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#### KRUGER AND THE EMPEROR | cials contemplated that Mr. Kruger

The Refusal of the German Ruler to Receive the ex-President of the Transvaal

Has Caused Considerable Surprise France-Anti-British Press in Germany Much Annoyed.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—Emperor William's refusal to receive Mr. Kruger has caused general surprise here. Most of the morning papers make 't an excuse for articles sympathizing with the Boer statesman or condemning the

telegram to Mr. Kruger refusing to receive him continues to be the chief subject of comment in the French press. The afternoon papers strike a press. They say they see in preacher, Dr. Kritinger, in the new preacher, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kritinger, Dr. Kriting his reputation for chivalry. The Temps

"The emperor's wording that he could not receive Mr. Kruger on account of dispositions already taken, is very clear. Every one understands that the emperor, if not actually fulfilling one of the clauses of the recent Anglo-German accord, is inspired by the spirit thereof, in declining to receive Mr. Kruger. Neither the declarations of Count Von Buelow or others have concealed from the eyes of the world that the emperor has veered his policy in favor of England since he sent his famous despatch on the Jameson raid. The emperor has failed to find in Europe the alliance needed to brave England, and his people have refused the credits to build a fleet. The consequence was the emperor threw in his lot with England. This clear but incomprehensible. Mr. Kruger's advisers neither saw nor foresaw anything, and exposed Mr. Kruger to the total check he has just experienced. This, perhaps, is not the first bad advice they gave him, and which explains many things in the

BERLIN, Dec. 3.-The governments curt and decisive intimation that Emperor William would not be able to receive Mr. Kruger has created a profound impresssion throughout Germany. What may be called the anti-British section of the press does not conceal its annoyance, and the moderate Anglophobe organs with difficulty repress the utterances of disappoint-

The inspired journals declare that it was Germany's desire to intimate definitely that Mr. Krugers' visit would not be welcome; and, therefore, the fact that he omitted to comply with the strict etiquette of the German court and deferred asking Emperor William for an audience until he had reached the Helge-German frontier, was eagerly seized as a reason for denying him such an audience. The semi-official Cologne Gazette

puts the matter as follows: "The question as to whether Em peror William would welcome Mr. Kruger's visit must be answered without qualification in the negative. The reason why such a visit just now cannot be welcomed is plain, for Mr. Kruger intends the requested audience not only as a mere act of politeness, but as an occasion for receiving proofs of personal sympathy. Furthermore, he is prosecuting at the same time outspoken aims, and desires to induce the rulers of those states which he has visited to abandon the strict neutrality they have hitherto found reason to maintain in the war between Great Britain and the Transvaal. The maintenance of strict neutrality, however, accords with Germany's interests and it would be a serious politica error if a mere suspicion was created that, at Mr. Kruger's wish, this neutrality would no longer be maintain-

Mr. Kruger's reception at Cologne was exceedingly enthusiastic so far as the citizens were concerned. They had planned a torchlight procession and serenade, but the police forbade both. His despatches to Count Von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, and to the heads of the German states, were left unanswered. There is no doubt that. as late as Saturday, foreign office offi-

would be received in Berlin tomorrow Emperor William and Coun Von Buelow must have reconsidered the original plans. It is suggested that as Mr. Kruger's intention to come to Berlin was mooted while in France, the Kaiser and his advisers may have

suspected a trap. Herr Von Tschirschky, German min-ister to Luxemburg, under Emperor William's instructions, personally thanked Mr. Kruger for the telegram to the Kaiser, and Mr. Kruger, when thanking the envoy, said:
"I invoke God's blessing upon that

august personage." Diplomatists generally regard Mr. Kruger's mission as frustrated, and consider Germany's action of great rolitical importance, as denoting a new era in the relations between Germany

and Great Britain. On the other hand, the government's attitude is certainly condemned by a PARIS, Dec. 3.—Emperor William's large portion of the nation, and there with sentiments strongly favoring the

LONDON, Dec. 4.-"In response to a confidential inquiry as to whether Mr. Kruger would be welcomed here,' says the Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail, "a polite reply was returned to the effect that Emperor Francis Joseph had made other arrangements for the next few weeks."

#### MONTREAL.

City Surveyor's Resignation Accepted-Increase in Immigration.

MONTREAL, Dec. 3.-The city council today accepted the resignation of P. W. St. George, city surveyor, and one of the best municipal engineers on the continent. For some time past he has been hounded by certain members of the road committee, and sent in his resignation as a protest Recently an inquiry was held into his conduct and deportment. No decision as yet has been reached by the inquiry committee, but there was little proved against him. Geo. Janin was appointed superintendent of the water works. Immigration through the port of

crease. The figures are not yet made up. The class of immigrants was also above the average. Louis Rubinstein, president of the Canadian Skating Association, returned from New York today, having made arrangements with the American association, whereby the races of the

February 4 will be made the international championships. In 1902 the international championships will be held in New York.

# FATAL EXPLOSION.

BEVERLY, Mass., Dec. 3.- An explosion of chemicals, the use of which was for spectacular effect in the initiatory rites of the Improved Order of Red Men, cost the life of Past Sachem Ira T. Crockett of Lynn, and severely burned W. F. Rogers of that city, both of the Winnepurket tribe degree staff, tonight. The third, or warriors de-gree, was being worked for Chickatawbut tribe of this city by the degree staff of the Lynn tribe, and the council room in Me-chanics' hall was well filled with Red Men. chanics' hall was well filled with Red Men. The degree staff was in an ante room robing themselves for the work. The explosion occurred there, but the reason for it is not known at present. Past Sachem Crockett and Mr. Rogers were preparing the chemicals at the time the flash came. Crockett's leg was terribly lacerated in the groin and on the right leg, the femoral artery being severed. Rogers was burned on the right arm side. Dr. Voss was immediately called and dressed the injuries, and both men ed and dressed the injuries, and both men were taken to the hospital. Mr. Crockett died about 11.15. Mr. Rogers will recover. Mr. Crocket lived at 25 Sewall street, Lynn, and was married. Mr. Rogers's home is at 41 Suffolk street, same city, and

# PACIFIC CABLE CONTRACT.

LONDON, Dec. 3.-The Pacific Cable company has accepted in behalf of the government of Great Britain, New South Wales. Queensland and New Zealand, the bid of the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Co. to make and lay a cable from Vancquver to Queensland and New Zealand, via Fanning, Fiji and Norfolk islands, for £1,795,000, the work to be finished at the end of 1902.

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#### SOUTH AFRICA

Lord Roberts Has Handed Over the Command to Lord Kitchener

Severe Engagement Between Gen. Kn Column and DeWet's Forces-Boers Repulsed With Heavy Loss-New Zealanders Display Great

LONDON, Dec. 1, (4:30 a. m.) - There

is virtually no fresh news from Sout Africa this morning, but the retire ment of Lord Wolseley, the return of Lord Roberts, and the appointment of Lord Kitchener to the supreme command, occurring as they do sim taneously, are keenly discussed. spite some misgivings, hearty applies generally expressed of Lord Sener's appointment. It is felt the anyone can clear up matters in South Africa, he is the man; and it is readily admitted that the task before him, though of a different kind, is almost as difficult as that which faced Lord Roberts ten months ago, and is calculated to give the fullest scope to all of Kitchener's talents as an organizer. All the editorials dwell with considerable emotion on the nation's debt of gratitude to Lord Roberts, who has "successfully piloted us through one of the darkest hours of our history."

been relieved by a column of troops sent from here. The beleaguering Boers resisted, but were driven off. LONDON, Nov. 30.-The war office announces this evening that Lord Roberts handed over the command of the British troops in South Africa yeaterday to Lord Kitchener. It is also further annouced that the Queen avproves Lord Kitchener's promotion of lieutenant general, with the rank of general while in command in South Africa. A lieutenant general is the next highest rank to a general in the the guerill British army. Lord Kitchener is the continue. youngest lieutenant general in the British army. He was born in 1850,

Montreal this season shows a good inunderstand the motive of an overture duties.
from the military authorities, it will When questioned with regard to the or even J. H. Hofmeyer.

lead up to its proposal by on analysis of the situation in South Africa, and will say:

"We are losing in every way, losing are seeing our South African possessions plunged into greater and greater distress; and the opinion is gaining ground abroad that we are incapable of bringing the struggle to a satisfactory termination."

Military incompetence will be alleged, and the Statist will aver that military harshness should be avoided, and the Boers be conciliated.

"If men like Botha and De Wet vol untarily surrender and bind themselves not to act against us in the future," the Statist will say, "is there any good reason why a promise should not be given not to send them out of the country? J. B. Robinson suggests that Botha and De Wet should be invited to take seats in the legislative council that will be established. The suggestion is worthy of approval. The Boers should not be excluded, even from the beginning, from anything which can safely be given them.

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 30.-In the course of his address to the refugees committee on Tuesday Sir Alfred Milner admitted that there had been a general miscalculation as to the time when peace would be restored. Guerilla operations, intended to inflict the maximum of injuries upon the victors were causing delay, and he finally pointed out that those fit and willing to render military service could hasten their own return and that of the other refugees by joining the voluncers in the field.

WOODSTOCK, Nov. 29. - John Hughes of this town received yesterday a letter from his son, Robert, who has passed through a very serious illness from fever in South Africa. He had a severe attack at Kimberley, recovered from that and had a relapse, from which he recovered only by careful nursing and attendance. He wrote last under date of Oct. 29th, and was then at Capetown, and expected to be sent with a batch of invalided soldiers to England in the course of a few days. He hopes to get home to Wood-

stock by Christmas.. People of this county are rejoiced to hear that "E" battery, in which is comprised the Woodstock quota under Capt. Good, is to leave Capt Town for Halifax on the 1st of December. So far not a man of the quota is missing. Bremer, who was taken ill soon after his arirval at the Cape, came home about a month or so ago. Hughes will probably arrive at Christmas, and the whole quota, it is hoped, will be ready for a vacation the first week in January. They will have been away about a year. Recruiting began in Christmas week, and the boys left Wood-

Whelpley's Long Reach stock on January 15th. Already the town people are begin-

n progress between General Knox and leneral De Wet near Rouxville, in the southeastern extremity of the Orange River Colony, and that the capture of General De Wet is considered immin-

spatch from General Kitchener in his capacity of commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, dated Bloemfontein, Nov. 30, confirms the eports of fighting between General Pilcher and General De Wet, as cabled Nov. 29, and adds the latest reports regarding General Knox being in touch with General De Wet's

force.

General Kitchener also reports that Gen. Paget was fighting Nov. 28 and 29 with Viljoen and Erasmus commands, and that he drove the Boers out of a position in the vicinity of Reit-

The British casualties were heavy.

engaged a contingent from Haaseboek's commando southwestward of this town, with the result that thirtyfive Boers are reported to have been killed or wounded.

had inspected Majuba and Laing's Nek while en route.

Replying to an address from the townspeople here, he expressed his ad- South Africa, which affords the edimiration of the gallant defense of the town, which he characterized as a for dilating on the solidity and splen-VRYBURG, Cape Colony, Nov. 30.— The garrison of Schweizer-Reueke has "glorious memorial of British pluck dor of the British empire. and endurance, only equalled by the

He said he trusted the day was not far distant when peace would reign supreme and "without ill-feeling toward a conquered foe."

Lord Roberts-has visited Colenso and
the surrounding battlefields.

HEIDELBERG, Thursday, Nov. 29. -Lord Roberts, journeying toward Durban, stopped here today. He made a speech to the wolunteers, in the course of which he said he trusted the guerilla warfare would not long

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 2.-Winston Spencer Churchill, who is a passenger LONDON, Nov. 30.— Tomorrow the on the Cunard line steamship Lucania, Statist will propose that the govern- which left Liverpool yesterday for New ment should begin negotiations with York, said in the course of an inter-Commandant General Botha and Geneview here that his sojourn in the eral De Wet to bring the war to a United States would be short, as he close. As the Boer leaders might mis- must hurry back to his parliamentary

suggest that the highest civil authorized war in South Africa, he said he agreed ity in South Africa should begin the with Lord Roberts that 20,000 more negotiations, if not Sir Alfred Milner, regulars should be sent out, because any slackening would only revive the spirits of the Boers. He estimated would remain. When the men heard Canadian association held here on then the chief justice of Cape Colony, any slackening would only revive the This great financial journal will the Boer forces at present as about

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 2.—Replying at

in prestige and losing in trade. We of the Afrikander bund, J. X. Marriman, former treasurer of Cape Colony, in the course of an impassioned speech denounced the war in South Africa as "one of the blackest spots in British annals." The present methods of British warfare, he said, were such as encouraged the worst elements on both sides and were bound to prove fatal to the ultimate peace of the country. He declared that neither he nor J. W. Sauer, former commisssioner of public works, would attend the Worcester congress lest It should be said that the congress was engineered by politicians, and he appealed to all Afrikanders to speak boldly when upholding their rights and yet to "avoid wild language or actions which might lead to the abrega

tion of the last vestige of freedom:" Mr. Sauer, whose speech was rather more militant, demanded the removal of Sir Alfred Milner, whom he described as "violently anti-Dutch." He declared that if Great Britain deprived the two republics of their independence she would lose the affection of all

South Africans. Referring to the Worcester congress he urged the delegates to show firm-

# BRITAIN'S PARLIAMENT.

# Mr. Gully Re-elected Speaker - Queen's and others, for which the Prince of Speech Will be Read Thursday.

LONDON, Dec. 3.-The opening of the fifteenth parliament of Queen Victoria occurred at 2 o'clock this afternoon. It was a formal affair, and of little public interest. A small crowd assembled to see the Beef Eaters, who carried out the usual search for possible conspirators in the vaults beneath the houses of parliament. There was likewise the usual competition of zealous members of parliament to be first on the scene, and J. C. MacDonald, conservative member for the Rotherhithe division of Southwark, easily secured the choice of seats, arriving in the house at midnight.

Although the only business before the house was the election of a speaker, the attendance of members was good, in spite of the absence of the Irish members. The leaders were cordially welcomed by their supporters. General Sir Michael Biddulph, the gentleman usher of the Black Rod, summoned the members to the upper house to hear the reading of the Queen's commission directing the election of a speaker. This did not occupy any kingth of time, as there was no opposition to the re election of William Court Gully for a third term. Congratulatory

speeches followed. Tuesday and Wednesday will be

#### LONDON CABLE.

The Arrival of the Royal Canadian Regiment in England the Feature of the Week

The Meeting of the Queen and Her Canadian Soldiers Described as Truly Pathetic-Beer Drinkers Receive a Shock.

LONDON, Dec. 1 .- A curious medley of topics has been engaging the attention of Great Britain this week the news kaleidescope opening with Mr. Krugers' doings and sayings. These are still retailed fully and seem to held Colonel Lloyd and five other officers were wounded, five men were killed, and fifty were wounded.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Dec. 1.—A patrol of fourteen South African constabulary during the night of November 28 meated with arsenic. The poisening epidemic at Manchester, which has resulted there, has sent a shock through the nation. Then De Wet came out of a period of seclusion and scored a victory at Dewetdorp that has set the LADYSMITH, Natal, Dec. 3.-Lord people windering whether the British Roberts, who arrived here on Friday, army is of any good at all. The only redeeming feature of the week, from the British point of view, is the return of the Royal Canadian Regiment from torial writers a glorious opportunity

How truly pathetic was the meeting determination and bravery of the re- of the Queen and her Canadian soldiers seems to have escaped the English papers. Sitting in a carriage the Queen watched intently the men as they marched by within a few feet of her, and she commenced her speech in brave tones. It was only a few words. But, before it was finished, tears rolled down her majesty's face and her voice broke, and at the end it was almost a sob. It is not astonishing, therefore, that when Col. Otter replied it was in frembling tones, and not one of the men whom he had led into nearly fifty engagements felt ashamed of the grizzled colonel because his cheek was wet with tears.

The reason why only three companies of the Canadians came back to England is that, shortly before the end of the year for which the Canadians had volunteered expired, Col. Otter communicated with Lord Roberts, notifying him of the fact. The commander in chief said he would much like the regiment to remain longer, and

asked Col. Otter to sound the men. The colonel asked the officers who without consulting the men, entitusiconsulted, and in unmeasured terms Stellenbosch, Cape Colony, to an address presented to him by the leaders wished to return in the stipulated time. Lord Roberts wrote a letter informed the authorities that they practically begging them to stay a little longer. But the regiment being split up in various parts of the country, and the decision having been made, they voted to go direct to Canada with the exception of A and B

> I Company, being composed of regu lars, was obliged to remain, and A and B were stationed at headquarters. As a reward for staying in South Africa, Lord Roberts enabled A. B and I companies to partake in the Pretoria celebrations, and sent them home by way of England, only a month later than their comrades. The disintegration of the regiment at such a period caused the keenest regrets and heartburnings. There is a persistent rumor that the mysterious new yacht building at the Hendersons' is for the Prince of Wales, It is learned, however, in spite of Lord Lorsdale's denial, that it is more probably the order of Emperor William of Germany. Whichever it is of these royalties, it can be said that the Prince of Wales will be on board the new craft when she sails in the Shamrock II.'s trial races on the Clyde. In these trials the new Shamrock will have as trial horses not only this new royal yacht and the old Shamrook, but also the Sybarite in addition. There will be a great race off Cowes between these yachts, and perhaps the Meteor Wales or Emperor William is giving a cup. The Prince of Wales is taking the keenest interest in the new challenger. He inten is to personally test her sailing qualities before she crosse

the Atlantic. The new yacht being built at the Hendersons', the identity of whose owner is so closely concealed, is chiefly interesting from the fact that the instructions given to Geo. L. Watson were to design her in such a manner as to make her the most useful trial boat for Shamrock II. The real object of Sir Thomas Lipton's recent visit to the Hendersons was to compare her cup challenger, which is building at

Deany's,
The Field comments good naturedly but rather fearsomely on the changes which may occur in golf now America has taken it up with such vigor. It traces the spread of the game in the north and south of Great Britain, and dilates on the present supremacy of the southerner. Continuing, the Field somewhat sorrowfully notes the invasion of the "bogey" score, handicap-ping and medals for prizes, saying:

"A single or a foursome in its pris-tine simplicity no longer gives general content. The future of the game, now America has taken it up so warmly, is likely to witness some new and strange developments."

A public analyst suggested that the mystery in the Maybrick case might have been solved had the facts now made rublic in regard to arsenic in beer been known at the time of the

#### STOCK BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Nov. 29.—The meetings of the Live Stock association today were well attended. At the forenoon session Mr. Raynor of Rosehall, Ontario, made an excellent address on feeds and feeding, and at the afternoon session Professor Robertson of Napan and Hon. John Dryden delivered able addresses on matters pertaining to stock raising and feeding. Tonight a public meeting was held in Kindergarten hall, at which addresses were given by Premier Farquharson, Hon. Mr. Dryden

and others. The association has elected the following officers for the current year: President, E. B. Elderkin, Amherst; vice-presidents, Nova Scotia: C. A. Archibald, Truro; New Brunswick: Col. Campbell, Sussex; Prince Edward Island: F. L. Haszard, Charlottetown; directors for Nova Scotia, Fred S. Black, Amherst; F. Fuller, Truro; W. W. Black, Amherst; directors for New Brunswick, Bliss Fawcett, Sackville; M. H. Parlee, Sussex; John F. Frost, Hampton; directors for Prince Ed-ward Island, E. R. Brown, Charlottetown; J. W. Callbek, Augustin Cove; Senator Ferguson, Marshfield; auditing committee, R. Robertson, Nappan; R. W. Starr, Starr's Point; representatives to the fair board from Prince Edward Island, John Richards, Bideford; Walter Simpson, Bay View; from New Brunswick, Col. Campbell, Sussex; J. Gilchrist, St. John; from Nova Scotia, Frank Dickie, Canard: Stanley Logan, Amherst.

#### QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

MONTREAL, Dec. 3.-Four more liberals have been elected to the Que bec legislature. In Argentuile county umbrage at not being Matthew Strong, conservative, retired, leaving W. H. Weir, Q. C., unopposed. In Shefford the conservative candidate has withdrawn, and Dr. De Grosbois, liberal, has been declared elected. In Richelieu, Rochileau, independent liberal, has withdrawn in favor of Manrice De Nault, straight liberal. Mr. Normand, the conservative in Three Rivers, has resigned his candidature. electing Cook, liberal, by acclamation.

# ACCIDENT OF THE G. T. Re

NORWAY, Me., Dec. 3.—A rear end colligion between two freight trains on the Grand Trunk road just above Gilead, early this morning, resulted in the serious injury of one man, and considerable damage to rolling stock. A long double and east-bound freight train was standing on the main track near Wild River about 2 o'clock this morning, when another east-bound freight came down and plunged into it, throwing the caboose down the bank and smashing a cattle car that was next above it. Fortunately the caboose was empty and was thrown some distance from the train, for it almost immediately caught fire from the stove and was completely burned.

A man named McGuire was in the cattle car, which was also filled with live stock, and was badly hurt. The engineer and fire-NORWAY, Me., Dec. 3 .- A rear end coland was badly hurt. The engineer and fire-man of the down train escaped without in-

# PENNY POSTAGE EXTENDED.

TORNTO, Dec. 3.—The Star's special cable from London says: The imperial government on Saturday extended; the Imperial penny postage rate to the newly acquired British territory in South Africa, formerly the Orange Free State and South African Republic. Under this arrangement letters from Canada and other parts of the Empire to this new British territory will go at the penny rate.

# DEATH OF AN M. P. P.

Mr. Leger One of the Members for Kent Passes Away.

MONCTON, Dec. 3.—Peter H. Leger, representing Kent in provincial legislature, died this morning at his home, Grand Digue, in his 43rd year. Death lines with those of the new America's was due to inflammation of the lungs.

