

NOT SO BAD FOR BADEN-POWELL

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Thrown In—Good Time Made in
Chasing Dewet.

London, Aug. 24.—The following dispatch has been received at the war office from Lord Roberts:

"Pretoria, Thursday, Aug. 23.—Baden-Powell rescued 100 British prisoners at Warm Baths Aug. 22, and captured 25 Boers and a German artillery officer.

CASUALTIES.

"Butler's casualties, Aug. 21, were seven men killed and Capt. Ellershaw and 21 men wounded and 5 missing.

"Kitchener, Aug. 22, had eight casualties.

"While reconnoitering in the Komati Valley, Rundle found 140,000 rounds of ammunition buried.

MADE GOOD TIME.

"The columns pursuing Dewet made wonderful marches. Col. MacKinnon covered 224 miles in fourteen days."

HE MUST DIE!

Conspirator Cordeau's Sentence Is
Confirmed by Lord Roberts.

London, Aug. 24.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated today, says Gen. Lord Roberts has confirmed the sentence of death imposed upon Lieut. Cordeau, formerly of the Staats Artillery, who was convicted of being a leader in the plot to abduct Gen. Roberts and kill British officers.

Political Points.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has returned to Ottawa.

Hon. David Mills will deliver an address in the Ridgeway opera house next Wednesday evening. Mr. George E. Casey, M.P., is also expected to speak.

The independence of Canada party, of Windsor, is said to be making active preparations for the coming political campaign.

The Liberal convention for the riding of Muskoka will be held at Elmsdale on Thursday, Sept. 13.

It has been decided to hold a big Conservative mass meeting in Montreal on Sept. 10 in honor of Sir Chas. Tupper and Hon. Hugh John Macdonald.

Frank Oliver, M. P., was unanimously chosen as the nominee for the coming election contest at the Alberta Liberal convention, held at Calgary, on Wednesday night.

Sir Chas. Tupper has arrived at Amherst, N. S., and is the guest of his nephew, Charles T. Hillson. The Conservative convention will be held today (Friday), to select a candidate for the Dominion House.

CARAMEL COMBINE.

Philadelphia, Aug. 24.—The American Caramel Company of Pennsylvania, has swallowed the Lancaster Caramel Company, Lancaster, Pa. Capital will be increased \$500,000 to \$2,000,000. The two companies control 95 per cent of the caramels of the country.

The so-called shipworm, which bores holes in the wood of ships, is in reality a form of shellfish.

FIRES, FIGHTING AND FRICTION

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until they fell. In the meantime the infantry cleared the street and walls, where the Chinese soldiers, with a fine cover, stubbornly resisted. The fighting was close and sharp. A French battery, while shelling the approaches to the palace, narrowly missed the Americans.

THE JAPS.

The Japanese regiment, which had been detailed early on the 15th for the purpose of protecting the imperial palace, had had fighting all day, but they could not bring it to a decisive issue, as they refrained from firing on the palace. On the following day, however, they took its principal gate.

THE RUSSIANS.

Gen. Linevitch, commander of the Russian troops in the province of Pe Chi Li, telegraphs:

"Our troops stormed the eastern gate of Peking, and were the first to enter the city. The Russian flag was the first hoisted on the wall. The bombardment of the gate lasted fourteen hours. The Russians then scaled and occupied the wall. The Chinese, however, still held the observatory and other towers, whence they subjected our troops to a heavy enfilading fire, until our infantry forced them to leave their positions. Our losses were: Killed, Col. Antikoff and twenty men; wounded, Gen. Wasilowski, Col. Moil, and five other officers and 102 men. In the meanwhile the allied troops stormed and captured another gate and entered the city."

The dispatch concludes with describing the recent attacks on the legations. During the siege of the legations of the Russian legation had five men killed and twenty wounded.

It is officially reported that the minister of the Netherlands, Dr. Knobel, was slightly wounded during the siege.

MULTUM IN PARVO

National Starch Company, capitalization \$13,000,000, has been organized in Chicago.

Coal dealers from many places in Ontario gathered at Brantford, with a view of forming a protective association.

Saale and Bremen, burned North German Lloyd steamers, may be purchased by the navy department for transports.

Eleven divorce suits have been commenced in Kalamazoo since Aug. 1. Officials say this is only a sample of what is going on all the time in this country.

Edward Corsair, under sentence at Brampton jail for horse-stealing, was given four years more, making six in all, for attempting to break jail and assaulting Jailor Modeland.

George Bullock, a Strabane, Ont., farmer, died of internal hemorrhage, the result of a runaway accident on Wednesday near Moristown. He leaves a wife and four children.

Herbert H. Baker, well-known commercial traveler, was found dead in a Detroit hotel on Thursday. He had taken an overdose of chloroform. It is not believed to be a case of suicide.

Broom corn growers of Illinois will combine to control the 1909 crop, and reap the profits of the middlemen. The crop in Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma is but one-third, that of Illinois one-half.

Mrs. Felix Labelle, wife of the senior member of the firm of Labelle & Payette, contractors, Montreal, was fatally burned by the upsetting of a lamp at her summer residence Wednesday night.

According to the New York Press, the San Jose scale has made its appearance in the borough of Brooklyn. It is feared that it may extend to Prospect Park and down to the Long Island farms.

Dr. D. W. Forrest, of Shelburne, Scotland, has declined the call to the professorship of apologetics in Knox College. This will compel Prof. Bal-

lantine to continue the double work which he has already assumed for a year.

At Elizabeth, W. Va., when Samuel Sheppard, a farmer, returned home Thursday, he found his 7-year-old son dead with his skull crushed and his wife with her skull crushed and barely alive. A blood-stained axe was found on the floor. No clue.

A training school for Cuban and Spanish-speaking children, to fit them for mission work here and elsewhere, will be established in Greater New York by Revs. Josiah Strong and J. Howard Fairchild.

Percy Avery Rockefeller, son of Wm. Rockefeller, of the Standard Oil Company, is engaged to Isabel Goodrich Stillman, daughter of the president of the National City Bank of New York.

From Near-By Places.

An electric storm, accompanied by heavy rain, visited Strathroy and vicinity the other afternoon. Charles Hoskin, on his way home, received a severe shock. He continued his journey, however, and had just reached his house, when he became unconscious, and it was several hours before he revived. William Early, of Adelaide, Mrs. Hoskins' father, had two of his best cows killed by lightning the same afternoon.

An old Adelaide resident, Wm. Dyer Morse, died at lot 9, con. 1, N. E. R., on Aug. 21, in his 64th year. He was born at Five Stakes, Elgin county, and came to Adelaide 40 years ago. He was married 30 years ago to Miss Susanah Rason, who, with a family of six children, survives him. The children are, Joseph, John, Chester, Louisa, Ethel and Bertina, all living at home.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Aug. 24.—Miss Coral Coline, of London, who has been the guest of Miss Jennie Mann, returned home on Tuesday.

Rev. W. E. Milson and wife, were the guests of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. T. Wesley Cosens, last week.

The new church bell, the contribution of the Woman's Missionary Society, was placed in position last Tuesday. The Juanita bicycle club and their friends picnicked at Springsbank yesterday.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church intend holding a peach social next Monday evening. Refreshments will be served in the Masonic Hall and a choice programme will be rendered in the church. Miss Marguerite Baker, elocutionist, late of New York, will be present, and furnish a rare treat by her admirable rendering of readings and recitations. A very enjoyable time is anticipated.

W. D. McKenney, merchant, of San Francisco, Cal., has returned home after a two weeks' visit with his cousin, Mrs. J. A. Kelly.

Miss Birch returned on Saturday from her home in Blaine, Mich., and resumed her school duties on Monday.

STRATHROY.

[Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.]

Strathroy, Aug. 24.—Miss Auld, of London, is the guest of relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevenson have taken up their residence on Maitland street near Oxford.

The special committee to whom was referred the selection of suitable attractions for the West Middlesex Union Fair, to be held in Strathroy on Sept. 17, 18, 19, have secured the Watanabe's Royal Japanese Troupe, six in number, who will do wonderful and thrilling things, and the Harrington Bros., triple horizontal bar artists and tumblers. Besides the above there will be horse races on the afternoons of the second and third days, for which \$500 will be offered in prizes. The number of entries already received is greatly in excess of previous years.

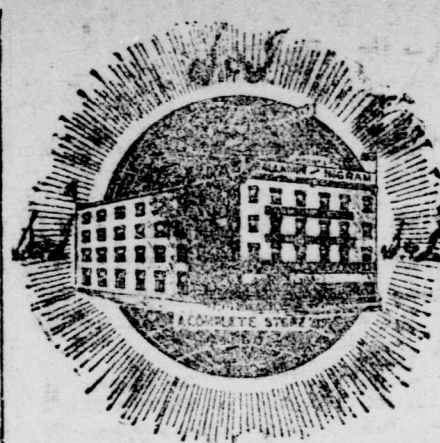
Mr. Ebbie Roach, of Detroit, is home for a visit.

Misses Gerlie and Lillie McBeth left yesterday for a two weeks' visit at Detroit.

Miss Wright and Miss Irwin, of London, visited friends here this week.

Miss Jean Clarke left on Friday for Minden, Halliburton county, where she has been engaged to teach school.

Among the visitors who registered at the Canadian high commissioner in London during the past week of the fair, Mr. Harold Johnston, who has been



THE WEATHER TODAY—Fair and decidedly warm; thunderstorms.

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Two only, one green, 36 inches long, and one blue, 37 inches long, made of heavy Cheviot Cloth, deep facing of same material, unlined, finished with silk stitching. Now.....\$3 75
Three only, Heavy Homespun Serge; two light navy and one dark navy; lined throughout, deep facing, correct style, 37 and 38 inches long. Good value now for.....\$4 50

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Shirt Waists and Wrappers

We have just eleven left of those desirable \$1 25 and \$1 50 Print Wrappers that you will find serviceable to wear around house. Your choice of the lot at.....\$1 00
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40-inch Tweed, extra heavy, in gray, brown, and blue mixture, makes up handsomely into full suits, special.....50c
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spending the holidays at his home here, has returned to his school in S. S. No. 12, Sarnia township.

month were Messrs. W. G. Snell and G. K. Poole, of this town.

The death occurred in Adelaide on Tuesday morning, Aug. 21, of William D. Morse, aged 83 years.

Rev. M. L. Leitch, of Stratford, will conduct the services next Sunday, morning and evening.

HARRIETSVILLE.

Harrietsville, Aug. 22.—Dr. Doan arrived on the steamer Parisian, on Monday, accompanied by Messrs. A. E. Miller, barrister, Aymer, T. Miller, chancery lawyer, of St. Thomas, and Dr. Munro, of Piquet, after an absence of three months, having visited the University College Hospital, Middlesex Hospital, Westminster Hospital, Temperance Hospital, Soho Hospital for diseases of women, National Epileptic Hospital, Great Armand Hospital for Children.

Edward Abbott is confined to his bed from blood poisoning. Drs. Cline, of London, and Arkell, of Belmont, met for consultation on Sunday.

Cheese factory figures for July: Average price, 10.09 cents; pounds of milk to make a pound of cheese, 12; value to patrons, per 100 pounds milk, \$7 55.

Messrs. Richard Jolliffe, of Avon, and Samuel Calhoun, of this village, are lying at the point of dissolution.

SCOTTSVILLE.

Scottsville, Aug. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, spent Sunday in the city visiting friends.

School started the 20th, Miss Etta Hunt acting as teacher.

Mr. Claud Simpson, of Tupperville, visited P. Wilson for a few days.

Miss Emma Vail, of Newbury, is spending a few days with Miss Maud Hunt.

Mr. A. M. Hunt happened with an accident on Saturday, losing a finger nail.

Mr. James Scott has resigned his position as teacher at Delaware school, and is now attending Normal school.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Aug. 23.—Dr. Woodburn, of London, who expects to leave soon for India as a missionary, delivered a very impressive address in the Baptist Church here one evening last week.

Miss Elva Wadell, of Strathroy, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. Arthur Finch, of this place, is visiting in Detroit.

Mr. Archie McKellar, who has been in Det. for some time past, has returned to his home.

Miss Alway, of Lobo, former missionary in China, addressed a large audience in the Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Her address was much appreciated.

Miss Elva Robinson, of Detroit, is visiting relatives and friends here.

Owing to the rain on Monday night, there was no league meeting.

Misses Maggie Stewart and Louie Mowat, of London, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

W. A. Wylie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church here, conducted

the memorial service of the late Mrs. Ryan on Sunday afternoon, taking his text from Hebrews, xlii, 13. His sermon was very impressive.

Mrs. James Sutherland and son Willie visited friends in London last week. Mr. Will Scott has returned to Detroit.

Miss Myrtle Sutherland has returned home from London.

Mr. George Doan, of London, spent Sunday here.

There was no service in the Methodist Church on Sunday.

The Royal Templars of Temperance have changed their meeting place to Mr. John McKellar's.

MOUNT BRYDGES.

A Young Nimrod in Trouble—Shoots Himself Instead of a Cat.

Mount Brydges, Aug. 24.—Willie, the youngest son of Mr. M. H. Rocky, 12 years of age, met with a serious accident Wednesday morning. He was out in the fields, shooting cats with a revolver, when the weapon was accidentally discharged, the ball entering the thigh, where, at last accounts, it remains. Dr. Morris was summoned, and recommended that he be taken to the hospital, whence he has since been removed. Only a few years ago he had part of his hand taken off in some machinery in his father's mill.

Rev. J. E. Holmes and family, who have been spending the last three weeks at Grand Bend, return home this week.

Rev. J. E. Moore will preach in the Methodist Church here next Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lidgett have removed to their new home, corner of Adelaide and Piccadilly streets, Mount Brydges.

Mr. John Hodder and family, of 243 Pall Mall street, London, who have been visiting Mrs. James Elsey for the last two weeks, returned home Friday.

The public school here does not commence until Sept. 4, having the same holidays as the city schools.

Dr. and Mrs. Tait and child, of Blyth, are visiting Mrs. Tait's parents, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd, at the Institute, Muncey.

Little Gladys Graham fell the other day and broke her wrist. She is doing nicely.

Rev. J. C. Pilkey, late pastor of the Baptist Church here, leaves this week for his new field of labor in Onondaga.

They Struck It Rich.

It was a grand thing for this community that such an enterprising firm as W. T. Strong & Co. secured the agency for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, the wonderful remedy that has started the world by its marvelous cures. The furore of enthusiasm over it has boomed their business, as the demand for it is immense. They give free trial bottles to sufferers, and positively guarantee a cure in Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup and all Throat and Lung troubles. A trial proves its merit. Price 50c and \$1. For sale by W. T. Strong & Co.

The first member of the royal family to ride a cycle was the Duchess of Albany.

CLAN CHARLTON

An Interesting Gathering at Mapleton on Tuesday.

Mapleton, Aug. 23.—The beautiful lawn of Mr. Abraham Charlton, was converted into a fairland on Tuesday, Aug. 21, the occasion being the celebration of the 56th anniversary of the birth of Mr. Wm. Charlton, sen., when 150 of the Charlton clan participated in the banquet provided at high noon. Subsequently the gathering was augmented to 300.

Conspicuous in the party were Dr. L. M. Charlton and wife, of Cleveland, O. Three generations Charltons were represented, as follows: Children of the patriarch, Wm. Charlton, sen., 10; grandchildren, 32; great-grandchildren, 26.

Reminiscences were gleaned by an Advertiser representative from the amiable old gentleman, who is hale, hearty and alert, and presents a healthful physique. As he is able to tip the scale at 165 pounds. His usual weight, while attending to the routine work upon the farm, was 157 pounds. Mr. Charlton's memory being unimpaired from age, he can recount the adventures of the early settlers with vividness. The meager markets troubled the primitive settler in the early days. Mr. Charlton recounts an instance when he went to the then village of St. Thomas with a lot of dressed hogs in 1835, and found a purchaser in the person of James Blackwood, who started a churning business at the base of the hill overlooking Kettle Creek at the west end. He got three cents a pound for his hogs, and had to trade the lot for goods, save a few dollars for taxes. Eggs brought four cents a dozen. Mr. Charlton established himself upon the farm 67 years ago, when the only markets for grain were Hamilton and London.

An impromptu programme was given when Sylvester Charlton, of Springfield, president of the North and South Dorchester Mutual Insurance Company, officiated as chairman. Striking addresses were delivered by Mr. F. White and J. C. Dance, ex-M. P. of East Elgin. Rev. Wm. Charlton, Disciple minister, spoke of the 150 members of the clan who participated in the last annual gathering, and said that no deaths had occurred during the interval, and that only two out of the whole number were incapacitated from illness.

D. F. Moore, warden of the county of Elgin, spoke, and was followed by John Noble, who spoke of the brave boys in South Africa, and concluded by the singing of "The Soldiers of the Queen." During the progress of the meeting, W. F. Charlton, of Aymer, entertained the party with his phonograph. Eva Marguerite Taylor, a sweet little tot, daughter of Mr. Duncan Taylor, clerk of South Dorchester, presented Mr. Charlton with a beautiful bouquet.

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