

THE WAR!

The War Office has issued the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 25, 3 25 p.m. "The enemy retired from in front of Wepener last night, and this morning fled northward along the Ladybrand road. Their number was between 4,000 and 5,000."

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The War Office has issued the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, Friday, April 27: "Gen. French reached Thaba N'Chu this morning with cavalry. He met Gen. Ian Hamilton and Gen. Smith-Dorrien's brigade. The enemy were still holding the eastern outlet of the town wherefrom Gen. French and Gen. Hamilton were proceeding to turn them out. Gen. Rundle's division was eight miles south of Thaba N'Chu last evening. Additional casualties thus far reported. Ian Hamilton's Mounted Infantry—Lis Barry and Hill, wounded, both of Marshall's Horse; the former severely, the latter slightly. A patrol from Bethulie came across a body of the enemy on Smithfield road, April 25th. The Prince Alfred Guards was killed and two of the Royal Scots' service corps were taken prisoners. The Yeomanry Cavalry, under Gen. Brabant, after reconnoitering as far as Wepener, returned to Dewets Dorp this morning."

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

FOURTEEN cases of measles have developed in the Provincial Regiment at Halifax. A new steamer, the Anolis, has been secured to run between Picton and the Magdalen Islands. Six more young men left on Thursday last for Moncton, N. B., to enlist in the Northwest Mounted Police. A TRAINING school for nurses is to be opened in connection with the P. E. I. hospital for the insane. Mr. Alder Leard, formerly of Tryon, had his right hand cut off by a saw mill in Worcester, Mass. a few days ago. Ex-Gov. Howland and Mrs. Howland arrived from Kingston, Ont. Friday evening last. They will spend the summer here. The price of coal in Charlottetown has advanced seventy cents a ton all round, caused by an increased demand at the mines. SMALL-POX has made its appearance in Winesap and Brandon. The disease is said to be spreading, and a general epidemic is feared. EIGHTEEN McGill students have joined the steamer Lake Huron, at St. John as outfit passengers in order to work their way to the Paris Exposition. THE contract for the fourth section of the Charlottetown sewer system has been awarded to Mr. J. W. McDonald of Oxford, N. S. His tender was \$10,065. DETROIT John Murray, of Ontario is in Buffalo, N. Y. looking up every foot of land on the river which was left weakly charged with blowing up the canal lock at Thorold. THE death is announced of Malcolm McLeod, at Chilliwack, B. C. He was a native of Springfield, Ont. 67, and was at one time station master at Kensington, which place he left about ten years ago. SEVEN Islanders graduated in Arts at McGill University, Colla Ferguson, son of Hon. Senator Ferguson won the Aberdeen scholarship, took the Hiram Gold medal and was valedictorian of the arts graduates. Mr. George E. Hughes, President of the Board of Trade, has received word that Mr. E. Pope, Superintendent of the Great Northwest Telegraph Lines, will shortly visit here to discuss the telegraph system here. Mr. Wm. Dennis, of Margate, sold to Wedlock Bros. of Stanley Bridge, a few days ago, five fat steers which weighed at Kensington, 1540, 1380, 1185 and 1165 lbs respectively. They are intended for the Sydney market. THE Mechanic's Manufacturing Co., Summerside, has secured the contract for the erection and completion of St. Mary's Church, Indian River. The contract for the three altars and pulpits has been given to Mr. Bernard Creamer, Souris. THE market was fairly well attended yesterday, but there was very little produce in, and prices remained practically unchanged. Some oats exchanged hands at 20c. Hay brought from 45c to 50c per cwt., and straw 25c. Potatoes brought 20c a bushel and pork 6c a pound. FURN robbers broke out of jail at Sherbrooke, Que., Sunday night. They are the same men who blew up the safe of the branch of the People's Bank of Halifax at Danville, Que., last January and carried off \$8,000, but were shortly afterwards captured. At latest accounts the gang was still at large. SHEEP-BUILDING is once more in evidence in King's County, reminding one of former days. There are now altogether five vessels of various sizes building between Georgetown and Montague Bridge. Hon. D. Gordon is building a new schooner at Georgetown. Geo. Wightman, Esq., is building another at Montague Bridge, and three more are being built along the Montague River. THE schooner Favorite, Capt. Joseph Kennedy, of Montague Bridge, is ashore at Tracadie, N. S., about twenty miles from Antigonish. The cargo is said to be badly damaged. The Favorite is owned by Capt. Kennedy. She left Georgetown last Tuesday for Sydney, and carried 1500 bushels of potatoes and 800 bushels of oats shipped by Mr. George Wightman. The loss on the cargo is partially covered by insurance. THE dogs of Montague seem to be living in very dangerous surroundings. Some party or parties have commenced warfare on the unsuspecting canines by administering arsenic to them. As a result one dog is dead and several others have been badly sickened. A dog belonging to Mr. John Jeffrey swallowed some of the poison and managed to crawl home a pretty sick dog. Mr. Jeffrey's four-year-old boy, playing with the dog, inhaled the poisonous fumes, and for a time his life hung in the balance, but he finally came round. It is hoped that this will be a lesson to the guilty party. Mr. FARMER's entertainment—opera and concert combined—given in the Opera House last evening was an eminent success, having been ably preceded by his devoted reception of the sacramental rites at the Catholic Church at the hands of Rev. J. McDonald, Souris. May his soul rest in peace.—Cont. CHOLERA IN INDIA. A despatch of the 27th from Bombay says: "The cholera is raging furiously at the Great Camp at Coira, where thousands of famine-stricken natives are receiving relief. A hundred and fifty corpses were removed yesterday but one hundred others had to be left because it was impossible to procure burials. ACCIDENT AT THE PARIS EXPOSITION. An accident within the Exposition grounds Sunday caused the death of six people and injured forty others. A temporary foot bridge fell burying many of the sight-seers in the ruins. The accident threw a pall over the happiness of the immense throng, who had profited by the magnificent weather. The visit to the exhibit Sunday was probably a record attendance not since the interior grounds had the precincts were crowded and the concourse was especially great along the Avenue de Suffre which forms the northern boundary of the grounds. BORN. At Charlottetown, on the 27th ult., to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Clerk, a daughter. DIED. At West River, April 30th, Ewen McMillan, Esq., in the 83th year of his age. At Michell River, North Cardigan, April 17th, Ann, wife of the late Richard Green, aged 78 years. R. I. P. At Somerville, Mass., April 27th, Ernest E. Doyle, aged 10 years and 10 months, fifth son of E. W. Doyle. R. I. P. At Morell River, April 30th, William Connolly, aged 47 years, leaving a widow and family of seven small children, besides his aged father of 90 years to mourn their loss. R. I. P. Suddenly, in this city, on Wednesday night last, the 25th ult., George Davidson, aged 49 years. Deceased was a son of Mr. Henry Davidson, of Charlottetown, formerly of St. Peter's Harbor. He was a robust looking man, and was in his usual good health when he retired to rest on Wednesday night; but appearing to be sleeping later than usual on Thursday morning, his aunt went to wake him, when it was found that life was extinct. He had apparently died in his sleep. His funeral took place on Saturday afternoon and was very largely attended, the military, Foresters and other organizations to which he belonged attending in large numbers. He leaves his aged parents and five children to mourn. At Greenvale, Lot 48, on 28th March, after a brief illness of pneumonia, (a pal), James A. McDonald, in the 60th year of his age. The deceased was a son of the late Alexander McDonald, of Charlottetown, and leaving some while yet in his teens, he spent 41 years of his life in fishing and coasting on the Grand Banks. Although he qualified himself as an early age for the life of sea captain, he sailed but a short time in this capacity, and although frequently offered the command of fishing and other vessels, he always declined, modestly preferring an ordinary position before the mast to the responsibilities of master. He was a man of good morals, particularly honest and truthful in all his relations with his fellow man, and was very much respected by all who knew him for his numerous manly traits which adorned his character. His death, although to be lamented gave the consoling compensation of being a true Christian one, having been shortly preceded by his devout reception of the sacramental rites at the Catholic Church at the hands of Rev. J. McDonald, Souris. May his soul rest in peace.—Cont. TO NOMINATE WINSTON CHURCHILL. A movement is on foot among the Conservatives of Manchester, England, to nominate Winston Churchill, the well known and famed English statesman, here against Mr. Charles Parlane. Western noted splendidly. He was certainly the star of the evening. Mr. Parlane deserves much credit for bringing this fine entertainment before a Charlotte town audience. Wool taken in exchange for goods. Highest market prices paid. Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Terrible Fire at Hull and Ottawa.

One of the most disastrous fires ever known in Canada visited Ottawa and Hull on Thursday last. The fire broke out in Hull at eleven o'clock in the morning, about half a mile from the bridge crossing the Ottawa River, and somewhat west of it. A heavy northeast wind prevailed, and in a few minutes it became apparent that all the fire fighting force of both cities would be required. The Ottawa brigade went over, and help was procured from Toronto and Montreal. Within an hour after the fire started it was driven toward the Chaudiere with a force that bodied ill for the establishments there. Shortly after noon the lumber piles nearest the bridge were on fire, and at one o'clock the flames leaped the river below the falls, and attacked Booth's lumber piles on the Ottawa side. A hard fight was made to save Eddy's mill, consisting of several stone buildings, some on each side of the road which crosses the bridge, and all on the Hull side of the river. But they were one after another the lumber mill, the establishment for making tubs and pails, the great match factory, the pulp mill and the paper mill. The whole, with machinery and goods, representing a value of probably one and a half millions, including lumber. Booth's great mill, which were expected to produce over 100,000,000 feet of lumber this season is also destroyed. This firm must have had thirty to forty millions of lumber piled below the bridge. This was worth ten to twenty dollars a thousand, as it is all seasoned stuff. The same firm has lumber piled in many places above the bridge, and also around the pond connecting the Rideau canal, near the experimental farm. Booth's loss of lumber and plant will probably be three quarters of a million. Meanwhile the fire had worked its way farther down stream on the Hull side, and before evening it had swept away every foot of lumber in Hull proper. More than a mile farther down stream, at the mouth of the Gatineau, are the mills and lumber yards of Gilmor and Hughes, who manufacture over one hundred millions of lumber every year. In some way, nobody knows how, because the wind was blowing the other way, the fire got lodging there, and it is now expected that the mills and lumber will all be destroyed. The property there must be worth nearly one million. Shortly after noon the Ottawa people began to see that their city was in danger. The fire that lodged on the north side of the river soon started, destroying the McKay flour mill, worth a half million dollars. The waterworks which furnish motive power to the Street Railway Company were burned, and the street cars were left standing at various places on the rail where they happened to be. Fearing for their station buildings, the C. P. R. officers telegraphed for the company's fire apparatus at Montreal. It is said that the equipment reached Ottawa in an hour and a half, making the extraordinary time of eighty miles an hour. But they were too late. The station buildings, freight house, plant of all kinds, yard equipment, and a large number of loaded cars and freight were destroyed. The flames swept on southwesterly, cutting a clean swath along the western border of the city, the burnt portion being perhaps three miles in length from Chaudiere bridge to the point reached at the time of

There are others more or less injured but not serious.

A careful survey filed at Ottawa shows: Dead 7; homeless, 15,000; value of property destroyed, \$15,000,000; lumber burned, 125,000,000 feet. Workmen are now building shelters. Two cars of provisions have arrived from Toronto. Ottawa and Hull city Governments each give \$100,000, Ontario 25,000, and private subscriptions aggregate nearly \$100,000 more—\$500 being from Seward Webb, of New York. Advice from London are that the Lord Mayor will open a Mansion House Fund on Monday. A Stock Exchange Fund has also been opened. All the tide deeds in Hull are destroyed, and the greatly complicated matters in regard to building leases. Catalogues expressing interest have been received from the Queen and Hon. Joseph Chamberlain. Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria. Most of the lumber piles in Ottawa and Hull have disappeared, and are heaps of only charred wood and ashes. Half a dozen churches and schools, a number of mills, the Hull waterworks, the Hull court house and jail, the post office, the convent, almost every business place, and about 1,000 dwellings and shops in Hull have been destroyed. Indeed practically nothing of Hull is left but the Catholic Church and a few houses beyond it. In Hull city it is estimated that besides the factories, etc., burned, 1,500 residences were destroyed. The total insurance is estimated at \$2,500,000. The spot where the fire originated is about a quarter of a mile from the main street of Hull, and as a gale was blowing from the northwest right in the direction of the lumber piles and mills on both the Hull and Ottawa shores of the Ottawa river and Chaudiere falls, it was soon seen that the fire was almost certain to be a large one. By half-past eleven the fire had got a good hold of Main street, and the entire street, with dozens of cross streets were burned. Practically there is not a house left in the city limits. About this time the fire made a jump of nearly half a mile and ignited Eddy's woodyard, near the match factory. It was soon in flames, and the fifty-mile an hour gale which was blowing drove a column of flame across Bridge street and set fire to the Eddy paper mill and the other buildings of the company. The fire at this time also sprang across the Ottawa river and caught the sheds in rear of the McKay Milling Co. on Victoria Island, and in a few minutes the lumber piles on Victoria and Chaudiere Islands. One of the power houses of the Ottawa Electric Co., the Victoria foundry and half the buildings on the two islands were in flames. The fire also devastated the little settlement of St. Mary's Village. The flames spread along the Richmond road, burning Martin and Warner's flour mill, and extending almost to Skead's mill, some three miles beyond the city limits of the Ottawa-Hull fire. The biggest losses will be the Royal and Queen's, whose loss is estimated at nearly half a million dollars. Following is the death list as the result of the fire: Minnie Cook, cremated in her own house, Somerset street; John Phipps, car repairer, suffocated in C. P. R. yards; Geo. Peepley, shoemaker, Queen street west, suffocated; John Dar, Hull, fireman at Eddy & Co's; unknown man found dead in Myers' house, Wellington street, Hull; Mrs. Carroll, Wellington street, Hull, died of Eddy & Co's; unknown man found dead in Myers' house, Wellington street, Hull; Joseph Robert, Ottawa street, Hull, married, and with two of a family, not expected to live, was severely crushed while trying to remove persons out of a burning building.

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What's to be worn for Spring and Summer by the buyers from "My Store."

DRESS GOODS.—Fancy figured goods have gone out with the exception of Black's. Crepons, which are as fashionable as ever, Plain Goods, Checks, Plaids and Stripes are all the rage at present. Broadcloth finish is not quite as much called for as it was some time ago. Rough Tweed Goods are the new things. For fall the new thing in Dress Goods are plain colors with the opposite side as a trimming. Very few people line their skirts now; they are heavy enough without, and it does not cost much to make a suit. Tailor-made Suits are all the rage—you can buy them ready-made at "My Store" from \$7 50 up. When you want the latest in Dress Goods or Ready-made Suits and don't want to pay a big price, you can get them at Sentner, McLeod & Co's, Charlottetown's leading Dry Goods Store. Blouses.—This is a great Shirt Waist season. There is quite a change in Blouses this spring, as in Dress Goods. Plain Material, Checks, Plaids and Stripes are what's worn. The fancy figured goods are out of style. Pretty Checks, Plaids and Plaids and Stripes, with yoke and back and front of white Pique, is very novel; also white all over lace yokes. The Cuffs are not worn plain in the better lines—the new flare Cuff is the latest. The collar is worn very high but not uncomfortable, as the collar is so shaped as to give perfect ease. Sentner, McLeod & Co. are showing the largest range of Blouses on P. E. I., and they are not expensive, 45c. up. JACKETS.—The nattiest little Jackets you've seen for years are worn this spring, short and pretty. Grey is the fashionable color, and lined with colored satin. The high rolling collar is a thing of the past. The turn down collar is the latest. Fly fronts are much newer than the double-breasted, but the double-breasted are still shown. You can buy a pretty Satin Lined Jacket in all shades for \$4.50 at "My Store." Capes are still worn, but not to such an extent as in the past. What is worn is simply shoulder wraps, very short. In black they are very dressy, trimmed with Chiffon, Ribbon, Applique from top to bottom. To see the newest you've got to visit Sentner, McLeod & Co's Mantle Room. \$3.50 up, very handsome. P. S.—Shawl Capes will always be fashionable. You can buy a pretty shawl for \$3.50 in all the Tartans, and it costs \$1.50 to make. \$5.00 is all they will cost you—a very useful garment. MILLINERY.—That useful Hat, the Sailor, is more worn than ever, if such could be the case. Perhaps never in the history of head wear could you find prettier Sailor Hats than we have to offer you this season. White is the rage. Every lady that wants to wear the New Sailor will have a white one this season. Pattern Hats are worn higher in the crown this spring. Flowers, Chiffon, Fish Nets, Sequins and Plumes are very much worn. Miss Murnyan has trimmed the prettiest hats in Charlottetown this season. Sentner, McLeod & Co., buy their Millinery direct from the makers, and their prices are lower than you can get them anywhere else on the Island.

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