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WAR OFFICE EXPECTS SOME FRESH FIGHTING

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But No News of It Came Last Night—The Boers Had Withdrawn to New Positions East of Pretoria on Tuesday.

Gen. Buller Will Move Into the Orange River Colony and Co-operate With Rundle and Methuen in Cornering Steyn's Forces—Story of the Last Fight With Botha.

London, June 16.—(4 a.m.)—Lord Roberts' despatches leave affairs east of Pretoria with the Boers withdrawn to new positions Tuesday. News of fresh fighting is expected at the War Office, but none came last night.

Buller May Bag Steyn.

Gen. Rundle's patrol had a skirmish with Boer videttes again Wednesday. Some wonder is expressed here as to what he is doing with three divisions. It is assumed by some that Gen. Buller will move into Orange River Colony and co-operate with Lord Methuen and Gen. Rundle in bagging President Steyn and his seven or eight thousand followers.

Where Young Botha's Force Is.

Part of Christian Botha's force has halted at Paardekop, 18 miles northwest of Volksrust. Boer parties are still near Volksrust, and fire occasionally upon the British pickets.

Will Keep on Retiring.

A despatch from Lorenzo Marquez, dated yesterday, says: "Persons have arrived here who have seen the preparations of the Boers and learned that they will retire when forced, thru the Lydenburg district into the Zoutpansberg region, adjoining Rhodesia and Gazaland."

Dewet Lured Methuen.

The Daily Mail has a despatch from Bloemfontein, dated Wednesday, saying: "Gen. Dewet's attack on the railway was made after he had succeeded in luring Lord Methuen from where he had destroyed the line and then he cleverly seized it north of Kroonstadt, blew up the bridge and destroyed a long section of the line with dynamite."

Baden Powell a Lieut.-General.

Major-General Baden-Powell has been appointed to the temporary rank of lieutenant-general.

Slaughter Must Have Been Heavy.

The Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, in a despatch dated yesterday, says:

"I understand that Gen. Dewet, in addition to the Derbyshire Battalion, captured two companies of the City Volunteers and two companies of Yeomanry, two men only escaping to tell the tale."

KLERKSDORP SURRENDERED.

Cronje Decided to Hand Over the Town When He Found That Pretoria Was in British Hands.

London, June 15.—The War Office has issued the following despatch from Lord Roberts:

"Pretoria, Residency, June 14.—(10.40 p.m.)—Klerksdorp surrendered on June 9 to an armed party sent on by Hunter.

A Train Attacked.

"Kitchener reports that the Boers attacked a reconstruction train early this morning a few miles north of the Rhenoster River. He sent out mounted troops and drove off the enemy before they could do damage. One man was killed and 11 wounded, including two officers.

Cronje Surrendered the Town.

"A messenger from Klerksdorp reports that Cronje, who commanded there, determined to surrender as soon as he knew for certain that Pretoria was in our possession. His example has been copied by many in the neighborhood. The court house is now said to be full of arms."

Horses for British Army.

New Orleans, June 15.—The British steamer Cervona cleared for Cape Town, South Africa, to-day, with 875 horses for the British army.

ROBERTS SAW BOTHA'S CENTRE WAS WEAK AND ORDERED ATTACK

Gen. Ian Hamilton's Forces Made a Grand Advance Under Heavy Fire and Seized Diamond Hill, Whereupon the Boers Hastily Retired.

London, June 15.—The War Office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts:

"Pretoria, June 15.—As I telegraphed yesterday from one of our outposts, 15 miles east of Pretoria, the Boers evacuated their position during the night of June 12.

Attacked Botha's Centre.

"They had paid so much attention to strengthening their flanks that their centre was weakly held, and as soon as this became evident on June 12 I directed Ian Hamilton to attack. He moved against Diamond Hill, with the Sussexes, Derbyshires and City Imperial Volunteers, supported on the left by the Guards Brigade, under Inigo Jones.

"It Was Grand," Says Bobs.

"It was grand, seeing the way our men advanced over the difficult ground and under a heavy fire.

"The casualties, I am thankful to say, were less than 100, a very small number considering the natural strength of the position which had to be carried.

Boers Were Surrounded.

"Our seizure of Diamond Hill caused the Boers to feel they were practically surrounded, and this resulted in their hasty retirement. They were being followed yesterday by some of our mounted corps.

Gen. Hamilton Hurt.

"Hamilton spoke in high terms of the troops engaged. Hamilton received a contusion from a shrapnel bullet in the shoulder, but is not, I am happy to say, unable to perform his duty."

Baden-Powell's Work.

The rest of Lord Roberts' despatch deals with the casualties and Gen. Baden-Powell's movements in Western Transvaal, where he, with 800 men, is systematically re-establishing order and collecting arms and supplies. About 600 Boers have surrendered and Baden-Powell captured 230 prisoners.

According to Baden-Powell's report, the Boers will readily discuss terms of surrender, and they all appreciate the work of pacification performed by his troops.

BATTLE OF ALMOND'S NEK A GOOD DEAL LIKE COLENSO

But the Result Was Different—It Was a Brilliant Success for Gen. Buller and His Men—Position Was Very Strong, but Boers Had to Yield it.

London, June 15.—This despatch, from its special correspondent, is published by The Daily Mail:

Alleman's Nek, June 12.—Gen. Buller yesterday fought a protracted and stirring engagement at Almond's Nek, 12 miles from Volksrust.

The enemy was found in force lining a semi-circle of hills which lay in front of our line of march at the nek.

The position was very strong. To the right of the road rose a high, conical, bowlder-strewn hill, and beyond it another rocky hill. On the other side of the road was a high hill, covered with rocks and bushes.

Eight Miles Line of Battle.

The enemy's line was about eight miles in length.

A battery of artillery on an eminence to the right of the road, one mile from the nek, shelled the hills in front, and later on some 4.7 and 12-pounder long range naval guns opened fire on the nek and its neighborhood.

The infantry then advanced. The Dublin Fusiliers swept round the extreme right, sending the Boers on to the nek.

While the Dorsets went straight for the conical hill, swarming with Boers, the East Surreys advanced on the left of the hill, and the West Surreys and the Queen's advanced on the hills on the left side of the road.

Boers Opened With Mausers.

When the infantry on the right had advanced within 800 yards of the hills, the Boers opened fire with Mausers, pompoms and big guns, sending several shells in the direction of the artillery, all going wide.

Not until 3.30 was the fight begun in earnest. The naval guns were then hotly shelled, and the eminence on which they stood was swept for 10 minutes by a tornado of pompom shells.

The advancing infantry, however, forced the Boers to give their entire attention to their more immediate surroundings.

Dublins, Dorsets and Surreys.

The Dublin Fusiliers, Dorsets and East Surreys were now actively engaged, and the Mausers crackled fiercely, our men on the flats taking what shelter they could behind ant heaps, and then in a donga, and returning a heavy, continuous fire.

The men said that it resembled Colenso.

The donga was crossed, and the Dorsets charged up the hill, the Boers promptly retreating to the next hill.

Shell Fire Was Splendid.

At this stage our shell fire was splendid, greatly assisting the rifle fire.

The Dorsets on the ridges at the top of the conical hill poured a scorching fire across the deep gorge separating them from the Boers.

The East Surreys now advanced on the left of the hill.

The Dublins, by a wide movement on the right, threatened to isolate the Boers, who, as the Dorsets charged up the front of the hill, retired further back.

The Boers were now being rapidly enveloped, and the Dorsets, fixing bayonets for a final charge, made them flee from the hill.

Boers in Full Retreat.

By 5 o'clock the Boers were in full retreat, and our guns were shelling them. They appeared to be galloping along the hills on the right.

The Boers had made extraordinary preparations for holding Laing's Nek by placing guns on Majuba, Popwani and the Nek itself.

The Nek is second only to the Tugela heights in entrenchments, which in many places are even deeper and more elaborate. Behind the trenches actual caves had been dug for shelter during shelling.

Gen. Buller's march on the Boer rear by way of Botha's Pass saved thousands of lives.

Insurance Pointers.

"Information as to contracts," is the title of one of the attractive insurance pamphlets issued by the Confederation Life Association. The different benefits secured under the various plans of insurance are fully set forth therein. Pamphlets and full particulars will be sent on application to the Head Office, Toronto, or to any of the Association's agents.

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THE SITUATION IN CHINA IS NOW ONE OF VEILED WAR

Members of Foreign Legations Are Virtually Prisoners at Pekin—Their Demands Ignored—Russia Secretly Siding With China—Pekin Mob Clamoring For the Destruction of Foreigners.

London, June 16.—This is the situation in China as it appears to the Shanghai correspondent of The Daily Express, cabling last evening:

"It is really a state of veiled war. The members of the Foreign Legations in Pekin are virtually prisoners, and the Chinese troops are only restrained from attacking them by fear of the legation guards.

No Communication Possible.

"Meanwhile the Ministers are altogether unable to communicate with the officers commanding the relief column, which is making an enforced and isolated halt between Tien Tsin and Pekin. The walls of the capital are guarded by 100,000 Imperial troops. The gates are heavily defended with modern guns. General Tung, acting under orders from the Empress Dowager, says that no more foreign troops shall enter the sacred city.

A Demand Ignored.

"On Monday the Ministers sent a demand to the Tsung Li Yamen, that the gates be opened, declaring that otherwise the foreign troops would enter forcibly. To this no reply was given. A second message went unanswered, or had not been answered when the latest news left Pekin.

"Sir Claude MacDonald's latest message says that the legations are capable of sustaining an effective defence, unless attacked in force."

Russia Sides With China.

Russia, this correspondent asserts, notwithstanding assurances to the contrary, sides with China. Some foreign troops are already reported to be in the environs of Pekin, and the attitude of the Chinese troops is increasingly menacing.

Mob Thirsting for Blood.

"The streets of Pekin," continues the correspondent of The Daily Express, "are reported to be seething with anti-foreign mobs, clamoring for the destruction of the legations and the death of the foreign Ministers. Even were the Tsung Li Yamen disposed to restrain the violence of the reactionaries, it is considered highly improbable that they will be able to hold them in check. For the foreign Ministers the crisis will arise when the relief column comes in sight of Pekin."

Foreign Force Inadequate.

"It is still felt here that the foreign force is wholly inadequate to battle with the hordes of Chinese troops massed outside the gates, which now include the Imperial troops from Shan Hai Kwan."

English Messages Barred.

A disquieting element in the situation is the fact that, altho the Russo-Chinese telegraph line from Pekin, via Kiakhta (Eastern Siberia) is working again, the transmission of English messages is rigidly refused.

From Tien Tsin it is reported that the foreign forces in the harbor will attack the Taku forts, and if necessary bombard them.

Column Still at Lang Fang.

The international column appears to be still at Lang Fang, engaged in slowly repairing the railway, which, according to a despatch from Tien Tsin to The Daily Mail, dated June 14, cannot be effected for weeks. The force is short of provisions, and, as it is without field transport, it must stick to the railway.

The report that the mixed forces will seize the Taku forts is taken to mean that the foreign commanders expect no aid from the Chinese Government in suppressing the disorder and are determined to make Taku secure as a base from which to operate.

GERMANS APPREHENSIVE.

Non-Receipt of News Construed to Mean That Alarming Conditions Exist at Pekin.

Berlin, June 15.—The German Foreign Office has not yet received expected despatches from China and their non-appearance is interpreted to mean the existence of alarming conditions. The correspondent of the Associated Press to-day obtained from a leading Foreign Office official the following reliable statement as to the German forces in China. The official said:

"Our forces include three large cruisers, the Hansa, Hertha and Kaiserin Augusta, the small cruisers Gefion and Irene, and the gunboats Iltis and Jaguar, with their crews, aggregating 2272 men. Then there are our forces at Kiao Chau, 4300. These 5472 are all trained men, of whom 3000 may be spared if required for action ashore."

Papers View it Gloomily.

The papers view the situation gloomily, pointing out principally the want of harmony among the international troops. The Vossische Zeitung says:

"The hope of harmonious procedure is fast vanishing as the separate ambitions appear on the surface. Probably it will need a few severe reverses before the powers are cemented for the purpose of joint action."

The Deutsche Tages Zeitung and other papers advocate Germany's going with Russia and France in China. The Lokal Anzeiger prints a special despatch from St. Petersburg, saying that an important Russian dignitary will soon leave for Berlin to effect an understanding with Germany for a joint solution with France of the present troubles.

Russia Wants to Be Independent.

London, June 16.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of The Times, telegraphing Thursday, says:

"In competent political circles there is no wish or trace of intention to act in China other than with the great powers. At the same time, there is no desire to establish a European concert. Russia, like the United States, reserves to herself independence of action."

AN OMINOUS SUGGESTION.

British Government Said to Be Considering the Sending of Troops From Africa.

London, June 16, 3.20 a.m.—The British Government is considering whether a substantial force should not be sent to China from South Africa. It is thought unofficially that Lord Roberts could spare a brigade or two, and the necessary transports are now in South African waters. The commander of the expedition, it is said, would probably be Gen. Sir William Nicholson.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA GROWS INTERESTING

Premier Dunsmuir and Two Members of the Cabinet Were Sworn in Yesterday—McInnes' Selection of Premier Saved His Position as Lieutenant-Governor.

Victoria, B.C., June 15.—(Special.)—The new Premier has been sworn in, together with two members of his Cabinet. Hon. James Dunsmuir takes the portfolio of President of the Council as well as Premier. Hon. D. M. Eberts is Attorney-General, and Hon. B. H. Turner, Minister of Finance. The other members of the Cabinet are not likely to be chosen until Monday. By the selection of Mr. Dunsmuir, it is generally believed that Lieutenant-Governor McInnes acted to conciliate those who demanded his dismissal, and politicians think that now there will be no longer any outcry for his removal. This move has, it is believed, saved his position.

Political Gossip From Vancouver.

Vancouver, B.C., June 15.—(Special.) Premier Dunsmuir offered Mayor Garden a portfolio this afternoon, which he declined till after the Opposition convention here on Monday next. The convention will be held, despite the startlingly attractive position of affairs.

Mr. Martin now announces that he did not recommend Mr. Dunsmuir for Premier. He was Lieutenant-Governor McInnes' own choice. Ex-Premier Semlin, who passed thru from Victoria to-day, en route to Ashcroft, said the Lieutenant-Governor's selection of Mr. Dunsmuir had caused much surprise in Victoria last evening. It is generally understood, and Mr. Semlin believed himself, that no followers of Mr. Martin will be taken into the Cabinet.

The following is a forecast of the Dunsmuir Cabinet:

Attorney-General—D. M. Eberts.

Chief Commissioner Land Works—Joseph Hunter, Cariboo.

Mr. Semlin thought Provincial Secretaryship would be offered either to Mayor Garden or R. G. Tatlow, Vancouver.

Mr. Semlin also mentioned that R. F. Green, Kaslo, would probably be offered the portfolio of Minister of Mines.

It was generally understood in Victoria last evening that the selection of Mr. Dunsmuir was as much a surprise to Martin and Curtis as to anyone else.

Martin Had Popular Vote.

It is said that Governor McInnes has relied a great deal in his actions since the election upon the fact that his choice, Martin, was supported by the popular vote of the province. If any one takes the trouble to figure it out, he will find that more votes were cast for the Martin party than for any other party in the province in the election on June 9.

A Victory for Martin.

The Martinites regard the appointment of Dunsmuir as Premier as a tactical victory for Martin, who, they claim, practically dictated to the Opposition who shall be their leader. They hold that the Vancouver convention dare not go back on the Lieutenant-Governor's choice, as it would lead to all sorts of turmoil and dissensions. In some quarters it is believed that Mr. Dunsmuir will abide by the result of the convention, resigning in favor of the convention's choice. Mayor Garden is regarded as a probable Minister, while overtures have also been made to Smith-Curtis or to J. C. Brown to join the Government.

Mr. Martin has received a telegram, saying that the canneries in Cassiar have gone strong for Stables, the Martinite candidate, rendering his election probable.

Carter-Cotton Badly Hit.

Carter-Cotton refused to be interviewed to-day. He is badly hit by the new turn of affairs.

Mayor Garden said this afternoon that Dunsmuir was the last man he thought of for Premier.

R. G. Tatlow, the other Vancouver member, said he thought Dunsmuir should have shown better judgment than accept. He did not think any man had a right to accept the Premiership under McInnes.

IMPERIAL LIMITED ON TIME.

The C.P.R. Flyer Rolled Into Vancouver Just 100 Hours After Leaving Montreal.

Vancouver, B.C., June 15.—The first thru train to arrive at Vancouver on the new "Imperial Limited" schedule rolled into the depot exactly on time, making the run thru from Montreal in the very fast time of 100 hours.

A large number of prominent residents of Vancouver and Victoria were on board, and also a number of passengers to sail by the Empress of Japan on Monday next.

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INJURIES PROVED FATAL.

Floyd Thomas, Who Was Injured at Northey's, Died After Several Hours' Suffering.

Floyd N. Thomas, a machinist, died early yesterday morning at the Emergency Hospital from injuries received on Thursday afternoon, while at work in the Northey Manufacturing Company's manufactory. He was engaged in driving a wedge in a metal planer, when his clothes caught in the machine and he was drawn under. Before the machine was stopped he was terribly cut about the abdomen and thighs. He was taken to the hospital, where he lingered in terrible agony till death ended his sufferings. Deceased was only 18 years of age, and lived with his parents at 17 Ossington-avenue. His father and one brother were also employed by the Northey Company. Out of respect to the deceased, the company closed down the factory till Monday. Coroner Powell issued a warrant for an inquest, but afterwards withdrew the document. The funeral will take place this afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The employes of the Northey Company will attend the funeral in a body.

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PREMIER LAURIER ASSUMES THE ROLE OF DEFENDING A PERJURER

The Case of H. A. Lemieux Comes Up in the Commons—A Censure Resolution Voted Down, But the Majority Was Thirteen!—Canada Humiliated.

Ottawa, June 15.—(Special.)—On a motion to go into supply to-day, Mr. Foster brought up a matter of two years standing. H. A. Lemieux, Assistant Inspector of Customs at Quebec, had, in the elections of 1896, assisted in the election of his son, R. Lemieux, M.P. for Gaspe, and in so doing had assumed a false name. The attention of the Minister of Customs had been called to this active political partizanship and misrepresentation in February, 1898.

Paterson Staved it Off.

Mr. Paterson had replied to Dr. Ennis, who made the charge, that "in view of the great lapse of time, I do not deem it advisable to investigate the alleged partizanship." No action was taken by the Minister, but H. A. Lemieux was raised in position and given more salary.

Still Says It's Old.

Mr. Paterson, in replying to Mr. Foster's question, "What is the Government going to do about this?" said that he held to his old opinion regarding the active political partizanship that had taken place so long ago. As to the question of assuming a false name, Mr. Paterson would not speak.

Mr. Paterson held that the partizanship took place under the Conservative regime, was the act of a father toward his son, and therefore the Government did not investigate and did not intend to investigate.

Nice Statement This.

Sir Wilfrid argued that because the partizanship had taken place 600 miles from where Mr. Lemieux was known, the offence was mitigated. Besides, it was done during his vacation, and he did it in cog. He was indiscreet, but committed no crime. His indiscretion was the act of a father to his son and could readily be condoned. **Even the fact that Mr. Lemieux took a false oath as scrutineer was, in Sir Wilfrid's philosophy, merely an indiscretion.**

Sir Wilfrid forgave him and asked the House to do so.

Premier Defending a Perjurer.

Other speakers pointed out the unique spectacle presented by the Premier defending a perjurer, and commented upon the new edition of political morality.

A Parallel Case.

Mr. Davin referred to the case of Postmaster Goss of Moosejaw, who was dismissed from office for partizanship engaged in four years before his dismissal. This gave the lie to Mr. Paterson's excuse that the time between partizan act and charge was too great. The whole transaction showed that the Government were wilting. They were like a flock of hens in a rainstorm, "Heads down and tails hair mast."

A Vote of Censure.

Mr. Gillies moved that the action of the Government in regard to Mr. Lemieux tended to demoralize the public service and to injure the proper conduct of public affairs.

Mr. Foster denounced the position of Hon. William Paterson and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and declared the Prime Minister had, by his words, humiliated Canada tonight. Sentiment had choked out principle from the Government. The position taken by the Government was one of "utter, disgusting hypocrisy."

A vote was taken at 12.30. The motion was voted down by 34 to 21. This was received with cries of "Thirteen!"

IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE IN THE GRAND TRUNK SYSTEM

Port Huron to Chicago End to be Completely Reorganized—Double Track Thru to Niagara Falls—Results of the Mission to London of Mr. Charles M. Hays.

Montreal, June 15.—(Special.)—The Chicago & Grand Trunk will now be put on a good financial basis, and the double-tracking of the line between Port Huron and the great capital of the Western States will be carried on to completion. This is the road mentioned to-day by the general manager of the Grand Trunk System, who has just returned from a five weeks' trip to Great Britain. Mr. Hays stated to-day that he was accompanied to England by Mr. E. W. Meddaugh, solicitor of the Chicago & Grand Trunk, who, with Mr. H. B. Joy, had previously been appointed receiver of the same line.

Purpose of the London Mission.

The general manager explained that their mission to London was in connection with the proposition to bring about the financial reorganization of the Chicago & Grand Trunk, the details of which had been set forth in a circular which Mr. Hays had issued in October last. The general manager said to-day that when it was first issued his proposition was opposed by holders of the second mortgage bonds to the extent of about $2,000,000, or perhaps one-third of the whole issue. It was therefore to confer with these people that he had gone to London. He is glad to say to The World that a satisfactory arrangement has been reached, by which the Chicago & Grand Trunk will be put on a sound financial footing, and that its efficiency as a railway will likewise be greatly enhanced.

Terms of the Arrangement.

The terms of the arrangement lately concluded in London will provide the sum of $4,500,000 for the double-tracking and reduction of the grades between Chicago and Port Huron. This work, he said, would be pushed forward at once, and, altho its completion might be a question of some time, the track-laying and reduction just spoken of will be carried out in keeping with the requirements of the Grand Trunk System. He said that many legal formalities would have to be complied with, but he thought that in six weeks' time they would be in a position to take the Chicago & Grand Trunk out of the hands of the receivers.

Double Track Right Thru.

Mr. Hays also said that the London board had approved of the double-tracking of the Grand Trunk from Hamilton to Niagara Falls, and it was most likely that this important work would be completed by the end of the present year, or the first of next season.

Fast Steamship Service.

Being asked if he had given any attention to the fast steamship service between Canada and Great Britain, Mr. Hays replied that it had always appeared to him that if the country required such a service the existing lines would be equal to the occasion. He said the Allan, the Dominion and other lines have been adding some fine boats to their respective fleets, and if the requirements of the times called for greater speed it was to be supposed that they would be made in the service.

It goes without saying that there is no truth in the reported resignation of the general manager of the Grand Trunk System.

MORE LABOR TROUBLES ON

Muckers in the Mines of the Interior Demand Three Dollars a Day, AND A STRIKE IS IMPENDING.

A Prominent Mining Man From the Kootenay Country Tells These Things.

Vancouver, June 15.—(Special.)—J. Roderick Robertson, president of the South Kootenay Board of Trade at Nelson, managing director of the British Columbia Gold Fields, arrived here this afternoon. He went to Victoria on business. He is a prominent mining man of West Kootenay, and says his company is largely interested in the Whitewater, Nelson and Ymir districts.

Mr. Robertson says the labor situation in the Kootenay is again in a serious condition. It is stated that a strike of muckers in the mines of the interior, including the large mines of Rossland, is imminent, and he would not be surprised if work was stopped in a number of mines in a few days if the present difficulties are not settled. Certain negotiations are now under way whereby arrangements might be made, but the situation all thru the Slocan and Kootenay is regarded as serious. The difficulty arose on the question of wages, and has been brewing several months. In about three-quarters of the mines the muckers, the principal workers under ground, are paid $2.50 or $2.60 a day. In a small minority of the mines they get $3. It is to make the $3 rule uniform with all the mines that the present strike is being organized.

Mr. Robertson says business is rather dull thruout the interior.

In answer to a question on the condition of politics there, he said the people were more concerned about labor difficulties and their own business.

ELLIS' CASUALTIES WERE EIGHT.

In the Fight With Natives When Going to Relief of Coomassie—Jamaica Will Send Troops.

Cape Coast Castle, June 15.—Captain Ellis, with the West African frontier troops, while advancing from Fumsu to Kwisa, lost one man killed and a corporal and six men wounded.

Jamaican Troops Will Go.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 15.—The British War Office has just cabled the Jamaican Government, announcing that it is prepared to accept a composite volunteer contingent from Jamaica, Trinidad and Demerara for service in Ashantee. Jamaica will supply 200 men and five additional officers.

The West India Regiment has been ordered to Ashantee forthwith.

For Labor Day.

The representatives of the various union organizations elected to form the Labor Day Demonstration Committee, met in Richmond Hall last night. These officers were elected: Chairman, J. H. Kennedy; secretary, James Wilson; treasurer, Robert Harrison.

To-Day's Program.

Street Railway Employes' picnic, Moss Park, afternoon.
Highlanders' Band at Island Park.
Annual meeting Industrial School Association at Mimico, 3.
Shooting at Long Branch, afternoon.
Argonaut Rowing Club, races and dance.
Lacrosse—Dufferins of Orangeville v. Tecumsehs, at Hanlan's Point.
Baseball—Toronto Senior League, two games, Old U.C.C. grounds, 2 and 4.
R.C.Y.C. races, afternoon.
Q.C.Y.C. races, afternoon.
Bowling tourney, at R.C.Y.C., Island Park Clubhouse, afternoon.
Canadian Wheelmen's Association Executive Committee, Queen's Hotel, 3.
Toronto Swimming Club races, Hanlan's Point, 3.
Cricket—Toronto-Rosedale v. Parkdale, Exhibition Park, 2.30.
Cricket—Grace Church v. St. Mark's, at Exhibition Park, 2.15.
Parkdale Sailing Club races, in Humber Bay.
Hanlan's Point Entertainment, 8.
Munro Park Entertainment, 8.
Methodist Conference, Sherbourne-street 9 a.m.

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Green Turtle Soup will be served in the Temple Cafe to-day.

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SIR WILFRID'S EFFORT TO SHIELD DR. BORDEN

He Claimed That Mr. Monk's Resolution, Asking for an Enquiry, Made the Minister Guilty in Advance of the Evidence.

Government Majority Struck Out This Part of the Resolution, and a Committee of Seven Was Named to Make the Much Needed Enquiry.

Ottawa, June 15.—(Special.)—Emergency rations were again the mental diet of the House to-day, but in a peculiar way. Hon. Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, was absent from the House by reason of the serious illness of his wife. At 2 p.m. his cousin, R. L. Borden, Q.C., told Mr. Monk that Dr. Borden would not be present, and that the motion asking for a Committee of Enquiry would be postponed. This was agreed to, and the Opposition entered the House on this assumption. But there was a surprise for them, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier informed the House that Dr. Borden would not be able to make his statement to-day because of illness in his family. Yet, and here came the surprise, the Government would not delay the matter, while reserving to Dr. Borden the right to make his statement later. Reviewing the charges, Sir Wilfrid recalled that he had said that if fraud were charged a committee would be granted; but Mr. Monk had not charged fraud, but only culpable negligence. He held that of the 19 sections of Mr. Monk's charges only 18 were statements of fact, while the 19th paragraph was a conclusion drawn from the preceding 18th. He held it was not fair to the House to draw conclusions from facts, for in doing so the House would gauge Dr. Borden guilty in advance of evidence. He moved that paragraph 19 be struck out, and declared that if this was agreed to the rest of the charges would be agreed to, and a committee appointed to investigate the statements contained in the 18 preceding paragraphs.

Look at paragraph 19 with Mr. Monk's preamble and conclusion of preamble: "That I am credibly informed and believe that I can establish by satisfactory evidence. Paragraph 19. That under all the circumstances above set forth, the Minister of Militia and Defence, the said Hon. Frederick William Borden, was guilty of gross and culpable negligence:

"(a) In making with undue haste the agreement herein above referred to of January, 1900, for the supply of emergency rations to the Canadian troops in South Africa with irresponsible parties.

"(b) In not having the preparation of said rations controlled by competent men and the supply furnished to the troops carefully and rigidly inspected and tested.

"(c) In neglecting after he had received said letter of Jan. 25 last, to take the steps commended by the ordinary rules of prudence to ensure the protection of the troops; and

"(d) In paying the amount of the said contract, $4660, in a case where he must have known that any recovery of the same was impossible, and without any investigation.

"Conclusion: That the above statements be referred to a select committee of this House to inquire fully into the said allegations, with power to send for persons, papers, records and such articles as may be necessary for such investigation, and to examine witness upon oath or affirmation, and that the committee do report in full the evidence taken before them and all their proceedings on the reference and the result of their inquiries."

Hon. Mr. Foster on Sir Wilfrid's Wobbling.

Mr. Foster confessed he was not prepared for this move of Sir Wilfrid's, that seemed to show that he did not dare to invite a free and a full investigation. He then gave a history of the Premier's wabbling on the question. On June 6 Sir Wilfrid said if Mr. Monk makes a statement on his own responsibility that he has reason to believe that a fraud has been committed, then he will have his remedy. On June 11 he said that if any member had any doubt after the papers were laid on the table, then an investigation would be held. On June 12, as soon as he makes his charge, he shall have his committee. From all these statements, the House was convinced that Sir Wilfrid would grant a full investigation. But when yesterday Mr. Monk had made his charges with particularity of detail, Sir Wilfrid, without finding fault with their language, took refuge behind the excuse that Dr. Borden was not prepared with his statement. This was not

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City Government.

To the Editor of The World:

Sir,—You seem inclined to think that a remedy for our municipal evils might be found in the simple enlargement of the electoral area. But let the area of election be what it will, if the composition of the Council is to be changed every year, and the men—to use your own phrase—are to be here to-day and gone to-morrow, instead of remaining to answer for the consequences of their acts, how can responsibility be secured? Responsibility, apparently, can no more be secured than can systematic policy or foresight.

Whatever may be the electoral area, the class of candidates will be the same. It is useless to talk of electing the best men when the best men will not allow themselves to be elected. They will not break up their business to run off Mayor or Alderman. If they would, their election would be very doubtful. All sorts of influences, foreign to the interests of the city—political religious, social and personal—come into play. We seem to have just had a case of lobbyist intimidation, very properly resented by the Mayor. Nor would even the best man of business be fitted for the work unless he could spend years in mastering the subject. The administration of a great city is a very special, difficult and largely scientific affair.

There is a notion that the present elective system is favorable to the poorer class of citizens. If it were, I should be the last to interfere with it. But what class of citizens can have any interest in the waste of public money on the Don improvement or the City Hall; in the costly miscarriages of our water works; in the loss of $20,000 in the Gladstone-avenue case; or in such a mistake as the laying out of the city, and some parts beyond it, in block pavement, which is then allowed to go to hideous ruin?

I do not profess to be prepared with a scheme. To frame one would be work for a conference of our best heads, if they could only be got to take an interest in the affairs of this city. But I am prepared with the principle of a scheme. It is that to which your editorial practically points—stable, skilled and responsible administration. Yours faithfully,

Goldwin Smith.

Toronto, June 15, 1900.

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MARRIAGES.

JOY—SUTHERLAND—On Thursday, June 14, 1900, at the residence of the bride's uncle, 485 Euclid-avenue, by the Rev. Mr. L. W. Hill, William T. Joy of West Toronto, Ont., to Annie Ethel Sutherland of Toronto, granddaughter of the late Mr. Edward Lawson.

DEATHS.

HURLEY—The funeral of the late James Hurley, who died in New York of pneumonia, will take place Sunday, June 17, at 3.30 p.m., from his mother's residence, 85 Gloucester-street, to St. Michael's Cathedral and thence to cemetery. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

KING—On Friday, June 15, 1900, at 53 Morse-street, Nellie King, in her 20th year.
Funeral at Cannington on Saturday, the 16th, on arrival of G.T.R. train.

CITY DAIRY CO. SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Very Large Number of Small Applications Have Been Received by A. E. Ames & Co.

The members of the Board of the City Dairy Co., Limited, express particular satisfaction at the large number of applications for small lots of stock which have come in. They interpret the general desire to be identified with the company as an endorsement of the directors' plans and as a recognition of the very definite field which they propose to occupy.

Messrs. A. E. Ames & Co. report that 93 applications had been received at their office up to last evening, many applicants having taken the trouble to explain their special reasons for endorsing the company's programme. This number does not include the subscriptions by directors or by milk dealers who take stock in part payment of purchase price.

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There never was a more popular hat than the Ladies' Straw Sailor. It has been running for years, and, apart from the crown being a little lower, and the brim a little smaller, it is the same as at its introduction. The Dineen Company this year have imported a shipment of Sailors, both American and English—some with plain bands, some with "puggaree" bands, all of the purest straw, light and well ventilated. The Dineen Company claim that they can give a better hat for the money than any other establishment in Can