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SPORTING NEWS

Fistic Carnival at Ottawa—Local Skating Races—Winners at Oakland and New Orleans.

FISTIC.

Ottawa, March 9.—The preliminary bouts in the Canadian amateur boxing championships were pulled off here tonight, and furnished some rattling good sparring. The surprise of the night was the defeat of Graham, of Peterboro, in the 125-pound class, by Stone, of Perth, an entirely green man. Ernest McLeod, of Montreal, was plucky enough to go up against the 115-pound man because there was no class for the bantams. He won, too, at 100 pounds, defeating Ashton, of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association. Wilder, of the West Side Athletic Club, the present holder of the American 115-pound championship, got the decision over Coady, of Toronto, in two rounds. An extremely close bout in the 115 class was between Horan, of the Ottawa Amateur Athletic Club, and Brady, of New York. The judges disagreed at the end of three rounds, and the referee ordered the men to go another round, in which the New York man was given the decision. McCarthy, of Toronto, beat Foubert, of Ottawa, in the second round of their bout in the 115-pound class. The bout of the night took place between D. Allen, of Ottawa, and Fred Holston, of Toronto, in the 145-pound class. The decision went to Allen. W. Starns, of the Capital Amateur Athletic Association, had an easy win in the 146-pound class, against McNaughton, of Toronto. The third blow that Starns landed, was a hard swing on the point of the jaw, and it put McNaughton into dreamland.

BASEBALL.

Dubuque, Iowa, March 9.—It is said Manager Loftus, of the Chicago baseball club, has signed pitcher Cunningham, of Pittsburg, for the Chicago team, paying a large bonus.

Toronto, March 9.—The organization of the Toronto baseball team for the coming season is about completed. Today Secretary-Manager Galt received a letter from Manager Barry, who is at present in Philadelphia, submitting the following list of players: Outfielders, Beach and Demis; pitchers, Williams, Suthoff, Alloway, Bruce, Clarke, Millett, Kennedy and Merritt; first basemen, Rothfuss and Carr; second basemen, Taylor; short stop,

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The Boer Power Is Collapsing!

Chancellor Hicks-Beach Says the "Situation Has Changed,"

Since the War Estimates Were Prepared—Gen. Roberts Reports That No More Artillery From Home Is Necessary—He Has 452 Guns Already.

Kruger Wept When He Could Not Rally the Panic-Stricken Boers at Poplar Grove—Canadians Took an Active Part in the Engagement—Dissension Between Kruger and Joubert.

London, March 10—4:15 a.m.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, when explaining to the bankers the terms of the new loan, gave them an intimation that the government considered the end of the war near. "Since the estimates were prepared," he said, "events have taken place that have

CHANGED THE SITUATION, and probably not all the money will be required." Whatever the government may know or intend, unofficial opinion everywhere seems to think that the Boer power is collapsing. The eighth division has been under orders to embark for several weeks; but these orders, so far as the artillery contingent is concerned, have been recalled, Lord Roberts having reported that

NO MORE ARTILLERY from home is necessary. This is the first pause in reinforcements since the war began. Sir Redvers Buller, second in command in the field, and Lord Wolseley are understood also to consider that no more artillery is needed. Lord Roberts has altogether

452 GUNS, including siege guns. It is quite clear that Gen. Buller will not try anything large in the future, as he is to lose Sir Charles Warren and the latter's 10,000 men, who have been ordered to join Lord Roberts. It is the expectation of the war office that Lord Roberts, notwithstanding the necessity of garrisoning his depots, will be able to operate a constantly increasing force until by the time the Transvaal frontier is reached he will have 70,000 troops. His telegrams, dealing with non-essentials, are taken to mean that he is up to some mischief, as his apparent inactivity usually spells uncommon activity.

KRUGER CRIED. The special dispatches from Poplar Grove confirm the reports of the Boers. The Morning Post's correspondent says: "President Kruger sheds tears at his ineffectual attempts to rally the Boers, who were completely paralyzed by Lord Roberts' mastery tactics. They refused to heed his exhortations and declared the British cannonade was too much."

BOERS WERE WISE TO RUN. Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, dealing with the disappointment expressed by the war correspondents respecting the Poplar Grove battle, says: "Doubtless it was not a great victory, since the enemy was not punished and no great strategical advantage was gained. It cannot be denied that the Boers have pursued a wise course, in defiance of the very bad tactical and strategical advice of President Kruger and President Steyn. From the British viewpoint, it is possible that advice was not followed for in that case Lord Roberts would have captured the whole force."

MAKELING. Makeling, as a beleaguered town, attracts much sentiment and sympathy. Nothing has been heard from there since Feb. 19. There is a rumor that Col. Baden-Powell has been relieved, but this cannot be traced to the substantial basis.

BOERS PANIC-STRICKEN. London, March 10.—The representative of the Daily News says: "The Boers were seized with a panic, thus spoiling the whole plan, which had been beautifully calculated to destroy their artillery. As the 6th division emerged from a hidden position and appeared on the crest with the mounted infantry in skirmishing order, the Boers thought the whole earth was covered with soldiers, in the front and rear and on their flanks. They did not wait to verify this supposition, but fled, seized apparently with a dread that they might share the fate of Cronje."

POPULAR GROVE, ORANGE FREE STATE. Friday morning, March 9.—Gen. French, who is far in advance, reports that his front is clear of the Boers. All other reports tend to confirm the state of disorganization of the Boer forces of the Transvaal, as well as Free State. The general impression is that the further progress of the British to Bloemfontein will not be opposed.

Canadians In It.

FOUGHT AT OSFONTEIN. In camp with the Royal Canadian Regiment, Poplar Grove, on the march to Bloemfontein, South Africa, March 2.—The Canadians, with the Gordon Highlanders, the Cornwalls and the Shropshire Regiment, forming a part of the 9th Brigade, took an active part in the engagement at Osfontein on the 6th. There the enemy were found to be in force, about 6,000 men, occupying trenches five miles in length

along the kopjes south of the Modder River. After a few hours of shelling by the British artillery, the Boers evacuated their position.

The evacuation was brought about by a flank movement by the British cavalry, supported by 42 guns, which force had moved rapidly south and got between the Boers and their reinforcements. Deprived of support it became impossible for the Boers to maintain their position in their long lines of trenches, and they hastily retreated. The pursuing cavalry was unable to come up with them before they had made good their escape. The Shropshires, who occupied a position in advance of the Canadians along the left bank, charged a kopje held by the enemy, and captured a gun. The fight was over before the Canadians had an opportunity to come into close action. The health of the regiment has improved, and there are now few in the hospitals.

London, March 9.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail, in a dispatch from Poplar Grove, states that the Highlanders and Canadians, delayed by the necessity that existed in taking a large kopje, were unable to intercept the fleeing Boers. They, however, captured a Krupp gun.

Dissensions IN THE BOER CAMP.

London, March 9.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "I learn that there is dissension between President Kruger and Gen. Joubert, and that the latter has resigned. Probably President Kruger will assume the chief command. Gen. Schalkberg and other commandants are also likely to resign for similar reasons, and because President Kruger ignored their advice to make peace overtures after the first Boer victory. It is reported at Berlin that the Orange Free State has sent Herr Olunter-Vessels to New York, there to exert its influence in favor of the Free State."

BOER LEADERS DISGRACED. The Times has the following special today from Lorenzo Marquez, March 6: According to reliable news from the Transvaal, Commandants Lucas, Meyer and Schalkburger have been disgraced, the former on account of his personal habits and neglect of duty, the latter owing to incompetency and lack of control over the burghers. Commandant Louis Botha is said to have left his command at Giencoe with 6,000 men.

TALK OF PEACE. London, March 10.—The Standard, which is in closer touch with the policy of the government than any other ministerial organ, says this morning: "We have reason to believe that an authoritative statement will shortly be made by the government, reaffirming the impossibility of conceding any terms of peace to the Boer republics which would involve a perpetuation of the political and military independence that led to the present costly and sanguinary conflict."

BOERS WANT TERMS. The Daily Mail publishes the following from Pretoria, dated March 8, via Cape Town, which had been censored by the Boer Government. "Conversations that have been had with the highest state officials show the Boers want some arrangements. They say that if England is waging a war of conquest they will fight to the finish. Otherwise they believe that a plain statement of the British intention will reveal a basis of negotiations, now that the Republic's prestige is repaired. President Kruger and President Steyn had a conference at Bloemfontein on the confirmation of the above resolutions in a cablegram to Lord Salisbury. The problem of the independence of the two republics is a sine qua non."

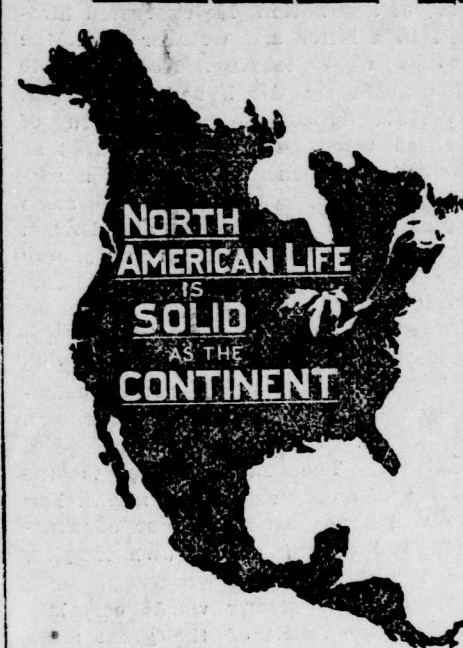
DUTCH PRISONERS. Cape Town, March 9.—The English authorities here are considerably worried over the forthcoming trials of the colonial Dutch prisoners, whom they designate as rebels. They say that if these men are tried before a jury in Cape Colony it will be impossible to secure conviction, as a vast majority of the residents are Afrikaners. This is especially true of the country districts, which are rapidly pro-Boer. Many of the English officers and residents favor the appointment by the British House of Commons of a special judicial commission to try these cases.

PARALYZED BY LYDDITE. Durban, Natal, March 9.—Lieut. Anderton, who commanded a section of the Natal Volunteers at Ladysmith, has arrived here. In the course of an interview he said that towards the close of the Pieter's Hill engagement the naval guns threw lyddite shells at a kopje 2,500 yards distant. When the place was evacuated by the Boers he visited the trenches and counted therein 48 dead Boers, who had been killed by the concussion of the lyddite, not one of them having a wound of any kind. Lieut. Anderton declared that the fumes of the lyddite turned the hair and beards of the dead men to a peculiar greenish hue, while the color of their skin was a strange yellow. Fifty-two Boers were captured in one of the trenches. They were unable to flee, having been paralyzed by the fear of the lyddite shells.

DISPATCHES FROM ROBERTS. London, March 9—9:06 p.m.—The

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BUGLE BLASTS. Cecil Rhodes has postponed his departure for England until March 14. Discussion of Mr. Mason's resolution, expressing sympathy for the Boers, was conducted in the United States Senate behind closed doors.

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