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THE MUSIC OF THE WAR

Sergt. McCrea Tells of the Love to all. Yours, Oratorios in the War-God's Temple.

GREAT VARIETY OF SOUNDS-THE -BIG RAIN STORM-ARE THEY COM-INGHOME SOON?-THE RECEPTION WHEN THEY DO ARRIVE - O.F.S. POSTAGE STAMPS-FIFE AND DRUM BAND.

Lord Roberts' force. They contain all Lord Robert's proclamations to the burghers in Dutch and English, and a great deal of interesting matter besides.

Bloemfoncein, Mar. 20th, 1900. My Dear Amy,-I received letters of Jan. 29 and Feb. 4 and 5, and some papers. I am sending some papers by this mail. Concerts and music being mentioned, remind me of the kind of music I have been listening to lately. There was mauser, the high soprano; Martini, the contralto; Vickers-Nordenteldt, tenor (he is great of runs); Krupp and Howitzer, basses. I did not enjoy the series of concerts much, but I was very much pleased to hear the bassos on one occasion when the tenor was too prominent. Another class was the march music, the swish, swish, of the infantry's feet through the grass, the clatter of cavalry, the conglomeration of transport sounds, and the loud metallic rattle of artitlery; bag-pipes sole accompanist. Then there is a grand round of thousands of voices of man and beast, and the noise of picks, shovels, axes, kettles, fires, etc. when we pitch camp. I think these will live in my memory forever. But what 6 do you think was the sweetest music I heard since I left home? It was the

chorus of church bells on Sanday morning. There was a church parade on Sunday morning. I seldom have the opportunity of attending.

I had a pass and visited the town on Saturday. It is not much of a place, strange-looking of course. What struck me most was the flower gardens, and the number and variety of caged birds. Orders for Pumps or Re- looked at the parliament house and office, pairs will receive prompt @ goverment house, O.F.S artillery barracks, and the Dutch and Presbyterian churches. The British occupy the barracks and are mounting guns in the unfinished force. I went through O.F.S. museum where they have samples of

> It rained last night, and it is wonderful how well the boys take it. They quack like ducks, and crack jokes about regattas, etc. My mate and I, by means of some short boards out of the carts, kept ourselves about three quarters of an inch above high-water mark. It soon dries, however, when the rain stops.

everything in South Africa.

It looks as if this was to be a large permanent camp. I hear our tents are coming up from Belmont. I have had splendid health, not a touch of asthma. There are reports of us going home, but I don't see why we should till the war is over. When there was such a noise about the Sunnyside episede, what must it have been when Roberts' and Smith-Dorrien's reports of Paardeeburg were received in Canada. I try to picture the reception when we return. Our brigade is to be inspected to-morrow by Gen. Colville, and the usval brigade, after in. spection, leave for their ship Powerful. Note the stamp on this letter.

The stamp is a very pretty violetcolored one, the design being a tree with three horns of plenty under it, and the words "Oranje Vrij Staat Een Penny. Since the British occupation of Bloemfon tein they have had the letters V.R I. and 1 d. printed in black over the face of the

Mar. 22.-A few days since I was made Acting Pioneer Corporal. It just means ley, has seen service in Canada, having extra work, no pay. The only redeeming taken part in suppressing the Fenian feature is that I am placed over some over-bearing spirits in the Pioneers, and I am placed in the way of promotion. though not looking for it, promotion may come soon. Pio. Sergt. Medhurst was since he has been in South Africa his sent over to Nesbitt's Horse yesterday, efforts, not only on behalf of the Canadian to see about his being made sergt.-major. troops, but for the British wounded, have If he remains I may be made sergt. It is been highly appreciated." wonderful how quickly the men recover when they get a few days rest. There is an order that hands and faces must be Ont., gave birth to triplets on April 26. column streamed into camp yesterday. pounds. A lare doing nicely.

Tell Sam Grandy that I have not forgot- FIFTEEN ANTIDOTES ten that his letter is unanswered.

Mar. 23.-A fife and drum band and a brass band marched up from town this morning. This is the first band music I Suggestions of Mr. Marter for have heard since we left Orange River.

DR. RYERSON'S GOOD WORK IN AFRICA

CANNON AND THE CHURCH BELLS The Cape Town Paper Speaks most of which touch the lines on which of his Services in the Hospital.

The following letter was received from G. Sterling Ryerson of Toronto, went out Sergt. McCrea by his sister, Mrs. R. J. to Africa under Red Cross auspices. In on nomination day names of deputies for Mulligan, on April 28th. Mr. John one of his letters Col. Hughes spoke of each poll. McCrea has received from his son the meeting the doctor who was then apparfirst five Issues of "The Friend," the ently on his way up from Cape Town to clerks must be residents of the electoral newspaper published in Bloemfontein and .Kimberley. Since then he has been division in which they act. edited by the war correspondents with busy among those wounded at Paardeberg 4. Deputy and poll clerk to be at the where Crovje surrendered, and since the poll half an hour before it opens. Canadians suffered so heavily there, a 5 Before the poll opens the deputy to large percentage of these he has been count ballots in the presence of agents, tending must have been men from the and the same to be open for inspection by doctor's own country. We are all glad to agents. learn that they were in such good hands. The doctor has for years been well known when requested to do so by agents. and a favorite here through his associa- 7. Deputies to be provided with war-

TO CORRUPTION

the Cure of Corruption in Elections.

During a recent speech Mr. Marter took up the Premier's appeal for assistance to end his Government's corruption campaign, by offering fifteen suggestions, these offences have been committed. The

suggestions are as follows:-1. Returning officers must be resident Not long after the war broke out, Dr. of the electoral division in which they act-2. Returning officers must announce

3. Deputy returning officers and poll

6. Deputies to administer oath to voters

tions with Lindsay people at Sturgeon rants for personators and to issue same

The Ibandy Man

Last week this space contained "The Song in Camp" by Mr. Harold Begbie, cousin of Manager Begbie of the waterworks. Herewith is another song by the same author. It has been set to music and made a great hit in the Old Country.

We have seen him dragging his guns along in the Agricultural Hall, Trotting about on the noiseless tan, as if he were playing ball;

But nobody saw him in far Natal, tugging away at his load, Through the ruts in the road that the rain had cut, and where there

was never a road: Nobody heard it or saw it, and there wasn't a band to play, But he landed them up at Ladysmith from the crusier down in the bay; And just when the guns were needed, and looking quite spick and span With a nod to the gent of the Absent Mind, up double the Handy

Handy affoat, handy ashore, handier still in a hole,

Ready to swarm up the mountain side or walk on a greasy pole; Lugging a gun thro' the desert, scrubbing a deck milk white, Tack is the man for a children's, or the awkward hour of a fight!

He finds the range in the time it takes to cock his eye on a foe, And he stands as stiff as a Noah's Ark till his officer says "Let Go' And as soon as he's hit where he's told to hit, and somebody's said

"Well Done," He turns with a click to the right-a bout. and trundles away with his

His eye is the eye of an eagle, that sees and knows from afar, His hand is as swift as the hand that smote the triumph of Trafalgar,

And the heart is the heart of a lion, that hides in the glorious dress Where the only gold is the name he loves with its pennon H.M.S. Handy afloat, handy ashore, sleeps like a babe in his bunk,

Ready to dance, or ready to fight, and never been known to funk, Dragging his gun behind him, he's fighting his way to Heav'n, Doing the thing he is told to do to the tune of the Four-point-seven.

He keeps his hat for his own hard head when whispers of friendship fly, It isn't the thing for a Handy Man to swop with a fond ally; And it isn't the wish of a Handy Man that a furriner's arm should pull

A single oar in the trim-tough boat whose skipper is old John Bull. He keeps to himself does the Handy Man, when the clouds are packed for a squall, But he comes with his gun from the ends of the earth, when the

bugles give him the call, And the trader may plot and plan, for under the stars on the rolling deep stands the vigilant Handy Man.

Handy afloat, handy ashore, easiest soul to please,

Ready to straddle a merry-go-round or ride on the plunging seas, Son of this sea-girt England, ward of the world wide breed, Tack is the man for the midnight watch, or the hour of the Empire's need!

years ago he put up a new cottage, which agents. is the finest at the Point, and his friends | 8. Constables to be empowered to dehope that the war will be over early tain such personators until warrant is preenough to allow him to spend a few pared when asked by agent. weeks there this year before the season closes, The Cape Times of Cape Town right of endorsing their names across the

the Canadian Red Cross Commissioner, stitution cannot be made. is now in Cape Town, having come down for a few days from Kimberley, where he rendered very great assistance to the Im. perial authorities in looking after and tending the wounded at Paardeberg. Col. Ryerson, who was thanked by Lord Methuen for the work he did in Kimber-Rebellion in 1870 and the North-west Rebellion in 1885. He was for 6 years a Al- member of the Provincial Parliament of Untario, having sat for East Toronto, and

says of him:

-Mrs. Austin Winegarden of Scotland,

Point in the summer time. A couple of forthwith when called upon to do so by

9 Scrutineers or agents to have the fly of the envelope containing the ballots "Lieutenant-Colonel Sterling Ryerson, after they are counted, in order that sub-

10. Any person found outside of a poiling booth with a ballot in his possession to be liable to instant arrest.

11. The numbered ballot to be done away with.

12. That it be made a criminal offence for license inspectors or commissioners to bring pressure of any kind upon licensees to influence their votes.

13. That any violation of any of these regulations be punishable by imprisonment, without the option of a fine.

14. That it be a criminal offence for any Minister, candidate, or any other person to intimate that the election of any candidate would result in the obtaining of Government favors for the constituency.

15. That constables be empowered to enter any hotel for the discovery of any properly washed. The boys spend part They are all finely developed children, parties who may be hidden for the purof their time mending. Another large and their weights will aggregate about 23 pose of tendering money to influence voters.