

PRETORIA AS IT IS TODAY.

Racy Description of Street Scenes in the Famous Boer Capital.

SOCIAL DOINGS THERE.

Will Keep Her Place as the Army Headquarters.

Pretoria, Nov. 30.—It is a very dreadful thing to say you do not believe what people say, but by careful observation I have come to the conclusion that upon the subject of climate here in Pretoria it is wisest to wait and find out by personal experience, for no two people you ask seem to agree upon that subject.

So far everything seems greatly exaggerated—the weather has been delightful—only two or three really hot days and the nights are always cool.

The dust-storms have been few and far between, and the thunder and lightning storms as yet have not been terrifying. The mosquito net hangs high by the ceiling for the mosquitoes from Delagoa Bay have failed to appear as prophesied.

But now for Pretoria itself—the spring rains have commenced—a gentle downpour generally in the night time, but unfortunately the roof of the house is of corrugated-iron and when the rain is accompanied by hail stones the noise is very deafening.

The dust has been washed from the trees that are always green, and the oak, Australian laurel, water willow and other trees have donned their coats of brilliant green—the air has been heavy with the fragrance of the blossoms upon the fruit trees, the modest violet and the queenly rose.

Pretoria is blessed with plenty of water—enough for delicious cool baths and enough even to flood the gardens, and all for but a few shillings a month.

Sluices of water run through the streets between the side-walk and gardens. On a hot day as you walk along under the shade of the trees, it is refreshing to see and hear the water rushing along. The water may be diverted from the sluice into the private gardens. Each property is allowed to use the water for an hour. It is taken in turn. The streets of Pretoria are well protected by shade trees. The rose hedges in the spring months are very beautiful.

Some headway is being made against three years of neglected streets, but yet the shoe merchants declare their trade in that line is good.

A CURIOUS MEDLEY.

In Pretoria one sees as in most Dutch towns, a curious medley of the picturesque and the sordid. For instance, in the chief business street is a cornfield next a corrugated iron house; anon a stately mansion turreted and lawn surrounded with quaint bits of statuary and homely rustic articles in curious confusion. Close by the Palace of Justice is a wheelwright smithy, and, even worse, behind the railing of this building are lines with the caretaker's weekly wash hung out to dry!

Pretoria expects to wake up a bit and build a theatre costing from £80,000 to £100,000. In the near future she hopes to build a Cathedral and a residency and keep her position as headquarters of the army. The tram service has not been started again.

There are many pleasant walks to take about Pretoria, either out to the suburbs Arcadia and Sunnyside, or to climb one of the seven or eight kopjes that surround the town.

There are also two very pretty parks—the Burgher Park in the centre of the town, most beautifully kept, where the band plays twice a week; and Berea Park, further out toward Sunnyside—here all sports take place. Close by this park is "Joss House" described by Rider Haggard.

"The Zoo" is another centre of attraction. It is quite new but there is a very fine collection of animals in it. On Wednesday afternoon's the Leinster band plays and people go to enjoy the music

and a cup of tea under the shade of the blue gum trees.

HOUSE TO HOUSE DELIVERY.

On November first a house to house delivery of letters began. The train runs so much more quickly to the Cape now that we receive our home letters two days sooner than we did and we do not have to post our letters until two days later. Now that the censoring of letters is done away with, by paying a little extra we can post a letter even after the regular closing hour.

A Savings Bank in connection with the Post Office has been open two or three months. £100 may be deposited in a year at the rate of three and a half per cent. The Post Office is always surrounded by wee Boer boys anxious to earn a "ticky" by holding a horse.

There has at last come the relaxation of martial law in the Transvaal. It has caused a little confusion about the Curfew Bell for natives. During martial law no native could be on the streets after eight o'clock at night. Now that law is repealed we find there is no law to enforce, for, before the war the natives thought they had to be indoors by 9 p. m., the enforcement of the rule was merely founded on custom, consequently every native is free to come and go as he pleases on the streets of Pretoria at all hours of the night—a state of affairs by no means reassuring. This position applies to the whole country unless there are local regulations in force.

House-keeping is rather a difficult problem out here. First of all a house is hard to find, and if you do get one, then it is hard to obtain suitable help. Zulus are better workers than Basutos. A good boy gets about £3 a month—but a house-keeper has to be continually overseeing the work done by the boys and often does much of it herself—for that reason there is little entertaining done out here—save an informal afternoon tea on the "stoop" which is always delightful.

At our hotel we have a splendid house-boy called "Ban"—a Zulu—He says when he makes enough money he will go back to Natal "and sit, and sit, and sit!" They all do that as soon as they make a little money they go back to their Kraal and sit and smoke all day long.

Our table-boy "Whitem" is a marvel the way he waits on us twenty-four people! We never seem to be kept waiting a minute. The more people there are the happier he is. The latter is a Cape boy. In this country the natives are not allowed to walk on the sidewalks. At least not in Transvaal or O. R. C.

SOCIAL LIFE IN PRETORIA.

The social life in Pretoria is very pleasant. Lady Littleton and Lady Lawley each give a series of dances. A series of Assemblies are also given by some of the young men of Pretoria.

Not very long ago there was an almost wholly Canadian dance given by S. A. C. officers of the Remount Station near Daespoort. At supper Col. Steele took the head of the table with Gen. Lyttleton on his left. Sister Richardson (Canadian) is in the S. A. C. Hospital at Pretoria.

I believe there are 10,000 men in the S. A. C. Knaki is fast disappearing—we have yet the Leinsters, Welsh and Seaforth Regiments with us.

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Nothing will stimulate a keen, healthy relish for food, insure good digestion and perfect assimilation like Ferrozone, which is the most successful tonic and health renewer known to medical science. Ferrozone is a positive cure for Anaemia, impure blood, boils, pimples, indigestion, dyspepsia, and all stomach and bowel troubles. Ferrozone cleanses, strengthens and purifies the blood, it invigorates the heart and nerves, banishes all sickness and pain, and makes ailing people well. Try a box or two of Ferrozone, the result will be a surprise. Price 50c. at Drugists or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Hamilton's Pills cure Constipation.

You were always a fault-finder, said the angry better half. I plead guilty, calmly rejoined the husband. I certainly found you.

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

JUDGE GREGORY HONORED.

Presented With a Congratulatory Address by the Grand Jury.

Following is the full text of the address presented to His Honor Judge Gregory by the grand jury of the county of York at the circuit court Wednesday afternoon:

To His Honor the Honorable George Frederick Gregory, K. C., one of the justices of the supreme court of New Brunswick:

May it please Your Honor:—The grand jury for the county of York, at the present nisi prius sittings, take this first opportunity afforded them, since Your Honor's elevation to the Supreme court bench of this province, to tender you hearty congratulations on behalf of themselves and the body of the county, on your appointment to the honorable and responsible position you have now worthily filled for over two years.

As a member of the local bar, recognized for years as one of the leaders of the profession and a prominent citizen of Fredericton, intimately acquainted with the people of your native county, your appointment was hailed with general satisfaction here and the conviction that the best traditions of the bench of the province would not suffer at your hands.

We are assured that the manner in which Your Honor has discharged your duties, both to the bar and to the public hitherto, leaves no cause to doubt that Your Honor will prove a worthy successor of the able jurists of the Supreme Court, who in the past have been chosen from the bar of this county, and whose memories are honored throughout the province by the profession and by the people generally.

We thank Your Honor for the full and lucid charges you have delivered to us, and which have so materially aided us in the discharge of our serious and responsible duties on this occasion, and in conclusion beg to wish you and Mrs. Gregory a very Happy New Year.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW LOTTIMER, Foreman.
Grand Jury Room,
Jan. 7th, 1903.

His Honor in reply, returned his hearty thanks for the kind expression of good feeling embodied in the address. He thought it but natural that there should be some degree of satisfaction felt at his appointment to the bench by the people of this his native county, where he had spent his whole life. While the grand juries of other counties which he had visited had presented him with addresses of congratulation, they had failed to produce in his mind the same measure of gratitude as had been done in the present case. Most of the gentlemen of the grand jury had known him intimately for many years, and it was very gratifying to him to feel that he had so conducted himself as to be able to draw from them such a sincere expression of esteem and good will. He had brought up a family in this town, and was the father of two sons, who though not now residents of Fredericton, still lived under the British flag. One resided in St. John, where he was connected with a prosperous business, and the other was doing well in British Columbia. He had brought up his family in this city the best way he knew how, and it would be his endeavor in the future to give them no cause to regret that they had expressed satisfaction at his appointment, and with his ability to discharge his duties in an impartial manner. If they were equally as well satisfied when he closed his career as they appeared to be now, he would consider himself amply repaid for his efforts. He was always pleased to meet the members of the grand jury as personal acquaintances and could assure them that all had his best wishes for business prosperity. His Honor here went on to explain that under the rules, a judge's turn to visit a county came once every two and a half years. His turn at the York circuit was purposely held back in order that cases in which he had had an interest as counsel might be disposed of. He could not proceed with a case, in which he had been previously interested and for that reason he had been placed at the foot of the class for York county. Notwithstanding his long wait there were still two or three cases on the docket, over which there was some discussion as to whether he ought to try them. He made this explanation merely to show why he had not previously presided at a court in his native county. He hoped to meet them all at the end of another two and a half years, and in the enjoyment of good

health and prosperity. In conclusion His Honor stated that he had hoped to be able to relieve the members of the grand jury from further attendance, but it was the wish of the attorney general that they should be held for one day longer.

(Stomach and Bowel Troubles.

A promptly satisfactory cure for cramps, colic, indigestion, heartburn, biliousness, sick stomach and summer complaint, is a few drops of Nerviline in sweetened water. Nerviline at once relieves pain and suffering, eradicates the cause of the trouble and cures permanently. Polson's Nerviline is the best general purpose remedy for internal pains known; it acts so quickly that no household should be without it. Buy a 25c. bottle of Nerviline today. It's all right.

Hamilton's Pills cure Constipation.

PENNAC.

(Special correspondence to the Herald.)

Jan. 3.—The Xmas tree and entertainment held in the Methodist church here was a grand success, and reflects credit upon Miss Sadie Walker who has laboured faithfully to bring about a good time for the children.

Mr. Willis Grant who was taken suddenly ill a short time ago is somewhat improved today.

Mr. Sanford Grass, after spending Christmas with his parents at Gibson, has returned to once more resume his duties as cook for Messrs. Lawson and Mitchell, who are lumbering this winter in the vicinity of Bear Brook.

Miss Hattie Saunders, who has been visiting relatives at Fredericton Junction, arrived home today. Hattie is a great favorite among her many young friends, and needless to say her coming brings joy.

Stephen Yeomans, a very popular young man of this place, and for the past few months employed in Houlton, arrived last week much to the delight of the fair sex, who have waited patiently for his return.

What does it profit a woman if she gain the whole world of knowledge and lose her own health? Young women students, and school teachers, eager, ambitious, and full of energy, very often neglect their health in the struggle to gain education. They eat insufficient food and at irregular hours, they allow irregularity of the womanly functions to be established, and the result is that they become chronic invalids with all their education practically worthless. There is a plain road back to health for such as these, marked by the feet of thousands. It is the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for diseases of the stomach and digestive and nutritive organs, and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for diseases of the delicate organs of womanhood. A cure so certainly follows the use of these remedies that out of hundreds of thousands who have tried the treatment, ninety-eight in every hundred have been perfectly and permanently cured. Constipation, with its calamitous consequences, which is a common ailment of students, can be entirely cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

A frying pan becomes a chafing dish after it gets into society.

ALWAYS IN SIGHT

Crowded street. People passing by. Old and young. All eager about their own affairs and always somebody in plain sight who needs Scott's Emulsion.

Now it's that white-haired old man; weak digestion and cold body. He needs Scott's Emulsion to warm him, feed him, and strengthen his stomach.

See that pale girl? She has thin blood. Scott's Emulsion will bring new roses to her face.

There goes a young man with narrow chest. Consumption is his trouble. Scott's Emulsion soothes ragged lungs and increases flesh and strength.

And here's a poor, sickly little child. Scott's Emulsion makes children grow—makes children happy.

UPPER QUEENSBURY.

(Special Correspondence to the Herald.)

Jan. 5.—Though there is not very much snow the lumbermen are hauling their lumber to the river and some are hauling bark to Hawshaw, most of the bark teams making the trips on the ice.

Mrs. Annie Vanwart and son Leo of Bear Island are visiting relatives in this place.

Mrs. A. C. Whitehead who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Dr. Coy, Prince William has returned home.

Mr and Mrs. William Parent of Upper Queensbury hotel, who have been visiting Mrs. Parent's relatives at Middle Simonds, Carleton Co., have returned home.

Mrs. Fox of Southampton spent several days recently with relatives in this place.

Miss Jennie Cronkrite who has been spending her Xmas vacation with her sister Mrs. W. F. Ingraham, left to remember her duties as teacher in Upper Southampton and Friday last.

W. B. Cronkrite a prosperous lumberman of Southampton was in this place last week on business.

Miss Bessie Whitehead left yesterday for Fredericton en route for Annapolis, N. S., to visit her brother J. C. Whitehead. She was accompanied by her father A. C. Whitehead as far as St. John.

W. H. Vanwart of Presque Isle, Maine, who has been visiting relatives here, has returned home.

George Bradbury of Woodstock who is spending the winter hunting in the vicinity of this place has met with unusually good success having shot four large deer besides a lot of smaller game. He expects to bring down a moose in the near future.

The Rev. Mr. Bastin held services in the Episcopal church here last Sunday afternoon which was largely attended. As usual about twenty-five came over from Dumfries.

Girls, who is to have the first drive? One of our young men has a dandy new pump.

A New Crop of Corns

Isn't very hard to raise with the aid of tight boots. The best remedy is Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor, which cures in one day. Refuse a substitute for Putnam's. It's the very best.

FREDERICTON POST OFFICE

Arrival and Departure of Mails Schedule Now in Force.

Mails close at the Fredericton post office beginning Oct. 13 as follows:

- 6.00 a. m.—St. John, United States; St. Stephen, and Charlotte, Carleton, Victoria, Madawaska counties, Fredericton Jct., Waas Station, Rusagornis Station.
- 7.00 a. m.—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, Mouth of Keswick, Upper Keswick, Millville, Woodstock, and 8.15 a. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- 7.30 a. m.—Down river mails—Oromocto, Sheffield, Gagetown, etc.
- 9.15 a. m.—St. John and C. P. R. stations east—Nova Scotia, P. E. Island.
- 3.30 p. m.—C. E. Station—Chatham, Newcastle and I. C. R. points north, Quebec city and province.
- 5.15 p. m.—St. John, United States, Nova Scotia, P. E. I., Woodstock, St. Stephen, Moncton, etc., Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and N. W. provinces.

Arrivals.

- 9.15 a. m.—St. John, Nova Scotia, P. E. I., etc.
- 11.40 a. m.—United States, St. Stephen, etc.; Montreal, Ottawa and N. W. Provinces.
- 2.20 p. m.—Canada Eastern Mails, North Shore and Quebec.
- 4.30 p. m.—Down river mails.
- 8.10 p. m.—St. John, Nova Scotia, P. E. I., etc.
- 6.10 p. m.—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Mouth of Keswick, etc., Woodstock; 8.00 p. m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- 2.00 p. m. and 10.30 p. m.—City boxes served.

She says that he is a man after her own heart. Then I suppose he will get it.

Canvasser—I've a book here I'd like to show you. Buy Man—I've a bulldog in the next room I'd like to show you.