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DIED.

LAIRD-On Sunday evening, at 362 Dundas street, James Guinnis, youngest son of the late Rev. J. G. Laird.

Funeral private from the residence of Mr. A. Keenleyside, 330 Maitland street, on W messay morning. DADSON-At his residence, Montreal, on Mon-

day, March 12, at 4:45 p.m., Rev. Dr. Dadson. Funeral at Woodstock Thursday, March 15. TOOHEY-On Tuesday, March 13, 1900, Mar garet, relict of the late Wm. Toohey, aged 73

Funeral from her late residence, Biddulph township, on Thursday, at 9:30 a.m., to Bid-dulph cemetery.

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the Free State Capital Reac. ed Monday Night.

fine French and German Patent Calf Gen. Roberts Hurrying Up Troops to Support French.

> Occupying the Hills Close to the Railway Station-British in Their Advance Outwitted the Enemy -- Canadians Not in the Last Fight.

Gen. Cronje Satisfied With His Treatment as a Prisoner-More Reinforcements Leaving England-Nothing Definite From Mafeking-All Sorts of Talk About Peace and Intervention.

London, March 13-9:55 a.m.-The) and the stores and troops from the Orange River district can be gotten war office has received a dispatch from Lord Roberts, announcing that felt in the military operations that interest rather centers in the political Gen. French reached Bloemfontein aspects of the war. Venter's Viei, Orange Free State, Monday, March 12.-The British forces last evening and occupied two hills close to the railway station. which.

LATER FROM GEN. ROBERTS. London, March 13 .- 10:05 a.m. - The war office has received the following additional dispatch from Lord Roberts

"Our march was again unopposed. Weare now about 18 miles from Bloemfontein. The cavalry division is astride the railway six miles south of Bloemfontein.

following Kaal Spruit, and we are now rather to the south of Bloemfontein, and only about 12 railes off. All the divisions have now joined the main advance. Lord Roberts' headquarters are at Gregorowski's Farm. You will remember that the reform prisoners were tried before Judge Gregorowski. By advancing along Kaal Spruit Lord Roberts has again outwitted the Boers, who had en-trenched themselves along the Modder, thinking that our route would be in that direction. We found most of the farms along our route of march deserted, with white flags flying over the houses. All the belongings worth removal had been taken away, and there were evidences that the ocdu-pants left in a great hurry, things being littered about. The commander-inchief has given strict orders that' nothing is to be touched. It is not expected that we shall meet with great opposition in entering Bloemfon-

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have been made by the civil and military authorities to have all future cases of rebellion tried before a judge and two military officers. But the Cape Dutch who were captured at Sunny-side, and have already been arraigned in the civil courts, will be tried by a jury at Cape Town during the April as-sizes. The government will ask parliament to organize a special court.

MORE REINFORCEMENTS. Southampton, March 13 .- The transport Prince, with engineers, hussars, and artillery, and remounts for caval-ry, sailed for Cape Town yesterday. Five more transports will sail during the week.

MAFEKING.

London, March 13-4:20 a.m.-No news has been received from Mafeking, but it turns out that Col. Peakman commands the relief column which is marching from Kimberley.

of Bradford has received a telegram from his brother, the mayor of Mafeking, dated Buluwayo, March 3, say-ing: "All well." As all previous telegrams have been dated Mafeking, he thinks this may mean that the popu-lation have left Mafeking and joined Col. Plumer.

THE SITUATION.

Spencer Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation in the Morning Post, says: "It is useless to anticipate Gen. says: Buller's plans; but doubtless he is very active, so as to attract the largest possible force of Boers away from the scene of Lord Roberts' operations.

"With regard to the alarm expressed in some quarters as to the French invasion, based on the news that the French are maneuvering four army corps this year near the northwestern coasts of France, such a possibility no doubt always exists. The great thing is to have our fleet in the right place. Certainly there is no reason for apprehension.

BUGLE BLASTS

gerously ill in the hospital at Cape

N. Y., and throughout the country in

young man arrested last December on

the charge of violating the neutrality

laws in attempting to enlist men for

the British service in South Africa. The case comes before the federal

grand jury in May. From the govern-

LEAMINGTON'S LOSS

Morse's Pumpkin Flour Factory and

Kennudy Bros'. Fruit Storehouse

Bur med-Loss \$6,500-Other Fires.

[Special, to The Advertiser per C.P.R.]

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flour factory, just south of the M. C.

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Mr. Morse's loss will be about \$1,500.

nedy Bros. as a storehouse for their

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loss is estimated at \$5,000; insured for \$3,700, in the Alliance Fire l'usurance Company of Montreal. The fire is sup-

posed to have been the work of an incendiary, as there had been no fire in or about the premises during the

OTHER FIRES.

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the case of Norman S. Peverill,

the man is considered very weak

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D G. T. R. in connection with steamship tickets to the Oid Country at F. B. Clarke's, Richmond strear, next Advertiser. Tickets sold by best Atlantic lines.

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B Porterhouse steak, 10c; round steak, 9c; rib roast, 9c; bolling meat 5c and 6c, at Park's corner Market Lane. ywt

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Miscellaneous,

NOTICE-MR. W. WALKER WILL BE-GIN instructing a German class in Trebil-cock's Hall, Wortley road and Bruce street, comorrow evening (Wednesday), March 14, Anyone wishing to join please be present at 730 prompt. b Control of the street, London, on Friday, March 16, at 2:50 p.m., the stock of M. Mackenzie & Co., Wyom-ing, as follows: \$2,006 01 Honor DRAYTON WOODTURNER, AT Honor Hillisrd , McKinley's mill, corner Bathurst and Rido t streets. Better prepared now than ever to to all the latest designs in turning. A call respectfully solicited. 95tf

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BRITISH LOSSES.

"There were 321 men wounded, and about 60 or 70 killed or are missing. "Col. Umpholy has died of his wounds. Lieut. Pratt, of the Essex Resiment, was wounded severely. The

wounds are as a rule more serious than usual, owing to the expanding bullets, which are freely used by the Boers."

CONSIDERABLE OPPOSITION. London, March 13 .- Lord Roberts telegraphs from Venters Viei at 5:20 a.m. today, as follows:

"I directed Gen. French, if there were time before dark, to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein, and thus secure the rolling stock. At midtein." night I received a report from him that after considerable opposition he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station, which commands Bloemfontein.

PRESIDENT STEYN'S BROTHER CAPTURED.

"A brother of President Steyn has been made a prisoner. The telegraph line leading northward has been cut, and the railway broken up.

"I am now starting with the third cavalry brigade, which I called up from the seventh division, near Petrusberg, yesterday, and the mounted infantry, to reinforce the cavalry division. The rest of the force will follow as quickly as possible."

BOERS IN FORCE AT BIGGARS-BERG.

Ladysmith, Monday, March 12 .- The main body of the enemy is in position at Biggarsberg. Gen. Joubert is at Glencoe. There is reason to believe that few Boers are at Dundee, though the place is well fortified.

MAFEKING.

London, March 13.—A dispatch re-ceived by a South African firm in London, dated Mafeking, Tuesday, March 6, via Lobatsi, March 9, says: "All well, but town still besieged.'

> TERRIBLE CONDITION OF THE BESIEGED.

London, March 13 .- A dispatch to the Times from Mafeking, dated Monday, March 5, says the garrison at that place are feeling acutely the stress of the siege. They are reduced to the tims. The sufferings of the women clay and gravel loam, and is well and children are terrible, and there daily. The native population is starv-

ing. The military operations progress favorably. They have been extended to the brick fields, when the enemy has been completely expelled.

British Advance.

BEFORE FRENCH GOT THERE. London, Tuesday, March 13-4:20 a. m.-Lord Roberts is making a very rapid advance, and is again misleading the Boers by continuing his advance southward, instead of through the flat country due east of Aasvogel Kop. He will probably seize the railway south of Bloemfontein, and, although another battle is possible, it is more likely that the Boers are only endeavoring to delay his advance un til all the rolling stock of the railway

THE CANADIANS.

away north. Such confidence is now

tein have been marching rapidly

hither, have turned the Boer position.

Our cavalry are ahead. The Boers were reported this morning about 12,-

000 strong, with eighteen guns in po-

sition on a range of kopjes command-

ing the direct road to Bloemfontein.

THE ENEMY OUTMANEUVERED.

The Daily News has the Ionowing

dispatch, dated Monday evening, March 12, from Venter's Vlei: "We

left Aasvogel this morning, preceded

by cavalry, and marched here, a dis-tance of 15 miles. The army has been

since the fighting at Driefon-

Dreifontein, Orange Free State, March 11.-The Canadians, with the head-quarters' staff of Lord Roberts' army, arrived here after dark last eveningtoo late to take part in the unexpected engagement at this point with the Boers, who were come upon by the advance guard of cavalry strongly entrenched in the neighboring kopjes. It was expected that the battle would be resumed this morning, in which event the Canadian troops would have been actively engaged. When daylight came however, it was found that under cover of the darkness the enemy had retired. taking his guns with him.

It was about 10 o'clock in the morning when the cavalry division, which had been proceeding by the roads to the north, came upon the Boer entrenchment's on the ridges beyond Dreifontein, eight miles south of Abraham's Drift. The British artillery was at once brought up into action, and the vigorous shelling of the Boer defenses began. Shelling proceeded continuous-ly from noon till dark, when the Boer was completely silenced. During the early part of the engagement the Elswick 12-pounder guns of the Boers outranged the British. The Boers, however, although they made a vigorous defense and succeeded in saving their guns, were unable to withstand the British attack all along the line, and were forced to retire.

The Boers fired continuously under cover of the white flag, adding another to their long list of breaches of the recognized rules of warfare.

This morning the Canadians, part of the ninth division of the headquarters' staff, left for Aasvogel, which is 25 miles from Bloemfontein. One of the Boer prisoners taken by the Essex brigade yesterday reports the siege of Mafeking raised. There have been no gade further casualties among the Canadian troops.

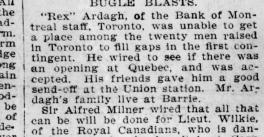
THE BOER PRISONERS.

Cape Town, March 13 .- Mr. James G. Stowe, United States consul-gen-eral, has paid a visit to Gen. Cronje, at the latter's request, on board the British flagship. They conversed with the aid of an interpreter. Cen. Cronje expressed great satisfaction with his surroundings, and with the treatment he had received at the hands of the British.

Mr. Stowe has also visited the camp where the Boer prisoners are at Sim-onstown. He was shown where they had excavated a tunnel for a distance of 25 yards with the tin dishes and cups. If the tunnel had been continued another dozen yards their escape would have been possible. One of the prisoners gave information of the plot. SHARPSHOOTERS WANTED.

London, March 13 .- Lord Dunraven invites enlistments in sharpshooters' corps for service in South Africa. TRIAL OF REBELS.

Cape Town, March 13 .- Arrangements | anichticisisisisisisisisisisisisisisis



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