

FORT OMAHA LIFE DESCRIBED

Interesting Facts Gathered at Our Near-by Garrison.

A STELL THROUGH THE POST

Duties of the Officers and Enlisted Men, How they Lodge, Eat and Work, and the Advantages Enjoyed.

The Lot of a Soldier.

Omaha is the headquarters of the department of the Platte, United States army, and has within its limits Fort Omaha, where there is now quartered the Second regiment of infantry.

The fort is situated about four miles northeast of the center of the city, and is a beautiful place. The parade ground, and about four acres in extent, occupies the center. On the north, east and south sides are situated the company quarters, band quarters, guard house and other buildings.

COMPANY QUARTERS.

At this post there are ten company quarters and ten company bands. There are few posts in this department (the Platte) that have worse quarters than Fort Omaha.

THE HOSPITAL SERVICE.

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OFFICERS' QUARTERS.

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THE REGIMENTAL BAND.

The regimental band consists of twenty-one musicians, and is in command of a leader. There are two principal musicians, one as rank and sergeant, the other as sergeant-major.

HOSTEL OF A COMPANY.

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porals the usual routine duties are guard, fatigue and escort duty, such as conducting prisoners to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The daily routine duties vary at the different posts, being arranged by the commanding officer. Those at Fort Omaha for the winter months are as follows: Reveille at 6 o'clock, followed fifteen minutes after by the discharge of a gun and the musicians sounding the march five minutes later.

A mechanic enlisting has the same duties to perform as the other enlisted men, but can be detailed for extra duty and receive extra pay for it. A good barber can get the company shop and make from \$30 to \$35 per month over his pay, his extras coming from the men of the company in exchange for hair cutting and shaving.

No gambling is allowed, but is indulged in on the sly, and many shrewd men make large gains thereby. There are a great many married men in the army, but no married men are enlisted or re-enlisted unless by special permission of the adjutant general.

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OUR NORTHERN NEIGHBORS.

Canadians and Their Customs as Seen by a Nebraskan.

THEY'RE DECIDEDLY ENGLISH.

No Prospect of Peaceable Annexation—Old Fogy Farmers—Peculiar Business People—Overdone Morality—Wage Workers.

A Nebraskan in Canada.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, Jan. 20.—[Special correspondence of THE BEE.]—Q.—How the United States is bounded on the north?

A.—By the Dominion of Canada, and the British possessions. The question and answer here quoted from the geographies in use in the common schools of the United States, affords the only information of the greatest of the British possessions that is held by the average American citizen.

OUR BILLY NORTHERN NEIGHBOR.

It would be hard to convince the native of the western or southern states of the greatness of this domain of the queen. He will be slow to realize that the Dominion of Canada is larger in area than the United States, and settled with a class of citizens who are as desirous of building up their country every way, however they may fail in execution.

TURNING ATTENTION TO CANADA.

and her people and industries, and THE BEE readers will perhaps be interested in the impressions formed, in a two-years' residence in the Dominion, by an Omaha newspaper man, who until two years ago could not have answered intelligently if asked whether Ontario is the name of a town or a province.

THEIR MANNER OF LIFE.

of close dealing and niggardliness of expenditures that would turn the stomach of the average happy-go-lucky yet prosperous western farmer. The average farmer here when he goes to buy a new wagon, purchases only the running gears and repairs his old wagon box, or an old horse or a pair of rough lumber, thereby saving about \$20 and goes around as a consequence with a miffed outfit that a western farmer

WOULDN'T INSULT HIS HORSES.

by using in the harness any work here in western Ontario and have attained about the same degree of progress that will be found in a Nebraska county ten years after settlement. They are a hard-working, hard-working, hard-working, hard-working, hard-working class, hard-working, hard-working, hard-working, hard-working, hard-working.

NO YOUNG MEN NEED APPLY.

The business of the country, too, is in the hands of the older heads. It is an exception, not the rule, as in the west, to find a young man, say yet in his twenties, occupying any position of trust. To get such a place an applicant must be of well-known ancestry, and is required to go through an apprenticeship lasting an ordinary business lifetime. Even then he is rewarded by a salary occupying any position of trust.

EVERYBODY IS ENGLISH.

The Canadian, while boasting of their own distinct individuality as Canadians, ape the English ancestors in everything—dress, conversation, manner of conducting business, and even in prejudice of everything but "Yankee" extraction. I was surprised, too, at the general application of the term "Yankee." Any citizen of the United States, half he from Maine or Texas is in Canada, a Yankee. The same is true of the word "Yankee" in Omaha, and a bean-eater Yankee south of Mason and Dixon's line.

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It is proposed in New York to spend \$100,000 the current year in teaching German in the public schools.

RELIGIOUS.

In the last 100 years, while the population of the earth has doubled, the membership of various christian churches has more than tripled.

SINGULARITIES.

Benjamin Lewis of Pittsburg has a three-months-old baby weighing a pound and one-fourth. Its mother weighs 150. The mate is 160.

EXHAUSTLESS MINES OF COAL AND COPPER.

That lie waiting for the coming of American capital for their development. Southern Ontario is rich in coal, and has on one spot a forest and is now one of the finest farming and fruit countries of the world.

MORE WOMEN OF ILL REPUTE.

In St. John's word in Toronto that have been in the city of Omaha for ten years, and that if the police of Toronto were to be weary in "lean-holders-than-thou" they would have to be arrested on Yonge, Queen, York, Front and King streets any Sunday evening in the year.

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