Thrilling True Stories About the Canadian Mounted Police.

**REDCOATS OF THE NORTHWEST** 

the whole British nation-or give up and THEY ARE BIG, FEARLESS FELLOWS move away. had brains.

How a Tiny Force of 750 Men Controls a Territory Nearly as Large as Enrope-Outwitting Sitting Bull, became a more or less orderly tenant of

A tiny force of 750 men, the Northwestern the border from Montana. An arrow's flight away was the northwestern mounted police Mounted Police of Canada, guards and conpost. One morning the police found six lake. trols a territory nearly as large as the whole dead Saltaux Indians, scalped in approved of Europe. They are big, powerful men Sloux fashion. A seventh Saltaux, still physically, most of them of sturdy Scotch allve, had seen the killing. The police buried the dead Indians, but took the living or Irish extraction, and the moral force of me to their post. the brilliant red funic which they wear is With characteristic cheek Sitting Bull

a minor revelation of the method by which came, accompanied by chiefs and warriors, the tiny British isles govern an empire. Al- | to demand the seventh Saltaux. In Wood though there are thousands of Indians, and Mountain there were twenty policemen half-breeds, more dangerous than Indians, backing Sergeant McDonald. With the chief and rough, reckless miners and outlaws, in Sitting Bull threw his souat figure from his their domain, they ride the plains and climb pony and thrust the muzzle of his gun into the mountains and keep the peace of the Sergeant McDonald's stomach. McDonald third of a continent.

In 1873, 150 men were sent to Manitoba gun one side and told the chiefs to step from eastern Canada. That was the begin- inside the gate, stack their arms and come ning of the Northwestern mounted police. inside the shack for a pow wow. During Riel's rebellion they numbered 1,000. vitories 548; in the Yukon, 184. There are three divisions, each with head- their guns.

They demurred; the sergeant was firm. At present there are in the northwest ter- Outside, it was play day in bedlam. young bucks rode and whooped and fired

was played by the redskin.

Sitting Bull Outwitted.

After the killing of Custer, Sitting Bull

her majesty, the queen. With 900 lodges

he camped at Wood mountain, just over

was typical of the force. He pushed the

quarters near the United States line. Each "Send your men away," said the serdivision has outposts, with from two to ten geant to Sitting Bull. Sitting Bull demen each. It has also a superintendent and murred.

two inspectors. Above them are the com- "Send them away!" repeated the sermissioner and assistant commissioner. Two geant, " if you have authority."



Pispot's tapes and calminy knocked the key shilling cattle," said the sergeant to the he marched, whistling, though two bullets MIGHT STRIKE IN HALF HOUR stands on a hill stoping smoothly and gently ing but the raising of legs till they are at cut the skirts of his tunic. "They're gettin' preity close now," mutguns, and one of the biggest bluffs on record "Tell him if he advances I'll kill him," answered Almighty Voice. tered The guide covered the Indian with his Cook. tered Jack; but he was only a few feet from But the sergeant continued methodically

through the heart.

the horse sped faster.

The

knocking key poles out, and Plapot saw carbine, but the sergeant said: "We have May it be remembered to the credit of Freparedness of Germany to Meet a Foe that the game was up. He must either kill no authority to kill. We have come only the half-breed rebels that, when they rea-

the sergeant-stick his knife in the heart of to arrest. Tell him to lay down his arms." lized what French's mission was, they The sergeant had no choice. He could ceased fire. And when he swung his comnot retire; he had no authority to shoot the rade upon his broad shoulders and started VAST ARMY MARKING TIME AT METZ

He chose the latter course, for Plapot Indian; he had orders to arrest him, even home with him a cheer ran along the whole if it cost him his life-and it did. Another rebel line.

forward pace, and fire belched from the He brought Cook in safe, then went back Could Start 30,000 Men for the Fron-Cree's gun. Sergeant Colbrook fell, shot to the fighting. His reward was not the Victoria Cross, for in half an hour he was A price was set on the murderer's head, dead, Cook still lives. He is in the govern-A thousand miles west, a thousand miles ment employ.

north, the red-coated riders watched for In the annals of the police there are Almighty Voice, who was shielded through heroic stories enough to fill a mighty volmany moons by his Indian friends at Duck ume; perhaps even stranger tales than I

## How Almighty Voice Was Caught. Italian Officer Enronte to Manila. One day in June a half-breed scout and a companion were bringing in a horse thief. As they came to a clump of poplars the

Low on his horse's neck the scout rode to Manila. with reeling brain. The horse gained a

little. The pursuer stopped an instant, his flerce black eyes gleaming along a gunbarrel. The bullet cut the scout's cowboy hat and severed the woven hair bridle between the horse's cars. The bit dropped from his mouth and under the new freedom versity.

Cassell & Co, are about to reissue their The news was flashed into Prince Albert. Captain Allen and a detachment of police umes will be added to the series and the best of the older volumes will be reprinted rode eighty miles that night. In the morning as they reconnoitered, Allen saw three from entirely new plates. blots scamper into a bluff on all fours like a deer. They surrounded the bluff. As

Captain Allen patrolled the bushes he leaned far down the side of his horse-but too late. He heard the bone in his right arm late. He heard the bone in his right arm snap like glass. Almighty Voice's bullet had smashed it at the shoulder. Thrown by the shock the officer crawled a little way the shock the officer crawled through the thick grass, then raised himself his story "The Garden of Swords," which on one knee, only to look into the eyes of is now appearing from month to month in Munsey's Magazine. The early spring output of the New Amster-

you!" he said in Cree. "Never!" answered Allen. Just then a bullet spat against the trunk of a poplar. A constable had sighted the Indian. The latter jumped back among the trees.

the growth was too green. Then three men crept in to try and unearth the desperadoes. Ing new under the sun" is exemplified in the Those on guard outside heard at irregular translation of the Book of Ezekiel, the latest intervals the rifles speak, but no message came out of the deep shadow. No fleeing bible, which Dodd, Mead & Co. are bringing them three days' food and three days' am-Indians darted into the open, no smoke-had a method of inflating skins, which cus-sacks. They can carry no more in war. grimed policeman struggled forth holding a tom was the forerunner of the pneumatic

fark captive. At last there was utter silence. The is strong in the force, almost as strong with Mr. Hamlin Garland to bring out a for attack. They were O'Kelly and Cook. Crawling flat upon his stomach O'Kelly discovered three runways made by breaking down small bushes, and ending in a death-trap-a pit the outlaws had dug with knives. At the other end of each runway was an Indian Cuba with a leveled riffe. It was in these run-

em/bankment into the pit. An Indian sprang

A Fight in a Thicket.

have told here.

LITERARY NOTES.

"An Introduction to the Poetical and Prose

early date by The Macmillan Company.

Almighty Voice. "Throw me your cartridge belt or I'll kill

atter jumped back among the trees. They tried to burn out the Indians, but which to appear is "A. Gordon Pym." and fedder lie ready in the magazines, the transport animals stand harnessed by the Solomon's declaration that "there is nothvolume in Prof. Paul Haupt's "Polychrome"

tire of today.

the state

with a flat, white band.

blue and two yards of white material.

reckoned with as a permanent force in literature.

ways the first three policemen had been ment of the island and its people as they fected of entreached works, ending every-shot. Mr. Porter, backed with the where in glacis, smooth and tended as a

A Fight in a Thicket. All night they guarded the bluff. Next day the fight was like a Roman spectacle. A near hill was covered with Indian and half-breed spectators. The old tan-faced mother of Almighty Voice sat there and ces and literary reminiscences of Daudet crooned a weird death song, and cheered comes up to expectations it will have a very her boy to fight to the death like an In-dian brave. She screamed defiance to the in New York by Croscup & Sterling com-

downwards towards France. Defenses of Metz.

No enemy can approach within four miles and captains leave to their drill sergeants.

of the chain of forts unless he first demois. But the German officers are the drill ishes the forts, and as these are dug from sergeants of their army; they are the schoolthe inside of the hills and offer no broader masters of a people where education is

tier in Thirty Minutes, 100,000 in Twelve Hours and Half a Million in Three Days. As all the world knows, Metz and Strag- except one long mound, from which pro- as you look, that no more agreeable means burg, the outposts of the German army, trude rows of loopholes of various sizes. has as yet been found in Germany by which face watchfully toward the west, says a Even as seen from the rear you can get the bodily activity of its soldiers and the correspondent of the London Mail. From no more idea of what is within than you mobility of its military "units" can be in-SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.-Lieutenant the gates of Metz the roads to Paris taper know what are the contents of a coal mine creased.

As they came to a clump of poplars the third disappeared and Almighty Voice came in view. Soon the scout was galloping for if which the military operations as the military operations as the of France is only a short walk across the of France is only a short walk across the in view. life with a bullet through his back, and Sergeaut Colbrook's slaver, running like the ment. He has been assigned comfortable wind at his horse's heels, making savage curters on the transport City of Puebla, curters on the transport City of Puebla, clutches at the swishing tail. France is just one long "glacis"-unassail- the tips of the muzzles of their guns, point- non-commissioned officers out of the official able by the invader. Above it rise the five ing westwards, and outside wall upon wall manual of field service; and thus till 9,

great sentinel forts which surround Metz, of flanking entrenchments (to meet the when the long day is done, and from the high ground on which these emergency of the fort being turned), and And so the great war-machine is kept "Physics for Beginners" is the title of a stand you may clearly see, fifteen miles to in rear of each fort magazine after magazine being cut out of the earth just like an Egyptian tomb. But yet, in spite of all treat of the earth just like an Egyptian tomb. Supposing that you are an invader, and the great war-machine is kept of the earth just like an Egyptian tomb.

tress, the threat of France. When you have been half an hour in Metz and Strasburg you see that you are in four have passed this chain of forts, in the seem merely to be reminding the traspectrum for the second merely in the second merely i in the entrenched camp of an army ready for war. Infantry, cavalry, artillery and the rest of two complete army corps are all equipped as if for instant active service. what General Leboeuf untruthfully said of in the first line of the entrenched works, but it will be the fault of the French them-

Works of John Milton." by Hiram Corson, LL.D., professor of English literature in Cornell university, will be published at an Touch the right button in Berlin, and in to ask how many;) the gunners live within half an hour 30,000 men will be marching the carthworks themselves; while on

roads tap all the great cantonments of Ger-, of cavalry and field artillery. Close to John Collins, the allegel abductors, had acmany, and then converge on to the frontier, each are their several magazines, which complices in Chicago. It is said that Geralt will land 500,000 men near Metz in three contain all they need; while in rear of all was brought to Chicago last October and a will land 500,000 men near Metz in three dam Book company includes Sir Charles days. In a week 2,500,000 men will be on Dilke's work, "The British Empire," and and beyond the frontier; in a week 4,000,000

A. J. Cornish's volume concerning "Animals of Today." This same house announces a new edition of several of Poe's tales, illus-and fodder lie ready in the magazines, the and fodder lie ready in the magazines, the Strasburg the Storehouse.

> In Strasburg lie the stores and impedi- tions. wagons. All the appliances and munitions menta of two army corps for two years. of modern war are at hand, and would be And thus, in the midst of the circle of on the road in a few minutes. When the rifles and cannon, the civilian elementtroops go "route marching" they carry with considerable at Strasburg, small at Metz-

> > Offensive Strategy.

on the Rhine.

It is merely marking time. as courage. At last characteristically two men undertook what three had failed to do. Coolly, Main Traveled Roads and Prairie "advanced bases" of the frontier force, you are. The German army is ready for Folks," together with his new book, "The Trail of the Gold Seekers," perhaps may be taken as an indication that he is to be reckoned with as a permanent force in lit-The German army is ready for defense, Mr. Robert P. Porter's important book on too. Metz and Strasburg are really nothing Cuba is promised some time next month, and will be regarded as a semi-official state. On three sides of both are the most per-

where in glacis, smooth and tended as Suddenly O'Kelly became aware of a pair of Khaki-colored legs in front of him. As of khaki-colored legs in front of him. As ing into the Cuban situation which no other lawn, gently sloping downwards towards from his grasp and disappeared over the an accurate, clear and valuable picture. and in reserve, in rear of both camps, is an accurate, clear and valuable picture. It will be welcome news to a host of Rhine; and in rear of that all the organized up to get a better shot-the bullet from O'Kelly's rifle crashed through his brain. The constable flattened out and hugged earth as though he loved it, yet a shot from Almighty Voice tore a spur from off his heel. A Fight in a Thicket.

target than the muzzle of their guns you war; the guardians of a Germany whose will conclude that Metz is practically im- safety is its military supremacy-of a pregnable. I approached one of these forts country which is prepared for war because as close as a sentry would allow me. The it wants peace. In the afternoon, from 1 garrison of two regiments of infantry and to 6, there is an increast musical drill, one regiment of artillery live in an exca- the men, keeping their feet firm, sway their vated barrack which is entirely under- boiles backwards and forwards, or to left neath the surface of the ground and com- and right, or else they advance or retire on pletely hidden from view. As seen from tiptee, or on all-fours, or they double to the French side, nothing whatever shows their front or to their rear. You wender,

These of more than a year's Ferrucio Vitali, military attache of the through wall after wall of entrenchments, when you have only stood above the shaft, service shoot at the butts, and shoot and

right angles in backs, erect as posts, while

subalterns and captains direct, correct,

repeat-do the work which our subalterns

you find yourself in a space of open ground to be a recognition of French instability;

## New Phase in Lupiner Case,

the earthworks themselves; while on either flank and immediately in the rear are development in the Gerald Lapiner kidnapraine-will be crossing the border; while the system in accordance with which the rail-again, more entrenchments, and the lines in rear ing case today. According to a statement contain all they need; while in rear of all are the engineers, with their depot and "park," the commissariat, and telegraph and hospital corps, with their depots, the artil-lery workshops, Strasburg the Storehouse. charge of the Chicago end of the negotia-

### Labor Supply is Short.

NEW COMERSTOWN, O., March 23-An unusual condition prevails here in that sufpursues its life; the shopkeepers and merchants go about their work in the old Erench cities. But if you among the shoes French cities. But if you, among the shops French cities. But if you, among the shops of Strasburg, are ever inclined to deny that are hiring everybody in the town who will At last there was utter silence. The transmoster of the great staff in Berlin you are in a champ of troops ready for in-watchers grew heavy-hearted. Cameraderie millan Company that they have arranged is offensive. The German army is ready stant war, then walk far enough in any one meet their demands. The business boom is direction and you will soon come up to the most pronounced.

#### Trust Institutes Soit.

up at 4, and from dawn to sundown the recruit of the first year is drilled and delled and drilled. Erom 6 to 12 th ceiver appointed for the Perry County Coal drilled and drilled. From 6 to 12 it company. It is claimed that the company is the "goose-step" in various evolutions- owes the trust company \$700,000 and inter singly, by fours, by sections, by companies, est. The amount is secured by mortgages.

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to be in every tool-bag. Takes little or no room; is the best thing in the world for mud or grease stains. 559 Beware of

INSPECTOR M'DONALD AND SUPERINTENDENT STEELE, STURDY TYPES OF THE CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

extra inspectors act respectively as paymaster and quartermaster for the whole the door, but there were interruptions-redforce. Pay is not munificent. The commis- coated objections. And outside in the yard sloner gets \$2,600 a year, his assistant \$1,600, the chief's rifles were stacked. superintendents \$1,400, inspectors, surgeons Sitting Bull, like Piapot, had brains. The and veterinary surgeons \$1,000 each, petty bucks were sent away. Then the sergeant officers from \$2 to \$5 cents a day, and con- persuaded the chiefs to listen furtherstables-the title of enlisted men-50 to 75 mainly by force the red-coated arguments he cents a day.

ents a day. Fall dress uniform is a scarlet tunic with brothers," he said, "until I send Constable yellow facings, blue cloth breeches with Collins and two others of my men to arrest yellow stripes, white helmet, chvalry boots the murderers. The Saltaux are subjects and eavalry overcoat. For winter they have of the queen. We cannot allow them to be fur coats and moccasins. A serviceable killed for the fun of the thing." Khaki uniform and cowboy hat is used for rough work on the prairies in summer. The mission of these scarlet-coated guardians is peace. Here are illustrations;

they perhaps picture the method:

Two Men Against 100 Indians. When Piapot, restless, quarrelsome, drinkloving, and his swarthy, hawk-faced following, spread their circle of smoke-tanned tepees near the construction line of the a big buck spat in Collins' face. Canadian Pacific railway beyond Swift Current, there was inaugurated the preliminary of a massacre, or whatever form of enterfeet: tainment the brain of Plapot might devise. Then the railway management sent a remonstrance to the powers. The lieutenant governor issued an order, and two policemen rode forth carrying her majesty's commands. in striking an Indian Not a brigade, nor a troop; the officer bearing the written order was but a sergeant. force that was to move this turbulent tribe miles rorth of Regina, the capital of the With him was one constable; that was the from good hunting ground to a secluded spot miles away.

Piapot refused to move. The sergeant calmly gave him fifteen minutes in which whole again. to begin striking camp. Result, fifteen minutes of abuse. The Indians screamed defance at the sergeant, and fired their guns own, therefore a sergeant and a half-breed about him in their pony spirit war dance. | magistrate. They came upon him in com- brogue with the music of an organ in it When the fifteen minutes were up the pany of two squaws. He had just killed a "What are you doin' there, Cook " sergeant threw his picket line to the con- prairie chicken. "Tell him I've come to arrest him for stable, dismounted, walked over to Chief

dian brave. She screamed defiance to the Sitting Bull and his chiefs made toward them.

brought up from Regina threw a few shells into the bluff. When the smoke cleared away the pit held three dead Indians, and once more.

taken on. Then big Jack Collins-wild Irishman and all the rest of it-went over to the Sioux camp and arrested three. The bucks jostled contented men, and few desertions.

and shoved them, fired pistols over their Besides keeping the peace the police heads, but big Jack and his comrades hung gather for the government information upon on to their prisoners and worked their way every subject under the sun-at least the to the post, with no sign of annoyance until sun which shines from the forty-ninth parallel northward. Stringent laws exist A big mutton-leg fist shot out, and the against the setting out of fire on the prairie Sioux lay like a crushed moccasin at Jack's lands, and summary justice awaits the ofhe fender. Sometimes there are fierce battles hissed between clenched teeth; "an ye're between the fire fiend and the constables. 1 It is a stirring picture-two policemen with Then he marched his prisoners into the wet blankets knotted together, and trailing post, and reported himself for misconduct upon the ground, galloping one on either side a line of leaping, hungry flame. Miles Duck lake is the "Tenderloin district" of and miles of fire they put out in this fashion. the prairie provinces. It lies an hundred Every constable has authority to call upon civilians to help him fight fire. The Reil Rebellion.

three Indians lay there dead, that the peace During the Reil rebellion the police were broken by one Indian outlaw might be always at the front. It was at the taking of Batoche that Jack French, a big hard-Almighty Voice, son of John Sounding fighting Irishman, inspector of police, be-Sky, was hungry. He killed a cow, not his came immortal. After a hot scrimmage a wounded policeman was left on the field. under his charger's nose as they circled guide rode out to bring him before a Jack French saw him and shouted in a

> "I'm wounded!" came back a faint call, "It's mesilf'll carry you, thin!" and down

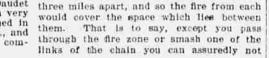
"A BIG MUTTON LEG FIST SHOT OUT."

Adventure of Jack Collins.

"Take that, ye black baste!"

made me disobey orders, ye foul fiend."





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COSTUME OF BLUE AND WHITE PIQUE FROM HARPER'S BAZAR



# OF OMAHA.



police-her son would slay many more of pany. His end was drawing near. A field gun

it was "all quiet along the Saskatchewan' Now a little as to the physique of the northwestern mounted police. In height their average is five feet nine inches, with a chest measurement of thirty-eight inches Men and horses are subjected to a most searching medical examination before being The regulations of enlistment are framed, indeed, "to make it a most difficult force to get into, and an easy one to get out of." Result, a fine body of