

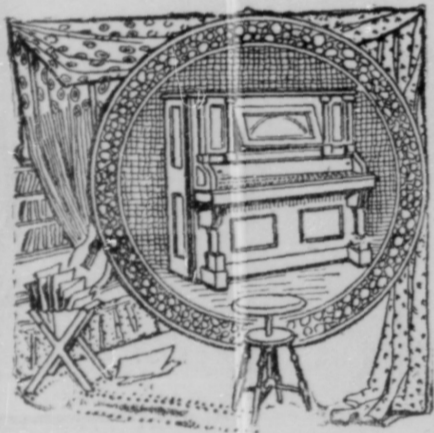
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ANOTHER LETTER FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

Interesting Communication From Mr. Arthur Mellish

Writing to his father from Belmont Camp, South Africa, on Jan'y. 18th, Mr. Arthur Mellish says:

We are still at Belmont, although we have been expecting to move from day to day. The word is now that we are to start on or before Saturday, but really it is hard to say. You speak of the fragmentary character of the news you get through the home papers, but as a matter of fact you get fuller details of what is going on than are allowed to be published in the papers here. The country is so seething with disloyalty that everything that might be of service to the enemy is censored. Now, according to my view of the matter the plan of campaign is to keep the enemy in play here and at Ladysmith, but them at Colesburg, advance through the centre of the Free State, cut them in two and cut off their base of supplies. Indeed it is persistently rumored that General Gatacre, with a flying column, is well on his way to Jacobsdal or Bloemfontein. If that is so we will likely make a dash over the border and effect a junction with him. Our boys made a raid within six miles of Jacobsdale the other day and got some loot. As my luck would be I was on picket duty that day but Fred McArae was in it. The other alternative is that which is usually expected, namely, that we will be in the next big battle at Magersfontein with Methuen. We are practically with his force now being only 15 or 18 miles away and being a reserve as well as holding a most important position in protecting the rear from attack.

To give you an idea of how close things are kept, a long train went up this morning and came back shortly after with blinds down and apparently full of wounded, but still we could not find out whether they were our men or Boer wounded or if there had been a battle yesterday. The day before yesterday the British moved out with about 50 guns and shelled 9 miles of the Boers' position. There was apparently great damage done as lyddite was used, but the total extent is not known. We had no casualties. This engagement may have been resumed yesterday, but we did not hear any firing as before. I tried to get permission to go to the front yesterday—it being a holiday in the camp in memory of Gordon—but it could not be arranged for me to go. We had sports, however, in which the Australians, Munsters, Cornwallis and ourselves took part. The Australians came out away head and the Canadians next—rather a poor showing for us; but we have been overworked of late and our men are not in very good condition. All our sick are sent to Orange River or the base, and this also seems to indicate we will soon be on the move. The other day we were out on a route march over into the Orange Free State. On the way back four men and myself formed the van of the advance guard. We started a deer called springbok which I could easily have shot had I been allowed to fire a rifle; also some rabbits and wild fowl like ducks, and partridges. Tonight I go on patrol over to the boundaries of the enemy's country and may have some fun. We were up at 2.45 this morning and tonight we will not go to bed at all. The nights are glorious now. The moon is full, and if it is clear tonight it will be good for the patrol. Each one of us has 100 rounds of ammunition so that we have 1400 rounds in our ten tents and are well prepared for attack. On Sunday night I went on guard at the railway station for 24 hours. We had to turn out the whole guard for every train that came in and kept a strict watch of the station and lines. While on at night patrols on foot and horseback were constantly coming up showing how certain the authorities are. The countersign was "Saskatchewan." It was rich to listen to the English and Australians trying to pronounce the word. The first person I halted was Colonel Oter. Every half hour No 1 sentry would call out "No 1, all is well;" No 2 would then follow and so to No 4, and then No 1 would end by saying "All's well." By doing this if a sentry was asleep or killed the fact would at once be learned. This is only one of the many necessary precautions. Fred McArae is quite well again. I am still well and hope to remain so. An East Indian has opened a tent with fruit for sale. Pine-apples, one shilling; paechees, tea for a shilling, grapes, sixpence a pound. A lot of raisins have been made by drying the grapes. All fruit is eagerly sought for by the men. The place where we are camped is called the Karumus Desert and the desert is dreadful when we have whirlwinds or dust storms. The Christmas box has not yet arrived.

Mr. James Matheson, writing to his father from Belmont on the 19th January, reports the Island boys "all well" at that time.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. Allan Parsons is here in the interest of Cairns, Bophy & Co. He is registered at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. Horace Hazard returned to Charlottetown last evening.

Mr. D. J. McDonald, representing James Robison, of Montreal, is on the Island.

Mr. R. N. Cox, of Morell, is in the city. He is a guest at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. Thomas Kuckham, of Souris, was a passenger to Charlottetown by this morning's train.

Mr. Geo. B. McEachern, of Souris, came to Charlottetown this forenoon.

Miss Maria Wright came home from Boston last evening to see her mother, who is very ill.

Mr. Joseph Wise, M. L. A., Milton, was a passenger by this morning's train from the east.

Mr. John Connolly and Miss Margaret Woods were passengers by the mail special last evening. They came on from Boston to see Mr. Connolly's mother, who is dangerously ill.

Mr. J. Martio, the popular representative of the Canada Paper Company, is registered at the Hotel Davies.

Miss Maggie McEachern, Paton & Co's chief milliner, who has been in New York attending the great millinery openings, returned to Charlottetown last evening.

HOCKEY NOTES.—In the match at Summerside last evening the Stars won from the second Victorias, the score being 11 to 1.

The match between the Junior Abbies and Pioneers resulted in a win for the latter. Score—14 to 5.

The second Abegweits and the Stars play a match in Hillsborough rink on Friday.

The Abegweits and the West End Rangers play in Hillsborough rink tonight. The game will be worth witnessing.

DAMAGE BY THE STORM.—During the gale on Sunday evening last a good-sized stable-barn belonging to Mr. Geo. W. H. Stevenson, of Fredericton, fared badly. The roof was blown off and about one fourth of it carried about one hundred yards. One side and an end of the barn were also blown away, and the frame work badly damaged. Had the barn not been attached to another one it is quite probable that it would have been completely scattered over the ground. Fortunately none of the stock was injured. About the same time a large barn belonging to Mr. Daniel Gillis had the roof blown off, but no further damage was done.

POLICE COURT.—This forenoon Donald McAulay was fined \$1 or 5 days for drunkenness. For assault and battery Edward Murphy and William Weatherbie were yesterday fined \$10 or 60 days each.

DIED

At Murray River, on the 20th of January, in the 83rd year of her age, Isabella MacLure. She was born in Mancharie, Ayrshire, Scotland, and came to this country in 1840. [Scottish and American papers please copy.]

At East Royalty, on Wednesday morning P. B. 28th, Jane, widow of the late William Gregory, aged 90 years, a native of Devonshire, England. [Funeral on Thursday, at 3 p.m., to the People's cemetery.]

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Local and Other Items.

HOCKEY.—Victory practice tonight, 9 to 10.50

A-B WEDNESDAY.—The usual services were held in the church today.

Don't forget the O Y B concert and social at Hamlet River tomorrow night.

FIREMEN.—Firemen and Salvage Corps are requested to meet at the City Hall at 8 o'clock to-night.

MEETING.—Special meeting of Hook and Ladder Company this evening at 8 o'clock

THE PROBS.—Moderate wind; fine and cold. Thursday east and south winds; mild, followed by snow or rain.

S O E.—White Rose meeting of Lodge Prince Edward at 8 o'clock to-night. Every member urgently requested to attend.

CARD.—The law business of F W L Moore will be taken charge of by Messrs Davies and Hazard during his absence on military duty.—1st k.

EASTER FESTIVAL.—The ladies of St. Joseph's Society intend holding an Easter Festival either Monday or Tuesday of Easter week. Particulars later.

ENTERTAINMENT AND SOCIAL.—A grand entertainment and social will be held in Clrde River Hall on Wednesday evening, March 7th. Admission, 10 cents; ladies with baskets free. Proceeds in aid of hall fund. All are cordially invited

CIVIC ELECTION.—Yesterday was civic election day at Summerside. The Councilors elected were J A Brace, J D Joss, John Grady, David Kirk, D McNeill and Leonard Morris. Mayor Campbell was re-elected by acclamation.

WRECK OF THE LABRADOR.—This is the anniversary of the wreck of the steamship Labrador. Messrs J A McLaren, L E Prowse, W W Stabler, Charles Leigh, jr, S A McLeod and W A Huestis, all of Charlottetown, were on board.

BUILDING TO BE SOLD.—The building on the corner of Great George and Water Streets, for some time used as an annex to the Hotel Davies, will be offered at public auction on Thursday next at twelve o'clock. Bargain-hunters should attend the sale.

SOLDIERS' WIVES LEAGUE.—Mrs. F. S. Moore, President of the Charlottetown branch of the Soldiers' Wives' League, has received a letter from Mrs. Hutton, President of the Dominion League, speaking of her immediate departure for England and expressing her great faith in the usefulness of the Soldiers' Wives' League.

AT HALF-MAST.—Flags are flying at half mast today as a mark of respect to the memory of Private Alfred Riggs who was killed in South Africa during the heroic charge of the Canadian contingent on the Bear trenches. Private Riggs is a son of Mr. W F Riggs, of the Prince Edward Island Railway, and is the third son to give up his life in the South African war.

PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATIONS.—West Kent School and Prince of Wales College joined in the demonstrations of patriotism yesterday at the defeat of Cronje. West Kent boys marched to the City Hall where they cheered for the Empire and sang God Save the Queen. The Prince of Wales students sang patriotic songs and cheered for Roberts and Buller and the brave Canadians who are doing such heroic work in South Africa.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOLROOM.—There was a good attendance at the concert in St. Paul's Schoolroom last evening, and an interesting literary and musical programme was well rendered. Patriotism ran high. The two recitations by Harry Smith were special features. The solos by Miss Hazard and Mrs. Palmer were finely sung. Chas. Farle sang in his excellent manner. Prof. Watt's rendition of "The Old Hundred" was capital. The music of the Canadian Hymn, which was sung by Mr. E H Mitchell and chorus, is by Surgeon-Major J E March, 8th Hussars, St. John, N B, who has most patriotically donated the total proceeds of the first edition to the Canadian Red Cross Fund.

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