POOR DOCUMENT

Semi-Weekty

the hospital suffering from mild attacks of enteric fever.

Telegraph.

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TORONTO, April 11.—A cablegram received tonight from Dr. Ryerson of the

EIGHTY IN THE HOSPITAL.

Canadian Red Cross Commission, dated Bloemfontein, today says eighty Canadians are in

The patients include Lieut. MacDonald and Asst. Surgeon Fiset. Private Wallace, son of Hon. Clarke Wallace, is improving.

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THE INDIAN FAMINE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

Fear that the South African War Will Divert the Public From Relief Contributions.

pay and presents startling figures to il-ustrate the extent of the visitation. Mr. of acute distress has hardly commenced, the returns far exceed those recorded during the initial stages of the famine three years ago. It then affected only 1,000,000 persons; now the figure is 3,500,000 and the daily expenditure is placed at \$84,000. The famine area covers 300,000 square miles with a population of 40,000,000 and there

upon which it based its statement navy department relative to the in India. This particular report united States Consul Fee at Bomthat the South African war will so divert the attention and contributions of Eng-

MONTREAL BOODLERS.

Two Men Are Now Under Ar- Objection to its Compulsory rest for Misappropriation.

MORE TO FOLLOW.

and Was Arrested -- A Clerk from the Assessor's Office Also in the Toils---A Nice Little Sensa-

Montreal, April 11.-Ex-City Building charges made against him, was arrested this afternoon on the charge of stealing

Another arrest in connection with the civic boodle scandals was made tonight. Several weeks ago A. Lamarche, clerk in the assessors' department, was found to be considerably short in his cash. Investigation being ordered Lamarche disappeared from the city. Today he returned and criminal proceedings have been taken against him. Several more arrests are expected in connection with the boodle charges.

MILITIA OFFICE GOSSIP.

Think They Know More About Horses Than do Some Other People.

Ottawa, April 11 .- The militia depart-

HOUSE AND BARN BURNED.

mouth Capt. Lyman Durkee Dead.

Yarmouth, April 11.—The house and barn of William W. Waite at Ohio, in this county, were totally destroyed by fire last night. The animals and carriages in the barn were saved, but nothing was saved from the house. The total loss is estimated at \$1,600, while the insurance amounts to \$1,100. The adjacent dwellings of Rev. J. H. Saunders and James Allen were

Capt. Lyman Durkee, a well known Yarmouth sea captain, died at Kelly's Cove yesterday, aged 78 years.

Death at Chatham.

Chatham, April 11—(Special)Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Snowball have the sympathy of the community in the loss of their little son Gerald, who died yesterday of whooping cough. The death was particularly sad as Mrs. Snowball was in Hamilton, s expected home tomorrow.

The many friends in Chatham of the

late Capt. Barker heard with regret of his death which occurred at Fredericton. The deceased was well and favorably known on the Miramichi.

Kipling Sorry to Leave.

Cape Town, Wednesday, April 11.-Mr. Rudyard Kipling and Sir John Henry D: Villiers, chief justice of Cape Colony, sai ed for England today on board the Tan

Mr. Kipling said he was sorry he wa not able to remain longer as his health had been greatly benefitted.

Quebec, April 11.—Thirteen more men ere sworn in here today for garrison duty Valifax.

The Building Inspector Resigned A Doctor Declares it is the Most tury -- Ministers, Doctors and

Toronto, April 11 .- A large deputation Inspector Lacroix, who was forced to resign his position yesterday owing to grave and ladies interviewed the Ontario government today asking for the abolition of compulsory vaccination, which is now a necessary preliminary to a child's admission to the public schools. They strongly objected to the state enforcing vaccination. This operation, they declared, simply pois-

ment officials were criticising today the news that 163 of the Strathconn's horses had died on the Monterey. They were comparing the mortality among the horses selected by the government. Of 1,200 horses sent out with the regular Canadian contingents only is died with 162 of the most respected and well-doing farmers of Carleton country, was taken suddenly ill on his way to Woodstock. He was taken into the Trecartin Hotel at Upper Woodstock and medical attendance summoned. He con-Woodstock, April 11.-Mr. Elisha Slipp, horses sent out with the regular Canadian contingents only 54 died, while 163 of the six hundred selected by a special officer supplied food for the fishes. The Strathcona horses were said to be poor looking, but hardy and able to stand any kind of life. Dr. McEachran selected the horses for Strathcona regiment.

Woodstock. He was taken into the Trecardinal Canadian and Strath Canadian and Strath Canadian wedical attendance summoned. He continued to grow worse and died the next morning at 8 o'clock. Mr. Slipp was one of the most prominent Liberals in the country and a director of the Marittme Pure Food Company. He leaves a widow, three sons and two daughters. The funeral will take place Friday at 2 o'clock.

A special train which left here for Aroostook at 10 o'clock this morning got off the took at 10 o'clock this morning got off the track above Hartland. Six cars were de-A Sixteen Hundred Dollar Fire Near Yar-ed. Traffic was blocked until 5.30 p. m.

They are in Strength at Waterval.

ing indecision of movement, possibly in consequence of our occupation of the rail-

way.
"Bodies of the enemy are still moving from Winburg southward through Thaba N'chu. Their destination has not been ascertained. The Boers in the neighborhood of Paardeberg show no disposition to interrupt communication with Kimberley, from which point civil convoys are still activities."

Daily Telegraph, in a despatch dated Tues-

a laager near Waterval.

"News from Gen. Brabant at Wepener shows that all is going satisfactorily there. The troops are getting new khaki serge uniforms and boots."

Nova Scotia Mining Society.

Halifax, April 11.—The Mining Society of Nova Scotia held its annual meeting here today. The officers were elected as follows: President, W. L. Libby; vice-presidents, George Stuart, C. A. Meissner, M. R. Morrow; council, F. H. Mason, B. C. Wilson, G. A. Pyke, C. E. Willis, A. McNeil, J. G. McNulty, J. H. Austen, B. F. Pearson.

"Bloemfontein, April 11.—Meetings in ports that party (of Boers) defeated April of made a good resistance for four hours and only gave in when our troops, with fixed bayonets, ware within 15 yards of them. Seven of the enemy were killed, 11 wounded and 51 were made prisoners. Besides Lieuts. Boyle and Williams, Sergeant Patrick Campbell was killed and 10 of our men were wounded. Williams was

AGAINST VACCINATION.

PROCESS CONDEMNED.

PROMINENT LIBERAL

Elisha Slipp ot Jacksonville Died at Wood

BOERS ACTIVE BUT ACCOMPLISHING LITTLE.

London, April 12.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, tele-graphing Tuesday, says: "The Boers to the southeast are exhibit-

still arriving."

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the

day, says:

"The permanent defenses are nearing completion, so that the town can be held by a relatively small garrison.

"A British scout who has visited the waterworks reports that the machinery and dams are intact. Only a few Boers remain in the neighborhood. The enemy have trekked six miles north and formed a lagger near Waterval

Enforcement in Ontario,

pression is that it is connected with the Reddersburg affair, although there is as many who consider that there must be Women form the Attacking Dele-someting much more serious, as General Gatacre is not the only general in South Africa who has been retained in command after formidable blunders.

The war office has received no news of the death of Col. Baden-Powell and utter-

ly discredits the rumor.

The operations in Natal have not ye been fully explained. There appears t have been an attempt to outflank the British at Elandslaagte and to sever them from their base at Ladysmith.

The Duke of Marlborough has arrived

There are now fifteen grandsons of the Duchess of Abercorn serving with the Brit

Colonel Inigo Jones has been appointed to the command of the Guards Brigade. Colonel Maxwell to the command of the 14th Brigade, Col. Knox to the command of the 23rd Brigade and Major Brazier-Creagh, of the Indian Staff Corps to the and of Roberts Horse

BRABANT'S FORCE

WILL HOLD OUT.

The Fresh Boer Invasion Spent-Chermside to Succeed Gatacre.

London, April 12.-The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times telegraphing Wendnesday says:

"It is announced in general orders that General Sir Herbert Chermside has been appointed to the command of the third division, vice General Sir William Gatacre, ordered home to England." General Brabant's force is confident of being able to hold out. The Boers, after

showing considerable dash, have wavered when it came to the final issue and have struck at the least vital point, where they are greatly handicapped by their proximity to the Basuto border. Owing to the strategical concentrations

since the enemy's movements became defined, there need be little anxiety as to No organized invasion of Cape Colony is now possible except under extreme risks, which Commandant Olivier is not likely to take, especially as his horses are reported to be greatly exhausted.

GREAT DISTRESS

The Heavy Bombardment and Uncertainty

of Relief are Telling.

London, April 12-The correspondent of the Times at Mafeking, under date of March 30, comments upon the "hopeless confusion and fluctuation of spirits in the Tuesday's terrible bompardment." and un on the variety of rumors regarding the location of the relief forces, rumors "involving, so far as the southern column

THE BAYONET USED BY GEN. METHUEN.

is concerned, discrepancies of 100 miles."

Boers Again Violated the White Flag.

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London Takes No Stock In the Story from Pretoria-The

Fresh Southern Invasion of the Boers Seems to

Have Been Checked—Brabant Can Hold

Out-Mafeking Is In Despair.

PRETORIA HEARS OF SOME FIGHTING.

Hostilities in the Orange Free State and Natal.

Pretoria, Tuesday, April 10.—The latest news from the front is that fighting is continuing at Elandslaagte (Natal) and Dewet's Dorp (Orange Free State) but no particulars have been received.

BODEN-POWELL'S DEATH REPORTED,

The News Comes from the Transvaal Capital.

Pretoria, Tuesday, April 10.—It is reported here that Col. Baden-Powell, the British commander at Mafeking, is dead.

GREAT BRITAIN WILL BACK PORTUGAL.

And Maintains She Has a There.

London, April 11.—The British government, the Associated Press is officially informed, stands ready to take the part reprisals, but so far Portugal has not applied for British aid nor has she replied to the Boer notification. With Great Britain at her back, it is said, she will not give in in the slightest in maintaining that the transactions at Beira are fully justified by the long standing treaties between Great Britain and Portugal.

BOER PRISONERS RECEIVING GOOD TREATMENT.

Books, Clothing and Luxuries are Given Them.

London, April 11.—In a despatch to the war office Lord Roberts says telegrams,

hands, that small sums of money are given direct, that larger amounts are given to the commandant for distribution and that clothing is being issued to prisoners who

WASHINGTON HAS NO RECORD OF REICHMAN

Taking an Active Part in the Boer Cam-

Washington, April 11.—Inquiry at the state and war departments discloses the absence of any reports, official or unoffi-cial, connecting Capt. Reichman with

BOER ENVOYS DOWN ON MILNER.

London, April 12, 5.10 a. m..—There is little fresh intelligence from the seat of war. It looks as though Lord Roberts may be preparing to take a strong forc to clear the Boers from behind him. A Cape Town despatch says he will not move for another week, owing to the necessity nstructions to follow this line of policy.
"While the Transvaal was making con

> The Boer envoy accused Sir Alfrid of falsifying despatches. In fact, according to the commissioners, accusations against Sir Alfrid Milner constitute one of the principal features in the peace negotia-tions which the commissioners seek to

earry through.

The Boer envoys left Naples today, go without stopping here. THE COST OF THE

WAR TO DATE

Estimated at Twenty-three Thousand Men and Officers. London, April 11.-The war office is

Missing and prisoners-168 officers and Died of disease 47 officers and men Accidental deaths—3 officers and 34

Total, 12,365, exclusive of the sick and vounded now in hospitals.

To the war office return of casualties ust be added the losses of the last week and the wounded, aggregating about 10,000 men, making a grand total of upwards

CONDOLENCES RECEIVED

FROM PRETORIA. Secretary Reitz Cables Gen. Mareuil on HIs Brother's Death.

Paris, April 11.-The brother of the late Gen. deVillebois Mareuil received a cable message today from State Secretary Reitz at Pretoria, communicating the news of the death of his brother. The telegram concludes:
"In offering you my sincere condolences I assure you that we deplore his death, which is a great loss to our country and

Fifteen Miles of Boers. Elandslaagte, April 11.-Last night the Elandslaagte, April 11.—Last night the Boers set fire to the grass on two hills almost on their extreme wings. The motive has not been ascertained, but the incident disclosed the fact that their position extends fully 15 miles in a continuous row of hills from Jenos Kop, on the British left, to a kopje commanding Sunday's river bridge on the British right. During the night the Boers moved most of their cannon. There has been some unimportant skirmishing today. The British still command Sunday river bridge. No development from yesterday's affair is expected.

two republics within a fortnight.

Twenty-five out of seventy arrivals at Delagoa Bay by a German steamer have without a statement of the cost of every been refused passports to the Transval at the instance of the British consul, owing to the fact that ammunition was found in their possession.

Wenen Holding Out. Aliwal North, April 11.-Lord Kitchen-er arrived here today and left soon after-

THE NAVAL BRIGADE

WELCOMED HOME

The Men of the Powerful who Defended Ladysmith ar Received at Portsmouth.

appeared to be in the neighborhood of the water side which was lavishly decorated with bunting while the fortifications and at Portsmouth, Lord Burham and other commander in the commander in th other points of vantage were thronged with cheering crowds waving flags. The

welcomed Captain Lambton and his

THE STAR LIED.

in Parliament.

Major Drummond Not to Command -- Eighty Thousand Dollars for a Lightship on the Lurcher Shoals --Ten Thousand for its Mainte-

Sir Adolphe Caron asked if the report was correct that Major Drummond had

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said it was not true-Mr. Moore, of Stanstead, resumed the lebate on the budget. His principal heme was the duty on coal oil, which he

said ought to be reduced. The bill to amend the act to provide for the conditional liberation of penitentiary convicts was read a second time. Sir Wilfrid Laurier explained that the Senate. It was for the purpose of exending the ticket-of-leave system to minor offences. It was only applied to peniten tiary offences. The bill was then passed

The bill respecting the members of the Northwest Mounted Police force serving

in South Africa was read a second time. passed in committee, reported read a third time, and passed.

After recess the Gaspe railway bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. McCleary complained that the witty speech of the premier of Ontario was being franked through the mails under

an official cover.

Sir Louis Davies said the matter would be dealt with by the postmaster general.

Mr. Foster made a protest against the franking done by Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Mr. Fisher in the Sherbrooke

campaign.

Hon. Mr. Fisher in reply said that Mr. Foster was expressing virtuous indignation over the exercise of a privilege which he and his party had exercised for 18 years. Now that he was out of power he wanted the law changed.

Mr. Fisher said he had found that the Tory government had abused this frank-ing in a systematic way for three months The late minister of agriculture, Dr. Montague, had a whole staff of clerks on the pay roll of his department employed in sending out tons and tons of campaign literature franked by the ministers and by other members of parliament long after the session closed, and today Mr. Taylor, the Tory whip, was circulating the Mon-treal Star with its lying and bogus report

of the street riots in Montreal. Any member who would send abroad such a lying to deteriorate.

Mr. Taylor—Surely the minister will not say the Star lied. (Laughter.)

Mr. Fisher—Yes, I will say the Star published a false and harmful statement specially prepared for distribution in Ontario and which it would not dare to published to the say the star published a false and harmful statement specially prepared for distribution in Ontario and which it would not dare to published a false and harmful statement specially prepared for distribution in Ontario and which it would not dare to published.

mand Sunday river bridge. No development from yesterday's affair is expected, but the marine and fisheries department. On the marine and fisheries department on the fisheries department of the Lurcher and Mosers River. Retz of the call to Portaup without a statement of the cost of every lighthouse. The vote, however, passed. The sum of \$80,000 was voted for the lightship for the Lurcher shoal. It will be of steel and will be built in Canada. The House adjourned at midnight.

Paying for Horses in Argentine.

Mr. Fischer Says He Went to Cape Town
to Bring About a War.

Rome, April 11—The Naples correspondent of the Tribuna, telegraphs an interview he has had with Mr. Fischer, one of the Boer peace commissioners, who arrived there yesterday.

Mr. Fischer said he was convinced that Sir Alfrid Milner, when appointed Gover-

THE REPORT ADOPTED

A Minister Expressed Opinion The Bridge Charges Official Declared False.

STRAIGHT DIVISION.

The Seven Opposition Member Stubbornly Refuse to Acknowledge That Premier Emmerson's Hono able Record Has Been Too Muc

Mr. Mott's motion to adopt the report the committee appointed to investiga the bridge charges was continued Messrs. Carvell, Fleming and Fish, t latter having the floor at 6 o'clock which

was followed by Messrs. Melanson, Rol son, Osman, Porter, Leger and Pren Emmerson, the latter speaking two he At 12.15 o'clock this (Thursday) m ing the vote was taken.

Mr. Hazen's amendment was defeat

Mr. Hazen's amendment was defeated the vote being:
Yeas—Hazen, Shaw, Melanson, Hunphrey, Glasier, Laforest, Fleming—7.
Nays—Tweedie, White, Dunn, Labillof Farris, McKeown, Mott, Thompso Whitehead, Osman, Burchill, O'Brie (Northumberland), Fish, Robinso O'Brien (Charlotte), Porter, Barnes, M Leod, Gibson, Carpenter, Pugsley, Lasson, Carvell, Todd, Young, Russel Purdy, McCain, Johnston, Burns, Gagno Leger, Poirier, Campbell—34.
Premier Emmerson said he would myote on either motion or amendment.
Mr. Mott's motion that the house co vote on either motion or amendment.

Mr. Mott's motion that the house co
cur in the report of the committee w
carried by the same vote reversed.

Premier Emmerson moved that wh
the house adjourn it stand adjourned u
til 10 o'clock this (Thursday) mornin
This was carried and the house adjourn

A KING'S GIFT TO HIS COUNTR Leopold Presents Belgium With the Wh

of His Vast Estate. Brussels, April 11—In the Chamber Deputies today, the premier, M. De Sm De Nayer, read a communication fro King Leopold in which his majesty presented to the nation the whole of his reestate. Prolonged cheering greeted threading of this document.

The king in his letter, announced the desired on the occasion of his 65 birthday (he was born April 9, 1835), present the country with his estates white Brussels, April 11-In the Chamber

birthday (he was born April 9, 1836), present the country with his estates whit will contribute to the beauty and char of the localities where they are situate. He pointed out the necessity for ope space and gardens near growing cities in the benefit of hygienic and artistic effect and expressed the hope that these naturally adorned spaces would not be allowed to deteriorate.

lish in Quebec. (Cheers.)

At 10 o'clock the House went into committee of supply and the estimates of the marine and fisheries department. On the

