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Forty Second Year.

Now

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Quickly Realized That t One Without Guns Artiller

Boers Had Range to Nicety e British-Splendid Bra Report

Spearman's Camp, Friday, Jan. 25 About 2 o'clock in the morning of J ary 24 (Wednesday) when heavy cl osted by the Boers, Tabanama, a rmed by the British infantry ut Gen. Woodgate.

Our force crossed a ravine dined the mountain side steadily, iting within thirty yards of the ene first line of trenches. The Boers, had been asleep, decamped, lea every thing behind, and the British, rring cheers, climbed to the sum

The Boers opened fire from sev points. It was apparent that they had been taken by surprise, and their cre was desperate. The west cre of the hill was soon won, and infantry crept along the top of the h

At daybreak, however, the Boers' f a high point of the extreme east sec withering fire among the British, wh momentarily staggered them. Boers had the range fixed to a nic right to the top of the crest, forw infantry to take cover. The Boer N defendit also worked with great pr

The British held the position ag great odds. At 10 o'clock again inforcements were sent up the hill ad advanced in skeleton formation, enny being driven back to the ext

London, Jan. 28.—A special des from Spearman's Camp, dated Fri and supplying additional details of operations of Wednesday, says: "The British made a most succe movement to-day. They deployed Gen. Warren's right flank and refor the troops in possession of Tabanama They were subjected to a heavy B shell fire, but stood their ground nob

Part of Gen. Lyttleton's brigade tended on the plain in front of Mo Alice, and within two hours scaled heights of Spon Kop under a he fire. One British officer was sumit to see his comrades pro

The Daily News publishes a des dated Spearman's Camp, Wedne afternoon, but held back, presu by the censor, until Friday, January 6:40 p. m. This says: "Having gallantly taken a portie "Tabanama mountain range last at "Gen. Warren's troops are findi "The difficulty in holding it. T shells are flying firing to-day. The shells are splendidly directed, and in face of the enemy's fire the furthe

ance of our forces has been check "Again and again attempts had made to dislodge them by the en and things began to look serious. termined as had been their attack, ever, the Boers had not succee dislodging them.

"Meanwhile the King's Royal B approaching from the east. The British held Spon Kop at the ca of the mountain range, began ascent of Spon Kop. The high place where they arrived were ciptious, and their task was no ligh They advanced, however, and appa at first without knowledge of the B but before reaching the top they w exposed to a flank fire from the on

"The last part of the hill was more precipitous than the road which they had come; but the fellows scrambled up little by little they reached the top and threw selves down upon the ground w cheer. It was splendidly accomp

"There is still the seriously diffic keeping this point without a B The position therefore now is at the British hold Spon Kop at the ca of the range. They also held the end. The Boers are entrenched intermediate part, besides holding entrenched situations."

BOER REPORT OF CASUALT London, Jan. 28.—The war does not give any idea of the cas in the taking and the holding of Kop, but a report from the Boer quarters near Ladysmith, via J. Marquies, says that 1,600 British were left on the battlefield. This hee is thought to include the wou

THE WORLD'S NEW WARSHIPS.

From the New York Sun. The war vessels now building are computed by Engineering in tons: Battle-ship Torpedo-ship Cruiser-ship

MINERAL ACT, 1896.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. NOTICE. Iron Duke, Count of Monte Christo and Condor Mineral Claims, situate in the West

WAR NOTES.

Continued fighting is reported from Kurram, where 134 British are keeping 800 Boers at bay. Many of our wounded craved for oranges, of which they were greatly appreciated by the poor fellows.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

IN THE MATTER OF the "Land Registry Act," and in the matter of the application of Mrs. J. E. J. de Blaquier, of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, for a certificate of indefeasible title to all

VANCOUVER'S NEWS BUDGET.

Mr. P. P. wrote to the trades and labor council on the 23rd inst., asking the council in effect to pass a vote of censure on Mr. Joseph Martin.

B.O. STEAM DYE WORKS.

141 Yates St., Victoria. Ladies' and Gents' garments and household furnishings cleaned, dyed or pressed equal to new.

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

Grand Chapter in Session at London—Superintendents for This Province. London, Jan. 24.—The first 4000-convocation of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, was held here to-day.

PROFESSIONAL BALL.

Promoter of the New League Presenting Attractive Scheme to Victorians. Mr. W. H. Lucas, one of the gentlemen chiefly instrumental in bringing the organization of an international baseball project to the fore, is at present visiting

CHURCH WORKER'S DOWNFALL.

Charged by His Late Employer with the Theft of Ten Thousand Dollars. Paris, Ont., Jan. 24.—(Special)—Arthur F. Laing, who for some years was engaged as clerk and bookkeeper by J. Lawrence, private banker at St. George, was arrested by provincial detective Jno. Murray for theft to-day.

VILLE MARIE LOOT.

Eleven Thousand Dollars Traced to a Bucket Shop Speculation. Montreal, Jan. 24.—(Special)—Another \$11,000 of the \$173,000 stolen from the Banque Ville Marie was accounted for this morning. It was lost by Ferdinand Lennox, who had been in possession of the bucket shop agency of Robert Dinahen, who states that in a little over one year he had lost the sum of \$100,000, losing in all \$11,000.

AN EDITORS' UNION.

Declares War on Paper Trusts and Shapes Course for Congressmen. Denver, Col., Jan. 24.—The Colorado Editorial Association at its annual meeting held here adapted resolutions declaring the paper trust to be an enemy of newspaper publishers and readers and

Rolls Oats, 7 lb. sacks, 25c

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Quaker Oats, 2 pkgs., 50c

Fresh Eggs, 30c. Dozen

Morgan's East'n Oysters, 75c tin

THE WORLD'S NEW WARSHIPS.

From the New York Sun. The war vessels now building are computed by Engineering in tons:

England, 116,000 127,700 4,200

France, 25,456 118,943 4,200

Germany, 44,320 83,290 4,191

Italy, 12,940 1,900

Japan, 57,426 6,875 1,700

United States, 12,940 4,191

Monitors, 12,940

Japan's programme intends nothing further, but it is believed that a cruiser and several torpedo vessels which do not appear under way.

The tonnage credited to the United States does not include the cruiser for which his we ordered November last; but these represent but a petty addition to our fleet.

These are very instructive figures. They show that, even including the monitors, harbor forts only, the preparations made by the United States for increasing the power at sea must be put at the foot of the ladder.

What upsets our men, and especially the wounded, are the unearthly screams the Boers give vent when wounded.

The Bloemfontein Express of December 5 says that General Joubert "hurt himself while riding," and went to Newcastle to recruit.

The Duke of Portland has bought a magnificent charger from the London and Cab Company, which he intends to present to Lord Kitchener.

Dr. Leyds is, says a Brussels correspondent, secretly inciting the Egyptian agitator Mustafa Cail to rise and deliver Egypt from England's control.

Respect, Wilson says that among the colonials in the field there is a feeling of respect for "Tommy Atkins." The persistent bravery, coolness and dogged determination of the British soldiers in action has impressed the colonials.

M. Parry, president of the East Africa Chamber of Mines, stated in an interview that if Delagoa Bay had belonged to the Boers, realizing the impossibility of succeeding under such conditions.

One of the Royal Scots with General Gatacre says: "Over the hill in front of us a number of women are searching for their husbands and can't find them." They think the Boer commanders are concealing their losses.

One of the Canadian contingent was a private in a British force that held Potchefstroom. He wants satisfaction for those incredible hardships he has undergone where Cronje deliberately kept the storming garrison for days in ignorance of the stratagem.

A gunner in the 75th Battery writes home from the Camp Hospital, Orange River: "A bullet at the Camp Hospital missed my heart by a quarter of an inch. Now I have the knowledge that I have died for England."

In the Willow Grange affair Private Montgomery, of the West Yorkshire Regiment, though shot through the chest on firing, and when shot through the rear for fear of exposing the stretcher-bearers.

They declined the Dual-200 loyal Dutchmen of Newcastle, named Voss and Dye, on refusing to join the enemy, were arrested and taken to Trestonia on a charge of high treason.

When the Boers threatened Dye with death, he asked the commandant to allow him to settle the matter with the rifle, taking one Boer after another in a duel at a hundred yards distance.

The Boers declined, knowing that Dye was one of the best shots in Newcastle.

At Modder River our bluejackets have been stirring up the Boers the last few days with the big gun and some twelve-pounders.

They send them the "revellin" at half-past four in the morning with a couple of shots from the big gun, interrupt their dinner with a few shots from the twelve-pounders; occasionally give them a few lively shells in the afternoon; and at the close of the day send a "good-night" burst of shrapnel into their trenches.

That which greatly disturbs the enemy is evidence from the way in which they are seen rushing about.

They do not reply, however, which is a disappointment as a shot from their guns would reveal their position and give the bluejackets a chance to smash it.

Always avoid hard purgative pills. They will make you sick and upset your system. Carter's Little Liver Pills regulate the bowels and make you well. Dose, one pill.