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DURHAM, JUNE 14TH, 1900.

STRATHCONA HORSE.

Interesting Letter From Geo. A. Ledingham

Maitland Camp, May Sth, 1900

DEAR EDITOR AND FRIENDS:

Again I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines, although I know before I start there will be little in- from teresting in it as we haven't been out to see anything yet outside of city limits or town whichever it is, It is something like the big place Pat was in: he described it as very large, 16 miles long 14 miles wide, and that is about what this place looks like to a Strathcona horseman

who is not allowed the roving priv-

illeges of a war correspondent. The city has a very nice appearance coming in from the water. It lies at the foot of a very big mcuntain and the buildings show up well as we approach. They are mostly antiquated in design but neat and comfortable looking. Instead of the little picket fences commonly used in Canada in front of lots, there are here ugly thick walls of mud and stone and mortar, built, we are told, at the time they used to have slaves under them. The lawns and gardens are pretty and judging by appearances the proprietors are mostly in comfortable circumstances. Any work they have to do there are plenty of negroes and Kaffirs to do it.

children in Canada.

Point, where C Squadron was moved | ing Mr. Ferguson, at a meeting of out from the Cape about five miles, we had very poor luck with our horses: lost 160 of them on the boat and when landed many of them had to be shot for the glanders, hadly leaving enough for the two squadrons instead of three.

were supplied with fresh remounts Ferguson, of Cheboygan, Mich; that came from S. America, Argen- Albert Ferguson, of Dundas; and tine ponies they are, a small breed of Geo. Ferguson, of Detroit, Mich. horses, about 14 hands, of good build | The daughters are Mrs. Geo. Rutherand fairly well broken to the saddle, ford, Shelburne; Mrs. R. J. Watson, though some of them try the skill of Walters Falls; and Mrs. W. A. Parthe Western cowboys pretty well. ker, of McVicar. Mr. Ferguson was At present the blacksmith staff are a consistent member of the Methodist busy shoeing them, after which I Church, and was for many years a hear we are to move on at once, local preacher. His death will be Black's Hardware Store during the We are getting discouraged at being Priceville and vicinity, who had held back so long even though we known him for so many years. The know trying experiences may be funeral was held on Tuesday afterahead of us. To the front is the noon to Shelburne cemetery .- Shel general wish of the Strathconas. We burne Free Press. hear little war news and what we do hear you will have heard long ago, and more too.

apt to get rather damp with much apt to get rather damp with much rain. Our tents are pitched in a straight line with 12 men to a tent and we always manage to get into bed without a step ladder and no danger of falling out when we are in a state of Dr. Chase's Ointment. Nothing short of an actual trial will prove to you be yound the possibility of doubt that Dr Chase's Ointment is an absolute cure for piles. A single box will be sufficient to make you as enthusiastic as your neighbour in praising Dr. Chase's Ointment, for it is spend danger of falling out when we are in. certain to cure her,

The worst of it is they don't leave us long enough in.

THURSDAY.

room: copes about 4 feet long with a ring and loop on one end and togle on the other are fastened together and staked down and the horses are Long Hours, Unceasing Attention tied to that and also tied by the heels behind to keep them from crossing the lines. This they didn't think much of for a while, but like some things with ourselves, "The Soldiers of the Queen," they had to put up with it.

adian soil.

GEO. A. LEDINGHAM. "Reg. No. 405," Strathcona Horse, South Africa.

DEATH OF WM. FERGUSON.

Formerly Public School Inspector for South Grey.

The death of Wm. Ferguson on Sunday last at his residence in Shelburne was no surprise to his friends, who had noticed that he was gradually getting weaker during the past few days. Deceased was in his 79th year, and was a native of Edinburgh, moved to Shelburne about two years was one of the best known men in South Grey, and being a migistrate he was always called Squire Ferguson by the residence of Priceville. He held the position of Superintendent or Inspector of Public Schools same natives made a curious sight by the teachers in his inspectorate, for us, and they gave us plenty of and in 1878 he was presented with a sport. They put me in mind of frogs | magnificent gold watch by the Teachwatching for flies with their mouths ers' Association of South Grey at open, and as we flung coppers on the their annual meeting in Flesherton. wharf from the ship's side they were In 1880, when the schools of Melan- Chemical Co., Limited, Canada Life scrambled for as eagerly as would cthon and Shelburne were added to Building, 44 King Street West, Tothe County of Dufferin, the editor of ronto. We were three weeks at Green this paper had the honor of presentthe Teachers' Association in Flesher-A and B Squadrons remaining behind ton, with a handsome silver-headed with the horses. As you will know ebony cane, suitably inscribed, as a Melancthon and Shelburne. He paid ily since our last budget. close attention to his duties, and the always a friend in Inspector Ferguson. The deceased leaves a widow and six children, three sons and three After we came to Maitland we daughters. The sons are Thos

WHERE ARE THE SKEPTICS? The weather has been extra fine In spite of all the evidence published in since we came, very little rain, testimony of your best friends you may which suits us well as our beds are still be skeptical regarding the unusual apt to get rather damp with much virtues of Dr. Chase's Ointment. Nothing

TORONTO GIRL'S ESCAPE.

Our horses have plenty of stable HOW DR. ARNOLD'S ENGLISH TOXIN PILLS SAVED MISS

> Business and Close Confinement Arnold's English Toxin Pills | terested in the farm. Fully Restored it.

Well, I must draw to a close, I confined to a store or office during has had in such great anticipation. them. have run into detail more than I in- six or eight hours every day, obliged No doubt the next victory that is tended. I hope all Durham friends to breathe the impure, exhausted celebrated he will have it out on parare in as good health as I am and air over and over again, perhaps be- ade, and we will go out and admire hope to find them so when we get ing under the necessity of being on it and receive some more of his this little affair settled with Paul her feet the greater part of the sympathy that he is constantly Kruger and step once more on Can- time, cannot but feel tired, heavy, offering us. languid and depressed - utterly worn out, in short-when she goes With best wishes and kind regards home in the evening. Soon her gatherings that have assembled in blood becomes thin and watery, her the last decade at the popular resort, music lessons in our burg. She has nerves break down, she "goes into the Lake, none have equaled the one a large class. a decline," or some other of the of last Wednesday across the way many diseases known as Female Troubles sets in, and after untold suffering an untimely grave receives the victim. This can all be avoided, and instead of feeling wornout and miserable after her day's work, the girl will be fresh and vigorous, simply by using Dr. Arnold's English Toxin Pills, the greatest blood-maker, germ-killer and

Toronto, endured the miseries as we beside the groom. Her sister, Miss san, were the guests of their parents, have described. Her system was Henrietta, and Mr. Wm Sirrs then Mr. and Mrs. Archie Little. Scotland. He settled in Priceville utterly run down, and though her rendered both cheer and assistance in 1852, and he resided there until he work was not unusually exacting, while the knot was being securely she became unable to do it. She used tred. The bride, both young and ago. For nearly half a century he Dr. Arnold's English Tox.n Pills, handsome, was nearly and tastily heavy feelings passed away. I grew was young, ruddy and hale and look- are doing well. strong and vigorous; the terrible ed happy as the days are long. After nervous headaches vanished, and I congratulations Mr. Moore McFadden South Grey for 35 years and resigned of work. Dr. Arnold's English Tox- secure a picture of the crowd for reliving should use."

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VICKERS.

Mr. Wm. Calvert is attending the earnest, hard-working teacher had Grand Jury in Owen Sound this week.

circus at Mt. Forest last week.

Mr. Wm. Turnbull, of Rainy River District, who has been buying up a car of stock and implements around

Mr, Wes. Hunt who has been in

completed.

Mrs. Wm. Hillis, of Shallow Lake, is visiting friend in this part at pres-

Mr. Thos. Grasby, of Scarboro', is spending a few days with his mother time in a long while.

probably come home and visit the Chapman, silver cruet stand; Mr. and Mrs

Dromore people is unequaled. All

It is growing customery for wheelsmen to get the handle bars as low as possible, throw their heads down and wire in for all they are worth without looking where they are going. As a result. Townwy are going. As a result. Townwy are going. As a result, Tommy side-dish; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Guthrie, silgrasby and Willie Prue calided one day last week at full speed, one lit Matthews, rocking chair.

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No dairy is complete without a in Egremont and the other in Normanby, and they had to get a wheelbarrow to take their wheels to John

The first picnic of the season at Hamilton's Lake took place on Satur-

Our school trustees are bound to have our school one of the best in the County, and last week purchased a Caxton's School Series, a work which they say contains great knowledge.

In fact they say there are some things to be found in it that even they did not know, and in order to be fully posted, are thinking of holding night

lege of gaining the knowledge. take in the Guelph excursion. Some their stock. Jack says the early to witness the races, others to visit bird catches the worm. Broke Down Her Health - Dr. friends while the majority will be in-

We with to congratulate our be some attraction. brother scribe at Bunessan on having The young woman who is closely realized the great happiness that he for some one to say they can beat

Of the many, large and happy

from it, at the home of Mr. Wm. McFadden to witness the marriage of his youngest daughter, Eliza, to or o o'clock he is on the of lumber. friends and relatives from far and near had assembled to the number of ing at Owen Sound and Wiarton last about 140, and all repaired in front week and had a pleasant time. of the house where stood on the verandah the Rev. Mr. Ryan clothed with all the emblems of authority for performing so sacred a ceremony. The bride leaning upon the arm of Miss Ida Hobkirk, Harboard Street, her father appeared and was placed Mrs. T. and S. McComb, of Bunes-"and," she writes "they set me on dressed with possibilities of a long and as is customery, the single ladies pocketed a little of the bridescake, hoping in a dream to get a foretaste welcome.

of a similar event which they hope some day to more fully participate in. The evening was pleasantly spent up to the we sma hours, when all dispersed, leaving the happy coupde their best wishes and even a more tangible proof of their esteem. a list of which will be found below. We join with every one in this part in Miss Maud Dargavel, of Dornoch, extending congratulations and a mark of respect from the teachers of spent a few days with the Hunt fam- hearty welcome as citizens to our

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan, silver pickle

dish; Mrs. Thomas Chapman, counterpane;

Mr. Thomas G. Davis, half doz. table nap

kins; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilson, table cloth: set; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spronle, china butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence Messrs Art Hunt, Herb Liuingston Jr., pair lace curtains; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, 65c and 75c a pair. and Marshall Johnston attended the Lawrence, pair vases, sideboard drape; Lace Curtains, 3 1-2 yards long. \$1. and \$1.25 a pr. Mr. Willie and Miss Maggie McFadden, pair flower bowls; Mr. John and Miss Pearlie Wilson, brush, comb and case; Mr. James and Miss Bella Ferguson, half dozen White Linen, 64-in wide, 50c a yard. A snap. White Linen Table Covers, 21-2 yards long, \$1.40 china plates; Miss Annie Black, butter dish; Mr. Robert McFadden, fancy cake plate: table cloth; Mr. and Mrs Johnny Bailey, pair fancy jugs; Mr. James Mack, half doz. silver teaspoons and butter knife; Mr. Thomas Lawrence, perfume bottle; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrison, preserve dish and one doz. servers; Mr. and Miss Martin, china toilet set; Mr. Wm. Lawrence, Jr., raising on Friday afternoon. Every- gold pen; Mr, and Mrs. Wm, Lawrence Jr, thing went together fairly well al- china butter dish, sugar bowl and cream basket : Mr. George Lawrence, Egt., fancy good nature for awhile. Mr. Grier- handglass: Miss Gladys Lawrence, Egt., lancy handglass: Miss Gladys Lawrence, fancy box and silk handkerchief, Mr. James Whitmore, pepper and salt cruet; Miss Blanche Matthews, fancy handkerchief box, Miss Dorothy Lawrence, vinegar bottle; Mrs. John Baird, flower bowl; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ryan, berry set: Miss Annie Law-rence, vinegar bottle; Mr. Moore McFadden sterling silver pepper and salt cruet; Miss Rosetta Lawrence, china fern bowl; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lawrence, pair lace curand Mrs. Joseph Lawrence, pair face curtains; Mr. Samuel Whitmore, glass pickle dish; Miss Vickie McFadden, glass preserve dish; Mrs. Fred Bond, basket flowers; Mr. Hanne Lawrence, pair pillows and sisters. In fact the whole family and covers; Mr and Mrs. John McFadden, parlor lamp; Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Lawrence and family, half doz. silver knives and forks; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McFadden friends for a few weeks during his unwanted holidays.

Egremont's annual S. S. Convention is to be held in Dromore on July 3rd. Preparation is being made for a most successful meeting. Good papers on different subjects are being prepared, and good speeches are expected, and the hospitality of the Dromore people is unequaled. All interested in the work are cordially invited.

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Interest of different subjects are being parlor lamp; Misses Minnie and Martha McFadden, pair vases; Mr. and Mrs. David Hamilton, pair woollen sheets; Mr. and Mrs. James Hopkins, pair lace curtains; Mr. and Mrs. James Eden, lamp, Mr. and Mrs. Robert White, china cheese dish; Mr. Willie and John and Miss Aggie Sirrs, gold edged preserve dish and half doz. servers; Mr. and Mrs. Willie John Egtor, pair vases; Mr. and Mrs. Willie John Egtor, pair vases;

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VARNEY.

Mrs. W. Dunn was the guest of Mrs. Leeson one day last week,

school and allowing others the prive-Jack Nedigar is quite a hustler. He is around in the morning routing A good number from this part will the farmers out of bed and buying

> Arthur Clark and J. Sirrs frequents Durham pretty often. There must

> Our F. B. T. are waiting patiently

Miss Lottie Fee, after spending a couple of weeks visiting Dornoch friends, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Marshall were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Gadd one day last week.

Miss Sharpe, of Durham, is giving Mr. James Clark is hustling things

at a great rate. Every morning at 5 or 6 o'clock he is on the road to Mt. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson were visit-

Mrs. James Ferguson and Mr. and

Mrs. Moses Donnelly were visiting

Mr. and Mrs. John McCalmon one day last week.

Mr. Wm. McCalmon, of Dornoch, was the guest of his parents one day

now feel capable of doing any amount of work. Dr. Arnold's English Tox- secure a picture of the growd for recent students have accepted good situations. United States and Newfoundland. the position on account of ill health in Pills are certainly a medicine that memberance. All partook heartily There are going to be sports of all As we passed into the dock these in 1886. He was highly respected every girl who has to work for her of the sumptuens wedding supper, kinds, football match between Varney and Dornoch and baseball between married and single men. All are A. GORDON

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nerve-strengthener on earth to-day.

Mr. Alex. Grierson, tired of batching, has taken unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Rehkopf, of Nor- Mr. and Mrs. James McLaughlan, berry

here le't for his home on Monday.

Which none of us are sorry for. regretted by a host of friends in past year is back to the farm again. Mr. Wm. Grierson had his barn

CORNER CONCERNS.

We are sorry to have to report that Mr. Jas. Allan, of Winnipeg, son of Co. Com. Allan, is at present laid up with a sore leg. He may Chapman allows in the solution of the so

Sirrs' shop for repairs. day. The picnickers were from Orchardville and a good time was spent. Although Mr. Hamilton is engaged in house building we learn they are as hospitable and ready to cater to the wants of pleasure seekers as ever.

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