QUEEN'S MESSAGE.

Her Majesty Thanks the People of Canada for Their Co-operation.

Forces Under General White and General Yule Have United Again.

Skirmish on Monday on the Road Leading from Ladysmith to Dundee-Boers' Artillery Silenced in Short Order.



LONDON, Oct. 24-Her Majesty, the Queen, desires to thank the people of her Dominion of Canada for their striking manifestation of loyalty and patriotism in their voluntary offer to send troops to co-operate with Her Majesty's Imperial Forces in maintaining her position and the rights of British subjects in South Africa. She wishes the troops godspeed and a safe return.

CHAMBERLAIN.

ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT. despatch from Gen. Sir Geo. Stewart White to the Marquis of Lansdowne. Secretary of state for war, received last evening at 11, was posted at the

war office soon after midnight: "LADYSMITH, Oct. 24, 9 p. m.-Information received yesterday showed that the Boers had established themselves in considerable numbers in an exceedingly strong position west of the main road leading from Ladysmith

to Dundee. "I had also information that the Dundee force, formerly commanded by Gen. Syrions, and since his wounding commanded by Gen. Yule, was falling back on Ladysmith, by way of the Helpmakaar road, Beith and the valleys of the Waschbank and Sunday rivers, and was expected to reach Sunday River Valley today.

IN A STRONG POSITION. "I therefore moved out with a strong force to cover the movement of Yule's column. The enemy was discovered about seven miles out of Ladysmith in a position of exceptional natural strength, west of the road. When he saw that preparations were being made against him, he opened fire with one

"Cur artillery scon got into position and the gun was silenced. Our troops were ordered to occupy a strong ridge, parallel to the enemy's position, but nearer the road.

"I confined my efforts to occupying him and hitting him hard enough to prevent his taking action against Yule's column. Numbers of the enemy fled to the west, and the firing had been practically ceased at 2 o'clock."

GLENCOE ABANDONED. LONDON, Oct. 25.-The war office despatch seems to realize the worst fears. Gen. Yule has abandoned not orly Dundee, but Glencoe also, and, as far as present news would indicate, he has neither joined Gen. White nor reached Ladysmith. Gen. White's successful action, announced in parliament by Mr. Wyndham, seems to resolve itself into a mere engaging of the attention of the Free State troops while Gen. Yule is slipping southward.

It is evident from the official des patches that both Commandant Gen. Joubert's column on the north and the Orange Free State troops on the west new occupy strong positions, and that nothing binders the Boers from following up Gen. Yule's retirement and getting around Ladysmith from the southeast. Until reinforcements arrive it seems that Gen. White is obliged to

concentrate on Ladysmith. It is believed that the government has other despatches that have not yet been published.

BRILLIANT MOVEMENT. LONDON, Oct. 25.-The Cape Town correspondent of the Daly Mail, telegraphing at 9.45 p. m. yesterday, says: "Gen. Yule has performed a brilliant strategical movement. By a swift march to the south, leaving Glencoe empty, he has effected a junction of his forces with those of Sir. Geo. Stewart White, slightly to the north of

"The two are now in a position to offer battle. I believe the first attack will be made on the large Free State force which entered Natal by way of Tentwa Pass, and which has since

been harrassing Ladysmith. The miliing forces the two generals would be etter able to cope with one large force at a time than by having two small detachments to oppose simultaneously two big Boer forces.

THE TWO BOER FORCES. "Accordingly, after defeating the Free State troops, they will offer battle to Commandant Gen. Joubert. Only forty miles now separate the two

Boer forces. Hence the need for swift and telling action. "The two sections of the Boer army together outnumber the entire Brit ish force three to one. Hard fighting is

certain at a very early date. Our men are confident, and there is much en-"The fighting today outside Lady smith was a mere brush. The losses

on neither side were significant. vas merely an artillery duel, in which the Boers came off decidedly the

THE BOER WOUNDED.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 24.-A private telegram from Delagca Bay says a man who has just arrived from Johan nesburg asserts that the Transvaal government has appropriated 850 beds in private houses in Johannesburg for wounded troops from the front. Boer organs, according to this information, are doing everything to minimize the Boer losses.

SITUATION AT MASERU. CAPE TOWN, Oct. 24.—The follow ing advices have been received here from Maseru, Basutoland, dated Oct.

"A reliable native lately visited a laager of Orange Free State troops just opposite Maseru. He found it to ocasist of wagons, surrounded by turi piled three feet high. He noticed only a few Mausers. The Boer commandant questioned him regarding the feeling of the different Basuto chiefs. principally the paramount chief. Lerothodi, and, in order to draw the commandent, the native replied that the chiefs sided with the Boers.

"Thereupon the commandant said the two republics wished to kill the Britishers and to take over and govern the Basutos, restoring to the latter that part of the country which the Free States formerly took from them. As to the Eritishers, those whom they failed to kill they would drive into the

AFRAID OF THE BASUTOS. "The commandant wished a decision on the part of Lerothodi and the other chiefs as soon as possible, whether they would fight the Boers or the British-because his contingent was anxious to help the Boers elsewhere. He acknowledged that his men were afraid of the Basutos because their wives and families, as well as their cattle, were within reach of a Basuto incursion; and he said he was prepar ed to enter into an agreement with the chiefs, signing the same, to give very substantial recompense to the tribesmen for assisting the Boers, Failing this, if the Basutos would give either side, the commandant said his force would withdraw from the Basutoland border and go to the assistance of their countrymen where the fight ing was hottest. The Boers on the Basutoland frontier, according to the

north of the Vaal river. This means Griqualand west and Bachuanaland, and is apparently in consequence of the Free State forces having seized the railway and all stations north of Kimberly except Mafeking, unless Mafeking has fallen since the last news from there, which is a

EASUTOS RECKLESS LONDON, Oct. 24.-The colonial office this evening published a cable despatch received from the British high commissioner in South Africa, Sir Alfred Milner, communicating a significant despatch from Sir Godfrey Lagden, the British resident commission er in Basuteland, calling attention to the recklessness of the Basutos, who,

DR. JAMESON ARRIVES. LORENZO MARQUEZ, Delagoa Bay, Oct. 24.-Dr. Jameson, who became famous through the raid which he headed into the Transvaal, and his companion, Col. Grey, have arrived here from England.

he says, he has been trying to calm.

GEN. WHITE'S POSITION. LONDON, Oct. 24.—Gen. White has fought his way out of Ladysmith," as published in New York, because he left Ladysmith Saturday morning and captured Elandslagte, which is 18 miles out, and he has since apparently moved towards Waschbank. He expected to unite with Gen. Yule in the neighborhood of Waschbank tonight, so his fight with the Orange Free State troops today must have occurred nearly 25 miles from Ledysnuth, and as it took place on the Ladysmith-Newcastle road, which runs some two miles west and almost parallel with the railroad, he evidently encountered the Free State force. which had taken up a position in the Biggarsberg Hills, and blocked the road between Ladysmith and Glencoe, also threatening Gen. Yule's flank. The dispersal of the Orange Free State forces sensibly improves the British position at Waschbank, if Gen. White decides to wait there for Gen. Jou-

LONDON, Oct. 25.-Although there is no reason to doubt the accuracy of the despatch from Cape Town to the Daily Mail regarding Gen. Yule's movement, it is curious that en. White's telegram to the war office is also dated at 9 p. m., but makes no

mention of a joining of forces. When the war office despatch was issued, just after midnight, the officials announced that nothing more would be communicated until Wednesday forenoon, so that it is impossible to confirm the news. Gen. Yule had a heavy slopes and the Zurfontein table, both over five thousand feet high, and arrived after dusk at Beith, which is half way between Rorke's Drift and Waschbank. He had still a heavy march and was hardly expected to join Gen. White at Ladysmith until today. breakdown of their horses. The Boers

His movements were actuated by ound judgment, since he soon would have been surrounded and in a desperate position. The combined forces at Ladysmith, now amounting to 12,000 men, will be amply sufficient to act on the defensive. A few more victories like Glencoe and Elandslaagte would leave the British troops without offi-

While the Boers have failed to take and without a nitch.' advantage of their strategic position. owing to incompetence or haste of their leaders, the British have no cause for congratulation over the results of the Natal operations. They have suffered heavy losses in men and their victories have practically done for nothing, the whole of Northern Natal being now abandoned to the Boers.

It would have been better to have concentrated on Ladysmith in the first instance, but Gen. White and Gen. Symons had to yield to political exigencies and to the local reluctance to abandon an inch of territory more than was necessary.

BOER PROCLAMATION. LONDON, Oct. 25.—The Daily Telegraph has the following from De Aar, Cape Col-gny, dated Monday evening: "The Transvaal government is about

Now and again you see two women passing down the street who look like sisters. You are astonished to learn that



they are mother and daughter, and you realize that a woman at forty or fortyive ought to be at her finest and fairest.

Why isn't it so? The general health of woman is so intimately associated with the local health of the essentially feminine organs that there can be no rich cheek and round form where there are debilitating drains, and female weakness. Women who have suffered from these troubles have found prompt relief and cure in the use of D. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It gives Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It gives vigor and vitality to the organs of womanhood. It clears the complexion, brightens the eyes and reddens the cheeks.

No alcohol, opium or other narcotic is contained in "Favorite Prescription."

Any sick woman many complete.

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"I commenced to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription," writes Mrs. Martha R. Barham, of Newville, Prince George Co.. Va.. "iu June, 1897, also his 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and I caunot express the benefit I have received from these medicines. I was suffering with what the doctors called chronic indigestion, torpid liver and vertigo. I also suffered with female weakness. The doctor did not do me any good, so I wrote to you for advice. When I commenced to use the medicines I weighed only 112 pounds, now I weigh 140 pounds."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets regulate the lives

Dr. Pierce's Pellets regulate the liver.

THRILLING FEATS.

"The despatch riders who are coming down to the Oranga River from Mimberley are performing thrilling feats. They ride through the Boer lines under cover of darkness and get to the Orange River without taking any rest. The distance is 60 miles. "One rider who got into Kimberley last Friday was chased seventeen miles by Boers, narrowly escaping with his life. The same man returned safely with despatches to Orange River today. AFRAID TO ADVANCE.

"He reports that the Boers are three miles from Kimberley, but are afraid to attack from Kimberley, but are afraid to attack the place and are awaiting for the arrival of Commandant Cronje there. No Boers are to be seen south of Belmont, which is twenty miles north of the Orange River. The defeats in Natal are taking all the fight out of them, and they will not attack the British troops, though they may defend a few chosen positions. Indeed, it is believed here that the heaviest fighting of the war is over except for a tattle near Preteria."

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The war office returns show that the total British casualties since the beginning of hostilities reach 597, eighteen officers having been killed and 55 wounded, and 76 men killed and 435 wounded. There are thirteen unaccounted for.

This total, however, does not include the squadron of the 18th Hussars the officers of the Dublin Fusiliers The report of heavy losses sent from Rietfontein came as an unpleasant

surprise, as Gen. White's telegram to the war office yesterday gave the impression that this was merely a brush, LONDON, Oct. 25.-The war office this evening issued the following: There is nothing to add to Gen. White's description of yesterday's engagement as given in his despatch, except that we now get a complete list of the casualties.

'We learn from unofficial sources that the following officers, whose names had not previously been notified to us, are prisoner's in the enemy's

18th Hussars-Lieut. Col. Moller, Major Grevilla and Captain Pollock. Dublin Fusiliers-Captain Lonsdale, Lieut. DeMeseurier, Lieut. Garvice, Lieut. Grimshaw, Lieut. Majendie and

"It is presumed that the whole squadron of the 18th Hussars, under command of the officers named, were aken prisoners." LONDON, Oct. 25.-A squadron of

Hussars usually consists of three

troops of 28 men each, so about 80 of-

ficers and men of the 18th Hussars were apparently captured. LONDON, Oct. 26.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Ladysmith, dated Monday, says:

"Thirty of the 18th Hussars, who were sent from Glencoe to intercept the retreat of the Boers from Elands laagte, were cut off by the enemy Under Sergeant Baldrey they brilliantly fought their way across the Bigbarsberg, the enemy pursuing and firing at them at a range of 300 yards along the passes. They arrived here at 1 o'clock this morning. Three of the troop are missing, owing to the Hussars, with a party, was driven back to Glencoe. The Hussars were fired at as far down as Modder

Spruit. SITUATION NEAR LADYSMITH. LONDON, Oct. 26.—With unconscious humor a Cape Town correspondent telegraphed yesterday:

"The censorship, which is always a delicate matter, is working smoothly

This exactly hits off the state of affairs today. An ominous veil is still drawn over the movements of General White and General Yule. Beyond belated Ladysmith despatches concerning the Elandslaagte fight, which are still filtering in, the British public is left in complete darkness and to conjecture over "crooked" war despatches The officials at the war office last evening said that very few despatches had arrived, and that nothing further was to be expected until morning.

FORCES UNITED. Since it is practically certain that Gen. Yule has now effected a conjunction with General White, although this was not brought about Tuesday night. as announced by the Daily Mail, but some time on Wednesday, and as both are now in a position of safety, conecture concerns itself chiefly with the manner of Gen. Yule's retreat.

That it was hasty is evident. Was it disorderly? Was any considerable camp equipment abandoned? Was there any fighting on the way? Such questions and others like them the public is anxiously asking. Since the receipt of Gen. White's curious first description of the Ladysmith fight, in which the British lost a hundred men little reliance can be placed on the official despatches. While the concealment of the facts regarding Gen. Yule's retreat can be justified on the ground of keeping the intelligence from the Boers, the hiding of the news respecting the Hussars and Fusiliers, who were apparently captured in the battle at Glencoe is severely criticized, no intimation even having een given that the officers were miss-

LONDON, Oct. 26.-The Daily Mail has the following from Pietermaritz-

burg. Natal. dated Oct. 23: The proclamation of martial law throughout Natal has given great satisfaction. Among the Boer prisoners at Ladysmith are Dewit Hamer, nember of the Raad from Barberton, nd Dr. VanLegyelo, public prosecuto t Heidelburg. Among the killed was ir, DeJong, secretary of the Trans-

vaal education department. It is now expected that Gen.Jan Kock he Boer commander, will recover Gen. White gave him the option of being taken to Pretoria or remaining at Ladysmith, and he chose the latter. The heavy lossses of the King's Royal Rifles at Dundee seem to have been due to the black belts worn over the khaki, which afforded an excellent target.

HEAVY LOSSES.

The heavy losses of the British roops in facing only some 3,000 Boers are commented upon as what rifle fire means today in the hands of even undisciplined men who can shoot fairly straight and stand their ground. Comparisons are made with the first

Gen. Buller is expected to arrive at the Cape early next week; and the indications are that some troops have already arrived at the front and been in the fighting, whose arrival has not yet been announced. There is every probability, therefore, that reinforcecalculated to hasten Commandant Joubert's attack on Ladysmith, and news

HALF AN ARMY CORPS. About half a complete army corps now afloat, and a lull has occurred in despatching the remainder of Gen Buller's forces, owing to some difficulty in obtaining transports. mobilization and embarkation of 21,000 men, however, have proceeded with the utmost smoothness and complete ness, extorting admiration from even ganization

Although news has arrived that General Symons is doing well, there is no indication as to his whereabouts. It is presumed that he is at Dundee in the hands of the Roers.

Speaking at Dublin yesterday to the departing troops, Gen. Lord Frederick Roberts of Kandahar, said that, however important previous campaigns South Africa had appeared at the time, they dwindled into insignificance when compared with the great event in which the British troops were about to engage.

WILL WATCH BRITISH FLEET. LONDON, Oct. 26.—Despatches from the continent to the Daily Mail say that the French fleet has received un structions to watch the movements of the British Mediterranean squadron and that the Italian fleet is under orders to concentrate in the Bay of

APPEAL TO EMPEROR WILLIAM. BERLIN, Oct. 25.—At a meeting of anti-Semite league at Hamburg today, called to protest against the Transvaal war, a despatch was sent to Emperor William full of solemn patriotic effusions, and urging him to intercede in behalf of the Boers and postpone his

journey to England. GEN. SYMONS IMPROVING. CAPE' TOWN, Oct. 25.-Intelligence received here yesterday from Natal says the bullet has been extracted from the wound of Gen. Symons, who was struck down while leading his troops at the battle of Glencoe, and that the patient is cheerful and doing

DEMAND FOR PULP

Large Deal Made in Nova Scotia-Bright Outlook for the Industry.

A representative of an English house lately made contracts in Nova Scotia for 25,000 tons of pulp to be delivered next year. The impression that the puln indus-

try may be overdone is not held by dealers in the old country. It is stated on excellent authority that the total would not meet over three per cent. of

They are now compelled to turn to Canada because of the enormous cost of pulp wood in Sweden, the former source of supply. Formerly a cord of pulp wood, 4x4x8 feet cost in Sweden \$2.50. Now it costs \$10. The industry has so reduced the supply in that country that a reduced cut and practically prohibitive prices have resulted. An instance is given of one English mill in Sweden that had 600,000 logs last year for pulp purposes. Of this lot 300,000 were only five inches at the top, thus showing that the larger

trees are getting very scarce. Sweden's extremity is Canada's oncrtunity, and our pulp makers do not have to go seeking a market. market is there, and it is practically unlimited. Of course the cost of logs has gone up with the price of lumber this year, but pulp has also advanced. The outlook for the industry appears to be very encouraging.

NEWFOUNDLAND

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Oct. 23.-Owing to international complications that ray arise out of the war in South Africa, it is expected that British warships will remain at St. Johns and Halifax throughout the winter.

The officers of the cruiser Comus. flagship of the fishery protection squadron, now lying in this harbor, expect to be stationed here, with probably the corvette Alert. Some of Rear Admiral Bedford's squadron will be detailed to safeguard Halifax, as the docks of both ports may be required by the British navy.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

THAT A. O. H. RESOLUTION. (Montreal Herald.)

The county board of the Ancient Orler of Hibernians met in Oddfellows' hall Friday evening and discussed the disloyalty resolution over which there has been so much talk. The board was not able to deal with the matter of its own accord, but it was decided to place the matter in the hands of the proper authorities, who are to be asked to deal with what are termed the "peretrators of the outrage." The board ealizes that any hasty action on its part might only result in a defeat of the object in view. The matter will be dealt with in due course, and seems to be every reason to believe that the men responsible for the pub-lication of the so-called resolution wit.

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A DOUBLE WEDDING.

A wedding of unusual interest took place on the morning of October 21st at the residence of John Trott, Welsford, Queens county, in the marriage of two of his daughters at the same time. His daughter, Laura, was married to William B. Daye of St. John, north end, and Katie F., his younges daughter, to William H. Kirkpatrick of Gaspereaux station, N. B. The knot was tied by Rev. A. D. McCully, B. D., assisted by Rev. J. R. Rice, B. A., in the presence of immediate relatives only of the contracting parties. It is needless to say the brides were charming and their costumes faultless. After a sumptuous lunch was partaken of by the guests; Mr. and Mrs. Daye took the noon train for St. John, where they will reside. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick drove on the same day to their future home at Gaspereaux. The happy couples are followed by the best

NEWS OF THE LUMBER TRADE

Next Winter's Log Crop Will Be One of the Largest on Record-Lumber Prices High and Likely to Remain Sc

wishes of a host of friends.

(Bangor News.)

Some of the lumbermen say that the coming season's log cut on the Penob scot waters will be far in excess of that of last winter, when about 145,-000,000 feet were cut. In expectation of a continuance of the boom that has prevailed in the lumber market all this year, the operators are going in for a big cut all around, and estimates of the output vary from 180,000,000 to 200,-000,000 feet. All the men that it has been possible to hire are now in the woods, and lively work will be kept up

from now out. Much of last season's cut was sold before it reached boom, and long ago the last log was taken. Those who sold early got good prices, \$12 to ent operators who held out for more money got it, selling their best spruce

as high as \$14 and \$14.50 per M. All of the old and new logs on the river this year, 180,000,000 to 185,000,000 feet total, very few will be wintered for early sawing in 1900. Aver's mill was shut down recently for the season with a stock of about 8,000,000 feet to carry over-by far the largest quantity of any mill on the river. Hodgkins & Hall also have shut down and have a fair stock for spring sawing. All the other tidewater mills are likely to continue sawing up to the last day, having plenty of orders-more, in fact, than can be filled. Of the up river mills, all are in operation save one

The total stock of logs to be carried

over for spring sawing will not, it is estimated, exceed 20,000,000 or 25,000,-000 feet, which, with all the mills go ing, would soon become exhausted, eaving the river bare. It is to meet such a condition, seldom known on the Penobscot, that the big crop of logs will be cut this winter, and the operators reasonably expect a good market next year. Not only will there be few logs at the beginning of the season of 1900, but scarcely any manufactured lumber. To use the expression of an Exchange street lumberman, there will be a complete clean-up, something rarely known, on the river this year. Spruce randoms are now selling in New York at \$15 to \$19 per M., dimer sion at \$19 to \$21.50 and even as high as \$24. Several lumbermen said on Tuesday that they could not remen ber when spruce lumber sold at higher prices. As for logs, this year's prices are said to be as high as has ever been reached, if not a trifle higher. One of the oldest lumbermen in the city recalls that at one time during the war good spruce logs sold as low as \$5.50 per M., or little more than onethird as much as the top price this

A SHAM AND A DELUSION. (Woodstock Press.)

Her majesty has no more faithful and patriotic subject than Sir Wilfrid Laurier when he is on the platform tary accourrements, or in the full dress of knighthood. But when it comes down to practical life-to real commercial interests, or to practical expressions of support when war is darkly threatened Sir Wilfrid is an abject failure. Either he is an imbecile statesman or his professions of patriotism are a sham and a delusion. Again Sir Wilfrid has lost his opportunity. He was first in the parade of peace. He will be last in parade in line of battle.

"Lots o' men," said Uncle Eben, "who has great forethought an' brilliant after-thoughts falls to git along, case dey ain got no time lef'for de right-now thoughts."

—Washington Star.



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