# CANADIANS KILLED AND WOUNDED

Col. Otter Sends a List of Casualties Among the Members of the First Contingent.

## LORD ROBERTS'S OFFICIAL DISPATCH

He Reports Severe Fighting-Boers Driven From Their Positions by Troops Under Hamilton-Twelve of the Enemy Killed and Forty Wounded. >

(Associated Press.) ravel the tangled stories coming from the neighborhood of Thaba Nchu, but appar- the number of men "off commando," as ently the British forces are engaged in a it is called, at about 4,000 at one time.

Ladybrand and Winburg. As General Botha

Has Been Reinforced

there is every prospect of sharp fighting. The new scene of operations and the general movements of the various columns are meant to indicate that Roberts is deploying his army preparatory to beginning his northern march. It now seems likely that it is the commander-inchief's intention to advance simultaneously from Kimberley, Bloemfontein and Ladysmith with a view of preventing the Boers from concentrating their forces at any given point.

A dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated yesterday, chronicles the prevailing opinion among the townspeople there that the war is not likely to last more than six weeks after

The British Advance

shall begin. A dispatch from Pretoria gives the text of President Kruger's proclamation expelling British subjects from the Transvaal. It says: "As numerous burghers insist upon the removal of the British, and as the government is desirous of complying with the wishes of the burghers and others favorable to the republic, all Britishers residing in the district and town of Pretoria and the Witwaterrand gold fields, must leave the state within thirty-six hours from noon of ence he will spend the last years of his April 30th. Exception will be made in life in Holland or Germany. the case of those obtaining special per-

Lord Roberts forwards a

List of the Casualties of Ian Hamilton's force on April 30th, the government regarding the Beira matas follows: Killed-Major Showers, Lieut. Parker and one private; wounded, four officers and five men; missing, two

officers and ten men. A dispatch from Mafeking describing the Boers' attack of April 11th says: "The bombardment of the Creusotes was the hottest of the siege. Many shells entered the hospital and women's laager. Under cover of the artillery a large force, commanded by Cronje (the younger), in cluding the German corps, advanced close to Fort Abrams. The garrison laid low until the Boer force was at close range, when they fired a volley, killing five and wounding many.

The Attack Was Repulsed.

The bombardment then ceased. The Boers, under a Red Cross flag, were permitted later to recover their dead." Windsor is in holiday attire to-day and decorated from end to end in honor of the naval brigade of the British cruiser Powerful, which assisted in the defence of Ladysmith. The naval men have been summoned to the Castle to be inspected by the Queen. The band of the Grenadier Guards met the naval brigade | tained .at the railroad station and played them of people.

Capt. Lambton and the officers of the Powerful were presented to Her Majesty, who thanked Capt. Lambton and ba Nchu. The enemy the brigade for their noble services to the Empire. The captain replied that what they had done was nothing to what the navy was prepared to do for Her Majesty. The Queen saw the blue jackets entertained at dinner.

### FIGHTING AT THABA NCHU

Thaba Nchu, May 1.-Gen. Hamilton's division was engaged yesterday and today in forcing a passage northward. At Houtney the Boer front held a line

of hills commanding the sides of the Nek. The Canadians and Gordons attacked the hill to the left, and the Shropshires and Marshall's Horse, supported by a battery, also made an attack on the enemy, who fled leaving many wounded, and the passage was cleared.

The Boers on the mountain are nov shelling outlying camps, necessitating removal to another place. The Boers have three guns on the hill

to eastward of this place, outside the range of the British artillery. The Boer shelling is not doing any damage. The enemy retain their positions and the British are not attempting to dis-

Gen. Hamilton, by reaching Houtney after a full day's fighting, secured the Thaba Nchu-Bloemfontein road.

#### THE BOER ARMY.

New York, May 2.-Howard Hilegris, writing to the World from Pretoria.

grant a burgher a fortnight's leave of London, May 2.-It is difficult to un- absence after he has been in laager two or three months. A low estimate places

movement having for its object the hem- "Then there are the Bible reading ming in of the Boers still in the dis- Boers, those who remain behind in camp and will not go into a fight unless they While Generals French and Rundle are feel in the mood for doing so. Before holding the Boers at Thaba Nchu, Gen. the reverses at Kimberley, Ladysmith Broadwood's cavalry has been pushed on and Paardeberg, it was usual to find at Houtnek (not Houtney), in the hope of least one-third of the men belonging to intercepting the Federal convoys between this class, but since then the percentage has been much less."

Referring to the size of the Boer army he assumes that 36,000 men are under arms to-day, and says, "but it must be taken into account that every Boer is an army unto himself, and that every one is mounted on a fleet horse which can sustain itself on the grass it finds everywhere, and that there is no extensive commissariat to prevent the Boe from dashing up, delivering a blow and escaping in time to prevent the enemy from doing much damage to him."

#### PREPARING TO TREK.

New York, May 2.-Writing from Pretoria, under date of March 23rd, the World's special correspondent says that hundreds of the majority of Boers are casting about for a suitable country to which they can go, if they find it desir-

State Secretary Reitz said: "If the English take these Republics and raise the Union Jack over them I will take my family to America." Many of the older Boers will trek to

German West Africa and thousands will emigrate to other countries. The friends of President Kruger say that if the Transvaal loses her independ

Troops at Beira.

Lisbon, May 2.-The Chamber of Deputies has refused, almost unanimously, to permit Deputy Costa to interpellate

Capt. Theriault Alive.

Quebec, May 2.-A letter has been received from Capt. J. A. Theriault, who was reported killed in action at Paardeberg in February. The letter is dated March 28th, saying that he was in good health.

Patriotic Fund. Ottawa, May 2.-The Canadian patriotic fund to date amounts to \$256,163.

London, May 3.-Lord Roberts's object is to establish a line of British posts from one frontier of the Free State to the other at right angles with the railway, thus preventing Boer raids south-

It is essential, therefore, that the Boers should be expelled from the rugged Thaba Nchu district and be forced to retire to Ladybrand. As the result of the desultory firing on

Monday and Tuesday, the Boers were pushed back a few miles, but nothing South Africa to friends in Quebec, says decisive appears to have been yet at that Dr. Fiset and the Roman Catholic

The Boers continue to follow their harto the Castle, through cheering throngs assing tactics. One well-horsed commando operating in the neighborhood of Sanna's Post interferes with the British convoys going from Bloemfontein to Tha-

Nearly Captured a Convoy on Tuesday, but they were driven off after a brisk fight.

advance continue. assuring him that the relief of Mafeking has not ceased to occupy his attenties, and nothing will be left undone to raise the siege at the earliest possible

The British garrison along the railway to Warrenton have been strengthened and supplies are going forward. A mounted force has gone to Barkley West, in consequence of the Boers having occupied Windsorton. A thousand Boers threaten the communication between Boshof and Kimberley.

Malala, chief of the Taungs, has inpreparing to resist their advance at to be in possession of a large knife. Bhokwani, 20 miles north of Warren-

A correspondent at Lorenzo Marquez cabled on Tuesday that a large part of Veldt Strewn With the Carcases of Horses

the investing force

At Mafeking had been withdrawn.

General Buller continues quiet. The Boers assert that they are delaying an attack upon him in the hope that all the horses of the British will die of horse

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According to a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, with Lord Roberts, President Kruger is again asking peace

the Daily Mail, telegraphing yesterday, ing all about the veldt where the bullets

bags of sugar, consigned to a syndicate which is buying for the Pretoria government. Four more steamers with similar consignments are expected this month. It is evident that the Transvaal intends making a long resistance. The Boers have begun constructing fortifications at Lydenburg, where they continue

ning northwest from Komatipoort, with rier, with Lydenburg as headquarters. If this plan should be adopted the campaign will become exceedingly difficult. The Portuguese authorities here objected to H. M. S. Forte using her searchlights, and they next objected to night patrols. Consequently the cruiser now steams outside the harbor nightly to avoid a possible repetition of the Maine

Storing Provisions.

The Morning Post Bloemfontein correspondent, telegraphing on Tuesday, says: "We have captured two interesting letters. The first, which is from Steyn to Botha, conplains of the

Neglect of the Defence

of Kroonstad by commandoes there, who are described as 'occupied in looting the grain districts,' which causes 'an increase of ill feeling' among the Free State burghers. Steyn concludes by declining Free Staters unless a guarantee is given Male and female apparel, letters, house of the Transvaal's intention to protect hold utensils, and broken boxes are Kroonstad. The second is a letter from Kruger to the commandant at Fourteen Streams. Kruger declares that it is im- Empty shells, cartridges, cases, and bulssible to send the reinforcements the lets are also plentiful, although, the mandant asks for, since all the federal forces are required at their present posts, but he declares that the federals are gaining great victories, and that

of days. dispatch from Mr. Winston Churchill, Gen. Dickson retired in the circumcarts fell into

The Hands of the Enemy,

and his rear guard was heavily fired on, This retreat compromised Gen. Hamilton, who therefore collected his forces and fell back warily on Thaba Nchu, after sharply checking the advance with musketry and artillery fire. Although much ammunition was expended on both sides, the losses were insignificant, the fighting being at great range. The result is that the Boers are willing to retreat, but it is not in the power of the present force to interfere with them or with their wagons."

Troops Reviewed.

Bloemfontein, Tuesday, May 1.-This morning General Pole-Carew's division, composed of the Guards and General Stevenson's brigade, with several batteries of artillery, all in winter clothing left Bloemfontein.

Lord Roberts, with Lady Roberts and their daughter, reviewed the division in the market place. Later Lord Roberts, while reviewing Roberts's Horse, con gratulated the men upon their brave spoke of the gallantry of the colonial troops, and expressed the hope that he might soon review them in Pretoria.

Boer Delegates,

The Hague, May 2.-The Boer delegates, Fischer and Wolmarans, left today for Rotterdam, en route to the United States. A great crowd bade them farewell at the station. The delegates made short speeches, thanking the populace for the kind reception extendby "the people united to them by bonds of race and religion."

Mr. Fischer told the Associated Press correspondent that the object of their visit to the United States was to appeal to the government and people in order to establish peace. He said they were going in order to rectify erroneous opinions and make the truth known, by which it would be seen that the Boers had not brought on the war, but desired only peace and the tranquil possession of independence, which was as dear to them sa to the American people. He said he knew nothing regarding the statement that they would not be received officially by the government.

Recommended for V. C. Montreal, May 2.-Private Hudon, of the first contingent, writing home from chaplain, Father O'Leary, both Canadians, have been recommended for the

Victoria Cross. CRONJE IN HIS NEW HOME.

Schiel Makes a Daring Attempt 1 to Escape.

St. Helena, April 14.-General Cronje, with his wife and three members of his At Kimberley preparations for an staff, landed at 11 o'clock this morning, Sir Alfred Milner and, accompanied by Colonel Leefe, was has written to the Mayor of Kimberley driven to the castle, where he met the governor and his wife. After an hour's tion and that of the military authori- Cronje was quite cheerful, and left the stay the party drove to Kent Cottage. castle smiling. Crowds assembled to enemy's casualties occurred among the witness the landing, but there was no demonstration.

Yesterday Colonel Schiel, with two other prisoners, made a daring attempt to escape from custody. Schiel bribed a boatman to take a letter to a Dutch cruiser, which arrived on Thursday, but it was taken to H.M.S. Niebe by mistake, and when last night the German colonel and his companions attempted to leave the ship their scheme was frusformed the British that the Boers are trated. When searched Schiel was found

PAARDEBERG REVISITED.

and Oxen.

Halifax, April 22.-A correspondent de scribes a visit to the Paardeberg battlefield, where the Canadians made them selves famous, a week after Cronje's sur-

Paardeberg can be seen a long way off, and when the traveller reaches it he finds a flat-topped hill, the highest in the neighborhood, with the Modder river skirting it on the farther side.

A horrible stench fills the air, without exaggeration, for miles around, and so The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of many carcases of oxen and horses are lysays: "A French steamer has arrived or shells dropped them, that to bury them

talion, Halifax, died of enteric fever on with 10,000 bags of coffee and 10,000 would require an army. Therefore they

and the vultures, although numerous

seem to be satiated. When the Modder river, by the act of Providence, "came down," and drove Cronje and his army hurriedly from their shelter beneath its high banks, they trekked from Paardeberg for a few miles up There is also evidence of an intention to the river, and then formed laager. At this connect the disused Selate railway run- spot, naturally, there is most to be seen. The warons, which formed one side of Lydenburg, to destroy the Netherlands the laager, caught alight through the railway as a last resort, and to hold the British shells, and nothing remains of Drakensberg range as an eastern bar them but ashes and scraps of iron. On the north of the river they dug trenches, which will probably remain for many years to mark the spot.

It is terrible to contemplate the Storm of Shell

es when once the British, fighting the wily marksmen every mile of the way, had completed their manoeuvre and got ahead of the Boers. The greenish-yellow of the lyddite shells covers whole patches of ground, whilst shrapnel must have been bursting, without exaggeration, one shell to every dozen yards. How the Dutch escaped annihilation can only be put down to their skilfully constructed trenches in the first part of the fighting, and to our general's action, when he had got his guns into position, in allowing them to

to be responsible for the loyalty of the ing where the retreating Boers left them.

ground being all loose, every shower of rain helps to bury them from view. One grave is conspicuous in a glade amongst the thorn trees. It is that of six European intervention is only a question of the brave Canadians who fell when one of the Boer trenches was rushed. The The Morning Post has the following grave is covered with large stones, and a cross formed of planks stands at the dated Thaba Nchu, April 29th: "When head, with the inscription: "In memory of Corporal Withey, Corporal Withers, Pristances related in my last telegram, his vates G. Orman, J. M. Johnson, J. B. own mess cart and the brigade water Scott, W. A. Riggs, Royal Canadian Regiment, killed in action, February 27th,

> London, May 3.-Roberts's latest dispatch throws no light on the object and possibilities of the extensive operations in the neighborhood of Thaba Nchu. One military critic believes he is justified in inferring that Lord Roberts's sucessful attack at Houtenek threatens the Boer centre and puts the British in left, which is still facing General Rundle at Thaba Nchu on their right, which is somewhere between Brandfort and

Gen. Hamilton's success at Houtenek elicits little enthusiasm, as the critics unanimously pointed out some time ago one of slow retirement.

Boers Kill Native Women. Col. Baden Powell reports from Mafeking, dated April 20th, that all was well secretary. there. He adds:

"Thirteen native women tried to get away during the night of April 15th, sent to Europe and America to arouse Synman pointing out that he shells the then that Dr. Leyds was better than a native Stadt, which is full of women and children, and that when they are trying to escape by day the Boers capture and flog them and send them back, and by night they shoot them down, pretending to mistake them for night attacks. Snyman has not replied. The proportion of killed and wounded above speaks for

Other news from Mafeking details the careful saving of the provisions, and says there are diminished rations for 9,000 souls within the beleaguered

## DISPATCH FROM ROBERTS.

London, May 3.-The war office has received the following from Roberts, under the date of Bloemfontein, May 2: "Gen. Hamilton met with considerable success vesterday and drove the enemy from the strong position they had taken up at Houtenek with comparatively

"The Boers dispersed in several direction, mainly to the east and north, leaving 26 prisoners on our hands, including one commandant and 16 other wounded

"Hamilton is now in camp at Jacobs rust. As the men needed rest after fighting seven out of the last ten days, I ordered them to halt for the day. "Gen. Broadwood's brigade of cavalry arrived upon the scene to afford valuable assistance by threatening the enemy's rear. During the afternoon Gen. Ian Hamilton was joined by Gen. Bruce

Hamilton's brigade of infantry. "The enemy admit having 12 killed and 40 wounded yesterday. Among the former was Lieut. Gunther, a German officer belonging to the 55th Regiment and amongst the latter was Maximoff, the Russian commander of the foreign legion. Twenty-one out of the 52 of the members of that legion. Two Frenchmen were among the killed.

"Gen. Hamilton speaks in high terms of the good service performed by the Sth Hussars under Col. Clowes, and made into a regiment of Lancers, which came into Gen. Broadwood's brigade and assisted in making the Boer vacate their positions."

#### CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

Ottawa, May 3.-The following cable was received this morning at the militia department from Lieut.-Col. Otter, commanding the First Canadian contingent: Killed in action on the 30th April, or 1st May, No. 7468, Pte. Harry Cotton, 43rd Battalion, Ottawa, and Carleton Rifles

Wounded in action on same dates: Lieut, J. M. Ross, 22nd Oxford Rifles No. 7955, Pte. John Lutz, 74th Battalion, Sussex, N.B.; No. 7952, Pte. J. Letson, 62nd St. John Fusiliers; No. 7486. Pte. P. R. Foster, Governor-General's Footguards, Ottawa; No. 7204, Pte. R. Irvine, 19th St. Catharine's Battalion; No. 7234, Pte. C. Rorison, 21st Essex No. 8176, Pte. A. E. Zone, 66th Bat

Lord Minto has received the following from Sir Alfred Milner:

"Capetown, May 2.—Shoeing-smith J. McMillan, one of the 23 artificers sent by the Canadian government at the war office request, died at Bloemfontein of enteric feyer. (Signed) Milner."

#### BOERS TELL OF CAPTURES.

Pretoria, May 2.—An official war bul-letin issued here reports that on April 28th the Federals captured nine prisoners and ten horses eastward of Thaba Nchu, and that on April 30th a British mounted corps appeared near Brandfort. We attacked them on two sides and the British retired. Two Federals were wounded and 11 prisoners were

Another account, semi-official, of this affair, says that the Waakerstrom and Ermelo commands had a skirmish with the British near Brandfort. After a sharp fight eleven prisoners were taken and 19 British dead left on the field, including Capt. Liddy. The heavy bombardment of the British

has been resumed at Fourteen Streams. A correspondent of Reuter's Telegraph Company in the Boer camp at Brandfort wires that when the British appeared ten miles east of Brandfort, Gen. Delarey ordered a charge and 500 Boers drove them back to the entrenchments. The Federals found four dead on the field and took 17 prisoners, mostly wounded, including Lieut. Crane. Later in the afternoon Gen. Delarey learned that the British had forced their way 20 miles east of Brandfort and seven north of the Modder.

An American has been arrested in connection with the Begbie explosion.

#### KRUGER'S ONLY HOPE.

New York, May 3 .- Howard C. Hillegis has a letter in the World to-day, dated Pretoria, March 26th, which says

"President Kruger knows as well as any one person in the Transvaal, and are inclined to believe that there is some perhaps better than anybody, that the mistake, perhaps on both sides. Boers' opportunity of winning this war by force of arms are long since passed. to the admiralty, which has no record of He will not say a word except to his close friends about his hopes to secure Africa for the Wasp's version of the a settlement that will satisfy both con- affair. testants, a settlement that appears to In the meantime the incident does not the lay mind as inconceivable as the interfere in the least with the diplomatic supposition that the British will with- cordiality existing between the represena favorable position to crush the Boer draw all their forces from the country to-morrow. He will talk to newspaper

> Every Conceivable Topic except this, but to every question on this point he will reply simply, "Wait

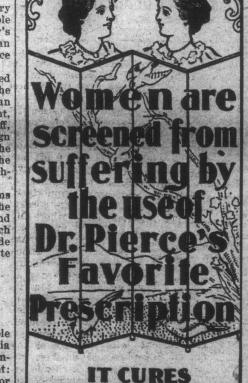
"State Secretary Reitz will tell one that the policy of the Boers would be that the president expects the war to end through the mediation or intervention of other countries, but Kruger has many Workmen Are Already Busy at secrets which are never confided to his

"Three months ago President Stevn suggested to Kruger that a deputation be The enemy opened fire on them, and sympathy for the Boers, and it possible killed 9 and wounded one. I wrote to to secure intervention. Kruger replied Relief for the Sufferers by Fire dozen deputations but weeks ago hecause of Leyds's inability to do anything of importance, the Transvaal executive gave his consent. The German steamship Kaiser was in Delagoa Bay on her way to Europe, when the decision to

Send a Deputation was reached, and three man-A. D. Wolmarans, a member of Transvaal legislative council; C. H. Wessels, the president of Free State volksraad, and A. Fischer, a member of Free State have been started at a number of points, legislative council-were sent to Lorenzo and workmen are engaged in the E. B. Marquez in a special train, which made Eddy site erecting a main office and a faster time than any other train that pulp mill.

ever went over the road. "When the deputation left Bloemfontein there was so little time to catch the steamer that they were sent away without instructions, and none reached them until the train arrived at Komatipoort, on the Portuguese border. The instructions telegraphed to the deputation, to Mayor Payment. if earried out by the men, are Kruger's only hope. If they succeed in doing day from the Premier of Victoria, deeply that which they are sent to do

Kruger's Prophecy will be fulfilled. "This prophecy is contained in those



II MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG SICK WOMEN WELL

words which the president address his troops in Natal early in Marc Brothers, fight on with as much age as you have been fighting. tinue for two months longer and I guarantee that we will have a that will be honorable.' The the Transvaal has rests on the tion, and a supreme effort is being to prevent the British army from foot on Transvaal soil until Wol Wessels and Fischer have carried their plans. Then Kruger will su peace and demand upon France, many and Russia for the assistance requires in order that his latest and o unfulfilled prophecy may be realized

#### AMERICAN'S COMPLAINT

London, May 3.-6:09 p.m.-It has been learned by a representative of the Associated Press that Ambassador Choate has asked Lord Salisbury for explanations as to the alleged abuse of in ternational rights in the case of American ship Sea Witch, which, according to the statement of her commander, Capt. Howe, was boarded by the British warship Wasp within the three-mile limit of Portuguese territory

in East Africa. The American ambassador's communication to the British Premier hardly amounts to a protest and serious complications are not likely to ensue

The case as transmitted by Secretary Hay to London consists of the captain's allegation that while the Sea Witch was off. Delagoa Bay he signalled to the Wasp, which was patrolling, and the Wasp sent a boat to her. The captain of the Sea Witch complains that the visit resembled a warlike boarding party, and that his manifest was examined against his wishes, when palpably within neutral water.

If the latter statement is true a serious offence was committed by the Wasp, which will call for an ample apology from Great Britain, but it is pointed out that the fact of the Sea Witch signalling the Wasp before the warship noticed her invests the case with a curious uncertainty. Apparently both Mr. Choate and Lord Salisbury

The Premier has referred the matter the occurrence, but has cabled to South

## Rebuilding The City

Work in Hull--Erecting a Pulp Mill.

-- Cont loution From

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, May 2 .- The Quebec government has telegraphed to Hull to hold court in Avlmer for the present.

The people of Hull have gone to work with a will and energy to rebuild the city on a real substantial basis. Buildings

A cable was received to-day by Sir Richard Cartwright from the Governor of Trinidad sending £500 to the relief of the fire sufferers. The amount was voted by the legislative council, and a telegram of credit forwarded to the Minister of Trade and Commerce, who has sent the amount Sir Wilfrid Laurier received a cable to-

sympathizing with the fire sufferers. A cable has been received from the North British Mercantile Insurance Company, of Edinburgh, Scotland, sending \$2,500 for relief. This company is the largest losers by the fire, and the subscription is therefore all the more appreciated. The Relief Fund.

Ottawa, May 2.-The relief fund for fire safferers in Hull and Ottawa has already eached the sum of \$396,251.58. Mansion House Fund. London, May 2.-The Mansion House

Ottawa fire relief fund has now reached he sum of \$80,000. New York, May 2 .- At the convention today of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. of the state of New York, upon the recommendation of the Grand Master, the sum of \$2,000 was voted for the relief of suf ferers from the Ottawa fire.

SHOOTING AFFRAY. Man Lies Seriously Injured and Two Others Are in Custody.

Rossland, May 2.-A shooting affray took place early this morning at the Columbia hotel on First avenue, and Henry Mc-Arthur lies in the Sisters' hospital with a wound in his back, his legs paralyzed and his head terribly beaten in, while Rafel, alias William Albi, is in gaol charged with shooting him with intent to murder, and M. A. Albi also is in gaol, charged with doing McArthur great bodily harm. Officer Raymer saw McArthur enter the

Columbia lodging house shortly after midnight, slightly intoxicated, and a few minutes afterwards heard a shot, followed in close succession by two others, from the upper floor. He rushed upstairs and found Albi in his underclothes, flourishing a revolver over the head of McArthur, who lay prostrate on the floor of the landing. Raymer disarmed him, finding that three bullets had been fired from the revolver. M. A. Albi is alleged to have aided in the assault, and made off when Raymer appeared on the scene. He was arrested this morning.

Dr. Reddick, who attended McArthur, has been unable to locate the bullet or to exactly define its course. Both of Mc-Arthur's legs are paralyzed, and the doctor thinks this is due to some injury of the spine. The wounds on the face and head are severe. Com

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