Conditions In Capital

Chinese Army Fled and There Is No Representative of Government at Pekin.

Russia Is Hurrying Troops to the Far East—Missionaries Returning.

London, Aug. 23.-A dispatch to the Morning Post, dated Pekin, Aug. 15th, says: "To-day 1,500 Americans attacked the imperial palace and captured four of the courts. The United States flag is flying over the imperial granary, and the imperial bank has been looted.'

Describing events prior to the relief, the Morning Post correspondent cables: "On August 12th the Tsung Li Yamen requested a conference with a view to peace. No armistice was granted, however, and that night we endured the longest fusilade of the whole siege. It lasted twelve hours. On Aug. 13th the Tsung Li Yamen begged to be excused from any conference, saying that the members were too busy. Later they wrote that they had forbidden firing on us and would court-martial any who disobeyed. During the evening many shells fell in the legation compound."

The Daily Chronicle published an interview with the Japanese minister in London, Kato Kallaki, which represents him as having said: "The Empress is the heart and soul of China. Whether not, she will always be the greatest force, the one above all others to be reckoned with. The difficulty will be to get any one who can speak for her. 1 fear that the influence of Li Hung Chang is now of extremely little weight. The powers must come to a final understanding quickly. Anarchy, bloodshed and misery throughout China would be inevitable if a policy does not immediately disclose itself. The government must be re-established."

The Japanese envoy expressed his approval regarding a conference of the powers and said he believed that satisfactory pecuniary compensation would be secured if the forces in China were properly developed, despite the fact that her present revenues are pledged.

Three hundred and seventy-five thousand Russian troops are already in the Far East or on the way by land and sea, or under orders to embark. This statement is made by the Moscow correspondent of the Daily Graphic, who adds that mobilization is in progress all over European Russia, and that there are now at Odessa fourteen steamers chartered to take troops. According to a St. Petersburg special, a telegram has been received at the Russian capital from Shanghai announcing the departure of Li Hung Chang for Pekin.

United States Reply.

Washington, Aug. 22.-After a long conference at the White House to-day, the reply of the United tSates to the appointment of a peace commissioner was eted, and a copy of the reply sent to the Chinese minister, Mr. Wu, to be one man in England who believes in your ment made definite announcement that the reply had been conveyed to Mr. Wu, the correspondence would not be made public until to-morrow morning.

The reply of the United States govin China which can prevent the hostilities other governments.

ger, in the department cipher, to the mother and my country.' following effect: "Pekin, Aug. 19.-The No representatives of the Chinese government are in sight in Pekin, and the soner, and her prison number. conditions are chaotic. Many missionaries started for home, while others remain in charge of the Christian refugees, numbering about 1.000."

News of Missionaries. New York, Aug. 22.—The first cablegrams which have come to the mission boards in this city from Pekin since of Foreign Missions. It came from the a coat. Rev. Dr. Wherry, of Pekin, and was dated Chee Foo, where it is supposed to have been sent via Tien Tsin. It was as follows: "Mackay and some converts marvellously escaped. Wire friends."

Robert Speer, one of the secretaries of the board, commented on this as follows: "There is much doubt as to the meaning of the message. The most hopeful interpretation is that it refers to Pao Ting Fu, and that some converts may be mistaken for the Simcoxes. At any rate, it is clear that all the regular missionaries of the Presbyterian church at Pekin are safe and that property is

destroyed The Rev. Dr. A. Leonard, of the Methodist Missionary Society, also received a cablegram from Pekin as follows: "Pekin, relieved; all members safe, well." This was signed by Rev. Geo. Davis and Rev. Mr. Gamewell. There were eighteen members of the Methodist missions in Pekin during the siege.

THE ARMENIAN MASSACRES.

(Associated Press.) Constantinople, Aug. 21.—The Sultan has ordered a committee to investigate the recent massacre of Armenians in the Sassun district of Asiatic Turkey, In

Ali Pasha of the command of Bitlis.

August 9th announces that two hundred men, women and children had been massacred by troops and Kurds under Ali

FELL INTO THE SEA.

Over a Hundred Children Have a Narrow Escape from Drowning.

(Associated Press.) Cathagena, Spain, Aug. 21.—While a

dance was in progress in a floating bath house here yesterday the floor gave way and 150 persons, mostly children, were precipitated into the sea. Many were bruised, but none drowned. The accident is believed to be the work of a miscreant, as the screws of the floor were found to be missing.

STORM CAUSES A PANIC. Triumphal Arch Blown Down-Many

Persons Injured.

Richmond, Ind., Aug. 21.—During a wind storm last night buildings were unroofed, and the triumphal arch of the street fair was blown down, injuring sevhundreds who were in attendance at the pageant. One suffered internal injuries

and several had broken limbs. KILLED IN STREET FIGHT.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 21.-Gabe and Cicero Copeland were instantly killed to-day in a fight with John and badly wounded and may die.

Mrs. Maybrick Interviewed

on the Late Lord Russell of Killowen.

Says She Believes the Time of Her Release Is Not Far Off.

(Associated Press.)

London, Aug. 21.-For the first time since her life sentence was imposed eleven years ago, Mrs. Florence Maybrick to-day had a private interview with her counsel, Dr. Clark Bell, of New York, in Aylesbury prison. A portion of the time counsel gave up to a representative of the Associated Press, who, through the courtesy of the Home Office. was granted an oportunity to talk to the prisoner.

Mrs. Maybrick, like many of her friends, is indignant at the attacks made by the Liverpool Post on the late Chief Justice of England, Lord Russell of Killowen, former counsel for the prisoner. "The only persons up to the present

time who ever saw me alone," she said to the Associated Press, "was the Chief Justice. When the assizes were here last February he came to the prison and asked to see me, as was his official right, irrespective of the Home Office or any When he was starting to go, he plication of Li Hung Chang for the ap- said, 'Mrs. Maybrick, I am doing all in forwarded to Earl Li. The state depart- innocence, I am that man.' It was only by accident that I heard of Lord Rus- day (Monday) morning. sell's death, for I have not seen a newsbut added to its official utterance that paper for a decade, but I could not help but feel that in his death I had lost my his constant and untiring efforts and negotiations until there is a government | preciate, and am glad of the chance, to express my gratitude to the officials in of Chinese troops and citizens against Washington and to my friends throughthe forces of the powers. The text of out America, especially the ladies, for the reply has been communicated to the what they are doing. It is that alone which upheld me all these years. I have The state department authorizes the many friends in England, too, and canannouncement of the receipt at an early not but believe the time will soon come hour this morning, through consul at when these long years of captivity will Chee Foo, of a telegram from Mr. Con- cease and I shall be restored to my

Mrs. Maybrick is now 36 years of age. entire city, with the exception of the im- She has the prison pallor, but her blue perial palace, is occupied by Japanese, eyes and dark wavy hair are still re-Russians, British, Americans and minders of attractions which made her French. It is being apportioned into dis- a bride at seventeen. She wears the tricts for police supervision. The Chi- light blue check prison costume, a red nese army fled. The imperial family and star on the shoulder indicative of it bethe court have gone westward, probably ing her first offence, and of her former to Sian Fu, in the province of Shensi. good character. Below this is the letter "L," meaning that she is a life pri-

SHIRT WAIST MAN.

Music Publisher Sues Restaurant Proprietor for Refusing to Serve Him.

Chicago, Aug. 21.—Sol Bloom, a music publisher, has brought a suit for \$50,000 communication was cut off, over two damages against the Union restaurant months ago, arrived to-day. One of them and hotel for refusing to serve him while was received by the Presbyterian Board he was clad in a shirt waist and minus

CANADIAN RELEASED.

Ottawa, Aug. 21.—Sir Alfred Milner cables from Capetown announcing the release of Private Ermatinger, of the Second Battalion Mounted Rifles, son of Judge Ermatinger of St. Thomas, and a former member of the N. W. M. P., who was taken prisoner by the Boers. at the end of June.

TO COUNT TWENTY-FOUR.

Washington, Aug. 21.-Vice-Consul Reed at Madrid has informed the state department that by a decree, time in Spain is hereafter to be counted from 1 to 24 hours, the order to go into effect January 1st, 1901, the day to begin at midnight.

RETURNING FROM LONDON.

Southampton, Aug. 21.-The North German Lloyd steamer Aller, which sailed from this port for New York at 1 o'clock, this afternoon, had on board 500 returning Christian Endeavorers.

SUCCESSFUL TESTS.

New York, Aug. 21.-The first test of a horseless vehicle for collecting mail in the meantime His Majesty has relieved the city has been made from the general post office. The tests yesterday cut the A dispatch from Constantinople on time down over 50 per cent.

Massing at Machadorp

It Is Reported Eight Thousand Boers Have Assembled Under Gen. Botha.

They Have All the Artillery, Including Heavy Guns From Pretoria.

(Associated Press.)

Twyfelaar, Aug. 20.—Through the secret intelligence agents of the British the authorities learn that Gen. Botha, commander-in-chief of the Boer forces, Gen. Meyer, the commander of the Orange eral persons and creating a panic among Free State forces, and Gen. Schalkburger, vice-president of the Transvaal republic, with 8,000 Boers, have assembled at Machadorp, generally understood to be the headquarters of President Kruger, on the Pretoria-Delagoa Bay railway, with the whole of the Boer artil-Charles Baker. Both the Bakers were lery, including the heavy pieces formerly stated development begins immediately. at Pretoria.

> Engaging the Boers. London, Aug. 22.—The war office has

received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts dated August 21st: "Lieut.-Col. Sitwell, reconnoitring near Ventersburg, engaged the Boers. Two

British were wounded. Lieuts. Spedding, the supreme power is taken from her or Indignant at the Attacks Made Davenport, Surtees and Watson and a medical officer and twenty-four men are missing. "Hamilton has crossed the Crocodile

river. Paget and Baden-Powell engage the commandoes protecting Dewet on August 20th. Lieut. Flowers and one man were killed. Lieut. Kirby and six men were wounded."

Cordus Guilty.

Pretoria, Aug. 21.—The trial of Lieut. Cordus, formerly of the Transvaal artillery, on the charge of being concerned in the plot to kidnap Lord Roberts, was concluded to-day.

The prisoner was found guilty of all the counts in the indictment against him, but sentence was deferred until the findings of the court should be confirmed by Lord Roberts.

Correspondence to be Published.

London, Aug. 22.-Mr. Henry Labouchere's publication of the correspondence advising him of the seizure at Pretoria of compromising letters to Secretary Reitz, is to be followed by the publicathe colonial office officials say will be issued to-morrow, all the members of parliament involved having answered the official communication sent to them on stein, the second-hand dealer, whose the subject.

my power for your release. Whatever announce that General Dewet bivounck- that carbolic acid was found in the happens, remember this, that if there is ed 15 miles from the city and that Col stomach, kidneys and brain of deceased. ed 15 miles from the city, and that Col. Mason was briskly engaging him yester-

The correspondent of the Standard, wiring from Pretoria yesterday, says: "The trial of Lieut. Cordua, of the best friend. It is an outrage, in view of Staats artillery, charged with being con- will be changed to a charge of insanity. cerned in the plot to kidnap Lord Robernment to Li Hung Chang is, in brief, friendship for me, that he should be at- erts, was resumed to-day. The public a well-known city assignee, is unknown, that the government cannot enter upon tacked now that he is dead. I fully approsecutor addressed the court in a and in consequence application was moderate speech, contending that the made before Osgoode hall to-day to have prisoner was in earnest in that there him removed from the position of liqui-Gano organized the plot. The court adadvocate will sum up.'

Canadian Artillery.

Ottawa, Aug. 20.-Major Hurdman, commanding "D" Battery, states it is expected the Canadian artillery will leave South Africa for Canada September 1st.

> PASSED AWAY. (Associated Press.)

City of Mexico, Aug. 21.-Frederic Koetig, a native of Austria, and one of the Bank of British Columbia, being the surviving members of the entourage of Emperor Maximilian, is dead in this city, aged 67 years. He was one of the six cavalry officers selected by the Empress Carlotta as escort on public occasions. Lately he held the rank of captain in the Mexican army, and was much esteemed by President Diaz, whose hunt-

ing expeditions he always organized. CHARGES AGAINST ARNOLD.

(Associated Press.) San Francisco, Aug. 21.-Julian Tregenna Biddulph Arnold, son of Sir Edwin Arnold, has been ordered extradited to England by United States Commissioner Necock on a charge of embezzling over \$60,000 of the estate of John Thos. Donville Taylor. Arnold had already been ordered extradited on two charges, and will be given a hearing on still another.

KILLED DURING A STORM:

(Associated Press.) New York, Aug. 21.-Maryland has been ravaged by terrific electrical, wind and rain storms within the last day or two, says a dispatch to the Times from Baltimore. Several lives have been lost. five or six injured, and the estimated loss to property is about \$75,000. The storms broke the hottest ever known in Maryland

PLANING MILLS CONBINE.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Aug. 21.—Thirty planing mills, including practically all sash, door and blind concerns in Chicago, will pass into a combination this week with a capital of \$4,000,000.

BRESCI'S TRIAL.

(Associated Press.) Rome, Aug. 21.-Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert, has asked for the as the result of severe burns caused by postponement of his trial until witnesses can arrive fom the United States.

TO WATCH ANARCHISTS

Detectives Will be Sent From Rome Make Investigations in the United States.

(Associated Press.) New York, Aug. 22 .- A staff of Italian detectives will be sent to this country, cording to a cablegram from Rome With the assent of the American authorities a special body of 30 secret police agents, all picked men, will be sent to operate in centres where Italians aboun 1 They will be under the command of an Larger Steamers Will Probably inspector, who will have headquarters in New York. The foreign budget appropriated \$50,000 for this service

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

(Associated Press.) Toronto, Aug. 22.-Charles Kimtey, an last night by drinking wine in which matches had been placed. He became dangerously ill, but was removed to St. Michael's hospital, and is now recover-

NEW PETROLEUM FIELD.

(Associated Press.)

Astoria, Ore., Aug. 22.-Several promnent Astoria business men have secured control of 6,500 acres of land near Astoria, and the experts have declared it a very valuable coal and petroleum field. A company has been formed and it is

News of the

Shareholders of Bank of Commerce Ratify Agreement With Bank of B. C.

Goldstein in Toronto-W. Christie's Will.

Toronto, Aug. 21.—The will of the late, ized is the more increased when it is William Christie, of the well-known bis- stated that out of this 21 days he spent by Times, writing from Mafeking, on June cuit firm of Christie, Brown & Co., has two days at White Horse, a day at 20th, says: been probated and reaches close on one Skagway and 24 hours in Dawson. He million dollars, of which the Ontario went down to the Yukon metropolis on now ranked amongst the glorious record government receives \$44,000 in succession dues.

Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendwho has been on an extended tour through many, Italy, Switzerland, Egypt and and incidentally the bonding privileges. doctor says the priests were the ruination of Jerusalem. Everywhere you turn tion. The larger boats would, it was exyou meet nothing but priests. Dr. Carman also visited Paris. He did not believe the exposition could be a financial late in October. At present there is no success because of the lack of interest displayed by Britishers in it. Canada's the route, and steamers instead of tion of the whole correspondence which exhibit was fairly good, but was in a poor position.

London, Aug. 21.—Pretoria dispatches | brought about by slow posson was some p Mrs. A. Elberson, a prophetess, who arrived here a few weeks ago from

South Bend, Ind., to warn Torontonians that the end of the world was at hand, was lodged in jail last night charged. with disorderly conduct, which, however, The whereabouts of E. J. Henderson,

was no evidence before the court that dator of the Army and Navy Clothing Co. Henderson's liabilities are said to journed until to-morrow, when the judge be about \$17,000. Clerks in his office, jected to the same formalities they enhowever, state that he will soon return and meet his obligations.

Sir Richard Cartwright arrived here last night. Meetings throughout the province are being arranged for. The shareholders of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have ratified the lations called for, and in order to faciliagreement for the purchase of the assets tate business and oblige travellers, it. of the Bank of British Columbia, by a was quite a common thing for the train large vote. Amalgamation will be pro- leaving Skagway at 8:30 o'clock to wait ceeded with shortly, the English share-holders, who hold the leading interest in

strongly in favor of amalgamation. The condition of crops throughout Ontario to August 4th, as published in a bulletin issued by the government last night, are of a most encouraging nature, the yields, with but few exceptions, be-

ing above last year. The amalgamation of the two mining exchanges some time ago does not appear to give satisfaction, judging from a movement now on foot to establish, it is said, unless alleged grievances are remedied by the parent exchange, another 'change to be run pretty much on the principle European bourses are run. In these it is possible for the public to buy and sell mining stocks without becoming members of the exchange.

Ottawa, Aug. 21.-John Mann, living near St. Rose de Lima, has been lodged in Aylmer, Que., jail on a charge of attempted murder of his wife. The two had been separated for some time, but Mann appears to have returned a few days ago and struck his wife and threatened to cut her heart out. The prisoner is a brother of Isidore Mann, of Montreal, who is serving a life sentence in St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary for having murdered his mother-in-law

and wounded his wife. Hon. Dr. Borden expects to leave for England this week, partly on business and partly for rest and pleasure.

Windsor, Aug. 21.-William Morten. one of the best known residents of this city, and for forty-three years surveyor of customs at this port, died suddenly at the race track yesterday afternoon. was seventy-eight years of age. London, Aug. 21.-William A. Duf-

field, president of the City Gas Co., is dead, at the age of thirty-nine years. Fred Thomson, a cigar maker, was struck and probably fatally injured by a trolley car while crossing Dundas street last night.

Montreal, Aug. 21.-Mrs. Irons and in fant died in the general hospital to-day the upsetting of a coal oil lamp at the residence of the family last night,

Arrivals From Dawson

Tees Reaches Port With Many Passengers--Northern Navigation Still Good.

Ply on Rivers All Next Month.

With sixty odd passengers aboard from Dawson, the C.P.N. steamer Tees arelderly man, attempted to commit suicide rived this morning, having left Skagway on Saturday last. A call was made at Dorfur, Mrs. Dorfur and child, J. Bl. Ketchican on the way south and Dr. and quist, W. McKeown, Miss White, M Mrs. Bell-Irving were received aboard McGowan, S. Shallcross, W. Jones as passengers.

> While in port it was learned that a fatal shooting occurred at the former's cannery. A boisterous fellow named Dan Roberts was shot and killed by United States Marshal Hassey, but the omcers of the Tees had not heard the circumstances of the affair.

Among other passengers on the Tees were T. S. Cunningham, assistant editor of the Dawson Sun; J. McArthur, cashier of the freight department of the C. Brown, D. H. Jackson. P.N. Company, who made the round trip to White Horse, and J. Lipscombe, of the local office of the White Pass & Yukon railway, who has been at Dawson. He went North to become thoroughly acquainted with the route. H. Wheeler formerly of the Western Union telegraph office of this city, accompanied him as far as White Horse, and remained over to accept a position with the Canadian Development Company. While at White From Biera to the Relief of the Horse Mr. Lipscombe met several old Victorians, including Mr. Elliott, the manager of the C. D. Company, whom he says is one of the most popular steam-Ontario Crops—Death of Morris boat men in the North; Capt. Roberts, of the steamer Eldorade and others. It is the steamer Eldorado, and others. It is just three weeks ago since Mr. Lipscombe went North, and wonder at the remarkable way in which northern transportation has of late been revolution-

the Canadian and returned by the same of the British army, and the names of its steamer. During the trip he made a brave defenders and gallant commande special study of the general shipping con- are known all over the civilized world, but ent of the Methodist Church of Canada, ditions of the North, also of the alleged in the midst of all these enthusiastic reinconvenience which passengers were be- joicings we have overlooked one of the England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Ger- ing put to by the customs at Skagway finest forced marches which has ever been Palestine, has returned home. The Speaking of the former he says that the river navigation is in splendid condi- her colonies. pected, be running all next month, while the smaller ones would be operated until congestion of freight anywhere along being overcrowded are not finding enough. business to keep them going. At White Prof. Ellis, government analysis, tool Horse three boats had been tied up wait whom parts of the body of Morris Gold ing cargo when he passed through, and on his return he noticed still others in "Arriving at Beira on April 22nd, they death the crown authorities claim was brought about by slow poison was subonly one steamer on Bennett lake, the part of the battery left by train the same

the lake in command of Capt. Wallace the General had established his bas Langley, having been tied up for the win- The remainder of the battery started for ter. This is because of the business of the same destination the following mornthe lake being devoted to the railway. ing, accompanied by four officers and 100 Capt. Langley was at Skagway before non-commissioned officers and men of the the Tees had sailed and stated that he Queensland Mounted Infantry, who were expected to have charge of a steamer

running to Atlin. At Skagway Mr. Lipscombe states that he never noticed a particle of freight except a little lumber lying on the wharf. As for the complaints lodged against the customs officials at that point he failed to see on what grounds they had been laid. Passengers from steamers are subcounter entering any American port, but nothing more. This baggage is of course inspected, but in comparatively little time and the officials, so far as he saw and could learn, showed every courtesy. They, too, put in longer hours than regu-



work? No, caused by undernourish. ment. Work rarely causes collapse. It

is worry—the outcome of a low condition of the nervous system and inadequate nutrition which generally causes collapse. The collapse seems sudden, but in reality it is a slow process. The stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition are diseased, the nourishment in the food eaten is only partially extracted and imperfectly assimilated. The blood becomes impure; the very fount of life is poisoned, and some day all the faculties and functions go on a strike. That's collapse. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition, purifies the blood and builds up the weak body with

sound healthy flesh. "I was cured of a very bad case of indigestion, associated with torpid liver, by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery," writes Mr. G. B. Bird, of Byrnside, Putnam Co., W. Va. "Before I began the use of 'Golden Medical Discovery' I had no appetite; could not sleep, nor work but very little, bowels constipated, and life was a misery to me. After taking four bottles I felt so well that I went to work, but soon got worse, so I used it about eight weeks longer, when I was permanently cured."

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over half an hour on a belated ship load of people

As for bonded freight Mr. Lipscombe says there is no trouble whatever in make ing through shipments from Victoria or ancouver. If any difficulty is expernced it comes in making shipments Skagway and in forwarding these consignments on from there.

Miners from Dawson arriving on the Tees confirm the reports of the rich gings in the Tanana district. Gold y being found in large quantities, ar was said that on Faith creek \$15 a wages was being paid to miners. The complete list of passengers arriving the Tees is as follows: J. McArthur, J. Lipscombe, R. J. Mc.

Millan, C. J. Mulky, W. A. Snowgoos H. L. Smith, Miss Jacqueline, Minona, D. H. Hume, Mrs. Hume. Hume, F. Hume, J. Currie, H. Wrigh Mrs. Wright, T. E. McGregor, A. T. brell, G. Anderson, A. McKinnon, Syder, R. P. Cunningham, J. F. M. honey, H. Friend, L. Blain, A. O'Mean C. O'Meara, Dr. LeBlanc, A. L. Smit T. Reid, W. Scroggie, O. Christens Holmes, C. W. Philp, W. Brimme Robel, Mrs. Robel, G. W. Baxton B. Wood, Mrs. Wood, Miss Vaugh Miss May Walter, R. Morgan, C. A. Car son, Dr. Bell-Irving, Mrs. Bell-Irving S. Cunningham, J. Leroy, H. J. Wilson W. Wilkinson, Ben Palto, C. M. Taylor, A. W. Backwill, G. E. Sargent, Jas.

The March Of Colonials

Besieged Garrison at Mafeking.

of the Royal Canadian Artillery.

The correspondent of the London Week-

"The siege and relief of Mafeking are made, and this, too, by troops which have been sent to help the Mother Country by

"On April 13th C Battery of the Royal Canadian Artillery, under Major Hudon. received orders to proceed to Capetown and embark for Beira, where they were to form part of the Rhodesian Field Force under General Sir Frederick Carrington. The following morning they left Stellenposch and did a forced march of 30 miles into Capetown, and sailed on board the Columbia with their guns the same even-

detailed as escort to the guns. Despite having to unload the guns and baggage at Bamboo Creek, where the narrow gauge ends, and reload everything on the broad gauge wagons, the first part of the contin gent reached Marandellas on April 26th. after a journey in open trucks, on what is certainly one of the worst railways in the world, of 380 miles, the remainder arriving on the following day. General Carrington considered it advisable that, if possible more artillery should be with Colone Plumer's column, and made his plans ac cordingly: the outcome shows with what precision they were made and how excel lently they were carried out by the men entrusted with them. It must be borne in mind that both guns and escort were without horses or mules, so the "Salis bury to Bulawayo" coaches and animals were monopolized by the General's orders to be exclusively at his disposal until the column was safely through. Two guns left Marandellas on April 30th, the remainder following on May 1st and 2nd, and reach ed Bulawayo on the 6th, a distance nearly 300 miles. On arrival there the mmediately entrained and proceeded Ootsi, where the line was cut, and, de training, did a forced march from there o Safeteli, a distance of over 60 miles, and oined Colonel Plumer's column at tha place on the 14th. Colonel Plumer moved he same day and met the southern column under Colonel Mahon at Jan Massibis, and relieved the long-besieged Mafeking of May 16th, after a march of 33 miles. "In order to appreciate the pluck and perseverance shown by the Canadian artil

to contend with on the line of march. start with, many of the men arrived Marandellas without coats, as these had peen burned off their backs by sparks from the engine, which is fed by wood fuel and does not carry a spark protector on funnel. The rolling-stock is absolu deficient, and the men sat in open trucks on their ammunition, baggage, etc. posed to the great heat by day and night to a biting cold and fever mist, which makes itself felt soon after sundown; ad to this the constant danger by fire, which had to be very carefully guarded against on account of the ammunition. At Marandellas, when every available coach an wagon had been procured, it was found that the men would have to sit on top the ammunition and baggage, so that on more they were forced to undergo the vere trial of having to sit through the long day's jolting in a mule wagon, ve much overcrowded, and often unable move in order to change their positi and relieve their strained and crai limbs. Yet they did it without a m and reached their destination, a of nearly 700 miles, which they had pleted by train and mule wagon, in days. Their journey from Stellenbosch Mafeking, via Capetown, a distance of 130 miles, was accomplished in 33 days and included, roughly speaking, 1,900 miles by sea, 120 miles marching, 300 miles it mule wagons, and nearly 800 miles b

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