

HARDSHIPS IN THE FIELD.

Water so Scarce that the Wounded Could not be Supplied.

A SUCCESSFUL SORTIE FROM MAFEKING.

People of Ladysmith are Becoming Cave Dwellers.

SIDE LIGHTS ON THE WAR. Details Which the Censorship Prevents Being Telegraphed Told in Correspondent's Letters.

London, Dec. 30.—The men were crowding round the engines on the line offering drivers fabulous prices for a cup of water...

Heat Abundant, Water Scarce. The heat that drove British soldiers to drink gratefully from the exhaust pipe of an engine after seven hours fighting at Mafeking...

A Gentlemanly Bulletin. The immense majority of the wounded have been inflicted by the Mauser or Lee-Boyer bullets and large projectiles.

A Night Sortie. From Mafeking, under date of October 26, the Times correspondent, in that long-remembered place vividly describes a night sortie by Captain Fitzclarence with 55 men of the Protectorate regiment...

Royal Salute With a Purpose. The Standard's correspondent at Ladysmith, describing the repulse of an attack on Ladysmith on the Prince of Wales' birthday...

WAR TOPICS IN ENGLAND. Yeomanry Getting Ready—Coal Growing Dearer—Seizures Taken in a Dignified Way—Tremendous Subscriptions for Sick, Wounded and Destitute Soldiers.

London, Jan. 6.—The passing of another week has apparently effected no change in the condition of the war in South Africa. It certainly has not been productive of any serious development.

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 magnitude...

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There is nothing unground in the business of the great industries but an extensive revision of prices may disappoint expectations...

Patent Medicine Warner, of the Safe Cure Fame, Has Big Liabilities and No Assets. New York, Jan. 6.—Hubert B. Warner has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of \$2,519,027 and no assets...

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 Londale, R. I., in response to an appeal for aid received from them today...

paniment of shrapnel and 94 pound steel shells shrieking through the air. Of the hard fight at Modder River the Globe correspondent says: "On the plain were numerous white crosses, which we subsequently discovered were marked graves set out by the Boers previously...

Of the same battle the Daily News correspondent 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 guided by 600 Boers, of a regiment sent to clear them out and finding 12,000; of regiments flanking the enemy's position and within a few hundred yards of his guns having to retire because they were shelled by their own artillery...

For sixteen hours the battle raged. For sixteen hours it was a bare cover of the dome of St. Paul's, the infantry advanced by the shortest of rushes in the evening heat, to shoot and get shot. For sixteen hours the artillery, innocent of that shelter which tactics in books lay down as absolutely necessary, pounded away at their invisible foe...

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IDENTIFIED AFTER BURIAL. A LAUNDRY MARK ON A COLLAR SHOWED THAT F. A. ALLEN Was Buried in a Pauper's Grave—He Was a Citizen of Rockland, Me., and Had Committed Suicide—Tried Once Before to Kill Himself 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, was buried in a pauper's grave, committed suicide, having failed in a previous attempt to drown himself. Identification was made after the interment through a laundry number on a collar found on the body...

Cardinal Vaughan has notified the Catholic bishops of England to keep January 14th as a day of special prayer for those engaged in the war. Instances of private benevolence in behalf of the soldiers are heard everywhere...

The Queen's Handiwork. The Queen, not forgetful of those at home, has presented a hood and comb set, knitted with her own hands, to the Royal Bucks hospital.

COURTMARTIALED FOR ALDMONY. Military Authorities Trying to Aid a Wife in Obtaining Fulfillment of a Civil Court Award. Washington, Jan. 6.—Under orders issued by General Meyer, commanding the department of the coast, a general court martial, of which Col. L. F. Gunther, Fourth Artillery, is president, met at Washington barracks in this city today for the trial of Capt. Robert W. Shufeldt...

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And Quietly Shot Him Because Their Hope was Too Short for Comfortable Hanging—The Victim Had Assaulted His Pen-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 morning, signals the initial execution of a white man for rape in Virginia, legally or otherwise.

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