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ENGLISH CAPTIVES FOULLY MURDERED.

Details of the Disaster to Major Macdonald in Africa.

Mutinous Soudanese, After Being Repulsed, Took Refuge in a Fort and, in Cold Blood, Killed Thurston, Wilson and Scott, Whom They Had Captured—Relief Going Forward by Forced Marches—Cable News.

London, Jan. 30.—The Daily Mail has received a letter from Usoga, Africa, dated Dec. 1, giving the latest news of the disaster that befell the expedition under the command of Major Macdonald and Mr. Jackson.

Despatches have already told how the Soudanese mercenaries attached to the expedition revolted and killed sixteen British. The Mail's letter says that, in addition to the British, the mutineers killed fifty Sikhs and Swahilis. The Soudanese, after being finally repulsed by the expedition, took refuge in a fort, where they murdered in cold blood three Englishmen whom they had captured. The victims names were Thurston, Wilson and Scott.

Reinforcements Pushing Forward.

The letter goes on to say that the rebels are now in a strong position in a good fort on a peninsula. They have two Maxim guns. Major Macdonald is investing the place as best he can until the arrival of relief, which was expected in two days. The reinforcements consist of a body of troops under command of an officer named Harrison, who, since he heard of the revolt, has performed a brilliant series of forced marches from Machakos, some hundreds of miles southeast. He first reached Ngouge, where Sir A. Hardinge, commissioner and Consul-General for the East Africa protectorate, joined him. He next pushed on and relieved the post at Lake Naivasha, which was in deadly peril from the revolted Soudanese. He next relieved El Doma Ravine from a similar plight. Then, without resting, he pursued the retreating horde of rebels through Nourura, a port on Victoria Nyanza, and expected to join Major Macdonald on Dec. 2 or 3. The writer says it will then be possible to put the finishing touches on the rebellion before the troops from Mombasa arrive.

Rebel Position Strong.

The position of the rebels in the fort is so strong that perhaps the investment will be prolonged with the object of starving them out. They now receive most of their supplies from the lake, but this source of supply will be partly cut off by Major Macdonald, who will place a Maxim gun on board a small steamer.

The Usoga expedition is anxious regarding the fate of the garrisons on the Unyoro frontier, communication with which has been broken. It is not known whether the Soudanese on the frontier have rebelled or not.

Such is the extent of reliable news regarding the situation. What has happened since Dec. 1 is not known.

BRITAIN'S POLICY IS JUST.

Mr. Chamberlain Says All the Commercial Powers Agree as to That.

London, Jan. 29.—The Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking at Birmingham this evening, dwelt upon the efforts of the foreign nations to conquer great colonial empires with the intention of converting them into exclusive trade preserves from which British trade should forever be excluded. This policy, he said, is now hanging over Great Britain, like the sword of Damocles, in West Africa and China.

Regarding the latter country, Mr. Chamberlain added, he was happy to believe there was a general agreement of all the great commercial powers that Great Britain's policy was a just one.

RUSSIA WARNED CHINA.

If Germany Got Kiao Chou, Russia Would Demand as Good a Port.

London, Jan. 31.—A despatch to The Daily Mail from Shanghai says a secret despatch has been issued by the Tsung-Li-Yamen to certain high officials, informing them that Russia warned China that if Kiao-Chou were granted to Germany Russia would demand either Ta Lien Wan or Port Arthur. According to the same despatch, it is asserted at Shanghai on good authority that China consents to Russians being at the head of her customs and railways.

At the present moment, says The Daily Mail's correspondent, there are 10,000 Russian troops in Ta Lien Wan and Port Arthur. Russian agents have been sent to Tien-Tsin (the port of Pekin) and to Japan to purchase coal and food, and 60,000 bags of wheat have been bought at Tien-Tsin.

SUNDAY MORNING BRAWL.

The Police Interrupted a Brutal Fight in an Unsavory Resort on King-street West.

When Policeman Redford was patrolling his beat on King-street at 3 o'clock Sunday morning, Charley Davidson, proprietor of the notorious Gold Dollar restaurant, near the Princess Theatre, rushed up to him and breathlessly exclaimed that there was a fight going on in his place that would likely result in murder. Redford called the assistance of Policeman McArthur and with batons drawn the two constables went into the restaurant. Curses and groans coming from a back room told of the conflict going on inside. The officers rushed in and found four men engaged in a rough-and-tumble fight. All were on the boot and were literally covered with blood. Nearly all the furniture in the room was smashed. The fighters were four notorious ex-convicts named "Slabsie" McGuire, Geo. Ross, Alex. Wallace and William Bittle. A couple of terrified tough women were also in the place. The appearance of the police interrupted the encounter and the belligerents stampeded for the door, fighting the constables as they went. Three of the rowdies escaped, but McGuire took refuge in the kitchen. He and McArthur had a duel with cuirts there. He eventually got out upon the street, followed by the officer, who caught him and, after a fight in front of Government House, overpowered him. The patrol wagon was called and McGuire was landed at Police Headquarters. Warrants will be issued to-day for the other three on the broad charge of vagrancy. A charge of selling liquor without a license is hanging over the Gold Dollar restaurant now.

The thermometer marked 25 below zero and 31 in exposed points at Kingston Saturday night.

SATURDAY BLAZES.

Residence of Mr. Washburn Burned at Paisley—Narrow Escape of the Family.

Paisley, Ont., Jan. 30.—On Saturday moning about 6.30 fire was discovered in Washburn's residence. Mr. Washburn had started the fire and gone to his bake-shop, and in about fifteen minutes after Mrs. Washburn woke to find the flames in the partition and roof about two feet from where she and the children were sleeping. They made a hasty, but safe escape, and the prompt response of the fire brigade soon checked the flames, although not till after considerable damage by fire and water was done. The building is insured in the Mercantile; the stock in the store and furniture in the house being for $800. Loss to building about $300; to contents about $400; caused from stove pipe passing through the partition.

Midnight Fire at Whitby.

Whitby, Ont., Jan. 30.—Last night about 11.30, a fire broke out in the new store owned and occupied by Burns & Co., as a boot and shoe store. The prompt and best efforts of the Whitby fire brigade could only prevent the fire from spreading to the adjoining Horack grocery store to the north, and Hatch Bros., hardware store to the south. The building and contents were all consumed. Insurance on building $700; on stock $1000. Cause of fire unknown.

Sunday Blaze at Cobourg.

Cobourg, Jan. 30.—F. M. Hawley's stationery store in McCallum's block was gutted by fire between 9 and 10 o'clock to-night. Mr. Hawley is agent for the G.N.W. Telegraph Co. and the Canadian Express Co.

FIFTEEN BELOW ZERO.

Yesterday Was One of the Coldest Days Toronto Has Experienced in Years—A Few Comparisons

Saturday night was the coldest Toronto has experienced in some years. At 4 o'clock Sunday morning the Observatory thermometer registered 15 degrees below zero. The mercury has not been so far down since one day in February, 1895, when it went to 22 below. But even 15 below is exceptionally cold for Toronto.

At Ottawa on Saturday night, the record was 24 below, at Montreal 20 below, at Quebec 24 below, at Father Point 24 below, at Chatham, N. B., 26 below, at Sydney, C.B., 14 below.

Came From the Northwest.

The cold snap came from the Northwest and the supply there is not exhausted, for another consignment of the same brand is on its way down. The cold was severest over Northern Ontario. At Port Stanley, on Lake Erie, 2 degrees below was the lowest the mercury fell. At Southampton it was 8 below.

At White River, on the north shore of Lake Superior, the mercury was huddled together at 38 degrees below zero, 70 below freezing point.

The lowest temperature in Toronto last year was 8 below, on Jan. 25. A year ago yesterday the mean temperature was 6 above.

Took a Steady Move Up.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning the temperature at the Observatory was 10 below, and it continued to rise until at 9 p.m. it was 16 above, making a jump of 26 degrees in 13 hours.

But this rise is only a rest for the shivering citizens. The Observatory authorities last night predicted for this evening high northwest gales that would bring another decidedly cold snap from Manitoba.

OVER CHILCOOT PASS.

Railway Completed Which Shortens Time From a Month to a Day in Klondike Travel.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 30.—Hugh C. Wallace, President of the Chilcoot Railroad and Transportation Company, has advices of the completion of the company's aerial railway over the Chilcoot Pass to Lake Lindermann. This marks a new era for Klondike travel, as the time between tidewater and the headwaters of the Yukon River is shortened from a month to one day, besides removing the peril and harassings. The company made a contract with the Canadian Government at 15c per pound for transportation of all its freight for the Mounted Police from Dyea to Lake Lindermann.

Keep a Vial of Gibbons' Toothache Gum in the House—it will save suffering. Druggists sell it.

Ladies' Furs for Spring at Dineens'.

While "winter lingers in the lap of spring" through the months of March and April, and the major part of May, there will be many a day when a stylish little Caperine will afford most grateful comfort to a lady, and they are just as fashionable again in the fall. They are the most serviceable—and considering the years of good wear they will yield—they are also among the most economical garments a lady can buy. The varieties of Caperine styles in different furs and fur combinations shown in the fur Caperine display at Dineens' embrace all the newest Parisian patterns designed for '98, and Dineens' prices, $20 and up, for cash, are just about 25 per cent. below others. In fact, Dineens' present low special prices suggest the best reason for buying now.

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MORE CANDIDATES PUT UP.

South Wellington Conservatives Agree on Mr. Henry Hortop.

West Northumberland Liberals Place Mr. Sam Clark in the Field—Stormont Independents Fall Back on Mr. Bennett, Whom They Tossed Over at the Convention—Campaign News.

Guelph, Jan. 29.—At an adjourned meeting of the Conservatives of South Wellington, held here this afternoon, Mr. Henry Hortop, miller, of Everton, was chosen as the candidate to represent this riding in the coming election. The choice was almost unanimous, he having received 115 out of 130 votes.

Sam Clarke Won on a Ballot.

Cobourg, Jan. 29.—The Liberal convention held here to-day was the largest convention in the history of Cobourg. Three nominations were brought before the meeting, Charles Sargent, farmer; W. F. Kerr, lawyer, and Sam Clarke, merchant. Mr. Sargent withdrew, and the result of a ballot was that Sam Clarke was chosen as the Liberal candidate for West Northumberland.

Fell Back on Bennett.

Newington, Jan. 29.—At the convention of Stormont Independents, held here to-day, Mr. J. G. Adams, the candidate chosen last November, retired. Mr. John Bennett, ex-M. L. A., was then nominated. Mr. Bennett not being present, a committee was appointed to wait on him and ascertain if he would consent to be the candidate. The probabilities are that Mr. Bennett will consent to run.

Dr. McWilliams of Thamesford.

London, Jan. 29.—A convention of East Middlesex Liberals was held this afternoon at the Young Liberal Club, this city. The committee appointed to consider candidatures reported unanimously in favor of Dr. McWilliams of Thamesford as the Liberal standard-bearer. The announcement was received with cheers. Mr. J. Gibson and Mr. E. Ironside moved and seconded Dr. McWilliams' nomination in eulogistic speeches. No other names being proposed, Dr. McWilliams was declared the nominee amid cheers.

McIntyre Meeting at Aylmer.

Aylmer, Jan. 29.—A very large and enthusiastic meeting was held in the town hall this afternoon in the interests of D. McIntyre, the Liberal candidate for East Elgin. Dr. Sinclair acted as chairman and made a very able speech, followed by Mr. D. McIntyre, who defended the policy of the Government, dwelling mostly on the dairying and fruit growing industries. He also touched on the provincial school system, which he claimed to be the best.

Cavan's Candidature Endorsed.

Picton, Jan. 29.—The annual meeting of the Patrons of Industry for the County of Prince Edward took place in Shire Hall here to-day. The meeting was for the election of officers and general business.

Arnoldi McFall of Hallowell, ex-warden of the county, was elected president, B. F. Wilson, Reeve of Sophiasburg, vice-president, and H. M. Williams, Reeve of Hallowell, re-elected secretary-treasurer. A resolution was unanimously passed, approving of the votes of Mr. Pettit in the Federal Parliament and of Mr. Cavan in the Local Legislature, and heartily endorsing the present candidature of Mr. John Cavan for re-election to the Local Legislature.

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CONSERVATIVES MUST WAKE UP.

Sir Charles Tupper approved of the Crow's Nest Pass deal with the C. P. R. He hastens to lend his aid to the Yukon railway deal. His friend and associate, Mr. Rufus Pope, M. P., approves of the Drummond Counties deal. Where is it all to end? Three of the most scandalous railway transactions ever brought forward in Canada—and brought forward by Liberals—are approved, aided and supported by prominent Conservatives.

It is time for the Conservatives who are left and who have hope for the future to get from under. Ever since the death of Sir John Thompson the curse of the Tory party has been the bulk of its leaders, big and small, and most of its Ministers. It looks as if Sir Mackenzie Bowell will have to champion the party in the Senate

They say Mr. Foster is making a break to get away from the wrath to come.

A BRACE AND A HALF.

Gigsby: That Sifton's a bird.
Danrose: He's two birds.
Gigsby: And Blair, he's a bird big brace.
Danrose: They're a great big brace.

WILLING TO HELP.

Sir Charles to Blair and Sifton: If there's anything I can do to help you gentlemen through, let me know.

MORE INTIL'T.

McKenzie's intil't.
Mann's intil't.
Van's intil't.
Blair's intil't.
Sifton's intil't.
Tupper's intil't.
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BIRTHS.

GOODERHAM—At 72 Trinity-street, on Saturday, the 29th inst., the wife of Albert E. Gooderham, of a daughter.

DEATHS

CASSELS—At 115 Bedford-road, on Sunday, Jan. 30, Esther Eugenie, dearly beloved wife of Walter Gibson Cassels, in the 35th year of her age.
Funeral Tuesday. Private.

FINCH—On Friday night, Jan. 28, 1898, Charles S. Finch.
Funeral private, from the family residence, 39 Sussex-avenue, on Monday, Jan. 31, at 3 p.m.

GOODERHAM—At 72 Trinity-street, on Saturday, the 29th inst., the infant daughter of Albert E. and Mary R. Gooderham.

REHBERGER—On Jan. 29, 1898, Rosina, widow of the late Adam Rehberger, aged 60 years.
Funeral will take place to-day (Monday) from her late residence, 109 Duchess-street, at 3 o'clock, to the Necropolis. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Something new—Lucky Strike Chewing Tobacco. High grade, popular price. Try it.

ANOTHER REVERSE IN INDIA

Five British Officers Killed and Two Wounded in a Gorge.

Five Men of the Yorkshire Light Infantry Also Killed, as Well as Three Sikhs—Seventeen Privates Missing—A Despatch Which Has Caused a Sensation in London—British Official Murdered in Bombay.

Calcutta, Jan. 30.—Gen. Westmacott telegraphs from Camp Mamma that the fourth brigade entangled in a gorge near Shinkamar yesterday and suffered serious losses.

Lieut.-Col. Houghton, Lieuts. Sweing, Dowdall, Hughes and Walker, together with five men of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, and three Sikhs, were killed; Major Earle, Lieut. Hall and 17 men of the Yorkshires were wounded; Major Earle severely; and 17 privates are reported as missing.

The receipt of the despatch has caused a great sensation here, and further details are anxiously awaited.

Plague Commissioner Murdered.

Calcutta, Jan. 30.—Early this morning the body of the chairman of the Plague Committee was found in a field at Sinnar, in the Nassic district of this province, near the scene of the riots. The commissioner was murdered.

Battleship Costs Five Millions.

London, Jan. 30.—The new battleship Impalacable is to cost over $5,000,000, the largest sum ever spent on the building of a man-of-war. The arms and armor plates alone will cost $750,000, and the guns nearly as much.

Cable Notes.

M. Jules Emile Pean, the eminent French surgeon, is dead at Paris.

Herbert Spencer is in exceedingly feeble health from an affection of the heart, and has removed from London to Brighton permanently.

The Pope will celebrate mass at St. Peter's Cathedral on Feb. 13, the sixtieth anniversary of his first mass.

A London, Eng., editor has been fined £20 for offering £200 for a correct estimate of the number of births and deaths in London each week. He had been making money fast by the fake, but the lottery law was invoked and he was arrested and convicted.

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Klondike weather prevailed at Ottawa yesterday, 25 degrees below zero in the morning.

WILLOUGHBY, TUPPER, WHITNEY.

The vacancy in Centre Toronto caused by William Lount's resignation is getting to be a sore spot to Conservatives in this city. They begin to see the drift of things. Few could understand at the time what was the hidden force that was working so mysteriously and yet so powerfully to prevent a Conservative running against Mr. Bertram. One after another was any likely candidate scared out of the field. Somehow Conservatives who were supposed to be staunch, who were willing to appear in support of Mr. Howland, to even subscribe to the campaign fund in his behalf, were at heart luke-warm, and are now suspected of voting against him. Everything was Bertram. Bertram was a Reformer, but he was the friend of the Canadian Pacific, he was to give us a line to Sudbury. Somehow the friends of the Toronto Railway, the men in the C.P.R. crowd, the men in the electric ring, though Conservatives, were Bertram men. Conservatives are now beginning to see light.

We are sorry for Dr. Willoughby. He thought he was making big friends for his party by committing the Conservatives to legislation in the Local House, at its late session, that was in the interest of the same men who wanted Bertram elected for the Dominion. But Willoughby lined the boys up in style. Now, if he is not blind what does he see? Why, that Mr. Hardy has beaten him out of sight. Dr. Willoughby was pulling out the chestnuts, but Mr. Hardy pulled out the big fat cheeses if we may so express ourselves. Mr. Hardy gave the same gentlemen the bonus to the Rainy River Road, gave them the bonus to the Sudbury Road, helped them ten times as much, and as for Mr. Hardy's friends at Ottawa, why they give the same gentlemen the Yukon Railway monopoly, 5,000,000 acres of land (Klondike included), settled Heinze in good style, and bested the Doctor's brave efforts seventy times over. Does the Doctor think now that the lift that he is to get will compare with the lift Mr. Hardy is to get? Not that the Doctor won't get any aid that was promised him. But what will Hardy get in comparison? The moral of it is, Doctor, that you must not forget that gentlemen who are seeking to put things through a legislature have learned the trick of getting both sides to help them and rewarding one out of all proportion to the other, and that it is just as well to know whether you are to get sprats or whales in your basket. What Dr. Willoughby and the Conservative Opposition will have to fight next week is the whole Liberal party of Canada, two Liberal Governments, and the Rainy River-Sudbury-Yukon combination, not to mention the C.P.R. The Centre Toronto deal was the beginning of a procession that ended in the capture of the Yukon Railway!

Conservatives have been made ducks and drakes of and are only beginning to find it out. The men who have thus used them are working for themselves and are merely using Conservatives to grab everything in Canada that's left and is worth grabbing. Sir Charles Tupper is also willing to help in the grab.

A word to Mr. Whitney: The Liberals at Ottawa and the Liberals at Toronto are bound to join hands to defend the Rainy River deal, the Sudbury deal and the Yukon deal and they will defend the whole three transactions in the elections now on and the debate about to open at Ottawa. You can't stand clear too quick and let the people know where you are on the whole transaction. Anything Dr. Willoughby did he did in the innocence of his heart.

Mr. Whitney, you have the chance of your life if you seize it. You can beat all these forces if you stand up.

NEXT! TRYING TO GRAB THE CATTLE MARKET.

When anything turns out good in Toronto, or promising, patriotic citizens are to be found ready to grab it. The pork-packing industry built up by the Davies Company and the Harrises, the wonderful growth of the Toronto Cattle Market, have made this city a great live stock and meat centre, and it is likely to grow still greater. But certain enterprising gentlemen wish to grab it, to toll it, to get it into their hands. Of course they are promising to establish new industries. So they are; but they are also promising large blocks of paid-up stock to certain prominent Torontonians if they aid them to get the grab through. As usual the grabsters have an evening paper in their service.

We trust we will not be under the painful duty of publishing the names of the men who were to get the paid-up stock.

The Toronto Cattle Market is all right. Leave it alone. Only keep it still more in the hands of the city. Don't give it away. If the market is not large enough enlarge it. See that the C.P.R. has as good a show as the Grand Trunk has, but don't let any of these side issues induce the Council to part with one of its best franchises and sources of wealth to the city. Why, under pretext of bringing a new industry to Toronto, should we let a ring of men take toll for thirty years on the most successful business that has developed in Toronto for ten years? Shoot the banditti.

LOSING THEIR BREATH.

The publication of the Yukon Railway deal has had some wonderful effects on the Liberal press. The Moutreal Witness, for instance, says: "There are to be no money grants or advances. That takes away one's breath." The Globe says: "The country will learn with satisfaction and probably with astonishment," etc. The Winnipeg Tribune, another ardent Liberal paper, has also been "losing its breath," but in a different way: "All the same, the announcement and terms are rather startling and calculated to take one's breath away."

THE FUN WILL BEGIN.

A very strong protest is being made by old-time Liberals against the proposal that Mr. Bertram of Centre Toronto move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. They want to know where all this business is going to end. Furthermore, Mr. Hardy sees a good deal of danger to himself in thus putting Mr. Bertram forward, as that gentleman is the connecting link betweeen the Yukon deal and the Rainy River-Sudbury deal. The fun will begin in Parliament the moment Mr. Bertram gets up to stand sponsor for all these railway jobs.

"The Slater Hockey Boot."

M'KENZIE AND MANN AND THEIR CHARTER.

Alexander Begg Secured the Document from the B.C. Government.

Report Has It That He Sold It to the Contractors for $50,000—Owners of Other Charters Are Liable to Make Trouble—Capitalists Hit Hard by This Deal—Ottawa News.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Many people have been inquiring under what authority McKenzie and Mann can commence the construction of the railway to Teslin Lake. The charter is one granted by the British Columbia Legislature two years ago. Ontario newspaper men are well acquainted with old Alexander Begg, who for some years ran a weekly newspaper at Bracebridge, and subsequently at Orillia. He went to British Columbia some years ago, worked up the crofter settlement scheme, and was sent to England by the British Columbia Government to interview the Imperial Government. Nothing came of the project except that the old man is fond of sticking the letters "C.C." (crofter commissioner) at the end of his name. Since that time Mr. Begg has lived mostly in Victoria. Two years ago the happy inspiration struck him to secure a charter for a railway from Glenora to Teslin Lake, and there was some talk last session of his procuring a Dominion charter, but he withdrew his application. However, he has done pretty well out of his provincial charter. He was offered $35,000 for it and refused the offer. Report has it that he has taken $50,000—a tidy little sum considering the charter might have been worthless a few months hence if the Dominion Government had given a similar charter to another company. No one will begrudge the old man his stroke of luck.

Will Fight Monopoly Clauses.

Owners of existing Canadian railway charters to the Yukon will make a vigorous fight against the monopoly clauses. C. H. Wilkinson, who lobbled the British Yukon Co. bill through Parliament last session, was immediately notified of the Government's action, and sailed from Liverpool at once. He is to arrive at New York on Wednesday, Mr. G. H. Mitchell, the Ottawa representative of the company, having been instructed to meet him there on that date.

Hard Hit at Other Capitalists.

The Free Press (Government organ) admits that the Government's bargain with Messrs. Mann and McKenzie has dealt a hard blow to the capitalists who were promoting other railway schemes, and fondly getting them ready for Parliament. Some thirty applications which would have come up for consideration this session are dealt a death blow before the House opens, as the contract distinctly states that no competitive lines are to be given a chance through Canadian territory for five years. A gentleman who represented a large proposition for which he has been working for months says that not less than a quarter of a million dollars in cold cash has been dropped by the parties who have surveyed routes into Dawson and made partial arrangements for building the same.

Lieut. Joly on Sick Leave.

Lieut. Gustav Joly de Lotbiniere, Royal Engineers, son of Sir Henri Joly, is now on his way to England. The English service papers but recently contained the notice of his appointment to the Tirah (India) field force. This the young Canadian officer joined and remained at the front until illness compelled him to go into the hospital. It was serious enough to prevent his continuing at the front, and he was granted six months' leave. He will arrive in England shortly, and will doubtless come to Canada.

Capt. Wilberforce, A.D.C. to the Governor-General, is shortly to rejoin his regiment, the Queen's Bays. Capt. S. J. Denison, R.R.C.I., will succeed him on the staff.

THEY BOUGHT A TOWN.

Toronto Syndicate Secures Control of the Town of Wardner on Crow's Nest Railway.

According to The Spokane Chronicle a deal has been closed n that town by which all right, title and interest in the townsite of Wardner, B.C., save that held by the Canadian Pacific Railway, has passed into the hands of a Toronto syndicate. None of the parties interested would give out the slightest information as to the consideration in the transaction. J. F. Wardner was in the vendors and the purchasers represented vendors and the purchasers were represented by George Gurd of Toronto.

The town is said to have a future as a smelting centre. Its site is at the point where the Crow's Nest Railway crosses the Kootenay River, and the great coal deposits are only 40 miles away. The railway will reach the town by July 1.

BELLS FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Four Brothers of That Name Will Go—Two are From Port Robinson, Ont.

Port Robinson, Ont., Jan. 29.—Messrs. John and Dilly Bell, sons of William H. Bell, a prominent resident of this town, left this evening for the Klondike gold fields. Another brother will join them in Chicago. On their arrival at Tacoma, Wash., they will be met by a fourth brother, who left here for the coast about two weeks ago to complete arrangements for outfitting and transportation for the party.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King West. Ladies 75c; gents day 75c, evening 50c.

Milder, Then Cold Again.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Kamloops, 20—30; Edmonton, 10—20; Calgary, 14—28; Qu'Appelle, 2—6; Winnipeg, 8—10; Port Arthur, 12 below—24; Southampton, 8 below—8; Toronto, 15 below—16; Ottawa, 24 below—10 below; Montreal, 20 below—12 below; Quebec, 24 below—10 below; Chatham, N. B., 26 below—4 below; Halifax, 4 below—14.

PROBS: Light snow, with higher temperature to-day, followed before night by high winds and gales from the northwest and a change to decidedly colder again.

The faculty prescribe "Salada" Tea.

Big men and little men, tall men and short men, can buy clothes to fit them all ready to put on at Oak Hall Clothiers, Toronto.

Steamship Movements.

Jan. 30.	At.	From.
Mongolian	Halifax	Liverpool
Obdam	New York	Rotterdam
La Bretagne	New York	Havre
Aurania	New York	Liverpool
Servia	Queens-town	New York
Scandinavian	Glasgow	Boston
Tauric	Liverpool	New York

"Salada" Ceylon Tea is comforting.