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Major Steele, Northwest Mounted

Police, who was called back from the

Klondyke because he wrote a letter to a friend criticising Sifton's admin-

istration of the Klondvke, has been

offered command of the Mounted Pol-

PLENTY OF MEN IN TORONTO.

GENERAL REVIEW

Cable Along the East Coast of Africa

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News, in a despatch dated

eight belonging to Gen. Warren's di-vision have gone to Natal from Cape

der date of Dec. 26, reports that the Boers continue fortifying the hills around Colenso and the road from

A heliogram to the Chronicle from Ladys with explains the British casu-alties on Dec. 22, eight of the Glouces-tershire regiment being killed by a

Springfield.

Chieveley is not improbable.

List of the Men Who Will Command the Second Canadian Contingent.

Delagoa Bay conceal contraband of war. The press, he adds, demands that the naval officers be ordered to open and search packing cases in the cargoes and to seize the vessels if contraband is discovered. Second Canadian Contingent.

Gen. Sir Charles Warren Has Joined Gen. Buller at Camp Chieveley.

British Made a Successful Reconnaissance from the Modder River Camp, Destroying a Boer Shelter-How Winston Churchill Escaped from Pretoria.

SECOND CONTINGENT.

Partial List of Officers-Captain C F. Harrison on the Staff.

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Adjt. Capt. C. M. Nelles, R. C. D. Transport officer—Capt. C. F. Harrison, Eighth Princess Louise Hussars, N. B. Quartermaster-Capt. Wynne, ond Garrison Artillery, Montreal.

Medical officer-Surgeon Maj. H. R. Ruff, Fourth Hussars, Kingston. Veterinary officer-Vet. Maj. Wm. B. Hall, R. C. A., Toronto. 'A" Squadron.

Major Capt. and local Maj. Forrester, R. C. D., Toronto. Captain Capt. C. St. A. Pearce, R.

Lieutenants—ist Lt. J. H. Emissey, R. C. D.; 2nd, Lt. H. Z. C. Cockburn, G. G. B. G., Toronto; 3rd, Capt. W. B. Johnston, Third P. W. C. D., Peter-boro; 4th, Major A. H. King, First Hussars, London. "B" Squadron.

Major—Captain and local Major V.
A. G. Williams, D. C. D., Winnipeg.
Captain—Capt. H. S. Greenwood,
Third Prince of Wales Dragoons,

Peterboro.

Lieutenants—1st, Lt. Van Straubenzie, R. C. D.; 2nd, Captain F. V. Young, Manitoba Dragoons; 3rd, Capt. R. E. W. Turner, Queen's Own Canadian Hussars, Quebec; 4th, Major H. L. Berden, King's Canadian Hussars, Canning, N. S.

and recruits. The minister said he was not quite ready to give out the names of the officers tonight.

The officers of the brigade division. Royal Canadian Artillery, are as follows:

Staff.

Lt. Colonel Commanding—Lt. Col., Drury, R. C. A. Adjutant—Capt. H. C. Thacker, R. Adjutant—Capt. H. C. Thacker, R. Medical officer—Surgeon Maj. Arthur Medical officer—Surgeon Maj. Arthur Worthington. Fifty-third Battalion, was not quite ready to give out the Royal Canadian Artillery, are as fol-

Drury, R. C. A.

C. A., Quebec.

Medical officer—Surgeon Maj. Arthur
Worthington, Fifty-third Battalion,
Sherbrooke. Veterinary officer-Vet. Lt. J. B. S.

Massey, R. C. A., Kingston. "C" Battery.

Major Maj. J. A. G. Hudon, R. C. Captain—Capt. H. A. Panet, R. C. A. Lieutenants—1st, Lt. J. N. S. Leshe, Lieutenants—1st, Lt. J. N. S. Leslie, R. C. A., Kingston; 2nd, Lt. W. B. King, Seventh F. B., St. Catherines; 3rd, Lt. L. E. W. Irving, R. of O., To-

"'D' Battery. Major-Maj. W. G. Hurdman, Second Field Battery, Ottawa. Cautain Capt. D. I. V. Eaton, R.

Lieutenants-ist, Lt. T. W. Van Tuyl, Sixth Field Battery, London; 2nd, Lt. E. W. B. Morrison, Second Field Bettery, Ottawa; 3rd, Lt. J. Mc-Crae, Sixteenth F. B., Guelph. "E" Battery.

Major-Maj. G. H. Ogilvie, R. C. A. Captain-Maj. R. Costigan, Third F. B., Montreal. Lieutenants—1st, Capt. E. L. Lali-

Lieutenants—1st, Capt. E. L. Lalihert. First F. B., Quebec; 2nd, Lt. A.
T. Ogilvie, R. C. A.; 3rd, Capt. W. G.
Good, Tenth F. B., Woodstock, N. B.
Attached for duty is Capt. H. G.
Mackie, Forty Second Lanark and
Renfrew Battalion. Captain Mackie
upon arrival in South Africa will exchange with Capt. H. A. Panet, R. C.
A. who is now on duty with the in-A., who is now on duty with the in-fantry, but who is to be captain of before then."

FOUR SQUADRONS.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—A change has been made in the establishment of the second contingent. The artillery remains as at first arranged, namely, mains as at first arranged, namely, three batteries, but as regards the mounted rifles, there are to be four squadrons, composed of the number of men originally ordered, instead of three. Two squadrons will be raised in the Northwest from the Mounted Police and Rough Riders, and two from the eastern cavalry. The only effect will be to require the appointment of more officers.

All horses purchased for the contingent will be branded either C. M.

effort to insure that only men who are good shots and very good horsemen are permitted to enroll themselves. The men are to be tested in one or both of the above qualifica-

tions where means exist. Mr. Pepe, government inspector of houses and cattle at Montreal, has been instructed to proceed to Halifax in a few days to inspect all horses be-

fore being placed on shipboard. In place of Colts' revolvers being furnished to officers of the contingent, SUCCESSFUL RECONNAISSANCE.

A Boer Shelter Near Modder River

ning drew out a heavier artillery fire than has been experienced since the Boers occupied Magersfontein. The British had determined to destroy a house on the bank of the river that the Boers were using as a shelter ed off incautious British soldiers. At dawn the 12 pounders and 4.7 inch lyddite gun, with three wagons, and escorted by the 12th Lancers, went f it is likely that they will each be cf the kopjes. The wagons were fas-tened behind the river bank. As soon as the British were seen by the Boers they opened fire on them.

There was a party of Boers stationed 20 yards from the well, near Gangers Cottage. A detachment of lancers attacked them, but they scatthat only the pick of the men will be chosen. Recruiting is going on all over the country, the supply more than equalling the demand. another gun from the railway track to the north. Altogether they had four guns, besides two quick firers. These guns were mostly mounted be yond the crest of the kopje. The heaviest fire was directed against the lancers. The recannaissance was successfully carried out. The house on the bank being blown up, creating a great dust. The Boers fired a few shots afterwards, but the British made no reply. Four of the horses None of the men were hurt. The enemy have brought their trenches a fantry recruiting officer opened here today. Sixty men offered, among them being some former Northwest mounted policemen, several old ranchmen and one United States cavalryman. The Toronto field battery will furnish eighteen men to be selected thousand yards nearer the British lines since the repulse of the English

fact that they have not advanced many of their guns. The vanishing gun is nearest the British.

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man. The Toronto field battery will furnish eighteen men to be selected tomorrow. Col. Kitson is buying cavalry horses throughout Western Ontario and in this city. Sixty horses have already been secured out of 200 required, a large number being trained cavalry horses and dragoon mounts. LONDON, Dec. 28.-A despatch to the Times from Pietermaritzburg, dated Thursday, Dec, 21, says: mounts.

Lieut. Col. Delamere of the Queen's Own, stated tonight that 100 good gentleman horsemen and good shots of this city and vicinity, many of them members of the Hunt club, were prepared to go to South Africa as an independent organization, providing their own horses and equipment, and asking the government only for transportation. They will serve free if permitted to do so as irregular horse. A strong suspicion exists here that the ostensibly innocent bills of lad-ing furnished by German steamers arriving in Delagoa Bay, really con-ceal contraband, and local newsoa-pers are urging a more rigid examin-

ation of cargoes.

The imperial government, according to a despatch from Calcutta to the Times, has accepted an offer of two batteries made by the Indian govern-

He says also that there were thouands of speculators at the Pretoria railway station when the British who were captured at Nicholson's Nek detrained. The people vere ordered by the Boer commandant to bare their heads and they did so. The British,

astonished, returned the salute.

Despatches from Modder River represent Dutch disaffection in Griquiland west as growing very serious. In Daily News, in a despatch dated Dec. 21, records a curious report that Gen. Buller is returning to that city to meet Gen. Warren, and that both of them will probably go to Modder River. This story can be safely ignored as untrue, as five battalions of the eight belonging to Gen. Warren's dition has joined the Boers. A despatch to the Times from Mafeking, dated Dec. 11, by way of Mochudi, Dec. 19, says that Lady Sarah Wilson, aunt of the Duke of Mariboro, who was captured by the Boers while acting as correspondent for a London-paper, has arrived there, having been exchanged for Viljoen, a notorious horse thief and convict. The military critic of the Morning

TWO OFFICERS CAPTURED.

Post writes: "The task before the British is to collect at some point a CHIVELEY CAMP, Dec. 26, 1.30 a. m.—The British pickets were fired on by the enemy this morning. The force decidedly surerior to the enemy's and to drive the latter before them. Not until that is done will there be a chance for the better, but a superior naval guns were fired at the enemy on the Hiangwave Hills and at Grob-lers Kloop. The firing ceased at 7.30 force means more than a numerical

excess. There must be efficient transport and a due proportion of cavalry mounted infantry and horse artil-Christmas was spent quietly by the troops, who passed the day in sports and singing songs. The men are in very good spirits and are anxious to go forward. The Boers are working hard in strengthening their earthmounted infantry and horse artillery. There are no means of knowing the state of Gen. Buller's transport, but until he has three-quarters of his force equipped with the minimum transport he will not have the mobility requisite to turn the enemy's position. It will be the beginning of works and throwing up new defences. While Capt. Kirkwood and Charles Grenfell were looking through glasses February before the necessary trans-port and mounted troops can be availon a hill near Colenso they were suddenly surrounded by 20 armed Boers and called upon to surrender. They did so and were taken off by the able in the west. By that time Gen.
Roberts may be able to concentrate
the forces of Gen. Methuen, Gatacre,
and French, and the Sixth and Seventh division, but much may happen enemy, whose presence in that immediate vicinity was not suspected. A native reports that the two men are well cared for. So far as is ascertainable the position of the British at Ladysmith is un-changed. The Standard's corres-pondent at Chieveley telegraphing un-

MOVING SOUTHWARD

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Dec. 21.-According to information received here from Boer source the chief laage of the Boers was being moved south ward on December 18.

N. B. AND N. S. WAR NOTES. SHEDIAC SPEAKS

The latest advices from Mafeking bear date of Dec. 18, when there was a mutual bombardment, which lasted two hours without, however, apparently changing the situation.

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The Chronicle's Cape Town correspondent in a despatch dated Dec. 22, gives an interview had by him with Mr. Schlesinger, agent of the Equitable Life Assurance Association of New York, who recently arrived from the Transvaal. Mr. Schlesinger says that the republics have immense stores of food, and that speculative capitalists imported a huge quantity believing that mining would continue during the war.

The Times' correspondent at Pietermaritzburg says there is a strong suspicion that the innocent descriptions given on the bills of lading of the cargoes, of German steamers arriving at Resolved, that this meeting were unanimously passed:

Resolved, that this meeting heartily endorse the action of the government in sending both the first and second continues the first contingent was largely to express a sentiment, recent developments have made it the serious duty of this dominion to very greatly add to the assistance while the honor of the empire, our own safety and to bring the war to a speedy and merciful termination.

Whereas, the policy of burdening the imperial government with the payment of troops contributed by Canada is not in accord with the liberal treatment the colonies have received at the hands of the moeting urge upon the government its desire that all Canadian troops be paid in full by the dominion, from the time of enlistment until mustered out.

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success outside his experience and training. For that reason the local doctor, often gives up as hopeless a case which is quite curable when greater skill and experience are brought to bear.

It is the so-called "incurable" and "hopeless" cases, which come in such numbers to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., for treatment. Men and women with weak lungs, obstinate coughs, emaciated bodies and fevered cheeks have found in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery the true elixir of life. "The blood is the life" and the "Discovery" by increasing the activity of the blood making glands, and restoring to healthy action the digestive and nutritive organs, places the entire system in a condition to throw off disease. There is no alcohol, opium, or other narcotic, in "Golden Medical Discovery."

Mr. Chas, Hunwick, of Lenox, Macomb Co., Mich., writes: "I have never felt better in my life than I do now. I have taken Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery right along. I think I am doing finely. I do not cough now and I can aleep like a school boy. I think I will have to change my mind about 'Patent Medicines,' as I never had much faith in them; but you hust know that I have been treated in two hospitals and by three doctors besides, and received no benefit; so I think your medicine for me."

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Miss Myrtle Hall of Middleton, N. S., a sister of Mrs. H. R. Shaw of ica with the second contingent.

Upon the first call for "olunteers Shelburne, N. S., responded prompt-ly with five, three of whom bave gone forward and are now at the front in South Africa. Upon the sec-ond call Shelburne again responded with five more, viz.: Walter and Frank Dexter, sons of John Dexter, Zedley and Lincoln Bower, sons of Christian Bower, and Jeff McKay, son of Wm. J. McKay. These are between 25 and 30 years of age, and are accustomed to roughing it, being ex-

pert hunters.

Mr. Norwood of Hubbard's Cove, N.
S., writes from the rectory, intimating that he would go as a cavalry-

The following needs no explanation KINGS COUNTY, December 26, 1899.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 27 .- The City of London arrived here today from the Orient, with news of a prospective war between Russia and Japan. Her officers say that all Japan now believes that hostilities will break out between these two nation in the spring. Before the steamer left Japan, that kingdom was buying up great quantities of rice, and even making arrangements for transports to make a demonstration in Korea. Great activity prevails on all sides in Japanese naval circles. A Shanghai report says that Russia has despatch ed three warships to Masumpo, the bone of contention now causing strained relations between the two nations

SHELLS FELL SHORT.

MODDER RIVER, Dec. 21 (delayed in transmission).—The Boers advanced a 12-pounder and shelled the camp this morning. The shells fell 700 yards The British 4-inch lyddite gun short. The British 4-inch hyddite g replied. There were no casualties the British side.

MORE FIGHTING.

CHIEVELEY CAMP, Dec. 25, 4.35 p m.—Reports from native sources state that there was fighting yesterday south of Elandslaagte. The Boers engaged came from Helpmaaker. The British troops defeuted the burghers and destroyed their tents. There are no Boers at Helpmaaker now.

WARREN JOINS BULLER (Special Despatch to the Sun.)
LONDON, Dec. 28.—The report of the
arrival of General Warren at Pietermartizburg seems to be accurate. Some of the papers build on this fac the expectation that Gen. Buller' command will shortly move again.

POLO AT LADYSMITH.

CHIEVELEY, Dec. 26.—A hellograph message from Ladysmith received to day, says: "We play polo here or Sundays and otherwise enjoy our-selves. There is no excessive dodging of shells."

CHURCHILL'S ESCAPE.

Followed the Line of Railway, Hiding by Day and Travelling at Night.

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LONDON, Dec. 27.—Winston Spencer Churchill has cabled, and the Moraing Post publishes today, an account of his escape from captivity with the Boers, after having been taken prisoner. The despatch, which is dated Lourenzo Marques, Dec. 21, says:
"In the evening I concealed myself in a railway truck under a great pile of sacks. I had a small store of good water. I remained hidden so, chancing discovery. The Roers searched the train at Komatiport, but they did not search deep enough. After sixty hours of anxiety I came safely here. I am very weak, but am free. I have lost many pounds in weight, but am light in heart. I shall avail myself of every opportunity henceforth to urge earnestly the unfinching and uncompromising prosecution. tunity henceforth to urge earnestly the urflinching and uncompromising prosecution of the war. On the afternoon of Dec. 12 th Transwaal secretary of war informed muthat there was little chance of my release.

SHIELLED TOLL PAN. —At half past two this morning, mounted detachments under Col. Peakman, with three Maxims and three seven pounders under Major May, reconnoitered. Leaving the en-trenchments, the British advanced on Toll Pan. The Boer pickets fired and our Maxims replied, the Boers disap-rearing over the ridge. Our guns then began to shell Toll Pan at a range of 2,500 yards. A Boer

gun dropped four shells near our men but did no damage. As the Boers were strongly entrenched, we with-drew. Their guns are well placed. ENJOYED CHRISTMAS CHEER. CHIEVELEY CAMP, Natal, Mon-

day, Dec. 25.—Although the two armies were in sight of each other, with the temperature 102 degrees in the shade, the British, today, enjoyed Christmas

cheer.
Captains Gleenfelt and Kirkwood of the South African Light Horse, left here yesterday to inspect the patrols along the eastern hills. Their horses returned at night alone.
Col. Donal of the Royal Fusiliers has had his collar bone broken by being thrown from his horse while on outpost duty.

seen galloping freely from hill to hill.
Ladysmith also had a busy morning today, shelling the Boers' position on Umbulwana Mountain. The bursting shells were plainly visible at

CAPTURED 500 CATTLE. CHIEVELEY CAMP, Natal, Dec. 22. Our scouts have reported Boers in force on this side of the Tugela River. Three regiments of regulars, supported by artillery, and all the available mounted volunteers, under the command of Lord Dundonald, advanced. The Boers retired across the river. The British captured 500 cattle.

Dunnville, Ont., public school board has dismissed S. T. Crane, principal of the public school, because he is a strong supporter of the Boer side in the present war. He had so publicly expressed himself, and the charge is that he endeavored to imbue the same ideas in the minds of his pupils.

WILL BE ALL READY. HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 27.-Notwithstanding statements to the con-trary, it is a positive fact that no orders whatever have been received regarding the removal of the Leinsters from Halifax. There will be a medical inspection tomorrow, so that the battalion will be ready to leave if orders should come.

THE FIRST CONTINGENT. OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—No information has reached the militia department in reference to the capture of any Canadians by the Boers.

Mrs. Rogers, wife of Major Rogers, ceptain of D Company Royal Canadian Regiment, this morning, received the following welcome message from her husband dated Belmont.

today's date:

"Happy returns; all well. (Sgd),

A telegram was received from Lord Strathcona at the militia department, this afternoon, to the following effect: "Have cable from Col. Otter, dated Belmont, 18th, that compressed meat and lime juice tablets were most acceptable." Committee being formed; will act accordingly. GOLD MEDALS FOR LIFE-SAVERS

Upon the recommendation of Ira D. Upon the recommendation of Ira D. Myers, the American consul, his government will present to Fred. C. Lahey, Richard B. Cline, Robert Murray, Wm. Scott, Edward Liney, Alfred Bennett, Robert Nichol and Edward Kelly a gold life-saving modal, in recognition of their heroic conduct in gallantly rescuing the crew of the shipwrecked schooner Hazel Dell.

Children Cry for

GENEROUS EDWARD SINCLAIR.

(Chatham World.) clair's gift of \$1,000 to the mir. Sinciairs gift of 1,000 to the pilots of this port is only one of a great many generous actions that are to his credit here and up above. The amount is larger than usual, but the act itself is characteristic of the something less. Mr. Sinclair at once wrote a cheque for the amount, and



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