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NOVA SCOTIA NEWS.

CORNWALLIS, N. S., Sept. 6 .-Mrs. Huff of New York, the lady who gave so liberally toward the bu of the Baptist church in Peraux, is visiting her relatives there.

The Farmers' Supply Association building has been purchased from Eaton & Co. of Canning, by Herbert Stairs of Hillaton, and is being con-Stairs of Hillaton, and is being converted into a carriage house.

Mrs. Benjamin Newcombe, formerly of Horton Landing, but now of Sheffeld's Mills, received a shock by the severe thunder and lightning storm of Tuesday night and is now in a very serious condition.

Peter Nevers of Cold Brook, Oscar Chase of Port Williams, Mace Griffin and a number of other prominent men of the province are attending the industrial fair in Toronto. They will buy some thoroughbred stock for Cornwallis societies and for private parties.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Sept. 7.—Miss Evelyn Keirstead, Acadia M. A., left today for Middletown, Conn., where she takes a posi-tion in the high school. tion in the high school.

Lowden Benjamain, a well known resident of Gaspereaux Village, died suddenly on Wednesday of hemorrhage of the lungs. He had been working as usual, when he was stricken down and died at once. He was uncle to the young lady who recently ended her life at Mt. Hope, Dartmouth. His eldest daughter, Miss Lena, is a graduate of Acadia seminary.

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The new wharf at Hall's Harbor is about finished. William McManus, the contractor, has returned to New Brunswick.

George Palmer, who escaped from Kentville Isil a few weeks ago while awaiting conveyance to Dorchester, was captured at Windsor from a plaster schooner, where he had shipped as cook under an assumed name. He was brought to Kentville.

Sydney Shaw of Cambridge died this week at the Halifax hospital, where he was being treated. His leg was removed, but the operation did not save his life.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Sept. 3.—Dr. Moran Hemmeon, Acadia '92, of Bridgewater, is the guest of his father, Rev.

water, is the guest of his father, Rev. J. B. Hemmeon, Wolfville.

Dr. Robert Summerville, the former
pastor of the Wolfville Presbyterian

church, with Mrs, Summerville has been spending his vacation at his old home in Grand Prs. He is paster of a church in New York and editor of monthly missionary journal.

Haddon M. McLean, Acadia '92, who has been visiting friends in the county has returned to Chicago, where he has a fucrative express business in connection with Chicago university.

During a heavy electric storm on Monday the house of Holmes Darinson on the Bluff road, near the light how was struck by lightning and badly wrecked, plaster thrown down and the corner of the house completely demolshed. The occupants of the house miraculcusly escaped. The house of G. A. Darinson, Lockhartville, was also struck, and the owner had a very narrow escape from sudden death.

The new Acadia Canning Co. have erected a large building at Kingston station. Only apples will be cannet the first year. It is expected that 25 or 30 barrels of apples will be used daily.
Miss Maysie Ashtenan of Boston, the new vocal teacher at Acadia seminary, has arrived in Wolfville. She is a pupil

of Professor Heinrich. It is said that Postmaster G. V. Rand of this town was the first to introduce now in large quantities and hold an River, and lost part of her keel and important place among the small

Miss Bernice Farnham of Wolfville has gone to Woodstock and St. John. where she will spend her vacation. R. J. Colpitts of St. Martins, of the senior class of Acadia, who has had the pasteral care of the New Mines Baptist church during the summer, has

been engaged to teach part of his time in the academy during the winter. CORNWALLIS, N. S., Sept. 9.heavy wind storm prevailed through-out the country on Wednesday night and on Thursday. This storm blew off the fruit in every quarter and is a loss sands of dollars to the farmers The entire loss cannot be estimated at

present. Some of the farmers have lost fruit evaporators at 65 cents per hup-ared weight. The Misses Elizabeth and Maude Borden of Canning are in the High-

ands of Scotland. They expect to win-On the big farm owned by the R. W. Kinsman Co. at Woodside 400 tons of hay has been cut this year. They will keep 150 head of cattle and about 100

sheep this year. A girl by the name of Edith Gupdik of Grand Pre jumped from a swing at Evangeline Beach recently, caught her aim in the large hook of the seat of the swing and tore the muscles from their

During the storm on Sunday pight the lightning struck the house of Rupert Davison at Avonport and tore off the roof. A beam hit one of two boys who were in bed asleep. The boy was rendered unconscious. The house was badly damaged. The "Taylor house" npert was also struck on Sunday night and literally torn to pieces. The louse was uninhabited.

The Kings Canadian Hussars squadron are greatly disturbed by orders issued from General Hutton to the effect that horses must be picketed out

The Plymouth brethren are holding out of door meetings at Grand Pre. W. H. Chase is building a warehous at Waterville, and Northard & Lowe are building another one quite near it. PARRSBORO, N. S., Sept. 11.—S. S. Micmac, Meikle, cleared for Liverpool

West Bay. Three other barks are expected to load here this fall.

S. S. Brown, a prominent resident of lew Canaan, died at that place Saturday night, aged about 50. He leaves a

large family.

A two-year-old son of Thomas Wotton, of Green Hill, was accidented the scalded on Saturday and died from the effects of the injuries.

Mrs. Charles Snell, while going home from church last night, fell from a new siece of sidewalk and fractured her

ft arm at the wrist. HALIFAX, Sept. 13.—An explosion occurred in the Blockhouse gold mines this afterneon resulting in the death of one man and the serious injury of another. The blow up was without warning. The men struck the old shaft, which had not been discharged, and the explosion followed.

J. Ferry, collector of customs at St. Pierre, 1974., arrived here today and

left again for Boston on the str. La Grande Duchesse en route to New York to take the French line for Havre. Mr. Ferry says he had to run for his life at St. Pierer on Saturday. He declares a spy in the pay of the Canadian govent is untrue.

SOUTHAMPTON, N. S., Sept. 11 .-The picnic under the auspices of the Good Templars, owing to the storm of the 7th, took place on the 8th, and despite the cold and wind, was well attended. After tea the crowd assembled in the church, which, though large, could not hold the crowd, many of whom listened outside. H. J. Logan, M. P., was the speaker of the evening. Letters of regret were read by Chairman D. B. Lewis from a

number of speakers who were unable to attend, among them Hon. A. R. Dickey, Hon. W. T. Pipes, J. T. Bul-mer, Revs. Lane, Batty, Brown and a number of others. The various lodges contributed to a most interest-ing programme. The picnic was such a decided success that it was suggested that it become an annual affair, the meeting occurring earlier in the future and being arranged after the plan introduced this year and on the same grounds, which could be improved each year.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Amos Lawrence took place on Friday after-noon. Owing to the absence of Rev. Jos. Sellar, who was in attendance at the financial district meeting at Amherst Head, the funeral was conducted by Revs. D. McKeen and J. L. Jobb. Mr. Lawrence's death preceded that of his partner only about three months. The couple were aged 81 and 85 respectively, and had been living together nearly sixty years. This is the third death that has occurred in the immediate connection within three months, that of Mrs. Jesse Fullerton, Mr. Lawrence's sister, occurring two weeks after his, and all of them aged

At the experimental farm on Thursday there will be a meeting of the Methodist clergy of the district, together with laymen and church members, for the purpose of furthering "twentieth century million dollar Speeches will be given in the fund." church throughout the afternoon and evening, and a picnic on the grounds

PARRSBORO, N. S., Sept. 13.-Sch. Rowena, while coming out of Minasville, last Thursday, with a cargo of deals for West Bay, struck a hawse that was stretcted across the river and was thrown on her beam ends. Part of the deckload went adrift, and part fell against the mainmast and broke it. The remainder of the cargo was brought to West Bay and discharged. When the tern schooner Harvey, with a cargo of piling, was being tow ed out of Minasville during the gale lest week by S. S. Alpha, the line got fouled with the propeller and the schooner went on the rocks. Her keel was torn out and she sustained other damage. The Harvey is owned by C. T. White, Apple River, and is commanded by Capt. Patterson, of Shulee Sch. Eva Stewart, Moore, of this port while on her return trip from Yarstrawberry culture into this county. mouth last Saturday night, struck on Strawberries are raised and marketed Bull's Bluff, at the mouth of Diligent

> broken. She was brought here for repairs. Howard Abbot, of Pittsburg, wh claims to represent U. S. capitalists, was in town this week looking for a site for a pulp mill. He professed to be rleased with the advantages of Parrsboro, and intimates that a thirty-tor mill is likely to be started at once. No. 7 Company, the Parrsboro con-

part of rudder, and had two planks

tingent of the 93rd Regiment, started for Camp Aldershot yesterday on the S. S. Evangeline.

Rev. Robert Johnston, with his wife and child, started for Boston yesterday.

They will be away a fortnight.

Dr. J. A. Johnson is building a handsome cottage. The frame is up and CORNWALLIS, Sept. 13th.—Misse

Browne and Sinclair, of St. John, were in Cornwallis last week. John Starr, of Starr's Point, raised 760 barrels of apples on two rows o

trees this year, There were 70 trees in the two rows. Dr. W. Woodworth, of Canard, has purchased the Benjamin Calkin resid-

ence, in Kentville. A child, about a year old was found near the station at Coldbrook, a few weeks ago. It was taken to the poor house, from where Mrs. Morley, of Coldbrook, took it and has adopted it. It was supposed to have been left near the station by a couple of Avonport people, but it has been discovered tha it was placed there by its parents, whose name is Freeman. The pair had quarreled and disbanded.

The marriage is announced of Home Daniels, of Lawrenceton, and Miss Daisy Tomilson, of New Minas. The ceremony is to take place on Wednesday, 20th of September.

A few of the volunteers, the King's

Canadian Hussars "backed out" this year on account of the order issued to picket out horses. Camp met at Aldershot on Tuesday, 12th of this month. Early apples are selling at one dollar and a half per barrel. Winter fruit at

two dollars per barret.

At a meeting of the Conservatives, at the Court House, Kentville, last Saturday, the names of Barclay Webster, of Kentville, and Peter Innes, of Coldard Cold Micmac, Meikle, cleared for Liverpool on the 6th inst., with 1,887,166 feet of deals and 213,599 feet ends, shipped by M. H. Tucker for W. M. McKay.

Ship J. D. Everett and bark Bellona are the only deal vessels remaining in West Bay. Three other barks are are

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 15 .- A case of crime on the seas is now before the court of this province. In June last the sch. Juventa sailed from Whitehead for Halifax with a load of canned lob-sters. On the coast the Juventa met the schooner St. Thomas, from the same port, and the lobsters were passed over to her. Then the Juver was scuttled in order to make it possible to put in a claim for insurance on the vessel and cargo. The St. Thomas sailed with the lobsters to St. Pierre, Miq., where they were sold to the French. Then this schooner put to sea and she was scuttled, also covered by a good leaves policy. sea and she was scutted, also covered by a good insurance policy. The in-surance companies were asked for the amount of the policies on both craft, but the facts became talked about, and instead of paying over the money, the captains of the vessels and members of

spiracy to defraud, and now all hands are in prison. In the examination before the magistrate it appeared that one of the captains was to receive

\$600 for his share of the enterprise. Both were Nova Scotia vessels.

TRIAL TRIP OF S. S. TANAGRA. The s. s. Tanagra, built for Messrs Wm. Thomson & Co. of St. John, N. B., by Messrs. Russell & Co., Port-Glasgow, ran her trial trip yesterday, making a speed of 101-4 knots at Skelmorlie, and sailed the same evening for St. John. The dimensions of this vessel are 330 by 48 by 26. She is built to Lloyd's highest class, and fitted with triple expansion engines, the cylinders being 24 in., 40 in. and 65 in. diameter, by 42 in. stroke, and work at 180 lbs. pressure. The vessel has been superintended during construction by D. E North of St. John, and the machnery by James Maxton of Belfast. All the latest improvements have been introduced both in ship and machinery, the latter including Bull's metal propeller blades and a Cedervall patent arrangement of tail shaft. The Tangara is the eighth steamship (besides several sailing ships) constructed by Messrs. Russell & Co. for the same

gined by Messrs. John G. Kincaid & Co., of the Clyde Foundry, who were the builders of the Tanagra's machinery. It may be mentioned that this vess has had her machinery put on board and completed, and has started on her maiden voyage, within sixteen working days from the date of her launch. -Glasgow paper.

ACCIDENT AT HAMPTON.

On Thursday evening a serious carlage accident occurred at Hampton. James W. Smith was driving Mrs. Bickford, two other ladies and two children in a covered carriage to the railway station. The horse, in going down a very steep hill, lost footing with his hind feet, in holding back, and in a desperate effort to right himself, broke the breeching and shaft and upset the carriage. Mrs. Bickford's arr was broken near the wrist when she fell, and the other ladies were some what bruised. Mr. Smith was injured in the breast and his face was bruised and scratched. The children were no hurt. The horse, in his struggle to rise, was badly hurt, a piece of the broken shaft penetrating about three inches under his fore shoulder.

PATENT REPORT.

Below will be found a list of United States patents granted to Canadian inventors. This list is prepared specially for this paper by Marion & Marion solicitors of patents. New York Lite building, Montreal, who will send their 'Inventor's Help" free to any ad-

632,640-Samuel W. Butterfield, Three Rivers, P. Q., log sawing machine. 632,446 Charles S. Davis, Freeman, Cnt., wire splicer. 632,367—Alfred Robinson, Abercorn, Can., curd agitator.

632,540-Robert W. Sampson, Quebec Can., puncture closer for pneumatic 632,287-W. J. Walsh, Hamilton, Ont.,

632,391-Abraham & Marmier, Paris, France, ozone g nerator.

INSPECTING FORTIFICATIONS. General Hutton and Col. Stone cam down from Sussex today and will return to the camp this evening. Col Stone is the officer sent from England to spend three years in Canada reorganizing and moderizing the Artillery service. His visit here with General Hutton is to inspect the local for-tifications with a view to having them improved and fitted with modern ordnance. In company with Col. Jones, the distinguished visitors drove to Fort Dufferin, and from there crossed over to Partridge Island. It is probable that the fortifications of St. John will be materially strengthened in the near future —Globe future. Globe.

INDIANTOWN SCHOOL CONTRACT

At a special meeting of the school At a special meeting of the school trustees, held last evening, the new tenders for the erection of the Indiantown school were opened, and after considerable discussion it was decided to accept the tender of George McArthur. The tenderers and amounts named were as follows: Sprout & Burley, \$27,750; Geo. McArthur, \$25,944; Tilley & Clarke, \$27,125; John Flood. Tilley & Clarke, \$27,125; John Flood \$28,500; B Mooney & Sons, \$27,370.

Barktn. Hector 'arrived yesterday from Sydney with coal, and severa schooners came in from New York

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KRUGER'S REPLY

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The Cabinet Will Probably Meet in a Day of Two to Consider What the Next Step Will be-Comments of the London Press.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—In the forecasts of President Kruger's reply there is undoubtedly a large basis of truth, which seems to bring the dispute within a measurable distance of war.

Last evening the press association issued a curious statement to the effect that, as soon as the garrison in Natal had been sufficiently strengthened, the Transvaal government would be called upon to complete a new convention al-ready drafted, which, while guaran-teeing the integrity of the Transvaal state, provides for the demolition of the forts and limits the armed force of the Transvaal to a number deeme sufficient to maintain internal order. According to the press association, the convention will demand that the diplomatic agencies be suppressed and the judiciary be made independent of the executive.

This statement, which realizes the extreme demands of the Outlanders, may be accepted under reserve at the present stage, but it is not unlikely to be a semi-official hint to the next move of the government should President Kruger prove obdurate.

The morning papers editorially regard the crisis as having reached its most acute phase. The Daily News says

"We :efuse to believe that President Kruger is so foolish as to reject Mr. Chamberlain's moderate demands."

The Daily Chronicle, which appeals again to Mr. Kruger "to accept while it is yet time and before England's

terms become harder," says:
"A refusal of the present terms will involve the ruin of the state over which President Kruger presides. British government have played their first and second moves in the game, and must perforce play their third, and then the fourth. If Mr. Kruger haggles, the sinister conditions in Africa will grow worse, until a catastrophe is reached.'

MANCHESTER, Sept. 15.—The Rt. Hon. John Morley, liberal member of parliament for Montrose Burghs, while addressing a peace meeting here late John Bright, the distinguished British statesman, and friend of perce, presided, was frequently inter-rupted by cries of "Majuba Hill," and other anti-Boer demonstrations. In retorting to the interruptions, Mr. telephone number and address annun- Morley said : "A year or two ago the United States saw only one aspect of war; and what are they doing today? They are repenting. They have their yellow press, and we have our yellow press. If I am asked to speak in this hall a year or two later, I shall find those who now oppose me repenting

The proceedings finally became so noisy that Mr. Morley had great difficulty in obtaining a hearing.

He urged an adherence to the five years' franchise proposal, and advised President Kruger to accede to Great Britain's suggestion regarding the conference.

Mr. Moriey's resolution was carried by a large majority, the noisy minor-ity expressing its dissent by hoisting

ity expressing its di JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 15.- The Eastern Star, of Johannesburg, asserts that a martial law proclamation is being printed. It is reported here that the reply of the Transvaal government to the British note will sug-

gest a seven-years' franchise.

CAPE TOWN, Sept. 15.—The British high commissioner, Sir Alfred Milner, has issued a proclamation prescribing severe penalties for inciting the natives of Basuteland and other districts to rebellion.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—A special despatch from Pretoria says:
"The Transvaal's reply will be on the

"The Transvaal adheres to the seven years franchise law, but is willing to consider and, if necessary, to adopt any suggestions Great Britain may make with regard to the working of

the law. "In regard to the other points of Mr. Chamberlain's despatch, the Transvaal beldly stands by the London conven-tion. It is said that the reply is couch-

tion. It is said that the reply is couched in polite terms.

"State Secretary Reitz, in the course of an interview today, expressed some doubt as to whether any alteration would be made in the existing franchise law, but said he believed a way should and could be found to establish an arbitration court. As to suezerainty, the least said the soonest mended, remarked the state secretary."

The Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says:

The Boers assert that Conyngham Greene knew it was their intention to adopt the attitude they have regarding suzerainty, and that he tacitly encouraged them, as the documents show. His

aged them, as the documents show. His 48 hour demand and the string of blue book invendos for which he and fir Alfred Milner are responsible, have produced an official atmosphere in which anything is possible. At the same time, Mr. Hofmeyer, and practically every member of the Cape Afrikander party have wired urging acceptance of the British demand."

The Pretoria correspondent of the Manchester Guardian says:

"The situation has become extremely grave. The material changes in the draft of the reply delivered to Mr.

draft of the reply delivered to Mr. Greene today, are due to representations from Bloemfontein and the disposition of the volksraad.

"The Transvaal feels at liberty to depart from the joint inquiry, which she accepted in the bona fide belief that it would lead to a final settlement."

LONDON, Sept. 18.—The reply of the Transvaal government to Mr. Cham-

perlain's latest note is said to cover nine pages. It is eminently of the "negative and inconclusive" character which Mr. Chamberlain declared would compel the imperial government to tically repudiates suzerainty, reverts to the seven years' franchise, and declines to give equality to the Dutch and English languages in the Volks-raad. In short, it is politely negative available for a day or two, but it will not change the aspect of affairs. The cabinet will probably meet on Wed-

nesday or Thursday to consider the next step. PRETORIA, Sept. 17.-The reply of the government of the South African republic to the latest despatch, dated Sept. 12, of the British secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberiain, after acknowledging the re-ceipt of the British note, proceeds in

part as follows: "The government deeply regrets the withdrawal, as the government under-stands it, of the invitation contained in the British despatch of Aug. 23, and the substitution, in place thereof, of

an entirely new proposal.

"The proposals, now fallen through, ained in the Transvaal despatches of Aug. 19 and Aug. 21, were elicited from this government by suggestions made by the British diplomatic agent in Pretoria (Conyngham Greene) to the Transvaal state secretary (F. W. Reitz), suggestions which this government acted upon in good faith, and after specially ascertaining whether they would be likely to prove accept-able to the British government. This government had by no means an intention to raise again needlessly the question of its political status, but acted with the sole object of endeavoring, by the aid of the local British agent, to put an end to the strained

"This was done in the shape of a proposal which this government deems both as regards its spirit and form, to be so worded as, relying upon intima-tions to this government, would satisfy Her Majesty's government. This gov ernment saw a difficulty as to the acceptance of those proposals by the people and legislature of the Transvaal, and also contemplated possible dangers connected therewith, but risked making them, on account of a sincere desire to secure peace, and be cause assured by Mr. Chamberlain that such proposals would not be deemed a refusal of his proposals, but would be settled on their merits.

condition of affairs.

"As regards the joint commission the Transvaal adheres to the accept-ance of the invitation thereunto given by Her Majesty's government, and cannot understand why such commis-sion, which before was deemed neces sary to explain the complicated de tails of the seven years' law, should now be deemed unnecessary, and why should now, without such inquiry, be thought possible to declare this law

inadequate. "Further, there must be a misappre hension if it be assumed that this government was prepared to lay proposals for a five years' franchise and larguage, this government never made were injured, among them the sidering, as it did, such a measure both unnecessary and undesirable.
"The proposed conference, as distinct

from the joint commission of inquiry, this government is likewise not unwilling to enter upon; but the difficulty is that an acceptance thereof is made dependent upon the acceptance, on the side of the Transvaal, of precedent conditions which this government does conditions which this government does not feel at liberty to submit to the Volksraad, and, moreover, the subjects to be discussed at the conference remained undefined.

"This government ardently desires and gladly accepts arbitration, as its firm intention is to adhere to the terms."

of the London convention of 1884."

The despatch concludes by trusting The despatch concludes by trusting that the British government, on reconsideration, may not deam it fit to make more onerous or new proposals, but "will adhere to Great Britain's proposal for a joint commission of inquiry, as previously explained by the secretary of state for the colonies to the imperial parliament."

"We regret that the Boers by reject-ing a fair offer made in fair language have taken a line giving a fresh point have taken a line giving a fresh point to the argument of their enemies that President Kruger is a shifty and impracticable politician, fit only to be spoken to across a line of bayonets."

These extracts fairly represent pressopinion in London. All the papers characterize the attempt to represent Conyngham Green as suggesting the Transvaal's former proposals as more shifty prevarication.

hifty prevarication.

The Pretoria correspondent of the Morning Post, in his summary of the Morning Post, in his summary of the Transvaal reply, says the Transvaal repudiates suzerainty and the right of interference, and denies that either State Attorney Smuts or the government offered a five years' franchise otherwise than on Conyngham Greene's assurance that the imperial government would withdraw its claim of a right to interfere in the Transvaal's internal affairs. The correspondent adds:

"Sir Alfred Milner (British high commissioner), in reply to a correspondent who had requested information regarding the position of British subjects in the Orange Free State in the event of hostilities, has replied that he is unaware of anything in the relations between the imperial government and the Orange Free State which would justify hostile action on the latter's part, and expressed the opinion that it would be equally contrary to international law to order out British subjects against the Queen's solutions. ish subjects against the Queen's soldiers or to utilize them in such a manner as to set free a correspondent number of burghers for service agains

Her Majest, 's troops.

"This is a most opportune pronouncement, as the Orange Free State purposes commanding British subjects to guard the Basut-land border." LONDON, Sept. 16.—The departure of the troops from Southampton for Natal today was marked by such

ocenes as have not occurred in England for many years. Wives, daughters, sweethearts and friends crowded around the Northumberland Fusiliers, or, as they are better known, the "Fighting Fifth," on the stations and at the docks, crying, waving hats and handkerchiefs, and cheering, mixing grief and patriotism as men and women only can when those dear to-them go to war. Most of the special service officers wore civilian clothes, but as many of them were well known, they were quickly recognized and re-

they were quickly recognized and re-ceived ovations. The "Fighting Fifth" nearly all wore the Khartoum medal. LONDON, Sept. 18.—All the des-patches from South Africa this morning talk of the imminence of hostili-ties and the preparations for them. In-Johannesburg it seems to be taken for granted that the Orange Free State has approved President Kruger's note and promised active assistance in the

event of war. An official telegram posted at Volksrust says that the Transvaal, with the assent of the Orange Free State, repudiates British suzerainty and adheres to the seven years' fra

At Cape Town it is said that Mr. Hofmeyer, the Afrikander leader, sent a communication to President Steyn of the Orange Free State, entreating him to do his utmost to preserve peace, but that he received in answer the words: "Too late."

All military men agree that it is out of the question to begin hostile opera-tions before the middle of next month, no rain having fallen and the veldt being still bare.

It is supposed that the next move contemplated by the Transvaal is an appeal to the powers, begging them to recommend arbitration on the lines of the conference at The Hague. A despatch from Charles Town says the wildest rumors are current there,

and that great alarm is felt owing to the unprotected state of the town, espec'ally as liver signalling is plainly visible on the adjacent mor There was a serious disturbance inthe Larket square of Johannesburg on Saturday a tornoon. A meeting called by a labo: igitator named Bain, to condemn is itish policy and to enroll a quarter representation of the new volunteers of fight for the Boers, led: population before the Volksraad for to serious 1 this with the police, last-unconditional acception. As to the ing a coup of hours. Many persons a charge against a mounted peliceman. An immense crowd, singing Rule Bri-tannia, accompanied him to the police

Children Cry for CASTORIA

MARINE EXAMINATIONS

Several candidates have derived dergoing marine examinations before Capt. Smith, R. N. R. William Read was granted a first mate's certificate, and George Marshall Streeson a second mate's certificate, both for deep-sea navigation.

Ernest Purcill Dill and William John Breez, both secured master's certificate. Several candidates have been Breen both secured moster's certificates for the deep sea trade.

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LONDON, Sept, 18.—The Morning Post says:

"The Boers mean to fight. That is the plain English of it."

The Standard says:

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The Standard says:

"The Transvari note is unsatisfactory, and, indeed, a dangerous composition. It might be going too far to say that the last hope of peace has vanished or that diplomacy has said its final words; but it is idle to deny that the rulers of the Transvari have brought their country very close to the brink of a disaster which the British government has done its best to avert."

The Daily Mail says:

"President Kruger's defiance has terminated a long period of unrest and uncertainty in South Africa; for whatever may be the issue of the present situation, one thing is certainthat dualism in South Africa will end forever."

The Daily Chronicle says:

"We regret that the Boers by rejecting a fair offer made in fair language have taken a line giving a fresh point.

BERWICK, KINGS CO.

Preparations are being made for a grand picnic to be held in this vicinity on Tuesday, 26th inst. The Methodist people of Apohaqui circuit have it in hand, and all who attend are assured of a good time. Meals will be served from 12 (noon) to 8 p.m. A serious accident occurred in Smith's steam mill on Wednesday, by which one of the hands—Fred Smithhad an arm broken in several places. had an arm broken in several place. He was in the act of belting a wh when the mishap took place. Drs. Brundage, Burnett, sr., and Burnett, jr., were summoned, and rendered the necessary surgical aid. The young man is doing well, but will be laid up-

for several weeks. SLASHED THE OFFICER:

"The reply anticipates a final alternative of the British note by saying that further suggestions on the lines indicated are vain."

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says:

"Afrikander Bund circles profess to have information that President Mokiney has intervened between Great Britain and the Transvaal.

EASTPORT, Me., Sept. 17.— Officer McDonald received several bad knife wounds in the face while atempting to arrest Albert Caffil for drunkenness last night, and two other men, one of whom was Caffil's brother, who were called to the assistance of the policeman, also were cut, though not aeriously.

Caffil will be arraigned Monday.