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GALLANT YORKSHIRES

Frustrate Early Morning Rush of the Enemy.

ABLY-ASSISTED BY NEWZEALANDERS

Fears That Boers Will Attack Molteno Makes Gatacre Watchful.

French Warships Sink Chinese Gunboats—Several Villages Pillaged—Ships for Africa—£200,000 Is Asked For.

Renburg, Cape Colony, Jan. 25.—The Boers this morning attempted to rush a hill held by a company of Yorkshires and New Zealanders, but were repulsed at the point of the bayonet. The Boers had 21 men killed and about 50 wounded.

The hills command a tract of country east of the main position of the Boers and they having determined to make an attempt to seize the height, advanced cautiously, directing their fire at a small wall held by the Yorkshires and compelling the latter to keep close under cover.

When the Boers rushed the wall the Yorkshires fixed bayonets and charged. Just at that moment Capt. Maddocks, with a small party of New Zealanders, came up and the combined force leaped the wall and charged straight for the enemy, who fled, followed by a withering fire at close range. The Boers literally tumbled over each other in their hurry to escape, but the persistent fire of the British inflicted a heavy loss.

Desultory firing continued for some time, but the attack was an utter failure and the Boers retired to the shelter of the small kopjes at the base of the hill.

Four Thousand Rebels.

London, Jan. 25.—A dispatch from Sterkström dated Monday, 25, reports that Gen. Gatacre's troops made a demonstration beyond Molteno in the direction of Stormberg, in the belief that the Boers intended to seize Molteno. The burghers were not sighted and the British remained at Molteno. Arrivals from Stormberg estimate that there were 4,500 Boers at that place, mostly revolted colonists and Free Staters.

The French in China.

Tacoma, Jan. 26.—The steamer Elm Branch brings news from Shanghai that French warships have taken possession of Kwang-Chau-Wanbay, where a boundary dispute has been pending for several months.

The French sunk two Chinese gunboats, destroying their guns and ammunition and taking the officers aboard the French ship as prisoners.

The French had 4 killed and 28 wounded. The Chinese loss was heavier.

After the Chinese retreated the French forces were divided into four expeditions, which pillaged and burned many villages on their march back to the seashore.

Several mandarins surrendered to prevent the burning of their towns.

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They are held as hostages to prevent retaliation by the natives.

Kwang-Chau-wan is a strip of territory bordering on the bay of the same name, which was leased by China to France in 1898. It is opposite the large island of Hainan, the prefect of which has recently been seized by the French admiral and held as a hostage until the murderers of two French officers are delivered up to justice. The Tien-Chau peninsula, on the east coast of which the bay is situated, has been regarded as a very desirable possession by the French for some time past.

Ships for Africa.

London, Jan. 10.—The entire special service squadron is going to South African waters when relieved at Gibraltar by the Channel squadron. A portion of it will be detailed to convey the new naval brigade being formed for service at the front in Cape Colony.

£200,000 to Be Voted.

London, Jan. 27.—The London Sun is authority for the statement that parliament will be asked to appropriate £200,000 for war expenses. Unquestionably the members will readily vote for such an appropriation, as they realize that the exigencies require a far larger amount of money than was included in the calculations of the members a month ago.

Malieota, Tanus Protests.

London, Jan. 12.—The Malieota Times Tanus' letter to the London Times, enclosing copies of protests addressed to the United States, Great Britain and Germany against the Samoan treaties, characterizes the partitioning of Samoa as a gross violation of the treaties and a challenge against the law of nations.

The writer also asserts that the civilization introduced by the great powers in three annexations in the South Sea, Africa and elsewhere, is inferior to the primitive state of the countries stolen, leading to war through breach of faith on the part of government officials and to the decimating of the peoples by contagious diseases and spirituous liquors.

Arms for Boers.

London, Jan. 25.—The Daily Mail publishes the following from a special correspondent at La Creusot, France: "After two days' inquiry, I do not hesitate to assert that the Schneider Company is not only working night and day in the manufacture of guns and ammunition for the Boers, but that much has already been packed for shipment for the Transvaal, including six guns of large caliber. The workmen told me that ere long 30 additional guns would be despatched to the Boers."

London, Jan. 25.—The Hamburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "An export firm here has undertaken the immediate delivery of 300,000 metres of barb wire to the Free State."

Amateur Athletics.

At Ford's gymnasium last night a number of athletic enthusiasts entertained quite a gathering with wrestling and boxing exhibitions. There were several lively bouts and much hilarity and a general feeling of good fellowship was evident.

On next Thursday night a ten-round game is announced between a colored gentleman and an ambitious white man whose ambition, by the way, is circumscribed by the desire to punch his dusky opponent into sweet forgetfulness, as "he has it in for him."

Off for the Transvaal.

Inspector Cartwright, son of Sir Richard Cartwright, left for the outside this afternoon. The inspector has been attached for some time past to the N. W. M. P. station at Grand Forks. Captain Strickland, in charge of the N.

W. M. P., at Tagish and Inspector Jarvis, who is located on the Dalton trail, have also received orders to report at Regina, N. W. T. All these gentlemen will be attached to the Strathcona horse, which is detailed for service in South Africa.

Captain Gardner, late adjutant, at the Yukon garrison, will leave Dawson tomorrow morning for Vancouver. The captain has been assigned to take charge of a Canadian company which has been ordered to the scene of the Boer war.

Markets Stimulated.

In a journey of less than four blocks yesterday a representative of the Daily Nugget, who must evidently have the appearance of an "easy mark," was given opportunities for purchasing almost everything which a man requires to make the trip over the ice to Nome except the God-given grit to tackle the journey, which article can not be obtained by purchase. The first man had four dogs and a sled for sale "cheap at \$600." Only one of the four dogs was much bigger than a full grown T. cat, and the sled was a relic of '97. The next man had a set of pack straps with which he had packed two tons over the Chilkoot pass and never raised a welt on his shoulders. They were the best in the Yukon and cheap at \$4. Another man had a pair of snowshoes which he did not care to sell, but would let go to some good fellow for \$8 and a drink. The shoes were not mates. On the next block was a man with a parkey which had been over the river as far as Fort Yukon and the next man who wore it would be immuned from getting lost. He had paid \$6 for it, but owing to its experience he thought it ought to be worth \$10. After the man with the parkey came one with a nose protector, "just the thing for a trip down the river." He had intended to take the trip himself, but had given it up and had decided to sell his outfit—the nose protector.

And thus it is; the few who are not going to Nome are endeavoring to palm off every old thing they don't need on those who are going. Dogs bearing "For sale" tags are being paraded up and down the streets like Holstein bulls at a stock fair; moth eaten Yukon stoves are "For sale cheap" at every junk shop in town; old tents on which dogs have slept for the past two winters are being hauled out and aired, and every dog in town is a natural born leader. Who wouldn't go to Nome when everything useful to the trip can be so readily procured?

Will John A. Leighton please call at Bank of Commerce.

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M. McDermott, please call at this office. Important.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

YUKON COUNCIL MEETS

Many Matters of Importance Considered.

REGISTRATION LAW FOR NEWSPAPERS

Counteracting Communication to Exclusive Telephone Franchise.

Billiard Tables Now on the Free List—More Street Lights Demanded—Request for Permit to Sink Wells and Maintain Water System.

A meeting of the Yukon council was held at 3 o'clock yesterday, the commissioner presiding.

Present—Messrs. Ogilvie, Girouard, Dugas, Senkler, Perry.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25th of January were read and confirmed.

A petition was presented from J. Wiley, praying for the passage of a private bill granting him exclusive rights to equip and maintain a telephone system in the city of Dawson, and to extend the system to the various creeks and surrounding country. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A communication was received from Messrs. Tabor & Hulme in behalf of the Yukon Telephone Syndicate protesting against the granting of an exclusive right to Mr. Wiley to equip and maintain the telephone system. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A petition was received from C. F. Meginis and others, asking that an electric light be placed at the corner of Mission street and Seventh avenue. Referred to the commissioner and the engineer.

A petition was received from John Delfel and others, asking for the establishment of street lamps in the principle blocks as follows: One lamp on the bank of the river, at the corner of First avenue and Second street, one lamp on the bank of the river at the corner of First avenue and Third street, and one lamp at each end of the alley running between Second and Third streets. Referred to the commissioner and engineer.

A petition was received from R. Everett and others asking that a street lamp be placed in the alley between the New Pavilion and the Palace Grand theater. Referred to the commissioner and engineer.

A petition was received from Mr. Samuel Word applying for permission to sink wells in or in the vicinity of Dawson, and to utilize the surplus water from the springs in the north end of Dawson, and the exclusive right to construct and maintain in the said town

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Special, This and Next Week

We Are Still at It.

Seasonable Goods
Have to Go.

Clean Shelves Is the
Order of the Day.

Felt Shoes, \$4. per Pair
Drill Parkies, the best in town, \$3.50.
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