

LOST A STRONGHOLD.

French and Hutton Drove the Boers Out of Middleburg.

HEAVY RAINS PREVENT PURSUIT

Boers in Bethlehem District Are Now Hemmed In—Dewet Brought to Bay and His Brother Pete Was Captured—British Supplementary Estimates Brought Down—Heads of Making Cleared.

London, July 28.—The War Office received this despatch from Lord Roberts late last night.

"French and Hutton continued their pursuit on July 25. The former crossed Olifant's (Oliant's) River, and from the high ground on the east bank he could see Middleburg, and the enemy retreating in great disorder. The main road was blocked for several miles with horsemen and wagons. The enemy's rear guard was then seven miles north. The mounted forces were still west of the river. Night was closing in, the rain was falling in torrents, and so it was impossible to follow.

"The night was terrible. In addition to the rain, a strong east wind made the bivouac most uncomfortable. One officer, I regret to say, died of exposure; and the mortality among the mules and oxen was great. The men made light of hardships, and were in famous spirits when I saw them yesterday.

"Hunter has occupied Fourmiesburg, and, so far as I know, did not suffer loss. He found Mrs. Steyn, wife of the ex-President, and several of our men, whom Dewet had captured at different times, and whom he was unable to send to Machodorp. The enemy in the Bethlehem Hills are now closed in. Basutoland is closed to them. Harrismit is the only line open, and it will not be easy for them to reach there with guns and wagons.

"Broadwood is still watching Christian Dewet, who has taken up a position on the high hills near Rietburg, about seven miles south of the Vaal.

"P. Dewet, a brother of Christian, surrendered at Kromstad yesterday. Barron reports from Krugersdorp that he has reconnoitered the railway to Bank station, where the train was wrecked on July 19, and has been able to replenish his supplies.

"Methuen's column, which reached the Krugersdorp-Potchefstroom Railway, is now moving on Potchefstroom.

"Buller reports that the railway was opened to Heidelberg yesterday, giving us through communication to Natal."

U.S. Democrats to the Rescue.

Baltimore, South African Republic, July 25.—The Boers state that their plan of campaign is to keep up guerrilla warfare until November, when, if successful, in the elections there, the Democrats in the United States, have promised intervention in South Africa.

The Duke Returns Home.

London, July 28.—Among the arrivals from South Africa yesterday were the Duke of Marlborough and Lady Sarah Wilson. A large crowd heartily cheered the heroine of Mafeking.

Great Britain's War Votes.

London, July 28.—In the House of Commons yesterday, the Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office, Mr. George Wyndham, in introducing a supplementary army estimate of eleven and a half millions, explained that it covered the expenses in South Africa to the end of February, 1901, and included three millions for China. The amount asked for South Africa included the cost of repatriating the Imperial and Colonial troops. It is proposed to leave in South Africa 45,000 men, including 15,000 colonials and reservists, desiring to remain. The amount also includes the gift of £5 to every soldier and a suit of mufti to every reservist. Including the present estimate, the aggregate voted for the War Office is £61,022,700.

Gets a Victory Cross.

London, July 28.—The Victoria Cross has been conferred upon Captain C. Mansel-Pleydell of the West Yorkshire Regiment for bravery at the battle of the Tugela.

KILLED FOUR POLICE MEN.

Robert Charles, a New Orleans desperado, shot four police men.

New Orleans, La., July 28.—Corporal Gabe Porteus and Corporal John Tally were killed by a negro yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, and Officer Jackson wounded. The man who did the shooting is Robert Charles, the murderer of Day and Lamb. Later—Charles was killed at 4.40 p. m. Four warehouses were set on fire. All the militia have been called out and trouble was expected last night.

Woman Shot Down.

Hannah M. Mabry, a negro, 62 years of age, fell a victim at 1 o'clock yesterday morning to the mob which has terrorized the negroes since Tuesday. She resided with her aged husband at 1929 Rousseau street. A son and an infant child were also in the house. All were sleeping soundly when the mob broke in the door. They claimed to be seeking a couple of notorious negroes. Mrs. Mabry rose and appeared in the doorway of her bedroom. She fell instantly, pierced by a dozen bullets, and died in a short time. The mob then dispersed.

An Investigation of the Disorders Was Begun Yesterday by the Grand Jury.

Almost Killed With an Ax.—Strathcona, Alberta, July 28.—Two neighbors, Messrs. Giles and English, got into an altercation, and English struck Giles over the temple with an ax, almost killing him. At last accounts he was still lying, but unconscious most of the time, and is in a very precarious condition.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Collision Between Madoc and Peterboro Trains—Two Persons Were Killed and Several Wounded.

Belleville, Ont., July 27.—The Madoc passenger train bound north and the Peterboro train bound south collided yesterday at 1.25 p. m. on a curve half a mile south of Madoc Junction. The engines which met head on, were badly smashed, and two cars broken into matchwood. Two trainmen were killed and some of the passengers were injured. The killed are: Archie Edmunds, Lindsay, engineer Peterboro train; scalded to death; leaves wife and four children.

Samuel Burd, brakeman on Madoc train, cut in two; parents live on Erie street, Belleville. Baggageman Dan Thompson, Lindsay, had scalp wound; Brakeman Bert Hawkins, bruised badly; Mail Agent A. Gillis, Belleville, slight scalp wound; Mrs. William McCoy, Corbyville, bruised; her little son also bruised; Fireman W. Nugent, Lindsay, leg scalded. None of the wounded required special medical attention. The doctors at the wreck were: Maitland, Stirling; Gibson, Boyce and Dolan of Belleville.

The bodies were brought here and an inquest will be held.

Blame for the accident has not yet been fixed.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

The 21st annual meet of the American Canoe Association will be held this year at Birch Point, Tobin's Island, Lake Rousseau, Muskoka, from Aug. 3 to 17.

The American pilgrims under the direction of Father E. L. Porcile of Brooklyn were received by Pope Leo on Thursday. The Pope appeared to be in excellent health.

A plot to assassinate the Governor of Santiago, Ramon Caceres, has been discovered, and 25 of the conspirators have been imprisoned. Several military officers are involved.

E. B. Core of New York was on Thursday elected president of the National Photographers' Association of America. Detroit was selected as the place for the next annual meeting.

After being in the hands of lawless mobs for several hours on Wednesday night, the Canadian railway train wrecked on July 19, and has been able to replenish his supplies.

DINNER TO MAJOR PELLETIER.

One of the Canadian Heroes of Paardeberg to be Honored.

Montreal, July 27.—The officers and ex-officers of the 65th Battalion will give a dinner at the Windsor on the 28th to Major E. Pelletier, who was in command of the 1st Canadian contingent. Major Pelletier was wounded at Paardeberg, but since his return a couple of weeks ago has improved rapidly in health.

Paul Joly, a street car conductor, was struck and instantly killed by a C.P.R. train at Mile End yesterday morning.

Best Davidson, Drowned at Orillia.

Orillia, Ont., July 27.—On Wednesday afternoon Bert Davidson, nephew of Mr. Harry Greenland, was drowned in Lake Simcoe, at the foot of West street. With his cousin, Erp, and a friend, Roy Jupp, and that named Eaton, he was bathing from a raft. The other lads did not let loose of the raft, but young Davidson did, and sank in deep water. His cousin jumped in after him, and narrowly escaped drowning. The body was recovered. The boy was 12 years old, and was visiting the town along with his mother.

Two Miners Killed.

Marmora, Ont., July 27.—Louis Dufrane and Peter Terrien, miners employed at Belmont gold mines, were killed Tuesday night at 11.30. They were riding up a shaft 185 feet deep on a ship, and through some unknown cause fell near the top, killing them instantly. Dr. Gray, coroner of Peterboro, held an inquest, which lasted all day yesterday, and found that the cause of their fall from the ship was unknown, and that the men themselves were at fault for going up on the ship of their own accord.

Col. Herchmer in Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., July 27.—Lieut.-Col. Herchmer, formerly inspector of the North-West Mounted Police, and latterly in command of the second battalion, Canadian Mounted Rifles in South Africa, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Herchmer, Earl street. The colonel has nothing to say for publication. Colonel Herchmer says he was most unjustly treated by General Hutton.

Peary's Steamer Sets Sail.

St. John's, Nfld., July 27.—The Peary relief steamer, Windward, which entered the harbor of Port Aux Basques Monday, July 23, to repair machinery that had been disabled, resumed her voyage to Greenland by way of the Strait of Belle Isle at daybreak yesterday, the repairing of the machinery having been effected.

Little Daughter Killed by Lightning.

Brookville, Ont., July 27.—A severe thunderstorm passed over this section yesterday afternoon, during which lightning struck a house near Lyn, occupied by C. H. McNash. His little daughter was instantly killed, and his wife received a bad shock, but is recovering.

THE CHINESE CRISIS.

LI HUNG CHANG STATES HIS VIEW OF THE PRESENT SITUATION.

Foreign Influence of Wanted—The Chinese World Home—By the Chinese Chinese Statesman—That China Cannot and Shall Not be Dismembered.

Li Hung Chang, the most powerful statesman in China and one of the most important men in the world today, has expressed his views on the present Chinese crisis for The New York Sunday Journal. One thing he makes clear is that the Chinese will fight hard against the partition of their country by foreigners. The representative to whom Li Hung Chang gave his ideas was M. Eugene Wolff, the well-known explorer. He was passing through Canton with a well known French physician whom Li asked to examine his sick grandchild. M. Wolff found Li Hung Chang living in a small wooden house situated in one of the least fashionable quarters of Canton. At the entrance a doorman was sleeping behind a curtained door. Instead of paintings there were three unframed paper pictures hanging on the wall. On the mantel or what served for one was a perfume lamp between two green glass vases. The furniture, a round table, four chairs, three easy chairs and a small sofa, also two footstools, were old and partly covered with faded green plush. The floor was covered with matting, and from the ceiling hung a cage containing canary birds. To complete the picture of affected poverty the week's wash was swinging from lines drawn along the outside gallery of the apartment. In such mean surroundings lives China's greatest statesman, her Croesus of Croesus, owner of every foot of railway and telegraph line in the empire, owner of the richest mines, the most powerful banks, of limitless domains and coolies without number. They say that Rothschild would die with envy if he knew the extent of Li's wealth, yet to contradict the accusations of his enemies the vicerey lives like a small merchant, spending his time in the most modest comfort after working hard for a competency.

Li Hung Chang entered the reception room after M. Wolff, leaning on the shoulders of a tall manservant. He was dressed in a tunic of yellowish white linen, with a belt of the same kind held together by a white metal clasp. His mauve colored silk trousers were plain, and over white woolen stockings by black ribbons. He wore black velvet high shoes with felt soles. Here are the great vicerey's words:

"The powers regard China as a pie from which they intend to cut themselves slices according to whim and appetite. Big guns give no title for the possession of a country. The victor to the people is that title. The Chinese, remember that, want to remain Chinese. Our views on life differ as much from yours as heaven and earth. In our country, the individual man lives and works for his family; in your country he lives and works for the state.

"Because we are essentially a family loving people we detest war and are frightened at the prospect of any change that may take a man out of his proper sphere, from his home, from the ground he tills.

"We have troubles of our own. We have an army of millions of them, and don't want any social question in China. Can you blame us for that? In the countries of the great powers, and the small powers, too, we decline days with such octopus comfort the governing classes. In all the European empires the social question predominates. I ask you, can you honestly advise us to burden ourselves with such an octopus simply because it is the fashion?

"You complain that we are adverse to foreign influences, but forget that at the very beginning of the intercourse with civilization 20,000 Chinese settlers were murdered on the island of Luzon in one week. The Spaniards did that, and I assure you this massacre encouraged us in no way to open our doors to you 'civilizers.' Why should you regard us as 'savages' anyhow? You throw up to us the murder of white men within our borders. Is murder unknown in Europe and America? You speak of the persecution of Christians. Well, let us assume that a couple of hundred of our Buddhists went to your country to convert your people and to preach, for instance, that unless they want to be eternally damned they must refuse to submit to compulsory army service, merely because the new religion they imposed upon them says so.

"Your missionaries ask our people every day in the year to break the laws of this country and to refrain from obeying the laws. As to the persecution of Christians, our Government has never engaged in any nor encouraged any. Christians have been killed just as Chinese are killed in San Francisco, New York, in the Dutch West Indies and where not? We employ no missionaries, no proselyte makers of any kind. We are not proud, but we are too smart to prescribe to anybody the fashion in which he should pray to God. We never asked a living being to worship as we do. One of the most pernicious and dangerous of your idiosyncrasies is to ask and force people to subscribe to a certain mode of worship. We never do that.

"You charge us with being double tongued, with playing you false in the exhibition grounds, with what are you doing? One great nation after the other comes along and with a knife at our throat wants to rob us. As long as we feel the point of

the steel we say, of course, what you want us to say, but when the danger is over we conveniently forget all about the incident. Then has been the fashion in diplomacy from time immemorial. It's done in all countries. Here is one example of many: By the peace of Frankfurt the republic of France ceded Alsace-Lorraine to Germany, and were strong enough to-day to reconquer these provinces, would she respect her contract? It's the same thing with the provinces which Europe took away from us. There is only one redeeming thing about it, the envy with which the powers regard each other saves us from being victimized to a greater extent, for you hate each other more than we hate you.

"You criticize our sullen attitude. Do you expect us to make love to you because you robbed us? Ah, we know your programme well enough. The north for Russia, a good part of the south and central China for England, the rest for France and Germany—so it has been planned. We are to retain nothing; everything for the foreigners, nothing for the Chinese. But one can't do away with 500,000,000 people by a stroke of sleight of hand. It may not be very difficult to defeat us, but to conquer us will be a hard job. I assure you. It's like eating a real Chinese meal. A courageous European or American may tackle it, but I doubt that he will digest it.

LADY HODGSON A CANADIAN.

Smith, Toronto Bicycle Rider, Smashes the 24-Hour Record by Riding 305 in that Time.

The Czar and Czarina received the Rev. Dr. T. Dewitt Talmage yesterday morning at the Peterhof Palace in St. Petersburg.

The Quebec Bank has made a demand for assignment on Messrs. Reid, Craig & Co., of Quebec. The firm has acquiesced.

Thomas Duncan, acting postmaster at Belleville, Ont., has been transferred to Ottawa, and David R. Leavens is to be appointed postmaster.

John Smith, the bicycle rider of Toronto, has succeeded in smashing the Canadian 24-hour record by a good margin, by riding 305 miles in 24 hours.

Thursday night a fire broke out in Alexander Dobson's paint factory at Beaverton, everything being totally destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$7,000.

G. M. Williams, Wolfe Island, Ont., claims to have struck crude petroleum, while sinking a well. He exhibited samples in Kingston on Friday.

Harry Oaten, ex-treasurer of Gravenhurst, undergoing a term of three years in the Kingston penitentiary, was on Friday paroled after serving one year.

Miss Esther Miller of Toronto and Miss B. C. Macdon of Milton, Ont., have been appointed to the vacant positions on the Edmonton, Man., Public School staff.

The Royal Mail steamer Derwent will embark six officers and 250 men at Bermuda, and eight officers and 230 men from St. Helena, reinforcing the British in Ashantee.

There is yellow fever among the U. S. troops in Cuba, and so far there have been eleven deaths at Pinar del Rio; eight cases and eleven suspects are now under observation.

Robert T. Wyatt was hanged at Antigua, B. M., on Friday. On Oct. 15 last Wyatt murdered Capt. Caulk and a colored deck hand, named Collier, of the sloop Dream, for the purpose of robbery.

The Inter-Island News of Kingston, Jamaica, announces a remarkable rich find of diamonds at Mazariuni, British Guiana, where 400 stones of exceptional brilliancy were collected in 18 days.

At the Winnipeg regatta, the Rowing Club of that city won everything on Friday, defeating the senior four-oar crew of the Toronto Argonauts by two lengths, and the junior eight-oared was also led by the Toronto Argonauts by a good length.

Lady Hodgson, wife of Sir Frederick Mitchell Hodgson, Governor of Ashantee, who has recently escaped from Coomassie, is the daughter of the late W. G. Young, who was Colonial Secretary for Vancouver Island from 1848 to 1854, when it was a Crown colony. Lady Hodgson was born on Michigan street, in the residence now owned and occupied by Mrs. A. J. Smith, at Victoria, B.C. MANITOBA LICENSE HOLDERS.

They Are After Local Government About Its Prohibition Action.

Winnipeg, July 27.—At a meeting of the Liquor License Association yesterday, over 60 members from all parts of the province were in attendance. Representatives of the press were excluded. A large number of resolutions were passed protesting against the Prohibition action of the Government.

A Provincial Meeting Last Night.

At a public meeting last night, addressed by the Hon. M. P., and others, a resolution was unanimously adopted to the effect that this meeting deems it advisable, and proceeds to organize a party throughout the province, with a constitution and platform of principles similar to that of the Winnipeg labor party, and affiliated with them.

Lineman Instantly Killed.

A sad and fatal accident happened at the Exhibition grounds, when William Clark, a lineman in the employ of the Electric Street Railway Company, received the full current of 2,000 volts, and fell to the ground a dead man.

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