

40,000 Men £8,000,000

Provision Made by British War Board for Service in South Africa.

Precaution Taken to Maintain the Troops' Highway Through Natal.

Rumor That Boers May Yet Submit Without Shedding of Blood.

By Associated Press. London, Oct. 4.—The most interesting announcement in connection with the Transvaal crisis to-day is that the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, has already sanctioned the provisional expenditure of £8,000,000, and the government will not exceed that limit without authority from parliament...

within 48 hours, and that it will be delivered on Monday. This report, however, still lacks official confirmation. BOERS NOT DEPART. London, Oct. 5.—The confidence of the military authorities at the Cape is shown in a message received which states that at a conference held to consider the delay of General White expressed himself as confident that the British would be able to put forward a force sufficient to repel any attack.

THE BOER CAMP. A despatch from Volksrust says that the Boer camp on the Onk border now comprises 6,000 men and is growing daily. The military authorities at the Cape are confident that the Boer will not be without shelter during a heavy thunderstorm. Commandant General Joubert is expected to assume command of the Boer forces.

AN OPTIMIST. Pretoria, Oct. 5.—Mr. J. M. A. Wolmarans, one of the non-official members of the executive council, says he hopes that when the Transvaal re-assembles a convention and will be a free people. God, he declares, has not given the English to bring the burghers into the faith of their fathers. In the course of this speech he expressed his belief that England has refused everything, even arbitration.

ROBBERY BY AUTHORITY. London, Oct. 5.—A special despatch from Pretoria says the Transvaal government has seized gold to the value of £800,000 which is now lodged in the state bank. The government is expected to issue a despatch which will indemnify the banks to which the gold is consigned.

FORCES FOR NATAL. London, Oct. 5.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Cape Town reports that H. M. S. Philome has gone to Durban for the purpose of landing 100 men and a gun. Commenting editorially on the despatch, the Mail says that the action reported indicates grave danger. The subject under consideration is the government's South African policy, and the meeting resolved to support the government on the re-assembling of parliament, even at the expense of placing the present official leaders of the Liberal party in conflict with their former colleagues.

STILL NEGOTIATING. The correspondent at Capetown telegraphing on Tuesday says that the first time in several months Mr. J. H. Hofmeyer, the Afrikaner leader in Cape Colony, and Sir Alfred Milner, commissioner for South Africa, met in conference. An unconfirmed report is in circulation that the proposal for a joint commission to draw up an Imperial mission to Pretoria.

THE BOER COMMANDANT. London, Oct. 5.—The following was received here to-day from the correspondent at the Daily Mail, dated Durban, Hill, Tuesday: "I have just crossed the frontier in a truck which was placed at the disposal of the commandant General Joubert, who reached the frontier at the Sand River, I had a long talk with the commandant general, and he said he deeply regretted the impending war, which he had done his utmost to prevent. The letter to Queen Victoria never answered the letter he addressed to her on the situation. I do not appeal to the Queen, but I feel that I should like to see the patriotic belief that she will stop the war."

WOULD RATHER NOT FIGHT. "A majority of the Boers are unwilling to fight but are quietly confident that they will overcome Natal, attacking it from both sides in the neighborhood of Ingogo and Ladysmith. The Boers are much afraid of Lyddite shells and dumfries and the other trained men are mounted. They maintain a high reputation for shooting. They are now in the mountains and are not yet on the frontier, but they are not so confident as they were when they were in the mountains of the Katif. Heavy rain has delayed the march, and the roads and horses, oxen and carts are mixed up together. The men are in the mountains and are not yet on the frontier. There is no excitement or anything of the kind. It is difficult to say exactly, but I suppose there are six thousand men in the Transvaal, and others are continually arriving."

REPORT OF FIGHTING. Bloemfontein, Oct. 4.—The government has published a telegram from Boshoff stating that the British forces have crossed the border and the fighting has commenced. Another telegram says that the Boers have crossed the border but no fighting has occurred.

TROOPS ARRIVING. Additional transports with troops from India arrived this morning at Durban, Natal, and will proceed to the front immediately. The Cape house of assembly last evening agreed to a motion to instruct the Cape government to demand that Great Britain return to Cape Colony any and all rolling stock now in the Orange Free State or the Transvaal.

KRUGER'S DEFIANCE. London, Oct. 5.—The Press Association learns that the despatch drawn up by the cabinet on Friday was still unapproved at this writing. The other hand a telegram to the British government from a well informed source gives the news that Dr. Leyds, the representative in Europe of the Transvaal Republic, has received a confirmation of the report that President Kruger has addressed an ultimatum to Great Britain demanding the withdrawal of the British troops from the South African frontier.

by the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle. He says he is sure half of the Boers will offer no serious resistance to the British. "The Free State," he says, "has made no preparation, and it is doubtful if it can put a thousand men in the field at present."

"Thousands of Uitlanders are unable to leave the Transvaal, and their territory is so great that many of them are driven to the Orange as the best means of escaping. Johannesburg can offer no serious defence if attacked, and Pretoria, despite its five forts, is hopelessly weak."

"Practically the whole Boer population has been called to arms, and the result is a strange array of gendarmes, militia, and volunteers of 20,000 or thereabouts. It is declared that the effective German cartridge cases have all been recalled, and fresh ammunition made in America is being substituted. Thousands of burghers are armed in khaki and puttees, so it is difficult to distinguish them from British troops."

INVASION OF NATAL. "Last Friday the Boer government arrived at the conclusion that the danger of an attack in the Natal side, and thousands of men who have been sent in the direction of Durban, and thousands more were recalled and despatched towards Standerton and Sand River. I am satisfied that General Buller's force of 6,000 men, under Standerton and Volksrust, and am positive that he will invade Natal with that strength."

"Certainly serious and bloody actions are impending as soon as the Boers have retreated from the fatigue of travelling. There is no doubt, however, that the Boer children will be well treated, as will also probably be the women."

LONDON, OCT. 5.—Lord James of Hereford, writing to a correspondent, expresses a fear that the maintenance of peace now proposed is a mere expedient. Sir Edgar Vincent, speaking at Exeter yesterday evening, said he understood that General Buller's force would not expect the war to be a short one.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the National Liberal Federation at a recent meeting passed a resolution which was communicated to the affiliated Liberal associations throughout the country, declaring that war was unjust, and urging Lord Salisbury to seek a peaceful solution of the difficulty.

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On the Columbia we got from the put in. The breeze was good from the southwest to west, too good, Mr. Iselin must have thought, to waste, for he made sail on his boat while it was at its best and went outside. There he tried a new topsail, the fit of which seemed better than the one used on the day of the race. He did not keep his men very long at the task, however, and they were brought by the Sir Thomas Lipton which lay within sight of the Hooker. There were not many things to be attended to on the Columbia; as a racing boat she is near perfection.

EARLY DATE FOR THANKSGIVING. Washington Not Copied This Time—No Troops for Africa—Annual Drill.

CARPETS, RUGS, ART SQUARES

Advertisement for Weiler Bros. in Victoria, B.C. featuring a list of products like Axminster, Wiltons, Brussels, Riche Velvets, Tapestry, 370 Pieces Carpets, 324 Rugs, and 214 Art Squares. Includes an illustration of a person and the text 'We show 10 patterns to any other stores one.'

Yachting Theorists.

Agree That Cup Contestants Are Too Evenly Matched for Prediction. Surprise That Shamrock Held—Yacht Thought Invincible in Light Airs. Lipton Wants Good Breeze for Real Test of Relative Speed.

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AGROWING TIME FOR QUEBEC. Citizen Secures Contract to Make Graving Dock the Largest in Canada.

TRADEURS IN SILVERWARE. Albany, N. Y., Oct. 4.—The Niagara Silver Co. of Niagara Falls, to manufacture, purchase and sell silverware, silver-plate ware and goods and wares of other metals with \$600,000 capital, was incorporated here to-day.

JOKE ON MR. FISHER. Prohibition Minister Slated for the Whiskey Department at Next Cabinet Shuffle.

TANDEM PACED MILE. Brockton, Mass., Oct. 3.—Ben Munroe, of Memphis, and Charles McCarthy, of St. Louis, broke the national professional tandem record for a mile to ten minutes, on the fair grounds here, on Oct. 2. The previous record, held by Butler brothers, was 1:45.

WESTMINSTER FAIR. Two Days of Good Attendance—The Firemen's Contest—Toronto La-crosse Excursionists.

ROYAL YEAST IS NOW SOLD IN 5c. PACKAGES ONLY. TWO 5c. PACKAGES CONTAIN 12 CAKES OF YEAST. ONE 10c. PACKAGE ONLY CONTAINS 11 CAKES. QUALITY OF ROYAL YEAST IN BOTH SIZES IS EXACTLY THE SAME. E. W. GILLETTE, LONDON, ENG. CHICAGO, ILL. TORONTO, ONT.

Party Men In Council.

All Districts Well Represented at the Second Conservative Convention. Address by Sir Mackenzie Bowell a Feature of the Opening Day. Ex-Premier's Timely Reference to Liberal Neglect of This Province.

From Our Own Correspondent. New Westminster, Oct. 5.—The Liberal-Conservative convention, which opened in the opera house, was thoroughly representative of the province and of a most enthusiastic and amicable character. No less than 129 delegates were present.

YACHTS OUT OF LOOK. Second Failure to Do the Course—They Quit Again on Even Terms.

SIR WILFRID'S APPREHENSION. That His Allies in Ontario and Manitoba Are Doomed to Early Defeat.

SENSATIONAL KILLING. By Ex-Lieutenant-Governor of Idaho of Oregon Short Line Chief Engineer.

EXHIBITS FOR PARIS. The Canadian commissioners for the Paris exhibition have decided to recommend that the exhibits be sent by regular vessels at first proposed.

DAWSON TELEGRAPH LINE. Laurier, Tarte and Sifton have received congratulatory messages from Commissioner Ogilvie on the opening of the Yukon telegraph line.

SCOTSMAN WRECK. The government will order an inquiry into the Belle Isle disaster, and especially to ascertain whether sufficient notice was given of the change of fog signals.

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Dies From His

The Victim of an Assault Explodes 'Mike' Powers' a Second M. Police So. Reward of Five H. Offered for An Assault.

Instead of one, the now two cases of Mr. Powers, each upon their hands, each to tax their utmost strength. With the health of the two men now being actively treated, are now called upon by the two men whose Michael Powers on Saturday at that gentleman's suite in the Hotel of the late B. H. Jones.

It was at the late B. H. Jones' suite in the Hotel of the late B. H. Jones that the fatal termination of the affair was in a measure expected, and therefore a shock to the public was caused by the fact that Mr. Powers was believed to have been seriously injured by the attack. The fatal termination of the affair was in a measure expected, and therefore a shock to the public was caused by the fact that Mr. Powers was believed to have been seriously injured by the attack.

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A committee will be appointed to draw up resolutions to be carried by the province for discussion. The feature of this afternoon was an address by Sir Mackenzie Bowell, premier of the province. The subject under consideration was the provincial house passed in the Dominion cabinet—Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Sir C. H. Tupper, Hon. T. M. D. Taylor, Hon. J. C. MacLean, Hon. Edgar Dewdney, while the members of the provincial house present included Messrs. Helmecken and McPhillips, Viscount MacBride, of Dewdney, and Green, of Kaslo.

Dr. H. Wilson, of Vancouver, president, and G. J. South acted as secretary. The morning was largely taken up in making over credentials and in the reading of the minutes of last year's meeting. The customary preliminary resolution was adopted, pledging the delegates to abide by any resolution carried by the majority.

THE PROGRESSIVE party, which is now trying to claim credit for the great works the Conservatives had carried out, has a new ally in the person of Sir Mackenzie Bowell. The latter is known to have "set even" with Mr. Powers, and it is believed that he will be able to carry a lamp to the Liberal side. Sir Mackenzie Bowell is known to have "set even" with Mr. Powers, and it is believed that he will be able to carry a lamp to the Liberal side.

JOHANNESBURG. City of Gold and... Rained by the Exposure... Correspondence Toronto... Johannesburg, Transvaal... Johannesburg, as the present crisis in South Africa... command a large share of the wealth, its influence an agitation, it has brought... Cape Colony and Natal... may be seen at the Johannesburg... in a state...