### Cronje Is In Distress.

British Artillery Shelling at the Rear and French's Cavalry Ahead.

If Free State Army Escape They Must Sacrifice Most of Their Equipment.

Roberts' Advance Under Trying Circumstances But Cost Comparatively Light.

Second Canadians Have Arrived.

Capetown, Feb. 18 .- The British steamer Laurentian, Captain Nunan, which sailed from Halifax January 21 with the first artillery section of the Canadian contingent of troops for service against the Boers, arrived at this port to-day.

The troops were welcomed by Major John Hanbury Williams, military secretary to the Governor of Cape Colony and British Commissioner, Sir Alfred Milner, on behalf of His Excellency.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 18.—The Daily News publishes the following dated Sunday morning, February 18, from Modder River:

"Our sudden appearance seems to have astounded the enemy and thrown them into a panic. All their position were hurriedly evacuated and the guns at Magersfontein and Kimberley were left behind.

"Gen. Cronje moved his transport, consisting of many hundreds of wagons, along the kopjes near Modder River to wards Koftyfontein. It got past our mounted infantry, but owing to wearliness had to stop. Thereupon our artillery opened upon it.

"The main body of the Boer force kept"

Lord Roberts. He is pressing on stead bloemfontein. This is shown by his inconsequential telegram from Paardeberg, fifty or sixty miles shown by his inconsequential telegram from Paardeberg, fifty or sixty miles shown by his inconsequential telegram from Paardeberg, fifty or sixty miles have been received at the war office to make timportant news may be the occupation of Bloemfontein. Nothing has been heard from the chase of the Cronje from General Buller:

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"The main body of the Boer force kept up a running fight the whole day, trying to escape. Each time their advanced guard sought to move off, our mounted infantry galloped round and checked infantry galloped round and checke

### **Buller Now Triumphs**

Enemy in Full Retreat From Their Positions Along Tugela River.

British Again Occupy Colenso After Slight Resistance by Rear Guard.

Suggestion That Boers Unite Forces to Give Battle . . . . . . . . . . . . . to Roberts.

## CARPETS, RUGS, ART SQUARES



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### Commons On Raid

Refusal of Committee on Suggested Complicity of Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Chamberlain Bitterly Resents Charges and Motive for Presentment.

Liberal Leader Scores Cecil Rhodes las Author of These Suspicions.

By Associated Press.

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One hundred and eighty wagons were captured, containing provisions and forage. Half the drivers and leaders were killed or are missing.

Don't Run Chances by taking whiskey or brandy to settle the stomach or stop a chill Pain-Killer in hot water sweetened will do you more good. Avoid substitutes, there's but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis: 25c and 50c.

Trap Fight to Last Gasp.

London, Feb. 19.—A despatch to the a member of the parliamentary committee which inquired into the Jameson raid, followed Mr. Chamberlain. He said: the devotion of twenty men of the your more good. Avoid substitutes, there's caught in a trap and died to a man, fighting to their last breath.

colonial office were not the work of political adversaries but rather of men who for their own objects stuck at withing in the way of mendacity, forgery and fraud. The authors of these suspicions were the agents of Cecil Rhedes. They sought to assert the complicity of the colonial office to cover their own guilt. Dr. Jameson told Sir John Willoughby, a man of unquestioned honor, that the government was behind the raid and Dr. Jameson has not denied it."

Mr. Chamberlain—"Yes, he has."
Sir William Vernon Harcourt—"The insurrection was promoted by the foulest frauds. Was there ever anything so abominable as the Rhodes telegram to Jameson two days before the raid putting it into his mouth to lie about the objects of the raid? When the Colonial Secretary, after the raid, asked for an inspection of the telegrams, Hawksley wrote back that this was unnecessary as the Colonial Secretary knew all.

"Therefore, suspicions were set affoat by the agents of Rhodes, but then there was no suggestion that they were covered by the complicity of the colonial office. That is what I want to have shown un.

red by the complicity of the colonial office. That is what I want to have shown up. I want the transactions of these men brought to light. Rhodes has deceived everybody. The raid was made by gold and lies."

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 20.—The House of Commons to-day was crowded everywhere when Mr. David Alfred Thomas, Liberal member for Merthier-Tydvil, rose to move the re-opening of the inquiry into the origin and circumstances of the Jameson raid. Mr. Thomas disclaimed any personal animosity against Mr. Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, but he continued, the inconclusive nature of the first inquiry had created widespread dissatisfaction. which, Mr. Thomas asserted, had deepened the indignation at the disclosures of the Colonial Secretary, which will record the House of Commons and Mr. Chamberlain that there should be a full and searching inquiry. Mr. Thomas further asserted that the previous inquiry was a farce and that the fresh facts adduced in the correspondence published by the Independence Belge were strong grounds for a fresh inquiry.

Mr. Samuel Thomas Evans, Liberal, seconded the motion. In so doing he argued that there were strong grounds for suspecting that the colonial office and feer everybody. The raid was made by gold and fles."

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, who defended the committee's proceedings, said he feared the speech of the Colonial Secretary would not tend to bessen public suspicion. He appealed to the government to allow the inquiry to be respended declaring that it would be a great relief to show to the world that the British government and people had no part in the "iniquitous folly of 1895."

Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the government leader, stigmatized the motion of Mr. Thomas as "a personal attack on the Colonial Secretary, which will recoil on his own opponents."

The house rejected the motion to respendence before the inquiry by a vote of 286 against 152.

BULLER'S BOMBARDMENT.

Boer Entrenchments Sustained Very Heavy Fire Just Before Evacuation.

The troops advanced from the former towards Monte Cristo.

There was a heavy bombardment with three 4.7-inch guns and the one hundred-pounder seige gun, supported by infanty, against the Boer position on Hang-

property. This was an abominable charge which should not have been made, and of which Mr. Rhodes was absolutely alry operations."

ROBERTS TO THE BURGHERS.

Major Williams to Be Second to Colonel Evans in the Command.

Halifax Feb. 20.—Major Williams has been appointed second in command of the Mounted Rifles in addition to his present duties, Col. Evans assuming command. The troops leave Wednesday morning.

# Gen. Hutton's

**Premier Says Departing** Was Insubordinate Indiscreet.

Wants It Understord T Ister Is Whol'y Sup In Department

known Our Own Corresponder Ottawa, Feb. 19.-Sir Wil gave a tart answer this after Gen. Hutton's depacture. terized Hutton's recent spe sponsible, and saying that asserted that his difference government were due to a d part of the latter to exerc "I desire to say that the

lutely no foundation for the The causes of the difference government and Gen. Hutte government and Gen. Hutto over bread questions of ger but because Gen. Hutton va-dinate and indiscreet, and ignored the government are give the most careful coasi any representations made by commanding the militia, it and tinctly understood that any ston-accepting the position in a tinetly understood that any on accepting the position in comes from that time an o employment of and subject in to the government, and is-an adviser of, but not as ent trol the department of mi government is responsible to ment and people of Canada administration of every bra public service, and cannot subordinate official, under stances, to take upon himse gard instructions he may r the constitutional chief of ment." Sir Wilfrid added nunication regarding Gen. been sent to the Imperia

Sir Richard Cartwright s ernment were considering the of increasing the Chinese heat. Mr. Sifton announced the mated population of Dawson Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the Mr. Clute on labor difficultive theory received. yet been received.

The number of Chinese eyear was 4,366.

Mr. Mulock said that the

had sent energetic pratests to-any concessions to the East sion Company.

Col. Prior called attention crease in bubonic plague in and trusted that the governu and trusted that the, governing the that the quarantine office ish Columbia took every preed regard to vessels coming frof feeted islands.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said communicate Col. Prior's representation the department.

EFFECTS OF THE It Has Made Imperial Unity a Sentiment—Folk in Engle Doubted the Outcom

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 19.—Pr G. Milburn, of the Pan-Amer tion and generally acknowledger of the bar of this city, ed after a five weeks' abs He spent three of these we He spent three of these we land, having been summone the illness of Mrs. Milbu spending the winter near the at Oxford. In speaking of of the English people in the Mr. Milburn says:

"I do not know that I every the people of the people of the says of the

en by the people there.

"There was no attempt to reverse in South Africa. A see on any side was a quie termination that the matter carried through to a success?

"Over and over again I he war in South Africa would benefit. One reason name drawing together of the mot and the colonies and the growing out of it, and an im growing out of it, and an in

growing out of it, and an im unity.

"There was little doubt the thorities thought it was go fairly easy matter, but the had grown up was, it is event that men from the homen from Canada, New Australia were all comprised army and fighting side by si "What was most impress utter absence of any atten mize or explain away what ed. From my observation t iy an unlimited supply of m served in the Volunteers a anxious to go. There is n doubt that if the war takes men they can be had and the carried through to a finish. There is no apprehension intervention with reference rican matters. The only heard expressed at all was might take the opportunity closer relations with Afg near to the Indian frontier, not felt very seriously." near to the Indian frontier, not felt very seriously.

"I do not think European will be tolerated for a momintervention was broache feels invincible with her forces that could be raised a for home defence. The ge among informed people is a good understanding betwee nowers in Germany and Hany such intervention snall anced. These are strong too, that after this experie ough investigation of the m tions of the Raspire will the and had and there will not increase of the regular fig both naval and military, but brought to the highest efficients.

BARKENTINE FROM

Nanaimo, Feb. 19.—The stowed the barkentine Ruth this afternoon. The Ruth Mahokona, Hawaiian islam not call at quarantine at W and the customs authoriticallow her to land. The cathe crew all well, and the no sickness on board during The collier Mincola arrive Los Angeles yesterday mo cargo of coal, and sailed the for the same port,