

HERO OF MAFEKING.

Something About Col. Baden-Powell.
Col. B. S. S. Baden-Powell, who is so gallantly resisting the designs of the Boers on Mafeking, was born in Stanhope-street on Feb. 22nd, 1857. His father was a well-known clergyman, theologian and mathematician, and one time civilian professor at Oxford. The colonel's mother was daughter of Admiral Smyth, K. S. F.
Baden-Powell's list of friends includes many men whose names are household words and one of the first distinguished personages whose acquaintances he made was Robert Stephenson, the engineer. This was in the colonel's very early days, for Mr. Stephenson filled the office of godfather to "B. P.," and gave him the name of Robert Stephenson Smyth.
Baden-Powell was remarkable even as a child, of extraordinary equable temper, uncommonly intelligent and possessed of a certain dignified self-control under the most trying of infantile distresses. Indeed the writer is assured on the best possible authority that Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell never once cried in the whole course of his baby career—in truth a wonderfully exemplary child!
The infant Baden-Powell showed a quiet contempt for the toys that brighten the average child's life. He was quite happy if placed in possession of a stump of lead pencil and a sheet or two of plane unruled—he insisted on having it unruled—paper. With these rudimentary tools of the artist he would sit by the hour evolving from his infantile brain the weirdest sort of original drawings, some of which, achieved at the age of three years are preserved as family relics. They are not copies—"B. P.," even in those days, had too much faith in himself to copy anybody—but self conceived and self-executed little pencil drawings, which for a child of three are surprisingly clever. If R. S. S. Baden-Powell had not been a brave and distinguished soldier he would have achieved greatness as an artist—probably of the impressionist school. Young Powell was given a thoro and useful schooling at Tunbridge Wells, afterwards by a private tutor, and then at the Charter House school. Wherever he went he was always the same "B. P."—industrious, clever, resourceful, and above all things, manly. Consequently he was popular among his "set."
At the age of 18 he left Charterhouse with the intention of studying two years at Oxford and then going up for the army as university candidate. In June Dean Liddell promised him rooms in Christ Church for October, 1877. In order, however, to utilize the intermediate summer, "B. P." entered himself for the July army examination, so as to learn what kind of subjects would be required of him in the future. It was not his intention to pass before the prearranged stay at Oxford and he merely answered to the best of his ability such papers as came within the scope of his knowledge.
When the examination was over he went with his brother on a yachting cruise. To his great surprise he received in September—the month before he proposed taking up residence at Oxford—a formal notification from the Commander-in-Chief, the Duke of Cambridge, that he had passed second for the cavalry and fifth of the whole 718 candidates, and that the Duke had already appointed him lieutenant in the 13th Hussars. Young Baden-Powell had no alternative but to abandon all thoughts of Oxford, and to forthwith join his regiment in India. Although this for a time changed the plan of life he had mapped out for himself, it was only characteristic of the youth he was then—and of the man as he now is—that he should smilingly, enthusiastically

accept his destiny. In fact, the main object of this description of the colonel's earliest boyhood days is to show that even from boyhood his conduct under a given set of circumstances has been regulated by much the same characteristics—cheerful acceptance of the inevitable, unfailing resource, and abundant self-reliance. Baden-Powell was never known to cry as a child—and he goes whistling along the street at Mafeking with the enemy at the door and the enemy's shells in the air. In his case it may be truthfully said that the child was father of the man.

Baden-Powell was a great success in India, socially as well as professionally. If there were regimental theatricals he took a foremost part either in the cast or—which he liked better—as stage manager. At the periodical "smokers" he was a host in himself with song and recitation; in polo, hunting and horse racing he was always to the fore. He proved an adept at pig-sticking, before he had tried Boer which he declared to be his favorite sport.

On one of these excursions the young ficer was suddenly and violently flung from his horse, and appeared to alight on his head. When his comrades galloped up, fearful worst, the were received with a smile from the recumbent "B. P.," who seemed little damaged by his experience. He explained that as he was shot off the horse he realized that he was going to fall on his head, and remembering a feat learned in the gymnasium, he performed a halfsomersault before reaching the ground, and thus saved himself from a probable dislocated neck.

This is the fourth campaign in which Colonel Baden-Powell has been engaged, and he has been mentioned in despatches three times. Until recently his best work was done in the Matabele War of 1896, when he led a troop of irregulars. During the war he proved himself without rival as a scout, penetrating alone during the hours of darkness into the enemy's strongholds, spying out their positions, and gaining other information of the utmost value. The Matabele grew afraid of the "Impeesi," as they called him, meaning "he that creeps about by night," and they frequently declared that he had been seen in several places at one and the same time!

When Colonel Baden-Powell comes home he is sure to bring with him a sketch-book full of drawings depicting his experiences in beleaguered Mafeking, while it is only a few weeks ago that it was reported he was relieving the monotony of the Boer bombardment by correcting the proofs of a new book he had in the press. With pen or pencil the colonel is equally at home, and, strange to say, he is ambidextrous, drawing, writing, fencing, or shooting skilfully with either hand.

It is a matter of great regret that Colonel Baden-Powell and his men are cooped up at Mafeking. Their training fits them preeminently to meet the Boers in their own particular style of warfare. Meanwhile, however, the colonel, as usual, is making the best of a rather bad job; and no doubt many of the friends whose acquaintance he has made at Mafeking are by this time of opinion that life in a beleaguered town has its compensations—if "B. P." is there:

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8.05	P MIXED—Week days—for Debec June M tion and Houlton.
ARRIVALS.	
7.40 A. M.	MIXED—Week days, from McAdam Junction.
11.25 A. M.	EXPRESS—Week days, from Sait John, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Boston, Montreal, etc.
12.15 P. M.	MIXED—Week days, from Fredericton, etc., via Gibson Branch.
1.30 P. M.	MIXED—Week days, from Presque Isle.
4.18 P. M.	EXPRESS—Week days, from Presque Isle, Caribou, Edmundston, etc.
5.40 P. M.	MIXED—Week days, from Houlton.
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