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## Nine Hundred Men Keep Order in the Wilds of the British Northwest

(Copyright, 1996, by Frank G. Carpenter.) EGINA, Baskatchewan, April 6 .-(Special Correspondence of The Bee.)-For the last two months I have been traveling along the Canadian frontier. I have been Hving in the baby towns of the wild west and have some unarmed through some of the least settied parts of the country. The conditions here are far different from those which prevailed in our western states when they were first opened up to immigrants. There are no cowboys dashing through the streets shooting up the towns, there are no holdups on the railroads, and the "bad man from Bitter creek" is conspicuous by his absence. . here are plenty . of bur rooms connected with the little hotels, but the old settlers do not make the tenderfoot dance by shooting at his toos with a revolver, and murders and lynchings are fewer still than in the settled states of our west and south.

#### ----Canada's Mounted Police.

The secret of this good order comes from Canada's mounted police and the fact that the man who commits a crime is bound to be caught and punished. The mounted police is one of the most remarkable milltary forces in existence. It comprises less than 900 men, but it keeps order throughout a country more than half as large as the United States. A vast part of its territory is wilderness. It runs from here to the Arctic ocean. It has its stations about Hudson's bay, on the Peace river and in the mining camps of the Yukon. Its members pairol every part of the new wheat belt, where American and other immigrants are taking up homesteads, and they gallop up and down the boundary between the United States and Canada guarding against

two peoples.

tory is here at Regina. The mounted po- thing wrong has taken place since his last heard of them since." have barracks about two miles from visit. If the farmer has no complaints he the city, and most of the new men are is asked to sign a report to that effect, and broken in at this point before they are if the contrary, his troubles are at once started out in the service. There are investigated. We have a record of all the other large stations at Prince Albert, Cal- settlers, and we go over the route and erimes in the northern wilds which could gary and Edmonton. They may be found make the policemen produce these signed never be discovered." said I. every indian reservation and on every statements showing that each man has "I don't believe it," repited Colonel where trouble is likely to come.

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### Talk with the Chief.

During my stay at Ottawa I had an in-Colonel White has been connected bers to almost 1,000, and he has been as- year. Many of the offenses were petty only a short time ago. sociated with it in various capacities ones, and this number, all told, covers a The murderer's name was Charles King, through all parts of this great British northwest.

I asked Colonel White to tell me some- It seems to me small." thing as to the extent of the territory unser his jurisdiction. Said he:

dary of the United States to the Arctic only two of the criminals were Canadians." We have altogether about 1,500,000 square miles under our jurisdiction. Take Edmonton. That town lies over 300 miles north of the boundary of the United States. We have policemen on guard there and all along the line east and west to the Pacific Canada, and, more than that, we have Soon after the two men started off with



#### POLICEMAN INTERVIEWING A FARMER

now our policemen ride on horseback police knew something was wrong, and made by one man, which led away from it, the trails, and prospectors and at the same time are making some a Canadian rancher which was run across anussing and cattle thieving and settling through every part of the lands which are we had a force on the lookout. The men He kept on the trail and after many days follow them. They have opened up the explorations. At Dawson we have adopted the border into the United States. The any minor troubles which arise between the being opened up. Every man has his route, found that we were watching them and as came up with King on his way back to Ed. Rocky mountains and have cut passage- the finger print system for the identifica- horse was a fine gray which could gallop, da and he gallops from farm to farm and town a result they gave up the attempt' and monton. The policeman asked King what ways through the wilds to Alaska and the tion 'of criminals, which promises to be- a mile in less than two minutes. The One of the largest stations of this terri- to town, asking every colonist whether any- drove off towards the south. We have not had become of his companion, and King re- Pacific coast. On such trips the policemen come universal over the world. It is now mounted policeman of the district in which

> Story of a Crime. "I should think there must be many

so, the policeman goes with him to trace collecting information and anything out of the thieves, and if they are found he sees the way is sent in to them. They are able tarview with Colonel Frederick White, the ished. In many cases such complaints are would puzzle a Sherlock Holmes. Take head of this organization, and the man false alarms, and the policeman and farmer the murder of Edward Hayward, a young human being. who, more than any other, has had to do find that the stock has merely strayed Englishman, who was killed at the Lesser with bringing it to its present efficient into some valley nearby. Nevertheless, we Slave lake, away up in the wilds, hundreds make many arrests. There were more than of mlles from nowhere, about a year ago. with the police for more than thirty-five 2,000 convictions for crime and other of- His murderer was discovered and convicted years. He has seen it grow from 300 mem- fenses in the northwest territories last by the mounted police and he was hanged

population of more than 400,000, scattered an American, who came from Salt Lake over the enormous region I have described. City to Edmonton, where he met Edward Hayward, an English immigrant. Hayward had brought some money with him, expecting to settle and make his fortune in our "We have had thirteen in four years," "Our police precincts run from the boun- said Colonel White, "and of those thirteen northwest. He fell in with King at Edmonton and King filled his head with the

possibilities of fortune making in the far He persuaded Hayward to buynorth. horses, tools and arms and go with him to look for gold mines, which he said ex-"We have never had one man lynched in isted about the Lesser Slave lake.

cocean and to Hudson's bay. We have never had a holdup on our railroads. I will a full prospecting equipment. They had men hundreds of miles to the northward, not say that plans have not been made to been gone some weeks when an Indian and we keep a large force in the mining rob our trains, but so far we have circum- notified one of the sergeants of the mounted regions of the Klondike. Indeed, we have vented them. Indeed the records show that police of the vicinity where they had been btically the whole of the sparsely set- traveling is far safer in northern Canada camping that two strangers had come into tled and unsettled portions of British North than in the western part of your country. the country and that one of them had dis-

carrying a gold coin All these things were surprising that the men who have food will from which, they say, they can infallibly packed up and shipped east to be exam-ined and analyzed by our specialists. Their lutely necessary for their sustenance. In report was that the bones were those of a such explorations our men go along and

"In addition to this the policeman traced wonderful how soon others follow and how King's tracks to a little lake nearby. With quickly little hotels grow up along the line. qualification for the police service." assistance of another policeman he cut We are making such explorations all the the a ditch and drained the lake. Upon its time and are gradually opening up the bottom lay two pair of boots and other great northwest."

articles which were afterward proved to have been sold to Hayward. When the case was tried a brother of Hayward was brought out from England to identify some of these articles, and the result of the whole was that King was convicted and hung.



#### ' POLICEMAN SCOUTS WITH INDIAN TRACKERS

rested King on the charge of murder and selves without food away off in the wilds. that copies of the finger prints of all Otis, afterward General Otis, the governor. thing he did was to gather up the ashes of pectors is that their food supplies run out ous police departments of the country. found the horse in the hands of a stockthe campfire and sift them. The result was at about the time they reach the place This system was inaugurated by Scotland statements showing that each man has "I don't believe it," replied Colonel that he discovered pieces of fiesh and bones where they expect to work. They must Yard in 1898, and that department now for five years and that it had never been been yisited. It may be that the farmer White. "Our police get reports from every and also two or three buttons, a sail- then go back or starve. Such men can get has in its classification bureau the finger out of his hands. will claim his cattle have been stolen. If party of the territory. They are careful in maker's needle and a watch charm used for fresh supplies at these rest houses. It is prints of more than 100,000 individuals,

## identify any criminal there recorded in one minute and a half.

## How the Force is Paid.

"Tell me something about the pay and "The members of the mounted police receive fairly good wages," replied Colonel White. "You must remember they are supplied with free rations and that they live to a large extent in barracks. The constables receive upon starting in 60 "Are all your police mounted, Colonel cents per day. At the end of the first year their wages are raised to 65 cents, and years. "No. There are many regions which are they go upward at the rate of 5 cents not accessible on horseback. This is so per day per year until the ninth year,

"A curious statement was made at this about Hudson's bay, on the Mackenzie when they get \$1 per day. Four of the pered that the horse had a curious trick trial," consluded Colonel White. "We had river and in other parts of the far north. staff sergeants are paid \$2 per day, and was stated under eath that on the morning reached their destination. As it is now the qualifications are: The men must be der, Henry Hayward, the brother, who was once a year to visit that station. Our 40 years of age; they must be able to read himself loose he would give up his claim. dw then at North Mundham, England, told his policemen there report on the conditions and write either French or English; must To this Colonel Otis censented. sister of thideous dream he had had that prevailing about the bay, as to the whal- understand horses and be able to ride

plied that he had taken another trail and erect houses along the trail and leave sup- used in England and the United States, it was owned started after the thief the gone on to British Columbia. This seemed plies of bacon and other provisions for trav- and there will some day be a classifica- day after it was stolen and tracked hima. very strange to the policeman, and he ar- elers who come after, who might find them- tion bureau of this kind in Canada so down to Fort Assiniboine, where Colonel started back to get the evidence. The first The trouble of many of our mining pros- criminals will be on record for the vari- of the Philippines, was in charge. He there. man, who claimed that he had owned it

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## Police on the Trail.

The mounted policeman called upon Coionel Otis, told him he knew the man was lying and asked him if he would arbitrate the case if it were brought before him. itd Colonel Otis replied that this was outering side his duties, but that he would pass a judgment if the parties were brought be- ata fore him. Thereupon the Canadian officerate caused the man's arrest by the local police, at and man and horse came before Colonel to Otis. The man swore to his ownership or maying that he had kept the horse for in

In the meantime the Indian guide who had assisted the mounted policeman whisof chewing up any piece of rope with which at proven that the murder was committed on We have a station on Hudson's bay to lower staff sergeants get from \$1.50 to \$1.75 he was tied, and that he could free himself me September 15, away out there on the banks which we have shipped houses in pieces per day, while other noncommissioned from any rope in ten minutes. The polices of the Lesser Blave lake. At the trial it and put them together again when they officers have from \$1.10 to \$1.25. Among man communicated this fact to Colonel 100 Otis and asked that the horse be put toin of September 15, the day following the mur- we go round by ship to Hudson's bay unmarried; they must be between 22 and the test, saying that if he did not chewinof

The animal was thereupon tied with artol night, in which he had seen his brother Ed- ing and for industries and as to how well. The minimum height is five feet rops to a post close by and all the party of ward shot and flung upon a huge bonfire. the natives are treated. They have little and eight inches, the minimum chest walked off to a short distance. They had into This story was told months before the steamers to patrol the bay and they go measurement thirty-five inches and the hardly stepped back before the horse beyong Canadian government had communicated up the rivers in cances and across coun- maximum weight 175 pounds. The term gan to chew at the rope. Colonel Otis took at

Every Farmer a Police Reporter.

in such a country," said I.

occurred recently where men had evidently noticed a big fire where the camp was and schemed to hold up the trains on the Can- that the ashes covered so much ground "Give me some idea of how order is kept adian Pacific railroad. In one of these that he was sure something was wrong.

"Do you have many murders?"

No Lynchings Nor Holdups.

"How about lynchings?"

in contact with all the settlers. As it is where they expected to rob the train. Our the fire, and followed a track evidently Colonel White. "They go ahead and make gambling, robbery and all sorts of crime, of the latest is about a horse belonging to did.

the would-be thieves had a team of fine "The mounted policeman then went along "The mounted police are doing a great large extent in governing the country, heard some good stories of the detective upon the policeman was told that he could it

two or three instances which appeared. The Indian said that he had the news of the death to the family. 

Band of Explorers.

try with sledges and dogs." "What are you doing in the Yukon?"

blaze a trail about eight feet wide. It is

Police of Hudson's Bay.

White?" I asked.

"We have a comparatively large force there engaged in keeping order and to a "Our arrangements are such that we come horses and a carriage shipped to the point with the Indians. He found the remains of deal in the way of exploration," continued We are doing what we can to put down ability of these mounted policemen. One take the horse back to Canada, which he

of engagement is for five years." Horse that Chewed the Rope,

out his watch and timed him as he bit at add his halter again and again with his strong are white teeth. It was just seven minutes, and During my travels in Canada I have and a half before he was loose. There-ola

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Hit by a Cabbage

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museum all the ancient arms. This same which exist, or, rather, vegetate, in this bas

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# Conditions Under Which the Recent Elections Were Held in Poland

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the "Narodnala Duma," or national legis- ever, is marked. lative congress, it is a fact that the people change.

tion than the man blind from birth knows held. about the colors of the rainbow.

Poliitical Parties in Poland.

The first sounds the strains of the tradi- right of voting as well as of taking part condition. are practically unprepared for this great tional and historical manifestos, being con- in the campaign.

servative and passive in its demands, while Under such circumstances who shall How Liberty Prevails in Warsaw. You, across the ocean, are very well the other plainly says that the new era has vote? Who shall be sent to the Duma as Confirmatory of the proceeding state- poor children in the evening, thinking it a of raising race feeling between different aware that to have an election it is neces- arrived and that political life must be the representatives of the people's Again, ments, I will quote some of the newspapers charitable deed; but the police officer, being peoples of the Polish nation, with the in- Tambo-Mistah Gwaynus, speakin' of the arm to do the source of a different opinion, punished her with tention of bringing here the same condi- man makin's weel offic here are still permitted to exist, making of a different opinion, punished her with tention of bringing here the same condi- man makin's ment opinion? electoral campaign, and for the different human liberty. The P. F. S. also insists restrictions that many persons of all absolute translations, as these items will political parties to prepare platforms, so that when the country is in a state of classes will be deprived of the right to be good material for American scrapbooks. that the people may know the issues pre- slege and hundreds of thousands of people, vote in toto. Naturally, this creates dis- From the Daily Kurier Warszawski: "By sented. The people of this country know being imprisoned, are deprived of their satisfaction among free thinking men, and order of the general governor of Warsaw, no more of what constitutes a real elec- right to vote, a real election cannot be will probably result in this class declaring in an administrative way (this means witha boycott on the polling places.

Editors All in Jall. Finance Back of Policy. Really, it is difficult to see how a political There is a feeling prevalent here that the duration of the state of siege." There are more political parties in Po- campaign can be conducted in a county government has been driven to make a From the Warszawski Dniewn'k (a Rusland than you can count on your fingers; where thousands of editors and members show of liberal and progressive spirit in sian semi-official organ): "On seventh day or by the chief of police of the city; there- falseness of the report, showing that the celebrated baritone, Mr. Limbergiottis, will" but among the great number the diffor- of editorials staffs are under lock and key order to reassure foreign investors, as it is of December last, at the beginning of the fore the press receives only what the story was published for a purpose. The now sing his pathetic ballad, "Riss Ma off" ences are only fanciful, leaving but two and hundreds of newspaper offices are' known that the government is in sore finan- concert at the 'Philharmonica of Warsaw,' parties between which there are radical closed by the police authorities, where cial straits; but even in this it finds its the orchestra played the patriotic Polish

ARSAW, Feb. 2.- (Special Corre- differences. One of these is the "Narodiwa political ... eetings have been prohibited, chief stumbling blocks in the bureaucratic children and sixteen guests, who were the state of siege at Garvolin, government east, will not be led astray. spondence of The Bee.)-An elso- Demokracja" (National Democracy) and where precinct commissioners are dis- and conservative officeholders, who, in these there quietly sitting." tion in Poland. Yes, an elec- the other the "Polaka Partia Socialtyzons" charged from office and arrested for per- liberal measures, foresee their downfall The Daily Nowe Lycie, February 15: his dragoons to the country residence of statement that a German newspaper pub-This is even a magnetic (Polish Social Party). In this country the mitting political meetings to be held in and as a result place obstacles in every "Two editors of Miedsc, Messrs. Juszkie- a Polish nobleman, Count Zamoyski. In lished at Lods has been confiscated and the sill word for free American citizens. first is generally known as the "N. D." their offices, where the intelligence of the step toward giving the people a voice and wicz and Rygier, have been brought be- the absence of the proprietor he seached editor is awaiting judicial trial. It presents a great problem to a French and the latter as the "P. P. S.," and for country, women as well as men, fill the a vote in matters of legislative or admin- fore the court for printing a political ar- the place, and finding nothing suspicious. Similar articles one can read in great ad republican, or even to an English constitu- convenience I will use these initials in prisons because they express their senti. Istrative affairs. The serious problem for ticle by a political leader. Mr. Ignat confiscated from the old historical family number any day in those few newspapers, the lopal monarchist, but how strange sounds mentioning them. Each of these parties ments at public gatherings. In addition to the people to solve is how to secure their Daszynski." word under the autocratic imperial has several branches and, showing the fact these wholesale arrests many doctors, at rights, given them under the manifesto, opy. Without questioning the motive which fight among themselves over differences and tradesmen are ordered to leave the absolutely ignorant of public methods and prompted the issuance of the manifesto wholly immaterial. The difference be- country because they have been selected there is no time to instruct them before granting to the people the great gift of tween the N. D. and the P. P. S., how- by their associates for local leaders of the the voting begins. It will be interesting to parties, and they are thus deprived of the watch the developments of this peculiar

out judicial trial), two dailies, the Kurier Poransoy and the Comiel, are suspended and the editors are imprisoned for the

hymn, 'Bose cos Polske.' This being told

to the general governor, Scallon, his excellency has found it proper to fine for that offense M. Alexander Rejchman, the administrator of the institution, in the sum of 300 rubles, and M. Ciclewics, the musical director, 100 rubles, or in lieu thereof one month's imprisonment for the former and two weeks for the latter." ----

From the same journal: "There were congregated in a certain house, a private lodging, about sixty book binders, who had met to form an organization of their trade, but before the meeting was opened there entered a large military patrol, under a police officer's command, and arrested all present, whereby many book binderies are closed."

The Kurier Warszawski of February 14 says: "The editor of the Weekly Blesida Literacka, for political articles in Nos. 2 and 3, is fined, in the administrative way, 1,000 roubles."

Ibid: "In the town of Skempe, county Lipno, the police have arrested, without stating for how long, a farmer, Bagrowski; also two students, the last two for privately teaching a number of poor illiterate children, the farmer for giving a place in his home for the purpose.'

Ibid: -"In the town of Kuffeso, near Warsaw, two precinct plenipotens, Messra. Sodriak and Milewski, also Farmer Jankowski and two brothers, Beblenski, were arrested and imprisoned at the city of Minek Mazowiecki, the offenso being that they had the courage to send a mutually signed complaint to Count Witte at St. Petersburg."

Ibid: "In the suburb 'Wola' an unidentified man struck a policeman in a beer house and ran away. Boon after a large military patrol, led by a police officer, entered and without examination arseated the proprietor, his wife, two minor

brave colonel on the same visit arrested country. The people are constantly subject add Teaching the Poor a Crime. In Warsaw, on St. Jersha street, is a two young men and ordered them to be to arrest at any moment, and that on the private "ladies' school." In the same house conducted twenty versts to the town of eve of the election of the national "Duma," lives the chief of the police station of the Garvolin, on foot, between mounted while a few months after the proclamation woh Second district, who, upon seeing that a dragoons. number of children gathered at the school

Effort to Arouse Race Hatred. after the regular school hours, demanded a reason for the assemblage. The mistress The officeholders who play the part of of the school did not deny that she taught the "Black Hundred" have great hope

a month's arrest, without defense or ap- tions which have prevailed at Baku be- man makin' a meal off'n his opinions?

------Examples of Military Rule.

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authorities permit

tween Tartars and Armenians, or at Klef Interlocutor-Why, no, William; I never and Kisheneff between the Jews and other saw a man making a meal of his opinions.""" people. As evidence of this it may be cited Will you be kind enough to tell me, The correspondent of the St. Petersburg that only a few days ago the semi-official William, how a man possibly can make a old Telegraphic agency complains that the Russian organ published a false report meal out of his opinions? temporary governor general, Peyricoff, re- that a number of Jews in a confectionery Tambo-Woll, suh, when he's eff de "pf" ins

siding in the city of Lods, has prohibited on Wielks street destroyed a Christian re- out'n 'em he's still got de "onions," hain't u'l

the sending of telegrams to the press with- ligious picture which was hanging on the he? out having them first consored by himself wall. Investigation proved the willfull Interlocutor-Ladies and gentlemen, the efforts will scarcely succeed here, as the on the Check; My Lips Are Cracked."-Chia

Colonel Novicki, who is stationed during people, being taught by experiences in the cago Tribune.



ARREST OF NEWSPAPER MEN IN WARSAW .- From a Contraband Photograph



GOVERNOR'S PALACE IN WARSAW,