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THE LION SOUTH BEAR CRONJE STILL HOLDING OUT WATCHING EACH OTHER

Large Russian Cruiser Has Arrived in the Neighborhood of the Persian Gulf.

British War Vessels Have Proceeded Thither From Bombay-Russian Foreign Minister Has Worked All the Schemes in Asia, Having Overcome the Czar's Objections.

Bombay, Feb. 23.-The Times of India obtained the approval of the Military Coun class cruiser Pomone and the British gun- execute the plan, which he said could b boat Sphinx have proceeded thither.

Russian Foreign Minister Has Apparently Triumphed Over

announces that a large Russ'an crulser has cil for a plan to seize Herat, and he there arrived at Bandar Abbas, on the Straits of upon submitted it to the Czar, suggesting with the Arabian Sea. The British third and's hands were tied in South Africa, to

> To his surprise, the Czar declined to give any countenance to any movement in favor of utilizing Great Britain's difficulties. His Majesty said : "It is my intention to maintain the strictest neutrality thruout the lar sympathy towards the Boers." This is tantamount to a victory for the

FULLER DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING WITH CRONJE

Lyddite Shells Are Searching Every Portion of the Boer Laager, and the Enemy's Losses Must Be Terrible.

Paardeberg Drift, Orange Free State, the afternoon, however, considerably refeb 20.—Following are further details of the fighting with Cronje's forces:

As night fell, after the terrific fighting which lasted all day Sunday, there was a sudden cessation of fire. Both sides were the retreating enemy. Deserters say that a which lasted all day sunday, there was a sudden cessation of fire. Both sides were the retreating enemy. Deserters say that a thoroly tired and glad to rest. The work of great number of Boers lost their horses. Trek-oxen are daily seen wandering over the plain and many come into our lines.

Gen. Cronje's force occupies the rive

Genuine Bock Golden Eagle, \$2.50; I.a Africana, \$2.25; La Vencedoru, \$2.25; twen ty-five is a box; of recent importation. "Saturday only," at A. Clubb & Sons, 49 King west

McConkey's new Assembly Rooms are said to be exceeded only in size, design and decoration by those of Waldorf-Astoria in New York. It is in these magnificent premises Harmony Masonic Lodge will hold their "At Home" on Monday evening. Feb. 28.

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The "At Home" to be given by Harmony Masonic Lodge in McConkey's new As sembly Rooms will eclipse any similar entertainment for the present season.

Cure a Cold in a few hours. Dr. Evans'

Prof. R. M. Wenley addresses Trinity College students, 4 p.m. Canadian Institute, 8 p.m. "Old Curlosity Shop" at Grand, 2 and

the whole day.

Action Fearfully Contested.

The action was one of the most fearfully contested in the history of the war. The Boers were fighting solely for their lives and the British determinedly harassed them. The mounted infantry did good work and he Highland brigade fought isteadily and sternly. The whole force behaved well.

Sunday svening the cordon around the Boers was completely closed on every side in perfect silence. A few Boers came into amp during the night and confessed they were sick of fighting and that Gen. Cronje with possible of the plain. They selzed a good defensive position, which was garrisoned.

Boers Had Entrenched.

Monday morning found the Boers in the Boers were Repulsed by

White at All Points.

London, Feb. 23.—Few more brilliant and the roar of thunder added a dreadful and the three constructed in the three constructed in the history of the war. The Boers were fighting solely for their lives the terribly hard day's fighting on Sunday of the Indian the surface of the war. The Boers were fighting solely for their lives constructed entrenchments around the larger, which was still threatened by Gen. Smith Dorrien. The infantry rested after the terribly hard day's fighting on Sunday of the terribly hard day's fighting on Sunday of the Indian and the roar of thunder added a dreadful and ecount in The Standard from the three follows and a battery of the war. The mounted infantry and a battery of the terribly hard day's fighting on Sunday of the larger, which was still threatened by Gen.

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The Kimberley Debut.

It has come to be recognized among connoisseurs in vesture that Quina of 93 Yengestreet enjoys the monopoly of showing the truly novel in neck fixings. In introducing the new English square, the Kimberley, be has surpassed himself, which is, indeed, high praise. This spring creation has a surpassed himself, which is, indeed, high praise. This spring creation has a surpassed himself, which is, indeed, high praise. This spring creation has a subtle charm, which captives the eye at first sight.

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» Rev. Dr. Shaw Appointed. Montreal, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Rev. Dr. Shaw was appointed to-day chairman of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction for the Province of Quebec, in place of Dr. Heniker, resigned.

Miss New York, Jr." at Bijou, 2 and 8 matured, at a moderate price. Harry B. Hodgins, corner Queen and John-streets.

IN SPITE OF THE HEAVY FIRE

His Position Covers Only a Square Mile and He is Hemmed in, Circled With a Solid Chain of Fire.

Boers Are Concentrating North of Kimberley-Retiring From Gatacre's Front to Reinforce the Free Staters—Boers Said to Be Fleeing From Natal to Oppose Lord Roberts' Advance—More Details of Fighting.

Ladysmith Not Relieved. Ladysmith bad not been relieved when the latest news left Natal two days ago. "Englishmen feel something like pride in The Boers had then retired half way onje, even as a foe," says The Daily between Ladysmith and Colenso. led with a chain of fire from rifle, Maxim the 12,000 who are left may purpose to and howitzer, played on by deadly lyddite, bursting in its own sickly green light, his hastily-built trenches enfiladed by a stream of lead sweeping down the river from the the Boers are merely covering a retreat.

DEFENCE OF LADYSMITH WAS MOST BRILLIANT.

Full Details of the Sixteen Hours' Fighting on Jan. 6, When the Boers Were Repulsed by

Boers Moved at Night.

"At 7 o'clock Friday night," he writes, "50) picked Boers rode from the larger behind Bulwana and, fording the river, came to a kopje south of Caesar's Camp. They then bivoughed until 1 o'clock in the morn.

"The storming party made a dash down the first of find protection in the storm. Many were shot in flight, while others flung themselves into the river and were swept out of sight. This rush brought to receive the cold steel, but threw themselves over the hill in headlong flight, then bivoughed until 1 o'clock in the morn.

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Onen to Tender-Who Will

Which is Reported From Ottawa. FAMILY PHYSICIAN GAVE IT UP.

ers Twitched and Other Doctors Brought It to Life.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.-(Special.) -A prost re-Though purse be bare, I smoke, And cast away all-care."

And cast away all-care."

—G. W. Muller.

By special request "Temple of Fame, will be repeated to-night. Pavilion, Gardens.

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Will Port Wine, an old lauded wise, work and been of the bouse of resuscitation occurred at the home of Mr. Victor Holilogsworth, Mc. Laren-street, yesterday afternoon. His the home of Mr. Victor Holilogsworth, Mc. Laren-street, yesterday afternoon. His claren-street, yesterday afternoon. His English and American hatdom has been engaged in designing the new styles of 4900 for men's spring hats, and the earliest of the earliest of the engaged in designing to a reveal the noment when the undertaker was about to be called in distribution of its angers, to be still animate. The same doctor was summoned, but it is alleged that he restricted in the favorite spring flowers. Sice to favorite is alleged that he knew positively that the physicians were soon at Mr. Hollingsworth, Mc. Laren-street, yesterday afternoon. His English and American hatdom has been engaged in designing the new styles of 4900 for men's spring hats, and the earliest of the stangers, to be still animate. The same doctor was summoned, but it is alleged that he results after the results and the proposed at the free at Dineens'. Ten cases, compressing hats, and there are now beginning to arrive at Dineens'. Ten cases, compressing the further at Dineens'. Ten cases, compressing the further at Dineens'. The case of the street at the form markable ease of resuscitation occurred at the form on the street, Toronets. Fines that at Di markable case of resuscitation occurred at From Furs to Hats at Dineens'. sy refunded. 25 cents. Bingham's ed7
macy, 100 Yonge-street.

To-Day's Program.

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position was ours.

A Bullet Thru His Breast.

"But fate was holding the shears ever the thread of a heroic life. An hour of two afterwards, when we had at great sacrifice reconquered the western limit of the hill, Lieut. Digby Jones was in the gun emplacement with Major Miller-Wallnutt and one or two men. The enemy had been driven back, yet maintaining a searching fire, and having received strong reinforcements was separating for another advance. Suddenly three or four dark shadows were cast over the parapet, in which there were no loop-holes. Von Wyk, leader of Harrismith commando, Field Cornet Devilliers and another brave Boor leader there were no loop-holes. Von Wyk, leader of his head. A corporal of the sappers slew Devilliers, whose bandolier was almost filled with explosive bullets. Lieut. Digby-Jones, running out of the emplacement, shot Commandant Von Wyk, before he himself ended a short hero's career with a Mauser bullet thru the breast. His young and brave comrade, Lieut. Dennis, R.E., fell a minute afterward while going to the aid of the wounded.

Fight Was Nearly Over.

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ody of the Boers have fled, evidently with from the War Office, and all Canada is anxi-

St. Andrew's Rapids Work Will Be

THREE LIVES WERE LOST IN A MIDNIGHT FIRE

Home of Mr. Pasco Luke, Near Blackwater Village, Ontario County, Was Burned.

Family Were All Asleep and Two Nephews and a Daughter Failed to Get Out-Mr. and Mrs. Luke and a Sister

London, Feb. 24.—(4.15 a.m.)—Mr. Balfour announced in the House of Commons at half-past 12 this morning that no further news regarding Gen. Cronje had been received by the Government. He had sent to the War Office during the hour, and he asserted that nothing had come to hand there.

Cronje Still Holding Out.

Gen. Cronje, kerefore, is presumably still unbeaten. No other construction can be placed upon the three days' silence of Lord Roberts.

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OF LASTING LOVE."

"The Mourning Is Great, But the Hope Is Greater"-

"The hard-fought fight was nearly over.
"In the hard-fought fight was nearly over.
Our men were again on the summit of the hill and the Hotchkiss gun of the Natal Just been signed, under fire on a field of Naval Volunteers was no longer in Jeo-pardy. But there remained a small and gallant band of Boers, who either would not or could not retire. They were hidden among some rocks about 30 yards from the brow of the hill. Their fire was deadly in its searching accuracy. One man alone is credited with having shot no fewer than five officers.

Dublishes the following patriotic article.

Six thousand miles from home, there has country, it seems that the roots of a nation will be strengthened in that pure fertilizer extracted from our veins. There is mothing like a common fate, dangers shart between the different nationalities which are preparing the future of the Canadian nation. The mourning is great, but the hope is still greater. If our first thought, confidence between us, for nature has fixed that life should proceed from death. Let

trusting to spea and the following to return with a message, tumbled into a sungar with 10 wounds upon his body. Capt. Lafone and Lieut. Field fell vietims to a cross-fire while the Boers were in flight.

Raged for 16 Hours.

"The battle was over. For 16 hours it

Sent a Message to Lord

Strathcona

ASKING FOR LIST OF THE KILLED

of Prices of Binder Twine-

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The Deputy
Minister of Militia to-night cabled Lord
Strathcona to ascertain the official list of
killed and wounded at Modder River on
Sunday. No word has been received here
from the War Office, and all Canada is anxi-Ottawa, Feb. 23.-(Special.)-The Deputy

tion in the name of the Buffalo Railway Company to obtain right to acquire properties in Canada. They have in their purview the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Company, the Queenston Heights Suspension Bridge Company and others,

Coming Queries.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—A big contract will soon be given out here and contractors all over the country are on the qui vive. This work, which is known as the St. Andrew's Rapids, will entail an outlay of \$800,000, and it goes without saying that a great deal of interest certres in the execution of the work. Altho the contract has not been awarded it is said that Mr. Thomas Kelly will in a few days be awarded this important piece of work.

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Comfing Queries.

Mr. Casey will ask the Government on Monday several questions relating to the Pacific cable. He is after the pedigree of Sir Robert G. W. Herbert.

From Tuesday next it is announced that Government orders will have precedence on Thursdays.

The House will adjourn on Tuesday next till Thursday, March 1.

Mr. Taylor will ask at what price the Government intends to sell binder twine to farmers.

Hon. Clifford Sifton will attend a meeting of his constituents on March 2 at Brandon.

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said a gentleman who claims to understand Canadian politics. Whether a Toronto or a Montreal man The World could not

Facts for Insurers, Facts for Insurers.

The Confederation Life Association has just published a new set of pamphlets, giving full particulars regarding the different plans of life insurance. They are clearly printed and tastefully bound, and the information contained in them should prove of interest to all business men.

The Unconditional Accumulative Policy issued by the Confederation Life is now entirely free from conditions from date of issue, and guarantees Extended insurance.

A Cold Wave Coming. Methuen at Kimberley.
Kimberley, Thursday, Feb. 22.—Lord Methuen arrived here Tuesday. He will act as administrator of the Kimberley district, extending southward to the Orange Iliver.

Col. Kekewich will remain in command of the local forces. The issue of siege soup

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CONTRACT INVOLVING \$800,000.

St. Andrew's Rapids Work Will Be

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bayhe or sleet, followed by strong northwest winds and a change to much colder weather.
Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Unsettled, with local snowfalls, followed on Sunday by, a change to much colder weather.

C. R. Palmer's new Canadian patriotic song, "Sons of the Empire," will be sung for the first time as an extra number by Mr. A. L. E. Davies at Harmony Masonic Lodge "At Home." in the Palm Room of McConkey's new Assembly Rooms on Monday evening, Feb. 26th.

The Oak Hall Clothing Stores, 115 King-street east and 116 Yonge-street, close every day, including Saturdays, at 6 o'clock. R. J. Lloyd & Co., 1382 Queen St. W. Catering first class. Phone 5585.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

New York New York Halifax Portland Funeral Saturday at 2.30 to Mount lèrom.

Chas Musgrave's Orchestra of six pieces will supply the dance music for Harmony Masonic "At Home," Monday, Feb. 26. McConkey's new Assembly

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 23.—The Semlin-Cot- Remarkable Case of Resuscitation

A good tobacco like the Westminster Mix-ture, mild, sweet and aromatic, will give you an ideal smoke. In the words of the old German smoking song, one can join with Loewe pipe in nand:

"When love grows cold,
Thy fire still warms me;
When friends are fied.
Thy presence charms me.
If pipe be full,
Though purse be bare,
I smoke. I smoke.
And cast away all care."

-G. W. Muller.

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