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The Enemy Completely Taken by Surprise—The Situation in Natal.

UNABLE TO PICK OFF BRITISH OFFICERS.

Orange River, Cape Colony, Friday, Nov. 24—6:30 p.m.—In all 107 wounded, including several Boers, have arrived here from Belmont. One of the Boers, a boy of 17 years of age, was compelled to take up arms with his father, who is a prisoner. A wounded Boer said that twenty men were selected from each Boer section to

PICK OFF THE BRITISH OFFICERS,

but on the advance of the British force the Boer marksmen were bewildered, as it was impossible to distinguish the officers, who wore the same equipment as the men. The marksmen were also unable to make out the sergeants and other non-commissioned officers, whose stripes had been removed.

THE HOSPITAL SHIP.

London, Nov. 25.—The hospital ship Princess of Wales, fitted out at the instigation of and with the personal supervision of the members of the royal family, after whom she was named, was done very quietly, and is now ready to sail. A great part of the cost was borne by the princess herself, but its complete control is given to the army medical department.

TWO REALISTIC.

The number of families thrown into mourning by the war is already having an appreciable effect on the attendance at the West End theaters. The managers feel that war plays are too realistic to be popular for some time to come.

THE VICTORY AT BELMONT.

A special to the Toronto Globe says: Gen. Methuen's victory at Belmont remains as complete as when reported 24 hours earlier. A later official report shows that the enemy was taken by surprise, and forced to abandon his ammunition supplies, while retreating in good order. The casualty list has not been seriously increased and the number of officers wounded and killed is not out of proportion to the whole force, owing, no doubt, to Gen. Methuen's sensible measures for compelling them to protect themselves. The London Daily Mail's correspondent pays a fine tribute today to the gallantry of the Guards in carrying the position at the point of the bayonet, and there are other accounts of the brilliant charge.

SITUATION NOT CRITICAL.

The situation in Natal is not so critical as panic-mongers imagine. The raiders have not entangled any detachment of the relief column, nor made any effective attack at any point. Every important river crossing below Elacourt has been securely guarded, and the column is receiving reinforcements rapidly from the coast, and is slowly pushing itself together. Major-General Lyttleton has taken command of a portion of the brigade on Nottingham road. Pietermaritzburg is safe, and the Boer demonstration is hardly more than a hazardous, if ingenious and effective, method of harassing and blocking the English advance.

DISTINGUISHED OFFICERS.

Among the killed were Capt. Eager, one of the heroes of Omdurman, and Lieut. Farmer, a popular officer in the Grenadiers. Among the wounded were some conspicuous officers were Lieut.-Col. Ormby, who had received medals and honors for service in Egypt and the Sudan; Major Hamilton, one of the best-known men in the Scouts, Guards, and a veteran of many campaigns; Major Dashwood, another hero of Omdurman, and Lieut. Willoughby, Lord Ancester's son. Gen. Methuen's column will have another hard fight at Modder River.

REINFORCEMENTS AFLOAT.

About 20,000 troops are still afloat, over 34,000 having arrived at South Africa, of whom 16,638 have been sent to Durban. The first battalions of the new division sailed yesterday on three transports, and Lieut.-Gen. Warren starts today.

GEN. METHUEN'S WARNING.

The Boers are alleged to have three times resorted to the treacherous device of showing the white flag and then firing at the British advanced. The Chronicle correspondent states that dum-dum bullets were fired by the Boers. Several British soldiers were wounded by these, in addition to the war correspondent of the Post. Gen. Methuen sent a communication to the Boer commandant, warning him against the use of dum-dums and also against a treacherous display of the white flag.

In North Wellington an association is being formed with members pledged to vote only for those who will pledge to do all they can to promote prohibition.

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A PESSIMISTIC CONTRIBUTION

To the War News of the Afternoon.

Reported Rising of a Number of the Colonial Dutch.

Treacherous Use of the White Flag by the Boers Stirs Up Indignation.

Gen. Methuen's Official Protest—Bravery of British Infantry.

London, Nov. 25.—The news of the death of the khalfah and the final defeat of the dervishes has been received here with great joy, as a welcome set-off to the serious situation in South Africa. The gravest news from Cape Town today comes from the northern part of the colony, where it is now evident that numbers of Dutch farmers have risen and joined the invading Free State forces in the Herschel and Barkly East districts.

A dispatch from Queenstown, Cape Colony, Gen. Gatacre's headquarters, announces that "four hundred colonial rebels, including an ex-magistrate of Barkly East have joined the enemy, at the latter place, and that the whole force is reported to be

MARCHING ON DORDRECHT, whence it can operate and possibly intercept Gatacre's advance to recapture Stormberg Junction, a strategic point, from which Gen. Gatacre can get in direct touch through the railroad with Gen. French at Naauw Port, and thus with the British base at De Aar."

Another dispatch says that refugees arriving from Queenstown assert that Ladygrey has been occupied by the colonial farmers, and that it is feared there that there is a general movement IN FAVOR OF THE BOERS.

Further dispatches from Belmont confirming the treacherous use by the Boers of the white flag are arousing indignation. The troops engaged are bitterly complaining, and it is feared the result will be a refusal to give the Boers quarter.

BOER TREACHERY.

An incident similar to the one which occurred at the battle of Glencairn, where an officer was shot by a wounded Boer, is reported by the London Times' correspondent at Belmont, who says that Lieut. Blundell, of the Grenadier Guards, was shot by a wounded Boer, whom he was tending. Such statements appear incredible, but they are now confirmed officially by the protest of Gen. Methuen, who has sent a message to the Boer commander, saying:

"I must ask you to warn your wounded not to shoot our officers. I must warn you not to use dum-dum bullets or use the flag of truce so treacherously. Such action is cowardly in the extreme, and I cannot countenance it."

BRAVERY OF THE BRITISH INFANTRY.

All accounts confirm the splendid charging of the British infantry, the Scots Guards entering the fight with drums beating and rifles playing. The second ridge was the strongest position. The Boers there were sheltered behind remnants of buildings. Nevertheless, the Guards advanced steadily, many of them coolly smoking. E. F. Knight, a well-known war correspondent, who went to Havana during the Spanish-American war, was wounded in the arm by a dum-dum bullet. The hospital train arrived at Orange River in the nick of time from Cape Town, and was sent to Belmont. The train is constructed on the corridor system, with beds ranged in tiers on either side. On its return to Orange River with the wounded it was found that a number of them were able to walk, but there were many stretchers used.

MOOI CAMP SURROUNDED.

Mooi River, Natal, Nov. 24.—A reconnaissance in force in the direction of Highlands Station has discovered a big force of Boers with guns. The Boers shelled, and the British guns replied. The scouts also reported another strong Boer force to the northwest of the camp. The British guns have returned to camp and the infantry has fallen back. The mounted infantry is still out.

MEDIATION PROPOSED.

A cable to a New York morning paper, dated Berlin, Nov. 24, says: The Brussels telegram to the Tageblatt says the Independence Belge asserts it has trustworthy authority for stating that the Kaiser's interview with Mr. Chamberlain turned on the absolute necessity of terminating the Transvaal war. The Kaiser offered mediation to achieve this object. Mr. Chamberlain informed the Kaiser that the conditions of peace which Great Britain would propose at the end of the war.

THE CANADIANS

Unconfirmed Report That They Have Reached Cape Town.

London, Nov. 25.—A private cable from Cape Town states that the transport Sardinian, bearing the Canadian South African Regiment, has arrived.

Inquiries were made at the war office, but elicited no confirmation. Nothing was known there of the Sardinian's arrival at Cape Town.

The contingent will march through the town and a holiday will be proclaimed in Cape Town to celebrate the occasion. The military and civil authorities of Cape Town are waiting to give the Canadians the warmest welcome. The whole town will be profusely decorated.

SIR CHARLES SUEB FOR SLANDER.

Winnipeg, Nov. 25.—Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Hugh John Macdonald returned from the west yesterday. While passing through Brandon, Mr. A. E. Philip served Sir Charles Tupper with a writ, claiming \$30,000 damages for alleged defamation of character.

FUNERAL OF LADY SALISBURY

The Premier Too Ill To Be Present.

Frenchmen Forget Themselves—Anti-English Caricature Suppressed.

London, Nov. 25.—The funeral of Lady Salisbury, who died Nov. 20, was held today. Lord Salisbury was not present, owing to his illness, but he attended the services inside Hatfield House. All the premier's children now in England followed the body to the grave.

The Earl of Pembroke, lord steward of the household, carried a wreath sent by the Queen. The secretary of the German embassy also carried a wreath, sent in behalf of the Emperor and Empress of Germany.

LAMPOONING THE QUEEN.

Paris, Nov. 25.—The anti-English caricatures in connection with the Transvaal war have culminated in a grossly obscene drawing insulting Queen Victoria, in La Caricature, entitled, "English Correction." The police seized it today, probably as the outcome of British embassy representations.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY

Special Reference Made to the Strike Cases—Commendation for the Jail and the Asylum.

The grand jury, having completed its work, made the following presentation to Chief Justice Armour this morning: "To His Lordship Chief Justice Armour, presiding at the court of justice, held at the court house, in the city of London, on Nov. 20, 1899:

"We, the grand jury of the above court, make our presentation as follows: "We have considered all the bills brought before us, and we regret to find so large a number of persons charged with rioting and violence arising out of the strike of the street railway employees. We were pleased that your lordship laid down the principle in your charge to us, that dissatisfied employees have no right to resort to violence, to gain what they are seeking, a principle which all law-abiding citizens should stand up and act upon. "We have visited the jail, and find that the prisoners, as far as we could judge, were properly cared for. The condition of the jail was clean and in good order, and appears to be in every way suitable for the custody of prisoners. We have also visited the asylum, and found a very large number of inmates, who were treated with great good judgment, and with as much leniency as is possible under the circumstances. We highly commend the practice of giving entertainments for the amusement of the inmates. We were kindly received by the officials, and were shown without reserve every department of the institution, which we found to be in a high state of efficiency. All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed) SIMON MCLEOD, "Foreman Grand Jury."

JUSTICE ARMOUR ON THE BENCH

His Capacity for Work the Despair of our Officials.

Chief Justice Armour is one of the most interesting figures on the bench in Canada. His capacity for work is the despair of the court officials and attendants. At the assizes here, this week his custom was to open the court sharp at 9 a.m. and not adjourn until after 6 p.m. About noon his lordship would say: "All the jurors not on this panel may go to lunch now. Be back in an hour." The twelve good men and true, whose fate it was to be engaged on the case in progress had to be content with imaginary visions of culinary delicacies. For them, they knew, there would be no respite. Mr. Armour does not allow the machinery of justice to be interrupted by gastronomic cravings, yet at the close of the continuous 9-hour session the venerable justice is as bright and fresh-looking as at the beginning. Mr. Armour has a great fund of humor, and frequently the quipness of his comments raises a ripple of laughter. He occasionally exhibits nervousness by walking to and fro the entire length of the platform, while a case is dragging along tediously, but more often he assists a cross-examiner to "come to the point," by a direct question to the witness himself.

ARRIVAL OF THE COUNTESS OF MINTO.

New York, Nov. 25.—Among the passengers who arrived at quarantine last night on the steamer Campanian, from Liverpool and Queenstown was the Countess of Minto, wife of the Governor-General of Canada.

The United States has about 450,000,000 acres of forest, but this is being rapidly depleted by the use of and by destructive fires. The government is now investigating means to prevent or control the latter.

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GEN. HUTTON'S LATEST SCHEME

Proposes to Close Up the London and the St. Johns, Que., Military Schools.

The Advertiser's Ottawa special correspondent telegraphs as follows: "Gen. Hutton has made a report in favor of closing up the military school at London, and transferring the officers and men to the school at Toronto. The major-general has also recommended that the St. Johns (Que.) school be closed, and the soldiers sent to Quebec to No. 5 regimental depot. The Quebec depot is a new one being organized by Gen. Hutton some weeks ago.

"The minister of militia has not yet consented to any of the above changes, and once the propositions become known in the districts to which they refer, it is safe to say that the opposition will be such as to make matters pretty hot for the department. For years past efforts were advanced to get the St. Johns school removed to Montreal, but the matter was never seriously entertained by the government.

"As for closing up the London school, this is the first time that such a suggestion has been made. Some weeks ago the general recommended taking away the Royal Canadian Dragoons from Winnipeg, but an official announcement was afterwards made that it was not intended to do anything of the kind."

BURGLAR WAS SCARED AWAY

Miss Wilson's Alarming Experience With a Midnight Intruder.

A burglar entered the residence of Mr. Joseph Wilson, on William street, early Friday morning. The family retired at the usual time Thursday night, and about 2 o'clock in the morning they were awakened by a loud scream, followed by the noise of footsteps, and the crash of a falling window. Upon investigation it was found that Mr. Wilson's young daughter had been awakened by a slight noise in her room. Close beside her bed she saw a man. She screamed and he told her to shut up or he would choke her. She screamed again, louder than ever, arousing her parents and frightening the intruder, who ran downstairs, and jumped out of the parlor window, by which he had entered. Nothing was stolen, and the only trace of the man was some hurried steps in the parlor and stair carpets. A lady who lives next door to Mr. Wilson says that she heard the noise, as though someone were trying to enter her house. Afterwards she heard steps in the lane, and thought that it was someone returning home. There is absolutely no trace of who the man was.

Beethoven Club

At Auditorium

The third concert of the popular course was given by the Beethoven Quintet Club, of Cleveland, before a crowded house last night. The continued success of these concerts suggests the immediate need of an enlarged auditorium, which the Y. M. C. A. will doubt soon see fit to undertake. The club is composed of Mrs. Edith M. Youmans, soprano; Miss Hattie G. Thomas, contralto; Dr. Alex. A. La Vigne, tenor; Mr. Wm. A. Willett, baritone, and Mr. Ewald Sontum, violinist and director.

The name of the club is slightly misleading, for not one of Beethoven's compositions appeared on the program. The voices are all considerably above the average. Mr. Willett in particular, possesses a rich baritone, whose lower notes are beautifully clear and mellow. The stage manners of the club, with the exception of Mrs. Youmans, who has a sweet bird-like voice, extremely well cultivated, are rather against them, one misses that graceful and always a link between artists and audience. The violinist, Mr. Sontum, played exquisitely, especially in his encore "Home, Sweet Home," his accompaniments on the piano were marred by their loudness, which made it difficult to appreciate the lower notes of the singers. For one encore Mr. La Vigne sang "Tommy Atkins." In his peculiar broken English, which amused the audience; it was rather a mistake on his part to attempt what has almost come to be a national air with us.

The programme was as follows:

Quartet—Estudiantina Lacombe

Good-Bye Tosti

Miss Thomas Schumann

(a) Wanderlust Schumann

(b) Waltz to Tuna My Schumann

ering Lyre Cobb

Concerto No. 7 De Beriot

Don Youan's Serenade Tchaikowsky

Quartet from opera, "Lucia de Lammermoor" Donizetti

PART TWO.

Forewell Denza

Miss Thomas and Mr. Willett

Lorelei Liszt

Quartet from opera, "Rigoletto" Verdi

Reverie Vieuxtemps

A Night in Venice Lucantoni

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Quartet from "The Persian Garden" Lehman

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