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Roberts's Farewell

He Praises the British Army for Its Conduct During the War.

Sufferings and Hardships Were Borne by the Troops Without Complaint.

(Associated Press.)
Johannesburg, Dec. 5.—Gen. Baden-Powell has fixed the headquarters of the Transvaal police force at Nodderston, where the dynamite factory buildings will be used as barracks.
Gen. Roberts, who has turned over his command to Gen. Kitchener, will embark for England on a steamer that will call at St. Helena, where Gen. Cronje and many other Boers are prisoners of war. He is expected to arrive home on January 2nd.

Prior to leaving, Gen. Roberts issued a farewell order, praising the army for its conduct during the campaign. He referred to the sufferings and hardships of the troops, which, he said, were endured uncomplainingly. He added that they had marched enormous distances at incredible speed over precipitous mountains and through dense jungles. Their food and clothing were often scanty and they were continually shot at by an invisible enemy. They acted according to the highest standard of patriotism and made the army respected and feared in South Africa.

In conclusion Gen. Roberts said: "I regard you, my gallant comrades, with affection and admiration. You will live in my memory till life's end."

The Re-concentratio Policy.

Johannesburg, Dec. 7.—In pursuance of the re-concentratio policy the authorities here are preparing accommodation on the race track for four thousand people from farms in the vicinity of the Rand. The Burgers will be moved in a larger and will be strictly watched. A notification appears in the Gazette to the effect that all able-bodied British subjects are liable to be conscripted for service in the Rand mines.

Ready for Disturbances.

Cape Town, Dec. 7.—Owing to the attempts of sympathizers to communicate with the Boer prisoners at Green Point, some Maxim guns have been placed in position on the surrounding heights in readiness for a disturbance.

Army Estimates.

London, Dec. 7.—The second supplementary estimate of £10,000,000 issued this morning makes the total army estimates for the year £92,580,103.

Left Their Posts.

Lisbon, Dec. 7.—The minister from the Netherlands to Portugal and the Portuguese minister at the Hague have left their respective posts. It is believed that a difference has arisen on the subject of the extradition to the Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marquez, which the Portuguese government has withdrawn.

The tension between Portugal and Holland appears to have been emphasized, perhaps not altogether unintentionally, by the peculiar warmth of King Charles's toast to Queen Victoria at the banquet given yesterday evening at the Royal palace to Vice-Admiral Sir Henry Holdsworth Hawson and the officers of the British fleet in the River Tagus, and by the telegram which the King afterwards dispatched to Queen Victoria, thanking Her Majesty for sending the fleet and for the friendship thus demonstrated.

"I beg to record," telegraphed the King, "my great satisfaction at the frank and loyal alliance uniting England and Portugal."

Observers think the speeches and telegram constitute an intimation to the world that Portugal can count on strong support if necessary.

Canadians Reach Halifax.

Halifax, Dec. 7.—The Allan liner Tunisian, with thirty-one invalided Canadians on board, arrived here this morning at 12.15. Among the invalids was Trooper Mallory, the blind soldier, whose speech at Liverpool before sailing was called by the Associated Press. He is a native of Winchester, Ont., and is blind for life, having been struck by an explosive bullet in the left temple, which knocked out his left eye, cut part of his nose away and destroyed the sight of the right eye. The other invalids belong to the N. W. M. P. and Eastern Canada battalions.

London, Dec. 6.—A dispatch received at the war office from Gen. Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, December 6th, announces that Gen. Delarey with 500 Boers attacked a convoy proceeding from Pretoria to Rustenburg, at Buffelspruit, on December 3rd, burned half the convoy and killed 15 men and wounded 23,

Killed Uncle With Axe

Young Man Tried to Exterminate Family at South Park, Near Seattle.

He Smashed the Skulls of His Sister and Two Children.

Seattle, Dec. 7.—William Seaton, aged 22 years, formerly of Decatur, Ill., attempted last night to exterminate an entire family of his relatives at South Park, nine miles from Seattle. With an axe he smashed in the heads of four people, leaving them for dead, then shot one man in the back and attempted to kill a deputy sheriff before being captured. Seaton was shot twice, but not fatally, by Deputy Sheriff Kelly.

The only one killed outright was Seaton's uncle, Daniel Richards. Seaton smashed in the head of his sister, Mrs. Roy Clark, but her recovery is hoped for. The other two victims were Myrtle and Hazel Haggood, aged about ten years, children of a former husband of Mrs. Clark. The skulls of the little ones were crushed, and then the bodies were thrown into a manger in the barn. It was supposed they were dead, but a later report from the county hospital says that the skull of one of the children had been raised, and there is hope of recovery. The other child will undoubtedly die.

A man named Kennedy, who got in Seaton's way after the tragedy, was shot in the back, but not seriously. Seaton fired three times at Kelly before being brought down with two shots, which took effect in the head and arm.

Seaton told the following story: "I was disgusted with the actions of my sister, and after I had struck her in the head with an axe I came to the conclusion that I might as well make a clean sweep. I smashed the skulls of the children, and then threw their bodies into the manger. Returning to the house, I saw my uncle asleep on a sofa. I chopped his head almost off."

While telling this story Seaton gave no evidence of insanity.

QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—With 37 candidates, all Liberals, elected by acclamation, and two elections to be held later, there is little interest being manifested in the remaining 35 constituencies being contested in the province of Quebec to-day. The Conservatives, to a large extent, manifest little or no desire to elect more than a dozen or so of their supporters, being content to allow the Liberals to sweep the province otherwise.

Boer Stories Denied.

Worcester, Cape Colony, Dec. 5.—The government is distributing broadsheet leaflets showing up the falsity of many of the anti-British stories, and pointing out the hopelessness of the Boer resistance, saying the British hold 14,000 prisoners, and all the principal towns in the two republics.

Kruger at the Hague.

The Hague, Dec. 6.—Mr. Kruger met with a wonderful reception everywhere after reaching the frontier. Immense crowds gathered at all the stations, which were decorated with flags, the burgomasters made speeches and the scholars sang. Mr. Kruger made many replies, in most of which he represented the Transvaal as a little child, whom a bad man wished to kill. In one case he illustrated his point by drawing attention to a fair haired girl in the audience.

"If that child was outraged," said he, "everybody would run to her rescue, but in my country children and women are being daily outraged by an enemy ten times stronger than the Transvaal."

Mr. Kruger arrived here to-day and was greeted at the station by the burgomaster and councillors. A choir of six hundred men and girls chanted Psalm 73, verses 6, 7 and 11. The former president and his suite were warmly welcomed by the burgomaster. Then followed Mr. Spink, the president of the Local South African Association, assuring Mr. Kruger of the deep sympathy of the entire Dutch nation, "who had," he said, "so greatly, though vainly, hoped that the great powers who had recently assembled at the peace conference would not have permitted that in South Africa the right of nations, the right of war and civil law should be trampled under foot, or a little nation sacrificed in an unequal combat in defence of its existence."

The address, after a long eulogy of the heroism of the Boers, likened Mr. Kruger to William the Silent, who had sacrificed everything for the welfare of his people and concluded: "May your reliance of the Almighty, similar to that of the Prince of Orange, support you, Mr. President, in the arduous fight for right and liberty, and may the liberty of your nation crown your courage. Then will Great Britain have learned anew the lesson of how dangerous it is to attempt to throttle the independence of a free nation."

Mr. Kruger, his suite and the reception committee, proceeded in open carriages to the Hotel des Indes. There a body of ladies, headed by the Baroness van Hardin, greeted the Boer statesman and a choir sang a hymn. Mr. Kruger then mounted the stair case, preceded by SEYMOUR'S SUCCESSOR.

London, Dec. 7.—The Westminster Gazette says that Gen. Sir Charles Warren, at one time commissioner of the metropolitan police, has been nominated commander of the British troops in Canada.

Britain's Policy

Not a Shred of Independence Will Be Left to the Burghers in the Transvaal.

A Lively Time in the Commons—Mr. Chamberlain Replies to Critics.

London, Dec. 7.—In the House of Lords to-day the Earl of Latham (Con.) moved the address in reply to the Queen's speech. He thought it could now be safely said that the end of the war was in sight. The volunteers had made their mark, and the colonies had shown that they were united to the Mother Country, never to be separated.

Lord Kimberley, the Liberal leader in the House of Lords, animadverted strongly on the sudden dissolution of parliament, and to the imputation on the Liberals during the election. He objected to the brevity and abruptness of the Queen's speech, and demanded a definite pronouncement of the government's policy in view of the dangerous character of the recrudescence of hostilities in South Africa, and explanations of the alleged cruelties to the Boers, the burning of farm houses and similar atrocities. He concurred in the annexation of the republic, but trusted that the government possessed a definite policy for speedily concluding the war.

His Lordship was gratified at the Anglo-German agreement, but he said an attempt to capture the Emperor and Dowager Empress of China would be an alarming undertaking.

Lord Salisbury paid a tribute to the skill of Lord Roberts and Gen. Kitchener, and to the bravery of the officers and men in South Africa. The Premier said the Transvaalers, Free Staters and the world should understand that there could be no deviation from the policy of the government as already outlined. Anything resembling independence never could be granted. The war must proceed to the inevitable issue.

"We must let it be felt that no one, by the exercise of an insolent and audacious ultimatum, could force the British government to humble itself and abandon its rights." He could never allow that a shred of independence could be left. How soon the Free Staters and Transvaalers could have anything like self-government depended upon themselves. It might be years, and it might be generations.

Regarding China, Lord Salisbury said he was anxious to reveal something as to what he was betraying governmental secrets. He was happy, however, to be able to quiet the fears of Lord Kimberley.

Trent Bridge Disaster

Appeal by Union Colliery Company Has Been Dismissed With Costs.

Ruling of the Supreme Court—Several Interesting Judgments Given To-day.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The Union Colliery v. the Queen was a reserved case on the question whether the corporation was liable to be indicted and fined under the act in consequence of negligence in the repair of the bridge, which went down with an engine and caused the death of several persons. The appeal to-day was dismissed with costs, King dissenting and Taschereau taking no part in the judgment.

Sun Life Assurance Co. v. Elliott Co., sued as assignees to recover property alleged to have been fraudulently conveyed by an insolvent, now deceased, to his wife; the question to be decided being whether a mortgage creditor can take advantage of the statute of Elizabeth. The appeal to-day was allowed with costs, the judgment granting the relief asked for to be entered for plaintiff with costs of appeal and of the courts below against the respondent.

Federated Canning Co. v. Short, case for infringement of patent, dismissed with costs.

In the case of Galbraith v. the Eastern Bay Co., which is in regard to a contract which the company say they made with the B. C. Iron Works, the appeal was allowed with costs, including the costs of the Supreme court of British Columbia on the original appeal and judgment restored.

REVENUE INCREASED

During Past Five Months by Nearly a Million and a Half.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The financial statement issued to-day shows the revenue for the five months of the fiscal year ending November 30th to have increased by \$1,400,000. There is a surplus of over seven million dollars on ordinary revenue, and if the capital account be considered the surplus is three millions and a half.

THE PHEASANT

Has Sailed From Panama-Colombia May Pay Indemnity for Seizure of Taboga.

(Associated Press.)
Kingston, Ja., Dec. 7.—The British steamer Louisiana from Colon, to-day reports that the British gunboat Pheasant arrived at Panama recently, and left that port without any important incident. The Pheasant was sent to investigate the seizure of the British steamer Taboga by the Colombo authorities. It is believed the Taboga matter will be settled by the paying of an indemnity to the Pacific Navigation company, owners of the vessel.

TO CONNECT WITH LAKE

Washington, Dec. 6.—The war department to-day sent to congress reports on a number of important river and harbor projects, including that for connecting the Mississippi river with Lake Michigan by means of the Illinois river and the Chicago sanitary canal, and also for the extension and improvements of the Sault Ste. Marie, connecting Lake Superior and Lake Huron. The total cost of the project for connecting Lake Michigan and the Mississippi is placed at \$7,317,977 for a seven-foot depth, or \$8,653,347 for an eight-foot depth. The estimate for improving the channel between Lakes Superior and Huron through St. Mary's river, including Hag Lake channel, is \$9,000,000. The distance is 64 miles, part of which has been improved.

NOTES FROM NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Dec. 7.—The officers of the Nanaimo and District Agricultural Association elected last night the following: President, J. Booth; vice-president, B. Cook; secretary, R. Malpass; treasurer, George Morris. Vice-presidents were elected for all neighboring districts. An old man who died in the hospital the other day, supposed to be in the last stages of destitution, was discovered to-day to have been a miser. An examination of his effects revealed \$600 stowed in a tobacco bag, and a sum hanked in the name of his estate. It is expected other sums will be unearthed.

TELEGRAPHERS ON STRIKE

Forth Worth, Tex., Dec. 6.—A strike of telegraphers took place to-day on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railroad. Trains between Galveston, Tex., and Fort Worth, I. T., are tied up. As members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, the operators demanded a revision of rates and regulations and increased salaries. The officials expressed a willingness to refer the matter of wages to arbitration, but refused to amend its rules.

BRITAIN'S TRADE

(Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 7.—The statement of the board of trade for the month of November shows an increase of £5,488,900 in imports, and £52,700 in exports.

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