The Colonist.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1899

THE WAR

The failure of the Boer attempt to force Gen. White's position at Lady-smith is good news. There was naturally some anxiety about the result of the first day's fighting, and the termination is very encouraging. An early morning bulletin stated that the whole British force had been made prisoners of war, but no one in Victoria was found foolish enough to be deceived by it. The Times displayed the bulletin, but the Colonist held it back and later gave out

as large as it might have been expected to be in view of the highly improved weapons used and the weight of the Boer has not been able to report a decisive erly do in the event of hostilities occur move out against the whole Boer army.

He has done exceedingly well, for he seems to have improved his position very what analagous to the calling out of the stances we would expect fighting to be portant to know just what the powers resumed to-day.

siderable numbers. In view of the will unite with us in the hope that if the concentration of Joubert's whole army in Natal it may be a question whether or in Natal it may be a question whether or not the best course for General Buller self. We have no doubt but that it will, On the general attitude of the French South Africa would be timely and be welto take is not to land the greater part of and that it will return laden with honor. the new regiments at Durban and drive he can get in their rear by moving up through the Orange Free State, he will have them in a trap. Everything depends upon the ability of General White to held, out It Is Isolated and the orange Isolated and the orange Isolated I to hold out. If Joubert can defeat the military situation correspond to the military White's force the military situation would be materially altered. Our own belief is that Gen. White will succeed in keeping Joubert's army in check long wice. He had the highest recommendation of the British flag. Our national existence, we are prepared to do our duty to the course our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the british flag. Our national existence, we are prepared to do our duty to the course our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the course our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services. Lieut. Pooley is an officer of our property, our privileges and our prepared to do our duty to the services.

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that the two battalions were composed of seasoned soldiers, the sort of men whom Undoubtedly in the end an overwhelming body of British troops will be placed in the field, but much may happen in the meantime.

dealt with during the next session. The step taken by the government is a radi- invective representative citizens, it is cally new departure, although it does not time he was removed from a represengo as far as we think the majority of tative position. His presence on the the people of the Dominion are ready to school board after the publication of such go. Discussing the criticism of the gov- a letter will be intolerable. If a teacher fighting and the favorable prospect for Toronto Globe expresses the very sound the minds of his pupils, public opinion opinion that parliament ought to be would demand his instant dismissal by The loss of life is considerable, but not asked to define and extend the powers of the trustees. Far worse is it that a the government in the case of emergencies of the kind in question. Some understanding will have to be reached as artillery. There will be some disappointment because the war department to just what the government may propvictory; but it is to be remembered that

Within a day or two we ought to hear not wide enough, to make them so. We are sure that every Colonist reader

MR. POOLEY'S CASE.

vance of any other from this province.

in which Gen. White spoke of having sent out two regiments which had not resent out two regiments which had not re- friends think for a single moment that turned. There was no disposition to Captain Blanchard made the least atcriticize the General adversely, for it tempt to supplant him. We wish to be was universally felt that when a com- very clear about this, because Capt. mander is confronted with a force three Blanchard is now on his way to the seat times as large as nis own, he must take of war, and it would be a grossly imextraordinary risks. His plan of battle, by which the captured battalions were cut off from the rest of the force, rewholly and absolutely blameless in the would be a grossly impersonally to go. It ought to be evident mercial centre. About twenty-five years ago one of the older residents said to a visitor: "From the point where we now sible if each component part of it conmains to be explained and pending such matter. But some one is to blame, and explanation public judgment should be that some one is a person who has the ear of the Minister of Militia. The to its own defence. manner in which Lieut. Pooley's applica-British force surrendered, but this indi- tion was thrown aside leaves no doubt which warfare is now carried on. Ex- ences were set to work. As we do not contingent to South Africa cannot be the old town? upon any one's mind that political influperts have long seen that one of the wish to place any one in what may be

Much public indignation has been aroused by the letter of Mr. William the force at Ladysmith is greatly in need. Marchant published in the Times of Sat Their places will soon be taken by others urday evening, and very great surprise but in the meantime the holding of that Senator Templeman, who is respon-Ladysmith will be a task calling for consummate ability and valor. We assume that General Buller will proceed to concentrate in Natal the great body of the army under his command, with the view of inflicting a crushing blow upon the consummate application. The foolish talk by the Chief last Saturday afternoon was a clear proof that he will them, or perhaps in some cases portions of them hang together like ghosts of what they once were. St. Andrew's ize a subsequent act of the like kind—that is to say, that Canada may again choose of her own free will to make the warehouses have disappeared with them, or perhaps in some cases portions of them hang together like ghosts of what they once were. St. Andrew's ize a subsequent act of the like kind—that is to say, that Canada may again choose of her own free will to make to subsequent act of the like kind—that is to say, that Canada may again choose of her own free will to make to subsequent act of the like kind—that is to say, that Canada may again choose of her own free will to make the warehouses have disappeared with them, or perhaps in some cases portions of them hang together like ghosts of what they once were. St. Andrew's ize a subsequent act of the like kind—that is to say, that Canada may again choose of her own free will to make to view of inflicting a crushing blow upon report of the citizens' committee appoint view of inflicting a crushing blow upon the Boer force. What we dread most is the Boer force. What we dread most is the effect of this Boer success upon the Dutch in Cape Colony and elsewhere in British South Africa. Reinforcements ought to begin to arrive at the Cape any day now. From Capetown to Durban is about three days' sail, so that if Lady-pression of admiration for the patriotism provides an hold out for ten days, all will be well. If the worst should happen and Gen. White's command should suffer a severe defeat, it is not very easy to fore villainous attack upon the loyalty of the

her sons to the defence of the Empire is views may be, ought to have refrained desirable. an event of no small importance. We from giving public expression to such very greatly regret that parliament was ideas as were contained in this Times session at the time the necessity letter it is Mr. William Marchant. Orarose for raising a force. In this re- dinarily we deprecate anything like an spect the Australian colonies had the ad- interference with the inherent rights of vantage. We should have been glad every man to speak the thing that is in to have seen the attitude which parlia- his mind, but when a person has shown ment would have taken in the emer- himself, as Mr. Marchant has, to be utgency. The subject is one that will be terly hostile to every principle of patriotism and to stand ready to assail with man to whom the teachers are responsible, and to whom they may not unnaturally look for guidance, should so express himself and take a position so utterly the obligations which we owe to the hostile to the loyal sentiment of the com-

BELCOURT TO BOURASSA.

Mr. Belcourt, M.P. for Ottawa, has written an open letter to Mr. Bourassa replying to the latter's letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mr. Belcourt, who belongs to the same political party as his fellow the latter's action as rather absurd. He pove his personal popularity and will setpopulation of Canada Mr. Belcourt says:

I can not agree with you that the loy-alty of Canadians to the Motherland is to be circumscribed by the territorial ceive and without which we cannot do The distressing news from South Africa He was led to believe that he of the province of Quebec will share one place that can claim to rival Vic-

ter, the greater part of it is taken up in was the reason for such a change during construed into a binding precedent. This portion of his argument is as follows:

In the days to which this old resident in every case the British have them in their chosen positions.

ing more than "a something done or saud that may serve as an example to authorize a subsequent act of a like kind."

Now what is the act, the accomplished for the expected population. These now fact? Is it anything else than that Candrate? The letter upon Senator Templeman, but trouble has been removed, but the cance quite the reverse. No one attributes to the senator that candrate are the senator that the property and morals to the senator the senator the senator the senator the senator that candrate are the senator that candrate are the senator that the senator the senator that candrate are the senator that t for the expected population. These now ada, a self-governing colony of Great Britain, free to do what she will with her own, to give or to withhold, has chosen of her own free will to make the Warehouses have disappeared with Motherland a free girls a gift if you

LET US BE READY.

No man can foresee what the future has in store. It is possible that a severe strain may be put upon the Empire before peace comes again. This is not beovertax British prowess, but because if to aggrandize themselves at our expense. In view of this it is the bounden duty of Canadians and the Canadian government work of Imperial defence. In this juncture a grave responsibility is cast upon the Laurier cabinet, and there is some anxiety as to whether they will move and by a little enterprise what discharge it in a manner in keeping with the wishes of the loyal Canadians and Mother Land.

submit that it will become the duty of ernor-General to call parliament together in order that the sentiment of the people may find expression at the lips and by the votes of their representatives. In the meantime a note of preparation should be sounded from one end of the French-Canadian, is disposed to treat Dominion to the other. Every effort should be made to place the various corps tells him that his re-election will only of active militia at their full strength, and new companies ought to be enrolled tle no political or constitutional question. The offer of another contingent for comed in Great Britain, but whatever question there may be about this, there we are prepared to do our duty to the

was the only topic of conversation on the streets yesterday. The public were, in a measure, prepared for it by the despatches in the Colonist of yesterday morning, in which Con. White spoke of having in which Con. White spoke of having in which Con. White spoke of having in the colonist of yesterday morning, in which Con. White spoke of having in the colonist of yesterday morning. one which your letter breathes.

Mr. Bourassa's position is that the obligation of Canada is limited to the defence of the Dominion, or it would perlambers he more correct to say that this is haps be more correct to say that this is a proach from the ocean is all that can be as far as he professes his willingness desired. It was once an important com-But to return to Mr. Belcourt's let-

with railways showed that the new sys- we will now add that neither Lieut. You must admit that in this case the contribution was purely voluntary, that in fact it could not be otherwise, that Canada was not and could not be comsuccess and the railway was begun. It the refusal of his application. majority of the whole community that has ever found expression here. We are prepared to accept from Senator Templeman a statement that the letter was printed without his knowledge, for he would not, we should suppose, be delibated to give a statement of the necessity for calling and effect?

In regard to the necessity for calling the refusal of his application.

We have two communications touch the interior and there stopped. Where it stopped it was only about eight miles of not print, although they are signed by the writers with their proper names, because they are calculated to give and effect?

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steps to keep their town abreast of the times; second, because they relied too much upon the geographical advantag of their position, failing to comprehend that energy on the part of its inhabit ants may often compensate for the nat ural disadvantages of a city; and third. cause the hostilities in South Africa will they were afraid of taxation. When the smaller town of St. Stephen issued bonds we have our hands full there, European to build a railway, the people of St nations, jealous of our principles of freedom and equal rights, may take occasion fools and their money were soon parted When in consequence of this railway th town of St. Stephen doubled in population and assessed value in the course o to be ready to do their part in the great a year or two, they saw their blunder they saw what a mistake they had made, but it was then too late to do anything. St. Stephen had captured by a shrewed

> handled. In the time of which the old resident spoke, St. Andrew's was an active com petitor with St. John for commerci growing, energetic city of about 50,000 people with great lines of wharves or both sides of its small harbor and huge ply with the terms of the by-law, making

and what she could have much

a rest from business. The lesson of St. Andrew's is that no town, no matter how well situated or cinch on prosperity; that if a town does available means of transportation are necessary if a town is to hold its place in these days of competition, and that it may be the poorest of all economies to save a trifle in taxation.

Mr. Tarte denies that he ever was con thing to demonstrate to the world that sulted about flying the flag on the parliament buildings at Ottawa on the occacompany.

enough to permit General Buller to carry out his original plans.

New Brunswick, is one how to wipe out the effect of the Marton protection, which we reprotected without which we cannot do.

St. Andrew's, New Brunswick, is one how to wipe out the effect of the Marton protection, which we reprotected without which we cannot do. how to wipe out the effect of the Mar- son the whole of Canada. It is perhaps the would have been not to have printed it

> pears to be exceedingly heavy. Since the beginning of the campaign they have lost

distinctly understood that the sending of the contingent to South Africa is not to the contingent to South Africa is not to the treated as private papers, for the simple reason that such a course is unnecessity. take steps to ensure that Mr. Tarte shall a certain stage has been reached, but t

So far as can be judged from what has is about to enforce the fulfi already taken place, the Boers do not agreement of seem to be anything like a match for the bridge will almost immediately be clo British in open fight. Such success as for traffic by order of the minister of demonstrating that the sending of the the part of the lifetime of this resident of they have had is due to their greatly public works. superior numbers, and to the fact that In the days to which this old resident in every case the British have attacked

Andrew's had its far-seeing business men. One of them was John Wilson, who as soon as Stephenson's experiment with reilways changed that the interference was probably who as soon as Stephenson's experiment with reilways changed that the interference was probably wholly political. But to remove all doubt with reilways changed that the interference was probably in this respect. In the by-gone days mentioned St.

swer to those who profess to believe that the provincial civil service and a daughter she heart of Quebec is not loyal to the who is a school teacher. We submit that if there is in the whole allowed to respond to the call of the flag. Andrew's, being comfortably well off, did not realize that in the rapidly changing conditions of business they were certain to be left behind unless they took. E.G. Prior & Go., Limited L'D'Ity

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grain elevators. St. Andrew's is a place a delay of fifteen days after the sinking where St. John people go when they want of a boat the limit within which a new one must be put on. We assume that the company will be prepared to say just what they are prepared to do, and we how wealthy its business houses, has a shall then know whether the majority of aldermen have simply set out to defeat not keep up with the procession it will the project altogether, or have been anifall hopelessly in the rear; that the best mated by a bona fide desire to secure the best possible barbain for the city.

The Times says that Senator Temple man personally recommended Lieut. Pooley's appointment. The Colonist was quite aware of this, and the Senator has been in fraste to take the Colonist statement to himself. If he will read the article again he will see that we attributsion of the departure of the Ottawa ed the rejection of the application to the work of some one who had the ear of the minister of militia. Senator Templeman The Times is doing the best it knows by his own showing is not such a per-

Letters to the Editor.

POINT ELLICE BRIDGE.

Sir: I have not followed the advice of your correspondent who in this morning's Colonist suggested that I should take action against the mayor in order to Mr. Tarte says he has caused it to be the custody of the city clerk which docugo to the "fountain head." I am glad to have heard to-day from an indisput able source that the federal governme copy, and the existing Point Ellice

J. GERHARD TIARKS.

also being in the enjoyment of large po-litical influence, they felt that nothing could take their supremacy from them. nearest seaport to Montreal in all the that the article in yesterday's paper reseatter them like leaves before the wind! Maritime Provinces, and is on a branch ferring to Lieut. Pooley's case may be As to liquor selling on the Sabbath, the Maritime Provinces, and is on a branch of the Canadian Pacific railway, the Gregory or some other officers connected Shapperd is an old public servent. He recommended to the interior passes it by long. Considering the fact that Chief Sheppard is an old public servant, his re-

James Bay Methodist Church. October 30, 1899.

WEALTH OF THE ISLAND.

THE CONTINGENT SAILS.

Yesterday at 2:30 p. m. the Canadian contingent sailed for South Africa, Without making any comment upon the sapproached by Sir Wilkrid Laurier and his colleagues, it is greatly to the credit of all concerned that in two weeks from the time enrollment commenced and in the force of 1,000 men, they are comparable in the service of the force of 1,000 men, they are consequent to the branch of the country.

The contribued is mean miles had been built, St. Andrew's would ninsult to his country, to the clergymen of the city, to the large and that the was supported by the united demonstrate the willoud that the writers with their proper names, one or the large radies of all truck to my purpose. Eat regarded as their representation in canada. But unfortunate the work and that the was supported by the united demonstrate the writers with that it is that fur. Marchant may in an indirect way be regarded as their representation.

The world without his knowledge, for he would raise the force of 1,000 men, they are aboard ship and off to the seat of hostilities. So far as appears on the surface, a force of two or three times the number could have been despatched in the same length of time; but what has the same length of time; but what has been done is decidedly a feather in the been done to feather that such a force was gathered in so short a time from points scattered across the whole continent. It is shows that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do their duty by the Bmpire, and that our people are ready to do pound that the countries of public organization is in excellent condition.

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