STARTS WITH A COLD.

Catarrh is a Lingering Cold Which Refuses to Yield to Ordinary Treatment.

Catarrh usually starts with a cold in the head and if left unchecked in this climate, rarely gets well of itself.

As fresh cold is taken, the disease spreads, getting deeper and deeper, creeping along the mucous membranes from nose to throat, from throat to windpipe, from windpipe to bronchial tubes and from bronchial tubes to lung cells.

The mucous membranes all connect, one with another. Hence it is easy to spread from one part to another lined with this same membrane. This is why catarrh in the head soon effects the throat and finally the stomach itself, bringing on chronic catarrh of the stomach, which is a most obstinate form of dyspepsia.

Everybody is now well agreed that catarrh is a blood disease and not a local one, and the attempt to cure by local applications simply gives temporary relief from the purely local symptoms without the remotest effect in staying the progress of the disease.

There is a new preparation recently offered to the public that is apparently destined to do away with every other form of catarrh treatment.

This new remedy is not a secret patent medicine, but is a large, pleasant tasting tablet composed of Sanguinaria, Eucalyptol, Guaiacol, Hydrastis and other valuable and harmless specifics, which are taken internally and seem to have a remarkably beneficial effect upon the blood and mucous membranes, apparently eliminating the catarrhal poison from the whole system.

These tablets while being pleasant, convenient and absolutely safe to use have made cures in long standing cases of catarrh that are little short of marvelous. They are sold by druggists under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and any catarrh sufferer who has tried inhalers, lotions, ointments, salves, etc., and realized their inconvenience and uselessness, will fully appreciate the difference between a mere palliative and a permanent cure after giving Stuart's Catarrh Tablets an impartial trial.

All druggists sell them at 50c. for full sized package and no matter where the catarrh is located, in the head, throat, lungs or stomach, Stuart's Catarrh Tablets will surprise you with the effective results of even a few days use.

WHAT THE DOCTORS CALLED IT!

Upper Stewiacke, March 20th.
To the Egyptian Rheumatic Oil Co., Ltd., Halifax, N.S.:

My wife has been suffering with what the doctors called Rheumatism of the lungs, and by the free use of Egyptian Rheumatic Oil the pain has entirely left her, and all evidence of rheumatism in these parts has disappeared.

I also wish to say that I sprained my ankle so badly I could scarcely walk, but the pain and swelling were speedily removed by a few applications of your oil. I need not tell you that I shall ever continue to recommend this invaluable remedy.

Yours truly,
SAMUEL P. CREELMAN.

Send for Samples and Testimonials.

"'Arf and' arf"

Carling's Half-and-half in bottles is a delicious beverage and a most valuable and nutritious tonic.
It's sold by all dealers in first-class goods.

CARLING LONDON

J. S. HENDERSON, wholesale selling agent, Kingston.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound
Is successfully used monthly by over 10,000 Ladies. Safe, effectual. Ladies ask your druggist for Cook's Cotton Root Compound. Take no other, as all Mixtures, pills and imitations are dangerous. Price, No. 1, $1 per box; No. 2, 10 degrees stronger, $3 per box. No. 1 or 2, mailed on receipt of price and two 3-cent stamps. The Cook Company Windsor, Ont. Nos. 1 and 2 sold and recommended by all responsible Druggists in Canada.

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COMMENT ON RUGBY DOINGS

WHAT THE ROUGH RIDERS DID TO THE ARGONAUTS.

Dalton Twisted His Ankle Severely Yesterday—Condition of the Granites — Queen's II Disappointed—Brockville Wants a Match With Queen's.

Strange things might yet occur in the O.R.F.U senior series.

Brockville wants Queen's to play down there on Thanksgiving day.

Argonauts admit that the Rough Riders were the better team on Saturday.

The London bald-pates who played as juniors last year have entered the intermediate series of the O.R.F.U.

The record at Queen's for throwing the sixteen-pound hammer is nearly twelve feet better than the McGill record.

Simpson, who played right half back for Queen's II on Saturday, will develop into a first-class footballer. He is fast and can kick well.

Brockville has copied Queen's and Granites' style of mass play. That is what won their matches with Britannias and Ottawa college.

Granites had no practice last night. Milo was the only player who was at the rink. The players are still crippled after Saturday's battle.

There will be three football matches here next Saturday: Queen's and McGill; Queen's II and Cadets' I; Limestones vs. Queen's III.

It is said that although Queen's senior team has had three weeks' practice they are not as far advanced as they should be. What can the matter be?

Queen's university and Syracuse university football teams will have a meet in Syracuse, in November, on the date of the United States thanksgiving day.

Only those schools holding sports will be granted a holiday on Friday afternoon. So far Victoria and Frontenac schools and the collegiate institute will hold events.

The Rough Riders played a good, rough game against the Argonauts. They knocked Darling out once, and Ardagh was sent to sleep no less than four times. A dead set was also made on Ripley.

Limestones will object to Britton, Strachan and Gleason playing on Queen's III next Saturday, as these players have participated in an intermediate match. Whether or not Queen's intend to play this trio against Limestones is not known.

Had Merrill of Queen's been able to play football every season since he entered college, he would have been one of the best half backs on the gridiron to-day. He is a fast runner, a good kicker, and is a hard man to tackle. His knee has troubled him for some time.

Just what kind of a team Granites will be against the Rough Riders next Saturday is not yet known. An aggregation will be got together in some way to hold the Rough Riders down.

Granites have scored the least number of points of all the O.R.F.U. teams this season. Only four are to their credit, with twenty-nine against.

Hamilton reports admit that the Granites were handicapped on Saturday by the absence of several of their best players, and by the crippled condition of others. Everybody knows that in their full strength they could not be beaten as they were by the Tigers on Saturday.

Dalton twisted his ankle severely while practising with Queen's yesterday afternoon and had to be carried off the field. He was unable to stand on his foot last night, and will be out of the game for some time. Pannell will likely play quarter on the first team until Dalton recovers.

The Hamilton Herald says it has no desire to persecute Mr. Hinch. The Herald might take note of the fact that there are some letters down this way which might show up the other side. Hinch received no money. How therefore can the Herald call him a professional?

The result of Queen's II Cadets I match on Saturday was a surprise to Queen's management which expected their team to beat the cadets without the slightest trouble. The only thing that troubled them was that if Queen's once started to score they would never stop. The cadets won because they played a better game. Queen's made many costly blunders.

"Dinny" Britton, son of B. M. Britton, M.P., is an enviable position. On account of his age he can play with a junior team, and on account of his ability he belongs to senior company. He has played one junior and one intermediate match this season, and will now take his place on the line of Queen's senior team. "Dinny" is an ex-Granite player.

J. L. Counsell assures the Hamilton Herald that he never offered Nick Hinch any money to play football with Hamilton in 1898. We prefer, however, to accept the statement of Hinch, which can easily be proved. The Toronto Telegram very strangely defends Counsell, while only the other day it took him to task for being one of the first to introduce professionalism in the O.R.F.U. by searching around the wharves for additions to the Hamilton Tigers.

For Boys And Girls

Going to school we have special lines made especially for school wear. Every pair guaranteed. A. Abernethy, 125 Princess street.

Henry Norman's article on the Great Siberian railway, in November Scribner's, is the result of a recent journey made throughout its entire length, so far as completed. The country with its industrial and mineral possibilities is described from actual observation and enquiry. The road will cost $500,000,000 and is the greatest undertaking of modern times. It is the real "key to the far east."

Thomas Todd, Brewer's Mills, Ont., had muscular rheumatism for twelve years. Eight bottles of Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure cured him. This preparation is used internally. Price 50c. For sale at Wade's drug store.

Many young ladies who were supposed to be going into decline have been restored to health and vigor by the use of Miller's Compound Iron Pills. Sold by E. C. Mitchell.

Every strange woman who comes to town wears a new style of dress skirt. A strange and pretty young widow in town always attracts a good deal of attention.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Notes Regarding the Movements of Vessels.

The steamer Lake Michigan, from Hamilton, called at Craig's wharf this morning.

The schooner Kate, from bay ports with barley, is at Fisher's wharf, Portsmouth.

The tug Nellie Reid and one grain-laden barge cleared from Richardsons' elevator to-day for Montreal.

The schooner Two Brothers cleared last night for Deseronto after having been over-hauled at Davis' dry dock.

R. Davis was in Cornwall yesterday and received a contract from a firm there to build a tug here this winter.

At Swift's wharf: Steamer James Swift, from Ottawa; Hamilton, from Hamilton; Algerian, from Montreal.

The schooners Helen Ballou and Robert McDonald, from bay ports, arrived with grain at Richardsons' elevator to-day.

The schooner Annie Minnes cleared for Conneaut after unloading 10,000 bushels of wheat at the M.T. company elevator.

On account of the increased demand for pipe boilers, Davis & Sons have had to purchase a larger and more modern pipe cutting machine.

The steamer North King returned from Rochester this morning. She will be stripped now, and go into winter quarters after a most successful season.

Davis & Sons, shipbuilders, will have another busy season this winter. They have orders for a number of boats. A good sign of the prosperity of the country.

Such a great quantity of grain is arriving at Richardsons' elevator by water and rail that it is with difficulty handled. Yesterday and to-day there were a dozen schooners around the elevator.

The tug Thomson arrived from Charlotte last night with three coal-laden barges, cleared for Prescott with four laden barges, arrived back to-day with three light barges, and cleared again for Charlotte with two barges to load coal.

The steamer Alexandria, in port last night, carried the biggest load of freight she has yet had this year. Her cargo consisted mainly of apples and cheese. At Craig's wharf she unloaded 1,500 cases of canned goods and shipped 1,000 boxes of cheese.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of the People — What They Are Saying and Doing.

Sir Sandford Fleming is the guest of principal Grant during his stay in the city.

Robert Bruce returned to-day from Montreal, where he was groomsman at the marriage of his cousin.

A pleasant party was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Johnston street, last evening.

It is expected that Rev. Dr. Lauder, slowly regaining his health in England, will pass the winter in the south of France, returning to Ottawa in the spring.

A. K. Kirkpatrick, C.E., an applicant for the office of city engineer, is a grandson of Kingston's first mayor, Thomas Kirkpatrick. He filled that office in 1838.

Sergt. Marks, assistant brigade clerk at the local brigade office, left yesterday for Montreal, where he will fill a similar position under Col. Roy, of military district, No. 5.

Miss Mary Johnston, of Kepler, has returned from Toledo, where she has been visiting her brother, Dr. Stanley Johnston, for some weeks. The Kepler choir, of which she is the organist, will give her a hearty welcome home.

We understand that William H. Craig, of the Kingston milling company, and son of James Craig, has accepted the position of book-keeper for Messrs. Fenwick, Henry & Co., wholesale grocers. He is an exemplary young man, and we congratulate him on his appointment.

Episcopal Reception.

The Anglican church women of the city met in large numbers on Monday afternoon in the synod hall. The dean, Messrs. Pense and Smythe waited upon them as representing the committee arranging for the consecration, and requested their taking charge of a public reception. This was cordially agreed to, and the ladies organized by calling Mrs. Walkem to the chair and by electing Mrs. Mundell secretary. The city hall will be engaged for the evening of Nov. 1st, following consecration. The archbishop and Mrs. Lewis will be asked to receive and the guests of honor will be the new bishop and Mrs. Mills. The mayor and Mrs. Minnes will be asked to join in the receiving. Cards of invitation will not be issued, but a general invitation be given to the church people of all denominations to join in the welcome. Committees for finances, decoration and refreshments, were formed, and all congregations in the city and suburbs will have their workers.

AMONG THE CLERGY.

Coffee Being Replaced by Postum Food Coffee.

"I am the wife of a minister. About three years ago a warm friend, an exemplary mother and the conscientious wife of a minister, asked me if I had ever tried giving up coffee and using the Postum Food Coffee. I had been telling her of my excessive nervousness and ill-health. She said: "We drink nothing else for breakfast but Postum Food Coffee, and it is a delight and a comfort to have something that we do not have to refuse the children when they ask for it."

"I was surprised that she would permit the children to drink even the food coffee, but she explained that it was a most healthful beverage and that the children thrived on it. A very little thought convinced me that for brain work, one should not rely upon a stimulant such as coffee is, but should have food and the very best of food.

"My first trial of Postum was a failure. The maid of all work brought it to the table, lukewarm, weak, and altogether lacking in character. We were in despair, but decided on one more trial. At the second trial, we faithfully followed the directions, used four teaspoonsful to the pint of water, let it boil full fifteen minutes after the real boiling began, and served it with rich cream. It was delicious and we were all won.

"I have since sung the praises of Postum Food Coffee on many, many occasions and have induced numbers of friends to abandon coffee and use Postum, with remarkable results. The wife of a college professor said to me a short time ago that nothing had ever produced so marked a change in her husband's health as the leaving off of coffee and the use of Postum Food Coffee." Edith Smith Davis, Applecoon, Wis.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life—What the People Are Talking About—Nothing Escapes Attention.

Are you on the lists?

Why not let well enough alone?

Men's Full Suits, $3.90, $4.85, $6.50. Grand Union.

Some awfully homely girls come visiting from strange towns.

A young lady residing on York street will be married to-morrow.

Miller's Granules will make a clear complexion. Sold by E. C. Mitchell.

Women from bigger towns are always a little ahead of us in style.

For biliousness, try Miller's Granules. Sold by E. C. Mitchell.

If an old man remembers nothing else he remembers the love story in a play.

All kinds engine and machinery repairing. Raneys Specialty Manufacturing Company, foot of Princess street.

Hugh John Macdonald is like the Granite football team travelling on an old reputation.

Double stamps on Men's and Boys' Suits, Wednesday, Grand Union.

Busy people's family groups at Weese's, Thursday, Oct. 18th. Latest from New York.

Not one in twenty are free from some little ailment caused by inaction of the liver. Use Carter's Little Liver Pills. The result will be a pleasant surprise. They give positive relief.

Fifty-nine years ago to-day, Queen's was granted its royal charter by the British government.

Double trading stamps on Men's and Boys' Suits, Wednesday, Grand Union.

The sergeants and staff-sergeants of "A" field battery will give a quadrille party on Thanksgiving eve.

Knives, forks and spoons plated, gas fixtures buffed and lacquered at Raneys Specialty Manufacturing Company, foot of Princess street.

Being cash buyers were are able to discount all our competitors when it comes to selling Grand union.

W. G. Craig & Co. offer Scranton coal all sizes at $6.50 per ton, and Bernice coal at $6, delivered to any part of the city.

"North King" leaves Swift's wharf, Sunday, 5 p.m., for Charlotte and Bay of Quinte ports. J. P. Hanley, agent.

November Scribner's discusses the decentralizing influence of the bicycle, automobile, trolley, and telephone, as shown by recently published figures of the census.

Three applications of Peck's Corn Salve will cure hard or soft corns. In big boxes, 15c., at Wade's drug store.

Purses, card cases, letter wallets, bill books, coin purses, finger purses, hand bags, chatelaines, etc., at E. C. Mitchell's.

Boys' three-garment Suits, $2.50, $3.50. Grand Union.

It will pay you to keep a bottle of Griffiths' Menthol Liniment always in your home. It is good in any emergency and quick to cure any pain or ache.

In color printing, Scribner's is always trying new experiments, and the November number will contain a bicycle story, illustrated by Frederic Dorr Steele in a novel manner.

Purses to suit any pocket from 5c. to $2.50. They are all winners. E. C. Mitchell.

Smith's White Liniment is the most penetrating liniment known, and a positive cure for sprains, swellings, inflammation, neuralgia, rheumatism and lumbago. In bottles 25c., at Wade's drug store.

A Gorgeously Bound

Work of art has just been issued at an outlay of over $100,000, for which the publishers desire a manager in this country, also a good solicitor, good pay to the right party. Nearly 100 fullnamm the right part. Nearly 100 full-page engravings, sumptuous paper, illuminated covers and bindings; over 200 golden lilies in the Morocco bindings; nearly 50 golden roses in the cloth bindings. Sells at sight; presses running day and night so great is the sale. Christian men and women making fortunes taking orders. Rapid promotions. One christian woman made clear $500 in four weeks taking orders among her church acquaintances and friends. Write us. It may lead to a permanent position to manage our business and look after our large correspondence, which you can attend to right at your home. Address J. A. Knight, secretary, Corcoran Building, opposite United States Treasury, Washington, D.C.

A Harvest Home Concert.

A "Harvest Home" concert was held in the Portsmouth Methodist church last night. The edifice was very tastefully decorated with fruit, sheaves of wheat, etc. The attendance was so large that the church was crowded to the doors. The pastor, Rev. C. J. L. Pates, occupied the chair. Songs were rendered by Miss Perley, Fletcher Spence and Willie Orr. A quartette composed of Miss Perley, Miss Mooney, F. Spence and W. Hutchison, contributed several fine selections. Miss G. Mills gave a good recitation and the pastor a very entertaining reading in French-Canadian dialect. Rev. Eber Crummy, Cataraqui, talked on "Japanese Life and Dress," showing a complete knowledge of his subject.

Efficient, Mild And Vegetable.

In all diseases in which a purgative medicine is called for, Hamilton's Pills may be used with safety and satisfaction. They can be taken alike by the most delicate person or child or by the strong, as they contain neither minerals nor crude or deleterious substances; their use may be long continued without the possibility of salivation or any of the ill results so frequently attending the use of pills containing those substances. Hamilton's Pills are safe, sure and mild, yet prompt. Sold by druggists and dealers in medicine.

The Boy Strayed Away.

Yesterday noon the three-year-old son of Mrs. Smith, daughter of Robert Carson, messenger of the customs house, strayed away and got lost. He was found on Folger's wharf at noon. Fireman Shannon, of the Ontario street brigade, brought him to the police station, where constable Downie amused the lad with picture books, etc. Some ladies brought the boy candies and peaches, and he was quite content until his mother arrived.

CITY AND VICINITY.

Football Boots.

The best in the market, at Abernethy's, 125 Princess street.

No Registration, No Vote.

If you do not register, you cannot vote. Liberals are urged to attend to the matter at once.

Is Your Wife Ill-Tempered?

Examine her feet and if she has corns buy her Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. Home will then become an Eden. Much of the misery of married life is due to corns. Putnam's Extractor is sure, painless and prompt.

Moon Was Convicted.

Capt. James Oliver and William Moon, of the schooner Burton, were before acting recorder White in Oswego, N.Y., police court, charged with creating a disturbance at the Richardson theatre. Moon was convicted and fined $5, but Capt. Oliver was acquitted.

Early Closing of Groceries.

The grocers early closing by-law came into effect yesterday, and, as far as known, every store closed promptly at 7 p.m. Notices, relative to the early closing, have been posted in the windows. The stores will remain open on the evenings preceding holidays.

Archdeacon Mills In London.

Archdeacon Mills, of Montreal, bishop-elect of Ontario, accompanied by the bishop of Huron, and the archdeacon of London, paid a visit to Huron college, London, of which he is an alumnus. An address was presented to the bishop-elect on behalf of the faculty and students, which he acknowledged in a few happy remarks.

Are Heating the Church.

Messrs. Druce and Morley, of McKelvey & Birch's plumbing department, went up to Campbellton yesterday to install a steam heating plant in the Roman Catholic church there. The contract will take from four to five weeks to complete it, though an endeavor will be made to open the church on November 5th.

To Build Fine Cottages.

Two new and handsome summer cottages will grace the islands in view of Gananoque on the opening of the season of 1901. One of these will belong to W. T. Sampson, on E. and F. islands, and is now well on to completion, the other is for E. L. Atkinson, on White Calf island, the contract for which calls for its completion by June 1st. Work will be commenced on it at once.

Their Opening "At Home."

To-morrow night the Kingston bicycle club will hold its opening "At Home," at the club house on Queen street. The committee in charge of the winter programmes will be: S. Smith, G. Rattan, A. Rae, G. Thompson, H. P. Smith, F. C. Reid, chairman. This will be the first of a number of social events to be held during the approaching winter.

Effects Of Late Hours.

Late hours are apt to effect the system very seriously. This is only one of the causes which bring on nervousness, exhaustion, general debility and sleeplessness. Wade's Iron Tonic Pills, the great blood maker and nerve strengthener, restore the constitution to a healthy condition, positively curing all such troubles. Fifty pills in a box for 25c. at Wade's drug store.

Returned From Indian Lake.

Mr. Rafferty, of Isle Imperial, Alexandria Bay, is in the city with a party on the naptha launch Mascot. They have just returned from their summer cottage in Indian lake, up the Rideau. The celebrated Rideau pilot, Mike Melon, is in command of the yacht. Mr. Rafferty, who is a resident of Pittsburg, N.Y., has fine summer residences among the Thousand Isles and on the picturesque Rideau.

Immense Trade Sale Of Rubber Boots And Shoes.

Messrs. Benning & Barsalou, Montreal, auctioneers, will sell by order of the Canadian Rubber Company, at their warerooms, No. 333 St. Paul street, on Thursday, the 25th instant, over 12,000 cases of rubber boots and shoes, being seconds of this year's production, and first quality goods in stock, which they desire to clear before moving to their new premises. Catalogues will be mailed on application. See advt. in another column.

Gananoque Station.

Plans were received last Monday for the new station to be built on the G. T. R. track a mile or so east of the present Gananoque station, and the work is now being proceeded with. It is expected that the new premises will be ready for occupation before winter sets in. The new building will be on the south side of the track, forty-nine feet in length, with a fourteen and a half foot extension at the west end for a baggage room. The T. I. R. train will run down the track from the present station, and stop under cover at a platform near the baggage room.

Consolidation Of The Empire.

In drinking the Black and Green Teas of Ceylon and India the tea drinkers of Canada are doing a share towards the consolidation of the empire, by keeping trade within it. Since tea was first known it has been associated with China, and yet China to-day is supplying very little of the tea consumed in the world, the very much superior and healthful products of Ceylon and India having practically entirely displaced it; that is with Black Tea drinkers. Japan still supplies a large portion of Canada and the United States with Green Teas, but Ceylon and India have lately taken up the making of Green Teas and are making the most delicious teas of that kind which have ever been known. Their entire absence from Prussian Blue Coloring matter, which is always used to color Japan and China teas, has removed the objections that physicians have hitherto had to Green Tea. Ceylon and India Green Teas are as pure and healthful as their Black Teas. The "Salada" Tea Company, whose well-known brands of black tea have gained so much popularity, are now putting up these delicious Green Teas of Ceylon and India in their well-known sealed lead packets and Green Tea drinkers would do well to try them. They want to see that the word "Salada" is on the packet. There are many imitations.

ANNOYED AT COMPLAINTS.

BOMB. WILLIAMS SAYS "C" BATTERY WAS WELL FED.

He Denies The Charges of Insufficient Food—The Complaints Were Silly—Emergency Ration Pow-Wow Played Out.

Bombadier Owen V. Williams, "C" battery, R.C.A., writes to a Kingston friend, from Warmbath, seventy-five miles north of Pretoria, under date of Sept. 7th. He says:

"We have been doing a lot of fighting lately, as the Boers are, or were, rather thick around here, and seem to have lots of guns. Last Monday (Sept. 3rd) they even had the cheek to start shelling our camp at 5:30 a.m., but did no damage, as we were ready to leave.

"Many of the Kingston boys and myself have been very much annoyed at the complaints that have appeared lately in the Kingston papers, from members of "C" battery, with regard to food, etc. I don't for one moment say the food is elaborate, but it is at least sufficient to sustain a man from day to day. The scale of daily rations at present is as follows: One pound of flour or biscuits, one-quarter pound jam, one pound meat (fresh or tinned) three ounces sugar (coffee and tea, one-third ounce each). We also get a daily ration of dessicated vegetables, which are splendid in our soup, as when we draw fresh meat, the different messes make a stew for dinner. We also have an occasional issue of bacon, cheese and rum. There have been times when the rations have been reduced for a few days, but there was always a good reason, such as the slowness of transport, and at Rustenburg when we were surrounded by the enemy, and no convoy could come through. At that time our sugar and flour were reduced, but only for a few days. A man after a few days' practice can live well on a pound of flour, and turn out quite a respectable sized loaf.

"It is evident these kickers thought they were going to a picnic, and were sadly mistaken. They should have stayed at home instead of making silly trifling complaints about nothing. A number should be served with 'Nestle's Food for Infants' in place of flour, as I am sure it would suit them for better. Taking everything into consideration, the difficulty of transport, etc., we are well fed and looked after. Reading those complaints annoys me very much, as not only are the half of them untrue, but people reading them would think the battery was composed of children, instead of men, who came out here of their own free will."

Bombadier Williams was a member of "A" battery, which formed the nucleus of "C" battery of the second contingent. His statements should set at rest the big pow-wow about the much talked of emergency rations, concerning which the writer makes no complaint. The emergency ration howl is about played out, and was only got up for political purposes.

Letter From Sergt. Bramah.

James Norris, of the Ottawa hotel, yesterday received a letter from Sergt. Thomas H. Bramah, of "C" battery, R.C.A., late of "A" field battery. The letter was written from Belfast on September 1st, and relates the movements of the battery, already published. On July 21st, he says, they were "up against the real thing." They had been under fire for seven days and got into action at 6.30 a.m. The action lasted for ten hours near Brookers Spruit. The Boer shells did not take any effect, while a number of the enemy were killed. On the night of the 25th a big rain storm broke while the battery was at Balmara, where 100 of their oxen and mules died as the effect of the storm. Sergt. Bramah says it was the hardest night he ever saw. The battery has a pet monkey, which rides a horse and furnishes sport for the boys.

Heard From Her Son.

Mrs. Bryant, Princess street, has received another letter from her son, William, with the first contingent in South Africa. He was ill at the time of writing and was resting at Hector Spruit. The Canadians were going to play a football match the afternoon on which he wrote.

SHOULD CLOSE AT 10 P.M.

Ald. Knapp Advocates a Shorter Saturday For Clerks.

Alderman Knapp does not have much to say at the council board, but when he works his thinking box he generally gets some pretty good ideas out of it. "Talkers are no good doers" is as true now as it was in Shakespeare's time. So when the grocers' early closing by-law was being passed alderman Knapp did not, like some of his fellows, jump up every other minute and debate the question with "my honorable from such and such a ward." But he was thinking. He did not take kindly to the idea of amending the petition so as to read that all grocery stores may remain open on Friday nights as well as on Saturday nights, when it was not so requested in the petition. He doubts if it is legal to go beyond the bounds of what the petition calls for. But he has a better scheme than this. He thinks that all stores should close at ten o'clock on Saturday nights.

"Think of girls and young men clerking in stores from 7 and 8 a.m. till midnight," he said to a Whig reporter. "It's ruinous to their health—it's nothing less than slavery! If the stores were closed at 10 p.m. our churches would, I believe, be crowded on Sunday. How can you expect these young people to attend church under the present conditions? It is necessary for them to stay at home and rest. The public could soon be educated to do their shopping before ten o'clock, and thus make life a little more worth the living for clerks, than it is now. I believe this will eventually be done. I hope it will."

Alderman Knapp is talking along the right line. Labor is good, but it should not be carried to such an extreme that it becomes slavery, pure and simple. No doubt his idea will in time be put into active operation.

Golfers To Go To Cobourg.

A Kingston golf club will go up to Cobourg on the morning of thanksgiving day and play a game there in the afternoon. The following players will compose the Kingston team: Messrs. Cappon, Carruthers, Logan, Cunningham, Hague, Bamfield, McNaughton and Shannon.

Ask Any One Who Uses **Swift's Scranton Coal**

It's clean, bright, no waste.

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