

a bend of the stream. In view of the unknown strength of the enemy, and of possible obstructions placed in the way of the steamer's progress, Col. Herchmer probably adopted the wisest course under the circumstances in abandoning the intention to proceed to Battleford by water instead of by rail.

73 KING STREET EAST—SCENES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE.

Our supplement this week is devoted to representations of a subject which will have the liveliest interest for the gallant members of the Toronto corps and York Rangers who are now at the front. They tell their own tale in exhibiting the patriotic zeal displayed by the ladies here in catering for those who are serving their country so far from home. The numerous members of the fair sex who took an active part on this occasion were efficiently organized, with the following officers, viz.: Mrs. Gunther, president; Mrs. Edward Blake, treasurer; and Mrs. J. G. Scott, secretary, who performed their somewhat arduous duties with businesslike efficiency and alacrity. The subscriptions to the Volunteers' Supply Fund now aggregate nearly \$2,000, while the contributions in kind for general distribution, as well as the dainties and comforts packed and forwarded for the benefit of individual soldiers, were so numerous that we cannot find space for even a partial list. We regret that we are not in a position to publish portraits of the ladies who most actively participated; but, as our representative met with discouragement in his application for the photographs of the officers, who seemed to think it would be unjust to other ladies if they were personally given a special prominence which they did not desire where all worked so well, that part of our enterprise it was considered wise to abandon. If then our artist should have failed to do full justice to the personal charms of individuals, or is at all astray as to the current fashions, we trust that the above explanation will be accepted as a reasonable excuse.

The two cars loaded with 600 packages of necessaries and luxuries for our boys at the front, left last week. The consignment to the Queen's Own Rifles was accompanied by Lieut. Blake, of the Q. O. R., who will join his corps on arriving at their quarters, and the goods for the Grenadiers were under the charge of Sergt. Mowat, who will also join his battalion. Messrs. Scott & Walmsley insured the goods for \$5,000 against loss while they were waiting shipment in Toronto; and Messrs. Henry & Co. and Shedden & Co. carted the goods free of charge to the freight sheds. The railway companies gave free transportation.

The Winnipeg Times says:—"An immense quantity of mail matter passes through the post-office here for the troops at the front. The mail for the force advancing on Batoche's Crossing leaves Qu'Appelle twice a week, and that for the troops at other points is sent on without delay. The quantity handled may be imagined when it is known that all the leading newspapers of the Dominion gratuitously furnish each soldier with a paper; letters, coming as they do from all sections, are numbered by the thousands, and the mail clerk becomes appalled as he contemplates the huge bundles, which require hours of labor to sort. Major-Gen. Middleton receives by far the largest correspondence of any officer in the field, owing to the many communications which he gets from the Government. The Queen's Own evidently have left many valued friends behind, as the bulk of the letters which go to Swift Current are for members of that organization. As a mail clerk remarked to a reporter, it would seem that every member of Col. Otter's crack corps had at least four lady correspondents in different parts of the Dominion."

The Regina Leader says:—"Four car loads of horses and three car-loads of waggons passed through Regina on their way from Fargo to Swift Current for the transport service of the North-West field force. We understand these teams have been contracted for at a considerably less rate than that at which our local teamsters were engaged at the commencement of the expedition."

The correspondent of the Montreal Gazette says the Tenth Royals of Toronto are the nearest approach in point of steadiness and physique to a British regiment which we have in the field. They have already received the epithet of "the bull dogs," and they certainly are a class of men that would lend real strength to any force.

Population of Prince Albert District.

The district of Prince Albert, the relief of which is the prime object of Gen. Middleton's expedition, according to the census of that year, a total population of 3,236, divided into 667 families. Of this number 528 are given as of English origin, 825 French, 1,075 Indians, 131 Irish, 6 Scandinavian, and 651 Scotch. The table showing the birth-places of the population indicates that 46 were born in England, 25 in Ireland, 51 Scotland, 2 Prince Edward Island, 4 Nova Scotia; 1 New Brunswick, 23 Quebec, 274 Ontario, 924 Manitoba, 1 British Columbia, 1,813 North-West Territories, 59 United States, and the remainder in foreign countries. Their religious inclinations are given as follows:—Church of England, 903; Roman Catholic, 899; Presbyterian, 363; Methodist, 106; other Protestant denominations, 42; no religion, 924. While there has been some influx of settlers since the census was taken, there has also been some removals, and it is, therefore, not probable that the total number of residents in the district has been increased to any great extent.

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Number 2 was issued April 11th, and contained the following illustrations:—Indian Tepee and Rebel Half-breed; Fort Qu'Appelle, N.W.T.; Prince Albert Settlement; Humboldt; Clarke's Crossing; Ups and Downs; A Welcome Call; Scenes on the Cars en route to the Front; Presentation of Flag to the Toronto Volunteers at Carlton Place, by Mrs. Edward Blake; Arrival of Tenth Royal Grenadiers at Winnipeg; The 90th Battalion of Rifles leaving Winnipeg for the Front. Also a two-page supplement showing the Departure of the Governor-General's Body-Guards, and the 60th Battalion (French Canadians) leaving Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

No. 3 was issued April 18th. It contained the following illustrations:—A Battery in the Touchwood Hills; Stuck in a Snow-Bank; Midnight Tramp of the Royal Grenadiers; A Parade of Major Crozier's Command at Battleford; Lord Melgund; Major Crozier; Col. Miller, Q.O.R.; Quelling Mutiny of the Teamsters; Arrival of the Royal Grenadiers at Camp Desolation; Marching into Quarters at Port Monroe; An Occasional Spill; Cold Comfort in a Flat Car. Besides the above numerous illustrations, a large two-page cartoon by Canada's Cartoonist, J. W. Bengough, deals with the question "Who is Responsible?" It is without doubt one of the best efforts of this clever artist. This number is having a tremendous sale.

No. 4 was issued April 25, and contained the following illustrations:—Lord Melgund's Scouts Surrounding Three of White Cap's Warriors; Col. Otter's Brigade on the Line of March; Trying the Gatlings; Steamers Loading at Medicine Hat; The Midland Battalion's Departure from Winnipeg; Receiving Battalion Orders in the Drill-Shed, Hamilton; The Winnipeg Light Infantry Preparing for Service; Portraits of the Minister of Militia, Lt.-Col. Guimet, Lieut. Morrow, etc.

No. 5, published May 2nd, contained the following illustrations:—Major-Gen. Middleton and his A.D.C. (Equestrian Portraits); The Relief of Battleford; Incident in connection with the Fort Pitt Garrison; Typical sketches in the Drill Shed, Hamilton; Whole Page Group—Portraits of the Rebel Leaders; The Battle of Fish Creek.

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