

COLONEL AND OFFICERS.

WHY THE SIXTY-THIRD RIFLES ARE BICKERING AGAIN.

They Will Not Parade on the Queen's Birthday—Col. Egan and His Officers Have Several Subjects of Dispute—The Fight May Last Some Time Yet.

HALIFAX, May 10.—The Queen's birthday is to be celebrated in this city by a big review on May 24th. General Montgomery-Moore has ordered out the Imperial troops, and he has also invited the three militia battalions to co-operate with the regulars.

The reason seems to be the old ill-feeling which exists between Colonel Egan and his officers. Progress readers are already acquainted with the fact that Colonel Egan and his officers have somewhat the same relation that the Jews and the Samaritans had.

It is said that Colonel Egan, since the invitation, asked each of his officers whether or not they favored turning out on the 24th, in order to relieve himself of the responsibility of his taking any definite action in the matter.

The sooner Colonel Egan and his officers patch up a peace, and work together in the interests of the regiment, or else part company forever, the better it will be for the grand old 63rd Halifax Rifles.

FROM THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Maritime Province People in the Political Field in British Columbia. The following item of interest from a reader of Progress in British Columbia show that the maritime province men are not falling to the rear in the politics and other affairs of interest on the Pacific coast.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 2.—The number of residents in the cities of British Columbia, who hail from the maritime provinces, is very large. Without fear of contradiction, it may be asserted that out here on the Canadian Pacific coast, maritime province bred people are getting ahead in the struggle for place and preferment.

A. H. B. MacGowan, an Islander, a political aspirant in opposition to the Government. Ward de Beck, formerly of St. John, N. B., has been asked by convention to run in the Government's interests for Chilliwhack B. C.

Miss Sentell, who came here from Loch Lomond, near St. John, five years ago died at her father's residence in Vancouver, of consumption today. Mr. and Mrs. Tuck are visiting their son, the registrar of Kamloops, in that city.

later of Brandon, Man., has arrived in Vancouver and will permanently reside here with his family.

J. Fred Hume, a former New Brunswickite, but more recently a resident of Brandon, Man., has located in Vancouver with his family.

E. E. Phair, formerly of the Kent Northern railroad, has purchased the leading hotel in Kaslo, B. C. GOODMAN.

THE KIND THAT IS WANTED.

Qualifications of the Man Who Will Suit Some Kinds of Congregations. A correspondent in the province of Quebec sends the following, the point of which will be seen to have a timely application.

DEDICATED TO MR. S. H. BLAKE. The Quebec Cathedral and other congregations who may be wanting a Rector.

As a pure religious champion, Mr. Samvel H. Blake, And Defender of the Faith, you will surely take the cake; I'm sure we're all obliged for the ample information of what you would have done, had you run the Reformation.

Your principles are ours and we're equally decided The church will surely come to grief unless by you 'tis guided.

For there is no doubt it's tainted with a false doctrinal view, When the pew's taught from the pulpit and not the pulpit from the pew.

Now we're looking for a pastor (with an active Christian wife) To dispense to us the truths and blessed words of life, Our wants are short and simple, we will not want them long, For of applicants we shall expect to have a crowded throng.

This pastor must be bright and original and hold Yet worship just exactly as we always did of old. We never sang or heard of a processional hymn, And the form which always suited us should be good enough for him.

In fact no innovations will be ever stood by us, No flowers at Easter, candles, nor any "stich" like tuss.

Our fathers bled and died for this; and so would we too now, But it's safer in the vestry to raise a righteous row.

No standing up in church when the minister comes in, All true reformers think that this really is a sin; Such practices, indeed, are far too ritualistic, The rankest sacerdotalism,—too awfully papistic.

And as for surpliced choirs, they really are a snare, Teaching little, innocent boys to think of what they wear; It feeds the poor boy up with a very sinful pride, To think he's dressed the same as the rich boy by his side.

And all these choral services, intoning and the like, If he tried to introduce them here, there would be a lively strike;

For if David really sang the psalms, as some pretend to know, It must have been that very sin, which brought him once so low.

No extra services will be allowed in Lent, The fasts the prayer book calls for, were never really meant;

They may have been of value in the early days of yore, When people were more wicked, and had something to fast for.

And as for saints and holy days these should be obsolete, In our good sound parish they are thought quite out of date,

For the saints are dead and buried so very long ago; And it's wrong to worship mortals, or their memories, you know.

With our last rector, saintly man, we knew but one saint's day, Which was the anniversary of when he came to us to stay,

To minister to us with a knowledge more profound, Than that of saints departed and long buried underground.

Then bowing, kneeling, and the like; they are not simply lawful, And to a true blue protestant too Romanish and two awful,

And anyone who should attempt to be too reverential, Should suffer durandace vile in a prison penitential.

As for these sisterhoods and deaconesses too, They are quite enough to turn the air to a sulphurous hue;

Why don't they go and marry, the same as you and I, And follow the command, to increase and multiply.

Our people are dead set against parsons who are High, They're not enough imbued with Reformation piet-y,

On principle, in fact, so cordially we hate 'em." To a High church angel Gabriel we'd often prefer a low church Satan.

But one thing more, he must look out and never fraternize With any of those dreadful fervent Methodists, And yet we do not want him to be what they term as Broad,

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IT IS A BIG CONCERN.

Some Interesting Details About the Famous Bon Marche in Paris.

To provide three meals a day for over 3,000 men and women is both a costly and a difficult business, yet this is what is done by the huge Parisian firm known as the Bon Marche.

Each of these 3,000 employees receive three substantial meals a day without charge, and a staff of 130 servants is deputed to look after the culinary arrangements alone. Every day 3,600 pounds of bread are eaten, and every morning for breakfast 200 pounds of coffee are put into two huge coffee pots and exhausted by the time the meal is over.

The day before my visit, says a traveler, the menu included stewed rabbit, and in order that every one should have a taste of it no fewer than 1,200 rabbits were placed in the stewpans. Whenever omelettes are provided for breakfast 12,000 eggs have to be bought for this single meal, and when chicken is the staple article no fewer than 1,000 are roasted.

The other day stewed hare was one of the items. During this meal 450 hares were eaten, and two large barrels of red wine were actually consumed in the making of sauce. Fifteen or sixteen casks, or 6,000 bottles, of wine and 1,200 bottles of beer are drunk by the staff every day—three bottles each is the allowance.

Three thousand six hundred pounds of potatoes are eaten every morning for breakfast, and on the day of my visit 2,400 pounds of beefsteak had been eaten at the same meal.

The kitchen arrangements are on a most elaborate scale. I saw three huge marmite or stewpans at work, each containing 400 pounds of beef and 466 pints of water. Each pan weighs close on a ton. Seven hundred pints of spinach in one stewpan were also being prepared for the same meal. The apparatus for heating the plates cost £250. It should be recollected that all this is absolutely free of charge. There is also a special hair-dressing establishment reserved for the staff.

A few facts about this remarkable firm may not be without interest, for they are now given for the first time. The total income last year was \$30,000,000. On the white goods sale day last February (one day only) \$100,000 was taken in ready cash, and then there were over 60,000 customers. The stock is valued at \$100,000,000. Five hundred shop-lifters are detected by shop-walkers, who look down from the upper floors, in the course of a year.

The Bon Marche is governed by twelve directors, all very wealthy men, three of whom are bound to be on the premises from 8:15 in the morning until 8 o'clock at night—a very different proceeding to the English directorate system. Two thousand pounds' worth of goods are returned every day on account of lad es being allowed to change their minds. There is a buffet where any one, no matter whether a purchaser or not, may have a glass of port wine, some sherry, brandy or lemonade, and cakes free of charge.

Did Not Improve the Wine.

The captain of a United States survey steamer once told a strange story about the effects of deep sea pressure. The vessel had been on a long cruise and was down near the tropics on Christmas Day. The holiday was observed as well as possible, and one of the features was a good dinner. There was champagne on board, but the weather was hot. There was no ice, and the question was how to cool the wine.

During the cruise the steamer had been making deep-sea soundings, and the captain and officers thought that by sinking the bottles far down in the sea, they would find water as cool as ice. They immediately sent down a lot on a wire for refrigeration.

At the proper time the bottles were drawn up and placed on the table, and found to be delightfully chilled. When the steward opened them, however, there was no "pop" to the cork, and the wine looked flat and bad on being served.

What was the astonishment and disgust of the officers upon tasting it, to find that it was pure salt water, instead of sparkling champagne!

The solution of the matter seems very simple. At the depth to which the bottles were sunk, the pressure was so great that the salt water was forced into them through the pores in the corks, and, being more dense than the wine, it completely absorbed it.

In the Days of our Grandmothers.

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exploded, and, in his full agonies, screamed, "Hold me down!" then, rushing from the throne, fell prostrate on the floor. There he lay during the long-continued effervescence of the compound, spiriting like ten thousand pennyworth of Imperial pop, and believing himself in the agonies of death—a melancholy and humiliating proof that kings are mortal.

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