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is to a
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The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, May 18th, 1900.

The Transvaal War.

The march of events at the seat of war has been a quick march during the past few days. On the 10th inst., a battle, in which the Canadians were engaged, took place at Zand River, and, as usual, the British were victorious, the Boers taking flight at the end of the engagement. Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, the military writer in the *Morning Post*, says:

"The Boers are now approaching their final agony. Lord Roberts has 40,000 men beyond the Zand River. With General Buller there are 30,000, and with General Hunter 10,000. Against the pressure of these columns the Boers can make no effective resistance. A collapse must follow the first battle in which the Boers make a determined stand and are well beaten. The interest in the question is whether the Transvaal Government will then submit, or will encourage the burghers to continue a hopeless struggle to the point of their general ruin. The latter alternative is by no means improbable."

Many are of the opinion that the Boers will adhere to their oft-repeated determination to fight to the last, and, if they do, the war may last a good while longer, as the fortified positions upon which they can fall back will be exceedingly difficult to take, and entrance to the Transvaal itself has not yet been effected. On Sunday Lord Roberts's main force concentrated at Kroonstad, where it was reported, two days later, to be resting after a rapid and arduous advance effected with much skill and success. A report current in Cape Town that Mafeking was relieved on Sunday has not been confirmed.

The Cartwright Banquet.

A notable event of last week was the banquet tendered by the Ontario Liberal members and Senators to their grand old leader, Sir Richard Cartwright. From every point of view the event was a notable and significant one. Sir Richard has been a tower of strength to Liberalism for many a decade, and his self-sacrificing labors for his country and his party are well understood and warmly appreciated; but, however well a condition or a fact is known and recognized, it does no harm occasionally to give it special emphasis. The occasion was essentially a family reunion, and it gave the opportunity for a general exchange of congratulations on the splendid work the party had accomplished for the country in the past, its enviable position in the confidences of the nation in the present, and the magnificent outlook for the future. Setting aside all partisan prejudices, no observant man, who values his reputation for common sense and calm judgment, will hesitate to admit that the verdict of history will be in the words uttered by the guest of the evening, when he declared that the four years which had elapsed from 1896 to 1900 had been pre-eminently fruitful years in the history of Canada, during which she had made gigantic strides both morally and materially. In those four years, said Sir Richard, we have shown our American friends that, while we are willing to carry on trade with them, still, if they shut their doors to us, we are not merely able to stand the blow but to prosper and develop our trade

and commerce in a greater ratio than even they can do; and we have shown our friends on the other side of the Atlantic that Canada can send to the field soldiers well worthy of taking their place alongside the greatest veterans the empire can produce. Continuing, Sir Richard uttered a well-timed note of warning against over-confidence in preparing for the approaching election, with the reminder that, however good and righteous a cause might be, it might easily suffer defeat if thorough organization and strenuous work were neglected. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

A Long Session.

Although little or no progress has been made in the consideration of the estimates, the passing of which seldom takes less than six weeks of the session, there are already indications of a restless desire on the part of the members to hurry on prorogation. This is not surprising, for the session is now well into its fourth month, and, even if every expediency is used to hurry on the work, there is scarcely a possibility of getting through before the end of next month. So far, apart from the evident desire in Opposition ranks to waste time in all manner of frivolous discussions on side issues, the proceedings of the session have been marked by better feeling than was anticipated. It is true the members on Mr. Speaker's left have been indulging in mutterings loud and deep of the horrible disclosures they were going to make; but nothing could more conclusively demonstrate the unbroken success of the Government's policy in every direction and its acknowledged strength in the country, than the complete failure to implement any of these threats by definite action, together with the repeated attempts which have been made to drag insignificant issues before the public and magnify them into affairs of importance.

A Journalistic Mountebank.

One of the humors of the political situation is the position occupied in Canadian journalism by the *Montreal Star*. Early last session the *Star* issued a circular letter to its correspondents throughout the Dominion, informing them that in political matters it was strictly independent; though in some unaccountable manner the idea had got abroad that it was a Conservative paper supporting the Tories both in federal and provincial politics. This, the letter declared, was a mistake, for it favored no political party and was prepared to deal with public questions on their merits regardless of party. Upon the face, it would appear somewhat strange that the management should consider it necessary to impress this upon its own employees; for surely the policy of a paper should be intelligible to its own staff, however ambiguous it might appear to the outside public. The circular created considerable amusement at the time among those who received it, and, if the columns of the paper may be taken as any criterion, precious little attention was paid to the instructions contained therein to send in fair and unbiassed reports. There is not a more uncompromising Tory publication in the Dominion of Canada to-day, nor does any paper publish such notoriously unfair reports or such partisan editorials as this same "independent" *Montreal Star*, and its adjunct, the *Family Herald*. Its parliamentary reports are thoroughly unreliable, its editorials grossly misleading, its cartoons scurrilous caricatures; and no better evidence could be needed of the fact that the *Montreal Star* at the present moment is owned body and bones by the Tupperites, than the fact that, during the present session, hundreds of thousands of copies of the paper are regularly distributed throughout the Dominion under the frank of the Conservative Whip, being sent through the mails from the House of Commons post office at the expense of the Canadian people. The opinion of an acknowledged party journal, that has the honesty to acknowledge its fealty to the cause it supports, always commands respect, but such a ludicrously barefaced attempt to hide beneath a cloak of pseudo-independence, merits and receives nothing but the contempt and opprobrium of honest men.

The Village Band.

On Monday evening a deputation from the citizens' band, consisting of Messrs. G. H. McGee, P. Deyman, F. H. Magee and W. M. DeCew, waited on the council with the object of soliciting from them a grant to assist the band to pay a portion of their expenses for this summer. On motion of Messrs. Brandon and Jones, heartily supported by Mr. Martin and the reeve, a grant of fifty dollars was made. We are pleased to know that the band will give an open air concert every Friday evening

during the summer. The following is the programme for this evening:

March... Flower of the Flock... by F. Green.
Waltz... April Showers... by W. S. Ripley.
March... General Miles... by O. R. Farrar.
Two-step... At a Georgian Camp Meeting... by Kerry Mills.
Waltz... The School Play-ground... C. Miller.
Gallop... War Eagle... Geo. Southwell.
March... Jolly Travellers... Tom Clark.
God Save the Queen.

Village Council.

Fenelon Falls, May 14th, 1900.
Council met at regular meeting. Present, Wm. McArthur, reeve, and councillors Martin and McFarland. Minutes of two previous meetings read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. McFarland, That this council meet as a Court of Revision on Tuesday, the 29th inst. at 10 a. m.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mr. Martin, That the following accounts be paid and the reeve give his orders for the same: Dr. Graham, medicine for J. Donaldson, \$5.50; Dr. Guld, attendance and medicine for N. M. Keith, \$4; clerk, salary to May 1st, \$20; J. T. Thompson, rebate error on assessment, \$2.40; R. Wallace, waiting on Keith, \$0c.; T. Robson, R. Jackett's order on trough, \$56.25; J. McMahon, waiting on Keith, \$4; H. Stoddard, do., \$9; S. Nevison, salary, \$35. stationery and postage, \$8.34.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Brandon, seconded by Mr. McFarland, That we accept the roll from the collector, but that he be authorized to collect the following amounts before May 29th: N. M. Keith, \$4.80; R. Wallace, \$0c.; T. Jones, \$2.40; John Ellis, \$7.32; R. Byres, \$5.40, and that the following abatements be allowed: Mechanics' Institute, \$14.40; Mrs. Warren Sr., \$4.80; Standard Chemical Co., \$176.80; Wm. Sewell, error, \$0c.; G. E. Martin, 72c.; Mrs. Varcoe, \$6; and that the following properties be returned to the County Treasurer for collection: O. Bigelow, north-west part 34, south of river, 60c.; J. S. Donaldson, part block U, south of River, \$2.40; Mrs. Kelly, 40 and 41, south of river, \$6.03; F. Greene, north of Francis and west of Colborne, east half 9, \$6.09; F. Greene, 109, south of river, \$6.18; C. McMahon, 209, south of river, 60c.; J. W. Kennedy, west half 42, 46, 49, 50, 74 and 75, south of river, \$2.40.—Carried.

A deputation, headed by Mr. W. M. DeCew, representing the village band, waited on the council, asking for a grant.

Moved by Mr. Brandon, seconded by Mr. Jones, That we grant the village band the sum of fifty dollars, it being understood that we receive music once a week during the summer months.—Carried.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—Thursday next, the 24th inst., will be the Queen's birthday and a general holiday. God save the Queen.

GOVERNMENT WORK AT ROSEDALE.—On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Thomas Walters, Superintendent of Public Works in Ontario, accompanied by Mr. Alexander Ross, the Government diver, and two assistants, came to the Falls, where they put up at Twomey's hotel, and left next morning to do some necessary work in connection with the lock at Rosedale.

EMPTY HOUSES.—Not very long ago it was difficult to find a vacant house at Falls, and now there are no fewer than thirty-three, owing to the emigration caused by the decrease of employment in the village. But there is said to be noticeable diminution in the number of school children, as nearly all who left were unmarried men or couples who either had no children or none old enough to go to school.

A Sunderland lady writes Dr. Neelands that he had made her a successful fit after having eight sets of teeth made in Toronto and elsewhere.—431f

THE NEW STEAMER.—Mr. Thos. Robson's new steamer, the *Dundless*, was taken out for her trial trip last Saturday and "walked the water like a thing of life." On Tuesday she towed several scow-loads of McDougall, Brandon & Austin's cattle from Rosedale to Grand Island, and on Wednesday went to Bobcaygeon for Mr. Burgoyne's new boat, the *Kawartha*, which is now here, and is having her machinery put in.

PERSONALS.—Mr. William McArthur, reeve of the village, has recovered from the attack of quinsy that laid him up for three weeks, and was able to preside at the council meeting last Monday evening. Mr. E. J. Kerr, post-master, has been confined to his house by illness since the 6th inst., but is now nearly well again. Mr. Frederick Varcoe, who has been in the employ of Mr. William Campbell for the past seven years, left on Wednesday to take a position in the dry goods department of Messrs. Playfair & Preston's store at Midland. Rev. R. H. Leitch and Mr. Joseph McFarland were in Lindsay on Wednesday and Thursday, attending the Methodist district meeting.