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The "Real Widow Brown" proved one of the pest attractions that has appeared at the Grand Opera House in s long time but it was to be regretted that the attendance was not all that could be desired. The specialties were the very latest and many new and excellent features were noticeable in last cellent features were noticable in last night's performance. The work of Le Vine and Alma was exceedingly clever and they were repeatedly encored and also called before the curtain. An ex-ceedingly pleasing finale was the gracious act of the company in concluding their play with the singing of "God Save the Queen." The whole audience went wite, rose and joined in and greeted the concluding words with prolonged cheers and applause.

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serve the Boer camp. Before 6 o'clock. Tuesday morning the Canadian regiment moved out on the open veldt in front of Gen. Cronje's langer and about 2,000 yards distant from it. After an hour spent in this position the Canadian steadily advanced their outposts until they came in touch with the outer Boer trenches. The Dutchmen did not fire upon our man. Occupant we are victims, and it Mr. Tarte—"Stop there. The last four words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct translation, although he had a copy of La Patrie in his hands, 'I'll follow the honorable gentleman,' "smid he. Mr. Mr. Tarte—"Stop there. The last four words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct translation, although he had a copy of La Patrie in his hands, 'I'll follow the honorable gentleman,' "smid he. Mr. Mr. Tarte—"Stop there. The last four words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct translation, although he had a copy of La Patrie in his hands, 'I'll follow the honorable gentleman,' "smid he. Mr. Mr. Tarte—"Stop there. The last four words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct translation, although he had a copy of La Patrie in his hands, 'I'll follow the honorable gentleman,' "smid he. Mr. Mr. Tarte—"Stop there. The last four words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct translation, although he had a copy of La Patrie in his hands, 'I'll follow the honorable gentleman,' "smid he. Mr. McNeil we are victims, and it words are not there. (Liberal cheers.) The minister of public works refused, however, to state what was the correct. The last four words are not there.

OF THE FIGHT ON THE MODDER RIVER IN WHICH THE CAN-AUIANS DID SO WELL.

Montreal, March 7. - W. Richmond Smith, The Star's correspondence in South Africa, cabling of the fight at Paerdeberg, says that the Canadians reached there Sunday morning. Feb 18 after a forced march of 23 miles 18 after a forced march of 23 miles during Saturday night from Jacobsdal. The sixth division was in the field and alcavalry brigade was engaging the main body of General Cronje's army. The Canadians advanced to the banks and jumped into the Moddel River, which was four feet deep. Cronje's men held a strong position on the north bank of the river. A, B fincluding Chatham boys) and E Companies made the advance firing line, D and Cacted as supports and F, G and H actacted as supports and F, G and H actd as reserves.

to his companions.

ARTILLERY DUEL.

Prisoners were coming into the British camp continually during the following week, and these reported that the relief columns advancing from the Orange Free State were being headed off by General French. The Canadians, in common with the British soldiers, kept up the attack upon Cronje's laager steadily during the week, the Canadian trenches being well advanced, until the final operations of our regiment, as detailed in my despatch from this place on Feb. 27, and sent by courier to Kimberley.

Pte. Barry, of Montreal, was wounded in the Sunday fighting, but his death did not take place until Tuesday. On Feb. 20th the Canadians were personally thanked by Lord Roberts for

On Feb. 20th the Canadians were personally thanked by Lord Roberts for their gallant work, and he informed them that he had brought to the notice of the Government the splendid work done by them in the operations in which they had been engaged.

Was Tarte at the Boitom of the

Trouble

Which Resulted in the Gross insult

to the Union Jack at Montreal -A

Discussion in the House.

tudents' disturbances at Montreal

and the inflammatory language of

Mr. Tarte's organ, Las Patrie, took up

the time of yesterday's sitting of the

It was during that conventional in-

order of the day" being called that Mr. McNeill, of North Bruce, introduc-

ed the subject of the student disturb-ances in Montreal last weeks He said

concern—these regrettable occurren-ces in the city of Montreal, which had

culminated in a most deplorable out-rage upon the national flag. Fortun-

tely, through the wise and patriotic

efforts of the mayor of Montreal, His

Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, Principal Peterson, of McGill, and other lead-

ng men, tranquility had been restor-

ures might be taken which would se-

cure the continuance of that tran-quility that he (Mr. McNeill) had risen

to address the house. Except for the insult to the national flag, he continu-

ed, what had occurred was after all very much what in the universities

of Cambridge, Oxford and Dublin was

known as a jolly good "town and gown" row. But there were those

gown" row. But there were those who would endeavor to describe it in

very different terms on the continent

of Europe, and endeavor to make cap-

tal out of it for the Queen's enemies

are doing now.
I regret," was Mr. McNeill's reply,

"that my honorable friend is so in-capable of appreciating moderate lan-

persons taking advantage of it to the perjudice of Her Majesty's Empire. It was a matter of common notoriety

that President Kruger and govern-

SECRET SERVICE MONEY.

They had their paid agents and paid press everywhere, even in Eng-

and, and possibly right here in Can-He had no doubts that the cries

of "Fashoda" raised in Montreal the other night were raised by pro-Boer emissaries. Certainly they did

not represent the sentiments or feel-ing of our friends in the Province of

Quebec. (Hear, hear.) He feared they were uttered by paid emissaries of the Transvaal Republic. It was therefore the duty of Canadians to

do all they can to counteract those

baneful influences that are being ex-

ercised at this time. It was the bounden duty of all to counsel mod-

eration and kindly feeling, and a regard for the observance of that law

and order upon which we, as British

people. He therefore thought it his duty to call attention to an article

published in a newspaper in the Pro-

vince of Quebec within the last day

It is in La Patrie-an article not a

little responsible for those regrettable events—and if followed up is liable to

bring about a condition of affairs in Canada which all would seriously de-

ment had been spending immense

sums of money as

(Hear, hear.) It was our duty, he continued, to prevent these

ruage."

Mr. Somerville-That's what you

Prisoners were coming into the Brit-

These latter were not brought into action until the afternoon of Sunday. The Canadians faced the Boer fire unflinchingly. They compelled the admiration of the British officers under their the state of whose observation they were. Their advances were made in short rushes of 30 paces, and it was done in splendid style under Major Buchan. Capt. Ar-nold, of Winnipeg, who was seriously injured, and has since died, was gal-lantly leading his company when he fell.

A GALLANT CHARGE.

The entire Canadian regiment re-mained under fire all day and, as there mained under lire all day and, as there was little cover, the casualties in dead and wounded kept mounting steadily upward. At 5 o'clock the Canadian regiment was reinforced, the Cornwalls being moved up to their support. walls being moved up to their support. An order to charge the enemy was given by the Colonel of the Cornwalls. This command did not apply to the Canadians, but when our men saw the British soldiers rush forward the example was contagious. The Canadians gave a cheer, and every man in, the firing line to the right joined in the charge. charge.

charge.
Seeing this, F. Company, Quebec, which was in place with the reserves, rushed forward also upon the Boer position, thinking that the whole regiment had orders to this, effect. The charge was a magnificent one, and was met by a murderous rifle fire from the Boer position. The British troops were failing fast, and ultimately were forced to retire, after they had covered ed to retire, after they had covered two hundred yards to the north of he Modder river.

Capt. Bell, with his Maxim gun, displayed great gallantry in getting his weapon across the river, and advanc-ing steadily to a position on the left flank of the Canadian regiment. Every step he took was in the face of a heavy Boer fire. From the left flank the Maxim gun did splendid work all day. (Mr. Smith then refers to the casualty list, which has been published.) CRONJE SURROUNDED.

He then continues his narrative thus -At dark the firing ceased from the Boer lines, and it was found that hav had retired, leaving our troops i hey had fought were picked up and the wounded cared for, and that night we camped on the hard won battlefield, cheered by the news which was circufated throughout the camp, that the British attack upon the camp, that the British attack upon General Cronje had been a complete success, that his position was completely surrounded, and that his capit, ulation was only a question of tink. I cannot emphasize too much the bravery of the Canadians during the whole day, and the outspoken admiration of the British solders in commenting on the manner in which the Canadian soldiers fought was calculated to send a thrill of pride through the breast of every man from the Dominion. If the official expressions of praise over the gallantry of the Canadians was strong, it found a louder echo in the manner in which Tommy Atkins himself ungrudgingly complimented his overseas companions in arms. On Monday, the following day, the Canadians rested, and the respite from hostilities was much appreciated.

Monday evening, with the rest of the brigade, the Canadians moved up the north bank of the river to a number of kopjes overlooking the Boer laager, taking advantage of the position won in Sunday's fight. The Canadians had a ommanding place from which to ob

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having been "sucked," of the whole disturbance as being the outcome of Tory papers blattering against the disloyalty of Quebec:

Mr. Tarte-It is perfectly trus. Mr. McNeill (reading from La Patrie):-"All we have to do is to wish for a signal vengeance for the insults of which we are victims, and it

There were no cheers at this, but Mr. Tarte cailed out:—"It is more than true, though."

until they came in touch with the outer Boer trenches. The Dutchmen did not fire upon our men. One of their number came out of the trenches waving a white flug, and stated that all the Boers in this particular position desired to surrender. The messenger was taken before Brigade-Major Currie and Cartain Divon. He repeated his "Little need be added what has already taken place to tear the treaty of Confederation to pieces," Mr. Moand Captain Dixon. He repeated his statement and was taken back again to the trenches. Here occurred a piece Neill continued, quoting La Patrie, No cheers fgreeted this. In contraof treachery, which is not unusual. The Boers fired on the escort as soon as they had safely handed over their man distinction to this article, Mr. Mc-Neill continued, was the article in La Presse, whose office was also disturbed, stating the paper felt sure whole thing arose from a misunder-standing. Mr. McNeill characterized La Patrie's article as a wicked pre-Matters continued in a state of quietude until 2 o'clock in the afterquietude until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when the enemy in the laager
began sniping again, while the regiment was cooking dinner. Artillery
fire was also started in the Boer
trenches, sweeping our tines with a
raking fire as our regiment left the
supply wagons. On this occasion Pte.
Downey of F Company was badly
wounded; Pte. Parker of H Company
and Pte. Holland of C Company were
slightly wounded. All the rest of the
day our guns pounded the enemy's
laager where the Boers were surrounded.

Prisoners were coming into the Britduction, penned deliberately for AN EVIL PURPOSE

and its publication at such a time as not say that La Patrie had been sub such an article to be distributed at the moment among our French-Canadian friends of Quebec, President Kruger would doubtless be willing to pay a surprisingly long price. It was cal-culated perfectly to cause dissensions and distrust among the different sects and creeds who are living and desire to live happily together. (Hear hear.) He thought the country had a right to ask of the colleagues of the minister of public works that they should bring such pressure upon him as would make a repetition of this offense impossible. (Cheers.)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed re-

ret that Mr. McNeill had not continued in the same temperate manner in which he bagun his speech, and he thought he would regret his remarks when he read them over in cold blood, particularly his insinuation that funds of President Kruger were at the bottom of the disturbance. If he were to follow the honorable gentleman, he might retort that if any funds were used they were not those of Kruger, but came from a source nearer home. He agreed with Mr. McNeill that it was regretable this incident in the city of Montreat had occurred, which might indicate a divided people, when in reality there was not division. He was not discussed. was no division. He was not dispos-ed to attacht oo much importance to what had taken place; it was rather the outcome of boyish jokes. He was once a student of McGill himself, and when he first read of the demons tion he simply said to himself: "Well after all, boys will be boys." The ss of Montreal did not make much of it. Only the Star, instead of treating it as it deserved, said that the English students had given to the French students of Laval argood lesson in loyalty. This was a danger-ous course. The Star had rather encouraged disturbance than helped to put it down. The demonstration o otic one. They marched out from the statue of the Queen, thus showing their loyalty to Queen and country,

but some irresponsible parties returned, and were guitty of the outrage of tearing slown the British flag and in-Mr. Sutherland-Who did it? "I do not know who did it, but"here the premier's voice grew rse with feeling-"I appeal to all nen in the country, whatever may be heir creed, and, hatever may be their differences to remember, that at that moment, when such an insult was being offered to the British flag, there were Canadians of French blood carrying that flag in South Africa, and not behind their fellow-countrymen of British origin, in doing their best in that last assault which brought about the capitulation of brought

Cronje at the battle of Parrdeberg.' (Loud cheers.) Mr. Foster said he could wish from the bottom of his heart that an end would be put at once and forever to hese appeals to race feelings. pproved of the peaceful ufterances of the premier, but regretted that he had not found a word of condemnation for the incendiary appeal of La-Patrie. He agreed that the whole affair was a student fracas. Probably the students of McGill and Laval were now good friends again, and he was sure both were loyal. But the La Patrie campaign was another matter. That paper was known to be an organ of the government, and within a few days, Mr. Tarte had stated that he still wrote for it. Mr. Foster showed that on the day of the disturbance La Patrie, in a fair and just article, treated the whole affair as a student'

freak. But next day THE SAME PAPER.

inspired apparently from Ottawa, treated it as an organized attack on the French race by English-speaking Tories from all parts of Canada. La Patrie had in this article called upon Patrie had in this article called upon the crowd to organize against the English. They took his advice, and that night tore down the British flag. All this whild other French papers in Montreal were calm, dis-creet and tolerant. Mr. Foster pro-tested against the statement that the country was within two steps of civil country was within two steps of civil

country was within two steps of civil war, and to the threat that Confederation should be smashed. For these utterances Mr. Tarte had made himself responsible by applauding to-day every paragraph as it was read.

Mr. Tarte began his topic by suggesting that the spirit which animated the perpetrators of riot inspired the speakers on the other side of the house. He said there were two thousand men in the first procession, which was led by Medical students. They attacked all the French papers.

Mr. Foster might discourage future riots by making light of an invasion of private property. Taking up La riots by making light of an invasion of private property. Taking up La Patrie's article, he defended each paragraph. The Star organized the original demonstration by furnishing barrels of each tar for the bonfire in Dominion Square. It was at this point that the procession started. The Star people were glad to have the British flag torn down, but Mr. Tarte regretted that occurrence. Laval stuplore. (Hear, hear.) He proceeded to read the now famous inflammatory article in La Patric of Friday last, in which it spoke of Laval University



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of them who did it.

The debate was continued by Dr.
Sproule (Conservative) and by Mr.
(Liberal), Montreal. The lat-Penny (Liberal), Montreal. The lat-ter said that both parties had been too anxious to make capital out of such incidents is this. He condemned the conduct of the McGill students, most of whom, he was sorry to say, came from Ontario.

Mr. Clarke (Toronto,) argued that the cause of this discussion was not called forth by the behavior of the students either of McGill or Laval, but by the mischievous and incendiary appeals of the Tarte organ. Mr. Clarke closed with the declaration hat so long as the Tarte organ continued in this strain the press of other

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dents went to the Star office because | provinces would not hesitate to press their opinion of such ministers.

Mr. Fraser expressed the opinion it the bottom of the McGill students outrages. The students adopted the Tory crusade, and that was the reason why they attacked the French papers

and French schools.

Mr. Holmes closed the debate at midnight, and the house adjourned on Mr. McNeill's motion.

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