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MURRAY GETS A BIG TIP ABOUT THE DYNAMITERS

Were Dullman, Nolin, Walsh and Merna Arrested in Connection with the Exchange Court Explosion in Dublin?

Senate Rdg Room 16ob00

Is Dullman's Alias Rowan?—Merna's Strange Death in Washington—The Queer Story That is Now Told—All Prisoners Sent Up for Trial.

Welland, May 14.—(Special.)—Dullman, Walsh and Nolin, the dynamiters, were this morning committed for trial, and with the commitment the lively interest in the case here has dropped. No one expects any new light upon the case until the opening of the Assizes next week, but right in the midst of the abandoning of public interest comes a statement of facts which will set the officers all agog, and clear up much of the mystery in the case. They are facts that the Crown has been zealously guarding, and they show the winning card which Detective Murray has had up his sleeve. Nolin and Walsh are desperate men, and they have been engaged in other desperate deeds. That much comes from Dublin, the scene of their former crimes.

Is Dullman Rowan?

Dullman will turn out to be Rowan, an accomplice, and a leader in former actions.

These three had a companion in crime named John Merna, but he is dead, and his remains lie decently interred in a Washington, D.C., graveyard.

Murray Gets a Tip.

The Crown learned something of these facts two weeks ago from an unlooked-for source. A private detective, who is one of the shrewdest Canadians in the business, called on Detective Murray one day, and asked for a description of the three alleged dynamiters. Murray gave them accurately, and, as he finished, the mysterious detective pulled a photo from his pocket, with the remark:

"Did you ever see that man?"

"Why, that's Dullman," said Murray.

"Where did you get it?"

"From Scotland Yard," answered the other. He subsequently explained that Nolin, Walsh, John Merna and a man named Rowan sailed for Philadelphia last November, having previously been arrested for complicity in Exchange-court explosion, near Dublin Castle. They were acquitted by a Fenian jury. The photographs in his possession were of these men as received from Scotland Yard.

Parts of this leaked into the press at the time, and a despatch from London partly corroborated the statement. From New York a query was sent to Scotland Yard, but in the meantime Detective Murray had cabled the London police, and all communication on the subject was shut off.

Murray is at Work.

Dullman was at the time supposed to be an alias of Rowan, and Merna, who had disappeared, was suggested to have been removed by his comrades. Detective Murray has since heard from the Dublin case, and is now following up the actions of the four since their arrival in this country. On Saturday he was in New York, presumably on the trail of Rowan; to-day he is in Philadelphia, where the four landed, and where Nolin resided a short time previous to the present crime. Walsh and Merna went to Washington, D.C., where Merna's life ended mysteriously on the night of March 12. A coroner's verdict gave suicide as the cause, but there are doubts in the minds of the U.S. police as to the correctness of that verdict. Here is the story of John Merna's death:.

Story of Merna's Death.

In December last Merna took a position as bartender for John McEnerney, in a saloon at 212 Ninth-street, Northwest Washington. Walsh stopped at the same saloon as a friend of the bartender, and occupied the same room above the saloon. During his residence with McEnerney, Merna won the confidence of his employer, and was entrusted with the keys of the place. He was a jovial fellow, but had few other friends in Washington besides the proprietor of the saloon and Walsh. On March 12 he was off duty, and left the house about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. At 7.30 he returned, and spent about 10 minutes laughing and joking with several acquaintances in the bar. Still laughing, he passed thru a door, leading to a flight of stairs, and went to his room on the second floor of the building. There are three rooms on the second floor, two small bedrooms in the front of the building, and a large one in the rear. McEnerney occupies one small room and Merna and Walsh had the other. Merna evidently went to his own room first, where he removed his hat, overcoat and undercoat, and turned back the cover of the bed, as if he intended to retire.

A Shot Was Heard.

From that room he went into McEnerney's, and, ten minutes after he had gone upstairs, a shot was heard. Two men who were in the saloon ran upstairs, and found Merna lying on the floor of McEnerney's room. A revolver lay under his left arm. The police in that precinct were called, and four minutes after the shot was fired the Emergency Hospital ambulance was summoned. The bullet had passed thru the man's heart, and, in seven minutes, Merna was dead, without having uttered a word to those who found him. The deed had been committed with a 38-caliber British Bulldog revolver, which McEnerney claimed as his. It had been locked in the bureau drawer in McEnerney's room, and the marble top had evidently been taken off to secure it.

A Verdict of Suicide.

After the shooting the police took charge of the three upper rooms, and the following day Coroner Carr held an inquest, with the result that a verdict of suicide was given. The remains were then taken to the undertaking establishment of Collins & Costello, and McEnerney paid the expenses of the funeral.

Merna was 36 years old, a native of Dublin, Ireland. He gave out while living in Washington that he had a brother with Company "H" 1st Leinster Regiment, which is now engaged in the South African campaign. He was formerly stationed at Halifax.

John Merna claims to have visited America before, and, on returning to Ireland, worked on The Dublin Independent until he sailed on his second trip to America. He said he had a wife living at 88 Creighton-terrace, Dublin, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Tullam, at 31 Powers-court in the same city. Cable messages to these addresses at the time of the death have brought no reply as yet.

Was Merna Murdered?

No apparent cause could be found for Merna committing suicide, but after the coroner's inquest the matter was dropped. Subsequent rumors, however, have led the Washington police to believe that Merna might have met death by other than his own hand, but as yet they have nothing to throw suspicion on any one individual.

After Merna's death Walsh disappeared, and he is not seen again until he, Nolin and Dullman register at the Stafford House in Buffalo, a week later.

The result of these facts being brought to light leads the Crown to form the theory of a general organized plot, worked at different points, and with headquarters at Buffalo.

Nothing of this transpired at the session of the preliminary examination this morning, and the officials know little, if anything, of these facts. Detective Murray is keeping this to himself, but it was upon his recommendation that the Crown closed its case so suddenly to-day.

The Hearing Yesterday.

The hearing opened at 10.20, with Magistrate Logan presiding as usual. The prisoners were ushered in with less pomp than usual, and it was seen at a glance that the Crown officers expected to close the hearing as quickly as possible. Only one witness was heard, Officer Mains, and

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AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION BILL INTRODUCED BY CHAMBERLAIN.

An Important Step Towards the Organization of the British Empire—A Judicial Appeal Court With All the Colonies Represented is Proposed.

London, May 14.—The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, rose in the House of Commons to-day to introduce the Australian Commonwealth bill, which he described as a great and important step towards the organization of the Brlish Empire.

What It Means.

Mr. Chamberlain said it would make Australia an indissoluble Federal Commonwealth, united for the most important functions of Government, with intercolonial free trade, a common tariff for all the colony and common control of the national defence. Such a consummation was as much to Great Britain's interests as to Australia's. What was good for Australia was clearly good for the whole Empire.

The Empire Rejoiced.

The Empire rejoiced at this great, free, progressive movement, which was a monument to legislative competency and worthy of all the great labor that had been expended on it.

A Special Tribunal.

After explaining the difference between the Australian proposals and the Canadian constitution, Mr. Chamberlain pointed out that, as foreign countries were concerned in the new constitution, it was important that measures which might involve the Imperial Government in the most serious responsibilities should be interpreted by a tribunal in which all the parties had full confidence.

Colonies to Be Represented.

The Government could not consent to clause 74, relating to the appeal court, because it meant the abolition of the Imperial veto, which would be prejudicial to the unity of the Empire, and might lead to a conflict of authority between the proposed new High Court and the Privy Council. There was by no means unanimity on the subject in Australia, and the Government would ask the House of Commons to so far amend the bill as to retain the power of the Court of Appeal.

On Judicial Committee.

The Government purposed to introduce in the House of Lords forthwith a scheme to appoint for seven years a representative each of Canada, South Africa, Australia and India, to be members of the Privy Council, and who would act as Lords of Appeal.

To Have Life Peerages.

Life peerages would be conferred on them, so that they would continue to sit in the House of Lords, altho they would not as judges after their term of service had expired. They would be paid the same as Lords of Appeal, and at the cost of the Imperial Government. Mr. Chamberlain said the new constitution, altho in important respects unlike any now existing, more closely resembled the constitution of the United States than any other. State rights thruout were jealously preserved.

Senate to Be Elected.

In Australia the Senate would be elected by the same electorate as the Legislature, and the members of both bodies would receive the same salary.

Liberals to Oppose Appeal Court.

The Liberal leader in the House, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, said he thought it unfortunate that the Government had not acceded to proposals which had received the unanimous approval of Australia, and, he added, the Opposition would refuse to support the Government proposals in reference to the Court of Appeals.

After Sir Charles Dilke and others had spoken, the bill passed its first reading. The second reading was fixed for May 21.

All the Australian delegates and numerous colonial agents and peers who had formerly been Governors of various colonies, were present in the House of Commons during the debate.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MIX-UP

A Coalition Formed to Down Martin—Cotton, Wilson, Turner and Mackintosh in It.

THE VANCOUVER NEWS-ADVERTISER

Said to Have Been Acquired by C. P. R. Representatives—Money Will Fly Plentifully.

Vancouver, B.C., May 14.—(Special.)—The latest political program has plenty of sensation in it, to the effect that Tisdall of Vancouver resigns in favor of Cotton, and Cotton, Wilson, Turner and Mackintosh join hands in a coalition as a common enemy to Martin, with chances strongly favoring Mackintosh for leadership of the new anti-Martin combination.

In the suburban district of Vancouver, Wilkinson resigns in favor of Kidd, also an anti-Martin combination.

At Nanaimo all the independent candidates are agreed to a combine against Martin. The whole thing is a part of one gigantic scheme, which will cost a lot of hard cash to consummate. Where the cash is coming from is not hard to discover, as no attempt is being made to hide this feature of the campaign on the part of those determined to defeat Martin.

Possibly the fact that President Shaughnessy of the C.P.R. will be in Vancouver in three days from now, with his stated intention of acquiring for his company The Vancouver News-Advertiser has something to do with the sudden stiffening of the Opposition ranks. Also the confession openly made yesterday by a person prominently connected with the corporation fighting Martin, that the C.P.R. is prepared to spend half a million to down Joe, but expect to do it for $300,000, which it will spend with pleasure to accomplish this purpose.

Alleged Purchase of Four Papers.

This will be the fourth provincial paper purchased by the big corporation since this campaign started. They are: The Rossland Miner (daily), New Westminster Daily Columbian, Vancouver Daily Province, and now The News-Advertiser, it is alleged everywhere here. Certainly the altered tone of those sheets, and the bitterness with which they are attacking Martin, gives more than color to the allegation.

Martin is known to have a campaign fund of $10,000.

Billy McInness is heartily damning the Federal Government in his speeches.

BARNS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

A Horse Killed at Kingston—A Cataraqui Man Killed by a Falling Wall—Kingston News.

Kingston, Ont., May 14.—Lightning last evening struck and killed a horse owned by S. Going, Brock-street. The stable was set on fire, which was soon put out. Various barns in the neighborhood of Kingston were damaged by lightning.

R. H. Harkness wrote the Department of Militia at Ottawa to-day, asking that an enquiry be made into the loss of the case he sent Sergt. Metcalfe, and which was placed aboard the steamer Milwaukee at Halifax.

Archbishop Lewis and wife arrived today from Ottawa, and are the guests of Archdeacon Carr.

Archbishop Gauthier is not in the best of health at present. His throat troubles him considerably.

Charles B. Purdy of the village of Cataraqui came to his death in a sad way yesterday evening. He was engaged in demolishing an old stone building, when suddenly one of the walls collapsed, and he was caught in the debris and instantly killed.

LIPTON A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW.

"Put Me Down for One Thousand Dollars," He Says to the Artists' Press League.

New York, May 14.—The following message was received to-day by Mr. Barrie, representing Sir Thomas Lipton in New York. It has reference to the exhibition of the Press Artists' League, which opens to-day at the Waldorf, in this city:

"London, May 12.—Have just received letter from Press Artists' League. Put me down $1000; select whatever pictures you think best; delighted to have this opportunity assisting my good press friends in their excellently conceived exhibition; wish them brilliant success. (Signed) Lipton."

VESUVIUS AGAIN IN ERUPTION.

A Professor of Geology Approached the Crater and Was Badly Bruised and Burned.

Rome, May 14.—Mount Vesuvius is again in a state of eruption and spectators are forbidden to approach within a certain distance.

Signor Matteucci, professor of geology, in the University of Naples, who is devoting himself to a study of volcanic action, had a narrow escape. He had received a special permit to approach the crater, and was bruised and burned by a shower of incandescent stones.

GENERAL OTTAWA NOTES.

Relief Fund Now Totals $810,000—No Piling of Lumber Within 60 Feet of Buildings.

Ottawa, May 14.—(Special.)—Mr. Fielding will on Wednesday introduce an act to amend the Expropriation Act, and an act to amend the acts relating to interest.

The fire relief fund now totals $810,000. The Board of Trade decided to-night not to allow the piling of lumber within 60 feet of a building. Of this 60 feet 30 feet must be provided by the city. This refers to piles of 500,000 feet and over.

THE DISTRESS IN INDIA.

Decline in the Number of Persons Asking Relief Due to Cholera—Officers' Difficulties.

London, May 14.—The Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, has telegraphed to the Secretary of State for India, Lord George Hamilton, as follows:

"The decline in the number of persons demanding relief in Bombay and elsewhere is probably due to the outbreak of cholera, which has broken up many of the relief camps and has enormously increased our famine officers' difficulties. Otherwise the situation is unaltered."

Sale Starts at 11.

Hundreds of ladies and gentlemen were at the residence of Mr. P. Jacobi, 28 Avenue-road, last night to see the wonderful collection of furniture which will be sold by auction to-day by Auctioneer Charles M. Henderson. Great admiration was expressed for the rare art furniture, the bric-a-brac and the paintings. Mr. Henderson says he never had such a genuine collection to dispose of before. The sale starts at 11 a.m. sharp, and there will be no reserve.

U. S. Consuls in Ontario.

Washington, May 14.—The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: Harry P. Dill of Maine, now commercial agent at Port Hope, Ont., to be consul at that place; Ernest A. Wakefield of Maine, now commercial agent at Orillia, Ont., to be consul at that place.

Toronto Conservative Club.

The Toronto Conservative Club met last night in the Yonge-street Arcade with Vice-President Joseph Bloomer in the chair and talked over the arrangements for the decoration of Sir John A. Macdonald's monument in Queen's Park on June 6 next.

Sneak Thieves Again.

Housebreakers entered the home at 38 St. Vincent-street of Mr. Bernard T. Jennings, manager of the Imperial Bank, on Sunday afternoon while the inmates were away, and made off with a gold watch, locket and chain and $2 in money. The thieves got in by forcing a rear window.

BULLER'S BOLD MOVE TURNED BOER POSITION.

The Federals Were Making a Stand on Monday Evening at Bleskoplaagte, Seven Miles From Dundee.

Then Hildyard Took Indoba, and it is Reported That the Enemy Withdrew in Disorder—Roberts' Casualties Heavier Than Reported.

London, May 15.—(3.45 a.m.)—Gen. Buller's turning of the Biggarsberg position was effected by a bold movement. The Boers had evacuated Helpmakaar, but were making a stand Monday evening at Bleskoplaagte, seven miles from Dundee. The correspondents on the spot regarded this as a rear guard action, intended to cover the retreat of the army.

At the same time Gen. Hildyard took Indoba, and it is reported that the Boers withdrew in disorder.

Buller Will Push on.

Gen. Buller, who seems to be employing his full strength, is expected to push on. His first marches were 45 miles in three days. He is thus breaking into British territory, which had been administered for six months by the Transvaalers as tho it were part of the republic, holding courts and levying taxes. His success therefore has political as well as military consequences. While Lord Roberts' forces is concentrating at Kroonstadt, where they will rest for a day or two, his horsemen have penetrated 18 miles northward, in the squadron which cut the railway 10 miles beyond Kroonstadt was the American scout, Fred. Burnham.

200 Boers Surrender.

Two hundred Boers who had ridden in the river jungles near Kroonstadt to escape service have surrendered to the British and taken the oath of allegiance.

Proposed to Imprison Steyn.

According to a despatch from Bennett Burleigh to The Daily Telegraph, dated May 10, Paul Botha and McDonald, members of the Free State Volksraad, demanded that the chairman should call a meeting to sue for peace, as further resistance was suicidal, and proposed to make President Steyn a prisoner.

Nothing From Mafeking.

Nothing definite has been heard about the expected relief of Mafeking. The Cape Town correspondents continue to wire that relief is imminent, fixing Tuesday or Wednesday as probable dates. Enquirers at the War Office are told that the news of the relief will be made public immediately upon its receipt. No word has come to hand at midnight.

What About Gen. Hunter?

The latest supposition concerning Gen. Hunter is that he is marching up the north bank of the Vaal, with a force sufficient, in co-operation with Lord Roberts, to render the Boer defence of the Transvaal frontier impossible.

Rundle is Advancing.

East of Bloemfontein Gen. Rundle is advancing toward Ladybrand. His troops and those of Gen. Brabant are stretched over a distance of 30 miles. The Boers are described as quite disorganized, and as retreating northward. President Steyn's lieutenants are trying to rally them.

Disintegration Everywhere.

The same stories of disintegration come from nearly every point where the English correspondents are. Mr. Hellawell, formerly a corespondent at Mafeking, who was put over the Transvaal border, telegraphing from Lorenzo Marquez, Sunday, says:

"Judging from talks I have had with the Boers, the end of the war will come in a month or six weeks. Mr. Steynkamp, chairman of the Second Raad, who traveled with me, said that if the burghers were pressed from Pretoria they would retire to the district of the Lydenburg Mountains, which had already been provisioned. He remarked that he hoped the burghers would stand firm, but he feared they were too broken in spirit.

"I gathered from him that the whole available force of the Transvaal was now in the field, the final commandeering having taken place last Thursday, and that it is only the powerful magnetism of "President Kruger that keeps the burghers together."

Many Deaths From Fever.

At the British hospitals in Bloemfontein the deaths from enteric fever average from 8 to 10 daily.

MAFEKING TO BE RELIEVED.

Mr. George Wyndham Tells the House That the Work Will Shortly Be Accomplished.

London, May 14.—The Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office, Mr. George Wyndham, in the House of Commons to-day declined to divulge Lord Roberts' plans for the relief of Mafeking, but added significantly that he hoped that they would shortly be accomplished.

BULLER GETS AFTER THE BOERS.

Commenced His Advance Thursday. Outflanked the Boer Positions at Biggarsberg and is Pushing on.

London, May 14.—A special despatch from Stone Hill Farm, Natal, dated to-day, says:

"General Buller's advance commenced Thursday, when he left Ladysmith in strength. When within two miles of Helpmakaar, the Boers opened a heavy artillery fire and the British guns replied, while a portion of Buller's troops worked round the Boer flanks. The British attack was pressed home Sunday. Bethune, on the right, outflanked the Boers, whose splendid defensive positions on the Biggarsberg were practically taken.

"General Buller's march, subsequent to the attack, was carried out without a hitch.

"The British are still pushing on."

THE NEWS ABOUT BULLER.

Residents of North Natal Delighted Over the Thought of Returning to Their Homes.

London, May 14.—A despatch received by the Associated Press from Pietermaritzburg, Natal, timed 12.05 p.m. to-day, brings the first intimation of success attained by Gen. Buller in Northern Natal. The sender of this despatch evidently assumes that news of the affair has been received direct from the scene of hostilities, for he merely says:

"Gen. Buller's official telegram, notifying his success at the Biggarsberg, received here an hour ago, has given keen satisfaction. It is confidently anticipated that Dundee will be occupied by the British today. The residents of the north country are delighted, as forcing the Biggarsberg means that they will speedily be enabled to return to their homes.

"At about the time this message was filed arrived another despatch to the Associated Press, dated Stone Hill Farm, 8.20 o'clock this morning. It says:

Broke the Boer Centre.

"After four days' march eastwards at the foot of the Biggarsberg ridges, in the direction of Helpmakaar, which was occupied by the Federals, the second brigade on Sunday led the attack. Dundonald's cavalry broke the Boers' centre, and Bethune's Horse advanced on their extreme right. In the direction of Pemeroy, a small party of burghers occupied a ridge overlooking Helpmakaar, but they did not wait for the assault.

Federals Were in Force.

"Recent British scouting in the direction of Dundee has shown that the Federals were in great force on the Biggarsberg. So, apparently, Gen. Buller concluded that it was necessary to clear them from his rear before commencing a movement in the direction of the Drakensberg Range. If that is his plan he has possibly divided his forces, sending one column eastward to threaten Vryheid and Utrecht and take Laing's Nek in the rear, while a westbound column attempts to form a junction with the forces of Lord Roberts via the Harrismith Railroad."

MORE CASUALTIES THAN REPORTED

In the Cavalry Division on May 10—Capt. Elsworthy Was Killed Owing to Trenchery.

London, May 14.—(3.12 p.m.)—The War Office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts:

"Kroonstadt, Sunday, May 13.—There were more casualties in the cavalry division May 10 than reported by me. I have been unable to get an exact account of what occurred, as the commanding officer, Capt. Elsworthy, was killed, and two officers were wounded at the same time and have been sent to the rear. But it would appear that a party of our men going up to a kraal on which a white flag was flying was suddenly attacked by a large number of the enemy. Two officers, Captain Haig of the 6th Dragoons and Lieut. Wilkinson of the Australian Horse, were made prisoners, and twenty-one men are still unaccounted for. Some of them may have turned up, as the cavalry covered a considerable distance May 10, and some of those reported missing have been rejoining during the last few days."

The above despatch refers to the losses sustained by the Inniskillings May 10, as detailed in the despatches of the Associated Press Saturday last. The troopers were fired on while unsaddling their horses, having approached the kraal unsuspiciously while a white flag was flying from it.

TREATMENT OF WAR PRISONERS.

Lord Roberts and Paul Kruger Have Been in Correspondence on the Matter.

London, May 14.—(6.12 p.m.)—The War Office has published a despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Kroonstadt, Sunday, May 13, giving the correspondence between Lord Roberts and President Kruger relative to the alleged ill-treatment of Colonial prisoners of war. The Transvaal's reply was to the effect that there was no difference in the treatment of the Colonial and other prisoners, and that only a few who had contravened martial law or who had tried to escape, or who, it had been suspected, might try to escape, had been placed in jail for security. Otherwise they had been treated like the other prisoners of war.

Regarding enteric fever, the Government of the Transvaal said it was prevalent among the civil population as well as among the prisoners, and every remedial measure had been taken.

Lord Roberts replied on April 22 that he was glad to receive President Kruger's assurances, but pointed out that no difference was made by the British authorities in regard to the Boer prisoners against whom there might be reasonable ground for suspicion that they would try to escape, adding that such exceptions gave room for abuse by officials without the knowledge of the authorities.

THE EIGHTH DIVISION

Has Reached Newberry's Mills and Captured Great Quantities of Flour and Grain.

Thabanchu, Sunday, May 13.—The Eighth Division, with its front extending thirty miles, was yesterday moving forward. Gen. Grenfell and Gen. Brabant followed the Boers, reaching Newberry's Mills, and captured great quantities of flour and grain. Gen. Brabant's mounted force, with Campbell's Brigade of Guards and Gen. Boyes' brigade, have cleared the country.

The Boers are splitting up and retiring in the direction of Clocoland.

TRANSVAALERS ARE MASSING.

They Will Make a Stand at the Vaal—Steyn Has Gone to Heilbron.

Kroonstadt, Saturday, May 12.—President Steyn has gone to Heilbron, not Lindley. He has declared the former the new capital. Four hundred burghers have given up their arms here and in this neighborhood. Altho the bridge across the Valsch has been destroyed, a good deviation exists where the road ran before the bridge was constructed.

The Transvaalers are reported to be massing at the Vaal.

The Standard and Diggers' News of Johannesburg shows that dissensions exist in the Transvaal Volksraad.

Railway repairs are progressing rapidly. The town accepts the occupation quietly.

THE SURRENDER OF CRONJE.

A Correspondent Tells How the Burghers Received the Fateful News of Paardeburg.

London, May 5.—The Daily News' correspondent, A. G. Hales, who was taken prisoner by the Boers and returned by them to Gen. Gatacre, sends his paper an account of how the Boers received the news of Cronje's surrender.

Some who had escaped from Cronje's laager brought in the fateful news. The scold-looking fighting men broke down and wept like boys. Great, rugged, bearded men dashed their rifles on the ground and spurned them with their boots, whilst down their sun-and-wind-tanned faces the tears poured readily. Others stood leaning upon their rifles with hands hard gripped until one would think the tightened muscles would leave the impress of the straining fingers upon the cold steel. Others crowded together and looked humbly from face to face, like cattle foregathered to the shambles.

If Cronje had loved his country half as well as his country had loved him he would have marched right on to the point of a British bayonet on that morning so disastrous to the Boers' arms, and have yielded up his life in order that the memory of his name might have remained as a watchword on the lips and in the hearts of his gallant yeoman soldiery. Cronje has been to the Boers as a god fashioned out of marble. They found him at last to be only a man made out of mud, and when he fell the Cape Dutch cause and the Orange Free State fell with him. When he laid down his arms he launched a thunderbolt into the Boer camp, which wrecked it forever.

Young Woman's Christian Guild.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Guild was held last night, and gratifying progress was shown in all departments. Mrs. Elias Rogers was elected president and a large and competent Executive Committee was appointed.

FIGHTING JOE'S PROSPECTS

Gentleman Just Returned From Vancouver Tells About British Columbia Situation.

TWO NEW CASES OF SMALLPOX.

Rock Lake Paper Pays a Tribute to R. L. Richardson—Winnipeg News Notes.

Winnipeg, May 14.—(Special.)—D. W. Bole, a prominent citizen, has just returned from Vancouver. He spent two days with Hon. Joseph Martin. Asked as to Martin's chances of election, Bole said he did not wish to prognosticate, but he said Martin appeared to have a much larger following that he gets credit for outside the Province. The weakness of Martin's opposition is in their divisions. They are divided into a number of parties, such as Turnerites, Davisites, Connorites and Wilsonites. As a result, Martin is getting lots of advertising, and is making a vigorous campaign.

Two New Cases of Smallpox.

Two fresh cases are reported from the smallpox quarantine this afternoon.

Railway Line Asked for.

On Wednesday night next a large and representative deputation, consisting of Reeves, Councillors and others from rural municipalities, in the northwest part of the Province, will wait on the Government to ask for construction of a railway from some point on the M. & N.W. line to some point on the C.P.R. main line at or near the City of Brandon.

Rev. D. B. Gordon Dead.

Rev. David B. Gordon of New York arrived from the East on a visit to his son-in-law, Mr. Barber, manager of Sir W. C. Van Horne's farm at East Selkirk. Mr. Gordon died on Sunday from pneumonia.

The Lisgar Convention.

The Manitoba press is filled with comments on the Lisgar convention. An influential section finds voire in the following extract from The Rock Lake Review, a paper published in the constituency, which is Liberal in its leanings: "There was a scene at the Morden convention which reminds us of a similar one some nineteen centuries ago, when that assembly was packed with delegates whose chief qualifications were that they were tribune haters, who indulged in flagrant abuse of Mr. Richardson, a gentleman honored by every Liberal in Lisgar. A former chairman of the Liberal Association, namely, Dr. McConnell, arose and asked: "Why, what wrong has he done?" and in that entire assembly there was not one man vouchsafed an answer. That brief question defines our position. When The Free Press, or Greenway, or any elector in Lisgar, or anybody else, draws our attention to one single promise made by Mr. Richardson on a public platform in the last campaign which he has not honestly endeavored to fulfil, or one single principle of the Liberal platform of 1896 which he has violated, we pledge ourselves then and there to withdraw our support from him. Until then, however, we propose to act in accordance with the dictates of common-sense, regardless of party ties or individual preferences."

Legislature Resumed.

The Local Legislature resumed its sitting to-night, when Mr. McMillan continued his reply to Mr. Davidson on the budget.

MORE TROUBLE IN AFRICA.

Germans Have Seized a Lot of Territory Which Belgium Claimed in Congo Free State.

London, May 15.—Mr. Lionel Decle, who is conducting a Cape-Cairo-expedition, fitted out by The London Daily Telegraph, sends by wire and steamer from Uvila, north of Lake Tanganyika, the following:

"The situation here is critical. The Germans have forcibly seized all the Congo Free State territory up to Rusizi River, occupying 3000 square miles of Congo territory with 1000 soldiers, 15 officers and cannon.

"The Belgian officer withdrew from his station under threat of instant attack. The Germans burned the station. Their officers acted upon instructions from Berlin."

THE LATE COL. COSBY.

Many Messages of Sympathy Have Been Received—Funeral Service To-Day.

Many messages extending sympathy were received by the family of the late Lieut.-Col. A. M. Cosby yesterday from friends in different parts of Canada. A number of beautiful floral offerings were also placed upon the casket. While the funeral will be strictly private, all friends of the deceased will be admitted this afternoon to take a last look. At the home, 290 College-street, a funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Armstrong Black of Knox, St. Andrew's Church, and Rev. Canon Sanson, rector of Trinity Church, East King-street. The cortege will leave the house at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and will proceed to St. James' Cemetery.

Nothing Finer for Tea than biscuits made from Dalley's Tea Biscuit Flour. They are prepared in ten minutes with the use of a little sweet milk.

Police Will Move.

The Police Commissioners met yesterday afternoon and made arrangements whereby the officers now at the Court-street Station will be removed to the new civic buildings on Saturday next. The first sitting of the Police Court in the new premises will be held on Monday.

You can cure chapped hands with the use of Dalley's Family Salve only 10c a box.

A Good Appointment.

Miss Annie Montgomery, late lady superintendent of the Isolation Hospital, and one of the nurses who volunteered to go to South Africa, has been appointed lady superintendent of the Civic Hospital, Montreal, and assumes the duties attached to that position to-day.

Harry Love handles Stearns Bicycles.

Quick Lunch, 81½ Yonge, next World Office. Meals served any hours of the day or night from five to fifty cents. Convenient for men working down town and those out late at night. John Goebel, Prop. 2

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Bath and bed $1.00. 202 and 204 King W

Sweet Peas.

are now the season's favorites. We have all varieties and colors. Dunlop, 5 King west, 445 Yonge-street.

Pember's Turkish Baths. Excellent sleeping accommodation. 128 Yonge.

The Chocolate of the future. Try it. Watson's fresh made Cream Chocolate. Invigorating, sustaining, delicious, in 5c bars. 246

Spring Suits—Fine Imported Tweeds and Worsteds, plain and fancy checks, $15 to $25. I have a few of my special Covert Coats left, 34 to 42 in., $12. John Watson, 91 Bay-street.

Cook's Turkish Baths—204 King W.

Headache Cured in a few minute Bingham's Stimulating Headache Powders are not depressing. Money refunded if they fail. 25 cents for box of 12. Bingham's Pharmacy, 100 Yonge-street. edf

Office chairs, a large most complete stock. Office Specialty Mfg. Co., 77 Bay.

Cure a Cold in a few hours. Dr. Evans' Laxative Grip Capsules do not gripe. Money refunded. 25 cents. Bingham's Pharmacy, 100 Yonge-street. ed

IT WAS A BAD DAY FOR SIR WILFRID LAURIER

He is Warmly Criticized for Attempting to Burk Enquiry Into West Huron and Brockville Election Frauds.

Says He is Running the Show in His Own Way, After He Had Just Got a Bad Fall Over the Appointment of French Translators.

Ottawa, May 14.—(Special.)—The House was featured to-day with the discomfiture of the man with the sunny smile and amused by his ridiculous backdown in connection with the West Huron and Brockville election inquiry. Altogether to-day was a warm one for the Prime Minister, who not only showed he sometimes led where others would not follow, but also that he sometimes lost the stop gag to his temper. The dignity of the House was lost when Sir Wilfrid clenched his fist, and, shaking it at the Opposition, told them metaphorically that he was running his own show. It might have been serious had it not seemed so juvenile.

The First Shock.

The first shock came to the First Minister when he could find no one in the House ready to meet his request that the recommendation of the Printing Committee, appointing three new French translators to the Hansard staff, should be changed. Sir Wilfrid wished one of the three thrown out, and his place taken by Mr. Gelinas, an old employe of the staff.

Show-Up of French Translation.

Messrs. Bergeron, Somerville and Richardson then told the Prime Minister a few things. There have been troubles with the French translation of Hansard. To-day it is 735 pages behind. The committee had caused applicants to pass an examination. Mr. Gelinas had tried, but failed. He had skipped all the hard sentences in his task, and had not done half his work. Besides, when Mr. Gelinas was chief of the staff a few years ago, he had appointed a translator who could not translate and did not translate a single sentence for a whole session.

Cold on Sir Wilfrid.

As Mr. Somerville (Liberal) put it: "The report of the committee should be adopted and the less said about Mr. Gelinas the better."

In the course of the discussion it was shown that the French translators do their work in a rented building on Sussex-street, costing the country $600 a year. Why could not a room be provided at the Parliament Buildings?

Mr. Mulock promised to look into the matter.

Without a murmur, Sir Wilfrid allowed the Printing Committee's report to be concurred in. He had had his first fall.

Militia Appointments.

Two bills fathered by Ministers were introduced, and Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, presented one to amend the Militia Act. In explanation, he said it gave power to the Government to appoint a colonel to a regiment. As the Act now stands lieutenant-colonel is the highest appointment in the gift of the Government, with the exception that the Quartermaster-General and the Adjutant-General of the militia may be made colonels. The reason for the amendment was that since a number of civilians and others had of late accepted positions as honorary-lieutenant-colonels to regiments it was thought that there were many deserving officers who should get a still higher rank. Further, this amendment had been recommended by Gen. Hutton.

The Major-General.

Col. Prior hinted, however, a matter that apparently Dr. Borden had no desire to conceal, namely, that the last clause of the bill gave the Government power to appoint a major-general under certain conditions.

Dr. Borden explained that, in time of peace, by the amendment the Government could appoint officers no higher than colonels, but in time of war could appoint higher officers, such as major-generals.

The Civil Service Act.

Mr. Fielding's bill was to amend the Civil Service Act, by creating a class of junior second-class clerks. This was promptly by departmental convenience. The minimum salary of such clerks will be $600, and maximum $1000. But if a clerk passes in two optional subjects, he is entitled to a minimum salary of $700, or if he is a graduate of any university, or of the R.M.C., it is $800. The bill provides that the minimum salary of a packer or sorter in the P.O. Department shall be $600, instead of $500, as at present.

A Canadian Mint.

Col. Prior asked if the Government had had any communications with the Imperial

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DEATH SENTENCE ON TWO.

Dube and Cazes, Quebec Murderers, Condemned to Be Hanged on July 6.

Montreal, May 14.—Dube, who killed Thomas Mooney at Beauport Lake, and Constable Cazes, who killed his wife in February last, were both sentenced in Quebec this morning to be hanged on July 6.

COOMASSIE HOLDING OUT.

The Place is Still Closely Invested by the Ashantees, But the Garrison is Plucky.

Accra, May 14.—Runners who arrived here to-day report that Coomassie is still closely invested by the Ashantees, but that the garrison is holding out.

The Adasis, neighboring tribes, threaten the Bekwais, who are loyal to the Government.

"Your Druggist has sold Gibbons' Toothache Gum for years. Price 10c.

The Warm Wave and Its Effects.

The population of Toronto were rather surprised to find on Sunday that they were practically in summer; they looked for an expected thunder shower, but when none came, why, they just settled down and thought how they should prepare. The wisest immediately thought of a straw hat, and not a few hurried on Monday morning to the Dineen Company and bought one, wherein they gave evidence of their common good judgment. Many people would expect that the W. & D. Dineen Company would be unprepared for such a sudden change. Not so—they have their summer stock complete. It includes hundreds of dozens of the newest London and New York designs in straw hats at any figure ranging from $1 to $2.50, and in rough or smooth straw. Also, there arrived to-day a shipment of pocket traveling caps. The very latest thing. They fold to the size of a cigar, and you can get them in twenty different colors and at $1 each.

New Metal Ceilings.—We have latest designs with invisible joints. Send rough sketch showing shape and dimensions of ceiling, and we will submit design and quote special price to introduce. Can be put on right over plaster. The Metal Shingle & Siding Co., Limited, Preston, Ont. 2tf

Grand & Toy's Snaps.

Fine Russia Leather Indexed Memo and Price Books, Travelers' Expense Books, Duplicate and Triplicate Order Books. If it's a good thing we have it.—Grand & Toy, Stationers and Printers, Wellington and Jordan-streets, Toronto.

Darling & Pearson have removed to Imperial Bank Bldg., Leader Lane.

Crown Prince Thanks Everybody.

Berlin, May 14.—The Reichs Zeitung publishes to-night the thanks of Crown Prince Frederick William to all, either at home or abroad, who have tendered congratulations to him on the attainment of