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THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELKISKANH ST. JOHN, N B. JANUAKY 10 900.

HARDSHIPS IN THE FIELD.

Water so Scarce that the Wounded The Boers were never seen by us; none of the officers and men to whom I have spoken since saw a Boer. It is certainly the Saturday Review says: "We fear no the Saturday Review says: "We fear no the Saturday Review says: "We fear no Could not be Supplied.

A SUCCESSFUL SORTIE FROM MAFEKING.

People of Ladysmith are Becoming Cave Dwellers.

the thought that at least 1,000 men ha ** SIDE LIGHTS ON THE WAR, Details Which the Censorship Prevents

Being Telegraphed Told in Correspond-

ents' Letters. London, Dec. 30.—The men were prowding round the engines on the line offering drivers fabulous prices for a cup of water," writes the Globe correspondent, describing the close on the battle of En-slin, "But it was useless. The drivers had been threatened with courtmartial if they supplied any, as there was great difficulty in keeping sufficient supply for the en-gines. I saw one soldier lying flat on the ine under an engine, catching a few drops in his mouth from a steam pipe." Such extracts as this from the mailed descriptions of the fighting in South Afr-rice, give some faint idee of the conditions under which it is being carried on. Be-lated as the letters are by the time the

descriptions of the fighting in South Ar-rice, give some faint idea of the conditions under which it is being carried on. Be-lated as the letters are, by the time they appear in English papers, they throw much needed light upon the campaign, so barrealy reported ever the censored osties. Heat Abundant, Water Scarce. The heat that drove British soldiers to drink gratefully from the exhaust pipe of the size are of the wounded. In the British Medical Journal, Surgeon Makins, former the care of the wounded. In the British Medical Journal, Surgeon Makins, former ty of St. Thomas hospital, writes under

paniment of shrapnel and 94 pound steel shells shricking through the air." Of the hard fight at Modder River the Globe correspondent says: "On the plain were numerous white crosses, which we ment may deem it advisable to make advisable to make the careful deliberation of experts. In the meantime, it is possible the govern-ment may deem it advisable to make advisable to make were numerous white crosses, which we ment may deem it advisable to make subsequently discovered were marked ran-ges set out by the Boers previously. The ially foodstuffs. But such a step is quite fighting line on both sides extended quite problematical. six miles and there was an incessant fusil-lade and cannonade for 12 solid hours. An American Feeling.

narvellous how they always manage to accurate presentment of the real feeling marvellous how they always manage to accurate presentation of the united States regarding the war "The heat yesterday was terrific; no reaches this country, but there is no wind, a hot, blazing sun all day. We were all done, and literally parched; our only refreshment during the 12 hours was water are still strongly with us, but the latter

are beginning to waver beceause the war is beginning to injure trade. It mu not be forgotten how completely the a Strange Things in the Modder Fight. not be forgotten how completely the ad-ministration is in the hands of the great

Of the same battle the Daily News' cor-respondent writes: "The historian who writes a truthful story of the battle of Modder River will have a strange story to tell, if all one hears is gospel. Stories of guides who reported Modder River to be held by 600 Boers, of a regiment sent to clear them out and finding 12,000; of regi-ments flanking the enemy's position and within a few hundred yards of his guns having to ratire because they were shelled Of the same battle the Daily News' cor-

within a few number yards of his guns having to retire because they were shelled by their own artillery. Modder River was an Alma. It was a soldiers fight. Grit, doggedness and pride of caste made us masters of the trenches. "For sixteen hours the battle raged. For

sixteen hours on a plain as bare of cover as the dome of St. Paul's, the infantry ad-vanced by the shortest of runkes in the sweltering heat, to shoot and get shot. For sixteen hours the artillery, innocent of that shelter which tacticians in books lay down as absolutely necessary, pounded away at their invisible foe. The wounded fell out and were in most cases left, for the stretcher bearers did not dare to enter the zone of fire. Each wounded man was made a mark for the enemy's

man was made a mark for the enemy's riflemen. The wounded men were useful for the Boers-they took sighting shots at tham and got the range perfectly."

Wounded Drew Fire.

Among the many oriticisms of British

tion than that written on November 12 Catholic bishops of England to keep Janu-

porting the business of 1899 says:-The failures of 1889 are the smallest ever reported since 1881 with the lowest average of commercial liabilities ever eported. The liabilities of commercial failures in d'fferent sections of the country are com LAR SHOWED THAT pared below with the precedi F. A. ALLAN Was Buried in a Pauper's Grave-He Was a Citizen of Rockland, Me, and Had Committed Suicide

-Tried Once Before to Kill Him self But Failed.

Boston, Jan. 3.—It has developed that Frederick A. Allen, who was killed at the North Union station last Thanksgiving Day and in the absence of identification, Day and, in the absence of identification, was buried in a pappers grave, committed suiside, having failed in a previous at-tempt to drown himself. Identification was made after the interment through a laundry number on a collar found on the body. In view of the facts which have come to light recently. Judge Elv of the while no cases have entered an English harbor. Beresford Getting in Shape. Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford is keeping up his reputation of being odd and at the same time thorough, by at-tending the naval signalling school on

remarked that he would not try the trick again, as it was too cold. On the day of his death he was seen loitering about the station and it is alleged that he de-liberately placed himself between a mov-ing car and a bumper and was jammed to death.

ing car and a bumper and was jammed to death. The body was well dressed and ap-parently that of a cleanly and fine appear-ing gentleman about 26 years old. Effort has been made to find some friends or relatives of Allen, but all efforts failed until today when it was learned that a brother, Mr. G. H. Allen, lives at 91 Sea street, Rockland, Me. This is the only surviving near relative. The brother for months has been trying to locate and communicate with the man who is now traffic. But the continued caning out of the reservists has effected the railroads as well as the collicrice. In the mean-while, the war continues to increase the demand and coal goes up. The gas comfor months has been trying to locate and communicate with the man who is now dead, but has failed. After the inquest it is considered likely that the body of Frederick A. Allen will be disinterred and

removed to Rockland for interment in the family lot.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS IN THE

New York, Jan. 5 .- Bradstreet's to orrow will say: Cold weather has helped retail distribution at some Canadian

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ing year:-

\$29,251,966

THE JAIL

and Quietly Shot Him Because Their Rope was too Short for

Comfortable Hanging-The Victim Had Assaulted His Bene-

factress.

Newport News, Va., Jan. 5.—The death of William W. Watts, white, at the hands of a mob between 4 and 5 o'clock this

of a mob signalizes the initial execution of a white man for rape in Virginia, legally or otherwise. The crime that invoked mob violence was peculiarly atrocious. The victim was the benefactress of her assailant, having fed him, although a stranger, when he fort enverged beging for charity three fed nim, although a stranger, marked first appeared begging for charity three weeks ago, after reaching here penniless from Lynchburg, where his father is a policeman. Watts was 28 years of age and unmarried, a professional gambler and unmarried, a professional ga and came of a respectable family with extensive relationship throughout state.

Yesterday afternoon he visited the house of Mrs. Thomas M. Simpson, who had befriended him when he was in destitute circumstances, telling her he was about to leave the city and stating that he desired to thank her before going

away. Watts had made a "stake" at his calling during his sojourn here and Mrs. Simpson failed to recognize in the well Simpson failed to recognize in the web dressed man the mendicant upon whom she had bestowed alms three weeks be-fore. She conversed with him for a few, minutes at the door, and then retired in-to the hallway. He followed, seized her by the throat, forced her into the sitting. room and overpowered her after a perate struggle.

Watts was captured on board the special train of C. P. Huntington, as it was leaving the city for Richmond yesterday atternoon and lodged m jail. Three maskcontres, but the lack of snow has in-terfered with collections. Stock taking results have been uniformly favorable ut Montreal and the outlook is regarded as

"After the first fury had been expended,

Grossed all Intrench

panies are reaping large profits as sult.

at Ladysmith by the Standard's war cor- ary 14th as

Need Better Artillery.

Prayers for Soldiers Cardinal Vaughan has notified the

ly of St. Thomas hospital, writes under date of the field hospital at Orange Riv-

"Daring an eight days' stay some 600 "Daring an eight days' stay some 600 Fase doings of the besieged at Lady-"The meaning of this will be clear when smith has been fully described by recent I say that for 1,100 yards or nearly three-

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order, holding themselves in the bush all seemed to heighten the tension of one's nerves. In a little while our men were within a few yards of the enemy; then furtively exchanged his bayonet to his rifle, and as changed his bayonet to his rif ful noise of the veidt at night, the shart owy patches in the bush all seemed to heighten the tension of one's nerves. In a little while our men were within a few yards of the enemy; then furtively ex-changed his bayonet to his rifle, and as the blades sank home upon their sock-tas the gallant band raised a ringing cheer. Instantly the Boer position was galvaniz-ed into activity, figures showed every-where, shots rang out, men shouted, horses stampeded, and the confusion which reigned supreme gave to our men one vital moment in which to hurit them-selves across the intervening space. Then there was a loud crash, for as it happened, many of our men were nearer the entrenchments into the first trenches as a loud crash, fw rapid volleys were fired in to the course for protection from the rain. With men upon the parapet of the trench, af we rapid volleys were fired in to the remy, who, taken completely by sur-prise, were altogether demoralized. Those in the first trenches seemed to have been petrified by fright. Waere they were there they remained, stabbed with bay-met, knocked senseless with the riff tutt, or shot dead. Captain Fitzdarene himself, with magnificent gallantry and with his sword, his men plying there there they remained, stabbed with bay-with his sword, his men plying the men spart trench, and as the fight grew botter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew botter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew hotter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew hotter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew hotter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew hotter some little memory of their save the first trench, and as the fight grew hotter some little memory of their save the first trench and the treat at and the first trench and the term at the world, and

botter some little memory of their earlier beasts inspired the Boers to make a stand. They fought; they fought well. Com-mandant Botha told Lieut. Moncrieff, who had charge of the flag party that ar-ranged for an armistice this morning, that

Caves of Ladvamith

mark is equally applicable to the Mauser.
The wounds made by them are smally alter through the sound in the provided here.
A Night Sortie.
"From Mafeking, under date of October and the destination of the Protectorate regiment, and Lind. of the spittup serve science of the Protectorate regiment, and Lind. of the spittup serve that is defined to mark the best we can of a melanchor of the region the protectorate regiment, and Lind. of the spittup serve that is defined to the sound to the serve the sound to the sound

and other such incovenied is. Coal is getting daily dearer and the funds for the "Absent-Minded Beggars"

and others are swelling by the thousands into proportions of unheard of munif-cence, while the papers, when not magni-fying indecisive skirmishes into "brilliant successes," devotes casual attention to the difficulties which have arisen over the seizure of cargoes bound for Lorenzo Marques. In the latter respect the Bunddesrath incident almost monopolizes at tention, the seizure of American flour be itention, the seizure of American non the ing relegated to a very subsidiary position and not being taken as having the slight-est possibility of producing international friction. On the whole, the British press has taken a calm view of the German seiz-ure matter and has refused to be led into marking in kind to the bitte: comments replying in kind to the bitter comment telegraphed from G. meny. In this the

Beecham's Pills have the largest sale of any Proprietary Medicine in the world, and this has been achieved Without the publics tion of testim

South Africa The Queen's Handiwork.

The Queen, not forgetful of those at home, has presented a hood and com-

U. S. A. retired, on the charge of conduct inbecoming an officer and a gentleman. The case is a peculiar one in that it involves the right of the militry authority in this section. The courts of the army to submit himself to jurisdiction of a strate obligation. The courts of Maryland granted the petition of the wire of Capt. Shufeld to a certain amount. It is represented that in order to evade this judg ment Capt. Shufeld thanged his residence to the district of Columbia where he was department to assist her in collecting the alimory awarded by the Maryland court, with the result that the adjutant general, by direction of the secretary of war, ordered Capt. Shufeldt to place himself within the juris disputed the right of the war department to interfere in this reference is that is of the articles of war of the advice of his coursel, Capt. Shufeldt to place himself within the juris disputed the right of the war department to interfere in this reference is that is of the articles of war of the advice of his coursel, Capt. Shufeldt to place himself within the juris disputed the right of the war department to interfere in this reference is that in the limits of that military department. The case was continued until Monday on the plea of the accused officer's course of the material and are in that sense cheap of insufficient time to prepare for the definere. THE VANDERBILT ESTATE DIS-

TRIBUTED. New York, Jan. 6 .- One of the execu tors of the Vanderbilt will tonight said :-"All the bequests under the will of the

late Cornelius Vanderbilt have been telegraphed from G. meny. In usis the papers merely voice the feeling of the government, for at the foreign office not the slightest anxiety is felt regarding the actions so far taken against the alleged contraband, though that question, in the abstract, causes ro end of cogitation; but, more regarding the effect the pres-ent decisions will have upon future events.

but, more regarding the effect the pres-ent decisions will have upon future events than by the press of contemporaneous dif-ficulties. The British government be-lieves it has a good case against the Bun-desrath. But both in this instance and the case of the American flour the gov-ernment holds that nothing absolutely definite can be done until the minute de-teed \$75,000,000.

Montreal and the outlook is regarded as encouraging. Holiday influences have l'mited business at victoria and Halifar and current distribution is naturally light. Toronto reports some revival already in general trade following the lull during the holidays. Prices are firm, but it is used to the city, where a mob of several hundred men was congregated. He was

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who identified him, and then to the out-shardly likely that any advance in mercan-tile rates will be made. Bank clearings at six Canadian cities for the year 1899 aggregate \$1,549,994,152, an increase of 11 per cent. over the year 1898 and therefore mark a distinct gain over all previous records. Failures in the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland in 1899 were the smallest in number since 1886, and those of 1898, they were with this excep-tion the smallest for fourteen years past. Bank clearings in Canada this week a ggare gate \$30,012,834, an increase of 2.4 per cent. over last week, but a decrease of 3.5 per cent. from this week a year ago. Business failures in the Dominion of canada number 24 for the week as compared with 26 in this week a year ago. New Yark Lee T. P. C. Due to Chile the state of the cities ware soft the state of the cities ware soft. New Yark Lee T. P. C. Due to Chile the state of the state for fourteen the comparison of the state of the stat

Patent Medicine Warner, of the Safe Cure New York, Jan. 5 .- R. G. Dun & Co.'s Fame, Has Big Liautities and No Assets.

New York, Jan. 5.—R. G. Din & Co.s weekly review of trade will say:— Failures in 1899 were 9,393 in number, with liabilities of \$123,132,679. The last days of the year added a few to the num-ber and some millions to the known lia-tilities of firms and banks which failed New York, Jan. 6.-Hulbert H. Warner has filed a petition in bankruptcy with. liabilities of \$2,319,027 and no assets. Mr. close to the end, so that commercial de-faults reached \$90,879,889 of which \$30,-792,164 were in manufacturing; \$48,924,771 in trading and \$11,162,954 in brokerage, promoting and other commercial liabili-tics Warner was prominently identified with the patent medicine business in past years. and was also interested in mining schemes and other enterprises. All the debts were contracted in Rochester, New York, prior There is nothing unsound in the busito 1893, when he made an assignment. The debts are for notes, money loaned and ser-

vices. Of the liabilities \$1,391,631 is unvices. Of the habilities \$1,501,531 is di-secured, \$657,678 secured, and \$260,718 is on notes of other parties which Warner indorsed Among the secured creditors are H. H. Warner & Co., of London, \$375.-000; Bank of Monroe, Rochester, \$55,000, and Muir's Trust Co., London. \$48,500. and Muir's Trust Co., London. \$48,500. Among the unsecured creditors are John Griffin, receiver, Hudson, N. Y., \$500,000, subscription to stock of the Seven Star Gold Mining Company; William B. Duff, as assignee of A. G. Yates, \$68,895, on judgment; Lehigh Coal & Iron Co., West Superior, Wis, \$66,036 on notes; the Mol-sons Bank of Toronto, \$73,832, two judg-ments; Thomson, Houston Electric Co., \$26,271, on judgment.

WEAVERS TO SUPPORT THEIR STRIKING BROTHERS.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 6 .- The weavers of this city will tender their sympathy and support to the striking weavers of Lonsdale, R. I., in response to an appeal for aid received from them today. Collectors appeared at the various mill gates. as the help left their work and took the subscriptions of all those who wished to contribute. The Lonsdale weavers claim that their wages have been reduced claim that their wages have been advance instead of increased since the advance was ceded Fall River operatives. The weavers employed regularly in the Cornell mill, which proposes to run over-

time Saturday afternoons, unanimously agreed to remain away from that mill after noon on Saturday and it is reported that none of them remained on duty after that hour today. They are opposed to overtime running and will seek work in other mills rather than work overtime in the Cornell against their personal

Though the distance is not les

declined a little. But the goods were at no time advanced quite in proportion to the material and are in that sense cheap-e: now than a year ago. Woollen goods are also much lower with respect to wool than a year ago and some further ad-vance has been expected. Wool is still strongly held though full prices asked a month ago cannot be obtained. Cotton does not rise further because re-coints from plantations have somewhat THE VANDERBILT ESTATE DISceipts from plantations have somewhat increased and accounts of large stocks at many small towns have attracted atten-

Wheat still moves very sluggishly with

Wheat still moves very sluggishly with small change in prices. In six months of the crop year about ninety-nine million bushels, flour included, have been ex-ported against 123,000,000 last year. At-lantic exports have now fallen to only 2,060,926 bushels for the week against 5,214,420 last year and Pacific exports were 531,225 against 614,833 last year. The price is practically unchanged, as also for corn, of which 3,923,195 bushels have been exported for the week against 3,572,412 last year.

