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# Equity Sale.

Chubb's Corner, so-called, in the City of Saint John, in the City and County of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, on SATURDAY the NINTH day of JUNE or Fred., who is with the first contingent or the fred.

ter known in the city than "Tom Sloven, the life saver." He was 63 years of age, was an English born at Easenwood, York, West Riding. He early bectame an excellent swimmer. He followed a sea-faring life, and reached St. John in 1859, coming life, and reached St. John in 1859, coming here from New York. He had saved here from New York. He had saved here from New York are life to the loss the Bey Cheleur from Meta.

The Gaspe Railway.

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He is also known to have saved life at Gravesend in 1861, in 1864, at Cienfuegos and once in New York harbor.

At least eight lives were saved by him in St. John, all heroic acts on his part and worthy of the recognition given him in the popular name he bore: "The Life Saver." He saved a four year old boy named Monaghan in Robertson's slip in September, 1868. The brave act was recognized by a testimonial fund started by Mr. nized by a testimonial fund started by Mr. Elder, the editor of the Morning Journal, a sum was raised and handed the brave man. The common council did their share in recognition of heroism and granted Mr. Sloven the freedom of the city.

share in recognition of heroism and grauted Mr. Sloven the freedom of the city. For many years he has been watchman on the ferry and time and again has he wed lives, additional to those recorded above. Now that he is no more, the suggestion has been made, and it seems a fitting one, that a public testimonial to remarkable heroism so often displayed, should take the form of a monument in memory of this "hero in humble life," and many would be glad of the opportunity to thus show their appreciation of those qualities so strongly marked in him and of the brave deeds he has done.

Of Mr. Sloven's family there is but one survivor, his son Thomas, who has been

survivor, his son Thomas, who has been here since Monday attending to his brave father in his last days. The young man is a boiler maker in the Brooklyn navy yard and was through the Spanish-Ameri-can war as one of the crew of the U. S.



ery. The healing power of this medicine in pulmonary diseases seems little short of marvelous at times, so extreme are the conditions which it cures. The "Discovery" contains no alcohol, and

mo marcotices.

"When I started to take your 'Golden Medical Discovery,'" writes Mr. A. F. Novotny, of New York, N. Y., Box 1437. "I had a regular consumptive cough, of which I was afraid, and everybody cautioned me and warned me concerning it. I was losing weight rapidly, was very pale and had no appetite, whatever. Now my condition is changed entirely. I do not cough at all, have gained eight pounds in weight, have recovered my healthy color, and my appetite is enormous. I can recommend your medicine to everybody who may be in need of the same, as it is a sure cure."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McLean and family are still in New York, but expect to re- pea seeds at George A. Riecker's drug turn before Easter.

## Letter from Fred McCain of ORIGIN OF THE RED CROSS SOCIETY. the Contingent.

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would say, as a matter of duty, taking no particular credit to himself. It is known that in 1855 while a sailor on the East India Company's ship Bombay, from India to England he saved the second officer's life. The officer had fallen overboard and Sloven jumped after him, holding him up till both were rescued.

He is also known to have saved life at Crayssend in 1861, in 1864, at Cienfuegos and the saved of 185 miles. On Monday and the saved of 185 miles of 185 miles. On Monday and the saved of 185 miles of 185 miles. scal and run down to the end of the penin-sula, a distance of 125 miles. On Mon-day Foster, McAllister and others op-posed allowing the bill to go into com-mittee and they opposed it vigorously in committee both on Monday and yesterday.

committee both on Monday and yesterday. The railway committee is a very large one, embracing about half the members of the House of Commons, and when a bill passes through it and is amended in accordance with the views of the committee it is seldom opposed. This sound practice, however, has been departed from more than once this season and Foster fought the Gaspe bill as if it had never been before any committee at all. His objections to it were as numerous as the sands on the sea shore, but the real objection, which was not declared, was that it might increase the popularity of Mr. might increase the popularity of Mr. Lemieux, the member for Gaspe. The wild statement was made that the people of Gaspe did not want it, as if any rural community in Canada had ever objected to a railway. The main ground of attack was that the bill gave the new company the right to purchase the old railway, and Mr. McAllister insisted that if this was done all the liabilities of the old company should be paid by the new one. In other words claims against the old company which could not be collected by any procoss of law must be assumed by the new company before it could be allowed to operate the road. The matter is still be-

# Which Shall be the Grain Route?

The great question is shall the grain of the west go to New York or to Montreal and there is besides another question as to whether this grain shall be carried by the railways or by water. Canada long a o began the creation of an extensive and elaborate canal system and this will that begins this spring. The minister of railways thinks that the canals of Canada ought to be thoroughly tested before making any new experiments in transporta-tion and this is certainly a most reason able view. It may be that railways will be able to carry grain more cheaply than the canals, but it has not yet been demons trated that they can do so. Moreover it is probable that railway freights would be a good deal higher were it not for the competition of the canals.

As eight men of "G" Company (formerly St. John Rifle Company) are now on active service in South Africa a number of recruits are wanted to complete the full strength of the company. Names of applicants must be handed to any of the offern on woncommissioned officers of the ficers or non-commissioned officers of the company before Thursday, April 17 next The semi-annual meeting of the company will be held on April 19, when all applica-

visit suburban points on the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway on Good Friday, that company has arranged to run their accommodation train No. 25 from McAdam to St. John several hours behind schedule time so that those going out on excursion rates will have the whole day in the country. Train leaves Welsford at 5 p. m.; Westfield Beach at 5.55 p. m.; Grand Bay at 6.23 p. m., and arrives at St. John about 7.20 p. m., standard. For full particulars get poster from ticket agent.

Mr. J. W. Fraser has bought Mount Aston Farm at Coldbrook from Mr. A. C. Fairweather for \$2,000.

Thirty-four of the leading colors of sweet

Something About a Noble Institution and

its Works. Just now when Red Crosss nurses are so

which sent representatives to a conference held in Geneva, Switzerland, in the and disabled. By this convention, and the declaration of the neutrality of the military sanitary service, the Red Cross movement displayed its international character; apart from that it is a strictly national institution, each country lay. character; apart from that it is a strictly national institution, each country having its own Red Cross Society, serving its own army. The emblem of this society is everywhere a red cross, with the excep-

tion of Turkey, where it is a red half-moon, and Japan, where it consists of four red squares.

There are now Red Oros; societies established in thirty-three different countries, and they are no longer considered merely a privileged and tolerated institution, but and exceedingly useful aid in time of war, and as such highly appreciated and carefully nurtured by every government It may not be generally known that in England, as well as in Russia, a red enameled cross is bestowed on ladies who have

## The British Deficit.

London, April 6-On the third reading of the finance bill in the House of Com-London, April 6—On the third reading of the finance bill in the House of Commons, today, the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, gave revised estimates for 1900, the revenue being placed at £127,520,000, and the expenditure at £150,000,000. The deficit, he said, would be partly met from the war loan and partly rom tereasury bills. The bill passed its third reading by 103 to 16.

# Dublin, April 7-Queen Victoria has decided to drive in state through Dublin next Mon-

It is estimated that of the 555,000,000 feet cut of logs in the Maine forests the present season, 225,003,003 feet will be sent to the pulp mills instead of the saw-

Solitude is the seed-bed of society. Self must constantly be transplanted into ciety, or society will languish.

We can be interested in sin, and in sinners, without signing their irreligious arti-

Self is our most valuable asset, if

squandered upon society, so called.

## society for pleasure and profit "Winter Finds Out What

Summer Lays By. Be it spring, summer, autumn or winter, someone

in the family is "under the weather" from trouble originating in impure blood or low condition of the system. All these, of whatever name, can be cured by the great blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. It never disappoints. Bolls—"I was troubled with boils for months. Was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after using a few bottles have not since been bothered." E. H. GLADWIN, Truro, N. S.

Could Not Sleep-"I did not have any appetite and could not sleep at night. Was so tired I could hardly walk. Read about Hood's Sarsaparilla, took four bottles and it restored me to perfect health." Miss Jessie Turnbull, Cranbrook, Ont.



## HE copy of the "Mafeking Mail," of which this is a facsimile, was despatched by the London Daily Mail correspondent, per native runner, on Jannary 26. It travelled some 230 miles between the soles of the man's boot, and the covering was black and almost worn through when, on Feb. 18, it reached Kimberley.

The "Mafeking Mail"—the copy sent

was the first one printed in the new bomb-proof offices situated underground-is exactly of the size as here produced, but is printed on brown tissue paper. The editor of the "Mafeking Mail" -- surely the most enterprising sheet published this year--has throughout the siege--in addition to Lady Sarah Wilson--acted as correspondent for the "London Daily Mail."

# THE MAFEKING MAIL

SPECIAL SIEGE SLIP.

ISSUED DAILY, SHELLS PERMITTING.

TERMS: ONE SHILLING PER WEEK, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE.

No. 58.

Thursday, January 25th, 1900.

forcements in a strong position. Kimber-ley is well supplied with food and is not closely invested. Similarly General Gat-

acre is entrenched in a strong position at

Molteno, thereby preventing the Boers interfering with the Port Elizabeth line to 105th Day of Siege.

# The Mafeking Mail

THURSDAY, 25TH JANUARY, 1900.

With this number commences the subterraneous production of the Mafeking Mail Siege Slips, which we hope will now appear with the same impressive regularity that distinguishes our request for subscriptions. We regret the long interval between the publication of this and the last issue, but our staff are not conchophiles, and the one shell through the office created a scare. It was therefore necessary to make a bombproof for the composing to be done in; as we would be the last to coerce any body to continue their avocation under conditions which nerve failure made terrifying, even though we believed but little in the existence of the danger. We think our friends will agree that the circumstances under which the slips are now being produced may certainly be regarded as interestingly exceptional.

The Bank will be open on Sunday from

9 till 10 a. m. to receive deposits. In connection with Banks and Banking affairs we call attention to the General Order regarding the issue of Bank notes also one announcing the advent of paper currency. The order clearly establishes these notes a legal tender, but does not limit the amount of any one payment. It would be interesting to know whether as this issue is to balance the silver short-fall, the limit of a legal tender will be the same.

In our last issue we gave a synopsis of the telegrams and paragraphs appearing in the Natal Witness, relating to Lord Methuen's column, that being the one to which we are more interestedly directing our attention and feeling more curious regarding its movements. In tomorrow's slip we will try to collect all that is reliable regarding the other portions of the force. Today we have only space to reproduce the notice published yesterday for public information by the Colonel Com-

## LATEST NEWS.

The following news, which has been received to-day up to the 18th instant, is published for information:-General situation remains much as be

fore, Lord Roberts has arrived in South Africa with Lord Kitchener as his chief staff officer, and reinforcements are daily In Natal Sir R. Buller is still south of the Tugela, and a big engagement is ex-

pected shortly. A determined attack was made on Ladysmith on the 6th instant and was repulsed with heavy loss. The place is impregnable. The troops have a good deal of sickness

there, so will be glad to get out. Lord Methuen occupies a strong position on Modder River, and had repaired the ailway and bridge and is awaiting his rein-

shortly to clear them out. port them very short of food.

Lord Roberts telegraphs to the Colonel Commanding his warm congratulations on Mafeking's plucky defence, he only wishes he could get help to us at once, and earnestly hopes we can manage to hold out will be changed. This we can do for a few months more if required

# Mafeking Garrison.

## **GENERAL ORDERS.**

By Colonel R. S. S. Baden-Powell, Com-

MAFERING, 23RD JANUARY, 1900. Paper Currency .- Owing to the scarcity of silver, it has been found necessary to issue a paper currency for small amounts (namely, 3s., 2s., 1s., 9d., 6d. and 3d.). This will be redeemable on the termination of the Siege, and is current for its full face value. All persons are, therefore, warned that refusing to accept; charging commission on; or paying less than the full face value of this currency, is illegal, and will

MAFEKING, 22ND JANUARY, 1900. Issue of Bank Notes .- It is notified for general information that the Colonel Commanding has authorized the issue, by the local branch of the Standard Bank, of certain Notes of £1 and £5 face value respectively on Banks outside the limits of

MAPERING, 15TH JANUARY, 1900.

the Free State and Kimberley.

General French has again pushed forward from Arundel to Colesberg bridge after a successful fight. He is reported now to be surrounding the enemy at Colesberg. The Boers have got every available man

Up North Colonel Plumer's force is now at Gaberones with advanced force and armoured trains in touch with the Boers. near Crockodile Pools. The Boerse have retired within their own border and are occupying a strong position with artillery there. Colonel Plumer is, however, getting his artillery down from the North, including a big quick-firing gun, and hopes

The Natives there, who had been helping the Boers, are now deserting them and re-

manding Frontier Force.

render the offender liable to severe penal-

the Cape Colony.

Disposition of the Enemy's Force. - The enemy have moved the big gun from its position on the South-eastern heights to a safer one East of the Race Course. The credit for making them evacuate their position is due to those N. C. O.'s and men

who, under Inspector Marsh's orders, have occupied the advanced S. E. trenches and brought so effective a fire to bear upon the gun. To this result the good work done by the Nordenfeldt, under Low aud Mulholland. greatly contributed, and also, particularly, the sharp-shooting of the B.S.A. Police and "Bechuanaland Rifles," in the advanced positions gained by Corporal Cook. Our Artillery, under Major Panzera, had also shewn them in one day's bombardment how unsafe their position was if at any time our gnns chose to shell it again. The enemy have now had to leave their chosen position and take up one less advantageous to themselves, and opens

up to us much ground to the South. Variety Concert Competition .- This competition was adjudged by the Committee to have been won by the troupe of the Cape Police, whose performance was on all hands agreed to be a first-rate one. At the same time the thanks of the com-munity are due also to the other troupes who, though unsuccessful in taking the prize, nevertheless afforded great entertainment by their clever performances.

Composite Forage.—In future a Composite Forage Ration, viz., 10 lbs. per horse per day, will be issued on receipt of 7-day requisitions, from the A.S.C: Depot, the forage on its first issue must be returned the following day to the Depot, as only a very limited number exist for bagging the ration from time to time. O.C.'s of Corps and Units are required therefore to make their own arrangements for storing the Composite Forage. All persons drawing this Composite forage in small quantities or on payment, are re quired to provide their own sacks. By order, E. H. CECIL, Major,

Chief Staff Officer.

## Meat Rations.

ITH reference to a Notice in the "Mafeking Mail," dated 13th inst, re reducing the Fresh Meat Ration to 3/4lb., it is considered desirable not to reduce the Ration at present. It will therefore still be issued in the same proportion as hitherto.

# NOTIGE.

# TOWN DIARY.

WING to the demand for Milk for the sick and wounded, also for the women and children, supplies, except only to the above, is reluctantly stopped from date until further notice. E. MUSSON.

Mafeking, 18th Jan. 1900.

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# A COMRADE TELLS OF G. W. STEEVENS' DEATH AND BURIAL.

the London Daily Leader, who was in Ladysmith during the siege gives the following description of George W. Steevens' What the death of Steevens me death and burial:

Poor Steevens has been taken from our

Just as we were all expecting him to pull through—he talked with me hopefully of his recovery shortly before the end—and he was himself looking forward to the day when the seige would be raised and he might be taken down country to and he might be taken down country to recuperate his strength at some more healthful spot. "This is a strange bypath out of an invested town!" he remarked reflectively when Maude, of the "Graphic," his devoted friend and nurse, told him he must die, and soon. And then in the few brief hours that remained to him Steerne spoke of family and to him, Steevens spoke of family and office business which he wished to be arranged, and life flickered out late in the

These clandestine interments may seem strange; but we are forced to them. The enemy fires in the day time.

In the drear of the same night, therefore

office business which he wished to be arranged, and life flickered out late in the afternoon of the 15th inst.

The previous day we lost another collegue, Mitchell, the assistant of Maxwell, of the "Standard."

Our little band of fewer than a score of war correspondents is paying its share of the penalty exacted by the seige. How which the authorities had entered upon this campaign, came unbidden; yet they were now two comrades short body. We were now two comrades short with men are beleagured for months in an unhealthy town where sickness stalks are the day time. In the drear of the same night, therefore we herefore the burned Stevens. It had the same and the day time. In the drear of the same night, therefore we burned Stevens. It tought to have been monlight. But it ought to have been monlight. But league, Mitchell, the assistant of Maxwell, of the "Standard."

Our little band of fewer than a score of closked horsemen straggled through the deserted, unlighted testrets to the house whence the funeral was to start. Whoulwand, turned once in our direction, and failed to pick up the funeral party.

Stevens lies at rest mear Lord Ava in the drear of the same night, therefore we burned Stevens. The which even in its diminutiveness, seemed to ill-fit the conveyance, was now our countersign. The occasional rattle of a rifle told that a sentry had presented atms on the passage of the dead. But it was so rainy and gloomy that we could sarredly see beyond the head of the procession, except when the enemy's flash-light, which was cast upon the plain between the funeral was to start. Whoulwand, turned once in our direction, and failed to pick up the funeral party.

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Earnest W. Smith, the correspondent of abroad te certain seasons in the best At midnight Steevens lay in his open

abroad te certain seasons in the best times.

What the death means
What the death of Steevens means to the world of journalism you at home will have appreciated long before this letter reaches England; it means to us the disappearance from our midst of one of our own, of a comrade who had shared all our troubles in this besieged place.

The dead pass qu'ckly from sight here.
Fire or disease does its work in the broad glare of day, night falls and the corpse is carried out for burial. When dawn comes a number of fresh heaps of newly-turned earth tell of those who have been lowered to the grave since the sinking of the last sun.

These clandestine interments may seem strange: but we are forced to them. The

vices be required. No challenge caused us to pause as wended our way through the streets. The little black hearse drawn by a stunted

cited the burial for the dead without the aid of his prayer-book, for these nocturnal interments have compelled the military chaplains to commit the last rites to mem-

And the while the rain poured pitilessly down, washing still whiter the tiny paint-ed crosses which "Tommy" has put up to mark the spot where a comrade reposes in death.
A reminiscence flashed through my mind

as we laid poor Steevens to rest in this dreadful night. It was of those storm dreadful night. It was of those storm-riven hours of the night when he and I waited almost alone at the prison of Rennes for the return of Dreyfus from a living grave! A curious recollection at such a moment, still it came back to me very vividly.

When at last Amen was said and the

clergymen turned from the grave side, we all filed past it and dropped a littel handful of loose earth upon the coffin. I think the hollow echo that came back from the depths of the tomb startled most of us, for we returned to our camps in silence, strangely impressioned by the wierdness and awful solemnity of the midnight burial

of our friend and comrade.

Steevens lies at rest near Lord Ava in the midst of the graves of men who have fought and fallen for our country.

ERNEST W. SMITH.

Ladysmith, Jan., 1990.