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Cable Letter From London

Oucen's Visit Transfers to Dublin Leaders in Society and the State.

Horses In Urgent Request-Luxuries for Officers at Pretoria.

London, April 7 .- From a city of nervous forebodings, political excitemen tre. The coming of the Queen, though to a Catholic country in the middle of Lent, has started a whirl of festivities such as there has not been in Ireland since the good old days of which Lever wrote. The Irish nobility have flocked across the Channel from their Euglish from the south, the west and the north of Ireland itself the country families have poured into Dublin. There is a sufficient number of the ministry on the Has Gatacre banks of the Liffe to hold a cabinet council, and there are enough lovely women nightly dining in gorgeous dresses, shining with jewelry which has not been worn for many a dull day, to make an Irish levee of which any court

might be jealous.

The Castle, where the Lord Lieuten The Castle, where the Lord Lieutenant holds sway, is naturally the centre of attraction, but the ancient building can hold only a few. There the Duke of Devonshire, the Duke of Abercorn, the Marquis of Lansdowne, Home Secretary Ridley and a number of peers and peeresses have been dining in state every night this week. The brilliant uniforms of officers of the Life Guards from London, of the Duke of Connaught's staff, and the court uniforms of Ireland's dignitaries are seen blended with the black attire of celebrated civilians. Nor could anything be more superb than the big-calved bepowdered lackeys that flit in gold and red through the great corridors outside the Gastle.

The Shelbourne Hotel has been the centre of gaiety. There almost every visitor has a title, though many of the most distinguished.

therefore she has to work harder than at any previous period of her reign. It is estimated that she has to sign fifty thousand documents yearly, an average of 137 a day, including Sunday. Masses of state papers go to her now while in thousand documents yearly, an average of 137 a day, including Sunday. Masses of state papers go to her now while in Ireland. She never really has two days'

Mr. Chamberlain is reported to have said seriously: "I think we are dealing with better fighters as individuals than any regular soldiers of the Continent. The Boers seem to me to have both caution and dash."

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Montreal April 6.—Customs inspector Bolton of Toronto has made a seizure of the profits resulting from the Seldon of the Capital. One hundred dollars and a carload of corn were pleds at the meeting.

Pittsburg, April 7.—Joseph Herne & Co's immense dry goods store is burning and will be a complete loss.

NOTED TENOR'S DEATH.

Son Francisco, April 6.—Ernest O.

Baldanza, the tenor, who twelve years ago sang with Patti in leading roles, is suffered severely.

St. Louis, Mo., April 7.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dallas, from Taylor, Texas, at three o'clock this afternoon says the way. The place has 1,500 inhabitants."

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justice, they would shrink with horror."

The Times holds the German press especially responsible for the personal sourrilities directed against the Prince of Wales, referring to the Kladderadatsch, which is not a Socialist sheet, but which ranks up towards London Punch. Such alleged scurrilities as the Kladderadatsch prints are systematic, yet the Times avers that the German press is controlled, guided, cajoled or coerced by the government and that the German law of less majeste is the most stringent in Europe.

The Prince

Visit Canada During Com-

ing Summer.

Dominion Premier.

Factor in Deciding Him

on the Trip.

Winnipeg, April 7 .- A cable from Lon-

is yet made, it is generally believed that

the Prince of Wales will certainly visit

Canada during the coming summer. The

idea to do so was suggested some time

Special to the Colonist

"Although no definite an

BRAVERY OF CANADIANS. Several Specially Mentioned in Col. Of ter's Official Report

Ottawa, April 7.-The report from Col Otter refers to the following who dis-tinguished themselves at Paardeberg

Private Kennedy, who led one of the ammunition mules right up to the firing line, where it was killed.

Surgeon-Captain Fiset, who went forward and attended to Captain Arnold on the firing line, and acted as stretcher bearer in returning.

The following also distinguished themselves: No. 6559, Sergt. Utten; 7177, Private Andrews; 7040; Private Dickson; 7043, Private Duneafe; 7876, Private Page, 7306, Private Murphy; 7347, Private Hornbrook; O'Leary, R.C. chaplain, who assisted within the firing line.

Private J. H. Dickson is a member of Nelson Co. of Rocky Mountain Rangers.

Fought Again? land. The crazy attempt of Brussels will also probably still further influence him to the Canadian trip, as

Unconfirmed Delayed Report That He Engaged Boers at Reddersburg.

Preparations to Harass Buller Also-Pretoria Diappointed in Colonials.

London, April 7 .- No news was issue Bloemfontein relating to an engageme The Shelbourne Hotel has been the centre of gaiety. There almost every visitor has a title, though many of the most distinguished foreigners learned with chagrin that they could not get rooms and had to be satisfied with humble lodgings and dinners.

Owing to the presence of thieves in the town and the large amount of jewelry carelessly displayed, none who are not staying at the Shelbourne are allowed to enter the outer doors of the Hotel without specifying whom they want to see, and visitors are often kept in the cold for further inspection. A well known but badly dressed Peer, who seldom visits Ireland, underwent this ordeal the other day and almost exploded with wrath when a gold-laced porter barred his way and made him show his card before allowing him to enter.

The Most popular form of evening amusement has been the chartering of frolley cars by large parties and taking itdes throughout the crowded and illum.

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It is reported from Ladysmith that the Boers are beginning to construe Gen. Buller's inactivity as a sign of fear or inabi

Buller unprepared.
The Boers state that the Colesberg and Stormberg commandoes, numbering 6,000 men and ten guns have reached Kroon-

Bloemfontein, April 4.—(Afternoon.)—Gen. Gatacre had an engagement with the enemy at Reddersburg to-day. Details of the affair have not been obtained.

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Superlatives have been almost eliminated from the war comments and with the disappearance of possible foreign complications, the editors and public speakers take quite a moderate tone. The depressing incidents of the week have caused the public to resign themselves to a long struggle.

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The disposition to find fault with the war office for not having anticipated the necessity for the enormous number of horses seems unjustified, for it is learned that before the dash to Kimberley and the destruction of horse feeb caused by the surrounding of Gen. Cronje, the war office wired to its agents all over the obstacles in the way of assembling and transporting the animals were such that horses bought a month ago can hardly reach Lord Roberts before June.

Nothing was heard this week of the movement initiated by ministerial members of the Commons to petition the government to proclaim the Orange Free State annexed to the British Empire.

London bankers are transmitting gold or its equivalent regularly to the paying cheques of British officers who are held prsoners and the Standard Bank of Pretoria honors all such cheques. Therefore, as no limit is placed on the luxuries bought by the prisoners, they live in much comfort. In fact their messes are probably much better provided than are those of the captives who have been therefor months have regular service via Hamburg and Lorenzo Marques, which brings them good things to eat, smoke, drink and wear. The British officers box, fence and play various games, including billiards.

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THE CANADIANS RECOGNIZED. Patriotic Committees in England Make Special Provision for Our Men and Their Dependants,

Of Wales. Winnipeg, April 7 .- A London cable Winnipeg, April 7.—A London cable says that the committee of Lloyds' Patriotic Fund have informed the Canadian High Commissioner of their intention to make a substantial grant to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

The secretary of the British fund for the Canadian contingent has received three large packages of warm clothing from the Princess Louise, which are being forwarded immediately to South Africa. His Royal Highness Likely to

Report That Project Already Has

Been Discussed With the A PRETTY STORY How the Queen Presented His Victoria Cross to the Mother of Fallen Queen's Visit to Ireland

London, April 7.—A member of parliament tells a charming story of the Queen and Lady Roberts. When Lady Roberts visited Windsor, a few days before she sailed for the Cape, the Queen handed her a small parcel, saying: "Here is something I have tied up with my own hands and that I beg you will not open till you get home." Lady Roberts found that the parcel contained the Victoria Cross won by her dead son by his gallantry at Colenso.

Queen Reviews

Dire Flood In Texas

Heavy Rains Cause Colorado River to Set Free a Mammoth Reservoir.

Water Wall Sixty Feet High Spreads Devastation Over Valley Below.

Scores of Lives Lost and Property Damage Counted by Millions.

night in pitch darkness with a raging river one mile wide and swollen far be yond its natural banks, roaring and surging through all the lower portions of the town, having spread death and the vast loss to property in this section it is calculated that between 30 and 40

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house was swept away. Eighteen were working in upper floors and six were in the basement. No other lives have been lost directly, but it is believed heavy loss must have resulted in the valley and the lowlands country to the south."

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL. Investigation of New Charges From

Yukon-A Preventive Officer-Doukhobors Leaving.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 7.-Mr. Elkinson, of Philadelphia, a Quaker friend of the Doukhobors, came here to-day to see officials of the interior department about stopping the exodus of Doukhobors to California. Mr. Elkinton has a letter from Count Tolstoi to the Doukhobors,

urging them to remain in Canada.

F. A. Sinclair is gazetted preventive officer at Cascade City.

A militia order issued to-day increases the separation allowance for families of soldiers in South Africa, The increase for the wife of a private is from 16 to 25 cents a day. 25 cents a day.

Judge Dugas has been appointed com

SUPPLICATE QUEEN'S PARDON.

Brussels, April 7.—The parents of Jean Baptiste Sipido, who made the attempt on the life of the Prince of Wales, have addressed a petition to Queen Victoria praying her to pardon their son's act.

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By the Sentry

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Unfortunate Shooting at Naval Yard Early Yesterday Morning.

Lieut. Scott of H. M. S. Pheasant Lies at the Point of Death.

Lieutenant Reginald Scott, R.N., of H.M.S. Pheasant, is to-day a patient at tirely problematical matter, in conse through the chest on Friday night, while engaged in the performance of his duty as officer of the watch at the Royal Naval Yard, Esquimalt. The shot that brought him to hospital was fired from the carbine of Gunner Higgins of the Royal Artillery, this branch of the service having special charge of the disappearing guns mounted for the defence of the naval

NEW LAND REGISTRAR.

Winnipeg, April 7.—W. R. Black, of Carman, has been appointed district registrar of the Morden land titles office, vice A. Monkman, whose appointment has been rescinded.