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ome Interesting Testimony at Opening of Transvaal Concession Commission.

etherland's Railway Did Everything Possible to Hide British Advance.

ar Office Wants Canadian Firms to Tender For Soldiers' Clothing.

Pretoria, Oct. 15.-The Transvaal conons commission opened its sessions day. Lord Roberts' proclamation nting the commission power to compel anaging director of the Netherlands allway, who had threatened to evade ending. He gave a startling account the doings of the company before and ring the war, especially in the matter blowing up bridges so as to stop the ritish advance, and in assisting the ransvaal government in other ways. London, Oct. 16.—Commenting upon activity of the Boers and the statent from Capetown that Lord Roberts postponed his home-coming, the ndard says: "There are certain inditions pointing to the conclusion that expected difficulties have arisen which rd Roberts considers grave enough to ne. All the facts suggest that it is ossible vet to denude South Africa of substantial portion of the large army engaged in dominating a sullen and

ecalcitrant population."

The editorial finally calls for the erest measures against irreconcilable oers, for a prompt and ruthless punishent of every insurgent burgher caught delicto.

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London, Oct. 15.—A despatch to the baily Mail from Lorenzo Marques, dated ceterday, says that the American bark red. P. Litchfield went ashore there rom her moorings during Sunday night's rale, and was searched yesterday for cold in consequence of a suspicion that he was carrying Mr. Kruger's gold to he amount of £1,500,000. The Daily relegraph's correspondent states that no cold was found.

The Queen will appoint Lord Roberts to be honorary colonel of the nek regiment of Irish Guards.

The Durbun correspondent of the Standard, wiring yesterday, says: "Daily communication north of Sandaron has been suspended since Thursday. There are persistent rumors of Boer at acks on the railway. Considerable unassiness has been caused by the postonement of Lord Roberts' departure."

Berlin, Oct. 15.—The Berliner Tagelatt publishes a letter from Machadolorp, which concludes thus: "Not superior numbers nor the greater miliary capacity of the British, but treason, olly and puffed-up impotency among our eaders caused our ruin."

Ottawa, Oct. 15.—A cablegram from it Alfred Milner announces that Corp. It. Aubyn Pearse, of the Mounted Rifles, s dangerously ill at Pretoria.

The militia department has been reuested by the war office to get tenders or several thousand pairs of winter loves for the troops in China.

LEASED TO GERMANY. ltan of Turkey Lets Kaiser Secure a New Coaling Station.

Aden, Oct. 15.—The Sultan of Turkey as leased to Germany for 30 years the sland of Uroean, in the Red Sea, 40 niles north of Kamaran, for a coaling

STRIKE SITUATION.

All Quiet in the Mining Districts. Hazelton, Pa., Oct. 15.—The fifth week of the coal miners' strike opened quietly. The few collieries that have continued in peration since the strike was inauguratd are working as usual to-day with the ame number of men as they had in the nines last week. The Cranberry mines it A. Pardee & Co. have more men at york than any of the other mines in merestim.

peration. Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 15.—Not a colliery esumed operations in this portion of the oal region this morning. While miners generally think the terms of their conierally think the terms of their con-tion will be accepted by operators and l-carrying companies, operators here-uits insist that, so far as they are con-ned, they will not, unless forced to by coal-carrying companies, sign an eement to pay an increase of 10 per

ranton, Pa., Oct. 15.-Up to 1 o'clock day there had been no intimation by yof the coal companies as to their tion on the resolutions of the miners' nvention of Saturday, which declared or a flat increase in wages of 10 per ent. and the abolishing of the sliding cale in the Lehigh and Schuylkill re-

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

n Sunday night a misplaced switch on Lake Shore & Michigan Southern at cago wrecked a train, and killed two en. Prof. Freedrich Max Muller, corporate rofessor of comparative philology at Ox-

now critical.

According to a despatch from Copenhagen of the New York Herald relative to the sale f Danish West Indies. Denmark demands (2000.000, and the United States offers may \$4,000.000. It is believed that the defilite American effer will be laid before the bruish parliament in November.

Rosslyn H. Ferrell was placed on trial at darrysville, Onio, yesterday, on the charge of killing the Adams express messenger. Thus, Lane, on August 16 last. When he was captured Ferrell made a written concession in which details of how he shot Lane and robbed the express safe were set forth. A despatch from London states that the will of Mr. J. B. Clayton, son of the late member of parliament of that name, has just been probated. By it he leaves his two daughters a fortune of \$730,000, with the curlous provision that the money is only payable if they shall attain the age of \$5 years without marrying a citizen of the United States or a Hebrew.

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empire pledged his own imperial word that the murder of his subjects shall be terribly avenged.

It is too true that the history of the last hundred years has been stained with the records of more than one foul massacre, but in each case retribution, if not always swift, has been stern and sure.

Twenty years ago, almost to a day, then the scene of a murder grim and great. It was the French population that the rage of the yellow hordes was directed against. The French consul, with his family and guests, was slain amid circumstances of sickening horror. The consulate was fired, as was the eathedral—an act which edifices. Nor was this all. Not the saintly lives and gentle deeds of the six ters of mercy attached to the French mission could save them from an awful fate. The worst feature of the outrages was that the fanatical mob, composed of the scum and sweepings of the city, were instigated and directed by the local madarins. Prompt and vigorous representations secured the arrest, trial and execution of a large number of persons alleged to be concerned in the crimes; but so tortuous are the ways of Chinese officials that there is only too much reason to suppose that the condemned, persons were in very few cases the actual rioters. The date of the massacre was June 21, 1870.

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were in very few cases the actual rioters. The date of the massacre was June 21, 1870.

The nearest parallel to the crime of Peland, in forty years ago. July 15, 1857, saw this orgy of innocent blood. The male portion of the garrison, after having been treacherously murdered after having been treacherously murdered after having been first induced to lay down their arms, the women and children were carried to a building formerly used as an assembly room, where they were kept close prisoners. Nana Sahib having

They Stole Over a Hundred Thousand Dollars in Jewelry and Money.

Havana, Oct. 16.—The police of this ity have cabled to the French authorities that on September 27. two well known and suspicious characters, Jiminez Capote and Hernandez Febles, sails ed for Spain on the same steamer as Mrs. Horatio Rubens, who was robbed of monine read and jewelry valued at more than £20; she do in value, while on a train between 000 in value, while on a train between 000 in value, while on a train between 1000 in value, while on the value of Carlwell on 1000 in value, while on a train between 1000 in value, while on 1000 in value, while o



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