

SEEKING HIS LOST MASTER

BILLY AND GREG STEWART FRANK MOSS OF THE EMPRESS OF FRANCE AT QUEBEC.



LISTENING FOR HIS MASTER'S VOICE

"Billy," Quebec's tramp dog, is still seeking his lost soldier master. When the boys came back on the "Empress of France" he and "Billy" became separated and "Billy" has been looking for him ever since. He meets the "Empress" each time she arrives at Quebec, sniffs at the passengers who come down the gangway, walks away with an air of disappointment and then waits for the next passenger ship. Everybody's friend but no man's dog for long, "Billy" has as many names as he has friends, answering with a wag of his tail to "Bum," "Tramp," "Bijou," "Rags," "Paddy," etc. Now and then an admirer takes "Billy" home,

but in a few days the little wire-haired terrier is nobody's dog again—nobody's but the lost master's—and is back on the docks once more to meet the ships and him.

How "Billy" knows when a passenger ship is due is a mystery of the Quebec water front, but know he does. He is as regular and prompt as the customs' men, greets the incoming steamer with joyous barking, and after he has bossed the job of placing the great hawsers which moor her alongside the pier, he dashes to the gangway and looks for a once familiar figure, khaki-clad. Perhaps some day the lost master will return. And if he does, faithful "Billy" will be there.

Fact and Comment

A Western city of the United States stencils the house numbers on the curbing, a plan that especially at night saves many steps for persons in automobiles who are looking for a particular number.

The purchasing power of farm products for June, expressed in terms of commodities that farmers buy, was seventy-two per cent. of what it was in 1913—a decrease of four points since March.

In New Jersey some four hundred women of one political party are taking a summer course in the "principles of political oratory." They are preparing for the autumn campaign, in which many if not all of them expect to make speeches, and in which some of them probably hope to have the last word.

Although the statement comes from London, England, that English mines could supply the United States with two million tons of coal a month, the figures are not so impressive as they sound, for the New England State alone uses more coal than that. The most that England can do is to help out a little.

Heretofore stores in Japan have kept open seven days a week the year round, so that the employees have had only a few days off at New Year's and during the Feast of the Dead in summer. A department store in Osaka has now adopted the plan of a weekly day of rest and has set an example that other stores are likely to follow.

The Buddhist religion forbids those who believe in it to take life. Members of the Mount Everest expedition found the animals and birds of Tibet so tame that they gathered about the party, especially near the villages, and the naturalists of the expedition could not make large collections without seriously offending the native people, all of whom are Buddhists.

What the Audubon societies have accomplished in protecting wild bird life in America an international committee just formed in London hopes to do for the world at large. It will spread propaganda and make a sustained effort to get adequate legislation in every country where none now exists. In southern Europe the peasants every year kill great numbers of song birds for food.

A New York man who made a planting of white pine thirty-six years ago has been offered five hundred dollars an acre for the timber on the stump. It is a good price, but not at all unusual. An acre of white pine under favorable conditions will on the average make a growth of one thousand feet a year, which is as profitable as are the crops of much good farm land under cultivation.

Many Japanese merchants became rich during the war and built themselves fine houses, but when they were ready to furnish them they found that most of the desirable old Japanese objects of art on the market had passed into the hands of European or American collectors. One New York dealer, who years ago picked up numerous articles in Japan for little money, and who had not found a sale for them in America was agreeably surprised to learn recently that he could send them back to Japan at a handsome profit.

In Great Britain and Canada the law considers a letter when posted becomes the property of the person to whom it is addressed. The United States, on the other hand, takes the view that a letter is the property of the sender until it is actually delivered to the person addressed, so that over there it is possible for a sender to recover a letter after he has mailed it if he can prove that he has a right to it; but the necessary red tape and expense of a telegram to hold the letter from delivery make it only occasionally worth while.

Flesherton.

(Our own correspondent.)

The Band instruments which were sent to Toronto recently to be repaired were returned last week and at practice were found in tune and good order. The cost was \$140.00, towards which a good sum has been subscribed by the citizens. A quantity of new music has been purchased and we hope soon to hear pleasing strains from the newly-organized aggregation.

At a league baseball match here last week between Markdale and Flesherton teams the visitors won by a big margin. There was a good crowd, but the playing did not create the usual interest.

A pleasant time was spent by a number of ladies at the home of Mrs. G. A. McTavish on Friday afternoon last at a tea given in honor of Mrs. Charlie McTavish, of Oshawa, who was visiting here.

The Baptist Church, newly decorated, was inviting for the minister and people on Sunday morning last when Mr. Vose again occupied the pulpit after his holiday. Re-opening services next Sunday. At the Presbyterian Church Mrs. (Rev.) Fowler returned from a holiday, favored the congregation with a splendidly rendered solo.

Miss Jessie McDowell, B.A., who has a successful record in Continuation school work, has been engaged for principal of the High School here.

Mrs. (Dr.) Webster and Miss Maud Richardson motored from Thornbury on Monday to look after the placing of a memorial tablet in the Methodist Church to the memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Richardson. The tablet will be unveiled on Sunday.

Another automobile collision occurred on the Toronto Line on Sunday evening last. We have not learned the particulars other than damaged cars resulted.

Mr. John Hannah, who was in the employ of R. J. Sproule here about forty years ago, and was highly respected in this community, died at his home at Mount Forest last week, aged 77 years.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Goldsborough of Iroquois Falls, on a visit here with the latter's parents, motored to Niagara Falls to spend the week with relatives there.

Mrs. W. J. Meads has returned from visiting in Toronto, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. James Ferris and children.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McDonald of Toronto paid your correspondent a short visit on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McMillan and Mrs. F. Reiley of Priceville visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Cairns on Sunday.

Miss Lena Wright and lady friend of Detroit are holidaying here.

Miss Marjory Sandiland of Badjeros is holidaying this week with her sister.

Rev. F. G. Fowler attended a special meeting of Presbytery last week at which a call to Rev. Mr. Burkholder from Kirkfield was accepted.

Mr. and Mrs. Runstadler and daughter, and Mrs. Egan, attended the funeral service of the late Rev. Father Clochey at St. Patrick's Church, Proton, on Friday last.

Messrs. Samuel and George Blackburn of Creemore accompanied by their mother and sisters, Miss Ethel and Mrs. Milbie, visited relatives here on Monday.

Mr. George Mitchell's family have returned from their holiday at Wasaga Beach.

Postmaster Trimble was in Detroit last week on a short holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hemphill and members of their family motored from Toronto and spent a short holiday with relatives here.

Miss Helen Alton of Markdale holidayed last week with Miss Elizabeth Bentham.

Miss Dell Thurston visited friends at Burlington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee of Collingwood made a brief visit here last week.

Miss Elsie and Master Albert Anderson of Hornings Mills holidayed last week with their aunt, Mrs. A.E. Bellamy.

Miss Bella Clinton of Thornbury.

formerly of this place, has returned for an extended visit with her brother, recently bereft of his wife.

Mr. Harvey Griffin, principal of Humbercrest school, and wife, returned to Toronto on Monday after their holiday with relatives here. Mr. Tom Chard, who also holidayed here, returned to the city on Monday to resume his school duties.

Miss Florence Armstrong of Markdale is holidaying with her cousin, Miss Armstrong, of Toronto, summering here.

Miss Hazel Oke returned home on Saturday and her friends hope for good results from her visit to Freeport Sanitarium.

Miss Sandiland has returned to again take charge of F.H.W. Hickling's millinery department.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright are in Toronto this week purchasing at the millinery openings. Mr. and Mrs. Wright motored, accompanied by Mrs. Blackburn and Miss Hewett to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Porteous and baby daughter of Peterboro, are visitors this week with Dr. and Mrs.

Turnbull.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richardson of Walkerton paid their cousin, Mrs. W. Clayton, a visit a few days ago.

Mr. Charles Pye of Clarksburg was in town one day last week looking after the graves of his relatives interred in the cemetery here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beecroft of Owen Sound were week-end visitors with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pedlar here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heard visited the latter's old home in St. Vincent on Sunday.

WILLING TO OBLIGE

An Englishman on a walking tour in a remote part of the Scottish Highlands came, says the Argonaut, to a lonely inn. Being ravenously hungry he entered and asked the lady for some poached eggs.

The landlady shook her head. "We haven't any eggs, sir," she said. "But" she added, lowering her voice to a whisper, "I dinna doot that I could get you a fine dish of poached salmon!"

OUR OTTAWA LETTER

PATRONAGE MILL STILL GRINDS

F. R. Beattie, who resigned the federal seat for East Kootney last winter to make a place for Hon. J.H. King, minister of public works, has been appointed to Vancouver harbor board. Samuel Prenter, a leading Vancouver Liberal, has been given a place on the same body. There were no vacancies, but the government made two, by the simple process of asking for the resignations of Messrs. McClay and MacKenzie. Needless to say, the latter are Conservatives. In this correspondence recently, reference was made to appointment of a defeated Liberal candidate as customs officer at Wingham, Ont. The Times of that town now publishes a letter of protest from Mr. C. R. Wilkinson, who regrets the passing over of a returned soldier, Mr. Harry Town. The writer recalls "promises made to our noble young men who offered their all that decency and freedom might live. Mr. Town was one of those who returned. He was wounded and gassed. His discharge papers show him to have an honorable record. His qualifications were altogether excellent. Yet he was passed over for one whose credentials consisted chiefly of political influence."

PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS

For the moment, federal affairs are for the most part overshadowed by provincial events. In British Columbia, where the lamp of Conservatism still burns brightly, a provincial convention is on, and Mr. Meighen is addressing meetings. In Quebec, J. C. Langlois has earned congratulations by his fight in Labelle, until now a Liberal stronghold. Result of the by-election, cutting the Liberal majority as it did, may hasten a provincial contest. In Ontario, the press is still ringing with comment, mostly complimentary, upon the utterances of Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. Howard Ferguson at Port Stanley. Woodstock Sentinel-Review (Liberal) remarks, admiringly, that "the way Mr. Meighen roasted the King Government was equalled only by the way Mr. Ferguson roasted the Drury Government." In regard to the Opposition Leaders' tariff statement, Guelph Herald says: "Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen stands by the good old doctrine of moderate protection for Canada, while Premier Mackenzie King continues to flirt with the United States over reciprocity, instead of adopting an attitude that will plainly indicate to the republic that Canada can work out its own destiny without any assistance. Surely the policy of Mr. Meighen is the most consistent with courageous national ideals."

Curious that Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen should arrive in the West at the precise moment to say, "I told you so," in regard to the collapse of the Wheat Board project. Another case of "Meighen was right," yet, because of the severe disappointment

experienced by the West—rejecting the substance of a voluntary pool to snap at the shadow of a compulsory monopoly—one who hesitates to rub it in. If the matter were not so serious, one could find humor, now, in a parliamentary letter sent out two weeks ago to Liberal weeklies, which said: "The Western Provinces should feel gratified over the action of the King Government in the matter of the Canadian Wheat Board. The matter was placed in the hands of a committee composed largely of farmers, and on the report of that committee the government acted. Another matter which should please the West lies in the choice of personnel for that board." Of course the committee, like all parliamentary committees, comprised a majority of Liberal members, and as for the board personnel, it never got that far.

ANOTHER MURDOCK "BREAK"

"Carefully watching" has been the chief claim advanced in regard to the government's conduct toward important federal issues which have arisen since the session. On the fuel situation, the matter was largely put up to the provinces, and a conference called by the Ontario controller ended in advice to buy Welsh coal, or a supply of wood. Meantime, permanent force troops are being moved to the strike area in Cape Breton, and the premier is trying to explain that to the union. Horrors! The soldiers may be equipped with some of the munitions that landed at Levis before the election! Conciliation boards are grinding away, hearing evidence in the railway shopmen's case, while Hon. Mr. Murdock, speaking at Vancouver, doesn't sound at all conciliatory in a declaration that the action of the U. S. Railway Labor Board in "trying to force compulsory down the throat of labor" had compelled railway workers to defy the laws of that country. This from a minister of the crown, in reference to a Government body in a neighboring country.

Glenora.

(Our own correspondent.)

Most of the farmers in this locality have finished harvesting.

Mr. Joe Kenny has taken advantage of the harvest excursion and has gone West.

Mrs. Jordan and children of Toronto are visiting the Heslip family and other friends.

Mrs. Symon and Alex. were visitors at Mr. Hugh Vaughan, Jr.'s Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Alton and family of Markdale, and Mrs. Smith of Zion were visitors at Mrs. Banks' recently.

Mrs. G. Boyd and Mrs. and Mrs. E. B. Young and their daughter Betty, visited with Mrs. J. Young and Mr. and Mrs. J. Laughlin on Tuesday.

Miss Lillian Eadie and brother of Toronto, Mr. E. B. Young of Chippawa and Mr. James Banks of River-view are visitors with Mrs. Banks.

Byron Tindle had the misfortune to have the wagon run over his foot, crushing his toes very badly.

John Boyd, Jr., has engaged to help Mr. Monroe with his threshing this fall.

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