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NEW YORK, March 5.—Howard Gould purposes a novel outing. His yacht, the Niagara, will be his home for the next three months, and in it, with a party of friends, he will cruise in the Caribbean and if time will permit, will go as far south as Cape Horn. The party will consist of persons interested in photography and to further this end the Niagara has been refitted to resemble a photographic studio.

do with several dark and developing rooms. The party will sail from New York on March 25, and the first stop will be Bermuda; the next Cuba, but the chief points will be Mexico and Central America, and down the coast to the interesting points of South America.

"I care not who makes the nation's laws," paraphrased the Sophomore Crier, "I can but kill the men who write the popular songs."

SOUTH AFRICA.

Twelve Thousand Troops Going Out from England.

Boers failed at Lichtenburg—Dewet's Men Scattered—Botha May Surrender.

LONDON, March 8.—A special despatch from Pretoria dated today says General Kitchener and General Botha had a lengthy conference on Sun Hill this morning. General Botha was alone and General Kitchener was accompanied by his secretary.

LONDON, March 7.—Whatever negotiations are proceeding in Pretoria and Mr. Kruger declares that they can only be for an armistice—the government evidently has no idea of slackening reinforcements. The war office issued a detailed statement last evening of transports that are to sail for South Africa within the coming week with 12,000 troops.

The casualty list reveals the fact that two officers were killed at Lichtenburg March 3. Lord Kitchener's telegram: "Am sending reinforcements" was dated March 6th. Evidently, therefore, the fighting continued for some days, and further advice are awaited with anxiety.

According to the Daily Mail's despatches, General Dewet and Mr. Steyn have separated, the former being at Petrusburg and the latter at Smithfield. LONDON, March 8.—Lord Kitchener, under date of March 7, says: "The Boers failed in their determined attack upon Lichtenburg. Our losses, besides the two officers previously reported, were fourteen men killed and twenty wounded. The Boer general, Celliers, was killed. "Dewet's position is variously reported, as his men are scattering through the Orange Colony. Our troops marching north reached Petrusburg today. "French reports further capture of a fourteen pounder Creuseot, with carriage and limber complete and one Hotchkiss, making a total of seven guns. The total number of Boers known to have been placed hors de combat since the capture of operations began is nine hundred and seventy-nine."

Lord Kitchener stated that 368 rifles, 12,570 rounds of ammunition, 154 horses, 1,246 trek oxen, 2,229 cattle, 12,550 sheep, 100 wagons and carts and large quantities of forage have been captured without casualties in Cape Colony. He further reports: "On a small commando north of A'erdsee and a small commando north of Krugersdorp yesterday entered Pearson, but Goringe in the west turned them out and Deltis headed them off on the road to Somerset coast."

LONDON, March 8.—Today's additions make General French's total captures in the present operations as follows: Guns, 7; rifles, 784; rounds of ammunition, 204,570; horses, 4,971; trek-oxen, 5,520; cattle, 28,220; sheep, 178,730 and wagons and carts 1,457.

LONDON, March 8.—A despatch from Pretoria, dated Tuesday, March 5, evidently held up by the censor, has just arrived here. It says General Kitchener met General Botha and other Boer leaders at Middleburg, February 27, and the question of the possibility of the termination of hostilities was discussed. Another despatch from Pretoria, dated Wednesday, March 6, which met with similar treatment, says the meeting between General Kitchener and General Botha has awakened deep interest and that there are favorable expectations as to the probable outcome.

LORENZO MARQUESS, March 8.—General Kitchener has granted General Botha a seven days' armistice to enable him to confer with the other generals.

LONDON, March 8.—According to the Sun, the surrender of General Botha would have been accomplished before now had General Kitchener been in a position to conclude the terms for surrender. When the surrender occurs, the Sun adds, it will include the surrender or entire suppression of General Dewet and will involve the termination of the war.

THE KAISER'S JOKE.

BERLIN, March 3.—The following bulletin regarding Emperor William's condition was issued this morning: "The Kaiser's condition yesterday was satisfactory. His majesty slept well last night, and when the bandage was changed his wound presented no inflammatory symptoms. There is some swelling of the right eye lid and cheek. He has no fever. (Signed), LEUTENANT, BERGMANN, HEBERG." Emperor William wired today to Prince Henry of Prussia: "I look as if I had just come from China."

VERY BAD FAILURE.

JOPLIN, Mo., March 5.—The International Zinc Co. has gone into the hands of a receiver, with assets which are said to be practically worthless. The International was capitalized at \$1,000,000, and sold its stocks in various American and English cities at almost par, much of the stock being bought by wage earners and other people who could not afford to lose their money. The names of bankers of New York and Boston were at the head of the company, and the names of some prominent Joplin mining men and officials were also associated with the company. But they deny having authorized the use of their names.

STRATHCONAS

Arrived at Halifax Today, Fourteen Days from Liverpool.

Only 280 of the 600 Have Returned—Col. Steele Talks to the Star.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 8.—The transport Numidian, with Strathcona's Horse, entered Halifax harbor at daylight this morning. People were beginning to be uneasy about the steaming, which was expected to last four days from Liverpool. She met boisterous weather after passing the south of Ireland and the majority of the soldiers though they had previously voyaged all the way from South Africa, became seasick. Private Robinson, one of the returning soldiers, contracted pneumonia, after leaving Liverpool, and last night it was feared he would die.

The regiment numbered 600 officers and men when it left here a year ago. Today they arrived, of the 31 officers who left, only 18, and of the 569 men, only 262. The others have either remained in South Africa, joining other corps there, or they have obtained their discharge in England, or have died in battle or of disease.

The regiment was fortunate in its casualty list, having lost only 26 men in all, 12 of whom were killed and 14 dying from disease. Col. Steele gave an interesting interview to the correspondent of the St. John Star. In beginning, the gallant commander characterized as absurd papers, about the cruel conduct of Strathcona's Horse, in dealing with the Boers. He said that he had had a long experience with men, and he had never been associated with a more humane body than Strathcona's Horse. They were of the same stamp as the Northwest Mounted Police, and everybody knows what they are, the sons of Canadian farmers, and gentlemen. The Boer women were always anxious to have the Strathconas quartered near them, for then they knew that nothing but kindness and courtesy would be met. Many a time, said Col. Steele, Boers were caught crawling up in the dark to shoot sentries. But all that was done by the Strathconas was to make them prisoners.

Col. Steele spoke with enthusiasm of the grand record made in South Africa by the Canadian troops, in which he caught Strathcona's Horse had a full share, but he said he left for the generals to talk about. "What most concerned him was to tell the facts of the splendid discipline and magnificent character of the men whom he had the honor to command. Col. Steele spoke of the splendid treatment enjoyed by his regiment during its stay in England, of the fine appearance they made when paraded before the King, and of the warm words of welcome given them by prominent people in London and Liverpool.

The special train taking the regiment will leave here early this afternoon for Ottawa direct. There will be no stay in this city beyond the few hours necessary to pay the men off and to furnish some with rail transportation. The Numidian is docking at 1 o'clock and the train should be off in an hour.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, March 8.—Moderate to fresh southerly to southerly winds, fair to cloudy and mild. Light snow or rain tonight and on Saturday.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Forecast—Eastern states and northern New York—Fair to cloudy Saturday; warmer; easterly to southerly winds; fresh to brisk on the coast. Western New York—Rain or snow tonight; rain Saturday; easterly winds, shifting to southwesterly, brisk and probably high on the lakes.

FLOODS AND WOLVES.

LONDON, March 8.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Express says: "Several Hungarian villages have been isolated by the floods. All along the banks of the Danube and its tributaries great damage has been done. The lower quarter of Budapest is flooded to a depth of five feet. The bitter cold is driving wolves from the Carpathian mountains to the villages below. They have killed twelve people during the last four weeks."

FAREWELL SERVICE.

At Moncton in Honor of Rev. J. M. Robinson.

Moncton friends of Rev. J. M. Robinson, late moderator of the St. John Presbytery, held a farewell service in his honor the other evening. Mr. Robinson will leave next week for Rossland, B. C. The Transcript says concerning him: "In the departure of Rev. J. M. Robinson, from Moncton, the city will lose a gentleman who has not only been a successful pastor in his own church, but a broad-minded public citizen, ever ready to take part in matters in the interest of the public welfare. His popularity extended far beyond his own church and denomination, and existed among the citizens generally, who will extend to him and his family the best wishes for their future prosperity in their new home."

TONIGHT.

Entertainment by Boys' Branch of Y. M. C. A. Lecture before Natural History Society. Meeting of the Neptune Rowing Club.

CANADIAN CLUB.

Prof. Roberts Among the Speakers at Boston Last Night.

Will Help Along Old Home Month—Chaplain Roblin's Characteristic Speech.

BOSTON, March 7.—Loyalty to King Edward VII., opposition to annexation to the United States and hope for closer commercial relations between Canada and our country, were the sentiments that prevailed at the meeting of the Canadian club of Boston, at the Copley Square hotel tonight. This club was organized but a few months ago and is composed of leading Canadians of the city and vicinity. Nearly 100 were present tonight, and President Robert B. Upham presided. Henry M. Whitney, who was to have been the chief guest, was unable to be present, but during the evening, when he was referred to as a man who had done great things for the maritime provinces, his name was greeted with loud cheers. The speakers of the evening included President Upham, Prof. Chas. W. B. McVey, of Cambridge; J. Mason Little, president of the Boston Merchants' association; and Chaplain Rev. S. H. Roblin.

Chaplain Roblin made a characteristic address, in which he urged Canadians to become naturalized if they intend to remain here for life. The enemies of Great Britain, he said, are quick to become naturalized, and should ever a crisis arise between this country and Great Britain, the Canadian title could be used to offset that of the Irish.

Mr. McVey of Cambridge spoke of the work being done in the line of bringing about an Old Home Month for halves of the maritime provinces. He has been in communication with the authorities there and the Canadian club is going to appoint a committee to work out the plan.

Secretary Preston of the chamber of commerce said that Canada is our best customer by far, and ought to be a part of the United States. This latter sentiment he found was not popular, and the only resource was for reciprocal trade and closer commercial relations.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 7.—A sailing fleet of 20 steamers will sail Saturday morning for the annual seal hunt along the Labrador coast. Governor McLellan, who will leave in a few days to assume the administration of Natal, made a farewell address to the crews today, about 3,000 men being present. He outlined the proposed naval defence scheme and secured a large number of volunteers for the naval reserve.

THE BIG LAKE STRIKE.

CHICAGO, March 8.—A branch organization to be known as the Shipmasters' Protective Association, was formed in Chicago yesterday to affiliate with the marine engineers and boiler makers, who are now striking in South Chicago, Buffalo and several other lake ports. No engineer will take a vessel out with a captain who does not belong to the order. In return the shipmasters will pursue a reciprocal policy. The shipmasters also demand that engineers, mates and all other members of the crew of a vessel should be employed by the captain and not by the shipowner, as heretofore; and that all lake vessels be classified according to tonnage, and that captains be paid salaries according to the tonnage grading.

IN ENGLAND.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The period of half-mourning of the public for the death of Queen Victoria has opened in Great Britain, says the Tribune's London correspondent, but it is not a half measure that relieves the tradesmen and small shopkeepers, who are carrying stocks virtually unscalable. As the jeweler's trade, it is a fair inference that Vanity Fair has been brightening up its mourning costume by the use of diamonds. Fashionable restaurants are filled nightly with smart people, and court functionaries lead the way in entertaining small dinner parties. One curious result of the period of mourning is the great access of popularity for the game of "Bridges" which is now played in nearly all fashionable houses.

One society paper even states that the king taught the Empress Frederick how to play the game when he visited her. But the royal example was not needed for the general popularity of this species of dummy whist.

QUEEN CHRISTENS VESSEL.

AMSTERDAM, March 8.—Queen Wilhelmina, the queen's mother, Prince Henry and the Duke Regent of Mecklenburg-Schwerin visited the dockyard here today. The queen christened a new ironclad, bestowing on it the name of Herlog Hendrik. In a short speech her majesty said she hoped the vessel would do honor to the name of her consort and enhance the welfare of the fatherland.

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS. (Chicago News.)

Next to charity is the appreciation thereof. The burglar makes hay while the sun doesn't shine. Many a family photograph album holds a lot of empty space. Actors like a rule are pretty well posted—so says a bill sticker. If a man can't be a Christian at home he is not apt to be one abroad. Happy is the wife who imagines her husband is the best man on earth. To remove paint from a wall, back up against it before it gets dry. The chorus girl isn't necessarily light-hearted because she sings at her work. Says an auctioneer: "Come where you are bid, and bid where you are come." Men think they are playing the races when in reality the races are working them. The average man whose weighed in the balance is found wanting—something he can't get. When a woman wants to prove her superiority over a man, she draws him into an argument on religion. An amateur weather prophet says if all-spice is adulterated with ground peas the season will be mild. Some people's idea of knowledge is the art of finding out things which they have no business to know.