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This is what a fagged out, tearful little woman said in telling her cares and weaknesses. Her friend encouraged by telling of a relative who had just such troubles and was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Humor—When I need a blood purifier I take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures my humor and it is excellent as a nerve tonic. **Josef Karon, Stafford Springs, Conn.**

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THE MARKETS

Local Market.

London, Saturday, June 16.
Purchasers were plentiful on the square today. This might also be said of suppliers, for although the size of the market was not larger, perhaps, than Saturday, markets are usually, when good weather prevails, not so offerings appeared to be ample for all requirements. An air of brisk business pervaded all places. The prices in the lines that were most in demand were not excessive, and as a rule, the buyer and seller were not far apart. Judging by the crowds that continually surround the market gardeners' markets, Londoners are ardent lovers of flowers. For several weeks past these flower stands have been the center of attraction. It is probable that the low prices that prevail in this line are partly responsible for the exceedingly large number of sales that are effected daily. The attendance of ladies today was unusually large, and much business was done.

The upward tendency that has been prevalent recently in price of butter was noticeable this morning. It was supplied in very fair quantities, but apparently was not as abundant as was desired. Very many grocers throughout the city were desirous of replenishing their stocks; consequently the farmers disposed of their butter in store lots largely. The heavy purchases of June butter by export dealers is affecting the local market considerably. The retail price per pound that ruled today was from 12 to 16 cents. There was a strong demand for all quantities. The prices of eggs also are firm. The highest that was obtainable for store lots was 11½ cents. There was a profitable supply of strawberries today. They ranged in price from 7 to 10 cents. Most of them went for 8 cents. The berries that are being supplied this year, for the most part, are exceptionally large and fine. Considering their size they are remarkably firm. Sales were effected rapidly.

The supply of vegetables was as abundant as usual for a Saturday market. Large quantities of home-grown cabbages and cucumbers were offered. Business in this line was especially active today.

The trade in wool was brisker than has been the case recently. For a good class of washed wool, as high as 15½ cents was obtainable. Hides and Tallow remained unchanged.

A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT.

London, Saturday, June 16.
Wheat, white, per bu. 63½ to 64½
Wheat, red, per bu. 63½ to 64½
Wheat, red, per bu. 63½ to 64½
Peas, per bu. 60 to 61
Corn, per bu. 43½ to 44½
Barley, per bu. 35½ to 36½
Rye, per bu. 55 to 56
Buckwheat, per bu. 60 to 61
Wheat sold at \$1.03 to \$1.10; the supply was fair and the demand good. Oats were a shade easier, selling at 90 to 95¢. The supply was fair, made at 92 to 93¢. No other kind of grain offered. Hay was steady, at \$6 to \$7 per ton—\$7 was the ruling price for good stock. Dressed Hogs were strong, and in good demand, at \$5 per 100 lbs. the supply was light. Young pigs sold slow, \$4 to \$5 was the price paid.

Quotations:

VEGETABLES.
Potatoes, per bag 40 to 50
Turnips, new, per bag 40 to 50
Cabbages, per doz. 40 to 50
Onions, per bag 40 to 50
Cucumbers, per doz. 40 to 50
Carrots, per doz. 40 to 50
Parsnips, per doz. 40 to 50
Artichokes, per doz. 40 to 50
Savory and Sage, per doz. 40 to 50
Parsley, per doz. 40 to 50
Lettuce, per doz. 40 to 50
Raddishes, per doz. 40 to 50
Green onions, per doz. 40 to 50
Rhubarb, per doz. 40 to 50
Asparagus, per doz. 40 to 50
Spinach, per doz. 40 to 50

MEAT, LIVER, BUTTER.
Beef, per lb. 6 to 7
Mutton, quarters, per lb. 6 to 7
Lamb, quarters, per lb. 6 to 7
Lamb, carcasses, per lb. 6 to 7
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs. weight, 7 to 8
Hides, No. 1, per lb. 15 to 16
Hides, No. 2, per lb. 15 to 16
Hides, No. 3, per lb. 15 to 16
Calfskins, per lb. 15 to 16
Wool, washed, per lb. 15 to 16
Wool, unwashed, per lb. 15 to 16
Tallow, rendered, per lb. 15 to 16
Butter, per lb. 15 to 16
Cheese, each, 10 to 15

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FRUIT.
Dried apples, per box 4 to 5
Apples, per box 4 to 5
Apples, per box 4 to 5
Hay, per load 3 to 4
Straw, per load 3 to 4
Clovered, red, per lb. 0 to 1
Clovered, white, per lb. 0 to 1
GRAIN.
Wheat, white, tall, per 100 lbs. 1.03 to 1.10
Wheat, red, tall, per 100 lbs. 1.03 to 1.10
Oats, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Rye, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Corn, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Barley, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Eye, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Buckwheat, per 100 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10
Beans, per bu. 1.00 to 1.10
PROVISIONS.
Cheese, per lb. 12 to 13
Eggs, single dozen, 12 to 13
Eggs, fresh, dozen, 12 to 13
Butter, large rolls, 12 to 13
Butter, pound rolls, 12 to 13
Lard, per lb. 12 to 13
Lard, 50 lb. cask, 12 to 13

WHOLESALE DEALERS' PRICES.

Eggs, store lots, doz. 11½ to 12½
Hogs, quarters, 6 to 7
Butter, cream, 15 to 16
Butter, rolls, store lots, 12 to 13
LIVE STOCK.
Beef, per lb. 6 to 7
Hogs, light, per 100 lbs. 6 to 7
Hogs, heavy, per 100 lbs. 6 to 7
Pigs, young, per pair, 3 to 4
Sows, per 100 lbs. 6 to 7
Ducks, per pair, 3 to 4
Chickens, spring, per pair, 3 to 4
Hens, per pair, 3 to 4

St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, June 12.—Wheat, per bu. 65¢; oats, new, 32¢ to 34¢; peas, 80¢ to 90¢; barley, 44¢ to 55¢; rye, 60¢; fodder corn, 60¢ to 65¢; seed corn, \$1 to \$1.25; feed corn, 45¢ to 50¢; flax seed, per cwt, \$2.45 to \$2.50; timothy seed, per cwt, \$1.75; clover seed, per bu, \$5.50 to \$6.

The Oil Market.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 15.—Oil opened at \$1.25; closed at \$1.25.
OIL CITY, June 15.—Oil—Credit balances, \$1.25; certificates, no bids.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, June 15.—After a period of weakness early in the wheat market today turned strong on unfavorable crop reports; July closed 1¢ to 1½¢ over yesterday. Corn closed ¼¢ and oats ¼¢ improved. Provisions closed steady. July wheat opened ¾¢ to 1½¢ under yesterday at 72½¢ to 73½¢. The bears had a very short inning, however. The bulls turned to their great friend, and throughout the session received from the Northwest the gloomiest brand of crop reports in the market. There was a steady demand from the Northwest, as well as the excellent support from local interests. July from the opening advanced steadily to 73½¢, and closed strong, 1¢ to 1½¢ over yesterday. Clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 354,000 bu. Primary receipts aggregated 542,000 bu. compared with 731,000 bu. last week. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 438 cars, against 450 last week and 668 a year ago. Local receipts amounted to 57 cars, 3 of contract grade. Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 700 cars; oats, 270 cars; hogs, 19,000 head.

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat, June, 73½¢; July, 74¢; Aug., 74½¢. Corn, June, 35½¢; July, 36¢; Aug., 36½¢. Oats, June, 25½¢; July, 26¢; Aug., 26½¢. Pork, July, \$11.25; Sept., \$11.40; Jan., \$11.60. Lard, July, \$5.25; Sept., \$5.40; Jan., \$5.60. Sugar, No. 1, 11½¢; No. 2, 11¢; No. 3, 10½¢. Coffee, No. 1, 22¢; No. 2, 21¢; No. 3, 20¢. Cotton, No. 1, 15¢; No. 2, 14½¢; No. 3, 14¢. Rubber, No. 1, 15¢; No. 2, 14½¢; No. 3, 14¢. Tin, No. 1, 15¢; No. 2, 14½¢; No. 3, 14¢.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 15,000 barrels; wheat, 68,000 bushels; corn, 34,000 bushels; oats, 218,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 11,000 bushels.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 9,000 barrels; wheat, 100 bushels; corn, 68,000 bushels; oats, 218,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 11,000 bushels.

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Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Beef—Receipts, 2,869; steady to a shade higher; about all sold; steers, \$5 to \$5.75; bulls, \$3.25 to \$4.50; cows, \$2.50 to \$4.10. Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; steady; about all sold; refrigerator beef lower at 10¢ to 10½¢ per lb.; shipments, 338 cattle; tomorrow, 500 cattle and 6,413 quarters of beef. Hides—Receipts, 450; market steady and all sold; No. 1, \$4.50 to \$5.00; No. 2, \$3.50 to \$4.00; No. 3, \$2.50 to \$3.00; No. 4, \$1.50 to \$2.00; No. 5, \$1.00 to \$1.50; No. 6, \$0.50 to \$1.00; No. 7, \$0.25 to \$0.50; No. 8, \$0.10 to \$0.25; No. 9, \$0.05 to \$0.10; No. 10, \$0.02 to \$0.05.

CHICAGO, June 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; good to prime steers, \$5.10 to \$5.75; poor to medium, \$4.50 to \$5.00; selected feeders, best steady; steers \$4.25 to \$5.00; mixed stockers weak \$3.50 to \$4.00; cows, \$3.00 to \$4.00; calves, \$3.25 to \$4.00; canners, \$2.50 to \$3.00; \$3.25 to \$4.00; calves steady at \$5 to \$7; Texan fed steers steady at \$4.50 to \$5.00; Texas grass steers, \$3.50 to \$4.00; No. 1, \$3.50 to \$4.00; No. 2, \$3.00 to \$3.50; No. 3, \$2.50 to \$3.00; No. 4, \$2.00 to \$2.50; No. 5, \$1.50 to \$2.00; No. 6, \$1.00 to \$1.50; No. 7, \$0.50 to \$1.00; No. 8, \$0.25 to \$0.50; No. 9, \$0.10 to \$0.25; No. 10, \$0.05 to \$0.10.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., June 15.—Cattle—Demand fair and about on Monday's basis for the good kind. The cattle market was in fair position and a little higher. Prices for pretty good ones were \$6.75 to \$6.85. Sheep and lambs—Offerings moderate; demand fairly active for choice lambs; lambs, choice to extra, \$6.25 to \$6.40; good to choice, \$5.75 to \$6.00; fair to choice, \$5.25 to \$5.50; sheep, choice to extra, \$4.50 to \$4.75; good to choice, \$4.00 to \$4.25; fair to choice, \$3.50 to \$3.75; western sheep, \$4.75 to \$5.00; yearlings, \$3.50 to \$3.75; lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.50; western lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.50.

TORONTO, June 15.—At the cattle market today there was a light run; trade brisk; export cattle higher; butchers' cattle firmer; other cattle steady; sheep and lambs firm; springing, in better demand; hogs unchanged. There was light, 48 loads—400 cattle, 1,540 hogs, 351 sheep and lambs, and 100 calves. Export cattle—A few buyers needed some cattle to make up freight space; the run was light, and consequently prices stiffened; choice loads sold at \$5.25 to \$5.35 per cwt; light cattle sold at \$5.75 to \$5.85 per cwt. Butchers' cattle—Light run caused brisk demand at about yesterday's prices, and a little firmer in some cases; choice lots sold at \$4.40 to \$4.75; mixed lots sold at \$4.10 to \$4.35 per cwt, and down to \$3.25 to \$3.50 for common cows; light rough cows sold at \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt. Feeders—Practically none offered; moderate demand, at \$4.25 to \$4.60 per cwt for choice steers of 1,200 to 1,200 lbs. and \$4 to \$4.25 for light feeders. Stockers were, if anything, in easier demand, but prices were notably unchanged at \$3.25 to \$3.75 per cwt. Bulls—Offerings light; there is a good, steady demand for all weights. Sheep—Fair trade, and all stock sold out at former prices of \$3.75 to \$4.12½ per cwt for export ewes, and \$3 to \$4.12½ for butchers' sheep. Lambs—Very few yearlings offered, and not much demand; spring lambs sold readily at \$3.25 to \$4.50 per cwt. Hogs—Unchanged, at \$5.75½ per cwt. Hogs—Unchanged, at \$5.75½ per cwt. Hogs—Unchanged, at \$5.75½ per cwt.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, June 15.—Here and at Liverpool United States cattle are quoted at

13½¢ to 13½¢ per lb. dressed weight; refrigerator beef lower, at 10¢ to 10½¢ per lb.

Dairy Markets.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Butter was steady; creamery cream, 15½¢ to 16¢; factory, 14¢ to 15½¢; imitation creamery, 14½¢ to 15½¢; state dairy, 15¢ to 15½¢; cheese firm; large white, 9½¢; large colored, 9½¢; small white, 9½¢; small colored, 9½¢.

KEMPVILLE, Ont., June 15.

Eight hundred colored cheese boards; about 200 boxes sold at 10½¢; balance sold on the street; Webster and How were the buyers.

BELLEVEILLE, Ont., June 15.

The cheese shipments this week were 8,000 boxes.

CHICAGO, June 15.—Butter steady;

creameries, 14¢ to 15½¢; dairies, 13¢ to 14½¢. Cheese steady, 8½¢ to 9½¢.

BRANTFORD, Ont., June 15.

At the cheese market today, 1,233 boxes were offered; all sold, 15¢ to 15½¢, 135 at 10½¢ to 10½¢, 1,033 at 10½¢ to 10½¢. Next market, Friday, June 22.

WINCHESTER, Ont., June 15.

At the meeting of the cheese board today, 845 boxes were boarded; the price ruled strong, 10½¢ to 10½¢ being bid for both white and colored; at this figure J. F. Ault secured 451 boxes, and A. A. Logan 387.

SOUTH FINCH, Ont., June 15.

Regular meeting of the South Finch cheese board. Number of factories, eight. Buyers present: Logan, Prunier, Birdsell, McGregor and Martin. Number of cheese boarded, 1,249—800 colored, balance white; price offered on board, 10½¢ for white; all sold.

PERTH, Ont., June 15.

There were 1,419 boxes of May white cheese on the market today. Fowler getting 750, Birdsell 227, and 550 colored. Grange, of Montreal, got 168, Lovell & Christie, 400, Alexander 450, Hodgson 575.

IRROQUOIS, Ont., June 15.

At the cheese board today 690 colored and 40 white cheese were offered; all sold on the board at 9½¢.

WHISPERINGS OF THE WIRES

Mrs. Monfette, aged 100 years and 20 days, is dead at River David, Que.

The Jicklings block and McGinnis' stables at Carman, Man., were burned Friday. Loss, \$3,000.

John Clark Ridpath, historian, New York, is suffering from typhoid pneumonia. His condition is critical.

Alta Bourassa, who was found guilty at Montreal of the murder of his wife last April, was sentenced to be hanged on Aug. 24.

Owing to the shortage of coal it is feared that there will be a coal famine for many of the manufacturers in the Province of Quebec.

The House of Commons will hold morning sittings next week, and the expectation is that parliament will be prorogued in three weeks.

The British steamer Cervonia, cleared from New Orleans on Friday, for Cape Town, South Africa, with 875 horses for the British army.

Convict Walsh, one of the Welland Canal dynamiters, has been promoted from his stone pile to the tailor shop of the Kingston Penitentiary.

Convict Goldsmith, who attempted to murder Miss Smith, the assistant matron at Kingston Penitentiary, had two years added to his twenty-year sentence.

The Synod of Toronto adopted a motion asking the government to appoint a Sunday as thanksgiving for the Monday following as a public holiday.

Ira D. Sankey, who is likely to visit England in September, has been asked by Rev. Thomas Spurgeon to take part in the singing of the Metropolitan Tabernacle, London.

Rev. Dr. Gilmour, of the James Street Baptist Church, Hamilton, says he has no information to impart further than he had not received a formal call to Olivet Church, Montreal.

Floyd Thomas, aged 18, employee of the North Engine Company, Toronto, died at the Emergency Hospital yesterday from the result of an accident sustained while operating a planer.

Christie Brooks, the young man who shot Joseph Wynn at Trenton a short time ago, was found guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy. The judge gave him one year in jail.

George Clark Musgrave, who was married at New York a few days ago, served under the British flag in the Ashantee campaign, fought with the Cubans under Garcia, then served under the United States flag in Cuba and was dashed to pieces on the floor by a blow. He was an employee of the Hamilton Bridge Works.

Rev. Dr. Spencer, of the First Baptist Church, Brantford, who resigned his pastorate and was asked by the majority of the congregation to reconsider his decision, says he cannot change his withdrawal. He and his family will still reside in Brantford.

Henry Seippel, a blacksmith employed as a cantilever bridge reconstruction work, whose home was at Niagara Falls, N. Y., fell from the structure on the Canadian end Friday morning and was killed instantly. Seippel leaves a wife and several children, the youngest of them not yet three days old.

The Western Canada Press Association have returned home from its eastern trip. They were well received.

Because she secretly married, Thos. Bach, aged 50, shot and killed Mollie Bach, aged 25, an adopted daughter, near Louisville, Ky.

Rev. Francis Coleman, one of the best known and oldest ministers of the Methodist Church in Canada, died at his home in Hamilton on Friday. Mr. Coleman was in his 87th year.

Five men were instantly killed by a dynamite explosion at the Hale mine, Ellsworth, Minn., the men rushing into the drift instead of away from it when the signal to seek safety was given.

Mrs. Jessie B. Fremont, living at Los Angeles, Cal., widow of Gen. John C. Fremont, the first Republican candidate for the presidency, slipped and fell, fracturing her hip. She is 73 years old.

James Brady, who twelve years ago conducted a livery stable in the rear of the Hutchinson House, St. Thomas, was found dead in bed Friday morning at the residence of his brother, Mr. John Brady, Lake road, Southwold.

The Houston (Texas) Post prints a list of fifteen women and children who have been burned to death since

June 7 as the result of explosions of kerosene oil cans. In every case except one the person was attempting to kindle a fire with kerosene. Since Jan. 15 persons have been burned to death in Texas by kerosene oil can explosions.

Eighty pound steel rails are being laid on the M. C. R. between Welland and Clinton on the Great-bound track. The whole of the rails are to be put in place by the end of the month. Erie division will soon have been laid with eighty pound steel rails.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Government Takes Prompt Action in Regard to Charges Re Emergency Rations-Committee Appointed.

Ottawa, June 15.—The statement by Hon. F. W. Borden, in reply to the criticisms of the emergency rationing, emergency rationing to a portion of the troops in South Africa, was not made in the House of Commons, as had been expected. The minister of militia has a case of serious illness in his family, and so much to his own regret, was obliged to remain at home this afternoon. He will, however, take the earliest opportunity next week of vindicating his own course and that of the department in the matter. The fact that Sir Wilfrid would not be able to be present was communicated to the opposition before the house met, and was later on formally announced by the premier, when the commons met and took up the orders of the day. Sir Wilfrid did not take advantage of the minister's absence to ask for delay, but intimated that the committee moved for would be granted, the right being reserved for Dr. Borden to make his statement as soon as he could attend. He went on to point out that in Mr. Monk's motion no charge of fraud was made against the minister of militia. A series of statements were set forth in eighteen paragraphs, and in the paragraph next following Mr. Monk said forth the conclusion which he had based upon the preceding assertions. That the minister of militia had been guilty of gross and culpable negligence. The premier very properly showed that in reaching this conclusion Mr. Monk had pronounced judgment before any evidence had been submitted or an investigation taken place. It was not just or fair to call upon the house to prejudice the case in this way. Therefore, the objectionable clause in connection would be expunged and committee then granted. A careful investigation would be made, and, with the committee's report and evidence before it, the house would reach its own conclusion. Sir Wilfrid accordingly moved to omit paragraph 18. The point raised by the premier appealed at once to the house's sense of fairness and justice. Obviously, though the charge was one of negligence and not of fraud, it was an outrageous proceeding to declare a verdict immediately and then hold an investigation afterwards. The force of the contention evidently impressed the opposition, and for a few seconds there appeared to be a possibility as to what course they should pursue. A whispered consultation took place between Mr. Foster and Mr. Monk, and then it was evident that partisanship had won the victory with the Conservatives. Here was an exception to the rule in their opinion, of charging the government with trying to burke inquiry, and it must not be allowed to pass. There was to be a full and free investigation, and an exposure of wrong-doing if any had been committed. That, however, was not what the Tories were aiming at. The chief object was to try and before the country speeches teeming with accusations against the government, and to this Mr. Foster applied himself with considerable vigor. Sir Richard Cartwright, of the York House, and announced themselves as present from a certain dusky potentate. The Prince of Wales' son did not desire to offend the giver, yet he could scarcely accept; so in some way or other the matters were returned and there was no offence.

From South Africa.

The following letter has been received by Messrs. Stott & Jury and speaks for itself.

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South Africa.

Stott & Jury:

Sirs—Yours to hand of March 3 and I must thank you for your kindness in sending me another box of your Foot Elm, which, only those who have used it know what benefit is derived from it. It is the best remedy I ever tried and I have tried several remedies. When I volunteered for active service and was accepted, the only fault I had suffered with tender feet, and I graduated the thought of the long marches we should have to make with sore feet at all. When Foot Elm was issued out to us, several men did not take it, so I managed to get two boxes, but these were very sorry afterward for not taking a box. While on the march from Belmont to Paardeberg I gave some of mine to those who had none and they were surprised at the benefit they received from it, and I can safely say my feet were in better condition on that trying march than they had been for years, and I hope with the use of your Foot Elm they will remain so. Again thanking you for the box you have sent I remain, Yours truly,
W. B. BUTLER
Btl & W

BIG CROPS.

Omaha, Neb., June 16.—The wheat harvest is in full blast throughout Nebraska and Kansas, and laborers are commanding \$1 a day more than at any previous time. The indications now are that the Nebraska wheat crop will reach 75,000,000 bushels, and that Kansas will reach close to 100,000,000. This is from 15 to 21 per cent heavier than previous yields in this state. The corn crop will be very heavy if present indications continue. Corn is well advanced and the acreage is about 5,000,000 in Nebraska, and 4,000,000 in Kansas.

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AN INTERESTING WEEK IN LONDON

Feeling Aspect of the War in South Africa.

Bad Management of the Aldershot Manoeuvres—Four Men Die From Heat Prostration—Peculiar Present to a Prince's Son.

[Special London Cable Letter.]

London, June 16.—What with exciting news from the war that was generally supposed to be over in South Africa, sensational reports in regard to the war that is said to be pending in China, and alarming dispatches relative to the rebellion against British rule in Ashanti, to say nothing of the Asot meeting, the death of Mrs. Gladstone, and the death of the Duke of Wellington, the week in England has been one of considerable interest. The war in South Africa has taken on

A PECULIAR ASPECT.

The spectacle presented this week of a victorious British general in command of the greatest army his country ever put under one man, shut off from all communication with the outer world, while units of his forces to the number of seven hundred men are assailed by a supposedly pacified enemy, whose territory was annexed, stands almost unique in military history. While Lord Roberts is not blamed for these disasters there is a strong feeling among the leading South Africans in London that he or

SOMEONE BLUNDERED AT PRETORIA.

Those who know every inch around the Transvaal capital say Lord Roberts took the most arduous side to approach it, whereas, with easier means of access, he might have gone eastward and shut off all possibility of Gen. Botha's retreat. There is, however, some genuine admiration for Lord Roberts, and belief in the efficacy of his tactics, that even old South African campaigners are loath to criticize until they know all the details.

BAD MANAGEMENT AT ALDERSHOT.

The patent fallibilities of the generals fighting at the front have caused endless criticism since the war began. But scarcely any blunder in South Africa has drawn upon it so much condemnation as the recent Aldershot manoeuvres. A whole army of troops engaged in a sham battle on the hottest day of the year. The inquests upon the enlisted men who died from heat prostration records the fact that the troops started early in the morning, without an adequate meal, and that the forage caps they wore were utterly insufficient to protect their heads from the sun. Besides the men who died, some 400 had to go to the hospitals. The point is that the obnoxious forage cap is likely to be done away with.

The death of the third Duke of Wellington removes one of the shiest and least-known peers in England. He was a pronounced valitudinarian, and suffered from a keen appreciation of his own position. Once