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## BOERS ACTIVE.

**British Lose 750 Men in a Sharp Engagement at Roodeval.**

**ALL COMMUNICATION IS CUT OFF**

**From Roberts and Troops Are Hurried Forward.**

**BOERS CLAIM A VICTORY.**

**Kruger Re-establishes the Boer Capital in a City of Tents—His Body Guard Captured.**

London, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—All is dark as regards the movements of the troops in South Africa. Since the 6th inst. all communication with Roberts' forces located north of Kroonstadt, has been cut off. The news came like a thunder clap, particularly since it has been learned that the closing of communication was attended with heavy losses.

A cable from Cape Town dated the 10th, tells of heavy fighting near Roodeval in which the Derbyshires lost a total of 700 men, 500 of whom were taken prisoners.

Kelly Kenny is hurrying all available troops northward, which indicates danger of another Boer raid.

Fifty thousand troops are within 50 miles of the marauding Boers north of

Kroonstadt and are expected to make short work of them.

### Boers Claim Victory.

London, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—A Boer telegram claims a British defeat at Donkerfort, on the southern extremity of the Free State border. The Boers still cling to Laing's Neck. Buller, by the execution of a flank movement, has concentrated his forces on the Keip river. Buller wired on the 11th that he had anticipated a movement of the enemy, who to the number of 3000 had prepared to occupy an important defile.

### New Boer Capital.

London, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—The village of Machadorp has been officially declared to be the Transvaal capital. It is little more than a swollen city of tents.

### Kruger's Body Guard Taken.

London, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—Kruger's body guard of 1000 men has surrendered. The surrender occurred in the Ficksburg district.

### Ashantee Expedition.

London, June 11, via Skagway, June 18.—The Ashantee relief expedition finds the rebel forces strongly fortified. The fight at Kebwai continued for a long time. The enemy was finally dislodged, but the British were compelled to retreat to Kwisa after a loss of 100 men.

### Chinese Emperor a Prisoner.

London, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—The Chinese emperor sought the aid of the powers to release him from the imperial palace, where he is virtually a prisoner of the empress dowager. He suggests a joint protectorate of the powers. Foreign troops have seized the railroads leading to Peking and are endeavoring to open communication with the capitol. Russia is purchasing large quantities of supplies and everything points to an early outbreak of hostilities.

### Gold Commissioner's Court.

Mukey vs. Phillips was the title of a case set for hearing in the gold commissioner's court this morning, but as Mr. Phillips was not represented the case was continued till the 20th inst. The case involves the relocation of claim No. 115 below on Sulphur.

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## M'TAVISH GONE.

**Judge Dugas Declares Senkler Innocent of All Charges.**

**WOODWORTH SEVERELY REBUKED.**

**No Further Charges to Be Heard by the Commission.**

**ONLY TWO WITNESSES HEARD.**

**The Long Drawn Out Investigation of the Senkler Case Is at Last Brought to a Close.**

The investigation of the charges preferred against Gold Commissioner Senkler by D. S. McTavish is finished, at least so far as the commission appointed for the purpose is concerned. After a brief, though not uneventful session last evening, Judge Dugas declared the case closed.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the judge took his seat and the first of the two witnesses examined was called.

Dr. Simpson was sworn and asked to explain what his transactions or connection had been with the claim known as the "Potter claim," in which "Mr. Mahon pretends to have been interested."

The witness stated that it was during the month of January, to the best of his recollection, 1899, that he had been called by U. S. Consul McCook to treat his hands which had been frozen. While there in his professional capacity he had met Mr. Mahon, who called to ask Mr. McCook to intercede with Commissioner Fawcett in his behalf regarding the reopening of his (Mahon) case. Mr. McCook's hands being in such a bad condition, the consul had requested witness to see Commissioner Fawcett regarding the matter, which request he had complied with. As a result he had been told that the case had been disposed of; but, as witness was leaving Mr. Fawcett had said he might say to Mr. Senkler, who was then commissioner, that if he (Senkler) chose to reopen the case, it would not be regarded as a discourtesy by Mr. Fawcett. Later witness had been given a letter and asked to hand it to Mr. Senkler, which he did, and Mr. Senkler had told him that he would write Mahon.

Dr. Simpson said that the suggestion that Mahon give Consul McCook an interest in the property in question as remuneration for his services had been imparted to him, but that he had no recollection of having made any such suggestion. He (Dr. Simpson) had been given no interest in the property; had never asked; had done what he had in the case solely for Consul McCook.

Witness further stated that he had afterwards been asked by Mahon, who came to him crying, to once more ask Commissioner Senkler to again reopen the case. He had done so and Mr. Senkler had refused, saying the case had been finally disposed of.

In reply to a question as to whom he had acquired his interest in the claim from, witness stated that he had come into possession of his interest in the property through Mr. Hurdman, who had given him a letter to Mr. Burritt from whom he had received papers of title. He had redeemed a one-fourth interest to Hurdman.

The next witness called was Chas. Bifquin. The witness took the stand and was sworn, but before he could be questioned Mr. Wade asked for the sheriff's return of Mr. McTavish. Sheriff Eilbeck stated that Mr. McTavish could not be found and it was believed he had left the country.

Witness Bifquin then testified as to the manner in which he had staked, and after many delays and some expense

had acquired title to a fraction laying between 16 and 17 Hunker. Nothing of any importance was brought to light by his evidence saving his denial that he had given any remuneration to either the gold commissioner or any one in his office.

When this witness had been dismissed, Judge Dugas said that he saw no reason for keeping the commission open longer. Mr. McTavish was gone, other witnesses, Smith and Laport could not be found.

Attorney Woodworth felt himself in a somewhat embarrassing position, owing to the non-appearance of his client and frankly admitted that there was no use in continuing the investigation further, as he said he had nothing under his hand which would in any way tend to throw discredit upon Mr. Senkler. Judge Dugas then proceeded to read Mr. McTavish, who, he said, had been guilty of agitating the whole country without any excuse whatever. That he had testified, under his signature, to things utterly false, that he had said that these charges against Mr. Senkler were, to his knowledge true, and that they had been proven untrue. Something Mr. Woodworth said in reply about Mr. McTavish having been mistaken, seemed to rile the judge who forthwith began pouring the vials of his mighty wrath upon the head of the attorney, whom he accused of making insinuations against others and thus creating unwarranted feeling.

"Why don't you make your charges to Ottawa in writing like a man?" demanded the judge.

"Oh, I don't need to be told to make my charges like a man," said the attorney, springing to his feet, "I have made no charges against anyone else, but when I do"—and the unfinished sentence was more eloquent than if it had been spoken.

Mr. Woodworth said that he felt it no more than justice to Mr. McTavish to say that it was possible that he had not left the country. "There is a person here who says he saw Mr. McTavish last evening," he said, then paused and looked towards Joe Clark. The witness was not called for.

Mr. Woodworth then asked if further charges were permissible, and was told that the commission was closed.

### Will Bide Awee.

Mrs. Prather, a lady who is listed as a witness in the Soggs case which is to come up for hearing before the territorial court tomorrow, was quite indignant at not being permitted to start for Nome on the steamer Hannah last night, especially as she had purchased a ticket and her baggage was all checked and aboard. Her baggage was also found and taken off; but as it happened only half an hour previous to the time of the Hannah's departure, it is not known whether or not the lady was able to dispose of her ticket.

### For a Volunteer Company.

The large number of gentlemen in Dawson who have been for some weeks past active in the work of organizing a volunteer militia company are about to reap the reward of their labor, as a recent telegram from the commissioner of the department of militia testifies. The telegram was received by Commissioner Ogilvie, whose secretary, Dr. J. N. E. Brown, has kindly supplied the Nugget with a copy reading: "Volunteer company will be organized if you have qualified officers."

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## FELL DEAD.

**Assistant Manager of Klondike Corporation Dies of Heart Disease.**

**ALASKA CITIES ASK INCORPORATION.**

**Want to Take Advantage of a New U. S. Law.**

**NEWSPAPERS RAP JOE MARTIN**

**Toronto Globe Scores the Would-Be Lt.-Gov.—Thinks the Latter Has Forfeited His Seat.**

Skagway, June 18.—Robert Hall, assistant manager of the Klondike Corporation, Ltd., dropped dead at Bennett on Sunday. His death, resulted from heart disease to which he was subject.

### Want to Incorporate.

Skagway, June 18.—Both Juneau and Skagway have applied for incorporation. Both cities are taking hurried legal steps in order to incorporate before July 1, and thus secure 50 per cent of the Federal taxes paid by each for school and other municipal purposes.

### Guilty of Murder.

Skagway, June 18.—Jim Hansen, the Indian who confessed to assisting in the murder of Bert Horton and his wife at Haines Mission, was convicted today of murder in the first degree. Hansen at first pleaded guilty, but afterwards withdrew the plea and substituted a plea of not guilty. The jury considered the case for an hour and brought a verdict of guilty in the first degree.

### Rapping Martin.

Ottawa, June 12, via Skagway, June 18.—The Toronto Globe deals editorially with the defeat of Joe Martin in a caustic manner. It says that the Martin government is now defeated and it will be found that the lieutenant governor made a very serious mistake in appointing him at the head of the ministry. He dismissed a ministry not charged with dishonesty or flagrant wrong doing of any kind. The dismissal was condemned by the legislature. He chose as his first minister a man who by almost unanimous vote of the legislature did not possess the confidence of that body. It is therefore obvious that he assumed grave personal responsibilities and assumed large risks

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