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Behaved With Great Coolness in the Face of the Enemy's Fire-With the Queenslanders They Rushed a Laager and Captured Thirty-Five Prisoners and a Lot of Equipments.

South Africa is contained in a despatch from Dover Farm, dated Jan. 2, describing in detail the Canadians' first brush with the Boers at Sunnyside laager, on New Year's Day. C Company of the first contingent, led by Capt. R. K. Barker, took a vallant part in the fray. Col, Pilcher commanded the Imperial forces, and, after clearing the way by means of mounted patrols and artillery, ordered the Toronto boys, a hundred in num ber, to get into action at the double. Our boys needed no second call, but rushed forward under a galling fire from the Boers, and when within 1000 yards of the kopje opened up a sharp fire, that completely subdued the Boer marksmen. Thirty-five Boers surrendered, and the Toronto boys entered the laager only to find Boers had fied. Much equipment and ammunition were taken.
Six Boers were killed and twelve wounded. Our city boys behaved admirably, and their every shot found a mark. No Canadians were injured.

The British Government will spend £5,000,-000 to bring the artillery to the proper

The Admiralty has chartered eight more large transports to convey troops to Africa. When all these vessels land their quotas there will be about 200,000 troops under Lord Roberts.

The rebels in the Barkly district are denoralized by the British occupation of

e success of Gen. French's column at Colesberg on Dec. 31 has been confirmed by the Imperial War Office. His own story of the fight is told. He left Rens-burg at 5 p.m., on Dec. 31, and at 3.39 a.m., Jan. 1, occupied a kopje overlook-ing Colesberg. The Boers were surprisright flank were silenced, and, demonstrating with cavalry and guns, Gen. French took up a position on the southeast of Colesberg. His position cuts the The Boers are retreating by thousands towards Norval's Pont. The British casualties were three killed and a few

Under Col. Pilcher a Boer Laager Was Captured and 40 Prisoners

London, Jan. 2.-The War Office has received the following from Cape Town, under to-day's date :

"Col. Pilcher reports through the officer commanding at the Orange River: 'I have completely defeated a hostile command at the Sunnyside larger, this day, Jan. 1, taking the larger and 40 prisoners, besides the killed and wounded. Our casualties are two privates killed and Lieut. Adle wounded. Am encamped at Dover farm, 20 miles northwest of Belmont and 10 miles from Sunnyside."

How it Occurred How it Occurred.

Belmont, Cape Colony, Jan. 2.—A despatch from the Associated Press representative at Dover farm, dated Jan, I, says: "A mounted force, consisting of 100 Canadians of the Toronto company and 200 Queenslanders, commanded by Col. Rickards, two guns and a horse battery, under Major De Rougemont, 40 mounted infantry under Lieut. Ryan, and 200 of the Cornwall Light Infantry, the whole commanded by Col. Pilcher, left Belmont yesterday at noon on a march westward, covering 20 miles bemarch westward, covering 20 miles be-pre sunset. The force encamped at Cook's

Approached the Boers. "At 6 o'clock this morning the force approached a spot where a langer of the Boers was feported. Coi. Pilcher, on approaching the position, which was a line of strong koples, detached Major De Rougemont with the guns, Torontos and mounted infantry, to work towards the right, making a turning movement himself with the Queenslanders towards the south position. The manneuvre was a complete success,

Captured the Prisoners. "The Boers left their laager and opened fire, but, the Queenslanders completing the

PATIENT UNDER GALLING FIRE. Graphic Sketch of Sunnyside Laager Fight, in Which Our Boys

Proved True. Belmont, Cape Colony, Monday, Jan. 1 .-A despatch from Dover Farm, dated Jan. 1. says: The colonial troops, who portunity to do so, and scored a brillian success. The raid conducted by Col. Pitche





Lieut. Wilkie.

the Toronto company to double quicinto action. The order was received wit great satisfaction. The company rushed for ward until within 1900 yards of the enemy position, when it opened a hot fire upo the kopje and completely subdued the Boer fire.

Other Sections Fought.

The British artillery shelled the position with wonderful accuracy, while Lieut. Ryan. with mounted infantry, worked round and completely uncovered the fire of the Boers, who had been hidden in the bushes.

Meanwhile Col. Pilcher, with the Queens-landers, taking advantage of every cover, Continued on Page 4.

Result of the Toronto Mayoralty

Boers and I'll see that none of these 'ere European blokes interferes.

Election Made a Big Sensa-

tion in Winnipeg.

ficant Lesson for the Canadian

People.

mayoralty contest. The Tribune to-night

the cause of the people has been scored in

of Toronto, the date was New Year's Day

and the occasion was the mayoralty contest. Almost single-handed a man whose former

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NO OUTSIDE HELP REQUIRED.

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terest was manifested here in the Toronto ENTHUSIASTIC FAREWELL Canada. This time it was in the great city Given to the Boys by Those Who Knew of Their De-

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"Try Gibbon's Toothache Gum for that Enthusiastic Farewell.

The send-off was marked by no ostentations display. It was striking in contrast to the grand civic demonstration given in honor of the Toronto members of the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia them godspeed and cheered just as heartly and enthusiastically as possible. At a quarter to nine the order was given, an the men started for the station. By this time nearly 300 people had gathered at the Armouries, and they followed the Armouries, and they followed the Armouries of the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia them godspeed and cheered just as heartly and enthusiastically as possible. At a quarter to nine the order was given, an the men started for the stations of the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia them godspeed and cheered just as heartly and enthusiastically as possible. At a quarter to nine the order was given, an the men started for the station and the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia them godspeed and cheered just as heartly and enthusiastically as possible. At a quarter to nine the order was given, an the men started for the station. By this time nearly 300 people had gathered at the Armouries, and they followed the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia them gover the first contingent, but those that did see the boys off bia

Berlin, Jan. 2.—Dr. Von Block, the Russian writer, announces that the propos-ed Russian war exhibit at the Paris Ex-position will be omitted, upon the Czar's

"Around New York in Elghty Minutes," the Grand, 2 and 8 p.m.
"The Pairy Farm," at the Toronto, 8 p.m.
"The Wife," at the Princess, 2 and 8 p.m.
Shea's excellent vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.
Socialistic League, in St. George's Hall, p.m. p.m. Meeting re "Domestic Science," in Con-ederation Life Building, 3 p.m. Trinity College alumni, 10 a.m.

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THE GAS MONOPOLY.

George W. Ross is Bound by His Oath to the Queen to Have Her Gas Bill Reduced.

The following letter might well pass between the parties concerned to-day:
Toronto, Jan. 2, 1900:

William Mulock, Esq., M.A., Q.C., M.P., LL.B.,

Postmaster-General of Canada:

My Dear William,-

I find myself very busy these days since I assumed the Premiership of Ontario; The World newspaper especially is keeping me busy with suggestions as to what I about the price of gas paid by the consumers of that article in the city of Toron-It is for this reason, therefore, that I am writing to you.

This simple statement from the great Englishman had the desired effect. I am in Queen and to the people of Ontario that I will get them a penuy's worth for their

fice (and I am, as Treasurer, head of the Public Accounts Office), that almost the Ontario, whose Treasurer I am, and for whom I have sworn to get a full penny's worth for each penny. We use a large amoun. of gas in the Parliament Buildings bere, n the half dozen buildings connected with the University, in the Educational Department, in the Asylum, in the Central Prison, Osgoode Hall and other public insti-

I was also further surprised to find that the gas company, by this charter, is

"Jack" Bull of the Navy to John "Atkins" Bull of the Army: You go right ahead, old man, and polish off tween you and me tout and I must say it to you again-I would not for the life of me say it in public), I do believe we have the power to interfere, and I believe it is my duty as representing one of the largest consumers of gas in the city of Toronto, and as bound by a solemn oath to the people of Ontario, to get their penny's worth good deal of surprise manifest in financial for their penny-I say, I do believe it is my duty to interes circles this evening, when it was known necessary, to amend your act in the direction of cheaper gas. For instance, you will broker, had appeared at the Central Police reserve, and is entitled to pay 10 per cent, to its shareholders. But I am asked Station to answer to a charge laid against by The World, and by its editor, to add to the clause regulating the dividend these secretion of J. J. Herbert, the ex-teller of words, namely, "The dividend to be paid shareholders shall be not more than 10 women where where

Toronto, Jan. 2, 1900.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

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Victoria, 42-46; Kamloops, 28-32; Calgary, 6. below-10; Qu'Appelle, 12 below-16; Window, 16; Window, 19-20; Parry, Sound, 2-16; Toronto, 12-27; Ottawa, zero, 10; Montreal, 2-12; Quebec, zero-6; Hallifax, 22-26.

Dear William,—

The more I think about that matter of the gas company the more anxious I become, and I am writing you this secondletter to-day—the first one having already gone out of my hands. This is to say that if Whitney, who is the leader of the Opposition, gets on to the idea that I am sworn to protect the interests of the people of Lower Lakes and Georgian BayModerate to fresh northwest to
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Maritime—Moderately cold.

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Gulf—Fresh or strong westerly winds; fair; stationary or slightly higher temperature.

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Maritime—Moderately or strong westerly winds; fair and moderately cold.

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Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 2.—At about the time to-day that McCoy had defeated Maher, Harry Butler, an Indianapolis plumber, witnessed the defeat of his dog "Jack" by a local dog in a ring west of this city, and despite the entreaties of the 100 spectarors Butler beat his dog's brains out.

as they are. And don't forget that I am sworn to get they penny's worth for the people of Ontario are the largest consumers of the Consumers' Gas Company, so-called.

George W. Ross.

P.S.—The urgency is increasing; it is getting to be a question whether your directors will turn the handsprings or whether Whitney starts me turning handsprings Biliszard in Pennsylvania.
Corry, Pa., Jan. 2.—The blizzard which has raged in Northwestern Pennsylvania for the past 10 days continues. Since last sindinight about 18 inches of snow has failed in the state of the