

Chamberlain On Defensive

Colonial Secretary Answers Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's Strictures.

The Policy of the Government Is Fight to the Bitter End.

London, Aug. 3.—A discussion arose in the House of Commons tonight over the Colonial office appropriation, and gave the opponents of the government ample opportunity to bait Mr. Chamberlain, while making a motion for a vote to reduce by £100 the vote out of which the Colonial Secretary's salary will be paid.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, as the Liberal leader, said that, in view of the patience with which the nation had for twenty-one months endured Mr. Chamberlain's policy in South Africa, he thought it opportune to secure a statement from the Colonial Secretary as to the war situation. He went on to point out that the Cape Colony was now invaded and overrun with Boers, and he asked what progress there was of repelling the invaders, what the condition of Cape Colony would be after the war, what the prospect of famine as a result of the government's "policy of devastation," and where was Cape Colony's constitution, which appeared to him to be under the feet of the declaration of martial law.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that farm burning had been abandoned and replaced by the government's "policy of humane and satisfactory institutions," as had been shown by the fact that thousands of Boers came into the country voluntarily. "The government have the best reasons to believe," continued the Colonial Secretary, "that the vast majority of the Boers acknowledge themselves beaten, and would gladly surrender and resume peaceful pursuits, but for the comparative handful of irrevocables who are carrying on a guerilla war that is rapidly degenerating into brigandage and absolute murder. Lord Kitchener is adequately dealing with the project by establishing blockhouse cordons within which the peacefully inclined can safely settle and be employed."

Regarding the announcement by Lord Kitchener that Commandant Krüger had declared his intention to shoot all natives in British employ, whether armed or unarmed, Mr. Chamberlain said the government had telegraphed Lord Kitchener to the effect that such acts were contrary to civilized usage, and that all guilty persons of this class, if captured, would be court-martialed and executed.

"There seems to be an impression that we have come to some sort of an agreement with the Boers," said Mr. Chamberlain in another portion of his speech, "that natives are not to be employed in this war, but there is no such agreement. Incursions into protected districts must be more severely dealt with, if there is to be 'sniping' of soldiers from behind hedges, and the policy of 'sniping' is not to be employed."

"Bribes," cried an Irish member. Mr. Chamberlain retorted that he met some ladies who had been assaulted in this way.

"If things have changed from bad to worse in Cape Colony," he continued, "it is because of the Boers' rebellion, and because of a cheap, interesting, and even amusing performance. There has been no mistake, leniency, and this was the policy in the past. Both the Dewet and Schalkburger do not say that the war was caused by the raid. They say they are fighting for their independence. It is nonsense to speak of offering terms to men who say it must be a fight to the finish. This is now the policy of the government."

Sir Edward Grey, Liberal Imperialist, expressed bitter disappointment at the tone of Mr. Chamberlain's speech, although he ignored the policy of the government. He said the Colonial Secretary had dealt carelessly with the subject of employing native troops, and had not distinguished between Africans and highly trained Indian troops.

John Richmond said Mr. Chamberlain's speech was "A candid, if somewhat brutal, exposition of the government's policy," and he prayed to God that the residence of the Boers might be strengthened.

The debate was continued for another hour after Mr. Chamberlain's speech, and the amendment to reduce the salary of the Colonial Secretary was rejected by a vote of 154 to 70.

The House took on other subjects and was in session until 5:15 a. m., Saturday, when they adjourned.

APPROVED BY THE PRESS.
London, Aug. 3.—Mr. Chamberlain's declaration on behalf of the government in the House of Commons that greater severity will be used hereafter in dealing with Cape rebels, and that Boers shooting captured men will be executed, coupled with the assurance that a considerable number of troops will be brought home at the end of September, are treated by the morning papers as the beginning of the third period of the war. The Standard, the Daily Chronicle, Morning Post, Daily Telegraph, Daily Mail, Graphic, Daily Express, rejoice at the "government's resolute attitude." The Daily News, on the other hand, regards it with uneasiness and apprehension, and the Morning Leader as "the opening of an epoch of terror and crime."

The Standard says: "The pestilent activity of a small section is keeping the whole vast area in a state of tumult, throwing an enormous cost on the treasury and postponing the resumption of peaceful industry. The time is clearly at hand, if we rightfully construe Mr. Chamberlain's words, when Lord Kitchener will be instructed not to treat as prisoners of war British subjects captured with arms in their hands. It is a stage which every guerilla conflict inevitably reaches, and it is to be deplored, since it may breed terrible crimes, leading to terrible reprisals on both sides, but the brigandage into which the campaign has degenerated must be stamped out at any cost."

The Times says the Boers have announced their determination to shoot every native who accepts service with the British or assists them in any way. Mr. Chamberlain has very properly telegraphed instructions that all who are found guilty of such practices shall suffer death. We have carried leniency far, further than this has ever been carried in the history of the world, and it is time to think of the future in a business way.

AN INTERVIEW WITH KRUGER.
Paris, Aug. 3.—Le Figaro publishes a long interview today with Mr. Kruger. After denying the cruelties of the war against the Boers in Lord Kitchener's report, Mr. Kruger declared that the atrocities of the concentration camps were twenty times worse than had been stated by Miss Hobhouse in Great Britain, and when fully known they would cause the world to shudder with horror and move the nations to intervene. "We are defending our liberty," continues Mr. Kruger, "and when it is granted, we will lay down our arms. It is not for me to repeat them. We will never renounce our flag and we cannot accept any protectorate. I am convinced that the hour will come when Great Britain will grant what is our right. Moreover, I am confident that God is with us and will not abandon us."

Mr. Fischer, who was present at the interview, said nothing had yet been decided regarding Mr. Kruger's visit to America.

PORTUGUESE ARE SLOW.
London, Aug. 3.—The Boers who are

invading Portuguese territory, says the Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the Daily Mail, number 500. They crossed the line near Nantel Zel and are now on the march toward Komatipoort. A Swiss farmer reports that his farm buildings have been burned and his stock carried off and that his wife and servants are missing. Although the Portuguese authorities are preparing to make vigorous resistance, only 144 men under Capt. Almeida are pursuing the Boers.

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