LADYSMITH LOSSES

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their issuance, and cites particulars

The Daily Chronicle avers that there

against letting the truth be known.

KRUGER'S FRIENDS.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Jan. 11.-The

movement to assist the Boers which

started in this city several weeks ago

culminated in a monster mass meeting

in City hall tonight. Leading citizens

of nearly every nationality were pre-

sent, including many public officials.

Mayor Leonard presided, and the

speakers were Rev. Geo. H. H. Young,

Joseph G. Smith of Lowell, Rev. John

M. Flemming, Rev. Geo. C. Mueller,

Dr. Taylor and Dr. Barker. The fol-

lowing resolutions were adopted at

"Resolved, that we express our sin-

cere friendship for the citizens of the

South African Republic, and we re-

joice in their brave and valiant defence

of their homes and their liberties

against a powerful and unscrupulous

"Resolved, that as citizens of a sis

ter republic we pledge ourselves to

extend every aid and comfort, 'consis-

tent with our citizenship,' to the gal-

lant Boers in their desperate struggle

"Resolved, that we enter our most

olemn protest against any alliance,

secret or otherwise, between the gov-

ernment of the United States and that

of Great Britain, or any other mon-

archial power, and protest against any

so-called courtesies being extended to

the government of Great Britain by

our civil or military authorities at the

expense of the cause of human liberty

"Resolved, that it is the earnest de

sire of the citizens of the United

States that our president shall defend

the dignity and integrity of the nation

and guard with jealons care our com-

"Resolved, that a copy of these reso-

lutions be forwarded to the president

of the United States at Washington,

and also to President Paul Kruger of

LONDON VIEW

war office declines to confirm the re-

port that Lord Methuen has been re-

called to England, inquiries made by

a correspondent at Methuen's home in

Wiltshire have elicited the informa-

tion that, when he received his wound,

spinal and other injuries supervened.

his horse threw him heavily, and

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dysentery and enteric fever at

war office since Saturday's fight, noth-

losses in the engagement. The war

Armchair critics, who, in the absence

of reportorial or official descriptions

of conjecture and opinion, conclude

LONDON. Jan. 12.-Although

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British Casualties Reported as Eight Lord Roberts shall have had plenty of time to think and fresh levies shall Hundred, the Boers' Between Two and Three Thousand.

Lord Methuen Was Thrown from His Horse and Received Spinal and Other Injuries.

Boers Evidently Anticipate a Flank Movement as They Have a Large Force Five Miles East of Colenso -Expanding Bullets.

LADYSMITH LOSSES,

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Daily Mail

"We learn that in the attack on Ladysmith last Saturday, Jan. 6, the British losses were 14 officers killed and 34 wounded, and over 800 noncommissioned officers and men killed

"The Boer losses, we hear, are estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000."

GENERAL REVIEW.

LONDON, Jan. 12.-The news from South Africa grows less and less every day. Not an item of importance was received yesterday, and the latest date of any telegram is Jan. 8. Rumors persist at the clubs and elsewhere that Gen. Buller is moving, but they cannot be traced to any trustworthy source. There is still no return of the casualties at Ladysmith on Jan. 6. The newspapers' statement that the British lost over 800 while the Boer losses numbered 2,000 can only be treated as a guess.

A telegram sent from Pretoria the morning of Jan. 6 reports that the Boers, after severe fighting during the night, "succeeded in storming the and ridge overhanging town and the British camps at Ladysmith." It does not refer to subsequent operations. The morning leaders' military critic disposes of yesterday's rumors concerning Gen. Buller's health, which he says was traced to its source. Gen. Buller was suffering from a trifling fever, from which he

has now recovered. A despatch to the Times from Lorenzo Marquez explains the action of the Portuguese authorities in refusing to allow any one to cross the frontier into Boer territory. An old law. long in abeyance has been revived which compels every person leaving Portuguese territory to obtain a passport signed by the governor. It is understood that the authorities insist that applicants give guarantees through their consuls that they are not going to the Transvaal for the purpose of fighting

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DOCTORING LETTERS.

LONDON, Jan. 12, 4 a. m.-The newspapers were reconciled during the early days of the war to cable censorship, taking it for granted that full narratives sent by mail would supply all deficiencies. For some weeks, however, even the mail correspondence that has arrived in London has shown signs of habitual scissoring Ladysmith have been published by the by the censor. Pages are re-numbered without chronological or logical ing has been given out regarding the connection, leaving the happenings described quite unintelligible in many, office asserts that it has nothing to cases. The editors, acting possibly in give out. concert, are laying these facts before the public and insisting that they be permitted to know and to print the from the seat of war, pour forth pages facts. The Daily Mail formally accuses the war office of "doctoring" that not much is to be expected of

for the Boers. Each day makes more difficult the three beleaguered posi-

THE SIXTH DIVISION.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Monday, says:
"The vanguard of the sixth division is waiting at Table bay until the ar-

rival of Lord Roberts.

"H. M. S. Fearless seized the back Mary L., which arrived at Port Elicobeth Saturday for the Argentine with

lated Jan. 2, says that rations of bread and meat are plentiful, and the garrison had not then touched the 'bully' beef and biscuit supplies. Luxuries are scarce in Ladysmith, but the hospitals are well supplied with milk, and the horses are in good condition." Flour Seizure.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.-A telegram has been received from Ambas sador Choate reporting an interview had by him with the Marquis of Salisbury on the afternoon of the 10th. nst. in regard to the American shipments of flour and provisions on the datained British steamers Beatrice and Mashona and the Dutch steamer Maria. The British position as to foodstuff and hostile destination is that they can only be considered contraband of war if supplied the enemy's forces, it not being sufficient they are capable of being so but it must be shown that this was their destination at the time of This qualification virtually concedes the American contention that the goods were not subject to seizure, and practically disavows the seizure, it not being claimed there is any evidence of hostile destination.

LADYSMITH ATTACK

LONDON, Jan. 12.-The correspondent of the Standard at Frere, telegraphing under date of Jan. 8, says that patrols of the Natal Carbineers and Thornycroft's Horse thoroughly searched both flanks of the Boer position on that date. They found a considerable number of the enemy encamped five miles east of Colenso. Tugela River were greatly weakened on Jan. 6 by the withdrawal of the bulk of their forces to Ladysmith.

ITALIAN BARK SEIZED.

PORT ELIZABETH, Natal, Jan. 8 The British cruiser Fearless on Saturday last seized the Italian bark Maria L., from Girgenti for Algos Bay, on which Port Elizabeth is situated. The bark has a cargo of sul-

METHUEN'S INJURIES.

LONDON, Jan. 11.-In connection with the rumored recall of Gen. Methuen, who is in command of the Kimberley relief force, it is reported in the neighborhood of his home, Corsham Court, Wiltshire, that when he was wounded at the battle of Modder River his horse reared and threw him, causing severe spinal and other in-

AMICABLE SOLUTION.

BERLIN, Jan. 11.—It is asserted that the German cruisers. Schwalbe and Condor, which were ordered to Delagoa Bay, have been instructed to proceed to Cape Town. This indicates a belief in German official circles that the contraband controversy will be amicably settled.

THE BOER FLANK.

LONDON, Jan. 12.-The Standard has the following despatch, dated Monday, from Frere Camp: "Our patrols have searched both flanks of the Boer position. found a large camp five miles east of Colenso, evidently in anticipation of a British attempt at a turning move-

EXPANDING BULLETS.

LONDON, Jan. 12 4 a. m.-Lee-Metford cartridges are running short in the British magazines, and, according to a semi-official report, the war office proposes to fall back temporarily upon 100,000,000 "Mark IV" expanding bullets, most of which are already in storage in South Africa. The war office, however, has issued a strict order to volunteers that the 50 rounds of "Mark IV" given them must be used in practice at home.

DID NOT OFFER.

LONDON, Jan. 11.-Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal denied last evening, in an interview with a representative of the Daily Mail, that he had made an offer to the government to bear the cost of any portion of the Canadian ACME SKATES contingent.

BOER PRISONERS.

MODDER RIVER, Jan. 8.-Fortyone prisoners belonging to the Sunnyside commando of colonial Dutch took a train here yesterday afternoon for Cape Town, under escort of a section of the Duke of Cornwall's infantry regiment. The prisoners were allotted to comfortable seats in the railway carriages. Like all the other Boers except the State's artillery, they are without uniforms. About a dozen of them were blue and white spotted scarfs around their wide brimmed hats. Most of them were men at least 40 years old, but there were half a dozen

ensents, loose jointed, unkempt and ound-shouldered. They carried blan-ets given to them by the British roops at Belmont, and watched the arations for sending them to Cape Town with stolid indifference. Among leaders of the commando. The documents captured include the political records of residents of the country for fifty miles in the neighborhood of Sunnyside. The stationery of the British government has been used for Bor correspondence which was found in the magistrates' offices of the evacuated towns.

There was the usual outrost can-nonade this morning.

SECOND CONTINGENT. AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—The minister o militia is awalting the return to Ottawa of Dr. Montizambert before Montezuma as a transport. The tele-graphed conclusions of the medical board would seem to leave but one rours open to the authorities. Protests have been received from the Elder-Dempster line against the rejectr n of the vessel, but these are hardly men are interested. Should the medical board, upon reconsideration or further examination of the vessel, decide that there would be absolutely no danger in utilizing the Montezuma then the department might take her, but the present position is to secure e new vessel.

A generous offer has been made the government by the high commissioner. Lord Strathcona is willing to equip and maintain at his expense 400 mounted men for service in South Africa. Communications have passed between the premier and Lord Strathcona on the subject, and it will be known in a few days whether the offer will be accepted. One of the obstacles in the way of assenting to a proposition of this kind is that it would make such a drain upon the good officers remaining in the dominion, and there is a feeling in official circles that it will be inadvisable to serd out many more. Should the offer

y lion, and there is a feeling in official orlocks; that it will be inadvisable to ser Jour many more. Should the offer of the high commissioner be accepted, it is likely that men will be recruited in the mining districts of Eritish Columbia.

The Regina story about fifty Indian scouts going with the contingent is a pure invention, without a particle of truth in it.

AT AMHERST.

AMHERST, N. S., Jan. II.—Rev. W. G. Lane, late Methodist minister at Parrsboro, was this afternoon given a magnificant reception here, in the Methodist church, prior to his departure for South Africa with the second contingent volunteers. The seene was me off the most interesting eyer with reased in Amherst, and loyalty to the mother country was rampant. The mother country was rampant. The following profusely decorated with flags, was packed to the doers with an enway profusely decorated with flags, was packed to the doers with an enway profusely decorated with flags, was packed to the doers with an enway profusely decorated with flags, was packed to the doers with an enway of the most of the mother country was rampant. The Battey, D. McGregor, J. L. Batty, Sellers, McArthur and Dr. Steel. At the close of the meeting Mr. Lane was presented with a purse of \$60.

A. R. Dickey, H. J. Logan, M. P., Col. Blair, Col. Oxley, and Revs. W. E. Battes, D. McGregor, J. L. Batty, Sellers, McArthur and Dr. Steel. At the close of the meeting Mr. Lane was presented with a purse of \$60.

AT REGINA.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. II.—A Winnipeg special to the Deepatch says:

"The mounted police for South Africa, had a great send-off at Regina last night. Lieut. Gov. Forget, who is a French-Canadian, said the men of his race were 'as loyal to the Queen as those born at the foot of the throne."

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Scotia and Merchants' Bank for five hundred each for the same purpose The Union Bank gave \$150 and the People's and Halifax will also give \$150 each. The officers of the city militia bri-

gade have decided to give a banquet to the officers of the contingent. The officers of the regular forces will also give the Canadian officers a banquet.

AT MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Jan. 11.-Montreal's second quota to the second Canadian contingent, No. 3 troop of squadron A of mounted rifles, 38 men and 12 officers attached, with 39 horses, left for Quebec tonight. The weather was cold and there was a big snow storm, so the turn out of spectators was not nearly so large as a few days ago. The lack of numbers was made up in

TRANSPORT WANTED

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.-The government cannot get the steamer Monterey to replace the Montezuma, as she has considerable perishable freight to take. Accordingly the Elder-Dempster line has been asked to furnish another vessel. If they cannot do this other steamship lines will be approach-The departure of the Kingston and Toronto detachments for Halifax has been cancelled for the present.

LOCAL WAR NOTES.

W. W. Clarke of Bear River, N. S., has given his best horse, a good one, to the Canning contingent to go to South Africa.

The volunteers for South Africa from Kings Co., Nova Scotia, are Major H. L. Borden, E. A. Sandford and F. Hubbard of Canning; W. H. Snyder of Berwick; Lieut. R. H. Ryan and J. F. McCaffrey of Kentville

A LETTER FROM LORD AVA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—The news that Lord
Ava was seriously wounded caused universal
regret in Ottawa, where Lord Ava is so
well known and so well liked. Yesterday a
gentleman, who is a personal friend of Lord
and Lady Dufferin's, received from them a
copy of a letter written by Lord Ava to his
inother from Ladysmith after one of the
many exciting sorties they have had from
the besieged town. At tea in the Art Rooms
the owner of the letter kindly passed it
about to a few of those who knew Lord Ava
best. It was a letter full of thrilling interest, telling of many brave deeds done, and
of some of the borrers of war. Knowing

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DECIDED TO STAY HOME. QUEBEC, Jan. 10—One young man, who joined "E" Battery at Montreal, is leaving town with a heavy heart. It appears that the young man, who is a native of Prince Edward Island, is not alone the only son, but the only child of a widowed mother, and when she learned that her boy, who is a third year student at McGill University, had joined the second contingent, appealed to him by telegraph to ren ain at home and continue his studies, so that no doubt he might be a comfort to her in her declining years. After the young man told his story and was given the opportunity, he reluctantly decided to remain at home, although it was not without a great sacrifice on his part, as he was one of the most enthusiastic of the Montreal group.

AT HALIFAX A Letter from One of the St. John Con-

writing from Halifax on Wednesday, says:
"Today we ware up at 7 o,clock, had breakfast, and at 9 were inspected by Major Jones. This simply meant an inspection of Ctr quarters, which for the present is the flower room of the exhibition buildings. Here we get our meals and sleep, but in a day or two we are to have our meals in the large dining room under the grand stand, which will accommodate over three hundied. We, however, will still sleep where we are at present. We have no orders for to-day at all.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Mayor Sears Wednesday received a contribution of \$10 from J. A. Jamieson. He also received official notification that the St. George's Society had donated \$100 towards the Transvaal fund. His worship has decided that for the present he will place all donations not otherwise specified to

P. E. ISLAND.

Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

Masonic Installation—Recent Marriages and Deaths-Annual Statement of the Merchants' Bank-General News.

CHARLOTTETOWN, Jan. 5.—The ladies of Summerside Methodist church realized \$70 by a New Year's night tea.
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George Arthur Essong has been convicted of a violation of the Liquor License Act. A case against Andrew Doyle was dismissed. The number of convictions in the city police court for 1899 were 275. In 1898 there were 256 convictions.

Mrs. Herbert Lord of Bedeque was seriously injured Saturday evening. She was driving with her husband, when a runaway team rapidly approached, overturning their sleigh. Mrs. Lord suffered internal injuries, but hopes for her recovery are entertained. A local branch, of the Canadian Red Cross Seciety has been formed in Charlottetown. Mrs. C. C. Gardinen is president and Mrs. McCready and Miss Enid McLean are secretaries. The object of the movement is to forward requisites to sick and wounded P. E. Island'soldiers.

Robert Hardy of Montrose was severely injured a few days ago by a kick from a horse which he was shoeing.

Mount Zion Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Kensington, has installed the following officers: W. M., Dr. Alex. McNeill; S. W., Harry Hopgood; J. W., John Woodside; Sec., Henry Hopgood; Treas., H. A. Lesle; S. D., W. A. Wood, J. D., Maynard Schurman; S. S., Dr. D. McKay: J. S., Robert Moase; Marshall, Andrew Bowness; Crap., Rev. Mr. Alwyn; J. S., Patrick Slavin; Tyler, Robert Douglas.

Among recent marriages are those of J. Campbell Gillespie of Carleton to Eliza Carruthers of Cape Traverse; Samuel Stevert of South Bedeque to Laura G. Muttart of Carleton; Edison Stewart to Mollie Mc-Kipnon both of Sparie

Kinnon, both of Souris.

The annual statement of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. Island shows that the net profits during the year were \$31,687.14, an increase of \$5,560 over 1898. The year just closed has been the most prosperous in the history of this institution. Two new branches have been opened, one at Alberton, with Cecil Stewart as manager, the other at Summerside, with J. F. MacMillan as manager. These, with the Souris and Montague agencies, make four branches of this institution doing business on P. E. Island.

Among recent deaths that have occurred fore are those of Thomas Burns, aged 80 years, the oldest printer in Charlottetowa; William Johnstone, farmer and merchant, of Long River, in his 80th year, a native of Anna, Dumfrieshire, Scotland, and Donald and Reae of Point Prim.

Schooner Laura E. Douglas, which left Georgetown for Pictou on New Year's day, to load coal, went ashore during a sterm cutside of Pictou harbor. She was sipped and will be left in her present position for the winter.

Miss M. G. McKlever, who has recaded in

cutside of Pictou harbor. She was skipped and will be left in her present position for the winter.

Miss M. G. McKlever, who has recaded in Charlottetown for some time, left on Thursday for her home in Moncton. Her many friends will regret to learn of Miss McKlever's failing health. Dr. McCready of Alberton has returned from a visit to his home in Point deBute, N. B.

The winter steamer Minto went to Georgetown yesterday to continue, her trips between that port and Pictou. The general opinion is that the Minto could have come to Charlottetown for at least another week. James Win of Lot 65, lest his barn, by firene night last week.

Thomas Lynch and Jeseph Harper of Tignish have each been fined \$50 and costs for a violation of the Scott Act.

A large meteor fell to the earth, near souris, on Sunday night, making a report similar to thunder.

A man named O'Hanley visited the neor house on New Year's day and attacked his wife, who is employed there, with a knife, wounding her in the neck. The wounds, fortunately, are not considered serious. Jealousy is thought to be the source of the trouble.

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trouble.

A boy named Reg Harrit goon was severely burned about the neck and arms New Year's morning. He and another lad were endeavoring to light a fire with the aid of benzine, in J. D. Taylor's job printing establishment.

that for the present he will place all donations not otherwise specified to the credit of the fund for the second contingent.

J. P. Clayton on Tuesday made a suggestion regarding dorations for the Transvaal fund that may commend itself to many citizens. He handed his worship \$1 and announced his intention of paying that sum monthly into the fund as long as the war lasts. At luncheon on the S. S. Lake Superior the mayor mentioned this doration to Capt. Evans, Ald. Allan and C. McL. Troop, and all three agreed that the idea was a practical one, and each promised to contribute \$1 monthly. Yesterday Ald. Macrae also put himself down for a similar amount.

T. M. Wisted, an old veteran and a pensioner of the British army, has notified Mayor Sears that it is his intention to contribute a portion of his pension to the volunteer fund. Mr. Wisted hopes that other pensioners will follow his example, and that a considerable sum will thus be raised from those who are not able to contribute any large amount to the fund.

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