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DR. DR. BORERHILL MAJOR-GENERAL HUTTON?

The Names Were Submitted to Lord Lansdowne for Approval and Every One Was Approved.

Mr. Wyndham Says the Army is to Be Made More Democratic—A Scandal and a Danger to the Empire in the Fact That Only Rich Men's Sons Can Join the Cavalry.

London, Feb. 13.—In the House of Commons today, Mr. Thomas Horder, advanced Liberal, gave notice of a resolution calling attention to the fact that the colonies are without representation in the Imperial Parliament. The resolution was set down for a month hence, but it is not likely that time will be found then for its discussion.

Germany and the Transvaal.
The Under Secretary of State for the Foreign Office, Mr. William St. John Brodric, was asked whether the Government had received any communication from Germany modifying the declaration made in 1895 by the then Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron Marshall Von Bismarck, to the effect that Germany's only policy was the maintenance of the Transvaal as an independent state in accordance with the treaty of 1884. He replied that no communication had been received from the German Government relative to the convention of 1884, which, he added, as a matter of fact, was terminated by the state of war.

Wolsey's Recommendation Goes.
The Under Secretary of State for the War

British Have Been Forced to Retire From Colesberg Under Heavy Boer Pressure and Probably After Brisk Fighting.

Commandant Delarey, by a Double Turning Movement, Has Compelled the British to Concentrate at Renberg, Besides Threatening Lord Roberts' Communications Between De Aar and Orange River.

London, Feb. 14.—(4:20 a.m.)—The news of the day is the retirement of the British from the Colesberg district under heavy Boer pressure, and probably after brisk fighting. Thus, at a time when Lord Roberts is apparently about to push an army into the Free State, the Boers make a counter-stroke in an unknown but seemingly great force not far from the vital line of railway connecting De Aar and Orange River.

Is It Only a Menace?
Military observers do not regard this as more than a menace. Nevertheless, the news produces an unpleasant impression here. General French manoeuvred the Boers out of Renberg in December. On Jan. 31 it was reported that he could take Colesberg in two days with reinforcements. These were not, but the Boers also were reinforced. Since then the British lines have been extended east and west, so that the opening of the week, they constituted a great horseshoe, 25 miles in length. The lines were not continuous, but all the strong positions were held.

BRITISH SEIZE ZARTPAN'S DRIFT AND HOLD IT AN IMPORTANT POINT ON THE ORANGE RIVER SOUTH OF KIMBERLEY.

London, Feb. 13.—A private telegram received here says that the "force" commanded by General Wood has moved up from the southward and seized Zoutpan's Drift, which is 40 miles south of Kimberley.

A MESSAGE FROM KIMBERLEY SAYS THAT THE BOERS BOMBARDED THE TOWN ALL DAY THURSDAY—AN INFANTRY BATTALION.

London, Feb. 13.—The War Office has posted a despatch from Colonel Keswick dated Sunday, Feb. 11, to the effect that Kimberley was bombarded throughout Feb. 8. During the morning of Feb. 8 a small infantry engagement, which was not reported, occurred at Alexanderfontein. The situation otherwise is unchanged.

PLANS TO STARVE MAKEKING. BUT ROBERTS TELLS BADEMPOELL RELIEF WILL BE THERE IN A FEW WEEKS.

London, Feb. 13.—An undated despatch from Makekling, via Gaberones, Feb. 2, says that Col. Baden-Powell has received a communication from Lord Roberts, promising relief would be sent in a few weeks. The food will last. The garrison is the same as before. The Boers have expressed their intention not to fight, but to starve us out.

THREE MEMBERS OF THE CANADIAN CONTINGENT WHO WERE CAUGHT SLEEPING ON PICKET.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Word of the court martial of the three members of the first Canadian contingent, held in South Africa, has been received in this city. One private was given eight days' imprisonment for sleeping on his post. The other two were given a light sentence.

THE WAR OFFICE PLANS. CREATION OF 43 BATTERIES IS THE POINT WHICH MEETS WITH PUBLIC APPROVAL.

London, Feb. 13.—The only point in the War Office plans that meets with universal approval is the announcement of the creation of 43 batteries, which Lord Lansdowne has explained as to consist of 15-pounders of the newest and most modern type, and the further announcement that the reserves of stores and ammunition, which have been admitted have been to the level required by modern improvements, and maintained there.

CAN RENBERG BE HELD? BOERS DRIVE BRITISH FROM SINGERSFONTEIN AND OTHER OUTPOSTS AFTER SEVERE FIGHTING.

Renberg, Cape Colony, Feb. 13.—The Boers are actively pressing around Renberg. The British force under Lieut. Col. Page, consisting of a section of artillery, 120 horses, which reached Singersfontein Feb. 10, has been compelled to fall back on Renberg, owing to its eastern flank being threatened.

THE TIMES NOT SATISFIED. THE TIMES, WHICH THINKS THE BOER PLAN VERY SAIL-FORWARD, SAYS: "NO AMOUNT OF SEARCHING THROUGH HIS INFANTRY, AND CONJECTURES CAN LEAD TO THE DISCOVERY OF ANY GUILDING PRINCIPLE OF DOUBLE OBJECT. THIS IS SCARCELY THE WAY TO MEET A GREAT GENERAL. LACK OF PRINCIPLE, AND A LACK OF IMAGINATION ARE THE LEADING CHARACTERISTICS OF THIS DISAPPOINTING SCHEME."

MORE TROOPS FOR THE CAPE. CORK, FEB. 13.—THE BRITISH TROOPSHIP ARCADE CASTLE, bound for the Cape, embarked today two officers and men of the 1st Canadian contingent, which was a reinforcement of the Cape force, which was a reinforcement of the Cape force, which was a reinforcement of the Cape force.

CORRESPONDENT IN BOER CAMP. MR. HEAY WAS INFORMED THAT THE BOERS HAD 120,000 MEN FIGHTING AND COULD CONTINUE WAR.

Renberg, Feb. 13.—An Australian newspaper correspondent, Mr. Heay, paid an interesting visit to the Boer camp Sunday to make inquiries as to the fate of the British. He says that the Boers are making a great effort to starve the British out of their positions.

The Loyal Opposition Freely Express Strong Opinions of the Manner of His Treatment by the Laurier Government.

General Hutton's Departure Will Be Universally Regretted by Both Militiamen and Citizens—Col. Donville Seems to Have Been Sore.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—A surprise was sprung on the House this afternoon when Col. Prior arose to express regret when Col. Donville hurried at the major-general. The spectacle was soon presented of the members of the Opposition joining the valuable work done by the major-general, and of the members of the Government sitting silent under the rough-shod remarks of Col. Donville hurled at the major-general, and apparently prompted by purely personal spleen, and the position taken by the World since the major-general's recall was that espoused by the Opposition.

Col. Prior's Speech.

Col. Prior, in bringing the matter to the attention of the House, said that the departure of General Hutton at this time was a serious matter, and it was like swapping the middle of a stream. He believed that there was a reason for his departure other than that he had been called home to go on active service to South Africa. He was going under a cloud, and went out of his way to say that Gen. Hutton had worked hard and done his best.

Mr. McNeill Surprised.

Mr. McNeill was surprised at the Government's silence and the remarks that Col. Donville had made concerning a civil servant. Their silence gave as to Col. Donville's remarks.

Has Minister Borden a Grudge?

A peculiarly apparent in Dr. Borden's speech. He had not a word of praise for Major-General Hutton, and did not take upon himself an Imperial officer's duties. He said that Col. Donville was an independent member of the House, and Ministers would not bear responsibility for his words. He thought Canada was in no danger because of Gen. Hutton's departure.

The Matter Deferred.

Both Sir Wilfrid and Sir Charles here said that they thought it would be best to defer further discussion till the papers returned to this matter. General Hutton had done good service in many respects, but that he was not free from faults.

Free the Militia From Politics.

Col. Thibault continued the discussion, while Col. Donville objected, saying that he was not a member of the House, and that he was not a member of the House, and that he was not a member of the House.

At Last Col. Donville Got the Door.

At last Col. Donville got the door. He maintained that some hon. members would have been delighted to have Major-General Hutton slide out of the country quietly and unobtrusively, and that his departure would not be universally regretted. He felt satisfied that when the papers were brought down it would be found that Hutton's departure was in the best interests of Canada.

BUSHMEN FOR THE WAR. THE CONTINGENT OF 1000 MEN IS NOW BEING EQUIPPED IN THE AUSTRALIAN COLONIES.

Sydney, Feb. 13.—The contingent of Bushmen to be sent out by the colonies of Queensland, Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales for service at the Cape is rapidly being equipped and soon will be ready to embark. The men themselves are of exceptional dash, and of wonderful physique and they will be sent out with 1150 mounts and 100 army wagons. The organization will be known as the 4th lance.

WHERE IS BULLER'S ARMY? SOME THINK HE IS QUARTERED AT CHELVEY, BUT NOTHING DETERMINATE IS KNOWN.

London, Feb. 13.—The fact that Gen. Buller's despatch revising the casualties to the British troops at Potgieters Drift is dated from Chelvey is taken in some quarters as a justification that Gen. Buller has removed his headquarters to that place. There is nothing to indicate whether or not he left any large force at Springfield.

GENERAL WAR GOSSIP. PICKED UP IN LONDON FROM DESPATCHES CABLED FROM SOUTH AFRICA—WHAT ABOUT RHODES?

London, Feb. 13.—War interest centres almost wholly upon Field Marshal Buller's report of the withdrawal from Vahl Kraatz camp through Lord Roberts, showing that all the different operations over the wide field will hereafter be more completely co-ordinated. It is now known that the military attaches have gone to join Lord Roberts at the Modder River, another move precluding an advance.

Refugees From Backly West. A despatch from the Modder River announces the arrival there of 1800 refugees from the Barkly West district. They had been ordered away by the Boers because they refused to join the Republicans.

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THE GRAND TRUNK'S ACTION

Shuts Out the American Pulp Mills From the Canadian Raw Material Supply.

A RISE IN PAPER IS INEVITABLE.

Abolition of Special Freight Rates May Put Up Pulp Wood \$1 a Cord.

New York, Feb. 13.—Concerning the abolition of the special rates on pulp wood shipments to United States points by the Grand Trunk Railway, it is said this morning that the shutting off of American pulp mills from the Canadian raw material supply.

The president of a local paper company, controlling a daily output of 125 tons, when asked what effect on the price of paper the promulgation of the new freight rates would have, said that a rise in the price of paper was inevitable. "The motive on Canadian in abolishing special rates on pulp shipments," he said, "can be traced to a determination to force the paper manufacturers of this country to draw on their own supplies. If such an object were accomplished, Canada would be in a position to charge an export duty on paper in retaliation for some of the import duties now charged by us for entries of lumber and other commodities."

When asked why the manufacturers of this country were forced to resort to Canada for pulp, he said: "The restrictions placed on American mills by the partially closed market of the United States, but, besides this, that country has furnished wood at a price cheaper than it could be bought here. There is no way of telling how much of an increase the abolition of special rates will cause; perhaps it will reach a dollar a cord."

Winnipeg Pays Strathcona Men. Each Member of the Contingent From the Prairie City Gets \$40.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Winnipeg paid \$40 to each member of the Strathcona contingent from this city. The Anglians of Manitoba have taken preliminary steps to raise a Century Fund.

TWO BRITISHERS MURDERED. Boundary Commissioners Jiddler and Sutherland Killed and Col. Lytton Wounded.

Hangoon, British Borneo, Feb. 13.—British Commissioners Jiddler and Sutherland, who have been engaged in the demarcation of the Borneo-China boundary, have been murdered in the Moughmouh. Col. Lytton was wounded, but escaped.

A BLIZZARD IN ENGLAND. Intense Cold in London and Reports of Severe Weather From Other Points.

London, Feb. 14.—The storm that came up yesterday developed into a blizzard. It is intensely cold in London, and reports of severe weather are coming from all parts of the United Kingdom. Telegraphic communication last evening has seriously interrupted.

COOK'S TURKISH AND RUSSIAN BATHS. Bath and bed \$1.00. 302 and 204 King W. Ask your druggist for Gibbons' Toothache Gum. Price 10 cents.

St. Valentine's Day. To-day the "Gentlemen of the House" will give in Toronto and make their bow to the grand army of lobbyists. In other words, the Legislature will convene. The Muller's best Havana cigars and roll a box of to the gentlemen of the press gallery. He always does that.

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To-Day's Program. Opening of Ontario Legislature, 2 p.m. Patriotic Demonstration at Mavora, 11 p.m. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at Princess, 2 and 8 p.m. "By the Sea Waves" at Toronto, 8 p.m. Splendid show at Sherb., 2 and 8 p.m. The Empire, 2 and 8 p.m.

Promotes Emigration. The Emigration Society of Toronto, Ontario, is holding a series of lectures on emigration to Palestine.

Mr. Edmund Will Soon Return. London, Feb. 14.—According to a despatch to the Standard from San Domingo, St. Edmund J. Mounse, British Ambassador in France, intends to return to Paris in the course of a few days.

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SOME MARINE CASUALTIES.

Argentine Barque Held for Salvage—British Cessel Had to Jettison Part of Cargo.

London, Feb. 13.—The Argentine barque Cordillera, Capt. Jensen, from St. John, N.B., for Newry, which while at anchor in Ramsey Bay, Isle of Man, broke adrift during a gale on Nov. 1, and several days after was towed back after having been abandoned from her crew, as before reported, is arrested for salvage, and advertised for sale. Her owners have abandoned her.

British Steamer Middleham Castle, Feb. 10 from Galveston, jettisoned a portion of her deck load during gales encountered on the passage.

With \$7,000,000 Capital. Troy and Bessemer Steel Works and Resolator Iron Works to Combine.

New York, Feb. 13.—Practical confirmation of the report current for sometime that it had been decided to consolidate the Troy Steel Works, the Bessemer Steel Works and the Resolator Iron Works with a capital of \$7,000,000, was received in this city today. The banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. will probably finance the consolidation. It is proposed to erect a ship-building plant near this city. The total output of the amalgamated concerns is estimated at 250,000 tons of iron and steel a year. It is proposed to build a coke plant at Breakers Island.

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