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TWENTY-FIRST YEAR

THE OFFICIALS OF THE SOLE OF OLD DEAD

Her Majesty Arrived at Kingstown at 2 o'clock Yesterday, Three Hours Ahead of Time.

Much Disappointment Was Felt by the Crowds—Public Excluded From the Station—Sword-Bearer Egan, Ex-Convict, Refused to Take Part—Rain Prevailed.

London, April 3.—Queen Victoria, who left Windsor Castle at half-past nine last evening en route for Ireland, arrived at Holyhead at 4:10 a.m. to-day.

The authorities of the place, the officers of the warships in the harbor and a guard of honor awaited the arrival of Her Majesty. The general public was excluded from the station.

The Queen alighted at the platform with the usual address of welcome, and gave her reply to Lord Denbigh, who knelt to the official. It read:

"I thank you for your loyal and faithful services, and for your expressions of affection to my throne and person. The practical and generous sympathy for which you have suffered, or who are likely to suffer, in consequence of the present war, which has been shown by all classes of my subjects, has been a great consolation to me during the time of suspense and anxiety through which we are passing. I join in your hearty prayer that peace may soon be restored, and that the other blessings of heaven be bestowed upon my Empire, and I wish prosperity to the country you represent."

The Queen then walked across the platform, leaning on the arm of an Indian attendant, to the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, which was moored at the quay and on which the royal yacht Osborne, and the cutters Galatia and Australia, then steamed out of the harbor for Kingstown.

Arrived at Kingstown. Dublin, April 3.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with Queen Victoria on board, arrived at Kingstown at 2 o'clock this afternoon, three and a half hours ahead of the scheduled time, and was greeted with a royal salute from the Channel Squadron.

Rain had been falling all the morning, and the royal yacht left Kingstown. No one will leave the vessel until tomorrow. Only a handful of persons saw the arrival of Her Majesty.

The People Disappointed. The premature arrival of Her Majesty and the wretched weather was a disappointment to Dublin, as thousands of people had planned to go out to meet her. Nevertheless, as soon as the news spread, large numbers started for the harbor, while the Duke of Connaught, commander of the fleet in Ireland, and Earl Cadogan, the Lord-Lieutenant, also hurried there, and in the afternoon boarded the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, where they greeted the Queen.

Egan Refused to Take Part. Mr. James Egan, who for nine years was imprisoned for political offences, refused today to take part in the ceremonies. He had been in the dock at the last hour and a half, and Egan gives his reason, and states that he is prepared to accept the consequences of his refusal to participate in the ceremonies.

Thieves Got in Their Work. The activity of the thieves who have been plundering the stores of the harbor since the night when \$15,000 worth of jewelry was stolen, has been increased by the decorations are suffering from the

JOE MARTIN HAS AT LAST COMPLETED HIS CABINET

C. S. Ryder, Formerly of Kingston, Ont., Made Minister of Finance and Agriculture—Martin Admits Mistake as to Royalty.

Victoria, B.C., April 3.—(Special.)—Mr. Martin's cabinet was completed today by the appointment of C. S. Ryder, general storekeeper of Cumberland, Comox district, Vancouver Island, as Finance Minister, and Minister of Agriculture. He was sworn in today. The new cabinet is totally unknown here. He has been an obscure trader all his life, and is a native of Kingston, Ont., aged 35. He has only been in business for himself three years, and is a Liberal in politics.

Mr. Martin was hugely amused by questions as to the new man put by reporters, and said: "Never heard of him, I suppose."

Martin Admits He Was Mistaken. Martin admits he was mistaken about the royalty on Crown's Nest coal lands, but says he never mentioned the subject of royalty in his speech Tuesday night, which is true. But he did so in a letter to the Times today. He said he was misled by a man who told him that the Crown grant to the British Columbia Southern Railway Company contains a provision reserving a royalty on coal. He was told that the royalty is in the letter to the Times.

Mr. Martin's mistake was pointed out today. The new man is a native of Kingston, Ont., aged 35. He has only been in business for himself three years, and is a Liberal in politics.

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Opening of Navigation. The steamer Lakeside will commence her regular trips on Thursday. This is a little later than usual, still this ship is a fine one, and will be well received by the public, especially by the sailors along the opening of the season.

THE GUNS AS WE HEARD OF THEM OF THE EXPECTED BATTLE

Between General French and the Boers—Only a Remote Prospect Now for the Recapture of the Guns—News is Closely Censored.

London, April 4.—(4.40 a.m.)—No news has yet been received of the expected battle between the French and the Boers. There is now but a remote prospect of the recapture of the guns.

The Daily Chronicle, whose Cape Town correspondent joyfully predicts that the Boers will be able to recapture the guns in order to re-establish our position in the Free State we need a brilliant success on the scene of our latest reverse."

Meeting was still being held on March 30, and there are rumors that Gen. Buller is preparing to advance.

BOER ATTACK WELL PLANNED
And It Was Well Executed, Spenser Wilkinson Says—Broadwood's Evasion Skilful.

London, April 4.—The correspondent of The Times at Lorenzo Marques, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "It is reported here that all the hand mines closed down last Thursday. The British workmen and their countrymen in other parts of the republic are being expelled wholesale from the territory."

Boers Are Demoralized. "On the other hand, the Boers are so demoralized that it is impossible to imagine any now on far enough to return to the front. They are generally availing of the opportunity of returning to their homes, and are divided with respect to the wisdom of continuing the war. President Kruger has prevailed on Mr. Steyn to make one big stand before the Boers."

YANKEES FIGHTING WITH BOERS.
Between Brandtford and Bloemfontein—Boers Were Forced to Retire Later.

Brandtford, Saturday, March 25.—There has been heavy fighting between Brandtford and Bloemfontein. The Boers were forced to retire later.

Boers Ever Had Doubts. It appears that the Boers never doubted the success of their campaign. They were confident and were determined to win.

Boer Prisoners Still Dying. The sick and wounded Boer prisoners are still dying. The conditions are deplorable.

How the Five British Guns Were Captured by the Boers Force. General Lord Roberts Gives Some Further Details of the Way "U" Battery Was Surrounded and Taken Prisoners.

London, April 3.—The War Office has followed a despatch from Lord Roberts, reading as follows: "The five guns were captured on the 21st of March. I am in possession of a telegram of March 31, which has been considerably delayed in getting accurate reports of the casualties, as the action took place in some hours of darkness, and the fighting was interrupted several times, cloudy weather has interfered with signalling, and also there has been no engagement since, the force is continually in touch with the Boers."

Many Acts of Gallantry. "There were many acts of conspicuous gallantry displayed during the day. 'U' Battery remained in action under a cross fire of shells for some hours, and the Boers were unable to capture them. Several attempts were made to bring in two guns, the crews of which were killed. But at each attempt the horses were shot."

Withstood Enemy's Attacks. "The Essex, Munster, Shropshire and Northumberland Mounted Infantry and Roberts' Horse covered the retirement of the guns from that position to the crossing of the drift found by the cavalry two miles further east, and withstood the determined attacks of the enemy, who in some cases advanced within a hundred yards."

"U" Battery Surrounded. "History of the Royal Horse Artillery was suddenly surrounded in the afternoon, and the crews were taken prisoner. The guns were captured and the battery was surrounded. The Boers were determined to capture the guns, and they succeeded in doing so."

Not Going to Interfere. "We are not going to interfere in the domestic affairs of the colonies; nor are we going to interfere in the affairs of the colonies which are not our own. We are going to support the colonies in their own affairs, and we are going to support the colonies in their own affairs."

Not Definite Suggestion. "So far the colonies have not made any definite suggestion with respect to representation, and I am convinced that nothing will be done until the colonies have made a definite suggestion. I do not think the time has arrived to suggest to the colonies the formation of an Imperial Parliament, but I am sure that the colonies will be able to do so in the future."

Mr. Chamberlain's Ideas. "Mr. Chamberlain's ideas are very good, and I am sure that they will be adopted. He is a very able man, and he is a very able man. He is a very able man, and he is a very able man."

Imperial Unity Discussed in the British Commons. Mr. Chamberlain Praises Colonial Patriotism, But Thinks Discussion of Details is Premature at Present.

London, April 3.—In the House of Commons today, Mr. Thomas Charles Hadden, Liberal member for the Northern Bights, moved that, in the opinion of the House, it was desirable in the interests of the Empire, that the colonies should be admitted to some representation in Parliament.

He said this Government was perfectly satisfied with the present arrangement, and he believed that the colonies would be able to do so in the future. He is a very able man, and he is a very able man.

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SPOOLS SYSTEM IN VOGUE IN CANADA'S PARLIAMENTS

Some Strange Facts Shown Up in the Commons in Connection With the Treatment of Lieut-Col. White.

Dr. Borden Blames It on Gen. Hutton, and Minister Sutherland Lets the Cat Out of the Bag—Budget Debate Continued.

Ottawa, April 3.—(Special.)—Does politics actuate the Minister of Militia in making appointments in the militia? Was it for political reasons that Col. White of Guelph was struck off the list of staff course officers?

These were the questions debated all afternoon today in the House. Col. Prior brought up the matter by reading, letter by letter, the correspondence between Col. White and the Militia Department, beginning on Jan. 16, 1900, and concluding Feb. 9. He lent variety to the reading by commenting upon each letter.

Tried to Side-Track Discussion. Sir Wilfrid tried to side-track the discussion, but Col. Prior was obstinate, and thought the matter both urgent and important.

The correspondence tells the story how Col. White was notified by Gen. Hutton of his appointment, how Dr. Borden caused his name to be struck off the list, and how Col. White was notified of this.

Was Tactful in It? Col. Prior threw out a suspicion that perhaps Mr. Tarte had had something to do with the case, for La Patrie, on Dec. 28, accused Col. White of having spoken at a banquet a few days previous, and declared that there existed in Canada a people as disloyal as the Boers, and that Canada would soon have to suppress the French in Quebec.

What Hon. Mr. Scott Charged. Col. Prior referred to a statement made in the Senate by Hon. R. W. Scott, to the effect that Col. White had been removed from the list of staff course officers.

Bank of Montreal Man Dead. Walter Watson, the manager of the New York branch, taken off by pneumonia.

Premier Macdonald Scarified the Late Greenway Government in the Legislature. That is the Opinion of Mr. Rudolph Forget, Who Has Just Returned From New York.

Those Secret Railway Deals 4 PER CENT. RATE CANNOT HOLD. American Applications for British War Loan Show That Money is Seeking Investment.

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Were Characterized as the Worst in the History of the Dominion—A Great Speech.

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The Good of a Hat. The time is long since gone when a hat was merely a covering for the head. It is now a fashion, and it is a fashion that is not to be despised.

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Fine Spring Weather. Meteorological office, Toronto, April 3.—(8 p.m.)—An area of high pressure is moving from the west, and it is expected that the weather will be fine and clear.

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