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Discussion in the Commons Strengthens Position of the Ministers.

Liberal Leader's Tactical Blunder in Endorsing the Amendment.

Trial of Diplomacy and Buller's Move on Ladysmith Points of Campaign.

By Associated Press.

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erick William Forestier-Walker, it being

he added, stolen from Mr. Hawksley's office by a clerk, who was summarily dismissed in 1897. Mr. Chamberlain further declared that he was only aware of the existence of the letters a few days before they were published.

Sir Charles Dilke resumed the debate on Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice's amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne. He said he thought no one could deny that the net result of the conflict had been to kill the belief of the world in Great Britain's ability to conduct a war. The country's military reputation, he added, was never lower, and even now the government failed to grasp the seriousness of the war.

POINTS OF THE CAMPAIGN. Mr. George Wyndham, parliamentary secretary for the war office, who fol-lowed, admitted that the war office had lowed, admitted that the war office had not been impregnable, but he argued that the government had done its best considering the limitations of the military system, and welcomed criticism, for the country would thus be enabled to turn to best account the tide of patriotism and the lessons of the war. If the government had done wrong, he continued, it had done it with right metives. The cardinal points in the campaign were, first, a desire to give diplomacy a chance; secondly, the decision of Gen. Buller to relieve Ladysmith. It must not be supposed that he criticized Gen. Buller's decision. Gen. Buller was on the spot and could doubtless explain his actions. It was easy to conceive other disasters which might have occurred along any line of advance. They might have had a universal rise of the Cape

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South Arrica because of political divergence of opinion with Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner and Governor of Cape Colony, which was so great that he concluded his command of the forces in South Africa would become a source of embarrassment to the High Commissioner.

to refrain, and the Speaker succeeded in persuading Col. Saunderson to withdraw the expression.

Sir Edward Grey Sutton's utterances have produced a good effect, and it is asserted in the lobby that pressure is being brought to bear upon the leaders of the opposition to secure the withdrawal of the amendment. Should, however, this not be attained, it is expected that the debate will in any event end early next week. BANNERMAN'S BLUNDER. BANNERMAN'S BLUNDER.
London, Feb. 1.—The gossip in the lobbies to-night indicates a belief that Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman's support of the amendment to the address has landed him in a tight place. The amendment, as a party move to unite all sections of liberals has failed. It has only resulted in rallying the supporters of the government who has been considerably embarraesed by criticisms even on their own side. Moreover, the followers of Lord Rosebery will probably support the government. As the Irish members will abstain from voting, the ultimate majority will probabley be even larger than usual. FRENCH SHORE FISHERIES. rospect of a New Arrangement of New

foundland's Perennial Trouble.

THE CHINESE EMPEROR.

Whether Dead or Alive Is Not Known-

Powers Move to Protect Mis-

sionaries.

Berlin Friendly

Who Presses Acceptance of

Commercial Bribe for Pro-

curing Reprieve.

and Rifles--The Mutiny

in Egypt.

Berlin, Feb. 3.-Dr. Leyds, the diplo

natic agent of the Transvaal, continue

to be the sensation here. The officer of the British embassy are amazed at

the warmth of his reception and the interest taken in the war, which is most intense. Dr. Leyds, the correspondent is reliably informed, had another long

conference with Count von Buelow, the

By Associated Press.

ernment leader, said in answer to a of the statement of Count von Buelow question that while the military opera- the German minister of foreign affairs ments regarding the searching of vessels. The government, he added, had not sur-Regarding the despatches of Major rendered any rights, but on the represen-General Sir William Francis Butler, tations of the German government and who was in command of the British assurances of the mail steamer company, troops in South Africa until 1899, when Great Britain had agreed, pending furhe was relieved by Lieut.-Gen, Sir Fred- ther arrangements, not to arrest mail ships except on the gravest suspicions.

erick William Forestier-Walker, it being intimated that Gen. Butler's sympathies were in favor of the Boers, Mr. Balfour said there were no reasons to present them to the house. Gen. Butler's opinions on South African affairs were well known. The General had never suggested to the war office, either publicly or privately, that the number of troops should have been increased in South Africa. The house, Mr. Balfour said, would understand the impossibility of this.

Replying to questions relating to the letters of Mr. B. F. Hawksley, counsel for the British South Africa Company, and other letters published by the Correspondence Belge, the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain, admitted that those of which he had personal knowledge were published substantially correct. The letters had been, he added, stolen from Mr. Hawksley's office by a clerk, who was summarily dismissed in 1897. Mr. Chamberlain fur-

Transvaal."
Mr. Timothy Healy, Nationalist member for North Louth, joined in, asking:
"Why doesn't Saunderson (meaning Edward J. Saunderson, Conservative member for North Armagh, son of the great Orange leader Col. Saunderson) go to the front?"

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The debate on the amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, was then resumed.

Mr. James Bryce, Liberal member for the South division of Aberdeen, had severely censured the government for "provoking an unjust war" and Mr. Geo. J. Goschen, first lord of the admiralty, declared that the cabinet assumed full responsibility and proceeded to rebuke the charge of provocation. At this juncture, the Irish members showed a disposition to disturb the proceedings. Mr. Redmond invited Mr. Goschen to try to talk sense, whereupon the speaker remonstrated and Mr. Redmond withdrew his expression.

minister of foreign affairs, yesterday at the foreign office. Dr. Leyds refused to make any statement on the subject. It is said that the Transvaal special commercial representative, De Waard, who is now in Holland, has been summoned to Berlin, where he will give authentic information about a number of commer-cial details touching upon Transvaal im-

many Irish soldiers as English have been killed in the Transvaal."

Mr. Balfour, the scene of recrimination continuing, appealed to the house to refrain, and the Speaker succeeded in persuading Col. Saunderson to with By Zululand.

> Boers Alarmed at Report of British Troops Moving In the North.

> > Cape Colony Rebels Desert to Their Farms-Boer Losses at Ladysmith.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 2.-The Allan By Associated Press.

It is felt that the Liberals have been trying to make capital out of the crisis, an attempt which is utterly out of touch with the real feeling of the country.

London, Feb. 2.—In the House of Commons to-day the under secretary of state for foreign acairs, Mr. Broderick, replying to a question confirmed the accuracy.

London, Feb. 2.—The colonial secretary Mr. Chamberlain answering an inquiry in the House of Commons to-day regarding the Newfoundland shore problem, said negotiations with France were proceeding at present. He added that the Imperial government had asked the colonial government to obtain a renewal of the previous arrangements. The report of the recent commission, he continued, would not be presented by him at present.

A despatch from Ladysmith, undated, to via Spearman's Camp, Feb. 2, says native deserters report the following field cornets killed in last week's fighting: Lomnard of Waterburg, Gobelair of Bremersdorp. Operman of Pretoria, Daniel Erasmus of Magaliersberg and one Free State cornet. The British artillery broke seven Boer guns. The Boer casualties were approximately one thousand, though information is not confirmed officially. Another report is that in the recent fight at Ladysmith the Boers lost 1,100 killed and 600 wounded.

Paris, Feb. 1.—A despatch from Pekin says the report of the death of Emperor Kwang Su is not confirmed. The despatch adds that the safety of foreigners is not threatened, but that an English missionary having been murdered in the province of Shang Tung, the British, American, French, Italian and German ministers have addressed a note to the Chinese foreign office asking that measures will be taken by the authorities for the safety of missionaries.

The condition of Goebel is considered bet time since he was shot.

AN AWFUL PRICE.

Major Bathaurst, who was wounded at be at the Says there are 20,000 Boers at the Tugela River, but that General Buller can get through if he is prepared to sacrific five or six thousand men.

PENITENT REBELS.

Sterk's Spruit, Jan. 29.—Commandant Olivier, of Orange Free State, in a speech to the Boers at Lady Grey said his men were almost surrounded at speech to the Boers at Lady Grey sad his men were almost surrounded at Stormberg, and unless recruits were forthcoming he would be compelled to abandon the position.

Many colonists who fought at Storm-berg have gone to their farms and re-fuse to return to active service, though threatened with death. Among these are some conspicuous burghers who original-To Boer Agent. some conspicuous burghers who originally invited the Free Staters to invade Cape Colony.

Boer Commandant on Artillery

WINNIPEG AFFAIRS. ecretary to Financial Commis-Election Protests Drowning Accident.

Winnipeg, Feb. 3.-T. C. Scoble has been appointed Secretary to the recently named board of commerce to look into the condition of the provincial finances. H. J. Pearson, civic health inspector received a telegram yesterday conveying the sad news of the death of his son Henry M. Pearson by accidental drown-ing at Mackintosh on Thursday after-On Monday there will be several more provincial election protests filed. South Brandon will be protested by the Con-servatives and Gimli, Cypress Russell, North Brandon, Souris and Saskatche-wan will all probably be protested by the Liberals.

KENTUCKY'S TWO GOVERNORS. Man in Possession Goes Into Strict Seclusion-Wounded Rival

Struggling for Life. Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.-Governor

Civil War.

Governor Goebel Dead and His **Deputy Formally Takes** Up Conflict.

Sheriff With Armed Party Enforce the Orders of the Court.

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THE BOER MAXIMS.

The first batch of wounded men belong to the naval contingents serving in the room showered upon him, all though he accepted them gratefully.

at are mostly skilled gunners. They say the Boers' Maxim one-pound quick-firing guns have a most demoralizing effect on the British. The guns are made in England, they are not supplied to British troops.

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ing. Judge Moore said after Sheriff
Sutter had reported his inability to serve
the writ of habeas corpus, that unless
Governor Taylor recedes from his position the sheriff would be instructed to
enforce the order of the court and would
be given sufficient armed force to insure

Admiral Dewey.
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Mr. Hawley of Connecticut, denounced Mr. Pettigrew's action as treason.

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Counterfeiters Rounded Up

Charged With Issuing Notes of Three Prominent Canadian Banks.

Woodstock, London, Hamilton and Baltimore Scenes of Their Operations.

By Associated Press.

Montreal, Feb. 2.—The Dominion police gang of alleged counterfeiters who have been issuing counterfelt Dominion, Bank of Montreal and Molson's Bank bills. Anthony Decker, the father: Paul Decker, the son, and Hans Kuntz, a confederate of the latter, have all been placed under arrest, Taylor ordered to-day that nobody the former at Baltimore, Md.; the son at should be admitted to the grounds of the Woodstock, Ont., and Kuntz at London, capitol under any circumstances. His Ont., while Mrs. Decker, wife of the son object was to prevent any civilian from has been placed under police surveillance serving any legal papers upon the execu-

serving any legal papers upon the executive.

Governor Taylor was served to-day with notice of a suit for an injunction restraining him from interfering with the action of the legislature, and to prevent him from holding a session of the legislature at London.

The Democrats have filed injunction a son of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as son of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 14 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 15 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 15 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 16 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding at 77 Jackson as on of 18 were boarding a

Baltimore, Feb. 2.—Antone Deetjon was arraigned to-day on the charge of counterfeiting, on which he is wanted in Canada. When arrested he had in his possession a \$5 note of the Bank of Montreal.

SOUDANESE TROOPS RESTIVE. Withdrawal of British Soldiers to South Africa Make Occasion for Trouble.

Paris, Feb. 2.-A despatch to the Havas News agency from Cairo confirms the report to the Associated Press on January 31st that a rebellion had occurred among the Soudanese troops in Khartoum. It says: "There is much anxiety here. There have been a number of grave inci-Sys: "There is much anxiety here. There have been a number of grave incidents, notably the growing discontent in the Egyptian army, which has attained to a mutiny in two Soudanese battalions. The government has sent Col. Wingate to parley with them. The army complain of bad treatment and the secret despatch of Egyptian troops to the division which are now at the Cape, as well as those of the 6th division under Kelly-Kenny, will be utilized along the border of the Free State and take part in the prospective invasion.

ESCAPED THE SLAUGHTER.

Eoberts official action of Mr. Beekman was the appointment of a new adjutant general and an order removing Adjutant-general provided him, and he did not reveal much provided him, and he did not reveal much provid

Alonzo Walker, a stenographer who was a rested and put into confinement yesterday after pinning a notice of a writ of injunction on the door of Governor Taylor's chamber in the executive build.

Washington, Jan. 31.—There was a stormy scene in the senate to-day brought of injunction on the door of Governor about by Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota, who sought to have read a resolution 22—SS. Topeka, Mary Island. washington, Jan. 31.—There was a stormy scene in the senate to-day brought 14—88. Wellington, 'Frisco 15—88. Jeannie, San Francisco.

Kitchener Devising Means to Put to the Front Seventy Thousand Disengaged Troops.

London, Feb. 2.-Mr. Wyndham's declaration in the house of commons yes-

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

Stockholm, Jan. 31.-Premier Erick

Hope of Early Settlement of Their Differences Without Imperilling Union.

Gustav Bostrom is distinctly hopeful that the differences between Sweden and Norway will soon be dispelled. In an in-terview with the correspondent of the Associated Press to-day, he said he was fully convinced that the worst was over and that the Norwegians, both politicians and people, were beginning to realize that their demands could not be granted if the union was to be maintained. He knew from personal experience while travelling in Norway, that the Norwegians entertain the friendliest feeling for
Sweden and he was positive that if a
political hothead should in the future propose anything tending towards the dissolution of the union, a majority of the
Norwegians would oppose him Sweden Montreal, Feb. 2.—The Dominion police authorities have succeeded in rounding up a gang of alleged counterfelters who have been issuing counterfelt Dominion, Bank ready offered to settle the question of a settle the questi foreign minister on equal terms.

Regarding the alleged Russian spies reported to have been seen about Swedish fortifications, the premier declared the government has thoroughly investigated

the matter and found the supposed spies were only Russian workmen. Therefore ere was no cause for alarm. THE NEW PERSIAN LOAN.

Receipts-Involves Control of the Government. St. Petersburg, Jan. 31.-The news roubles to be floated by the Loan Bank of Persia (a Russian institution) but thinks Russia showel excessive delicacy in not including the custom houses of the ports of the Persian gulf among the guarantees. They urge the prompt building of a railroad as the best means of shutting out the claims of other nations. The Herald sees extraordinary significance in the conclusion of the arrangement, which it says shows Russia is resolved to assert her interests in Persia in a determined fashion. The paper also says it thinks Germany will not be en-

cussian Guarantee Secured by Custom

says it thinks Germany will not be envious of Russian success, which can be regarded as Russia's compensation for Samoa.

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The other papers think the first thing Persia ought to do is to extinguish her indebtedness to Great Britain and thus regain her freedom of action in the province of Fars.

The Russian loan to Persia is guaranteed by all the Persian custom house receipts except the revenues of the customs houses of the Persian Gulf, and those of the custom bouse of Fars. the custom house of Fars.

COAL SHIPMENTS.

Bristol, San Francisco.....

Total

RHODES THINKS IN MILLIONS.

Allan Sangree in Ainslee's Magazine. Hamilton, Feb. 3.—Stinson's bank suspended payment to-day. Depression in real estate is given as the cause. The bank was owned by James Stinson, of Chicago and has been doing business constantly since 1847. No excitement was caused by the suspension and it is generally believed the bank will pay every dolar due depositors. The amount of bits is not escertained yet.

CAPT. DIXON ALL RIGHT.

Halifax Man Long Missing Reported

Claration in the house of commons yesterday that Great Britain will have in a fortnight 180,000 regulars in South African volunteers, is received with wonderment. Of this total of 213,000 troops with 452 gans all are now there with the exception of about 18,000 that are afloat.

Beyond comparison, this is the largest force Great Britain has ever put into the field. At the end of the Crimean war she had scraped together 80,000 men. Wellington at Waterloo had 25,000. The general tone of the morning papers is that Mr. Wyndham's figures will astonish the country.

Halifax Man Long Missing Reported CAPT. DIXON ALL RIGHT.

Halifax Man Long Missing Reported Wintering at Dease Lake.

Wrangel, Alaska, Jan. 26, via Seattle, Feb. 2.—The mail from the Cassiar. B. C., region came down the Stikine for the first time since November 15. The carrier reported the whereabouts of Capt. Dixon, of Halifax, reported lost on Hays mountain last fall. He was en route from Dease Lake to Telegraph station. The winter in the interior has been unusually mild and the snowfall light.

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It seems as though the weight of these masses must destroy the equilibrium which now holds the British forces stationary wherever they are in contact with Boer army.

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FORTY SECOND

Manifesto By Robe

Boers Advised to Go Into and Colonial Rebels Surrender.

Reminaria Scouts Re Disbanded in Disgrace Lord Methuen.

Victoria Cross Man Who S **Boers During Awful D** at Colenso.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 7.--14:20 a. Roberts has caused to be distri the towns bordering upon the colonial territory an invitation Staters and Transvaalers to go desert, offering them good and a restoration to their farm British occupation of republic tory. The manifesto guarant those bringing horses can se Foreigners will have their pass to Europe. Colonial rebels are to surrender in preference to be

Not a word has been received a correspondents with Gen. Bu three days. It is as though No been wiped off the map, except heliograph from Ladysmith, say the Boers are cannonading fighting is going on.

Gen. Macdonald, with 4,000 cavalry and artillery threatens right at Magersfontein. This is sign of activity on the part, Methuen for some weeks, and has relation to movements of the further east.

It appears that General Frenc to Capetown was to ask Lord Rol 7,000 more men. Whether he not disclosed.

Troops are no longer detained town. They proceed immediately point at the front. Three thou embarked Monday and were quic elsewhere. No public reception en to the arriving volunteers town because they had to leave

As Lord Roberts, since the b Spion Kop, has had 20,000 fresh to dispose of, it is probable the have gone to General Buller. The World says that it lear Lord Methuen has disbanded I Lord Methuen has disbanded I ton's Scouts, one of the most use onial commands, because he had tained some members of the corbeen communicating with the Bo Capt. W. Congreve, who recei Victoria Cross for gallantry in ering to save the British guns at writes: "I never saw a Boer and I do not think snyane elle writes: "I never saw a Boer and I do not think anyone e Though thousands of bullets per shells burst all over the place t were invisible."

MONDAY'S SLIM BUDG Kept Buller's Sec Rebels Before Juries Instea Courts Martial.

London, Feb. 5 .- The war nounces that 15 transports wi spatched between to-day and with 13,000 troops, including th Cavalry Brigade, Militia battal 3,000 Yeomanry. Sir Alfred Milner has sent m ful and encouraging reports to ernment regarding the prospec campaign, and it is understood ideas are shared by Lord Rober The censorship seems to h pletely shut down on the corresponding to the c pletely shut down on the correat Spearman's Camp. No from that point appears in ting's papers, and nothing has lowed to issue since Sunday ev A despatch to the Times fron town, Cape Colony, dated says: "Gen. Brabant, while ing one of the regiments of the division on parade yesterday, they were leaving the next mothe front, not to return, he ho the task entrusted to him Roberts had been successful plished. He could not disclose of operations, but if his intent carried out, the greatest glighting among them would fill."

The Capetown corresponden
Daily Chronicle says: "T
African League has passed a
that it regards with regret a
with despair the probability of
orities trying colonial rebels
jury. The resolution urges
martial. Mr. Schreiner, the
replying to a letter enclosing
the resolutions, says that the the resolutions, says that t ment has taken steps to presen to juries in order to prevent tention of persons charged tion."

Durban, Feb. 5.—The tran nea, from India, has arrived a battery of artillery.

Lorenzo Marques, Delagoa 5.—Mr. Webster Davis, Uni assistant secretary of the in companied by a party of frie includes the German consul a is at the head laager of the Ladysmith and is closely ins camps and positions aroun

FOUR YEARS FOR FOI

Montreal, Feb. 6.—Maurice an employee of Oswald B brokers, charged with ra checks, one from \$7 to \$700 a from \$8 to \$800, was this m