

Captured By Boers

Who Also Held Up a Capetown Mail Train and Loted the Carriages.

The Prisoners Were Afterwards Set at Liberty by the Burglars.

Enthusiastic Welcome Extended to Canadians Who Reached Halifax To-day.

(Associated Press.)
Capetown, Nov. 1.—It transpired to-day that a Boer commando captured a British outpost of ninety men in the vicinity of Gervens on October 26th. The Boers afterwards held up a Capetown mail train, looted the carriages and passengers, destroyed the mails, set fire to an armored train.

Not wishing to be hampered the Boers released the prisoners they captured.

May Settle in Rhodesia.
London, Nov. 1.—"Mr. Cecil Rhodes," says the Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Mail, "will oppose the settlement of Boers in Damaraland, but he will welcome them to Rhodesia, and will grant favorable terms after the war to induce them to settle there."

Landed at Halifax.
Halifax, Nov. 1.—Never has the historic military city of Halifax witnessed such scenes of enthusiasm as occurred to-day upon the arrival of the transport Idaho with four hundred of the first contingent which left Quebec for South Africa on October 30th, 1899.

The scenes were indescribable. The streets were lined with thousands of citizens, buildings decorated with bunting, windows crowded with fair sex who threw kisses to the heroes as they marched through the streets, many carried upon the shoulders of their enthusiastic countrymen, headed by bands of the naval and local militia. Business was suspended.

At 3 p.m. the men were entertained in a banquet in the armories by the ladies of Halifax.

Tonight a torchlight procession and other interesting events will be held in their honor.

They expect to leave for their respective destinations at midnight. On arrival at Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, London and Windsor, the men will be warmly welcomed by the citizens.

The British Columbians who arrived on the Idaho are Sergt. Northcott, Pte. Stewart and Corp. S. H. O'Dell, of the 10th, C. A., Victoria, and Pte. A. S. Rice, of Nelson Rifle Co.

While en route the Idaho broke two of her propellers.

Free Use of Wires.
The C. P. R. telegraph, through Manager Jas. Kent, has authorized the free use of their wires to members of the Canadian contingent returning by the transport Idaho, announcing their arrival, etc.

Companies Want Their Money.
Hamburg, Nov. 1.—The provincial court has laid an embargo upon bar gold of the value of 2,500,000 marks which arrived at Cuxhaven yesterday on the Imperial mail steamer Buendensath, from Dagoa. This step was taken, it is alleged, for the sole purpose of reimbursing insurance companies here for gold withheld by the Transvaal government during the war. The Hamburg-Bremer-Bank, however, denies a rumor that the gold was shipped by Mr. Kruger.

Protector, Oct. 31.—Intelligence has reached here that Commandant-General Boshu is marching with a strong force to invade Cape Colony near Laenhardt, where it is said the irreconcilable Boers are ready to join him.

Lord Grosvenor Wounded.
London, Oct. 31.—Another long casualty list has been received by the war office. Lieutenant Lord Grosvenor was wounded in the right thigh during the fighting at Bethlehem.

Returning Home.
Ottawa, Oct. 31.—A cablegram to the militia department says Private Neill, of the Fifth Regiment, Victoria, has left Liverpool for Canada.

The Idaho.
Halifax, N. S., Nov. 1.—The transport Idaho, with the Canadian soldiers returning from South Africa aboard, has been reported off the harbor.

Ordered to China.
Durban, Oct. 31.—The Gordon Highlanders and the Devonshire regiments have been ordered to be ready to sail for China in a few days.

CHICAGO & GRAND TRUNK.
(Associated Press.)
Port Huron, Mich., Oct. 31.—The Chicago & Grand Trunk railroad was sold at noon to-day, under first mortgage foreclosure proceedings brought by the Mercantile Trust Co., of New York, in accordance with a decree of the United States district court. General Manager C. M. Hay and E. W. McLaughlin, of Detroit, representing the stockholders of the road, were the only bidders, the road being sold to them for \$5,708,701.04. Of this amount \$5,437,000 represented the mortgage and \$271,701.04 was interest.

SPEAKER PELLETIER ILL.
(Associated Press.)
Halifax, Nov. 1.—Senator Pelletier, Speaker of the Senate, is very ill at a Halifax hotel. Physicians are in attendance.

THE COURT DISPLEASED.

Objects to Mr. Gould Being Appointed to Watch Over the Countess's Fortune.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Nov. 1.—The Countess de Castellane, whose property has just been placed under the direction of her brother, George Gould, by a French court, was questioned relative to the matter, says a Paris dispatch to the World. She said: "Please, make light of the matter. It will only revive stories which will hurt my dear husband's feelings. He already suffers keenly the exposure of his present situation."

Count Boni has been away from Paris for the last three days, but will return to-day (Thursday). Last night he was conversing for an hour with his father over the long distance telephone and heard the news. He is indignant that the court should have appointed a foreigner to watch over the countess's fortune. He wanted his father appointed if a trustee was needed.

"My son," said the Marquis de Castellane last night, "thought I could serve him equally well. Boni and the Gould brothers won't agree. We both feel that George Gould will administer the trust with harsh parsimony. Boni, with difficulty, will bear this bondage."

BOUND HOME

His Worship the Mayor received to-day at noon the following dispatch from Halifax from Corp. Seymour Hastings O'Dell, the Times' special correspondent with the first contingent.

"Halifax, Nov. 1st, 1900.
"Northcott, Stuart, Wood, Lehman, Nye of Vancouver and self leaving west-bound to-night."
"SEYMOUR H. O'DELL."

It is evident that Sergt. Northcott and the other men mentioned arrived on the Idaho. Leaving Halifax to-night they should reach Victoria one week from to-day, although it is probable that they will remain at Ottawa for a short time to take part in the ovation to be tendered them there.

Preparations will at once be made to tender the men a proper reception, details of which will be announced later.

IMPERIAL CABINET.

Mr. St. John Broderick is Now Secretary of State for War.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 1.—Queen Victoria has approved the appointment of Lord Salisbury as Premier and Lord Privy Seal; the Marquis of Lansdowne as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; Mr. St. John Broderick as Secretary of State for War; the Earl of Selborne as First Lord of the Admiralty, and Mr. C. T. Ritchie as Secretary of State for Home Affairs.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Murderer of Express Messenger Tried to Smother Himself.

Marysville, O., Oct. 31.—Roslyn H. Farrell, who was last night found guilty of the murder of Express Messenger Lane, attempted to commit suicide during the early hours to-day by smothering himself. He wrapped the bed clothing tightly about his head and turned over on his face. When his purpose was discovered the guards pulled the clothes off while Farrell fought to prevent them.

VENEZUELAN EARTHQUAKE.
Later Particulars Show That Many Persons Were Killed and Injured.

Caracas, Venezuela, Oct. 31.—Further details received regarding the earthquake of Monday show that San Casimiro, Cua and Charallano were entirely destroyed. An islet situated at the mouth of the Nemer river has disappeared. At Tacarigua, Brochico and Curiepe, the damage done was considerable. There are many dead and injured.

SKELETON IN A CELLAR.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Nov. 1.—While workmen were clearing up a cellar formerly occupied by the late Dr. Thomas S. Holmes, who had a drug store in Brooklyn, they came across a box secretly fastened, which was found to contain the petrified head and trunk of a girl about 12 years old. The police made an investigation and became satisfied that the skeleton was the property of Dr. Holmes who, it is said, experimented with an embalming process which he had used during the civil war, and the secret of which he died without revealing. It was Dr. Holmes's boast that he had discovered a process of embalming that would ossify bodies. He was at work on it when he died.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Bowmanville, Oct. 30.—Sir Richard Cartwright addressed a meeting of West Durham electors here last night in defence of the Liberal administration.
Toronto, Oct. 30.—Referring to the method of appointment to the senate, Hon. Clarke Wallace last evening said \$10,000, as alleged by H. H. Cook, ex-M. P. for East Simcoe, was a very small price to pay and that \$25,000 or \$50,000 were the usual.

ALVORD ARRESTED.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 29.—Alvord, the New York bank defaulter, is under arrest here. He was caught at the south end this afternoon by Chief Watts, of the bureau of criminal inspection, Boston.

Elected by Acclamation

No Opposition Offered to the Return of Messrs. Lavergne and John Costigan.

It is Expected That Mr. Robinson's Opponent in Northumberland Will Retire.

Bright Prospects of the Government Being Sustained by Increased Majority.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Nov. 1.—Looking over the result of the nominations yesterday the outlook for the Government being sustained by a large majority is exceedingly bright.

The Conservatives have one election by acclamation, Mr. Seagram, the distiller, of Waterloo. This was done in return for allowing the local member of the same constituency being elected to the Toronto house, and had nothing to do with the Dominion contest.

On the other hand Sir Wilfrid Laurier gets two supporters by acclamation, L. Lavergne, of Athabaska, and John Costigan. It is also expected that the opponent to James Robinson, Northumberland, N. B., a strong supporter of Mr. Blair, has retired, which would give Sir Wilfrid three to one.

There are a large number of men put up by Conservatives for mere factional opposition. In some cases they will lose their deposits, and in others will be in a hopeless minority.

Most cheering reports are being received here to-day from all over the Dominion, and Sir Charles Tupper and his followers will be routed.

Mr. Costigan Returned.
Ottawa, Nov. 1.—A private dispatch received here to-day says that John Costigan has been elected by acclamation for Victoria, N. B. Mr. Costigan was endorsed by the Liberals.

UNION OF CHURCHES.

First Meeting of the United Free Church of Scotland Held in Edinburgh To-day.

(Associated Press.)
Edinburgh, Oct. 31.—The formal union of the Free and United Presbyterian churches, decided upon yesterday at a joint meeting here of the Free Church Assembly and the United Presbyterian Synod, was commenced this morning. The ministers marched from their respective halls to the royal institution, then proceeded to Waverley market and held the first meeting of the United Free Church of Scotland. Large crowds witnessed the procession. Rev. Robt. Rainy was chosen moderator of the United Free Church.

The small minority which opposed the union met in a separate hall to-day and constituted themselves a Free Church Assembly.
MANITOBA CABINET.
Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—The new cabinet, which took the oath to-day, is as follows: R. P. Roblin, president of the council and minister without portfolio; J. A. Davidson, provincial treasurer; H. D. McFadden, minister of public works; Colin H. Campbell, attorney-general; Robert Rogers, minister without portfolio.

Mr. Roblin having accepted the presidency of the council, vacates his seat in Woodlands, making the new election necessary. A writ will be issued at once. Nominations are fixed for Thursday, November 6th.

CARLIST ACTIVITY.

Madrid, Oct. 31.—It is officially admitted that the Carlist band in the vicinity of Berga numbers 600 men. Troops are pursuing them. Communication between Berga and Barcelona has been severed. Another band appeared at Figols. It has 16 horses and is divided into three groups. The gendarmes, who searched the country house of Senor Torres Baro, brother-in-law of the Duke of Solferino, where they seized several rifles, also obtained possession of documents giving the names of 120 Carlist chiefs and 600 Carlist soldiers.

A SIGN OF PROSPERITY.

Toronto, Oct. 29.—Reported births for the half of the present year show an increase in returns for a like period last year of 496. The increase in marriages during the same time was 600, which may be attributed to prevailing prosperity. On the other hand there is a decrease of 856 in reported deaths.

ARBITRATORS' DECISION.
Ottawa, Oct. 29.—The Dominion government, according to the decision of arbitrators, will have to hand over \$243,512 to the province of New Brunswick in connection with the Eastern Canada railway extension claim which has been hanging since 1884.

FARMER MISSING.

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, Oct. 30.—A farmer named A. Grant, of Thornhill, who came into the city on Saturday morning and put up at the Commercial hotel Jarvis street, has not been seen since noon of that day. Foul play is feared.

SETTLING DIFFERENCES.

Miners Are Resuming Work at the Collieries.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 31.—The Milnesville colliery, operated by the Vanwickie estate, will resume work on Friday. The company this afternoon agreed to grant the men all the concessions made by the other companies and operators. Calvin, Pardee & Co., and a committee representing the strikers for whom there was no work at Lattimer when operations were resumed on Monday, arrived at an amicable settlement to-day, and all the discharged men will be back at their old places to-morrow.

Will Resume To-day.
Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 31.—The Susquehanna Coal Co., at William, Pa., near here, to-day granted the demands of the mine workers in that colliery, and will resume operations to-morrow. This is one of the largest collieries in the country, 700 men being employed. The mine workers will celebrate the event to-night with a big demonstration.

Idle Again.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 31.—Three hundred miners employed at the Hudson colliery of the Delaware & Hudson Company, went out on strike this morning because the foreman insisted on more "topping" on the cars than the men were willing to give.

Granted Increase.
Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 31.—The Corbin colliery, operated by Andrew Robertson & Co., between here and Mount Carmel, resumed work to-day, 500 men and boys being granted the 10 per cent. increase last night. The Excelsior colliery, also owned by the same firm, will resume to-morrow with 800 employees.

INTERESTING TO ELECTORS.

Returns Like the Following Make Pleasant Reading—How Dominion Customs Receipts Are Increasing.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Oct. 31.—The customs receipts of the Dominion for the month of October were: \$2,483,951 compared with \$2,400,010 for the same month of last year, or an increase of \$23,941. The increase in custom receipts for the four months of the current fiscal year over the same time last year was \$372,907. The growing time continues.

BUDDHISTS IN JAPAN.

(Associated Press.)
Tacoma, Oct. 31.—According to Yokohama advices, the Buddhists of Japan are making great efforts to celebrate the beginning of the new century by active missionary work. The recent arrival of some sacred relics from Siam was made the occasion of an extraordinary demonstration of devotion to the faith. The roads over which the relics were borne were covered with cloth, which was afterwards sold in small pieces at more than ten times its value, realizing over \$2,000,000. They propose to collect 1,000,000 yen and to erect a grand building as a repository for their treasures. After this has been done they intend to turn their attention to charity and education.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES.
New Directions for Sailing Among South Sea Islands to Be Issued.

(Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Nov. 1.—Discoveries of great value are reported by the United States fish commissioner ship Albatross, which has returned from a fourteen months' cruise in the South Seas and in Japanese and Alaskan waters. The officers of the vessel state that nearly all of the South Sea Islands are uncharted anywhere from two to a dozen miles, making steering by chart extremely dangerous. The exceptions are the Fiji group, owned by Great Britain, and the Tahiti, owned by France. New and accurate sailing directions for use among the islands have been prepared. A world's record for deep sea net dragging was made about 50 miles east of the Tonga group of islands, in lat. 20 deg. South. Specimens of marine life were brought up from a depth of 4,200 fathoms, or nearly five miles.

REMAINS OF VICTIMS.
Ghastly Find in Ruins of Tarrant Building, the Scene of Monday's Explosion—Fragments of Human Bodies Found.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Oct. 31.—In the ruins of the Tarrant building, which was demolished by fire and explosion on Monday, the searchers found early to-day fragments of at least three human bodies.

Inspectors Tench and Kenny, of the building department, found a woman's head at the northwest corner of Green-wich and Warren streets, also a package of tools, a man's apron and a bag. Inspector Graham, of the building department, found two pieces of human flesh, and later the same inspector found another piece of human flesh and a knee joint.

Two tons of chlorate of potash and one ton of sulphur, it appears, were in the Tarrant building when the disaster occurred.

POLITICAL ITEMS.
Montreal, Oct. 29.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier left here this morning for Thetford mines, county Megantic. At Richmond, Windsor Mills and Sherbrooke he addressed meetings from the train.

Woodstock, Oct. 29.—South Oxford Conservatives have nominated S. King, of Ingersoll, to oppose Sir Richard Cartwright.

St. Thomas, Ont., Oct. 29.—West Elgin Conservatives have decided to put no candidate in the field, leaving the fight between McLaughlin, Liberal, and Roblin, patron.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—E. D. Martin is definitely in the field as independent candidate for the Commons for Winnipeg. The fight will be between Martin and Putter, the labor candidate.

Windsor, Ont., Oct. 29.—Sir Charles Tupper spoke here to-night in the interests of Col. White and Lewis Wigle, the Conservative candidates in North and South Essex.

DOES NOT WANT STATION.
(Associated Press.)
Berlin, Oct. 31.—The Cologne Gazette containing the dispatch of the Associated Press of October 29th, authoritatively denies the stories of Germany's contemplated lease from Venezuela of a coaling station at the island of Margarita, and adds: "Germany does not covet any acquisition in the vicinity of the American continent."

ONE SHORT PUFF CLEARS THE HEAD.—Does your head ache? Have you pains over your eyes? Is the breath offensive? These are certain symptoms of Catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder will cure most stubborn cases in a remarkably short time. If you're had Catarrh a week it's a sure cure. It's of fifty years' standing it's just as effective 50 cents. Sold by Dean & Hisecks and Hall & Co.—57.

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RETURNING TO WORK.

Majority of Collieries in Hazleton District Are Again in Operation.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 29.—Operations were resumed this morning at a majority of the collieries in the Hazleton district and they will be continued in full blast for the next two months.

The strike is still on at the mines of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Co., located at Andonreid, Honeybrook and Green Mountain. One of the officials of the company said this morning that the company had informed the men that it would abolish the sliding scale and agree to pay the ten per cent. increase until April 1st, and he did not know why they refused to report. The mine workers say they want a written guarantee in this respect.

Reported for Work.
Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 29.—When the colliery whistles blew this morning 16,000 men and boys between Traverton, this place, and Mount Carmel, reported for work.

Nearly All in Operation.
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 29.—Work was resumed to-day at practically all of the collieries of the big coal companies in the Lackawanna and Wyoming districts. A few of the mines were not quite ready to start, but will resume to-morrow or Wednesday, and the output of coal is expected to be greater than ever for a while.

POLITICAL NOTES.

(Associated Press.)
Hamilton, Oct. 31.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier is billed to speak here next Monday.

Chatham, Oct. 31.—Sir Charles Tupper addressed a meeting in the interest of T. A. Smith, Conservative, in Kent county yesterday.
London, Oct. 31.—Sir Charles Tupper addressed a large meeting here last evening in the interests of Major Beattie, Conservative.

Montreal, Oct. 31.—La Patrie, the French-Canadian local Liberal organ, last evening published in large type, occupying the whole of the front page, a letter signed by about one hundred French-Canadians in Manitoba expressing complete satisfaction with the settlement of the Manitoba school case.

ENDORSED AT CHIMAINUS.
(Special to the Times.)
Chimainus, Oct. 31.—Mr. Ralph Smith's meeting here was a grand success. The building was crowded to the doors. Captain Oliver Phillips Wolley was badly beaten. Resolutions endorsing and supporting Mr. Smith were carried unanimously, only Mr. Wolley being against them.

OIL FIRE.

(Associated Press.)
Ottawa, Oct. 31.—Parson and Smith's oil sheds at Janelville, across the Rideau river, were destroyed by fire last night. The loss is \$5,000, which is supposed to be covered by insurance.

LEE PLEADED GUILTY

To Charges of Fortune Telling and Was Fined One Hundred Dollars at Toronto.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—"Dr." Norman Lee yesterday pleaded guilty to three charges of fortune telling and was fined \$100 and costs on two charges. Sentence was withheld on the third conviction, and if he continues his practice here he will be fined \$500 and costs on each charge and committed to prison for a year.

Lee claims the power of being able to cure the maimed, the halt and the blind. His victims were numbered by hundreds.

REFERRED TO AUTHORITIES.

Charge of Insubordination Against Lieut. Col. Cooke.

Montreal, Nov. 1.—The charge of insubordination against Lieut. Col. Cooke for having refused to call out the Prince of Wales's Fusiliers for parade duty in connection with the Valleyfield strike unless the pay of the men was guaranteed, has been referred to the military authorities at Ottawa for decision.

REV. S. A. DONAHOE

Testifies to the Good Qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

On the 10th of December, 1897, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, pastor M. E. Church, South, Ft. Pleasant, W. Va., contracted a severe cold which was attended from the beginning by violent coughing. He says: "After resorting to a number of so-called 'specifics,' usually kept in the house, to no purpose, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which acted like a charm. I most cheerfully recommend it to the public." For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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