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THE EMPIRE AT WAR.

Rev. Dr. Edgar Hill's Thanksgiving Sermon in Montreal.

An Address Breathing Patriotism in Every Line.

The Justice of Britain's Claims in South Africa.

"The Empire at War" was the theme of an eloquent and timely sermon preached by Rev. Dr. Hill at St. Andrew's church, Montreal, on Thanksgiving morning. The preacher took for his text Ecclesiastes 3: 6: "A time of war and a time of peace."

"This 'Thanksgiving day," he said, "dawns upon Canada in circumstances of special gravity and responsibility. The empire is at war! And the empire's war is Canada's too! No people realize so deeply as the British the appalling horror implied in the terrible arbitrament of the sword in the solution of international problems, and the adjustment of international differences. By every principle of that civilization of which they boast, and that Christianity to which they owe so much, no people have so essential an interest in the maintenance of peace and so genuine a reluctance to unsheath the sword even in the holiest of causes. But from time to time there arise international issues of vast importance which the British empire has to face, and for the due settlement of which the dire resort of war is the sole alternative. While Great Britain hates war, she hates still more slavery, oppression, trickery and cruelty: and when the weapons of diplomacy are exhausted she has never hesitated to lift a brand and strike for liberty, justice and humanity.

"Our imperial mother never will desert her scattered children in the day of peril, wherever their lot may be cast. Her best blood and treasure are always at the call for vengeance for oppression and wrong done to the humblest of her sons and daughters. Great Britain stands to espouse the sacred cause of liberty all over the globe, and wherever her Union Jack floats in the breeze there equal rights of race and religion, of trade and com-merce are for all who can intelligently praise these great human blessings, or who will loyally enjoy them for the common good. "Creat Britain is the patron of mod-

ern civilization, and the pioneer of all national progress in all that can ad-vance the best interests of mankind; and she can never suffer the charlot of civilization to be arrested in its of civilization to be arrested in its beneficent career in any quarter of the world where her sway is acknowl-edged. These high functions our im-perial statesmen of every political creed regard Great Britain's proud

to make slaves of them. While claim-ing to be Christians they treated the colored race as black property, of crea-tures of less real value commercially than their own. They justified this outrageous injustice, claiming, that be-ing the chosen people of God, the hea-then were given to them for an inherit-ance, and that they were the rod of divine vengeance on the heathen as were the Jews of old. "These are the words of one who knew whereof he spoke, and he is a trustworthy historian. Forced labor, kidnapping children, massacre of inof-fensive men and women, absolute de-nial of the rights of human beings-these are the crimes which an eyewit-ness lays at the door of the ancestors

ness lays at the door of the ancestors of the Boers of the Transvaal. The experience of British subjects from the descendants of Livingstone's contemporaries within the last twenty years and amity. I regret it, for its effect has not been a whit less oppressive. upon the peace of this city and prov-the changed circumstances being con- ince; but I regret it still more for the sidered. Cruelty to the native races injurious effect it must have upon and injustice to the whites, go natur-ally hand in hand. If the Boers could tics. Depend on it, no race or class do it, neither would have any rights, and the future of South Africa would out incurring the charge of disloyalty be in the hands of as cruel, selfish and to Canada's interest, with all that superstitious set of despots as modern history reveals. Verily the children are filling the measure of their fathers' iniquities. "BRITISH RULE"

their conduct, for they are planting the seeds of fire which long smoulderis the very antithesis of all for which the Boer supremacy unblushingly ing may some day blaze up, the exstands. For humane treatment of the tent of which no one can see at presnatives by the British, the Beer has ent. Let all such fire-raisers learn from the attitude of our people today only inhumanity; for justice, oppression; for enlightenment, ignorance; for that the policy of strife and division cannot be profitable either to them or religion, contempt of all religious rights; for political principle, that their race. might be expedient, only grinding

"Canada has taken a step which can slavery. Progress on these terms, or prosperity for South Africa, is imposnever be retraced. Imperial federa-tion is a reality now though no formal sible. It is like transplanting the bardeed of federation has been written. baric policy of the middle ages into the Christian civilization of the nine The soul of the empire has federated it, and that is the federation that has eenth century. It would be like turnlife and fire in it to accomplish the ing the hands of the world's clock back grandest results. As the sons of the a hemisphere to leave South Africa to empire gather on South African plains the tender mercies of these deteriorto champion a righteous cause, the ated Dutchmen. Civilization, Christianity, common humanity-to put it no hearts of the empire will meet there too and follow them step by step. That is the federation that makes the people higher-forbids the possibility of such high treason against the human race. rresistible.

Every sentiment of civilized society protests against it. The twentieth cen-"Though it comes in most undesirable guise, we are thankful that the opportury cannot be allowed to open with tunity has arisen for Britons all the such an outrage upon the rights of world over to testify in the most exman. It must be ended, for it cannot pressive form to the essential unity of the empire; and to proclaim to all the "That is the situation so far as I can nations that though widely scattered make it after a considerable study of they are a great unit, standing solid as the subject. Great Britain is comthe granite for the rights of man, and initted to redress the wrongs of the resolute to shed our life's blood if South Africans, and she cannot escape from the vindication of her sovereign needs be, for that sacred cause. authority. She is the champion of hu-

BIRTHS.

HAYNES-At Victoria Beach, N. S., on Oct. 14th, to the wife of Jos. Pryor Haynes, twins-son and daughter. ECACH-At Amherst, on Oct. 18th, to the wife of James Roach, a daughter.

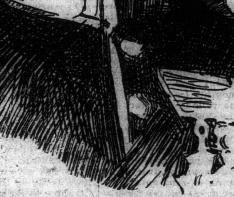
MARRIAGES.

PALLING-ARMSTRONG-At St. John's church, Waterford, on October 25th, 1899, by' the Rev. Arthur A. Slipper, William Dalling to Mary Jane Armstrong become

GEN. SYMONS DEAD. The Veteran Officer Passed Away on Wednesday.

Incapacity of the Boer Intelligence Department Was All That Saved Gen. Yule.

Gen. White Will Attack the Free State Forces as Soon as Gen. Yule's Men Are Rested.



MAJ. GEN. SIR W. PENN SYMONS.

LONDON. Oct. 26 .- The death of | field. He was made coloned in 1887. General Sir William Penn Symons, the British commander at Glencoe, who was fatally wounded in the battle with the Boers there on Oct. 20, was offi-felle and an official formulation in the second se

guns was incorrect, the burghers sucseeding in removing some of them before the British carried the hill, leavfore the British carried the hill, leav-ing only the riflemen behind to cover their retreat. On Saturday news was received of the approach of General Joubert's main column, threatening Joubert's main column, threatening Dundee, Gen. Yule quickly recognized the impossibility of defending both Dundee and Glencoe against such su-periority of numbers, sent word to Ladysmith of his dangerous situation, and ordered the evacuation of Dundee. Most of the inhabitants went south-ward on Saturday. The British camp was also removed, in anticipation of an attack on Dundee, which com-menced with long range firing by the big guns at daybreak Sunday. The big guns at daybreak Sunday. The Boers made excellent practice, and the shells from a forty-pounder occuhe was informed that a large force was awaiting at Elandslasgte to assist his reitrement. Glencoe camp accordingly was quistly evacuated. The precise position of the British was not known to the Boers."

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THE FORCES IN SOUTH AFRICA. NEW YORK, Oct. 26 .- Col. S. S. Sumner, military attache of the United States at London, who has been ordered to South Africa to witness the military operations there, has sent to Washington this statement of the present and prospective strength of the British army:

Force now in South Africa-Regulars, 12,000; volunteers, 14,000; rein-forcements to arrive before Nov. 1st, 10,000; total force in South Africa by Nov 1st. 36.000.

Reinforcements contemplated-One complete army corps, divided thus: Cavalry, 5,534; infantry, 29,253; corps troops, including artillery; engineers, etc., 5,122; troops on line of communication, 9,297; troops to be left at base, 2,852; total, 52,338. Contingents from Queensland and New Zealand, 2,500. Grand total, 88,588.

A SUDDEN CHILL often means sudden illness. Pain-Killer is all that is needed to ward it off. Unequalled for cramps and diarrhoea. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c. and 50c.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT.

Conducted By J. W. Manchester V. S., St. John, N. B.

THE WEEKLY SUN takes pleasure in notifying its readers that it has perfected arrangements with J. W. Manchester, V. S., whereby all questions with respect to diseases of the lower animals will be answered by him, and treatment prescribed in those cases where it is asked for through the columns of THE SUN.

All enquiries must be addressed

as sacred trust. In the discharge of that stewardship she regards no en-terprise too operous, and no sacrifice too exhaustive. The God of nations has called her to that high place in the due course of His providence, and she cannot trifle with His high commission. Never can she prove recreant to the stern duties which it imposes, nor shrink from its vast responsibilities. Christianity and humanity alike claim that their cause must even be hers, as her cause is notoriously theirs; and they plead that if she weakens in the day of crisis they can turn nowhere else to find a like wise and constant friend, or a strong ally and protector

"IN ALL THE HISTORY OF TIME no nation has ever been called to such gigantic responsibility, and such a nagnificent enterprise. Rome, in her palmiest days, had no such commission as that. When she spoke the nations listened, but at the point of the sword terror was her herald, and tyranny her rear guard. Even the holy Roman empire in the middle ages had hardly a higher ideal than its pagan ancestor

'The empire is at war because she is called to fight in her high stewardship for God and humanity. Here is the crusade of the nineteenth century. The old crusaders left their bones to bleach on Syrian soil for a figment of superstition. Britons who fall in South Africa will die for the sacred cause of humanity and civilization. It is well known with what patience and forbearance British statesmen have borne, during the last six months, the strain of Boer semi-barbaric obstinacy, cupidity and crinning. "Whatever could be expected to

bring about a peaceful solution of the difficulty of the situation has been tried. But all has been unavailing. The oppressor and the wrong doer have been delivered over to a strange infatuation, and defiantly marching onward to their doom. They, and they mly, are responsible for this war, and they will most surely pay the penalty of the perfidy and arrogance.

"It is well that our minds should res on this aspect of the situation. Great, Britain has not provoked this war. Most gladly would she have escaped it, if she could consistent with her duty to the races in South Africa. She is to gain nothing by it, and will certainly lose some of her brave sons and much of her treasure will be expended. She could easily have afforded to let matters drift in the sure hope that they could right themselves some day. but South Africa could not afford to be left to Boer tyranny and oppression. The history of the Boer in South Africa is to be written in blood and tears. He has done nothing for the native races but heap upon them insult, cruelty and wrong.

Forty years ago, Dr. Livingstone who had spent mary years among the Boers and native races, condemned in the very strongest terms the treatment of the natives by their Dutor oppressors. Here are some of the charges he makes against them: Though they were the immigrants, charges who had seized the country, they treated the natives as though they were the aggressors. They compelled them to work for them without reward, in consideration of allowing them to live in their own country. To supply the lack of field and domestic labor they shot down men and women in cold blood and stole their children

ing. Could we desire any more hopor-able and worthy cause to fight for? Have we greater cause for thanksgiv-ing than for the genuine spirit of un-selfish loyalty which this war has evoked from the Atlantic to the Pacific? Canadians are realizing today as never before that they are self-respecting nembers of the great empire which stands before all the world for justice between man and man, race and race, religion and religion, civilization and parbarism. For the imperial example of liberty, justice, dignity and bonor. we are what we are in the eyes of the civilized world today. And it would be the poorest account of our sense of ight, our spirit of fairness, and our estimate of the sources of all national prospenity had we hesitated to make the empire's just quarrel ours, or discouraged our brave and manly youth from taking up arms for right and

be mended.

righteousness, justice and humanity. "Our Canadian contingent will be an object lesson to the whole world of the unity of spirit of the widely situated constituents of the empire and will be the best guarantee of the peace of the world that could be offered in

manity and humanity will forever be

her debtor. Of all the wars which the empire has been involved in for

eighty years, there is none more justi-fiable than this. It is a struggle be-tween light and darkness, civilization

and selfishness, progress and retrogres-

"That is the struggle in which Can-

ada is embarked, and of which our minds are full this day of thanksgiv-

the time to come. When Briton's sons are girdling the globe with acclamations of sympathy with the imperial authority in this righteous struggle, and contributing from the extremities of the earth their several contingents to stand shoulder to shoulder in the common championship of the rights of man, they are showing their gratitude to a noble ancestry, and dignifying hemselves as worthy children of worthy sires. And whoever utters a dis-cordant note on this day of Canadian enthusiasm is strangely insensible to the issues at stake, or singularly de-

void of discerning the fitness of things. That man is stricken with more blindness who cannot see that it is most of all for the good of civilization, and the promise of the human race that the principles of British sovereignity should be supreme from Cairo to the Cape. We shall look in vain across the hemispheres for a sovereign authority that represents pure government, strictly justice, enlightened public opinion, wise philanthropy to

compared with Great Britain. "WE SHALL LOOK

less successfully still among the European powers for a government that governs subject races mainly for their good and without exacting from them. one single penny for the home exchequen The people of Great Britain are prepared to tax themselves to maintain a standing army and unrivalled navy, not for their good, half so much as for the prestige and safety of British dependencies. The daughters, so and the good mother is kind enough to keep a roof over their heads. An insult to one member is felt to be an in-

sult to the whole family. The blow that falls on the humblest child, thrills with agony the soul of the mother. The wrong that irritates and hurts the poorest colony brings the wrong doer further aid church work. to answer for his crime at the feet of the British sovereign. What more nathe daughters should identify themselves with the interests of the mo-ther, who is constantly sharing their troubles and trials? What more ungrateful and insensate than that they. should hesitate for one moment to spring, one and all, to her side and render some return for what has been so lavishly rendered to them. And if

of William Armstrong of Water ALE: MARR-At the parsonage, Sussex, N. B., Oct. 25th, by the Ray, G. C. P. Palmer, George E. Gale of Waterborough, Queens Co., to Ida M. Marg of Springfield, Kings Co., N. E. CORMACK BRYANT-At Fairville, Oct. SCORMACK BRYANT-At Fairville, Oct. Sth. by Rev. Arthur S. Masten, Fred Mc-Cormack of Fairville to Lizzie Bryant of Connack of Fairylie to Lizzle Bryant of Pisarinco.
 McLEAN-KEIRSTEAD—At the residence of the bride's father, Oct. 18th, by the Rev.
 D. B. Bayle', R. A., Murdoch McLean of St. John to Miss Elima Keirstead of Belleisle Creek, Kings Co., N. B.
 GLMSTEAD-LEONARD—At the Church of the Annunciation, Leadville, Colo., by the Rev. Father Gibbons, P. P., Augustine G. Olimstead, to Marcella A., youngest daughter of the late R. Leonard of Corrwall, P. E. L.

ter of the late R. Leonard of Corrawall, P. E. I. PIERCE-FOWLEE.—At Perry's Point, Kings-Co., on Oct. 18th, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. H. S. Wainwright, Leonard T. Pierce of Rothesar to Evelyn I., eldest daughter of Jas. H. Fowler. SINCLAIR-HAMUTON—At 209 Rockland road, by Rev. W. W. Rainnie, on 25th Oc-tober, William Sinclair to Josephine A. Hamilton, both of St. John, N. B. SMITH-TRA'ER—At the residence of the bride's parents. October 24th, by the Rev. D. Headerson, B. Sc., Harry L. Smith to Miss Victoria I., daughter of the late L. G. F. Traer of Chatham.

DEATHS.

ASHLEY-On Sunday, Oct. 22, 1899, at the P. E. Island hospital, after several weeks of patient suffering, Garoline Bines, re-lict of the late John G. Ashley of London, Freihold England. FOSTER.-In St. John, on Oct. 24, Edward

FOSTER.-In St. John, on Oct. 24, Edward Foster, aged 52 years.
MoKINNON-At Norton station, Kings Co., N. B., Agnes L., wife of Alex. McKinnon, in her 34th year.
MOORE-In South Boston, Oct. 22, Ellen, widow of Edward Moore, 78 years.
RIPPEY-Oct. 23rd, after a lingering ill-ness, Annie, wife of John J. Rippey, in the 63rd year of her age, leaving a hus-band, son and daughter to mourn their id, son and daughter to mourn the

toss. ROSS-At Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 23rd, Fannie Elizabeth Ross, daughter, of the late Rev. Malcolm Ross. STULTZ-At Moneton, N. B., Oct. 23rd, of cancer of the bowels, Gilbert Stultz, aged 75 years and 6 months.

AT MCADAM JUNCTION.

McADAM JUNCTION, Oct. 23.-The annual school meeting was held on Saturday. The report of the trustees showed that the new building had cost \$1,985; that 5 per cent. debentures had been floated for \$1,400, and that the

balance had been met by the sale of the old school house and lot. The report showed that the average of attendance was about 100, and that it would soon be necessary to appoint a third teacher. The retiring trustee, E. Nason, was

re-elected and \$800 was voted.

Union church has had electric lighting apparatus put in. Three brass chandeliers with three lights each light the body of the church. Two single to speak, have set up for themselves, lights illuminate the choir stand and pulpit. Great credit is due to the ladies, who have persevered in making ments in this pretty little impro church. The next move is to seat the church with pews. On Monday, the 30th last., a high class entertainment will be given in the I. O. F. hall to

County Master A. D. Thomas paid a visit to Clarke Wallace Loyal Orange tural and fitting therefore than that lodge, No. 72, on Monday night. He was well received, and addressed the lodge upon topics connected with the order. Stirring addresses were made by several members.

Children Cry for CASTORIA

ally announced in the house nor for gallantry in the Zulu was in 1879. nons today.

His next conspicuous field of action Gen. Symons was one of the few who was Burmah. He served all throu scaped on that memorable January the Burmese troubles of 1885-1889, and norning at Isandula, when nearly the finally earned the rank of brigadier whole of his regiment, the gallant general of the China field army, and Twenty-fourth, perished. Thus there again won another decoration. He is a tragic completeness in his victory one of the leaders of the Chin Lushat near the scene of that massacre. expedition in 1889-1890, and command Probably no other officer in the Brited part of the Wazinistan field brigade sh army has seen more fighting than of the Tochi field force and the 1st divi Gen. Symons. Certainly none has sion of the Tirah force in 1897-1898, and seen more in India, and the campaigns received the Knight Commander the Bath decoration for services in Burma and Zululand revealed his splendid qualities in the most brilliant, the latter expedition. He was given command cº the Sirhind district, in Gen. Sir William Penn Symons, K the Punjab, India, in 1898. C. B., was born in Hatt, Cornwall. Gen. Symons was recalled from on

July 17, 1843, was source and in some source and in 1863 entered the army. He rose south Africa again, and was grapidly from a subaltern's rank, in as second in command to Major Gen. Sir George Stewart White, who com-July 17, 1843, was educated privately,

DISASTER AVERTED.

ashion.

first came in touch with the Boers below Modderspruit, where 1,500 burgh-LONDON, Oct. 27 .- The official aners occupied a strong ridge, whence bouncement of the joining of General White and General Yule has come as they opened fire at 1,500 yards, hitting several of the British. In the meana great relief, and all the more so in while the Hussars and Natal carbiview of the fact that later despatches neers advanced unscathed through an have shown that only the incapacity opening in the ridge under the fire of of the intelligence department of the Boers saved Gen. Yule's column from a great disaster.

It seems that on Friday night Dundee was full of alarms. Heavy firing Mattanwaskop opened fire with great was heard at one o'clock and again at accuracy on the main force, which in four. A severe thunder storm soon the meantime had come up, but the after stopped the Boer cannonade. shells falled to explode and the British Saturday passed in the same anxi artillery silenced the opposition. The ous manner, in momentary expectation

of an attack. The British finally evacuand the action became general. ated, taking all that they could, but large body of Boers occupied strong leaving plenty for the Boers to loot. positions at Mattanwaskop and the precipitous ridges surrounding it. The The appointments of the Boer hospital at Dundee are described as very British guns shelled the positions and the infantry advanced under cover of inadequate and primitive. The Boers themselves, in the absence of a nursthe fire. ing staff, get only scant attention.

It is reported that Sir Wm. Penn Symons died on Wednesday, not yes, The Gioucesters and Devons crossed terday, and was buried at Dundee fearful zone beneath Tuitanyoni Hill vesterday. whence the Boers poured a withering BOERS CAPTURED. fire with such effect that thirty of the

attackers dropped within a distance of 200 yards. Seeing the peril of the LONDON, Oct. 27 .- The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News says it is reported from private sources that the British issued from Mafeking on Devons and Gloucesters, Gen. White despatched the Carbineers and Liverpools to take the enemy in the Saturday last and surrounded and rear. The flerce rifle and artillery due! captured 240 Boers. was maintained for some time.

YULE'S MEN RESTING.

LONDON, Oct. 27.-Gen. Sir Geo. under cover of the rocks, remained Stewart White, according to a des-patch from Cape Town to the Daily Mail, will attack the Orange Free cool and replied with incessant rifle face of the hill and at length State force in Natal as soon as Gen. shells became so destructive that the Yule's men have rested. Strong Brit-Boers retreated to another ridge, ish reinforcements are being sent up from the Cape.

volunteers in the face of a galling THE FIGHT AT RIETFONTEIN. fire. The Boers soon re-formed and took up a position on another ridge LONDON, Oct. 26 .- Details of the

but the volunteers dashed across the fighting at Rieffontein are coming in slowly. A special despatch from Lady-Boer position and drove them back to the main force occupying Mattansmith dated October 24, filed after the waskop. The British then shelled th fight, says : "On discovery that the latter until clusters of Boers were seen Boers were massed to the westward of the main road to Dundee, ar ateaving and retreating westward, when the engagement closed." tempt was made by a train to discover the body of Col. Scott-Chisholm, killed

EVACUATION OF DUNDEE. at Blandslaagte. The train was fired A special despatch from Glencoe upon and obliged to retire, and Gen. camp, dated Oct. 23, says:

White moved out to attack the Boers, believed to be Free Staters, whe "After the victory Friday the British imagined they were free from further should have joined the Transvaalers molestation for some days, but they at Elandslaagte. Gen. White comsoon found that the earlier reports of manded personally. The Fifth Lancers a sweeping success were exaggerated. were placed on either flank. They The reported capture of all the Boer

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W. S .-- I have a nice young mare that has a soft lump on front of leg above knee joint. It has been there some time and is getting harder and arger. What shall I do for it? was Ans .- Blister with Mercury Biniodide, one part of Mercury to three parts of Lard.

M. C .- Horse has a large and very hard lump on front of shoulder; it is just where collar fits, and is very painful; has been there about six weeks. Ans.-What is known as cold abscess. It must be opened freely with knife, pus evacuated and wound dressed with saturated solution of Carbolic Acid.

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FEARFUL FIRE ZONE.

British Maxims rattled, but the Boers,

fire. The British artillery swept the

whence they were dislodged by the

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P. P.-Cow has hard lump in teat. Cannot get any milk; udder swollen and inflamed; has been so for two or three weeks. Advise.

Ans .- It is too bate to do anything now. The cow will lose that quarter of udder.

James T .-- Bull hooked colt in muscle of the shoulder. The wound is about seven inches long and two deep. Cannot keep edges together by stitches, as they tear out. What shall I dress with?

Ans .- Keep quiet and dress wound a Boer gun, while the Light Horse with a saturated solution of Acid took part of the rest of the ridge, the Boers retiring. About nine, however, a Boer gun stationed on the crest of Boracic.

THE WEYMOUTH PULP MILL.

(Canadian Lumberman.) As we go to press \$500,000 of stock in the Sissiboo Pulp and Paper Co. is being offered to the public. The prowhole British force then advanced spectus of the company gives the details of its proposed operations, which are to be carried on at Sissiboo Falls. near Weymouth, N. S. An established plant is to be taken over, together with 17,000 acres of hand, well timber-ed with spruce. The company has also acquired the only available wharf property on the Sissiboo river at Weymouth Bridge. The directors of the company include some of Montreal's prominent business men, and no diffioulty is likely to be experienced in disposing of the stock.



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