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**BLUE BOOK ISSUED.**  
Document Relates to Cape Colony Rebels and Martial Law.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A Blue Book of the South African despatches from January 3 to October 24 has been issued. It largely concerns the Cape Colony rebels and martial law. The conclusion to be drawn from the mass of documents is the eagerness of the Cape Dutch to take up arms, and especially the willingness of the border Dutch to join the invaders without compulsion.

Sir Alfred Milner, writing to Mr. Chamberlain, Sept 5, cites a statement by Mr. Wessels, of the Cape House of Assembly, who is also a member of the Afrikaner Bond, that 65 per cent of his constituents joined the Boers of their own accord. Re-enforcing this, he said:—"Not only border Dutch, but Dutchmen all over the colony, one by one made their way back to the Boer lines."

The High Commissioner quotes from a letter, dated Kroonstadt, September 26th, 1899, and written by Mr. Blignaut, brother of P. J. Blignaut, State Secretary of the Orange Free State, as follows:—"The only thing that we are afraid of is that Chamberlain, with his admitted fitfulness of temper, will cheat us out of a war and consequently out of an opportunity to annex Natal and Cape Colony, and to form a Republican United States South Africa."

**THE PUBLIC PURSE.**  
Increase of Over Two Million Dollars During the Past Five Months.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—A statement of revenue and expenditure of the Dominion, issued by the Finance Department, shows the revenue for the five months ending November 30th to be \$21,504,705, compared with \$20,199,373 for the same time, last year, or an increase of \$1,400,000. The expenditure was \$14,418,589 leaving a small betterment for the current year. The difference between revenue and expenditure is shown to be a surplus of \$7,086,000. This is on ordinary revenue. If the capital account, which is a little higher for the past five months than for 1899, be taken into consideration, the surplus of revenue over all expenditures is \$2,600,000.

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**THE TITLE OF HONORABLE**

Sir,—I see by your paper of last evening that you have been remonstrated with for adopting the custom of affixing the title "Hon." to the names of people who have no right whatever to be so designated.

There are four conditions under which a person may be styled "Honourable"—

1. That he is a member of the Privy Council.
2. That he is a Senator.
3. That he is (not was) a member of the Executive Council.
4. That he has the Queen's permission so to be called.

You have added a fifth—"That the papers as well as the people have a weakness for titles."

The habit of scattering broadcast titles and official names is an American vulgarity which I am sorry to see you are inclined to uphold.

I was once stopping at the St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal. There were there at the same time a number of billiard players who had come from New York to see Canada and to win what money they could. They were the hardest-looking gang I ever saw, but everyone who was not a "Judge" was a "General" or "Colonel," at least so they called one another. They, like the newspapers you refer to, had a weakness for titles, and gratified it in this way.

I feel I can fairly support the objection taken by your correspondent because the title "Hon." is often, inexactly, given to myself.

It is "proper" to my office, but not to myself personally. It is correct to say "The Hon. the Master of the Rolls," or "The Hon. Mr. Justice Hodgson," but it is inexact to write of me as "The Hon. E. J. Hodgson." I have no right to be so called, not coming under any of the first four conditions I have mentioned. The fifth (your condition) I repudiate. As a Justice of the Peace for the whole Island, I may be called "Esq.," but nothing more.

The English language is suffering, and suffering severely, from the adoption of American vulgarisms. "I done it," and "I seen it," are nowadays, heard even from some first-class school teachers.

Titles and distinctions may come only from the Sovereign as the Fountain of Honor. All others are deplorable imitations of foreign bad taste.

Yours truly,  
E. J. HODGSON.  
Dec. 13, 1900.

**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

Yes, as the Montreal Gazette remarks, it is certainly an injustice that a member should be robbed of his seat owing to the stupidity of a Government official.

It is reported that Newfoundland's catch of fish this season has been far below that of last year, and that at one mercantile premises alone the income has been almost 40,000 quintals less. At the same premises, last year, at this date, 80,000 quintals remained in the store, and today, not 10,000 quintals remain. The catch must be at least 120,000 quintals short of last year.

A sharp lesson in punctuality was taught the Montrealeers who were late to hear Dr. Dawson's lecture on the prose writers of Canada. When they arrived a few minutes after 8 o'clock they found the front door locked. Then they went around to the side door and found that locked also. Some, it is said, even tramped through the lane and round to the other side of the building. But the doors might have been those of the tomb for any life that was discernible near, and they gazed up at the brightly lighted windows of the assembly hall like Peris outside of Paradise. On the tickets of this course of lectures is plainly printed: "The lecture will commence promptly at 8 o'clock, after which there will be no admittance." But who in Montreal dreams of heeding such a notice? Or who in Charlottetown deems it necessary to be "on time?"

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**Local and Other Items**

—There was a small attendance at the market today on account of the storm. Prices are practically unchanged.

—Mr. Barlow will give a whistling solo at the Boy's Brigade Entertainment on Tuesday evening next in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

—Orient Division, S. of T., will meet this evening in Wright's Hall at 8 o'clock. Members specially requested to attend. Visitors welcome.

—Rev. George Williams has very kindly consented to give a reading at the Boy's Brigade entertainment on next Tuesday evening, in the basement of First Methodist Church.

—A gospel meeting for men only will be held in the Association rooms no Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, to be led by the general secretary. A cordial invitation is extended to all young men to be present.

—A special meeting of the Victoria Hockey Club was held last night. It was decided to adopt goal nets if the other clubs agree to use them. A new uniform will be procured with a goal-keeper's outfit. Two new members were admitted to the club.

—Mr. Walter Lane has received from Baroness Burdett-Coutts a letter accompanied by a photo of the Colonials who visited Brookfield Stud and Holly Lodge at the invitation of Mr. Burdett-Coutts, M. P., on Sept. 10th. The photo shows several of our soldiers and the Baroness.

—The concert and pie social in Y. M. C. A. Hall last night was very well attended and proved most successful. A good concert programme was disposed of which included addresses by Sergt. Hessian and Pte. Walker recently returned from South Africa. Mr. Dufort "auctioned off" the pies, realizing something over \$20 from that source.

—Just out—the second edition of "Our Boys Under Fire" by Miss Annie Mellish. This edition not only tells of the departure and career of "Our Boys" in South Africa, but also of their triumphant return, the reception in Halifax St. John's, and Charlottetown, the latter including the celebrations on the night of their arrival, the Thanksgiving service in St. James' church, the grand banquet, the speakers, the different functions. It also contains a personnel of the thirty Island volunteers; England's reception and the Queen's review of the remainder of the Canadians under Col. Otter. Additional illustrations. Bound in cloth 75 cents, paper cover 50 cents. For sale at the bookstores. 3dy.1wk.

—The members of the Young Men's Gymnastic Association met in their club room at Mt. Stewart a few evenings ago for the purpose of re-organization. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer shows as small surplus. The following officer were elected for the ensuing year: President—H. D. Coffin. Vice-President—R. Pigott. Secretary-Treasurer—D. F. Egan. Executive Committee—J. D. McIntyre, Cyrus Partridge, Nathan Douglas, John McDonald, Raymond Egan.

The Association meets on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p. m. Now is the time to enroll, in order to avoid the rush, as there are over forty members already booked.—D. F. Egan, Secy.-Treas.

—The Mother Goose fair and entertainment in the Market Hall, last evening, under the auspices of St. Peter's church was very attractive and was financially as successful as could be expected under somewhat adverse circumstances. The hall was tastefully decorated with national flags, flowers, etc., and for a time presented an unusually gay and an mated appearance. The ladies in charge were:—

Tea Tables—Mr. Warburton, Mrs. Croskill, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Cairns.  
Candy Tables—Miss Dawson, Miss Cotton, Miss Tomlins, Miss Fairclough.  
Cake and Refreshment Table—Mrs. Peake, Mrs. Longworth.  
Toy Table—Miss Simpson, Miss Julia Foster, Miss Alice Crockett.  
Ball Table—Mrs. Peters, Miss Bippy.  
Book Table—Miss Hobkirk, Miss Terlizick.  
Flower Table—Miss Alice Fraser.  
Fancy Table—Miss Strickland, Mrs. Gane.  
Old Woman Living in Her Shoe—Miss Maggie Cotton.  
Maid in the Garden Hanging out Her Clothes—Miss Nora Tooker.  
Old Woman Sweeping Cobwebs from the sky and selling marmalade—Miss Gertie DeBlois.  
Queen of Hearts selling Tarts—Miss Kitty Peter.  
Mother Goose in tail hat and spectacles, and simple simon with his fishing pail were also in evidence, much to the delight of the little folks present. The fair was open during the afternoon and continued through the evening.

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