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TWENTY-THIRD YEAR

METHUEN WITH A HANDFUL HELD OUT FOR 3 HOURS

Infantry and Artillery Fought Well But the Mounted Troops Lost the Day.

London, March 16.—The War Office has received the following communication from Lord Methuen at Pretoria: "Lord Methuen has sent me a staff officer with a dictated despatch, from which it appears that certain particulars previously given are inaccurate. The rear screen of mounted troops was rushed and overwhelmed at dawn. There was a gap of a mile between the ox and the mule convoys. The mounted supports, to the rear of the screen, with Gen. Methuen, immediately reinforced by all the available mounted troops and a section of the 38th battery, maintained themselves for an hour, during which the convoys were closing up without disorder.

Methuen kept his head. "In the meanwhile, two hundred infantry were being disposed by Lord Methuen to resist the Boer attack, which was outflanking the left of the rear guard. The Boers pressed that attack hard, and the mounted troops attempted to fall back on the infantry, got completely out of hand, carrying away with them in the rout the bulk of the mounted troops.

"Two guns of the 35th Battery were thus left unprotected, but continued in action, until every man, with the exception of Lieut. Nesham, was hit. Lieut. Nesham was called on to surrender, and, upon refusing to do so, was killed.

"Lord Methuen, with two hundred of the Northumberland Fusiliers and two guns of the 4th Battery, then found himself isolated, but held on for three hours.

During this period, the remaining infantry, viz., 100 of the Lancashires, with some 40 mounted men, mostly Cape Police, who had occupied the kraal near the wagons, also continued to hold out against the repeated attack of the Boers.

Surrendered at 9.30. "By this time, Lord Methuen was wounded and the casualties were exceedingly heavy amongst his men. Their ammunition was mostly expended, and the surrender was made at about 9.30 in the morning.

"The party in the kraal still held out, and did not give in until two guns and a pom-pom were brought to bear upon them at about 10 o'clock, making their position untenable.

"It is confirmed that most of the Boers wore their khaki uniforms. Many also wore our badges. Even at close quarters, they could not be distinguished from our own men.

"It is clear the infantry fought well, and the artillery kept up the traditions of their regiment. In addition to the 40 members of the Cape Police, already mentioned, a few parties of Imperial Yeomanry and Cape Police continued to hold their ground after the panic had swept the bulk of the mounted troops off the field."

How Methuen was Wounded. From other despatches it appears that Gen. Methuen was shot while riding to bring up the mounted troops, and that his horse was killed.

After the surrender, Gen. Delarey rode up and treated Gen. Methuen with the greatest courtesy and consideration. He ordered his return to Klerksdorp under the care of his own nephew and a medical officer.

According to Klerksdorp correspondence of the Daily Mail the burghers were so angry at the fact that a party of them went out and brought General Methuen back. General Delarey, however, overruled the objections of the burghers.

MORE NEW ZEALANDERS. Cabinet Has Resolved to Send a Tenth Contingent of 1000.

Wellington, N. Z., March 16.—The New Zealand cabinet has resolved to send a tenth contingent of 1000 men to South Africa.

METHUEN'S CASUALTIES. Ten Other Men of the Imperial Yeomanry Killed.

London, March 16.—The War Office publishes a list of additional casualties to Gen. Lord Methuen's force in the fight with Gen. Delarey. This list gives the names of ten other men of the Imperial Yeomanry, who, with thirty-three wounded. The first list gave the names of four officers and thirty-eight men killed and seventy-two men wounded, in addition to a number of officers.

If you are the owner of a house you can save money by buying an iron fence. No repairs. Canada Foundry Company, Limited, 14-16 King St. East, Tel. M. 2827.

St. Patrick's Day, all day. Annual dinner Irish Protestant Benevolent Society, McCoubry's, 7.30 p.m. St. Patrick's Day party, Catholic Church, 8 p.m. Musical concert, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Massey Hall, 8 p.m. "Foxy Quiller," 8 p.m. "The Hibernian," 8.15 p.m. "Time," 2 and 8 p.m. "Star," 8 p.m. "The Hibernian," 8.15 p.m. "Time," 2 and 8 p.m. "Star," 8 p.m. "The Hibernian," 8.15 p.m. "Time," 2 and 8 p.m. "Star," 8 p.m.

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WITH IRISHMEN AT OTTAWA

Resolution of Sympathy With the Nationalists in British Parliament Passed Yesterday.

LOYALTY AND SELF-GOVERNMENT.

When the Latter Comes, Then Only Will the Former Appear, Says D'Arcy Scott.

Ottawa, March 16.—A steady downpour of rain this afternoon marred the effect of the Irishmen's parade, which was participated in by about 3000, including 60 uniformed Hibernian Knights from Montreal. The procession marched through the principal streets from the new St. Patrick's Hall to St. Joseph's Church, where a sermon appropriate to the occasion was preached by Rev. Father Murphy, parish priest.

Among those in the gathering were: Hon. R. W. Scott, Secretary of State; Hon. John Costigan, ex-Mayor Bingham and Dr. J. A. MacCabe. Upon re-assembling at the hall, speeches were made and resolutions passed in furtherance of the cause of Home Rule.

Mr. Darcy Scott, in the course of his remarks, said the depopulation of Ireland was due to the cruel hand of oppression, the tyrannical hand of the British parliament having pressed her down for the past hundred years.

"There was now, he said, under the new ranks, brought about by "that human archangel, William O'Brien," who organized the United Irish League.

After referring to the Crimes Act and landlordism, he asked: "What right have the Irish people to the land which they have cultivated for centuries?"

"Loyalty," he added, would only come with self-government. He then moved a resolution of sympathy with the constitution such a measure of self-government as we ourselves enjoy."

Dr. Freeman, Collector of Inland Revenue, in seconding the resolution, declared that England had a contempt for the Irish. He took exception to the sentence in the resolution, namely, that in which the British empire was spoken of as "the greatest empire the world has ever seen."

"It was, perhaps, so in a material sense, he said, but not in a moral sense. What was the sense of justice and generosity to the world."

An Ottawa branch of the United Irish League was formed, with Dr. Freeman as chairman.

Hon. John Costigan, in the course of his speech, endorsed the Irish Land Act, which he said was the hope of the people who yet do justice to Ireland in the matter of Home Rule.

GERMANY TO AMERICA. Prof. Von Halle Says United States Will Attack Canada.

London, March 16.—There are signs that Germany will not be slow in availing of the good relations with America which were formed by Prince Henry.

Prof. Von Halle, who is the well-known literary agent of high quarters, publishes a significant article on Germany and public opinion in the United States.

He is anxious to impress on the Americans that their aversion for Germany was the fruit of British suggestion, and that the object of British friendship for the United States in the Spanish-American war was to force them in undertakings such as the attack on the Philippines, which would afford a more convenient base of operations than the British Empire.

He also decried the British support against an eventual attack by the United States on Canada and the British West Indies.

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TO SEND GERMAN SQUADRON. Berlin, March 16.—It is understood that Prince Henry intends to discuss with his brother, the Emperor, the best and most convenient way of arranging for a visit of German warships to the United States, which, it is understood, will be undertaken in the near future.

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Steamer Tiber Under Water Near Canso Having Struck a Rock and Foundered.

STRANGE STRATFORD CASE

Two Young Ladies Assaulted by Rev. Father Walsh on the Street Friday Night.

STRUCK THEM WITH HIS CANE

Sensation Caused—Father of One of the Girls Issues a Summons—Assaultant Disappears.

Stratford, March 16.—An assault was committed by Rev. Father Walsh, curate of St. Joseph's R. C. Church here, on two young ladies, who were returning to their homes about 10.30 p.m. on Friday night.

The ladies screamed loudly and attracted the attention of the Mayor and others, who had been attending a meeting of the hospital trust at the court house. Walsh again came up, still shouting: "Go home, go home."

He was eventually persuaded to go home himself. Father Walsh has always been very out-spoken as to what he thought proper in the conduct of the young ladies of his flock, and may have mistaken Misses Mallon and Mark for some of his parishioners and thought that he had a right to chastise them for being on the street at that time of night.

An information against Father Walsh was laid by Mr. Mallon, father of one of the ladies, but he had left town on an early train Saturday.

Stratford is in the Diocese of London, so that no particulars of the event have been reported officially to the ecclesiastical authorities in this city.

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Wanted to See a Priest, and Left His Bed at Six in the Morning.

Niagara Falls, Ont., March 16.—A man was seen to commit suicide here this morning about 5 o'clock. Two sisters of Loretto, who were out for a morning walk with some children along the gravel walk skirting the river above the Horse Shoe Falls, noticed the man deliberately walk out into the river until he was carried downwards by the current.

The proprietor told him he was going to see a priest, but the proprietor, who had been invited to the coronation, was unable to pay. The government has now introduced a bill providing for the payment of three-quarters of the disputed amount, \$5,000,000, from the public treasury.

What a Bonnet Is Worth. A struggling journeyman on board a steamer that was about to sail for New York. All had been condemned to long terms of imprisonment for a variety of crimes.

DECIDEDLY COLDER. Meteorological Office, Toronto, March 16.—(8 p.m.)—The weather has been calm from the lakes to the Atlantic, with rain in Ontario and Quebec, while through the West it has been extremely cold, with a blizzard of snow in the interior.

DEATHS. ANDERSON—At 167 Lowther-avenue, on Saturday, March 15, Alexandria Arge, wife of George Anderson, in her 32nd year.

FUNERAL private, on Monday, at 4 o'clock p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BETHUNE—On Friday, March 14, 1902, at the University Hospital, Philadelphia, of typhoid pneumonia, George S. C. Bethune, fourth son of the late Right Rev. Alexander Neil Bethune, Bishop of Toronto.

FUNERAL at Cobourg on Monday on arrival of the International Limited.

BARON—At Sagaw, March 15, D. P. Barron, brother of Harry Barron, Toronto. Interment at Saginaw.

CHILD—On March 16, 1902, at 167 Sakawille-street, William Child, in his 8th year.

FUNERAL will take place from above address, to St. James' Cemetery at 3.30 on the 18th inst.

SMITH—Suddenly entered into rest at the General Hospital, Mrs. Sarah Ann, beloved wife of Mr. Alfred Smith, in her 52nd year.

FUNERAL will take place from the residence, 207 Parliament-street, at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

English papers please copy.

PEAKER—At his residence, Brampton, on March 15, 1902, William J. Peaker, eldest son of William Peaker, in his 43rd year.

FUNERAL at 2.30 o'clock p.m., Monday, at St. Paul's.

EXAN—On Saturday, March 15, 1902, at his mother's residence, 41 Perth-street, Frederick Ryan, in his 36th year.

FUNERAL Tuesday morning, the 18th inst., at 9 o'clock, to St. Helen's Church, later, from Frigg W. Bremen.

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