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Graphic Account of Their Engagement With the Boers at Sunnyside.

Instance of Boer Treachery-The Enemy Completely Surprised.

Documents Discovered Proving That Cape Colony Farmers Are in Rebellion.

The Eastern press contains some excellent descriptions of the Sunnyside fight in which the Canadian troops were for the first time in this campaign under fire. Mr. Richmond Smith contributes to the Montreal Star a lengthy

the position occupied by the enemy kopje opposite. while the Australians made their way company of Munster Fusiliers under up the rage in half companies extended Lieut, Ryan acted as scouts. A junc- to the right and left with the Maxims tion of the force was effected at the in the centre, and opened are on the northern end of the kopje, where a enemy at eleven hundred yards. Afshort halt was made while Col. Pilcher ter occupying this position for about and the officers commanding under him mounted a high plateau at the end of the kenia from which the kopje from which position the kopje occupied by the enemy was plainly vis-ible over the rising ground ahead. The column then advanced through low scrub to the foot of a gentle slope lead the while the gums were sending shells

the company of Munster Fusiliers on About 12 o'clock Major de Rougemont

above stated. Col. Pilcher

Explained His Plan of Attack.

to draw fire from the enemy's position were not to approach nearer than eighteen hundred yards. The two com-Royal Horse Artillery under Major de Major de Rougemont ougement and the Canadian Maxims under Capt, Bell, escorted by "C" comof the Royal Canadians under by the company of the Munster Fusiliers under Lieut. Ryan to engage the enemy and the right front, two parties of scouts from the Queensland Mounted Infantry were sent out to the left around the kopto reconnoitre the enemy's psoition. One party of four mounted men under Lieut. Gordon advanced due north towards the kopje occupied by the enemy and another party under Lieut. Adie made and another party under Lieut, Adie made a long detour to the north and east around the kopje where the enemy's osition was. The scouts under Lieut. Gordon had only advanced about a mile

and a half when they sighted A Patrol of the Enemy mounted, and at once retired back to the main body and reported. The other party of scouts, under Lieut, Adie, had advanced after a long detour close to the north side of the kopje occupied by the enemy, when four mounted men appeared twenty-five yards in front of them emerging from a growth of low scrub trees at the foot of the kopie. with him to dismount, and advanced in-

Jones was shot and killed.

Adie running after him on foot covered with blood, and behind him Private Butler. Rose turned back and succeeded in catching Butler's horse, which had bolted when the firing began. He assisted Adie to mount, and was waiting for Butler to come up and ride double with him when he was shot in the leg and his horse killed. He and Butler escaped on foot, and about two miles away came across Lieut.' Adie, who had dropped from his horse from loss of blood.

The Artillery Attack.

About the time this little incident occurred, the troops under Major de Rougemont with the guns had advanced along the right front of the enemy under cover of the plateau, about three and a half miles, until they were just about opposite the enemy's langer at the eastern extremity of the kopje. They then advancd to the front ever the ridge of the plateau under cover of a rock ridge, which prevented their being seen from company of the Queensanders on the lowing extracts are taken:

"After leaving camp the column went out the Douglas road and arrived at a ravine. The Munster Fusiliers, under the near the last stand on the high which prevented their being seen from Cook's farm house at 8 o'clock Sunday Lient Ryan, continued advancing and part of the kopie at its eastern exevening, a distance of some twenty-three occupied a large kopie about eight hundred the meantime the hadron miles, when the force bivouncked for dred yards to the right of the position of "C" company of the Canadians of the night. Before retiring, Col. Pilcher taken by the guns, which were support vince! in two lines across the clen intimated to the officers that it would ed by "C" company of the Royal Cana, space in front of the enemy's main pobe wise to move on early in the morn- dians. The guns were quickly unlimber- strion to the laager. ing and suggested that reveile should ed and trained on the enemy's laager. be sounded at 2 a.m. Col. Ricardo in The practice was splendid, the first shell, command of the Queenslanders explain which was fired about 11 o'clock, landing ed that it would be impossible for him immediately in the centre of the laager to have his horses watered in time for among the tents. The enemy were taken so early a start. Reveille was fixed for completely by surprise while preparing 3:45, and the start was made at 5:45. breakfast. Immediately they bolted up white flags and surrendered. As the The Royal Horse Artillery under Major the sides of the kopje under a hot fire Queens anders advanced to take them re Rougement, the Canadian Maxims from the guns, Maxims and the Canaunder Capt. Bell, the Australian Max- dian infantry. Major de Rougemont ims under Captain Pelham, the trans- then ordered Capt. Barker to advance McLeod of "B" company, making the port wagons and "C" Company of the with the two Canadian Maxims to a Royal Canadians, under Captain Bar- small rocky ridge about eight hundred ker, marched out from Cook's farm and fifty yards to the left front. This house and around a large kopje to the advance was made in splendid style unleft of the route from Cook's farm to der a hot fire from the enemy on the

The Canadians Advanced about one hundred and twenty yards in order to prevent them advancing and occupying the face of the ridge. Al! ing to a plateau in front of the Boer among the enemy on the kopies. The position. This was about nine miles practice was so good and the ranges so from Cook's farm house. Here the well ascertained that it was only with column was again halted. The column coasiderable difficulty that Capt. Barwas then drawn up with the Queens- ker could prevent his men on the ridge

the right. The two companies of the left the guns in charge of Lieut. At-Cornwalls, which had not arrived when kinson, came across the open to the for a considerable time before advancthe column left Cook's farm early in ridge occupied by the Canadians, and ing to extend the firing line of "B" comthe morning, were ordered to remain ordered one section, under Lieut. Tem- pany on the kopjes above to the right. there until they received further orders. ple, to retire with him back on the guns, From this point he had a splend of dust stained and weary colonials streams open. When it is desired to After the column had been drawn up as which had been left entirely unprotect of the firing line of the Australians on marched in. It was a wonderful sight! wash the earth being taken out the mined, Lieut. Ryan, and the small com- the left front and of the guns on the The column was over a mile and a half ers melt snow to get water for use in pany of the Munster Fusiliers, having right front. After the enemy ceased in length, and in the centre were forty-advanced under cover to a kopie about firing "A" company of the Queens-one hang-dog looking rebel prisoners es- In regard to The information he had received from eight hundred yards to the right flank, landers advanced along the foot of the Cornwal's with loaded Manager Featherstone, who has been in the guides was that the enemy's laager from where they worked forward to a kopie to the laager and the guns were was at the eastern extremity of a large long dongs some twe've hundred yards brought over from the plateau opposite, kopje, about three and a half miles in front of the larger, where they left north. As to the disposition and strength of the enemy he had practic- foot to a small dam about one thousand.

The Engagement Was Over, ally no information. He proposed to yards from the larger and under cover and the enemy's position completely in send the company of Munster Fusiliers of the dam wall opened fire on some of our hands. Had our force been a little out as scouts, making a considerable de- the enemy who had advanced from the larger, none of the enemy would have tour to the east along the enemy's front. laager about three hundred yards and been able to escape, for when the guns Following them he proposed to send the two field guns of the Royal Horse Artillery, the two Canadian Maxims under an escort of "C" company of the Royal Camadian Maxims under an escort of "C" company of the Royal Camadian Maxims under the guns apparently unprotected on the guns apparently unprote Canadians as a reconnaissance in force mont to order a section of "C" Company brought back around the north side of in front. He warned them that they escort. After Major de Rougemont had smallness of our force prevented us have panies of Quenslanders were to remain Capt. Bell was left in charge of the fir- mandant, John Sweize, came down the as a reserve, and when the disposition ing line of the Canadians on the low eastern end of the kopie and got away and strength of the enemy was ascer- rocky ridge. A desultory fire was kept on their horses to the northeast. Those Belmont on the following day Col. Pitained by the fire from the guns on the up until about 1 o'clock, when "B" Comfront, they were to advance around the pary of the Royal Canadians had ad- horses, as none were found after the enwestern end of the kopje and cut off vanced to engage the enemy on the right gagement, and had they been there the the retreat of the enemy on that side. front, Col. Pilcher and his staff, com-major portion of those captured could in their houses until he returned. This The troops which advanced with the posed of Major Bayley, chief staff of easily have gotten away. guns on the enemy's front were warned, ficer, and Major Denison, camp quarterhowever, that the movement of the master, remained with the two compan Queenslanders would be largely depend- ies of Queensland Infantry, at the startent upon information received from ing point, awaiting the return of the them as to the disposition and strength mounted patrols sent out to the left of the enemy. As the two guns of the around the kopjes. The guns under

Had Engaged the Enemy before the Australians were ordered to overcome. A party of the Queensland-Capt. Barker, moved forward, preceded advance. Under command of Col. Ric- ers went out early in the morning from ardo "A" company moved forward due Faber's Farm to the spot where Private north in extended order from the base Jones's body lay, and buried it close to \$196,017,356 for the seven months of the spot where he fell. Before leaving last year or investment of the seven months of advanced a short time later as supports the larger at 6 o'clock the Canadians advanced a short time later as supports the larger at 6 o'clock the Canadians The imports increased by \$18,375,957, in extended order to the left over the and Munster Fusiliers burned the langer. ridges. When "A" company had ad- including four large buck wagons, vanced about a mile and a quarter from twenty-six tents taken from the British the base where the transport wagons troops somewhere, some five thousand were, they left their horses behind a long rounds of Martini-Henry and Mauser narrow sidge and "B" company which ammunition, a lot of Martini rifles and was a little behind and upon the left a large quantity of other truck. The flank on the higher ground, also eft who'e force at the laager then marched their horses behind the same ridge. company advanced on foot over the last low ridge and took up their position behind two little kopjes. The from Cook's Farm. two Maxim guns of the Queenslanders were brought over the ridge and placed in position between the big kopje and the first little kopie when Col. Pilcher and his staff watched the engagement, from Cape Colony and consequently Me intime "B" company of the Australthe advanced slowly along the top of konfe in mony places having to sling their rifles and clamber up its steep

ides. As they advanced they Drove the Enemy Before Them. Adie ordered the four privates When the two companies of the Austraon the four men, ordering them to lay them, one section of "C" company of the wn their arms. Almost at the same Canadians under Lient. Wilkie was orment twelve more of the enemy were dered to advance about five hundred en running down the side of the rards to a small ridge to the right of

immediately opened fire, and at the first of the Queens anders to support them

shoulder as he was mounting his horse, from behind the two little kepies, and which was also shot and killed. Private took up a position in front of the little kopjes, and their two Maxims were also Private Hermann succeeded in mounting his horse and got away unhurt. Prities time "B" company of the Australia vate Rose also managed to get away. and had advanced well along the top of When about a mile distant from the the kopies under a heavy fire and were place he looked back and saw Lieut. Slowly driving the enemy to his last stand on the highest point of the kopje where the Australian horses were tethtop of the ridge of kopjes from where across the open to the small kopje first occupied by the section under Lieut. Wilkie, and from there they made their way to the position occupied by the

Queenslanders under Col. Ricardo in front of the two little kopjes. The Maxims under Capt. Bell mained on the low ridge on the enemy's right front and kept up a flanking the on the kopics opposite. Under Colonel Ricardo, "A" company of the Queensanders advanced under cover of the kepjes tralenging the firing line of "B"

MORE BOER TREACHERY.

Just as the sections of the Canalians under Lieut. Wilkie reached the bring line of "B" company of the Queenslanders on the kopjes the enemy hoisted two prisoners, a shot from the enemy while the white flags were up killed Private second death during the engagement. It was exactly three o'clock when the enemy gave up the struggle and surrendered, some forty of them being taken prisoners by the Queenslanders While the enemy was being driven to his last stand, Capt. Bell brought the two Canadian Maxims down the face of the low ridge to the right front of the enemy's position and advanced with great difficulty across the front of the enemy's position to the dam where the Munsters, were, in order to assist in cutting off the enemy should they attempt to escape from the eastern end of the kopje on the extreme right flank of the position. On the arrival of the Maxims at the dam, the Munsters, under Lieut, Ryan, accompanied by the Maxims, advanced towards the laager supporting the advance of "C" company of the Canadians under Capt. Barker. In the meantime, the Australians after taking the enemy's position on the kopje advanced into the laager, where they were immediately joined by the Canadians under occupied a position on the small kopie behind which "A" company remained

of the Canadians to retire and act as the kopje to its eastern end, where the retired back to the guns with section of ling a firing line, and that those of the "C" Company under Lieut. Temple, enemy who escaped, including the comwho were captured apparently had no

Burying the Dead.

On the following morning, Tuesday Private McLeod was buried close to the enemy's laager, the funeral service being conducted by Major Bayley. This sad little ceremony so affected the Canadians who attended it that several of them had to fall out of the ranks completely around the kopje to Faber's Farm, where they handed the prisoners over to the Cornwalls, who had just arrived

Among the affects discovered in the enemy's laager was a quantity of documents which showed that practically their force was made up of farmers

British Subjects and Rebels.

Speaking to the prisoners after the endeclared war against Great Britain, but men. It is reacted the places indicated to for British subjects who were in open rebellion against their Queen he had nothing but contempt. He informed them that they would not be treated as prisoners of war, but dealt with as

konie. The four at the foot of the kopie the position occupied by "A" company rebes. Another march of seven miles brought changed between London and Berlin.

volley Lieut. Adie was wounded in two and infilade the enemy on the kopies to the column to a high hill, overlooking volley Lieut. Adie was wounded in two and infilade the enemy on the kopies to the column to a high hill, overlooking places. One bullet went through the left. Shortly after 2 o'clock "A" the town of Lioughes, eight hundred abdomen and another through the left campany of the Australians moved out yards distant in a small ravine on the banks of the Vaai River.

> Welcomed by Loyalists. Here the column halted, as Col. I'ilcher had received amormation to the elfect that the town was occupied by a small force of the enemy. The guns were unlimbered and a half company of the Queenslanders sent on into the town at its eastern extremity. Lieut, Wilkie as scouts. As the scouts advanced down was ordered to retire behind the ridge the hill into the town the enemy were seen galloping away at the other end ered and, by making a detour, gain the across the river. The column then advanced down the hill into the town. The they were to advance in support of loyal inhabitants who remained turned company of the Australians. In out en masse to greet the troops. The the meantime Major de Rougement ad- Union Jack was quickly run up on the vanced with the rest of the Canadians flagstaff in front of the Court House, from the low ridge which they had oc- and as the columns advanced the towns cupied from the time the firing started people cheered for the Queen and the droops, waving small Union Jack and showing their delight in an unmistakable manner. After the town had been invested, Co. Pilcher called the townspeople together in the square in front of the church and informed them that

Completely Sacking the Town. He assured the people that they would be given safe conduct to Belmont, and any part of the colony they desired to in the afternoon when the troops enter-House. A considerable quantity of dy ting one up. namite was also discovered and des- J. C. Dillow, who had arrived at Skagtroyed during the afternoon. The column remained in Donglas all night, the Canadians being sent out as pickets on the high ground to the left of the town. It was about 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning when the column started from Douglas on its return. On the representations of a considerable number of the inhabitants who had a large stake in the prisoners by the enemy, Col. Pilcher a measure to amend the Atlin laws.

consented to alter his decision to sack The Return to Belmont. On Thursday evening Col. Pilcher received information from Modder River that a force of eight hundred Boers were on their way south to intercept the column on its march back to Belmont. While the position occupied by the column at Cook's Farm could have been held against a most any reasonable force of the enemy, it would have been impossible to properly gnard and protect the large number of horses of the mounted troops. This consideration induced Col. Pilcher to make a start at once for the camp at Belmont. At 10 o'clock having marched twenty-three miles at Buchan, which had moved out from camp early in the morning to act as supports to the column if necessary.

There was tremendous excitement in

of communication Praise for Col. Pilcher. Thus ended one of the most successful econnaissances which has been attempted since the war began, carried out Belmont, Col. Pilcher, more than to anyone else. In the first place, the .pproach into the Herbert district was skillfully planned with a view to surprising the enemy. The feint on Satur- The shaft is down 35 feet. It is expectday last prevented information being | ed by them to know something of the taken to the rebels by spies in and extent and worth of the ore bodies in about the camp. On the march out from a few days. The out-croppings were excher wisely stopped all traffic on the \$700 in free milling rock. natives under pain of death to remain Lake Aflin promise well. Messrs. Benaiso was a wise precaution, and prevent-

CANAAD'S TRADE.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The statement of Canada's trade for the seven months ending Jan. 31st last, published to-day, the danger of mushing along the railshows the country in a prosperous condition. The total aggregate trade of he had from being run down by the Canada was \$227,653,832, compared with train. last year, or an increase of \$31,636,476. and the exports by \$13,261,519. was an increase in duty of \$2,668,612. For the month of January alone it increased by over half a million dollars.

> YAQUIS CAPTURED ---

Mazinalo, Mexico, Feb. 16.-The Mexcan gunboat Oazaca has arrived here from the mouth of Guayamas river with over 600. Yaqui Indian prisoners on oard. They were secured in the battle fought three weeks ago. The prisoners will be taken to Guadaalajara and there distributed to various interior cities. They will be kept in serveillance for a few years until they have become ledugagement, Col. Pilcher referred to this cated in the habits of Mexican people. were fighting for their country, and had quired knowledge to their fellow tribes-

> SAMOAN TREATY. (Associated Press.) London, Feb. 16.—The formal ratificaion of the Samoan treaty has been ex-

Atlin's Placers

Steamer Dirigo Brings News from the British Columbia Gold-

The Copper Properties at White Horse Proving Very Rich.

Steamer Dirigo called unexpectedly at the outer wharf early yesterday morning, and landed about a dozen northerners, including several members of the Northwest Mounted Police, who have come out to endeavor to secure places in Strathcona's Horse, Messrs. Sargent and Hibbard, clothing traders of Dawson, and one or two arrivals from Atlin.

Speaking of affairs in the Atin district, A. D. Bannerman, the merchant go to, and that the British government at Discovery on Pine Creek, arrived at would indemnity them for the loss of Skagway on February 4th, having made their property. It was about 2 o'clock the trip out with a dog team in twenty Skagway on February 4th, having made hours, says that while the Atlin district ed the town. During the afternoon a is quiet now, a number of placer claims large quantity of the enemy's ammuni- are being worked and during the summer fion, something like ten thousand rounds of Martini-Henry and Manser, was Two stamp mills are going up, and there found in a small building, where it was will be more next year. Lord Hamilstored. It was taken out and destroyed ton's London Atlin Mining Co. is putting by fire in the yard in front of the Court one in, and another company is also put-

> way from the British Columbia placers before the Dinigo sailed southward, says the people of Atlin are much disappointed because no legislation has been introduced to amend the laws governing that camp, as British capital is no more anxi-

ous to invest there than American. This will no doubt, though, be changed town, and were consequently willing to when it is learned in the northern dis-remain and take chances of being taken trict that the government is introducing trict that the government is introducing

magnificent hydraulic propositions in list of those missing in the north. The the Atlin country, but only two or three companies are going in now. The placers mining expert, who left early in January that are being worked through the win- to visit the White Horse mines, and noter by drifting are not proving phenom- thing was heard of him after leaving enal, but there are several that can be Skagway. mentioned as paying fairly well. Nearly all the drifting that is being done is by the owners of the property, in fact it is the Dirigo tell of numbers of intrepid the case on all claims with the exception of one, and the man who is working trail to Cape Nome. The distance from that one is working another man's claim without authority, and is hiring others that he may get through quickly with the illegitimate venture. No strikes have been made in drifting on Pine, except that evening the column started out on one claim below discovery, where \$5 its return, marched all night picking up the Cornwalls with the prisoners at Richmond Flatter and the claim of the claim. Richmond Farm, and arrived at Bel- or its owner. On Willow Creek, Churchmont about 9 o'clock on Friday morning, hill and Milligan are taking out \$20 to having marched twenty-three miles at the man per day. Their claim is 100 night in a little over ten hours. As the feet from Pine Creek. On Spruce Creek land Mounted Infantry on the left, the two guns of the Royal Horse Artillery effect of the shells as they landed and and the Maxims in the centre, and "C" burst on the kopies opposite among the company of the Royal Canadians and enemy.

Infantry on the left, the from rising up from cover to see the Capt Barker. Co. Pilcher and his staff advanced with "A" company of the was met by to \$5 per day. On McKee Creek, old Queenslanders under Col. Ricardo, and a force composed of "A" and "H" company of the Royal Canadians and enemy.

wages. "Thirty cents per hour is the prevailing rate of wages on the creeks. Earth being taken out is thrown on dumps to camp at Belmont when the long column be washed out in the spring after the

In regard to the quartz properties, rifles and fixed bayonets. The prisoners charge of the development work on the will appear before General Wood, who Anaconda and Florman groups on the has succeeded Col. Miles in command waterfront of Atlin Lake, Just a little of the troops on this section of the lines to the south of Atlin city, has quit work on these properties. It is not known whether the work will be resumed, for the ore is said to be of a low grade. However, Mr. Featherstone is prosecuting development work on

The Quartz Properties

crossing Pine Creek, and which Lord Hamilton has bonded from Messrs, Clay & Watts for \$40,000 a claim. The workers are sinking a shaft and cross-cutting but. Forty-three Singhalese share with the hopes of ascertaining whether for not the properties will pinch out. ceedingly rich, running from \$600 to

Copper ledges at the southern end of nerman, Palmer, McCroskie and Ruperter, have claims of copper there of the naed information being taken to the rebels. | ture of black oxide. The ledges are twenty to thirty feet wide, and have been traced two or three miles, and have yielded samples running as high as \$32

to the ton. Mr. Dillow came from Atlin to the salt water in three days, and reported no difficulty in making the trip. He told of way track, instancing a narrow escape

A. P. Benton and J. W. Forrest, who have arrived at Skagway from the copper properties at White Horse, are sughave been located in

The White Horse Country,

the British American Company, and the company of which these two are members are the only ones doing development work. But next summer, they say, many cencerns will be at work and the camp will ham. White Horse will be a big mining centre.

Benton has been mining for years in California, Arizona, the Black Hills, Central America and elsewhere, and he says he has seen nothing in copper ore to beat that of the Puebla mine at White Horse, owned by the B. A. Co., owners incriminating evidence, and said he had when they will be allowed to return to of the Le Roi. According to expert esthe utmost respect for the Boers, who their tribe and impart their newly-actimate, there is 150,000 tons of solid ore in sight at the Puebla mine. The sur-face rock of the Puebla goes \$57 to the ton in copper and something in gold, and it is understood that from the shaft they have taken ore which assays \$100 to the ton in copper. The ore body there is 200 feet wide and solld.

"The properties of which I am part Portuguese ports have been declared free owner," says Benton, "are a short dis-

tance from the Yukon, and just a little way from White Horse. We have worked on two claims, the Anaconda and Rabbit's Foot. We located the preser ty last July, and have been developing it ever since. With our partners, Ohe Dickson, W. A. Puckett and Charles Ward, we have tunnelled in 65 feet the Anaconda. We hope to strike the vein on going a little deeper, and according to indications we have hopes to find the ledge rich. The Anaconda and the Rabbit's Foot are on the same lead. The vein is twelve feet wide and the ore from either property assays from 20 to 65 per cent. in copper and \$36 in gold to the ton. The ore is of solid baronite and peacock variety, and next in value to native copper. We have begun to sink a shaft on the Rabbit's Foot, and so far have found the ore body solid.

"The surface of the Rabbit's Foot pears to be a solid body of ore, and I believe if it were stripped one bundred men could be employed taking out the solid ore from one claim. The ledge on which these two claims are located is traceable twe've miles. Yet this is but one of the leads of the district. We could have sold last year to two or three big concerns, but prefer to develop our-selves, feeling confident we have exceed-

ingly rich properties." A man named McAllister was

Killed at the Summit on Monday last by falling down an em bankment of snow and striking his head against a passing train. He was temployed by the railway company. Seeing a train approaching while he was it snowshed, he climbed up the steep bank of snow near the mouth of the shed. He had nothing but a shovel to steady himself, and the shock of the train protect him to loose his footing. An Inquest was being held at the Summit the day the

Dirigo sailed. The head of the Crow chiefs of the Chilcat tribe, George Shortridge, will give one of the largest potlatches seen in the far north since 1883 in his big hut at Kluckwan in August. Over two thousand Indians from the northern tribes are

to be invited to attend. No further news is given of

The Four Missing Men.

Mr. Dillow says: "There are some and now another name is added to the latest to disappear is J. E. Fulton, a

> Copies of the Dawson Daily News brought by the arrivals from Dawson on characters who are hurrying over the Dawson to the new gold fields is 1,300 miles, or 1,100 by the Kaltag cut off. A mass meeting held at Skagway on February 3rd scored Governor Brady and sent resolutions by the steamer to be wired to Washington, to inform congress that J. G. Price has been chosen as the delegate to represent Alaskans, and the governor has not the authority of the

FIGHTING IN WEST AFRICA

people to speak for them.

French Expedition Defeats Force Under Re - Four Europeans and Forty Three Singhalese Killed.

(Associated Press.) Paris, Feb. 16.-Later reports show Rabah, who was defeated in battle is the French expedition, was strongly to trenched at Kouna, between the Brench Congo and Lake Tchad, which is the objective of all French colonies in West Africa and the Congo.

Konna was defended by 12,000 more with 2,500 rifles and 3 canon. After a desperate fight, according to the dispatch, the French demolished the fortress. Two of Rabah's cannon were destroyed by the French shells. Rabah. who was wounded during the fight, set

six hours before its conclusion. The commander of French expedition however, admits that practically half of his own force was placed hors du soum shooters were killed and 4 Europ including Capt. Robillot, and 160 ghalese were wounded.

AFTER KANG YU WEL

(Associated Press.) Pekin, Feb. 16.-An imperial edict, just issued, commands Li Hung Chang to desecrate and destroy the tombs of the ancestors of the Chinese reformer, Kank Yu Wei, and offers one hundred thousand taels for the capture of Kang Yu Wei, dead or alive. Though the edict purports to emanate from the em peror, it is evidently the work of the dowager empress, whose bitterness to wards the reformers is thus further

SHEEP AND CATTLE DROWNED (Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 16.-Rains and a rapid thaw have caused many rivers to over flow and there are unprecedented floods in various parts of the United Kingdom Several provincial towns are inundated. gesting the establishment at Skagway of Great damage has been done to farms. a smelter for the reduction of the White and hundreds of sheep and other live Horse output. Although many claims stock have been drowned. Much of the railroad traffic is suspended.

KENTUCKY DEADLOCK. Prison Officials Refuse to Recognize Taylor as Governor.

(Associated Press.) Frankfort, Feb. 16.—The clash between the Democratic and Republican branches of the state government was emphasized last night by the prison officials releasing John Sent, a Louisville convict, on a par-don issued by Governor Beckham, Deputy Warden Punch was acting warden, and when the pardon papers were presented to the latter immediately left the city. Donglas Haves, a Knott county convict, recently pardoned by Governor Tevila, is still in confinement, the origin affilias re

fusing to recognize Taylor as governor. FREE FROM PLAGUE (Associated Press.) Rio Janeiro, Feb. 16 -Argentine and