# SEMI-WEERLY SUN, ST. JUHN, N. E., FEBRUARY 21, 1900.

# SHIP NEWS.

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# PORT OF ST. JOHN.

#### Arrived.

-Coastwise Schs Farny May, 19, om Grand Harbor; E M Oliver, s, and E B Colwell, 18, Thompson,

Manchester Importer, 2,538, Manchester via Hallfax, Fur-Tithy & Co. gen cargo. Htie, 117, I-emings, from New York, 1th. conf.

Erie, 218, Lawson, from Boston, R C

kin, nail rods. Coastwise-Str Westport, 48, Powell, from estport (cleared for return): barges No 439, Warnock, and No 5, 443, Warnock,

1, 439, Warnock, and No 5, 443, Warnock, from Parrsboro. Feb 19-Sch Annie Harper. 92, Golding, from Boston, J P Maloney, bal. Sch Romeo, 111, Donkin, from Boston, P McIntyre, wire. Sch Frank L P, 124, Williams, from.Bos-ton, F A Peters, oll. Sch Wendall Burpee, 99, Musenberg, from Boston, N C Scott, bal. Sch Wendall Burpee, 99, Musenberg, from Boston, N C Scott, bal. Sch Mendall Burpee, 99, Musenberg, from Boston, N C Scott, bal. Sch Alaska, 113, Greenfeld, from Newark, F Tufts, coal. Coastwise-Schs Levuka, 75, Newcomb, from Parreboro: Harry Morris, 38, McLean, from Quaco: Lone Star, 29. Richardson, from North Head. ClearOd.

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16 .- Sch Evolution, Gale, for Grau-

ville Bay, Grenada. Coastwise-Schs Thelma, Milner, for Afa-napolis: E M Oliver, Harkins, for fishing; Fannie May, Cheney, for Grand Harbor; Jirene, Sabean, for Digby: Wanita, Apt, for Annapolis; E B Colwell, Thompson, for Feb 17-Sch Wm Marshall, Hunter for

New Haven. Sch Abbie Ingalls, Tower, for Bocton. Feb 19-Coastwise-Sch Yarmouth Pac Shaw, for Yarmouth Levuka, Newcomb, Parrsboro.

Sailed.

Str Duart Castle, Seeley, for Halifax.

CANADIAN PORTS.

Arrived.

At Annapolis, Feb 17, sch Avalon, How-ard, from New York. At Yarmouth, Feb 15, bktu Hillside, Mor-rell, from New York. At Victoria, BC, Feb 10, ship Creedmoor, Kennedy, from Manila, etc.

### BRITISH PORTS. Arrived.

At London, Feb 17, str Daltonhall, from St John; str St Jchn City, from Halifax. At Liverpool, Feb 15, strs Cuvier, Quin-ton, from New Orleans via Norfoik; Feb 19, Ashanti from St John

Ashanti, from St. John. At Port Spain. Feb 16, bark Robert Ewing, Irving, from Apalachicola.

#### Sailed.

From Sunderland, Feb 15, str Cebriana, From Sullivan, for St John. From Swarsea, Feb 16, str Consols, Rob-erts, for Galveston. From Newcastle, NSW, Jan 4, ship Ellen A Read, Cann, for Manila.

# FOREIGN PORTS.

## Arrived.

At Ship Island, Feb 12, ship Charles, Cos At Ship Island, Feb 12, ship Charles, Cos-man, from Liverpool. At New Bedford, Feb 14, sch Carrie Bell, from South Amboy. At Jacksonville, Feb. 14, sch Bartholdi, Amberman, from St George. At St. Pierre, Mart, no date, bark St Paul, Strum, from New York. At Ponce, P. R., Feb. 7, sch B B Hard-wick, from Annapolis, N.S. At New York, Feb 14, ship Machrihanish. Cain, from Samarang via Delaware Break-water.

At New York, Feb 17, str Campania, from

Liverpool. At Portsmouth, NH, Feb 16, sch Nimrod, Haley, from New York. At New York, Feb 15, bark Lovisa, Bur-gess, from Santos; sch Exception, Barteaux, from Montevideo; Glenrosa, Card, from Natal, Brazil; sch Atrato, Watt, from San

BUDGET OF GOOD NEWS. (Continued from First Page.)

Rebecca A Taulane, Captain Smith, lum laden, from Jacksonville for Boston, put in here in a disabled condition after days out. When six days out she broke rudder head and drifted for two days us repaired. She lost her foretopmast and it sails during severe storms and also part her deck load. Will probably tow to desi

Feb 13-The Do

MARRIAGES

DEATHS.

BACON-At Greenwich, Kings Co., N. B., on Feb. 7th, 1900, Wilfred J W. Bacon, aged .3 years and 10 months, beloved son of Margaret J. and Thomas H. Bacon. BOWES.-On Feb. 16th, John, son of T. L. and Catherine Bowes, aged 4 years and 18 duys.

and Catherine Dowes, aget 19 days. COOGAN.-At Roxbury, Feb. 13th, Luke Coogan, 30 years and 11 months.-(Cope Breton papers please copy.) GIRVAN-In this city, on the 18th Febru-ery, William Girvan, late cashier of the Bank of New Brunswick, in his eighty-

eighth year. HUGHES.—In Charlestown, Feb. 14, of diph-theria, John, beloved child of William H. and Catherine Hughes, 3 years and 2 mos. —(P. E. Island papers please copy.)

AT WHITE'S COVE.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., Feb.

15 .- John McFee and Bernard Kelly

drove to St. John Tuesday with heavy

buckwheat flour.

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Cumberland Bay stream. ,

GEO. E. TUCKETT DEAD.

life he entered upon a business career. ceased was mayor of Hamilton in 1896.

MARINE MATTERS.

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The Merchants' Bank of P. E. Is-

land acknowledge the receipt of \$50

ficm Sir L. H. Davies towards the

National Patriotic Fund Association.

graph office at Sydney.

uch.-Chicago News.

loads of beef, poultry, butter and

definite information only of eighten the excite ed by the per ant Cronje's army has b BOSTON, Feb 13—The Dominion Atlanti steamer Prince George, Captain McKinnon which was due here at 9 o'clock this morn ing from Yarmouth, had not arrived at this evening, and it is believed that she ha met with some accident in coming across the bay. The steamer Boston, also from Yarmouth, arrived practically on time, and her commander, Capt Stanwood, reports hat both steamers left Yarmouth within 15 ninutes of each other, but that he lost sight t the Prince George also fight. At that time he Storm reached its height. At that time he Prince George appeared to be standing ward the south. ded and captured. The rumors they could not be traced to tory source, held the atten commons in the lobbies last even nd the ministers were continually led in the corridors and pressed for information. A repre ative of the Daily Mail ascribes to the storm reached its normal to be standing toward the south. Later-Str Prince George arrived at 8 pm. CHATHAM, Mass, Feb 18-The northeast snow storm ended this afternoon with the wind shifting to the northwest and clearing weather. All the ships under the lee of Monemy rode out last night's gale in safety and tonight are holding on well, although the rorthwest wind was blowing very hard. NEW YORK, Feb 18-When the Prince line steamer Asiatic Prince arrived at quar-antine this morning from Santos, Chief Of-ficer Camp reported the death of Captain Woodhouse from yellow fever on Feb 3. The captain was buried at sea the same day. Chief Officer Camp then took command and brought the Asiatic Prince safely to port. Captain Woodhouse was 52 years of age, and left a family in Liverpool. He was well known at this port and was formerly cap-tain of one of the steamers of the Anchor line Mediterranear fleet. The Asiatic Prince will be detained at quarantine for disinfec-tion. George Wyndham, partiamentary sec-retary of the war office, an admission that the government had extre actory news, but he refused to divulge it, while the representative himself elicited from an anonymou member of the cabinet the informa that the war office had received a telegram which announced that Commandant Cronje was hopelessly surrounded. Nevertheless, the war, office at midnight announced that nothing had been received for publication, and none of the morning newspapers from its own sources is able to enlighten the public. One of these continenta Boer reports, which fluctuate erratic-ally between the truth and wild abtion. NORFOLK, Va. Feb 17-Ard, str Cunaxa, Grady, to sail 18th for Rotterlam. CHATHAM, Mass, Feb 19-A strong gale from north-northwest came on at dark, causing the four-masted schr Estelle Phin-ney and several others here bound south to return over the shoals. The rest of the fleet, however, shortened sail and kept on, among which is a loaded barge headed off to sea when the storm struck. surdity, comes from Berlin in the shape of an assertion that the British on Sunday night were compelled to abandon their advance north of the Modder River, partly because they eared an ambush and partly because of a heavy rain, which made the roads impassable for artillery. The men and horses were thoroughly exhausted. It is impossible to estimate the worth of this rumor.

It is noteworthy that the reports differ as to the whereabouts of Commandant Cronje and his pursuers. While there seems to be every reason to suppose that the retreating Boers are following the line of the Modde River, some of the telegrams from South Africa refer to them as being at or approaching Koffyfontein, on the Riet River, many miles south. The

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News cables that he learns that Gen. Methuen's division is now at Kimberley, having gone through without any fighting.

There is little new regarding the situation in Natal. There are some fresh indications of what was already fairly apparent, that a considerable part of the Boer strength had been withdrawn from the line of the Tugela River before Gen. Buller made his last assault. It is to be presumed that their big guns were all safely withdrawn. Their altered plan of campaign cannot as yet be guessed at, but a telegram dated Maseru, Basutoland. Feb. 17. states that the government of the South African republic is sending large forces into the Orange Free State, under prominent generals. while a telegram communicated by the Transveal legation at Brussels to the

ler has captured Hiangwane Hill. Large numbers of Free Staters have left to meet Lord Roberts' force. It is believed that a number of Boer big guns have been taken back across the border.'

The Chieveley correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing yesterday, says: We now occupy all the hills to the ght of Colenso, on this side of the ugela, including Hlangwane, which

the Boers evacuated last night (Sun day). This capture of Hlangwane Hill is of great strategical importance, as the hill commands the flank of the Boer

defences at Colenso. A successful advance and the recapture of the rail-way may be expected." The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing Sunday, Daily

BA.YS "Lord Methuen's force, I learn, has arrived at Kimberley, having got through from Magersfontein without

fighting.

CRONJE HOLDING HIS OWN. LOURENSO MARQUEZ, Feb. 19.-It annears fran advices received here that the loot captured by the Burghers yesterday near Koffyfontein included 3,000 head of cattle and a numper of wagons, eighteen of which were loaded with provisions intended for the relief of Kimberley. A number of prisoners were also taken.

Heavy fighting is reported today anound Kimberley, where Gen. Cronje is said to be holding his own.

THE BOER VERSION.

LONDON, Feb. 20 .- A despatch to the Daily Mail from Lorenzo Marquez, lated Monday, says:

toria, the Boers are expecting a big battle on the Tugela. They claim that 70 of the Wiltshires were killed at Colesberg and that thirty wagons, with forage and provisions, were captured, but no ammunition. They thus describe the fighting at Kimberley: "The British came through Blaunbank and attacked in two columns. While the Boers were busily engaged with Lord Roberts, Gen. French, with

in breaking through the Boer lines. The Boers did not seriously oppose Gen. Frerch's advance, but confined their efforts to preventing the provisions getting through. In this they



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heat and thirst was intense. The Burghers did their best to alleviate this, and many of the wounded were carried in blankets to Rensberg sid-

"At Rietfontein the British rear guard began shelling, thus compelling the federals to leave the wounded in order to repulse the attack. A federal Krupp gun replied effectively to the British cannonade. The Boers lost two killed and four wounded.

"They now occupy all the Rensberg positions formarly occupied by the British, whose rear guard is at Rietfontein, with the federals close up.'

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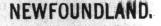
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The Government Defeated and the Premier Will Resign.

Fisheries and French Shore Modus Vivendi Bill Was Passed by Unanimous Vote, on Patriotic Grounds.

Newfoundland government was de

feated today on a vote of want of con-

fidence, the vote standing; Govern-

ernment, 9; opposition, 15. For som

months the legislature of Newfound-

land has been split into two factions.

Sir James Winters, government, knew

that it could exist only so long as A.

B. Mcrine and his followers maintain-

ed their allegiance to it. Mr. Morine.

some weeks ago, intimated that it was

not at all likely that he would con-

tinue to support Sir James Winter,

the premier of the conservative ad-

ministration, in which he had been

minister of finance, and subsequently

minister of marine. The facton in the

James Winter, the opposition and

that following Morine, were about

equally strong. In the vote today

three of Morine's followers voted with

the government, three against, and

the balance abstained from voting.

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ST. JOHNS. Nfld., Feb.

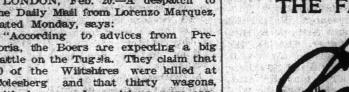
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BIRTHS. BRITTAIN.-At Wolfville, N. S., Feb. 14th, to the wife of H. L. Brittain, Principal of Horton Academy, a son. GODDARD-BERRY.—At the home of bride, Sussex, on Feb. 14th, by Rev. Camp, Frank Goddard, of Springdale, Miss Cora L. Berry. the W.

whole position is obscure.

100 men.' CRONJE INTERCERTED. MODDER RIVER, Feb. 18, 9.30 p. m.-Gen. Kelly-Kenny has intercepted Commandant Cronie, who was hastening to Bloemfontein from Magersfontein, near Klip Drift, and has captured seventy-eight of the enemy's wagens. The Boers moved very rapidly from Magersfontein to Randhavel, from which place a force was directed to make a defence, but it is cow evacuated and the road to Kim-Berlin Tageblatt asserts that all the berley is clear. The Guards' Brigade Free State Boers have been with-

yesterday morning cauticusly edvandrawn from the investment of Ladyced from the Modder River camp. smith, for the purpose of reinforcing 'They found Magersfortein desolate.



2,000 cayalry and six guns, succeeded wounded. succeeded, capturing 2.500 head of

cattle, 100 wagons of provisions and

Blas. At Honelulu, Jan 28, ship Lancing, Chap-man, from Sydney, NSW. At Mobile, Feb 15, sch Florence R Hew-son, Patterson, from Havana. At Pensacola, Feb 15, sch Chas L Jef-frey, Williams, from Porto Rico to load for Ponce; bark Thomas Perry, Mattson, from London. shoulders considerably. man,

At Norfolk, Feb 17, str Cunaxa, Grady, At Norfolk, Feb 17, str Cunaxa, Grady, to sail 13th for Rotterdam. At Algoa Bay, Jan 6, bark Stranger, Leibke, from Bueuos Ayres. At Havana, Feb 10, sch Belle Wooster, Sommerville, from Santa Cruz. At Anjer previous to Feb 9, bark Spring-bank, Boyd, from New York. At Mobile, Feb 15, sch Florence R Hew-son, Patterson, from Havana.

At Mobile, Feb 15, sch Florence R Hew-son, Patterson, from Havana. At New York, Feb 17, schs Carrie Easler, Parnell, from Liverpool, NS; Carrie Belle, Gayton, from New Bedford; Ira D Sturgiss, Kerrigar, from Newport. At Pernambuco, Feb 18, bark Sunny South, McBride, from Algoa Bay, and sailed 19th for Barbados.

#### Cleared.

At New York, Feb. 14, ship Lizzie Burrill, Spurr, for Buenos Ayres. At Jacksonville, Feb 14, schs Thomas Roessner, Rogers, for Bath; Gladstone,

At Bicksonvine, Feb Th. Solits Gladstone, Rocessner, Rogers, for Bath; Gladstone, Milberry, for Guadaloupe. At Buenos Ayres, Jan 8, barks Frederica. Churchill, for Caue Town: Northern Empire, Ellis, for East London. At Fernandina; Feb 15, sch Sainte Marlc, Morehouse, for Bernuda. At New York, Feb 16, bark St Peter, Has-sell, for Surinam: brig Vanturer, Foote, for San Andreas; schs Gypsum King, Harvey for Turks Island; Luta Price, Cole, for Elizabethport; Feb 17, bark Alkaline, Houghton, for Vera Cruz; sch Greta, Me-haffey, for Azua and San Domingo. At Woblie, Feb 16, bark Conductor, Lom-bard, for Buenos Ayres. At Washington, DC, Feb 16, fch St Mau-rice, Finley, for Baltmore. Sailed.

Sailed.

From Pensacola, Feb 14, str. Ardova, Smith, for Havre. From Havana, Feb 7, sch Omega, LeCain, for Analachicola.

From New York, Feb 14, sch<sup>4</sup> Ruth Shaw for Boston.

for Boston. From Buenos Ayres, Jan 25, bark Bald-win, Wetmore, for Algoa Bay. From Reunion, Jan 14, bark Unanima, Rabadan, for Mauritius. From New York, Feb 18, ship Lizzie Bur-

From New York, Feb 18, ship Lizzie Bur-rill, for Buenos Ayres. From Brunswick, Feb 16, bark Saranac, Lowery, for New York. From Rio Janeiro, Jan 11, bark Gazelle, Green, for Barbados.

MEMORANDA.

Passed Kinsale, Fcb. 14, str Cuvier, Quin ton, from New Orleans via Norfolk for Liv

in port at Buenos Ayres, Jan 4, sch La Plata, Sloan, for Cape Town, ready. In port at Rermuda, Feb 12, sch Ben Bolt. Ward, ready for sea; brig Kathleen, load-ing old iron. In port at Rio Janeiro, Jan 21, ships Har-vest Queen, Forryth, for Gulf port; Mara-bout, Ross, from Pensacola; Monrovia, Hib-bard, from do; bark Birnam Wood, Morris, for — and Pensacola.

or \_\_\_\_\_ and Pensacola. In port at Singapore, Feb 11, ship Al-ania, Brownell, for New York.

# SPOKEN.

Str. Yola, Birchmann, from Bristol Halifax, Feb. 9, lat. 50.06, lon., 20.48.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

TOMPKINSVILLE, NY, Feb 15-Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that the spar buoy, painted black and red in horizontal stripes, with a lantern showing a red light suspended from the top, established to mark the wreck of a canaboat sunk off Nixon's Ship Yard, near the junction of Newark Hay and Arthur Kill, New Jersey, has been discontinued, the wreck having been re-moved.

BOSTON, Feb 15-Steeles Ledge buoy No is reported adrift from its position in enobscot Bay, Me. It will be replaced as bon as practicable.

Ida-They pretend to be blue bloods, but I bet their father is a retired saloon-keeper. May-What makes you think so ? Ida-Because the family uses the side-door so much - Chicago Naws

Penobscot Bay, Me. It will be replated as soon as practicable. PHILADELPHIA, Pa, Feb 15-Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that Illinois rock buoy, black, No 31, and Goose Island flat (upper) buoy, red, No 26 B, in the Delaware River, have gone adrift. These buoys will be replaced as soon as practic-able. PHILADELPHIA, Feb 17-Captain of steamer Norman reports the buoy at the lower end of Goose Island Flats gone from its position.

#### REPORTS.

NEW LONDON, Conn, Feb 18-The schr

W. B. Taylor fell from a load of hay Commandant Cronje. few days ago and hurt one of his The Standard's correspondent tele-

A basket social held in the hall graphed from Chieveley that the British cleared the hills at the point of Waterborough last night realized a the bayonet, and that the Boers in their retreat left their dead and A large quantity of logs and cordwounded on the field. wood is being got out at Cumberland

A despatch to the Daily News from Point by D. E. McLean, H. A. Mc-Chieveley indicates that the Boers did Merritt Elgee and Heotor Mcnot wait for the bayonets, but re-Lean. Thomas Gale of Cumberland treated precipitately. The correspon-Bay is getting out lumber for a dents say that the Boers evacuated schooner which he will build next Plangwano Hill Sunday night and summer. Frank Fairweather has a that the British occupied it Monday crew lumbering on the Oak lands near They dwell upon the great strategical importance of the position, which enables the British to dominate the enemy's main defence at Grobeliskloof and predict a continued successful ad-HAMILTON, Feb. 19.—George E. Tuckett, proprietor of Tuckett & Sons Co., manu-facturers of tobacco, died early this morn-ing from pneumonia after less than a week's liness. He was born in Excter, Eng., in 1835 and came to Canada in 1842. Early in 1856 he ortered upon a business career Devance and the recapture of the rail-

way. A report has been received from Durban that the whole of Methuen's Mounted Infantry are now in Zululand and that other troops are proceeding there. Anxiety concerning the invasion of that quarter is row pas-

Schr. Joseph Eaton, Jr., Capt Greenlaw, from Perth Amboy for Rockland, with coal, sunk the other day in Huntington Bay. The vessel struck a sunken bargs loaded with coal. A large hole was stove in her bottom and she rolled over and sank. Captain and crew abandoned her. Portland Argus: Schooner Beaver, with a cargo of lumber, left the harbor Wednesday morning bound for New York. On getting outside the schooner ran into a squall of such severity that she was compelled to put The news of the British occupation of Dordrecht and the surrounding hills is the latest from that neighborhood. The correspondent of the Telegraph at Bird's River asserts that the position

out-generalled fairly and squarely and were beaten by a numerically inferior back to the barbor with several of ther sails force. torn. Bark Sunny Sauth, Capt. McBride, from Algoa Bay, arrived at Pernambuco on the 18th and left the following day for Bar-LONDON. Feb. 20, 3.45 a. m.-A member of the cabinet told H. W. Lucy tonight that the war office had received a telegram announcing that Gen. Cronje was hopelessly surround-

bades. Overdue bark Ancona, Capt. Newgreen, from Cebu Aug. 5 for Boston, was spoken Feb. 6, lat. 9 S., lon. 33 W.; all well. Schooner Belle Wooster, Capt. Bruce Som-merville, reached Havana on the 10th from Santa Cruz, Ten. She had been out a long time, and fears were entertained that she had met with some mishap. Schr. Hazelwoode was to have been load-ed at Digby the other day with pulp for Portland. Me. Capt. Chute is now in com-mand. Capt. Farris has returned home to St. John. Mr. Wyndham was beset by anxious members of the house, but would only reply that the government's news was extremely satisfactory. The sole explanation of the government withhold mand. Capt. Farris has returned none to St. John. The following charters are reported: Ship Timandra, Boston to Buenos Ayres, lumber, cwners' account; bark Harvest Queen, Rio Janeiro to Philadelphia, ore, p. t.; schooner Laconia, San Domingo f. o. to Azua, Occa or Macoris, thence to New York, sugar, \$3 and port charges; ship Mary L. Burrill, Buencs Ayres to New York, quebracho wood, \$4. Desthord Argus: One of the principal ing good news is that the confirmation more details are awaited. The situation, as disclosed by correspondents over the Free State border, is tantalizing to the public expectation. The elementary facts are that the Boers are trekking eastward toward Bloemfontein, with slow mov-Ayres to New York, quenation wood, yn Portland Argus: One of the principal topics of conversation on the water front Friday was concerning the peculiar coincid-ence that on the very day that Elmer Max-well was arraigned for the murder of Cap-tain Geo. E. Baisley before Commissioner Bradley, the schooner J. B. Vandusse, on which the target converd nut in here for ing baggage trains, and that they are pursued by Lord Kitchener, with Gen. Kelly-Kenny's division. Gen MacDonald with the Highlanders Bradley, the schooner J. B. Vandusen, on which the tragedy occurred, put in here for a harlor, being bound from St. John to New York with a cargo of lumber just as sho was last November, when her captain met with a violent death. made a forced march to Koodolo's Rand ford, and on Sunday pushed twenty miles eastward. Gen. Frenci left Kimberley Saturday, going eas along the Modder River. Lord Kitchener is trying to outmarch and to Edward and Charles Murphy, two Sydney boys, former members of the outflank the Boers, thus checking their

retreat if possible, and driving them Sydney Field Battery, have joined back into the hands of MacDonald Strathcona's Horse at Alberta. They and French. are both under 25, and left Sydney The war office message communical only a few years ago. Their father, ed to Mr. Lucy seems to indicate that Lord Kitchener has either got ahead Edward Murphy, was at one time in

of the Boers or is about to realize his plan, and that the war office waits to announce a decisive result.

Meanwhile Commandant Delarey with the Boers from Colesberg, is hanging on the right flank of the British pursuing columns, seeking to delay their movement, and so to assist the Boer wagon trains to escape. Students of topography think the Boers will hardly risk a fight until they get into the rough country of Blo fontein.

Doctor (casually)-Well, Mr. Brown, how are you today? Mr. Brown udefensively)-Oh. I'm all right, doctor. There's nothing the matter with me that would be worth \$2 The Daily Mail has the following lespatch, dated Monday, from Pietermaritzburg: Advertise in the Semi-Weekly Sun. "It is reported that Sir Redvers Bul-

The trenches were like zigzag hedge rows, erabling sections to deliver an enfilading fire if a neighboring line of trenches were occupied by the Brit-Hitherto the commander moved ish. in the centre with the ninth division. Attached to him as corps was Gen. Kelly-Kenny's division on the right and Gen. Tucker's on the left. The latter is now at Jacobsdal. The loss of the supply train was probably due to trying to victual the troops over too

> wide an area. Gen. Kelly-Kenny overtook mandant Cronje near Klip's Drift. The Free State commendants were almost unanimously in favor of surrendering, but when the morning showed that the British cavalry had not surrounded their laager, they cleared out fast, leaving a section of their force to guard the transport which the British gradually detached

using guns that had been pulled up the neighboring kopjes. The British first shelled their laager at a distance of 7,300 yards.

When Jacobsdal was entered, your correspondent visited the German volunteers' hospital, which he found lighted with electricity. The senior physician, Dr. Koetner, was perform irg a difficult creration. Gen. Brabant tock on Friday is exmany similar operations had been succeptionally strong. The Boers were cessfully performed. The correspondent was very courteously received. He conversed with the Boer who had charge of a mounted gun at Koodoes-

berg, and who had been wounded in the lungs by a shrapnel shell. He said that his gun had been dismounted by the British fire. He admitted that the Boer loss was heavier than the British and said that the Boers must row stiffen their backs.

BRITISH OCCUPY DORDRECHT.

18.—The Boers evacuated Dordrecht during the night, retreating unmolested. Gen, Brabants has occupied the town and surrounding hills. He captured two wagons and two prisoners.

THE CAPTURED CONVOY. LONDON, Feb. 19 .- The latest information in regard to the British convcy which is reported to have been captured by the Boers at the Riet River, is contained in a despatch to the Evening News, dated Jacobsdal, Feb. 18, 9 p. m. In this despatch the correspondent says the convoy was handoned to avoid delaying the British advance. He adds, however, that the Boers have been unable to remove the wagons. The same correspondent states that Gen. French has surroun ded a Boer laager at Dromfield, to the northward of Kimberley, and is shel-

BOER ACCOUNT OF RENSBERG FIGHT.

ling it.

LOURENSO MARQUEZ, Monday, Feb. 19.-A correspondent who was with the Boer forces in the attack upon Rensberg gives further particuars regarding the capture of the Wiltshires. He says:

"Commander Peller, who arrived first, found two companies of the Wiltshires, and began attacking in the body of Free Staters, and together they drove the British back from the three.

"It is impossible to say exactly how many of the British were killed and

Feb. 19.-The Boers' line of fortress is broken. The British have achieved a decided success in capturing the enemy's position on Monte Christo. The Boers, however, effectively executed a retreat. removing their guns and convoy wagons. The British had comparatively few casualties.

OFFER A BOUNTY.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—An army order issued tonight invites the reservists to rejoin the colors for a year for home defense, and offers £22 bounty for those who do so.

WILL ASK COLONIAL OPINION. LONDON, Feb. 19 .- Replying to a question the house of commons today, George Wyndham, parliamentary secretary for the war office, declared the government prowar office, declared the government pro-presed to invite an expression of epinion from the colonial governments regarding the re-organization of the forces of the empire and kindred questions.

WILL SAIL WEDNESDAY.

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NO TRUTH IN THE STATEMENT. LONDON, Feb. 19.-Inquiries made in of-ficial circles here fully confirm the de-spatches of the Associated Press from Washspatches of the Associated Press from Wash-ington to the effect that there is no truth whatever in the story contained in Paris despatches that President McKinley has sounded the British ambassador to ascertain how an offer of mediation in the South African war on the part of the United States would be received by Great Britain. The impression prevails in the flighest circles here that Secretary Hay understands that Great Britain would not for a moment con-sider any such proposition, and he is not looked upon as likely to waste time in futile efforts.

# MCBRICE'S NOMINATION.

LONDON; Feb. 19.-John O'Donnell and Major John McBride, the latter commanding the Irish brigade in South Africa, were to-day nominated to fill the vocancy in the house of commons for South Mayo caused by the resignation Oct. 26, 1899, of Michael Davitt, Irish nationalist, as a protest against the Bear war.

At the last election in South Mayo Mr At the last election in South Mayo Mr. Davitt was returned unopposed. The Globe this afternoon declares that if Major McBride is qualified for election to parliament he is also liable to be shot as a traitor as soon as captured, as only British subjects are eligible for election to the house

FREE NATIONS ALL. LONDON, Feb. 19.—Already suggestions are being canvassed in the press as to how best to commemorate here in the heart of the empire the splendid sacri-fices of Canada and Australia for the em-pire. The Spectator recently proposed a worthy monument in London to colonists who fell in the war. Another proposed is worthy monument in London to colonists who fell in the war. Another proposal is the erection in front of St. Paul's cathedra of four such masts as decorate the front of St. Mark's in Venice. These masts, set in rich emblematic bronze sockets, would repre-sent Canada, Australia, New Zealand and

Mr. Morine himself is in England. Who Gov. McCallum will call upon to form a new government is not yet known. Sir James Winter will assuredly resign, and in that event it may be that the government will be reformed under a new leader. Immediately after the vote of want of confidence the bill providing for modus vivendi on the fisheries and French shore question was passed unanimously, the reason alleged for this action being that in the present condition of imperial affairs Newfoundland wished to do nothing that might cause any trouble for the entpire with France.

# NO CHRISTIAN MUMMERIES.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A codicil to the will of the Marquis of Queensbury, who died of Feb. 1, made the following provisions: "At my death I wish to be cremated an that my ashes be placed in the earth unin-closed, 'earth to earth, ashes to ashes,' in any spot convenient that I have loved. "I particularly request that no Christian mummeries or Tomfooleries be performed at the grave, but that I be buried as al agnostic. If it should be a comfort to any one, there is a plenty of friends who work come to say a few words of common sense. "No monument will be required nor an procession, as the ashes can be carried if procession, as the ashes can be carried a man's hand. If the places I mention my son should be inconvenient for burial then any place would suffice where the star shall ever shed their light and the sun sha-gild each rising morn."

#### FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 19.-Ex-Add: Eiligh Estabrooks of this city was stricken with paralysis while working in his store on Fri-day last, and today his condition is con-sidered serious. Senstor Wark celebrated his 96th birth-day today. He is in the best of health, and expects to leave in a few days for Ottawa to assume his duties in the senate.

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