

mounted infantry and the field hospital were left with the center column. Perceiving that a change in the operations was in progress, I went with the Manchester Regiment towards the right. Our artillery, under Lombard's command, was engaged in repelling the enemy's attempt to turn our flank. The Manchesterers were sent forward to support the cavalry, while the Dublin Fusiliers, two battalions of the Sixtieth Rifles, the Liverpool Regiment and the Leicestershires were beginning to feel the effects of the enemy's searching rifle fire. The enemy very rarely showed themselves, although along the ridge that lay beyond the range of our guns they from time to time gave us an opportunity to judge of their numbers. At the height of the engagement the noise was deafening. Above the rattle of the musketry could be heard the thud of the Maxim and the banging of the machine-guns, which considerably added to the difficulties our men had to encounter.

The purpose of the reconnaissance had, however, been gallantly conceived and the infantry began to fall back. This movement was covered by cavalry. Some of the troops had to cross open ground towards the center, and while so doing they were raked with a heavy fire. The movement was, however, effected without disorder or disastrous loss. Our batteries were got into position to cover the withdrawal of our army from Mole station, but the fortunate destruction of the enemy's Long Tom rendered such service unnecessary.

**CALLED IT A RECONNAISSANCE.**

Ladysmith, Oct. 30.—6 p.m.—The advance was made at dawn with the object of shelling the Boers from the position, where yesterday they had mounted a number of heavy guns. On reaching the spot, however, it was found that they had evacuated the position. The British continued to advance, and the movement developed into a reconnaissance in force. The enemy were posted on a range of hills, having a frontage of about sixteen miles. Gen. White's plan of operations was that, as the movement developed, the force consisting of the center, which was disposed under cover of a kopje, about three miles from the town, should throw itself upon the enemy, while the left flank was being held by the Fusiliers and the Gloucesters. The scheme was well conceived, but failed in execution, owing to the fact that the Boer position which formed our objective was evacuated. Our artillery quickly reduced the volume of the enemy's fire, but the attack delivered on our right flank was so well timed, and the column was compelled to charge. The Boer attack had been advanced, covered by cavalry. The enemy now began to develop.

**A HEAVY COUNTER-ATTACK,** and as they were in great numerical superiority, Gen. White gave orders for the infantry to be gradually withdrawn. The movement was carried out with great steadiness and deliberation under cover of our guns, which made excellent practice.

**ENEMY'S SHELLS REACHED THE TOWN.**

Some shells were thrown into the town from the enemy's guns at a range of over 6,000 yards, but no damage was done. The engagement lasted several hours, and resulted on our side in casualties estimated at 90 to 100. The Boer losses must have largely exceeded this total. The attack was admirably delivered by our right, and the Boers were fairly driven out of their strongholds near Lombard's kopje. It was not possible, however, to push the success much further, as beyond that point lay a long, broken ridge, affording every kind of natural cover. Of this the enemy took the fullest advantage.

Our shells failed to dislodge the Boers, and as our infantry moved forward in extended order they came under a heavy and well-directed rifle fire, the effect of which was soon apparent. Gen. White, who was with the center, seeing that the troops on the right were somewhat disordered, sent to their assistance the whole center column, with the exception of the Devonshire Regiment. The battle had then lasted four hours, during which the artillery on both sides had been almost incessant.

**TIMELY HELP.**

The naval brigade, which landed at Durban, had arrived on the scene toward the end of the fight, and immediately brought their heavy guns into play. Their practice was magnificent. At the fourth shot the enemy's 40-pounders had been knocked out of action. Throughout the engagement the Boers held their ground with courage and tenacity and considering the intensity of our artillery fire they must have suffered severely.

**ABILITY OF THE BOERS.**

Monday's engagement at Ladysmith, which, despite the rather heavy losses, must be regarded rather as an extended reconnaissance or skirmish than a battle. It is disappointing to the British public, as again revealing the tactical skill of a high order on the side of the Boers. In addition to the position of a number of heavy guns, the transportation of which caused wonderment here, they have available marvellous artillery. Unless commanded by skillful European officers, it is hardly considered probable that Boer farmers would have assumed a feigned position, as they evidently did, in front of the right column, with the intention of retreat from it to the Boers' real line of defense, and inducing the British to attack it over a fire-swept zone.

**DUTCH AID THE BOERS.**

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Durban, it has been ascertained that the Natal Dutch have been actually assisting the Boers by carrying information regarding the British movements. It seems that although the landings and departures of the troops were effected by night, and the greatest secrecy is maintained, yet the enemy somehow gets information, despite the severe censorship. It is also believed in Durban that the Dutch have assisted the Boers by pointing out British officers in the batteries.

**ARRIVAL OF GEN. BULLER AT CAPE TOWN.**

London, Oct. 31.—A dispatch from Cape Town announces the arrival in Table Bay of the Dunottar Castle late Monday evening, with Gen. Sir Redvers

Buller and his staff, who are expected to land this morning. They will meet with a tremendous ovation in Cape Town.

It is reported from Pretoria that 200 of the British wounded from Dundee have arrived there and have been furnished accommodation in the state school buildings.

A special dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez says a strong force of Portuguese troops have arrived on the Transvaal border from Mozambique Territory, owing to fears regarding the hostilities between the British and Boers.

**BOER REPORTS.**

Lorenzo Marquez, Oct. 31.—A dispatch received here from Pretoria, under date of Oct. 28, says that Gen. Cronje, the Boer commander, reports the British garrison at Mafeking made a bayonet attack on Major Louw's laager near Grandstand, but were repulsed, leaving a good many on the field, dead, and that many were wounded. The dispatch adds that General Baden-Powell asked for an armistice in order the better to prepare for defense. Gen. Cronje consented to this, the British putting the dead in the wagon and returning to Mafeking.

**CANADIANS IN IT.**

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 31.—Mr. C. D. Cory, of this city, received a cablegram today from his son, Lieut. Gen. Cory, of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, stating that he and Capt. C. A. Hensley, also of the same regiment, had taken part in the engagement at Ladysmith and were unhurt. The cablegram was dated Oct. 30, and was sent from Ladysmith.

**A HOSPITAL SHIP FROM AMERICA.**

London, Oct. 31.—Lady Randolph Churchill presided yesterday at a meeting of the committee of the American fund being raised to send a hospital ship for the use of the wounded soldiers in South Africa. It was announced that Mr. Frederick Gardner and Mr. John Hays Hammond, the American engineer, has contributed £1,000 each to the fund. The subscribers of large amounts include Mr. August Belmont, Mr. Wm. K. Vanderbilt, and Messrs. Bradley-Martin and Burns. The fund has already reached £3,200. Officers of medical stores and professional service pour in from all sources in the greatest profusion. The war office will grant the American ladies exceptional privileges in promoting their project, even going so far as to accept American surgeons, nurses and orderlies, the latter to act as aides to the nurses. The only stipulation is that the head of each department shall be a British subject. It is expected that the Maine will be ready to sail in about three weeks, fully equipped to minister to 200 wounded. She will proceed in the first case to Cape Town, and then go to where the war office may indicate.

**BUGLE NOTES.**

Britain is said to be about to mobilize 29 more cruisers at Plymouth. Gen. Jan Kock, the wounded Boer general, is being nursed in Ladysmith by his wife.

Cecil Rhodes is said to have gathered and equipped a town guard of 400 men at Kimberley, paying out \$60,000 of his own money for the purpose.

**WHISPERINGS OF THE WIRES**

Mr. George Ryan, of Downeyville, dropped dead.

Senator Sullivan (Conservative) of Kingston is dying.

United States Vice-President Hobart is dangerously ill.

Admiral Dewey and Mrs. William B. Hazen are engaged to be married.

Toronto city council has adopted a resolution to make nine hours the working day on all civic jobs.

Smallpox has appeared in Saginaw, Mich. Edward and Edward Reales are the victims. They are now quarantined.

Insects have practically ruined the cocoa plants in the Lamar and Huanta regions of Peru and prices of cocoa are double those of last year.

Mayor Teezel, of Hamilton, proposes a resume and municipal reform by electing aldermen for five years, paying them and reducing their number.

Two Americans were killed in a brush. Gen. Young's command had with it a number of Filipinos at Tuboatin River in his march from San Isidro upon Santa Rosa.

It is asserted that Emperor Nicholas has given up his visit to Karlsruhe in consequence of a renewal of the quarrel between the grand ducal courts of Baden and Hesse.

So many soldiers discharged at Manila have reached San Francisco "broke" that Gen. Shafter will recommend that they be discharged in "Frisco" hereafter, so they'll have money to reach home.

Capt. Wm. H. Mott, custodian of the United States Government ship canal at the St. Clair flats, was probably fatally injured by a Woodward avenue line car at Larned street, Detroit, on Saturday.

Harry Spencer, aged 56, who boarded at 72 Albert street, Toronto, was found Sunday morning in a rooming house, a fellow-boarder. Spencer had some affliction of the throat which caused him to choke.

A woman in male attire was discovered on board the transport carrying the 25th Regiment to Manila. She said she was going to the Philippines to represent a newspaper, but refused to give her name.

In Chicago on Sunday prayers were offered in the Dutch churches for the success of the Boer armies. A conference of Holland clergymen is to be called this week to set aside a special day of prayer for all the Hollanders.

There was a Conservative rally in Harmony Hall, Ottawa, Monday night. Mr. Coates, president of the Conservative Association, occupied the chair. The hall was filled, a good number of Liberals being among the audience. J. H. Bergeron, Clarke Wallace, Sir Chas. Tupper, Hon. Peter White and Hon. George Foster were the speakers.

## SAILING OF THE SARDINIAN

Canadian Contingent in Splendid Trim.

Capt. Johnston Is Proud of His Passengers—They Will Make a Good Record for Themselves.

[Special to Advertiser per G.N.W.]  
Father Point, Que., Oct. 31.—The troopship Sardinian passed outward at 8:30 a.m. A correspondent boarded her here and found all the boys in happy trim, moving about the decks in a lively manner, laughing and joking, and with not a mournful countenance to be seen. All were delighted with the magnificent send-off they got at Quebec. Capt. Johnston, in conversation, said that he had seen many troops embarked, but never did he see better handling, discipline and comportment than were displayed at Quebec. He is

**PROUD OF HIS PASSENGERS.**

Mayor McWilliams boarded the ship, taking a large class of British magazine boys, for which he received three rousing cheers. He held up a British ensign at arm's length on leaving the ship, and again three cheers rang out from stern of the troopship, accompanied with shouts of

"WE WILL HOLD IT UP!"

J. B. R. Fiset and L. Fiset, sons of Hon. Senator Fiset, went aboard the troopship to say adieu to their brother, Surgeon Eugene Fiset.

**LEAVING QUEBEC.**

Quebec, Oct. 31.—The Sardinian began her voyage to the Cape at 4:30 Monday afternoon, within fourteen days after the order for the mobilization of the troops came to the Canadian government. The members of the cabinet and the officers of the Canadian militia, who saw her leave her wharf carrying a regiment of Canadian soldiers fully prepared for the voyage and equipped for the battle, heard with pleasure the following cablegram received by the governor-general of Canada:

"London, Oct. 30.—Her majesty's government offer hearty congratulations to the Canadian government and military authorities for rapid organization and embarkation of contingent. Enthusiasm displayed by people of Dominion a source of much gratification here. (Signed) Chamberlain."

The pleasure of the recognition of Canada's ability to meet an emergency was unbounded, but the satisfaction at the completion of an almost over-estimated task was not lessened by the embarkation of a Canadian contingent possible at such an early date.

The great Allan liner, which is said, sailed under sealed orders. The members of the cabinet swarmed everywhere over the boat, and shouted and cheered and sang intermittently. The people of the city filled every dock on the waterfront. They were dotted with the national flag; they lined the great walls of the Citadel and from every covey of vantage answered cheer and hurrah and sang with the soldiers.

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**NEARLY 7 FEET HIGH**

Tall Pine Chamberlain Met His Match in Height.

Marquette, Mich., Oct. 31.—Hon. F. C. Chamberlain's towering height has given him the title of the "Tall Pine of the Gogebic," and it is the popular belief up here that he is the tallest man in the peninsula. It is not often that the big representative has to "rubber up" at anybody, no matter where he goes, but that was his novel experience yesterday. Mr. Chamberlain, who has been down from Ironwood a couple of days, was one of the politicians gathered on the depot platform yesterday afternoon to await the arrival of Senator McMillan and Gov. Rich. While he was sauntering up and down the platform he found himself suddenly confronted by a boyish-looking fellow who was actually looking down at him. The representative looked up and the tall boy looked down. Smiles flitted over their faces. Mr. Chamberlain smiled for the absurdity of the thought that it was actually possible to find in Michigan anyone who could give him inches. The tall boy's smile said very plainly: "No, you are not as big as I am, and you never will be." However, there was no jealousy on the part of either. It was a friendly rivalry, and each of them seemed pleased to find a fellow human who could so nearly look him in the eyes.

"How tall are you?" inquired Mr. Chamberlain, as he sized up the young stranger. "They call me the Tall Pine up here, but I guess you are taller than I am."

"I am six feet nine," answered the tall boy.

"Oh, then," said Mr. Chamberlain, "you can give me three inches."

It transpired upon further questioning that the name of the tall boy is Floyd M. Sanders, and that his home is in Tawas, in the lower part of the state. He is 19 years old and weighs but 165 pounds. He is a car painter by trade, and has been working for the South Shore all this season, but most of the time has been out of town.

**POSSIBLE BOOM FOR PETROLIA.**

Petrolia, Ont., Oct. 31.—The bylaw to grant a franchise to the Carman Diesel Well Gas Company was submitted to the electors here yesterday and carried. For the bylaw, 410; against, 8. The town is in high glee at the result, as this means a big boom to our town, if the Carman Company is successful.

## FATAL FIRE IN MONTREAL

Started in the Early Hours of the Morning.

Several Fatalities Among the Domestic—Many Guests Injured by Leaping From the Windows.

[Special to The Advertiser per G.N.W.]  
Montreal, Oct. 31.—The Webster House, at the corner of St. James and Cathedral streets, near Bonaventure station, was gutted by fire early this morning.

**THREE CHARRED BODIES**

have already been taken from the ruins, two of which have been identified as those of women employed in the hotel. E. C. Perkins is the proprietor of the hotel. The firemen believe there are other bodies in the ruins, and a vigorous search is now in progress.

One man is reported dead at the Notre Dame Hospital and another man named Kidd is reported dying. The dead man is believed to be John Benbow, of Ottawa, whose son was one of the Transvaal contingent.

Three of the injured are reported at the general hospital. Several were hurt by jumping from windows. Capt. Oswald was seriously injured in that manner. A C. P. R. conductor is reported among the dead.

The Webster House was frequented largely by railway men and country people.

**THE START.**

The fire broke out about 5:15 this morning, when everybody about the house was asleep. The alarm was connected with the hotel were quartered above the kitchen, and it is among them that the majority of the fatalities occurred.

One of the bodies has been identified as that of Mrs. Gaffney, a kitchen woman. The front of the hotel is but slightly damaged.

The guests were awakened to find themselves smothering in a dense smoke, became panic-stricken, and several of them jumped from the windows, sustaining severe and in some cases fatal injuries.

## THE KAISER'S ENGLISH VISIT

Considered a Matter of Much Importance.

Great Britain and Germany on Good Terms.

New York, Oct. 30.—Regarding the approaching visit to England of Emperor William, the London correspondent of the Tribune says:

"The German emperor has again become a picturesque character in European politics. The French chauvinism forgives him for having intervened at the close of the Dreyfus trial to deprive the verdict of the judges of all moral force, and is now coaxing him to stay away from England. Bismarck's German partisans are also warning him that it is more important for him to remain in close terms with the czar than to woo popularity in England. There is also the old-time feeling of jealousy, especially among the commercial classes of Germany, which is not easily reconciled with the new trend of the emperor's policy of friendship for England. His projected visit to England has become a matter of high diplomatic importance, and will be preceded by a meeting with the czar, which will not lessen the significance of the event. Naturally he is investing these incidents with an atmosphere of mystery, and the prominence attached to his movements imparts lustre to his prestige and personal influence in European affairs."

The change of public sentiment in England, and respecting the German emperor since the flying squadron was ordered out four years ago is nothing less than a startling anomaly. English irritation over Germany's commercial rivalry and the German emperor's meddlesome intervention in the Transvaal affair reached a pitch where war would have been welcomed. Times have changed, and the English people are now prepared to receive him as an ally and friend, who has stood by them when Russia and France has been suspected of treachery. Influential press writers remind the emperor that the time may come when Germany may want English sympathy, and assure him that it will not be withheld, since Englishmen will not forget the friendliness of the Kaiser displayed at a critical moment of the history. He will without doubt minimize the effect of the visit by exchanging cordial embraces with the

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czar at Potsdam, and then come to England to visit the Queen, and spend a couple of days with the Prince of Wales, and possibly have a few days shooting with Lord Lonsdale. The emperor and the Prince of Wales have never been suspected of having a cordial liking for each other, but they will be friendly enough next month.

Evidence that the governing classes of England and Germany are working hand-in-hand is complete. The two governments are on the most friendly terms possible. This co-operation is illustrated in the Samoan negotiations. Germany is anxious to bring the tripartite arrangements to an end, and have a division of territories and interests. If this be carried out, America will be allowed to hold the island where her coaling station lies. This will leave only one other island with harbors that are worth having, and there are strong reasons for the belief that England will give Germany first choice. Nothing will be done to alienate American sympathy, but Lord Salisbury, without doubt, is anxious to have the German emperor carry out his own policy in that quarter, and will offer practical proofs that the secret agreement of last year, whatever it may be, has brought the two countries into intimate relations, based on good feeling and mutual happiness."

**FATAL IGNORANCE.**

A London, Ont., Man Didn't Know He Had Bright's Disease.

London, Ont., Oct. 30.—Mr. G. E. Brady, this city, has never ceased expressing gratitude at the narrow escape he experienced recently. Bright's Disease had insidiously fastened its grip upon him and eaten deep into his kidneys. Mr. Brady was in ignorance of what the matter was until he happened to read the symptoms of Bright's Disease in a Dodd's Kidney Pills pamphlet.

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**THIRTY CASTAWAYS.**

St. Johns, Nfld., Oct. 31.—The steamer Labrador, which has just arrived here from a trip along the Labrador coast, reports that a fishing crew of 30 people are on a desolate island off the northern section of the coast, where they have been virtually abandoned for some time owing to the fact that the instructions for a vessel to bring them down miscarried. A special steamer must be sent promptly to their assistance or they will perish from cold and hunger during the coming winter.

**NOT GUILTY.**

Chicago, Oct. 31.—A verdict of "not guilty" was returned by the jury in the suit of Joseph O'Day for \$50,000 damages against the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company, and the Wabash Railway Company, for alleged blacklisting. The specific charges were that through an agreement between the general managers of the various railroads throughout the country, O'Day and others who had participated in the American Railway Union strike in 1894 should be refused employment unless they could secure permission from the road by which they were last employed.

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