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# Kitchener's Hard Task

Difficult Work Before Him Crushing Boer Guerilla Warfare.

Proclamation Issued Inviting the **Burghers** to Surrender Voluntarily.

Colonel Otter Points With Prid to the Record of His Regiment.

London, Dec. 27.-The paucity and o scurity of the despatches from South A rica give rise to renewed anxiety. A parently the disturbed area of Cape C ony extends further south than it did la cember, and Lord Kitchener does ppear to have had much success as driving back the invaders.

The War Office had received no ne evening of the reported capture nanry near Britstown.

A Burgherdorp despatch has a myst "cease firing," and enabled the Bo

and policing such immense tractive, even when the Boers seen finally subdued.

Daily Mail, which makes a st

rities.
Iontreal, Dec. 26.—Word has been yed in this city that Wilfrid Doubhew of John Dougall, Editor of ceived in this city that Wilfrid Doug nephew of John Dougall, Editor of Witness, has been seriously wounded South Africa, having had his eyesight stroyed and nose injured. He went Africa with the second contingent.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Colonel Otter, terviewed today regarding charges magainst him of too strict discipline win Africa, said: "I have nothing to cuse, nothing to defend. I did what thought to be my duty without fear without hestation, and the regime came through in a very high state efficiency and with a splendid record Wellington, N. Z., Dec. 27.—The secontingent of New Zealanders, strong, half being Maoris, will sail South Africa in three weeks.

RE-EQUIPPING ROAD.

elphia & Reading Gettin Cars and Engines Built. Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—In purs of its plan to re-equip its road Philadelphia & Reading Railway Philadelphia & Reading Rainway pany has let contracts which in aggregate amount to over \$22,500. Two thousand and thirty new cars been ordered, a large proportion of tof the pressed steel class that lately come into use. Forty-five motives are to be built, 34 of them to for freight traffic and 10 for the pager service.

A PIOUS FRAUD.

Pretended He Had Been Scalpe Esquimaux in the Rockies.

Paris; Dec. 26.—The appeal cour confirmed the sentence of four y imprisonment imposed on a swi named Goffray, who posed in cle circles here in April last as the "C all Bishop of Washington," solid funds to convert the young Indian New Mexico. Several times Go succeeded in celebrating mass, and was nearly arrested on the poir celebrating mass at Strasburg. F he appeared at Montilamert, in the partment of Drome, where he lee to the trappist monks on his to adventures in the Rockies, where he he had been scalped by the Ir while preaching the Gospel to The frand was discovered by G pretending that the Indians of Rocky Mountains were Esquimau DENIES RUMOR.

Mr. Shaughnessy Says There 1 Combination of C. P. R. an Other Roads.

Other Roads.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Mr. Shaugh president of the C. P. R., says the absolutely no truth in the story Kingston that the C. P. R. is negoted for the purchase of the Kingston & broke railway. Referring to the from New York that a combinatextensive railway interests in the ern States is on the tapis, whice result in the Canadian Pacific, No Pacific. Great Northern, Erie, an eago, Milwaukee & St. Paul rabeing operated in harmony as a continental line between Vancouv New York, Mr. Shaughnessy said. "While there is the very best of ing between all the roads mention the Canadian Pacific, there is no bination of any kind. The road tioned may work more harmonio the future than in the past, as it intention to do. 80, but there is no the story of a combination for transcontinental railway."