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THE BOERS AT LADYSMITH WERE REPULSED WITH A LOSS OF 800

Enemy Caught Off Their Guard and the King's Rifles, at Double Quick, Got into the Trench Dug Opposite the British Lines, Unobserved.

Burgers Tried to Rush Estcourt on Saturday Morning, But Met With a Surprise—What Are Gen. Buller's Plans?—More British Prisoners at Pretoria—Lord Methuen's Column for Kimberley—No Colony Burgers Will Be Called Out.

Ladysmith can hold out for months, if necessary, while despatching is sent to the making havoc with the enemy on the hills. General White's forces are more than holding their own. The correspondent of the Times of Natal, a Durban newspaper, sends a report from Ladysmith stating that the enemy made a complicated attack on Ladysmith on Nov. 18 and they were repulsed on all sides. The Boers had left unguarded a deep trench dug in front of the British lines and the King's Rifles, advancing at double quick, occupied it. This smart move had not been seen by the enemy, who had withdrawn for their horses, and the King's Rifles allowed the Boers, on their return, to advance almost to the edge of the trench, when they fired volley after volley into the astounded burghers, who bolted across the open, where the artillery of the British poured an effective shell fire into them. The Boer loss was heavy. There was also some great work done at Casso Camp, which protects Ladysmith on the south-east, where the Manchester Regiment detected several hundred Boers in hiding from the British shells. They poured volley after volley into the enemy, who scattered with heavy losses. It is estimated that the Boer losses in these attacks were 800.

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New York World prints what is purported to be the plan of campaign adopted by Gen. Buller. The real motive in sending a relief to Gen. White is said to be to keep General Joubert's forces busy while the commander of the forces is directing his movements towards Pretoria. General Buller, it is said, intends to go with the main body through Bloemfontein, as he originally planned. His plan is to get in the rear of the Transvaal and Free State columns while General White and his reinforcements engage the enemy in front.

Everything is about ready for Lord Methuen's march from Orange River to the relief of Kimberley. Troops are arriving there daily from Cape Town. No baggage or tents will be allowed on this march, which is expected to be a record breaker for quick movements.

The Boers occupied Colesburg on Nov. 16 and proclaimed it a part of the Orange Free State. The enemy also occupied Burgersdorp on Nov. 14, and it is believed they are on their way to seize Stormberg Junction.

The correspondent of The London Daily Telegraph writes that during the engagement at Elandsлагte two wounded British soldiers were being attended by a British doctor, when a burgher came up and, deliberately drawing his pistol, shot and killed both the wounded men. Two British soldiers appeared before the assassin could escape, and he also was killed. British parties sent out in search of the dead and wounded were fired on under Red Cross flags, as well as under flags of truce.

The thrilling details of the charge at Dundee and the battle of Elandsлагte have reached The London Times and The London Daily Mail from their correspondents at the scene of action. Both are given in these columns this morning.

London, Nov. 20.—(5 a.m.)—This morning's news gives little that alters the complexion of the situation. Since the fight of Nov. 9 matters, so far as is known, have been fairly quiet at Ladysmith. It is not unlikely that the Boers, badly informed as to the nature and extent of the British preparations to advance to the relief of the town, may be hesitating regarding the next move. The situation in Natal is very complicated, more especially if the reports are true that the great Tugela bridge has been destroyed.

Boers Have Three Lines of Action. The success of the Boers on either side will depend more on strategy than on superior numbers. The Boers have three lines of action open. They can hold the railway with the force they have at the scene of action, slowly back before the British advance, and threatening it from Weenen; or, in the second place, they can advance from Weenen and try to carry Estcourt; or, in

the third place, they can advance due south from Weenen to Weston, cut the railway and blow up the bridge over the Mool River.

Heavy Fighting in Store. If it be true that there are 10,000 Boers under Gen. Joubert and Gen. Buller marching south to meet the British relief force, heavy fighting is in store.

White's Forces Outwit the Enemy and They Were Driven Back at Every Point. Durban, Natal, Nov. 19.—The Times of Natal publishes the following dated Nov. 15, from its special correspondent at Ladysmith: The enemy made a determined attack on Thursday, Nov. 9. Apparently all the Boer forces participated. Their artillery opened fire, pouring in shell thick and fast upon the British positions, although with no great effect. They adopted the usual tactics of advancing under cover of their guns to positions on the ridges and kopjes, adjacent to those occupied by the British troops, on the left or our camp.

The Boers Crept Up. Continuing their advance, the Boers crept up, using every available bit of cover. Our infantry opened with a steady, warm and accurate fire, which beat back the enemy, notwithstanding a display of tenacity of purpose equal to their desperate stands on previous occasions.

Attacked on All Sides. The Boer attack was most elaborate on all sides of the town. The main attack, however, was made between the Free State and Newcastle railway lines, by a column composed chiefly of Johannesburg volunteers. A brigade of the King's Royal Rifle Corps made a splendid defence. The Boers were repulsed, but soon rallied and returned to the attack. Again the British fire, which was very hot, forced them to retire.

Heavy Boer Losses. They had made a deep trench in front of the British lines, and while withdrawing for their horses, they left this unguarded, and the King's Rifles, advancing at double quick, occupied the trench, with the smart movement was not seen by the enemy, who soon returned with their horses. Carefully reserving their fire, the King's Rifles allowed the Boers to advance almost to the edge of the trench, and then poured volley after volley into the astounded Boers, who turned and fled from an open, where the artillery of the British poured in a terrible and effective shell fire. The enemy lost heavily.

The Heavy Mortar Was Silenced. Meanwhile another section of the Boers had brought a mortar into action, firing heavy shells. Our guns soon silenced this weapon, the enemy's artillerymen fleeing headlong. The Boers then advanced in force, with a view of repairing the mortar, which is offered at a special price. Other dealers may show fur-lined overcoats at \$50 or even less—but of course they are neither so new—nor so choice—nor so perfect in essential little details.

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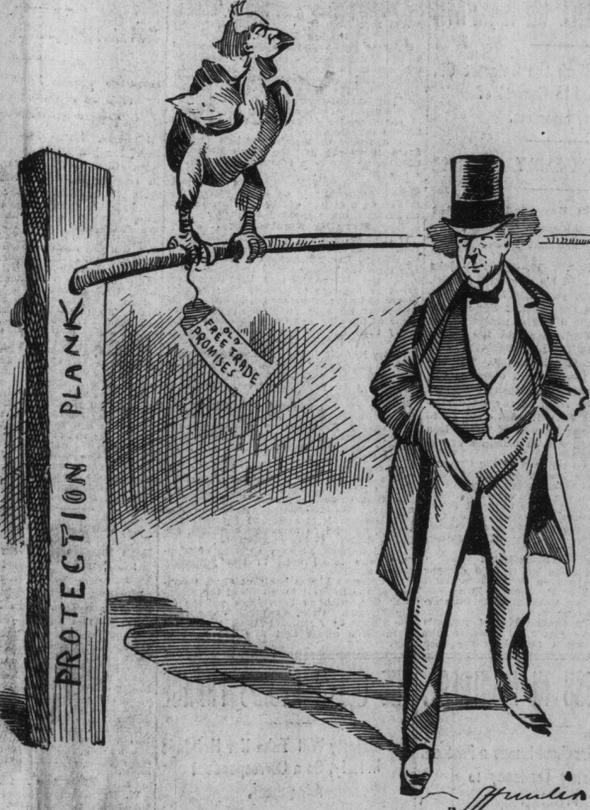
Today's Program. Canadian Institute, biological section, 8 p.m. Church of England Sunday School Association, St. George's, 8 p.m. Theological Union at Victoria University, 10:30 a.m. "Arizona" at the Grand, 8 p.m. Murray at the Toronto, 8 p.m. Corn Tapper at Shea's, 2 and 8 p.m. "Trilby" at the Princess, 2 and 8 p.m. The Bijou, 2 and 8 p.m. The Empire, 8 p.m.

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COMING HOME.



SIR WILFRID: There is one most undesirable chicken that has come home to roost.

LEFT HOME TEN WEEKS AGO, FOUND DEAD YESTERDAY

Joseph Chambers, a Well-to-Do Resident, Supposed to Have Jumped Over the Rosedale Bridge in a Fit of Despondency.

As Dr. Capon, the well-known dentist of 15 College-street, was riding along the Rosedale drive about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, his horse, a spirited animal, shied at some object just underneath the Sherbourne-street bridge. Looking around to see what frightened the horse, Dr. Capon noticed the dead body of a man lying at the side of the roadway quite close to the bridge. The body was that of Joseph Chambers, a well-to-do resident of the west side of the city. The police officer took a bicycle and was quickly on the spot. All around the body was a pool of blood which flowed from a large cut over the left eye. It lay in a crouched position with the head elevated on the root of a tree.

Dead Man's Name. Sgt. Miller lifted the body to level ground and then made an examination of the pockets of the clothing. Letters, papers, and mementoes, bearing the name of Joseph Chambers, 35 Berrymans-street, were found in the dead man's light overcoat and in the body was taken to the morgue.

SIR WILLIAM DAWSON DEAD. The Celebrated Ex-Principal of McGill Passed Away Rather Unexpectedly.

THE AUTHOR OF MANY WORKS. Stroke of Paralysis Weakened Him Some Time Ago, but the End Was Not Deemed So Near.

Montreal, Nov. 19.—(Special.)—The Canadian flag at half-mast from the cluster of university buildings announces the death of one of the Dominion's most eminent educationalists. Sir William Dawson, for so many years principal of McGill, whose name has been a household word all over Canada and long before Confederation was formed, died a little past midnight. Sir William's death created surprise, it being so sudden; for, although the ex-principal had had a stroke of paralysis and had been left in a pretty weakened state, it was not felt by his family and friends that the grim destroyer had come so near. For a week past his state of health did not appear to be of a nature to create alarm. Consequently when it was announced this morning that Sir William Dawson had passed away, the most intense sorrow prevailed among all classes, and Lady Dawson and family have the deepest sympathy of friends far and near.

Funeral on Tuesday. It has been arranged that the funeral shall take place on Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at St. James' Cathedral. The interment will be in the Mount Pleasant cemetery.

PRESIDENT MCELLEN IS AFTER GREENWAY

Shows Where the Manitoba Premier Broke Faith Time After Time IN REGARD TO RAILWAY AID

The President of the Northern Pacific Explains the Situation to Mayor Andrews. MAKES A SENSATION IN WINNIPEG

Grant of a Million Dollars in Cash to Mackenzie and Mann to Reduce Rates. Winnipeg, Nov. 19.—(Special.)—President Mellen of the Northern Pacific Railway shows up the railway policy of the Greenway Government, so far as it concerns his road, in a five-column letter to Mayor Andrews, which has been handed to the press. He shows where Mr. Greenway broke one promise after another, apparently at the bidding of some eastern railwaymen, who are very close to a Cabinet Minister at Ottawa, and finally made a demand for a concession in lake rates in connection with the western extension, something which had never been mentioned in all previous negotiations, and indicated that he was prepared to pay for the concession. "In this connection he made it known to me," says Mr. Mellen, "that a grant by the province of a lump sum of \$1,000,000 to Mackenzie & Mann, in consideration of such reduction over and above the land grant, and the guarantee of bonds that would be required, had been suggested. I told Mr. Greenway that our company could not think of making the reduction of lake rates, in consideration of any grant of that kind. I reiterated the communication I had made to Everett & Co. in my telegram of April 17. I pointed out to him that the true way to secure a reduction of rates was to facilitate the construction of a line that, by better gradients and shorter mileage, would enable the traffic to be handled at a lower rate of cost than either of the existing lines, or on the one projected by Mackenzie & Mann. I expressed my willingness to consider any suggestion that might be made to that end, and I indicated that, in view of what he had said, I was prepared to apply for charter powers enabling me to build a western line, crossing the international boundary, near the Lake of the Woods, as a step towards such line.

Good Road the Best Guarantee. "I need not point out to you that a short line of railway, the best guarantee and a good roadbed, which would cost less than long trains can be carried, are more economical factors to ensure the institution, as well as the continuance, of low rates, than a lump sum of money, even if it be a million dollars, unless it provides the conditions mentioned. I told Mr. Greenway that if he desired to secure rates by the payment of \$1,000,000 cash, we would much prefer that he would give the money to other people; that the Northern Pacific had no use for it."

LADY WHITE WITH THE QUEEN. Her Majesty Receives the Wife of the General at Windsor Castle on Sunday.

London, Nov. 19.—Lady White, wife of Sir George Stewart White, British commander at Ladysmith, was received in audience by the Queen at Windsor Castle this afternoon.

A Timely Hint. People who can afford it should buy their Christmas presents now, while the lines are unbroken. A little earlier, the latest things will be gone. We are now speaking of those stores that deal in exclusive articles, but more particularly of Quinn's display of Christmas waist patterns now on view at his new store, 49 Yonge-street, next to the shops. Much of the hurry, bustle and delay incidental to Christmas purchasing would be averted, and employes would not be overworked Christmas week if this timely advice were heeded.

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Fair and Mild. Meteorological Office, Toronto, Oct. 19, 10.—(Special.)—A disturbance is developing to-night over Texas, and its movement will probably be towards the lake region, in which case unsettled weather may be expected over Ontario on Tuesday. Another depression of importance is situated over the North Saskatchewan Valley.

WINTER IN NEWFOUNDLAND. Damage to Shipping—Snow Blockade of Railways and Telegraphs. St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 19.—Severe storms continue to rage in this section, causing much damage to shipping. Several vessels are missing. The railroads are blocked and the telegraph lines destroyed by severe snow falls in the interior. The steamer Bruce, which usually crosses Cabot Strait in six hours, was 19 hours in effecting the passage on her latest trip.

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DEATHS. BRAID—At St. Louis, on the 17th of November, James Braid, through the result of an accident, the beloved husband of Maria Braid, in his 57th year.

Funeral will take place from his brother-in-law's, Mr. John Grant, 30 Somerset-avenue, Tuesday, 21st November, at 2:30 p.m., to the place of interment, Mount Pleasant Cemetery. JOHNSTON—At his late residence, 230 Seaton-street, on Sunday, Nov. 19, 1899, James Johnston, aged 85 years. Funeral private from above address, Tuesday, 22nd inst., at 3 p.m., to the Necropolis. Please send no flowers. McNAIR—On Sunday, 19th, at 225 Bolton-street, Toronto, Tuesday, 21st November, at 2:30 p.m., to the place of interment, Mount Pleasant Cemetery. JOHNSON—At his late residence, 230 Seaton-street, on Sunday, Nov. 19, 1899, James Johnston, aged 85 years. Funeral private from above address, Tuesday, 22nd inst., at 3 p.m., to the Necropolis. Please send no flowers. McNAIR—On Sunday, 19th, at 225 Bolton-street, Toronto, Tuesday, 21st November, at 2:30 p.m., to the place of interment, Mount Pleasant Cemetery. BUFFALO PAPERS please copy.