.

Mr. Wheatley crossed by the Minto today en route to Halifax.

Rev. Mr. Goffrey will sing the "Absent Minded Beggar" at St. Peter's schoolroom tonight.

Mr. O. Hensbury was a passenger by the mail special last evening on a visit to Boston.

Mrs. Walter Matheson and George Tombs were passengers by the morning's train from the west.

Her many friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Simpson has recovered from her recent illness and is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Auld left last evening on a visit to Boston and New York. They may go to Colorado before returning home.

Mr. J. Forbes of Halifax, arrived in the city last evening and is registered at the Hotel Davies.

Lieut. Harry Kaulbach of Truro, son of Archdeacon Kaulbach, is serving with his regiment, the Royal Warwickshires, under General Warren.

Senators Ferguson, Macdonald and Yeo and Messrs. Martin, Bell and A. C. Macdonald, M. P's., crossed by the Minto today on their way to Ottawa.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Rev. Leo Williams will read "The Girl at the Telephone" in St. Peter's School Room tonight.

Reserve Tuesday Feb. 6th for the grand concert to be held in the basement of the First Methodist Church. 2i.

Carpets that won't sell and that wool's wear. We have them right here in our carpet room. 400 yards of Canadian, Velvets, pretty designs and good commercial color. Sold all over Canada at \$1.35, they are yours for 85 cents. We don't want them; perhaps you have a cozy corner somewhere in your home where there is not much wear required. It is only lately that we found out that the above carpet did not give the satisfaction for the price. Jas. Paton & Co. - 6 in. d.

We have about 400 yards of Axminster carpet which is regularly sold at \$1.35 but which we have found does not give satisfaction for that price which ought to buy the best Brussels. For that reason we have decided to clear it out at 85 cents about its wearing price. But the advantage lies here you are getting look and pattern, quality a \$1.50 velvet, and in some nice cozy place where there is not constant wear you will be delighted with your purchase. Jas. Paton & Co. - 6 in. d.

DIED

At Alberton, on the 26th inst., of consumption, Percival Kinch, aged 23 years, R. I. P.

WE SHOULDN'T ASK YOU to invest your money in a bottle of Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam if we were not sure it will do you good. Humbug is a deadly element in business. 25 cents all drug-gists.

Local and Other Items

I. O. F.—Court: Mt. Stephen meets to night.

CALEDONIAN CLUB.—Regular meeting tonight.

SUPREME COURT.—The case of Bradley vs. Smith is still before the court.

FOR SYDNEY.—A number of workmen leave here tonight for Sydney, C. B.

A CARD.—Messrs. Alex. Horne, Geo. W. West and J. K. Ross, will be candidates for Ward 5 at the coming civic election.

DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY.—Tonight a paper on our civic government will be read, and the abolition of the ward system will be debated. Y. M. C. A. rooms, 8 o'clock sharp.

BUILDING EXPANSION.—It is said that upwards of two million three hundred and seventy thousand dollars worth of new buildings were erected in Montreal during the year 1899.

THE FROST.—Fair today, wind increasing to gales tonight from south and southwest with snow or rain by morning. Wednesday—gales shifting to west and northwest.

MAJOR WEEKS TRANSFERRED.—Mr. W. Richmond Smith, the Montreal Star's correspondent, reports that Captain Weeks has been detailed to do topographical work and Lieutenant McDonnell has been given command of "G" Company.

LECTURE.—"Chinese Gordon, England's Christian Hero," illustrated by a large number of very fine views, in Grace Church, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Lecturer, Rev. John Goldsmith of Alberton. Silver collection. Be sure and come.

IMPORTANT MEETING.—At the request of His Excellency the Governor General, His Worship the Mayor desires those interested in the "Canadian Patriotic Fund" to meet in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday evening next, at 8 o'clock, where a subscription list will be opened. His Worship would like to see as many citizens as possible present to show their patriotism in a practical form.

NEW INSTRUMENTS.—A full set of imperial brass instruments made by Whaley, Royce & Co., Toronto, have been imported for the League of the Cross Band by Miller Bros. In looking over the instruments we observed that the leader's cornet is of triple silver plate, burnished, and like the other cornets and trombones, is nicely scabbled in leather. An eight years guarantee accompanies each instrument. The instruments will cost in the vicinity of \$500. They will probably be used for the first time on St. Patrick's Day.

POUND AND LINEN PARTY.—Don't forget the POUND and LINEN PARTY in Y. M. C. A. Hall on the afternoon and evening of Thursday next, in aid of the Prince Edward Island Hospital. The object is in every way worthy of encouragement. The committee will be on hand to receive donations. Anything in the way of bed or table linen, towels, covers, bed-spreads, etc., will be thankfully received. Also such articles as tumbler, sick-feeders, teapots and stands, cups and saucers, cream pitchers, meat platters, vegetable dishes, porridge bowls, knives, forks, spoons, pepper and salt dishes, china and crockery of all kinds, enameled ware, saucepans, kettles, pails, basins and trays. Refreshments of tea, cake, home-made candy and ice cream will be provided. There will be a musical programme also. Admission 10 cents.

Miss Temple has three of her water-color paintings on exhibition in Messrs. Mark Wright & Co's window. Intending students would do well to call as early as possible as Miss Temple's classes are being formed. Studio at the residence of Prof. Watts, Grafton St. 31.

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Well made of fine cotton, generous in size and length, cluster of tucks and lace trimmed 55c each.

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This lot made of strong cotton—fine tucked yokes, broad rolled collar; front and collar trimmed fine raffia—70c each.

at \$1.00 each

A splendid assortment of different styles in this lot—lace trimmed and embroidery trimmed, tucked yoker, and embroidery yokes—all gems at the price—\$1.00 each.

Others at

\$1 25, \$1 50, \$1 75, \$2 15, \$2 35, \$2 00 and \$3 50 each

CORSET COVERS at 18c each

Good style cotton, made to fit and wear—trimmed fine lonsdale frill 18c each.

at 25c each

Made of fine strong cotton embroidery trimmed neck and front—25c each.

at 33c each

A splendid value, trimmed fine embroidery 33c each.

at 50c each

Made of fine lonsdale embroidery yoke and embroidery trimmed—50c each.

Others—75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

DRAWERS at 25c each

Trimmed cluster of tucks and lace 25c a pair.

at 42c each

Made of fine cotton, cluster of tucks and wide embroidery trimming 42c a pair.

Others a 59c, 85c, \$1.00, and \$1 25.

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