TWO COMPANIES OF CANADIANS

MADE GEN. CRONJE SURRENDER

Conan Doyle's Story of the Paardeberg Engagement in Which

Colonel Otter and His Men Took Such a Thrilling

Part-Slung Cans Gave Warning.

Colonel Otter and the first contingent | slung upon a wire. By measurement if

General Cronje. Several versions of the "At that instant a single rifle sounded and

Paardeberg engagement have been publish the Canadians hurled themselves down

ed. Dr. Conan Doyle, in his new book, "The Great Boer War," graphically describes the fight.

Cronje had repulsed the British, and was more than holding his own against the Canadana and the Can

"The Canadians advanced in the darkness ly into a trench held by the Gordo

s unannounced. On and on they stole, Boer trenches. No doubt Cronje had al-

ONE CENT

#### THE BOERS ARE HELD IN CHECK

Proclamation Not Likely to Have Much Effect Until Dewet is Captured-Boers on Natal Border Made a Fight for Christmas Cheer But Were Whipped.

London. Dec. 28, 3 a.m.—The latest de- Africa, if required, after the expiration spatches from South Africa show that Lord of their period of service in February. has succeeded in holding the wading Boers in check, but he has not jet been successful in expelling them from The Army Reform Movement Has Cape Colony, while small commandoes continue to display astonishing daring and activity over an immensely wide field. It is questionable whether his proclamation will have much effect until Gen. De-

engeance if they surrender. terms to the Boers as a step in the right all the

in South Africa. The order will probably

says the Boers, in considerable numbers, westward. They had 150 wagons. The de-

By Demanding Christmas Cheer and Attacking British Garrisons All

Along the Line. castle, Natal, Dec. 27.-The Boers tween Standerton and Ingogo by more or ermined attacks upon every British

a demand for whiskey, cigars and Christmas luxuries, failing which he threatened to attack the town. His demand was ig-nored and the Boers attacked Utrecht in strong force Christmas morning. They were repulsed with loss, the British casu-alties being but slight.

A STRATHCONA KILLED. He Was Ingram of New Brunswick -Corp. McDonald of Kingston

Wounded. Ottawa, Dec. 27.—The following cable Cape Town, Dec. 26.-368, Ingram, killed:

lan; Strathcona Horse.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—The Militia Department received the following cablegram

GEN. COLVILE FIRST VICTIM Been Inaugurated by Demand-ing His Resignation.

London, Dec. 27.-The War Office has be gun the promised reform of the army in a wet has been captured. The Boers are liketo regard it as a sign of weakness, and vile, commanding the infantry brigade at have a wholesome dread of Dewet's Gibraltar, and recently commanding the 9th division of the South Africa field force The proclamation is approved by the Gen. Colvile refuses to resign, and he is party at home that favors conciliatory now on his way to England. The news is manry disaster at Lindley last May was proposal to institute a new order of knight-hood to reward officers who have served Gen. Colvile returned from South Africa last summer. After the inquiry Gen. Col-A despatch from Vryburg, dated Dec. 20, Gibraitar in September last. The attitude regime in Pall Mall will reverse the decispatch suggests that they were trekking ley in regard to some of the recent com sions of Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wolse manders in South Africa. Gen. Colvile. like Gen. Methuen, has always been BOERS CELEBRATED CHRISTMAS great social personage in London, and a prominent club man. He has had a most distinguished military career, has been re-peatedly mentioned in despatches, and is familiarly known as "Odgers." He is also a well-known author, and on the occasion of his marriage created a stir by going on his honeymoon in a balloon.

Brave Toronto Soldier.

Knox, Barker, Pilcher and White Are Keepings the Boers Busy-

Talk of Surrender. London, Dec. 27 .- The following despate has been received from Lord Kitchener: "Pretoria, Dec. 26.-Knox, with Barker Pilcher and White, is engaged with Dewet's force, holding a position in the neighbor "Dewet hopes to break thru and go south again.

837, Corp, McDonald, wounded, at Cloco- Colony has been, apparently, headed by our troops about Reitport Spruit. The Boers Signed), Milner.
Pte. Ingram is from Grand Prairie, B.C., and Pte. C. R. McDonald is from Kingston, Ont. He has evidently been promoted to heing followed up."

western column is reported to have gone of space was without its use in the general effect; and it was the opinion of all the guests that the Pavillon has never believe followed up." Police Held the Position.

The following despatch from Gen Kitch. "Yesterday two hundred Boers attacked a small police post, near Boksburg. The poforcements from Johannesburg arrived. The

EIGHT PAGES-FRIDAY MORNING DECEMBER 28 1900-EIGHT PAGES

### NOT DRIVEN FROM CA SCHARLE ROS LORD MINTO MAKES A NOTABLE ANNOUNCEMENT

Epoch-Marking Militant Utterances Given Voice to at the Banquet to the Canadians Returned From the Transvaal-Manly, Heartfelt Words From the Gallant Leader of Hero Soldiers, Who Will Be Called to Organize the Troops of the Dominion—Reforms Must Come.



LORD MINTO.

n the occasion of the citizens' banquet to of which were strikingly interesting. white and blue; trophies of the British colors, drum transparencies, pictures of the generals who have distinguished themselve n the war and the names of the battle-

fields standing out at all points in bold reing was a huge transparent drum with a core of projecting standards. This drum was reproduced in smaller forms around every gas fixture along the sides of the onies, the spaces between being scrolled with the names of the battlefields in which the Canadians distinguished themselves. All the British generals were portrayed with notable fidelity, and the pillars above

fore been so perfectly decorated. Lavish Decorations.

mums. Toy cannons covered the minor National Anthem was sung. uedallion of Lord Roberts and a scroll from Ottawa.

jects above the platform. n khaki. This was by request of the Banquent Committee. The galleries were rowded with the beauty and fashion of

The two incidents of the evening which

something to announce; and Col. Otter's received but chary praise for the valuable slow sentences had much meaning in them, services performed by him at that time," mier Ross, too, struck a new key, [Cheers.] when, following up the suggestion of the Governor-General, he expressed an ardent hope of seeing British military developofficers and soldiers of Canada into a po- best officer. It was a proud duty for Col. sition of perfect equality and recognition Otter, and, in considering his duty, it was "We have met a very gallant foe,

Col. Mason proposed the toast of "The ed of splendid material. [Applause.] It ence of many wars in South Africa. Many Queen" in a few remarks, which pointed out Her Majesty's distinguishing virtues discussances which reflected the greatest already in previous campaigns. They were that three ribs were broken, the lungs contract that the ribs were broken that the ribs and dignity. He specially referred to the possible credit upon Canada; but it was \_\_\_

The flowers were roses and chrysanthe- The toast was loyally drunk, and the sitions, whilst a large stuffed lion kept | The secretary read letters from Sir Wi watch and ward upon the distinguished frid Laurier, who is at present in New diners from the opposite balcony. A huge York, and Gen. O'Grady Haly, who wrote welcoming home Canada's gallant son, the The toast of the "Governor-General"

guest of the evening, were prominent ob- was given by the chairman. The toast was prefaced by a speech, in which reference was made to the past record of Lord Mint

After some preliminary remarks, Lor Minto said: "I have come to assist in doing honor to Col. Otter; and I need not assure you how glad I am to have this city; but Bayley's orchestra played opportunity of being present at this great monstration to him in my public capac ity, and also as an old friend and comrade [Applause.] I rejoice to see him receive this well-earned appreciation from his fellow-countrymen. [Applause.] I first speech-making were the entrance of Mrs. knew Col. Otter when I was here with Lord Lansdowne, 15 years ago. He had then made for himself a reputation as a corps, and full of the very best kind of the platform, the emblem of Canada's na-The speeches of the evening were all fervently patriotic, but the only ones out of the well-beaten tenor of militant oratory

Canada's Best Officer. Lord Minto went on to say that when [Applause.] the war broke out in South Africa there ent following a line that would bring the was no doubt as to who was Canada's Otter's Command.

it. The rear rank had their rines sung and carried spades. Nearest the river bank were two companies (G and H), who were followed by the 7th Company of Royal by the engineers. It is difficult to understand why in the whole regiment the rear stand why in the whole regiment the rear

seen upon a banquet table in Toronto will be Referring to the nature of Col. Otter's foe, a very mobile foe, with a great knowlpreserved as a souvenir of the evening.

God Save the Queen.

Referring to the nature of Col. Utters of the recommand in South Africa Lord Minto said: edge of their country—a very large country—and they had benefited by their expert—and they had benefited by their expert.

# COLONEL OTTER.

remember, under the administration of Col. Otter, the gallantry in the field of the addresses of the Governor-Genoperations around Battleford. I will say distinguished themselves. It was Cot. eral and Col. Otter. His Excellency had now, what I thought thei, that Col. Otter Otter's lot to command the first Canadian World, Now that he has returned to the Dominion, I hope it will fall to his part to organize the troops of the Dominion." broke upon the silence of the night a resonant metallic rattle, the

Referring to the history of the war, he toward the nurses.

Newspaper Reporter Gave Evidence Showing Fiend-

III-Treated Until Death Re-

The police assert the alleged inhuman THE MAN HAD NOT BEEN VIOLENT

Caused by Asphyxiation

was begun to-day before Coroner Fitzpatrick. Three nurses from the Mills Training School, J. R. Davis, Edward C. Dean and Clinton L. Marshall, who were on duty at the insane pavilion, are accused of causing Hillyard's death. Thomas J. Minnock. a newspaper reporter, said he was in th levue insane ward when Hillyard was

Was Choked and Beaten. stomach. Dean cried : "I'll fix you; you

to the patients: "If any of you say anything of what goes on here, we'll fix you We have the power of life and death here.

his head and feet hanging down and bump heard Davis say: "Dean, come here; think this fellow is dying." Minnock denied that Hillyard was

Will the Competition of Another Radial Line Be Frustrated !-Facts Are Scarce.

ato, Junction, Dec. 27.—The fact that gested, the hycid bone broken, and that the the Kingston-road, the Lake S

DEPUTY CHIEF DAVIS IS DEAD.

Jospeh Davis, assistant deputy chief of Mr. Irving's study of natural history has, Brigade, passed away about midnight last the teathers on the foot of the prairie Portland-street and Farley-avenue. Mr.

figure at all the big conflagrations, and was universally popular among the firemen. He was stationed at the Dundas-street Hall. He is survived by one son, Thomas Davis, who is a member of the Fire Brigade. Mr. Davis was a member of the Masonic Order.

On the last page of this paper you will notice that the Dineen Company are advertising grey lamb jackets at \$37.50 each for the company and the patient of the company and the company are all as patients.

snowfalls,
Guif-Fair and sold to-day; then local
snowfalls.
Maritime Provinces-Fair to-day; rising
temperature, Saturday-Increasing easterly winds and rain,
Lake Superior-Fair and cold.
Mandtoba-Fair; stationary or higher

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

### this morning, and were driven off. "The eastern force of Boers in Cape Colony was headed yesterday, and driven in

was partly concealed behind the report of

tween 1865 and 1871, and which filed a re-

A few years ago, however, it was found

Alarmed at the Increasing Scarcity of Fuel, British Manufacturers Turn to America—An Expert From Newcastle

Europe Is market for the future supply of coal. Norman McClintock of Newcastle, Enghensive report to an association of consumers; including nearly all the great man-

Situation is Becoming Serious. land is confronted with the fact that, with-

equitable understanding with the United Headache Cured While You Wait.

#### TO SUPPLY COAL TO ALL ENGLAND Into Forty-Five Distinct Cottages.

MANY POLICE EMPLOYED.

But Now For Nearly a Year No Depredator Has Been Caught.

port that there were in England and Wales RESIDENTS FEAR TO LEAVE HOMES

Provide Better Protection of

practically too great a depth from which to mine coal. Then the strata of coal supposed to run to great depths or distances were found to be not nearly so great as was supposed, and the danger of following irregular strata in their windings and trunings was found to be too great.

"Outside of Great Britain, there pracfeet, which has been demonstrated to be tically are no great coal deposits. There are some mines in Northeastern France and in the Rhine district of Lower Germany, but the coal in those two districts is not sociated with the county police, while a sociated with the county police. sociated with the county police, while a will, private detective work.

Goods Recovered. without success. Traces of the robbers bave been found, and goods to the value message from Washington, Ia., says that near the corner of Pine-street and Beach- and 49 were drowned. Think an Agreement With the United States and Colombia

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avenue, in the avenue. The houses all around this particular house were occupied and their occupants were blissfully unaware and their occupants were also believe to the occupants were and their occupants were and their occupants were also believe to the occupan For some time past the Canada Foundry of the presence of robbers. The incomings is Possible.

For some time past the Canada Foundry of the presence of robbers. The incomings and outgoings of the burglars were sedulated and outgoing and out Company, at its meeting to-day, adopted visability of securing larger premises, as lously guarded, and what looked like a se of which the their present place is inadequate. They peaceful and domestic domicile was really

> trial, and that if the thieves are not run o earth an almost insurmountable obstacle

of W. H. Blaylock and the barber shop of T. Lloyd were visited by burglars and the two little daughters, who were come by the fire and the smoke, and ed with them. lock's grocery store thru an upper window, Alive Bollard. dow was smashed on the ground floor.

district become that they consider it un An Organized Gang Breaks unoccupied for even a short time at night. The ratepayers intend to press upon the County Council the necessity of providing creater and more adequate police protect

TRIPLETS BORN IN TORONTO.

Troubles did not come singly to Hattle Osnicely with three bright little baby girls beside her in Grace Hospital. Suddenly, and much to the surprise of

the officers in charge, the stork was a visitor at No. 6 Police Station about 9 o'clock last night under most peculiar and pathetic circumstances, and he left the three little Hattie Osler, the mother of the triplets

Last night she started for the city to go

ren Who Were Skating Out in Iowa. Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 27.-A telen

gang had their headquarters in a house near Foster, Ia., when the ice gave way,

Smokers' presents, Handsome Pipes Alive Bollard.

Pember's Turk sh Baths, 127 Yonge-st

### a Hot Stove

ity Department yesterday afternoon arrest- PATIENT NAMED HILLYARD

Was Choked, Beaten and Otherwise leased Him.

and Fracture.

WOMAN VISITOR DROPPED DEAD.

her cousin, Miss Lizzie Houlahan, and a niece, Miss May Houlahan, both of Barrie.

They arrived in Toronto about 8 o'clock, you eat, you —," grappled Hillyard by the threet threw him to the floor and held carries an emolument of \$900 a year, but gian Bay region. her cousin, Miss Lizzie Houlahan, and a The witness described Hillyard's refusing and, to fill in the time before their train left the Union Station, went for a walk. It is understood that the honorarium is to the three this story or details and dropped to the pavement and expired. Heart failure was the cause of death, and from any other available the three trains and the corner of the true that the three this story or details and dropped to the pavement and expired. Heart failure was the cause of death, she was taken to the Emergency Hospital, but was beyond medical aid. The funeral will probably take place to-day.

They started to return, and at the corner of the threat, threw him to the floor and held him there until he was black in the face, kneeling on his chest, while Marshall and Dennelly helped to hold him. Hillyard was again told to eat, and declared he would not, and the three hit and kicked him. Then they dragged Hillyard head first into

MUIHER AND CHILDREN BURNED.

Fire Destroyed the Home and Mother Tried to Rescue Her Little Girls.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 27.—In the Hitle village of Sigel, 10 miles from Bookville, this morning, the house of John Harrison was

Spence meeting, Pavilion, 8 p.m. Howland meeting, Association p.m. Shea's Theatre, vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.

ish Cruelty.

Then they dragged Hillyard head first into the bathroom. They took his clothes off, think you can do as you please, you ---

Hillyard Was Feeble. Then they took Hillyard into his room. Next morning Hillyard was feeble and seemed to be in great pain. His head was covered with bruises, and there were blu Minnock explained that Davis had sa

Witness said that at supper on Wednes-day one of the nurses again asked Hillyard was not. Marshall and Dean then caugh him and he was kicked unmercifully, Dear kicked him about the legs and thighs and nutting it around Hillyard's neck, twisted it tighter and tighter. They took him into the bathroom and turned the wate

on him without taking off his clothes. Pavilion They Became Alarmed.

## came one furious glare of fine fire, with was more than holding his own against tremendous odds. Several regiments had attempted to dislodge him without avail. "On the night of Feb. 26," says Dr. Doyle, "It was determined that Smith-Dorrien's men should try their luck. The front trenches of the British were at that time 700 yards from the Boer lines. They were held by the Gordons and by the Canadians, the latter being nearer to the river. It is worth while entering into details as to the arrangement of the attack, as the sudcess of the campaign was at least accelerated by it. The orders were that the Canadians were to advance, the Gordons to support, and the Shropshires to take such a position on the left as would outfank any counter attack upon the part of the Boers. Came one furious glare of fine fire, with a his slike water on a red-hot plate, of speeding bullets. In that terrible red light the men, as they lay and scraped desperately for cover, could see the heads of the Boers pop up and down and the fringe of rifle barrels quiver and gleam. How the regiment, lying helpless under this fire, escaped destruction, is extraordinary. To rush the trench in the face of such a continuous blast of lead seemed impossible, and it was equally impossible to remain where they were. In a short time the monon would be up, and they would be picked off to a man. "The outer companies up on the plain were ordered to retire. Breaking up into loose order, they made their way back with surprisingly little loss, but a strange contretemps occurred, for, leaping suddenof the early morning, before the rise of the moon. The front rank held their rifles in the left hand, and each extended right hand grasped the sleeve of the man next it. The rear rank had their rifles slung and

Detect. The speeches of the evening were the entrance of ans.

Lord Lansdowne, 15 years ago. He had the nade for himself a reputation as a first-rate officer and organizer, and when the platform, the emblem of Canada's national game being decorated with the national colors.

Notable Utterances.

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The speeches of the evening were all fermances ago. He had corps, and full of the very best kind of material; but, when gathered as a battafform, the emblem of Canada's nation, it must have been necessarily rather deficient in that intesnal machinery which is the main standby of the commanding of fire such as flamed before the Highnest at Magersfontein might crash out in front of them. A hundred, two, three, four, five hundred paces were taken. They knew that they must be close upon the trenches. If they could only creep silently there found themselves in such as negation. trenches. If they could only creep silently enough they might spring upon the defend-

> men who lay within stone-throw of them? those two companie Their hopes had begun to rise when there thud of a falling man, an empty clatter.
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> They had walked into a line of meat cans over the lines of Paardeburg." Roers, a Gallant Foe.

with those of the Mother Country. The essential to take into account the composiaspiration was cheered by the audience. essential to take into account the composition of the battalion which he commanded.

Death had been caused, he said, by asphyxi-

to hand:

Bradstreet's, Toronto, Dec. 26.

Dear Maclean,—I understand that you have not yet got that rabbit's foot from Markham. Will you therefore permit me to enclose you two feet of a prairie chicken. A very superficial glance at them will convince the most skeptical that the live chicken is not in danger of suffering from "cold feet." With Christmas greetings. T. C. Irving.

ing on Nov. 7. The letter, we are also glad stored pedal circulation, On Thursday morning the post brought

the following:

To Mr. W. F. Maclean, M.P., with the Compilments of the Season. This rabbit foot was selected from 50,000 of the best white rabbits in North Ontarlo. East York don't grow them. With kind regards, D. Gillespie, M.D. Cannington, Dec. 24, 1900. New York, Dec. 27.—The inquest into the gladly accepts Dr. Gillespie's specimen, he death of Louis H. Hillyard, in the insane cannot permit the statement to go unchal-

The Physician's Testimony.

MAJOR HENDERSON'S POSITION.

taken there. When the man arrived, Dean Regiment, Whitby, is now a clerk in the from Texas to Ontario, and there are still

Arnold Haultain in 'Varsity Monthly The change is notable. Is it beneficial? Surely it is. Try English Chop House Quick Lunch

Not 12, But 21. By an accident in the make-up of Thursday's World, the T. Eaton Co's advertisement was made to fix the price of English te olicloth for Friday at 12 cents a yard. It should have been 21 cents.

NETTLETON—At Penetang, on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1900, the wife of J. E. Nettleton, jeweler, of a son.

WELLS-On Dec. 27, at 59 John-stree from bronchtis, Annie Irene (Renie third daughter of W. J. and Annie Weil aged 6 years and 4 months.

Funeral from above address on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Have lunch in new dining-room. Thomas' English Chop House, King St. C. J. Townsend & Co.,

12: Halifay, 16-30 Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay-Light snowfalls at most places, and turning colder again.
Ottawa Valley, Upper and Lower St.
Lawrence—Generally cloudly, with light

You have but to wear an Oak Hall made garment to prove the claims of superiority which this brand makes. Call at 115 Kingstreet East or 116 Youge-street and test values by the special offer made on the next page.

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Montreal, Dec. 27.—A Star special from London says: Lord Strathcona knows no-thing of the report that the Strathcona Horse have offered to remain in South

NOW CANADA'S CHANCE HAS COME

is on This Side to Make a Report.

ufacturers of the United Kingdom. The coal situation in Great Britain and that this report, while in the main correct, was wrong in many particulars. The estimates were based on a mine denth of 4000 estimates made by a commission appointed to be fallacious. As a matter of fact, Eng-

but the coal in those two districts is not more than 50 or 60 years, and, when the last ton is mined, there are no countries lignite. The present situation is so appeared with the countries are represented by the constraint of good quality, being freely mixed with a vigilance committee, consisting of prominent citizens, has been formed to prosecute undoubtedly, begin the instruction of users

PANAMA CANAL DIRECTORS

directors, referring to the U. S. Commiss have now decided to construct a large a den of thieves. reasonable agreement wherein the United States and Colombian Governments and our company should unite is realizable, and might finally determine the preferences of the United States in favor of Panama. The President of the company is now purnegotiations at Washington to that Should it be found impossible to sleeping accommodation, 127 Yonge. States, we shall have to seek and submit to you the means to actively carry on our work. It is neither possible nor permissible to say any more on the subject today."

Smokers' presents, Alive Bollard's Smoking Mixture. Cook's Turkish & steam baths, 204 King w, cures colds, coughs and rheumatism Mayoralty Mass Meeting for Spence

Great Painter Deceased.

"We think that a machine shop and foundry next spring, but

Bingham's stimulating headache powders are not depressing. Money refunded if they fail, 25 cents for a box of 12. Bingham's Pharmacy, 100 Yonge-street. ed7

easy by the fact that both places wer empty for the time being, as the

Residents Alarmed.

Three Little Maids Arrive Under Singularly Distressing Circumstances—All Doing Well.

is 24 years of age. Until recently she liv-

FORTY-NINE CHILDREN DROWNED.

morning, the house of John Harriger was morning, the house of John Harriger was burned, and Mrs. Harriger and her two king-street West. Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington. little daughters, five and seven years, per When Mrs. Harriger was away from none.
When Mrs. Harriger arose this morning,
she discovered the house to be on fire, and
called her two sons, who escaped. Mrs.
Harriger ran upstairs to where her little
thildren were sleeping, and, catching her
three-months-old baby in her arms, threw
it from the window. It sustained no injury. She then directed her attention to
the two little daughters, who were over-

Police Allege That Ernest Pettit Set His Child, Unprotected, on

AS A PUNISHMENT FOR CRYING. Children's Aid Society Take the Boy, Who Has Been Badly Burned-Pettit Arrested.

ed Ernest Pettit, a barber, living at 171 ing grievous bodily harm. under the influence of liquor, taken his two-year-old son Willie and seated him unchild to be terribly burned.

prisoner about a month ago, when the infant annoyed him by incessant crying. Infant annoyed him by incessant crying.

The facts of the case were not reported to the police till yesterday morning, when immediate action was taken.

Ald. Grabam, agent of the Children's Aid Society, took charge of the child, and removed him to the Sheiter on East Adelaidestreet. The little boy still bears evidence of having been burned, and is now under the care of Dr. William Oldright.

Miss Nora Houlahan of Elmvale Wellington-Streets. Miss Nora Houlahan of Elmvale dropped dead about 10.30 o'clock last night, The ence are particularly distressing. She was on her way to Nebraska, accompanied by

Sergeants' At Home, Stanley Barracks