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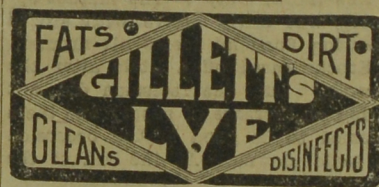
TEACHERS ENJOYING LIFE ON THE S. S. GRAMPIAN

(Special Correspondence.)

On board S.S. Grampian, St. Lawrence River, July 3, 1914. This splendid vessel pulled out from Montreal at three o'clock this a.m. so quietly that few of the passengers were aware of the fact. The recent Empress disaster caused a great many of those who intended to join this educational touring party to cancel their plans. This has proved favorable for those of us on our way down to the sea in the 11,000-ton Allan Line steamship Grampian. A walk around the promenade deck before breakfast this morning was just like taking a walk around one of the city blocks in Fredericton. However, this was a great appetizer for the breakfast menu, which opened with delicious strawberries; the chief purser did not say they were grown on the vessel. Then followed oatmeal porridge and all the dainty things usual so well served in the Barker or Queen. And then we are supposed to keep well enough to eat four meals every day and a luncheon before retiring at night. All the officers and lads are most attentive and the dozen or less white capped matrons are chasing after the lady portion of the company all the time and seem surprised that none of them are sick yet—but wait. Every employee seems to be Scotch and the writer has not heard so much of that most interesting accent since the British 72nd Regt. was stationed in the Celestial City. In the Grampian's party are people from as far west as Vancouver and from Newfoundland. The party from Fredericton is small but select. This includes Mr. and Mrs. Page, and, of course, we have tried every reasonable plan to prevent the "Hands Across the Seas" boys from finding out that they comprise a bridal party. They have not yet been sick and this may be accounted for by the vigorous deck-promenading they accomplish before breakfast each morning. Then Miss I. R. Everett, the popular member of the York Street School, is having a splendid time. Her companion is a young lady from Boston. A neat pamphlet published by the Allan Line has been presented to all hands and this includes the name of each member of the party. The list is so long and postage stamps so scarce that I will not give it to the readers of

your up-to-date paper. A very genial young gentleman named Baxter, a member of the Bank of Montreal staff in Vancouver, is on board hurrying to Scotland to see his father, who is seriously ill. Mr. F. J. Ney, the organizer of the tour, was at his desk on the vessel all night endeavoring to satisfactorily locate some of the grumblers. His experience was more trying than that of Secretary Hooper at an exhibition, or of the school secretary when every mother wants her child sent to the same school, and Mr. Ney was as cool as a cucumber. If you can't read these hurried notes attribute it to the swell and if details are not sufficiently extended attribute this to the necessity of the writer taking a promenade on the fresh air deck lest he become seasick.

C.A.S.



Try This at Ottawa

A protest has been raised against the amount of public money which American legislators spend on baths. The sum expended by the House of Representatives last year was \$6,200. But the free bath is not the only privilege the representatives of the American people enjoy. They can get a free shave and a free hair-cut as often as they have a mind to. They can even get their faces massaged and their hands manicured at the public cost.

Footrace Decides Rent

An ancient custom of a race deciding the rent was witnessed at Bourne (Lincolnshire) recently. A race was run by two boys during the letting of the Whitebread Meadow, and upon the return of the winning boy the last bidder was returned the tenant for the year. After expenses are paid the rent money is spent in bread, which is distributed to householders in the town.

ENGLAND'S KING AS A BUSINESS MAN

His Majesty a Methodical and Industrious Worker

The King has impressed everybody at St. James' Palace both by his industry and the businesslike way in which he gets through his work. The amount of correspondence which his Majesty must personally deal with tends ever to increase, and though Lord Stamfordham relieves the King of as much work as possible, there remains after the most exhaustive sifting sufficient to keep the monarch occupied for several hours a day. It is possible that the King, if he liked, could deputize most of his work, but like his father, the late King Edward, he takes the perfectly correct view that it would be injudicious to put his name or give his assent to any document or plan which he had not himself carefully studied. Besides, to one of his Majesty's clearly defined views, tacit agreement on some matters would be highly repugnant. The "Wake-up-England" King believes in looking into things himself.

His Majesty is an early riser. Generally breakfast is served upstairs, a light meal over which very few moments are spent. Then, if the King has not a morning engagement, he attends to his private correspondence, which often means dealing with a score of letters daily. Some letters he dictates, others he writes himself, autographed letters mostly being to royal relatives. Then comes the business of dealing with State correspondence, an ordeal which keeps Lord Stamfordham and his staff occupied the whole day.

No letter directed to the King, excepting it be from a crank or a madman, who frequently pick out royalties for their effusions, goes unanswered. It may be a mere formal acknowledgment or it may contain an expression of the King's feelings. Whatever the case, courtesy of an early reply may always be expected from the Palace.

PASSAGES SHOWING TREND OF SOME RECENT BOOKS

What an asset, this inherited instinct to work! I inherited an instinct as strong to shoot and ride to hounds. I know heaps of things which are darkest mystery to you. You know absolutely nothing about the most interesting subject on earth—woman. From "Loot," by Horace Annesley Vachell.

You've made a new man out of me, maybe the stuff isn't much, but there is a soul in it somewhere. You've given that soul something to get a grip on. From Randall Parrish's "Gordon Craig, Soldier of Fortune."

If a horse thief knows that there's merely a chance the community will get mad enough to hang him, he'll take that chance in hopes it may not be the time. If on the other hand he knows that every time he steals a horse he's going to be caught and fixed even, he thinks a long time before he steals it. From "Gold," by Stewart Edward White.

"Nothing makes a woman more glad than to have a well-seen husband." From "Ladies Whose Bright Eyes," by F. M. Hueffer.

My one idea is to make him as happy as I can and when a woman does this for a man, I don't think she has time to run around by herself. From Ellen Glasgow's "Virginia."

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ENTRIES CLOSE FOR SONDER RACES

Boston, Mass., July 6.—The entry list closed today for the elimination trials of the American boats for the international sonder regatta to be sailed at Kiel. The elimination trials are to be conducted off Marble Head this month under the auspices of the Eastern Yacht Club. The next sonder races will be the sixth in the series of such competitions between the United States and Germany. The United States has four victories to its credit and Germany one. The American boats won at Marble Head in 1905, 1910 and 1913 and also at Kiel in 1911. The Germans' only victory was at Kiel in 1907.

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HIGHEST RIFLE SCORE

Lance Sergt Roy Ralston of D. Company, 1st York Regt., made the highest score in his regiment at Camp Sussex on the rifle range and is entitled to the best shot badge for 1914. He made 63 out of a possible 70.

ENJOYABLE EXCURSION.

A considerable number went to Houlton on the Fredericton Brass Band excursion Saturday. The excursion returned early Sunday morning.

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