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A Line-Cutting Incident in South Africa--Gallant and Successful Defence of a Train by Officers and Men Who Had Seen Boer Military Prisoners From the Inside.

Writing from Bloemfontein, June 24. defences were quite out of the question.

Ernest W. Smith, correspondent of the Time was too short; entrenching took too London Morning Leader, who was a companion of G. W. Stevens in the siege of Ladysmith, describes a line-cutting inci-

My first experience of the Boer was to be shelled in the armor-clad train which took me from Ladysmith to the battle of Elands Laagte; my last to be attacked at Honing Sprut in the troop train which brought me from Pretoria to Bloemfon-

The train held up by the Boers carried 400 released prisoners. All of them were fellows we had rescued from a bad time at Waterfalls on the morrow of our entry into Pretoria. They were not so fit as they might have been. So the men were detailed for service on lines of communication at a spot about two miles

south of Honing Spruit.

Col. Bullock, of the 2nd Devons, commanded this battalion of ex-prisoners. He will be recollected as the officer who was clubbed by the Boers in the trenches at Colenso because he would not surrender. Wilts, Gloucesters, of Nicholson's Nek notoriety, Connaught Rangers and Lancashire Fusiliers formed the nucleus of the scratch battalion. Goodness knows how many other regiments were represented in its ranks, I know that the 17 "Bird-cage" officers we had with us introduced the respectable number of ten British regiments into the fight. Many of the men carried Martini-Henry rifles.

They were served out with carbine ammunition! Kindly observe the note of exmander with any amount of determination.

Putting the purely military defences in order was not our only work during the 20 minutes' respite that this white flag episode allowed our officers. These had of necessity to be inadequate; consequently we were right to anticipate a number of casualties. Mr. Cheatle, whose presence on the train was one of the hard that this white flag episode allowed our officers. These had of necessity to be inadequate; consequently we were right to anticipate a number of casualties. Mr. Cheatle, whose presence on the train was one of the hard that this white flag episode allowed our officers. These had of necessity to be inadequate; consequently we were right to anticipate a number of casualties. Mr. Cheatle, whose presence on the train was one of the hard that this white flag episode allowed our officers. These had of necessity to be inadequate; consequently we were right to anticipate a number of casualties. Mr. Cheatle, whose presence of a few who were non-combatants to help him fix up an emergency hospital.

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A few soldiers had Mauser rifles with cantnidges to match. The engine driver produced a Lee-Metford and handled it well. I don't think we had half a dozen bayonets in the whole crowd.

It was not only in composition and armament that the primary of the amendance of the assistance of a few who were non-combatants to help him fix up an emergency hospital.

The ill-equipped and heterogeneous force had been sent through the DeWet ridden country, without even the semblance of an ambulance. No doctors, no stretchers, no bearers, no medicines, no comforts, no anything. The mention of this fact is not without interest.

The hospital was established in a little double-roomed iron.

which came late on this morn following the shortest day of the South African

Suddenly there arose a yell, "The Boers are swarming around us.!"

I was lying half asleep and fully dressed

and his officers were monuments of cool-ness. The men detrained in perfect order

would catch us with our men in a heap—a compact mass presenting a splendid target. There was a barbed-wire fence to scramble over before we could attempt to deploy. But the enemy missed the chance. Minute after minute passed and no bullet came whistling along to give the battle a start. "What can they be up to?" We asked this repeatedly for the Boers don't often let an opportunity slip anad M. DeWet had proved himself a past master

we most needed at that moment. There were a few picks-and shovels in the trucks about enough to render one man in 10 independent of his pocket knife to dig himself a shelter. Gradually our fellows crept through the wire fence and crawled on all-fours to defensive positions around of the example of courage he set cappart. on all-fours to defensive positions around the train.

One can easily picture for himself the scene of this fight. On three sides the open plain rose steadily from the spruit to the north, in which the Boers were

It was not the sort of country the Boers were likely to advance across to reach the stranded train, which, with steam up, etood so pitifully impotent, though it was the central object of the fight. Only half a dozen tin luts, doing duty for the habitation of station-master, ganger and leading store keeper, straggled about the elevated water tank that must be the sole excuse for stopping trains at Honing Spruit in the ordinary way, for surely no passenger ever had business to cause him to alight in this desert.

The area of our defence was circumscribed—we were obliged to group firing lines and reserves within a radius of 100 yards from the held-up train.

"They re comin 'in with a bloomin white flag!" This was Tommy's next discovery, and again his eyesight was not at fault.

Of course we knew why it was sent. We knew, too, that it would be sent back. So our fellows belabored the hard ground with picks, and séraged kitel loose piles of earth together as some sort of protection, for their hone. They were foreed to adopt a trief indess—I have seen them do it before without computsion. Proper

ends of the train. An Exciting Incident.

While this was doing an exciting inci-dent occurred near the spruit. A trolley-

double-roomed iron building. It stood if the many thing from fancy trousers and tweed jackets to khaki complete, and even Paul Kruger "namper" uniform.

The train passed by night through the disaffected district of Rhenoster and Rodewall. When it drew up at Honing Spruit station at 5 o'clock on the morning of the 22nd, we imagined ourselves quite beyond the area of M. DeWet's operations. Half area of M. DeWet's operations area. The figure May be improved by the Follow-case and begged the emiss

and his officers were monuments of coolness. The men detrained in perfect order and formed up in companies alongside the track.

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Quite early in the action, too, we lost Major Hobbs, of the West Yorks. He had been indefatigable in getting the men into of the example of courage he set cannot be over-estimated. It became infectious. Everybody was at his best.

The Wounded Tommy and the Boer. During this part of the fight a Boer scene of this fight. On three sides the open plain rose steadily from the spruit to the north, in which the Boers were collected. The eastern slope was broken by a farm house and buildings, affording capital cover for the impending attack from that direction.

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tion, should cover some high-placed per-sonages with discredit.

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of railway men came careering towards it—an advance guard of the train
following ours. They saw the blazing
bridge too late to stop the truck. Hoping to escape the railway accident, they
attarted up to leap for their lives. The
Boers started up simultaneously from the
spruit, and took pot shots at the poor
fellows as they jumped. All were shot
or made prisoners beneath our eyes, and
we couldn't raise a finger to save them.
The "bloomin' white flag" came. Col.
Bullock walked from our lines to meet
the emissary. He brought a demand for
our surrender. It was refused, I believe,
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the space they required. Our men were
well spread abroad. I don't know
that this would have done much good
were it not that the enemy's gunners made
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up merrily for about a quarter of an hour to the accompaniment of Mauser screamto the acc ings and Martini burrings. Then sudden

ly all became silent.

It was now 10 o'clock. The Boors sent in another white flag. "Tommy" ventur-el to predict that Col. Bullock would tell an ambulance. No doctors, no stretchers, no bearers, no medicines, no comforts, no anything. The mention of this fact is not without interest.

The hospital was established in a little double-roomed iron building. It stood right in the centre of the fighting area. Still this could not be avoided, When one is cornered there is not much scope for choice. We improvised Red Cross flags of pillow cases, with the red stripe torn from a mattress pinned across, and slit table-cloths and sheets into ribbons for bandages.

By the time the Boers opened fire at 7 o'clock we were read.

ern slope. They apparently came from the direction of Kroonstaad, and some officers asked me to get my glasses on them

Death of Prince Alfred, Second Son of Queen Victoria.

Coburg, July 31-Prince Alfred Ernest Albert, Duke of Saxe-Coburg, died at 10 o'clook last evening at Rosenan Castle, from paralysis of the heart.

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Coburg, July 21—The Duke of Saxe-Coburg, by his sudden demise, escaped a painful, lingering end. Recently at a consultation of specialists in Vienna it was discovered that there was a cancerous growth at the root of his tongue.

At the desire of the duchess and other members of the family who were aware of the nature of his disease, the duke took up his residence at Rosenan. His royal highness was unaware of the real state of his health and hoped that he would recover, until Friday last, when his condition became such as to preclude hope. ion became such as to preclude hope. Saturday and Sunday he suffered such sident attacks of suffocation that arrangements were made for performing the operation of tracheotomy. Finally the duke died without having suffered severe pains. During the minority of his heir, the Duke of Albany, the government of the duchy will be conducted by the hereditary Prince of Hohenlohe-Langenberg, the guardian of

know Mr. Cheatle used his carbone toother powder to dress one very bad wound. Afterwards he entrusted the writer with the removal of the least severe cases to a hut a mile or so away, while he cleared up the day's work on the field.

Our total losses were one officer and four men killed, one officer and 18 men (several have since died) wounded. We also had one Kaffir killed, several civilians wounded, and the five men on the railway trolley taken prisoners. trolley taken prisoners.

The Boers shelled the train following ours back to Rodevaal. The Duke of Westminster, carrying Lord Roberts' despatches, and Mr. Winston Churchill, homeward row to the Maurice church at Coburg, where it will lie in state. The new duke, who on July 19, was appointed a lieutenant in the Prussian army and who for some time has been receiving a military education in Pottsdam, is for the moes, and Mr. Winston Churchill, homeward bound, were among the passengers. When the enemy went ahead to cut up the line he fell foul of a post of Canadians and Suffolks, but was beaten off after killing He is expected to arrive here tomorrow. He will not attain his majority until 1905: buildes, but was beaten off after killing two colonials and wounding several men, besides preventing the force from joining hands with the placky little band which saved the train. The victory of these exprisoners, some of whom might as well have been armed with catapults as with discarded rifles and unsuitable ammunition should correct some highlest and by the Coburg law, passed in 1898, hereditary Prince Ernest Von Hohenlohe-Langerburg, son-in-law of the late duke,

ecomes the regent.

The German press again discusses the indesirability of allowing a German social control of the control of ereign state to become an English heir-loom, passing from hand to hand.

It is rumored here in political circles that the death of Duke Alfred was due

The was remarked and subjects the string of trucks. About a dozen passengers shared it. They included Mr. G. Lenthal (Castel, high well-known. London consulting surgeon, a staff officer, carrying Lord Roberts' despatch, and a dozen passengers shared it. They included Mr. G. Lenthal (Castel, high well-known. London consulting surgeon, a staff officer, carrying Lord Roberts' despatch, and a dozen passengers shared it. They included Mr. G. Lenthal (Castel, high well-known. London consulting surgeon, a staff officer, carrying Lord Roberts' despatch, and a dozen passenger shared it. They included the striking imitation of the cracking of three in the string of the striking of the string of the stri be well sweetened and one-third of it cream.

Her bath must be of tepid water and a soap which will lather well. The chest, while still damp, should be rubbed gently in a circular manner, and for this purpose a rough washing glove well soaped should be used. When the skin is dry the neck and chest should be gently and firmly rubbed in the same manner, with a fattening lotion. The gentle friction should continue till all the fat is absorbed and the skin is dry and soft.

A very good lotion is obtained by mix—

the part of the inhabitants; and great indignation was felt at the dastardly attempt of an Irishman named O'Farrell to assassinate the prince at a picnic held at Clontarf, near Port Jackson, New South Wales, on March 12th. 1868. The prince, however, was only slightly wounded in the back by a pistol shot. O'Farrell was tried on March 31, found guilty, and executed on April 21. His royal highness subsequently visited Japan (where he was received both publicly and privately by the Mikado), China and India. In 1873 he went to Italy, and on April 20 had

a fattening lotion. The gentle friction of Kroonstaad, and some officers asked me to get my glasses on them and report if they were the advance guard of our relief column.

I made them out to be khaki-clad and the skin is dry and soft.

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I made them out to be khaki-clad and the work of tort. Hence I pronounced them to be English. Col. Bullock was a triffe suspicious. He started away alone to reconnoitre the stranger. A furious fire followed him across the eastward, right under the muzle of one of the enemy's guns.

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It was quite enough. The party proved itself to be Boers, wearing the khaki uniforms that fell into DeWet's hands at Rodevaal, and riding horses which that gentleman took from our Imperial Yeomanny:

But for the Boers, who the the stranger of the east work of the many way.

The first too hold the drumb-bells on your should its contingent might have got close up to us before we discovered the identity of the horsemen.

The fighting, however, was gradually de.

admirably and improve the figure. It should be practised for a quarter of an hour at a time.

Singing scales should also be practised every day, and get into the habit of faking long breaths and holding them as long

as you can.
Your meals should be frequent, and eonsist of fattening and nourishing food.

A little cod liver oil should be taken twice

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The Dove is covered by Archiver of Direct that Dr. I could be a passed was strewn with pine branches and publicly in Court that Dr. I could be stated by the stated publicly in Court that Dr. I could be stated by the stated publicly in Court that Dr. I could be stated by the stated publicly in Court that Dr. I could be stated by the stated publicly in Court that Dr. I could be stated by the stated publicly in Court that Dr. following the coffin afoot. The pall was The route along which the procession passed was stream with pine branches and all the houses were hung with crepe and lighted lamps draped in black. After a short service, which was attended by the widow of the duke and three of her daughters, and Princess Beatrice, who was unteresting and princess Beatrice, who was unterest The Dove is owned in Mantland, N. S. sin yet ber, 28s. 3d.; deals, 55s. 6d. Barque Bristol, from Portland to Rio Janiero, lumber, \$11. Schooner Hazlewood, from Portland to Rio Janiero, lumber, \$11. Schooner Hazlewood, from Portland to Rio Janiero, lumber, \$11. Schooner Hazlewood, from Portland Value Schooner Charles on Edgewater, to Can. The Hospital.

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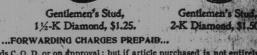
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in a greased mold and steam for two hours. Turn out and serve with dissolved covered with rugs and some pretty

marmalade as sauce,
Following is a recipe for an excellent pudding. Any light cake can be used, although sponge cake or lady fingers are best. Cut into squares and dip into sweetened wine and water could not sweetened wine and water could not see the could be successful.

Corbett and McCoy Matched. as to moisten nearly or quite through (if preferred, milk sweetened and flavored with vanilla or lemon can take the place of the wine and water). Arrange the pieces of cake in a handsome dish and heap if The men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the present of the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist and the men will go 25 rounds under Marquist a pineapple, strawberries, fresh or preserved; raspberries, fresh or in marmalade, can be put upon the moistened cake benearly 250,000 specimens.

the fowl in the centre, then pour over in a little nice gravy.

Peel, and cut stalks into pieces, put them in a stew pan, add a fittle water, some stoned dates and a few English currants, well picked and washed; let them cook until done, and then pour them over squares of toasted bread.

A marmalade pudding which is thoroughly good and dainty is made as follows: Two eggs, the weight of them in flour and sugar, the weight of them in flour and sugar, the weight of some in butter, two teaspoonfuls of marmalade and half teaspoonful carbonate of soda. Cream the butter and sugar together and graeinusly add the other ingredients. Place in a greased mold and steam for two

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DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE. THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEW andra Victoria, Princess Victoria Melita, Princess Alexanda Louis Olga Victoria, and Princess Beatrice Leopoldine Victoria.

Coburg, Ang. 1—With an imposing procession the body of the late duke was removed this afternoon from Roseneau castle to the Church of St. Moritz, attended by members of the ducal family, the court and functionaries, Prince Hohenlohe-Langenburg and the Grand Duke of Hesse

This caution is BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE.

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This caution is necessary, as many persons deceive purchasers by false representaof EVERY KIND, affords a calm, refreship sleep, WITHOUT HEADACHE, and invorates the nervous system when exhausts