

SOUTH AFRICA.

Will Give Kitchener All the Troops He Wants.

Botha Said to Have Negotiated Treaty With Queen of Swaziland-Cecil Rhodes in Dangerous State.

HEILBRON, Orange River Colony, March 11.—It is reported that General De Wet and Vice-President Steyn crossed the main railroad line during the night of March 9 five miles north of Wolwehoek, going west.

LONDON, March 11.—The war secretary, Mr. Broderick, when asked in the house of commons Tuesday, what steps had been taken in view of the success of the Boers against Gen. Methuen to send Lord Kitchener reinforcements, said 5,000 yeomanry will be embarked with large drafts of cavalry and infantry.

LONDON, March 13.—Writing from Brussels, the correspondent of the Standard says that he has heard that General Botha concluded a treaty with the Queen of Swaziland last year under the terms of which the Boer forces were enabled to enter the Boer territory if hard pressed by the British.

Swaziland is a small native state almost surrounded by the Transvaal, with an area of 6,500 square miles.

LONDON, March 13.—Although hope continues, the Cape Town correspondent of the Standard cables the breathing of Cecil Rhodes is frequently most difficult and labored and all the dangerous symptoms remain.

LONDON, March 13.—The war secretary, Mr. Broderick, announced in the house of commons today that he understood that Gen. Methuen, who was captured, severely wounded, by Gen. Delarey, March 10, had been released and was expected to arrive at Klerksdorp, southwestern Transvaal, today.

Mr. Broderick added that the exchange of Gen. Methuen for Commandant Kritzinger had not been contemplated. The trial of the commandant had been postponed.

Timothy M. Healy, Irish nationalist, and nationalist cheerer, invited the government to show equal magnanimity and release Commandant Kritzinger.

Mr. Broderick later said the telegram did not specifically say that Gen. Methuen had been released, but from the fact that he was in the hands of a British medical officer it was presumed that the general had been released.

LONDON, March 13.—The following despatch, dated Pretoria March 13, has been received from Lord Kitchener: "Gen. Methuen was brought to Klerksdorp today. He is doing well. Everything possible is being done for him."

CHICAGO, March 13.—A second letter in the shape of a formal demand has been sent to Secretary of State Hay asking for passports for Dr. and Mrs. Elfranz W. Thomas to visit the concentration camps of South Africa.

Dr. Thomas because of his well known pro-Boer utterances, we will select someone else. We have \$3,000 in hand, and in Philadelphia there is \$3,000 more waiting, and all over the country it is the same. In Europe there are many who want to send similar relief."

MONTREAL, March 13.—The Star's special cable from London says: Pro-Boer journals like the Manchester Guardian quit over Cecil's alleged refusal to discuss anything except trade relations at the coronation conference. The Guardian says it is now tolerably certain that Chamberlain's only thick

and thin supporters among the six invited guests will be Sadden, premier of New Zealand.

TRACKMEN AND I C R. President Wilson Says the Men Are Now Thoroughly Organized.

(Montreal Herald, 11th.) John T. Wilson, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trackmen of America, and A. B. Lowe, vice president, returned to the city from Montreal, N. B., this morning, both of them much encouraged by an interview with Mr. Russell, manager of the Intercolonial Railway, with respect to a schedule presented to the company on Friday last by a committee representing the trackmen employed on that system.

The most important concessions sought by the section men are: That ten hours shall constitute a day's work; that the men shall be called upon for special duty at the end of a regular day's work; that the men shall be called upon for one-half day for Sunday work they shall receive double time.

When such an offer of preference shall be given, in filling such positions, to the men longest in the continuous service of the company, provided they possess the qualifications requisite to properly perform the duties attached thereto.

If a section man be discharged, and he be entitled to his position, he shall be permitted to appeal to his superior, not a party to the discharge, and the company shall employ him in the maintenance-of-way department to defend him.

Food and other supplies for section men shall be furnished at the regular rate, and a pass shall be furnished twice a month to any point on the system to enable any member of the trackmen's family to purchase such supplies.

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FREDERICTON. Rev. Willard McDonald Remembers by His Presbyterian Congregation.

PRESENTATION TO MISS BESSIE BRIDGES. Death of Capt. Sypher—The Lament of Mrs. Sypher—The Lament of Mrs. Sypher.

FREDERICTON, March 12.—The Presbyterian church celebrated the tenth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Willard McDonald by a congregational social, which proved a very enjoyable affair and was largely attended.

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CALLED OFF. End of Great Strike of Boston Freight Handlers.

Twenty Thousand Men Will Resume Their Usual Occupations This Morning.

The Labor Union, However, Are as Bitter as Ever Against the Brine Transportation Company, Which Was the Original Cause of All the Trouble.

BOSTON, March 13.—Through the united efforts of representatives of the once representative bodies of the city, ably seconded by the chief executives of the city and state in conference with the recognized leaders of organized labor, the great strike of freight handlers and kindred trades represented in the Allied Freight Transportation Council, was broken tonight and the men, fully 20,000 of them, will resume their respective occupations in the morning.

This result was attained at a conference this afternoon at the office of Governor Crane. The decision was announced to the Allied Freight Transportation Council, at a special meeting tonight, and unanimously endorsed.

The settlement was the result of an expressed determination of Governor Crane and those representing the city and state to bring all possible pressure to bear upon the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. Co. to adopt the rules in force upon the Boston & Maine Railroad, forbidding freight handlers or union leaders, except at their own option and risk, to picket or to bring any other pressure to bear upon the company.

It is believed that the men will all resume their respective occupations tomorrow, but owing to the suddenness with which the strike was ended, and the large number of new men who have been installed, it is likely that many of the old employees will temporarily find no vacancies ready for them.

Eventually it is believed that they will all regain their old positions. Teamsters and longshoremen will find an unprecedented demand for their services, and traffic of all descriptions which has been virtually at a standstill for the past three or four days, will be resumed tomorrow with a rush.

The Brine Transportation Co., the unloading of whose non-union teams precipitated the strike of New York, New Haven and Hartford freight handlers, does not appear to have figured at all in the settlement of the present controversy, and as far as that company is concerned, the settlement against it on the part of the labor unions is as bitter as ever.

BOSTON, March 13.—The following official notice of the termination of the strike will be printed in the morning papers, and in addition committees will endeavor to notify the strikers who cannot be reached through the press in time to begin work at their regular time.

"To all members of labor organizations affiliated with the Allied Freight Transportation Council of Boston and vicinity, greeting: Brothers—An agreement having been reached at a conference between all interests represented in the strike of the freight transportation industry of this city, which agreement has the endorsement of Governor W. Murray Crane, Mayor Collins, Secy. R. E. Bayley of the Civic Federation, and a committee of this council and a committee of Boston business men, the strike of the freight transportation organization is hereby officially declared off. All men who went to work today are ordered to return to their regular time."

In issuing this order your representatives are advised to every fair and to the work done by the public-spirited citizens who have so nobly contributed their time and ability to the interests of peace.

"We particularly desire to thank those persons who have so nobly stood for the principles contended for by the trades unions of Boston."

(Signed) Oscar F. Cox, president Allied Freight Transportation Council; Jeffrey Powers, president Freight Handlers Union, 623 Wm. Hartnett, president Team Drivers Union, 25 P. O'Day, secretary of strikers committee.

Meetings of the Building Trades Council and of the Boston Central Labor Union were held tonight to consider the termination of the strike, and the committee of the former organization in connection with the former meeting, President Cox of the Freight Transportation Council announced that the strike had ended and that the men were ordered to return to their regular time.

The termination of the strike was announced to the labor union men at a meeting held at the office of the Mayor's office, where the Mayor, Mr. Collins, Secy. R. E. Bayley of the Civic Federation, and a committee of this council and a committee of Boston business men, the strike of the freight transportation organization is hereby officially declared off.

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