

A BRITISH REVERSE.

Ten Officers and One Hundred and Eighty Men Killed. Colonel Plunkett's Force in Somaliland, East Africa, Almost Annihilated By the Natives—Only Thirty-seven Escaped—A Serious Outlook

ADEN, Arabia, April 22.—The British transport Harango, arrived here today from Berbera, the capital of Somaliland, East Africa, and confirmed the report of a British defeat in Somaliland. The officers of the Harango say that ten officers and 180 men out of a total British force of 220 were killed recently in an engagement with the Somalis.

KING EDWARD VII

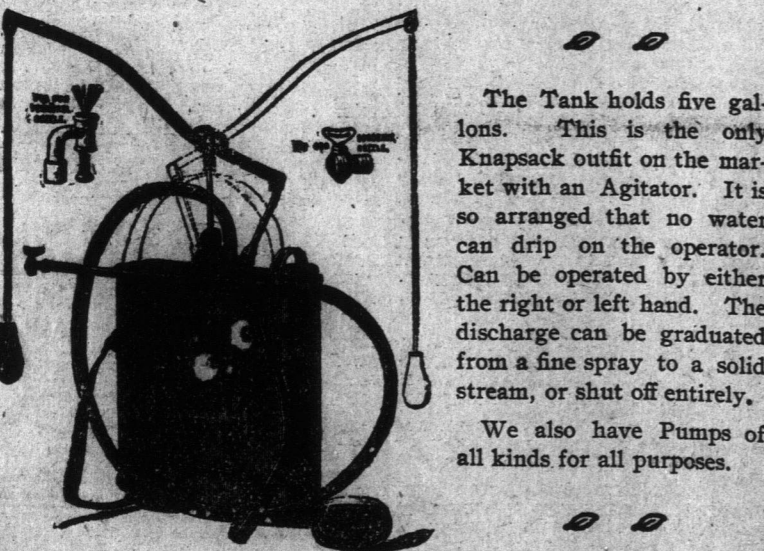
Warmly Greeted on His Arrival at Naples.

NAPLES, April 23.—The Duke of Abruzzi, the German prince and the Duke of Braganza greeted King Edward on board the Victoria and Albert. A military delegation, headed by General Pedotti, welcomed the British sovereign in the name of the king of Italy.

King Edward subsequently visited the queen of Portugal on board the yacht Amelia, the German prince on board the Sapphire and the Duke of Abruzzi on board the Italian cruiser Liguria. Later the King landed and visited the museum. His Majesty had accepted the invitation of the city authorities to attend a gala performance at the San Carlo Theatre on Saturday.

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HOW KILICK DIED.

Hafrican Admiral Wouldn't Surrender His Boat. Powder and Kerosene Put in His Cabin on Board—He Exploded and Went Down Under the German Guns.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—In the Haitian series of diplomatic exchanges appearing in the forthcoming volume of foreign relations of the United States, Minister Powell reports on the destruction of the Firminist gunboat Crete, and the death of her commander, Admiral Kilick, whose surrender was demanded by the German warship Panther, as follows: "It is reported that the Panther reached there (Gonaives), about 12 m. of Crete, on her arrival she signalled the Crete to surrender and fired one shot; that she had five minutes to do so.

MCADAM JUNCTION.

A South African Hero Killed by a Train.

McADAM, April 22.—William Rife while crossing St. Croix bridge on the railway track was caught by the train and instantly killed. He came through the bridge with a wound and met his death by accident.

GERMANS SQUEALING

Over Canada's Retaliatory Tariff Legislation—Fear Complications With England.

TORONTO, April 23.—The News London cable says: German sugar makers and growers say that surtax imposed by the Canadian government on German goods will do incalculable damage to their industries. Herr Richter, leader of the radicals, urges that there should be no retaliation, as it would only augment the difficulties of the situation and keep Germany from concluding a new commercial treaty with England.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

HALIFAX, April 22.—An interesting case was decided before a jury in the supreme court today. It was that of the Hawley vs. the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. The case was an appeal to Ottawa confirmed the verdict here. In the second trial the plaintiff's action was dismissed as a father, but as a master for loss of a servant's services and the jury brought in a verdict for him for damages amounting to \$1,587.

BLIND OFF HIS HEAD.

The Sun's St. Martins correspondent writes: At Gardner's Creek on April 22 John Deane Fraser, aged 48 years, accidentally shot himself while in his bedroom alone upstairs. Mr. Fraser had been troubled by hawks visiting his chicken yard and meditated their destruction. It is supposed he went for the gun and found it loaded. In removing the contents they were discharged, entering his head, blowing portions of the skull about the room fully five feet from where the body was found. Coroner Gilmer, of St. Martins, was summoned by telephone and upon examination rendered a verdict of death due to "accidental discharge of a shot-gun in his own hands, no one being present." Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved sisters with whom the deceased resided.

BRAKEMAN INJURED.

J. H. Stone, of Moncton, brakeman on the I. C. R., met with painful injuries yesterday afternoon while jumping off No. 1 eastward bound train. When he left the station he intended to get off at the wash house, but as the train was going faster than he expected at that place, he hesitated to jump. Finally he did so and fell, smashing his nose and severely injuring his forehead. Dr. J. A. Christie was summoned and dressed the wounds.

NEWPORT NEWS.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 23.—The steamer Nellie, which is believed to have come ashore on the coast near the storm that raged along the coast ten days ago. Two weeks ago the steamer sailed from Hampton for New York with a full cargo. No word has been received of her whereabouts.

TEN KILLED

And Many Injured by an Oil Explosion in Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 22.—Ten persons, eight men and two women, were killed by an explosion at the plant of the Northwestern Star Oil Company, at the foot of Sixth avenue, about 11:30 o'clock this evening. The explosion came without an instant's warning and a second after the concussion the walls had been thrown down and the entire structure was a mass of flames. Not a person in the office escaped alive.

ST. ANDREWS NOTES.

ST. ANDREWS, April 22.—The net contributions in cash collected at the meeting in Memorial Hall in the interest of the Halifax Schooner for the Blind Monday evening amounted to \$50, supplemented by six life membership subscriptions of \$25 each and other subscribers who have given \$100 which from the town of St. Andrews was a generous subscription. Dr. C. F. Fraser in his closing statement expressed the obligation he was under to Charles Richardson, who has the interest he took in preparing the hall for the meeting, decorating the stage with flowers, etc.

HOPWELL HILL.

HOPWELL HILL, April 22.—The young man Arthur Steves of Germantown, who has been at the hospital at Riverside for treatment for some weeks, died there on Sunday afternoon.

CHIPMAN.

CHIPMAN, Queens Co., April 23.—The St. P. train, did not get up today. The ice preventer, the Range and Salmon Bay at the mouth of Salmon River. It is very seldom that the train is kept from leaving the lake in other places.

ST. JOHN ON TOP.

(Chatham World.) The Miramichi Telephone Co. is about to reconstruct the telephone exchange in Chatham. A complete metallic circuit will be run, necessitating stringing off No. 1 eastward bound train. When he left the station he intended to get off at the wash house, but as the train was going faster than he expected at that place, he hesitated to jump. Finally he did so and fell, smashing his nose and severely injuring his forehead. Dr. J. A. Christie was summoned and dressed the wounds.

THEY STOOD.

Clarence—Where shall we sit? Clara—O, Clarence, if we sit up front I won't see all the Easter hats; if we sit away back nobody will see mine.—Detroit Free Press.

THE PATRON SAINTS OF ENGLAND AND ST. JOHN.

Supt. Osborne Canonized by the Latter Title at St. George's Banquet.

He Predicts Great Things for Future St. John—Speeches of Interest and Eloquence Follow a Bountiful Feast.

A large and cheerful company, mostly English lineage, dined together at the Duferin Thursday in honor of the patron saint of this kingdom. The feast was bountiful, the decorations attractive, and the surroundings suggestive of good-fellowship and patriotism.

He spoke of the migration from the United States to Canada, and declared that no power on earth should be allowed to disturb the harmony of the two countries.

After a comic song by Harry Noakes W. Watson Allan proposed the toast of the evening—"the day we celebrate."

Mr. Morris Robinson sang with great effect the following address by the proposed Sister Societies, speaking of friendly feeling that had always existed among these national associations.

B. R. Macaulay, of St. Andrew's Society, rejoiced over the harmony that prevailed among the three organizations and the nationalities which they represented.

W. H. Thorne proposed the City of St. John and its Commercial Interests. He observed that many lands at the homes of their ancestors, all were had not grown so fast as some other towns, but it was a happy and prosperous community.

Amid loud laughter and applause, Mr. Osborne was called to his feet and after recovering from his confusion, proceeded to discuss winter port matters. He began by the statement that if ten good resolute men, five from the Board of Trade and five from the Council, were commissioned to take hold of the harbor question vigorously and carry their purpose through, all the rest might go to sleep, and allow the proceedings to go on.

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government do it. At least they might save \$5,000 more and bring to this city every senator and member of parliament from Ottawa to see what has been and may be done here. Every man of intelligence who saw the position would agree that there was no room to handle the traffic that was ready for the port.

It had been said that the C. P. E. ought to contribute more. But when the C. P. E. brought freight to a point in Maine, 130 miles west of St. John, the transport was equal to the distance to Portland. That 130 miles of haul was done for nothing. Surely that was a large contribution for the railway to make without asking more.

Mr. Osborne went on to express his personal interest in the prosperity of St. John and the development of the winter port business, to which he had given his best efforts. He was heartily cheered on taking his seat.

Wm. Jarvis, president of the board of trade, promised Mr. Osborne that the board of trade would tomorrow morning give him half his ten men, and that they would be patriotic men, who would do all that they possibly could to carry out the purpose of their appointment. But he for one did not propose that the rest of the town should go to sleep. On the contrary, he proposed the greatest possible reason why they should all remain awake and render all possible assistance. He urged upon all citizens the duty of civic patriotism and rejoiced that there was so much public spirit in the country, even though it was not always active. The city was cramped and hampered by old laws and old usages, but would shake herself clear and give the progressive element a chance. Mr. Jarvis made a brief reference to the assessment question, and agreed with Mr. Thorne that the community was in a sound and healthy financial condition.

The toast of The Army and Navy Auxiliary Forces, proposed by Ald. Robinson, was well received by the city. Recorder Skinner stated that he did not quite agree with the president of the Board of Trade in the opinion that the city had reached the end of its expenditure, but rather that the citizens should join in an effort to have the work go on.

The toast of absent members by Dr. Addy was responded to by Col. Markham, who in the course of his speech mentioned the following absent members: Alfred Porter, New York; Canon Richardson, England; Joseph Hawker, England; Rev. Father Davidson, Toronto; C. Freeman, England; Frank Ketchum, B. C.; E. C. Jones, Italy; and Ralph Markham, South Africa.

After songs by J. J. Foote and Mr. Noakes, Dr. Scammell proposed the toast of the National Anthem, which was responded to by Mr. Porter and Frank Kinnear.

The National Anthem, which was the best banquet in the history of the society.

EASTER ELECTIONS AT SUSSEX. The Easter Monday meeting of Trinity church, Sussex, was held in Medley Memorial Hall, when the year's work was reviewed and the accounts presented, which show the year to be in a very prosperous condition, and was gratifying to all present. The following officers were elected for ensuing year: Wardens, Major T. B. Arnold, Col. E. B. Beer, Vestry, M. Huestis, F. G. Lansdowne, Edwin Hallett, E. H. Arnold, S. P. Fitch, O. Hallett, W. S. Smith, Wm. Howes, Ed. Burgess, F. J. Goodfellow, Vestry clerk, R. A. Charters, Auditor, Frank G. Lansdowne, Sexton, Percy Arnold, representatives to Synod, Col. E. B. Beer, Wm. Howes, Substitutes, Major O. B. Arnold, Major T. B. Arnold.

SOUTHAMPTON, N. S., April 20.—A paper bag social given by the ladies of the Freshwater church last Saturday evening, at which ice cream and refreshments were also on sale, netted the promoters about \$30, which, with the amount raised at a Sunday school concert some weeks ago, will be contributed towards liquidating the debt on the manse at River Herbert.

Heather's mill is to be removed to Canada to saw for Ezra Fullerton, after which it will sail westward. Mr. and Mrs. Heather left yesterday for Winnipeg, their former home.

HE LEFT THE TOWN. (Woodstock Sentinel.) A hard-looking customer, who gave his name as William McKenna, of St. John, but who has been around Woodstock for a couple of years, was seen by residents of the neighborhood, in the early hour of 12:30 Monday morning, breaking the window of a store in Wellington ward, and was quickly thrown in view; he was quickly thrown to the ground and held until Night Watch Ketchum appeared, when he was safely landed in the "cooling tank" prisoner was before Magistrate Dibble on Monday morning and no one appearing for the prosecution, as nothing had been stolen, he was released, his promising to give the town a wide berth in the future.

The detective is a very kindly-disposed man. He is always looking after people.—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

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