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Thirty Thousand More Mounted ? Troops to be Dispritched to Africa.

The First of These Will Sail From England on Saturciay.

Boers Cut the Railway Fifty-Three Kilometres From Lorenz o Marques.

London, Feb. 6.-The following announcement has been issued by the war

"In view of the recent Boer activity in various directions, the government has decided, in addition to the large forces receiatly equipped locally in South Africa, to reinforce Lord Kitchener by 30,000 mo unted troops beyond those already lan ded in Cape Colony. Recruiting for the Imperial Yeomanny has proceeded so rapidly that it is anticipated that ten thousand will shortly be available.

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"The South African mounted constabulary, including those culisted in the colonic s may be relied upon to extend to 8,000, and new colonial contingents to replace those withdrawn will probably each 500.

railway is now in British hands, but this is merely a temporary arrangement between the governments."

The Daily Mail, commenting upon the situation at Delagoa Bay, and the evidence that Boers have penetrated 23 miles into Pontuguese territory, expresses a being that British troops are new guarding the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the Delagoa Bay railway down to the sea, and that it will be possible to send British troops by the British troops are new to the sea and that it will be possible to the sea and the British troops are new to the sea and the British troops are new to the sea and the

Pekin, Feb. 6.—The ministers definitely decided at a meeting held last night to demand the imposition of the death penalty upon all 12 of the Chinese officials named in the lists submitted, including for the purpose of moral effect upon the Chinese, Kang Yi and Li Ping Heng, who are dead.

RECRUITS ATTENTION!

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—(Special)—Recruiting for Baden-Powell's South African Constabulary will be held as follows: Victoria, February 18; Vancouver, February 20; Rossland, February 20; Kamloops, February 22; Nelson, February 23; Revelsteke, February 25; Fort Steele, February 25; Golden, February 27.

Cant Burstall will take charge Capt. Burstall will take charge of the recruiting on the Coast and on the main line of the C.P.R.; and Lieut. Beer in the

GOING EAST. A. W. Ross On His Way: to Be Treat ed for Paralysis.

Winnipeg, Reb. 6.—(Special)—A. W. Ross, formerly of this city, but now of Rossland, R.C., accompanied by his son, passed through on the east-bound train on Tuesday, for Toronto. Mr. Ross has

The V. V. & E. Railway Bonus

If Legislature Grants It Work Will Begin on the Road at Once.

reach 500.

"The remainder of the force will be made up of cavalry and mounted infantry from the home establishment. The enlistment of volunteers to replace those that have already served a year in South A frica is also being proceeded with. Arreagements have been made for the prompt equipment and transportation of the force. The first consignment will leave on the Aurania on February 9."

The Daily Mail has the following from its Lisbon correspondent:

"The King of Portugal is staying a few days longer in London than he originally intended at the express wish of King Edward. His visit is likely to have imporant developments. The Portuguese section of the Delagoa Bay railway is now in British hands, but this is merely a temporary arrangement between the governments arrangement, however, this was done, both

who are dead.

The sentence on the living must be inflicted, except in the cases of Prince Tuan and Duke Lan, which the Emperor may commute to banishment to Turkistan.

The Speech from the Throne Promises a Number of Important Measures.

Kitchener Reports Boer Force

is Still North of Thaba Nchu.

Buller Says Subordinate Commanders Think Too Much of Red Tape.

London, Feb. 6.—Gen. Kitchener, in a espatch drein Pretoria, dated Tuesday, February 5, says: "Smith-Dorrien has occupied Lake

"French is driving back the enemy "Dewet's force is still north of Thaba Nchu. His men damaged a train of transport wagons at Pomey's siding

this morning." The war office has notified the Yeomanry recruiting stations that it is de-sired to enroll an additional five thousired to enroll an additional five thou-

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In a memorandum issued to the troops under his command at Aldershot, Gen. Buller, referring to the British army in South Africa, criticizes the lack of initiative and independence of action shown by subordinate commanders, and refers to the independent, intelligent action on the part of the rank and file. As regards the artillery, he says too much drill was introduced on the battlefields, in many cases the action of batteries being paralyzed by awaiting the order of a brigade or division command, many favorable opportunities being thereby missed.

Were Held Yesterday.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of the Winnipeg board of trade to-day, W. Georgson was elected president, and John Russell vice-president.

PACIFIC CABLE.

Report That Canada Is Hanging Fire on the Project.

London, Feb. 6.—The Melbourne correspondent of the Times says: "Mr. Chamberlain has telegraphed to Sydney that Canada is considering her position as a contracting party in the Pacific thereby missed.

According to a despatch from Capetown, a case of what is suspected to be the bubonic plague has developed there.

Bloemfontein, Feb. 5.—The Post today publishes a passionate appeal from Piet Dewet, chairman of the peace commission, to his brother, Christian, to surrender.

Utrecht, Holland, Feb. 6.—An operation on Mr. Kruger's eye was sucfully performed to-day.

SMALLPOX IN TERRITORIES. Shows Itself in Many Places and Is

Winnipeg, Feb. 6.-(Special)-Small ox is making headway in the Northwest Lerntories. Cases are reported from Lethbridge, McLeod, Edmonton, Medi-cine Hat and Maple Crek districts. The disease is of an exceptionally mild type, but in this lies a great danger, as the precautions taken with maligrant cases.

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EXTENSION BRIDGE. Government Engineer Requires Span to Be Eighty Feet.

To Get South Nanaimo, Feb. 5.—(Special)—Dennis Harris, C. E., has returned from Victoria, where he laid the plan proposed for the Extension bridge before the government engineer. The latter objected to short spans across the railway tracks, and said the government would require all five tracks to be bridged with eighty-foot spans. Mr. Harris is preparing another plan showing an 80-foot span. With this change, the cost of the bridge will be between six and seven thousand with this change, the cost of the bridge will be between six and seven thousand dollars. Of this the government now guarantees fifteen hundred dollars. The E. & N. are running special skat-ing trains to adjacent lakes, which are covered with glare ice and offer splen-did skating.

HER CONDITION SERIOUS. Queen of Sweden and Norway Suffering From Serious Malady.

London, Feb. 5.—"The Queen of Sweden and Norway is suffering from a dangerous affection of the throat," says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Telegraph. "Her strength is much reduced and her condition very serious." BOARD OF TRADE.

London, Feb. 6.—The Melbourne correspondent of the Times says: "Mr. Chamberlain has telegraphed to Sydney that Canada is considering her position as a contracting party in the Pacific cable, in view of the concessions granted to the Eastern Extension Company."

"In these endeavors I shall have confident trust in the devotion and sympathy of the people and of their several representatives assembled throughout my vast colonial dominions.

"With such loyal support I will, with the blessing of God, solemnly work for the promotion of the common welfare and security of our great Empire, over which I have now been called to reign.

"EDWARD."

The Eve of Her Wedding

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland and Duke Henry to be Married To-day.

large Number of Visitors Pouring Into the Hague for Ceremonies,

The Hague, Feb. 26.—The wedding eve of Queen Wilhelmina and Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin shows a winter carnival holding sway over The Hague. Already 100,000 Holland ers, with many foreigners, have been added to the population of the city, and trains from all parts of this ancient kingdom are bringing thousands more. Queen Wilhelmina dined at the palace this evening with Duke Henry and the families of the two. Occasionally she appeared at an upper window to bow in response to a serenade. There are no cordons of policemen or soldiers to hold back the crowds. There are no swarms of detectives. There is no talk of anarchists. The Queen's constant escort is twelve young noblemen, riding bay horses with white saddles and clothes, and wearing maroon uniforms trimmed with black furs. Wherever the royal cortege appears the people good-naturedly clear the way. When crowds are thick the policemen and others clasp hands to keep them back.

Amsterdam's gift to the Queen, the magnificent gilded chariot originally built for her coronation, was formally presented on Monday. In it she will ride to church to-morrow. One of the richest presents is a great tapestry representing the garden of the Hesperides. This is from the French Republic.

The city has given a porcelain service. Queen Wilhelmina dined at the palace

Speaks to

His People

The city has given a porcelain service of 300 pieces. From the ladies of The Hague the Queen received a silver mirror and a jewelled bracelet; from her ladies-in-waiting a silver centre-piece for flowers. Neat presents from the people of Holland, gifts showing the handiwork of humble housewives throughout the kingdom, take up the most space. These have been pouring in for weeks, so that there is a great display of silverware, porcelains, needle-work, furniture and jewellery.

The most noteworthy gift is the carpet on which the Queen is to be married. It is an immense rug, the handiwork of 60 persons participating in the festivities. The design shows bands of country people in queer attire and wooden shoes among them women in uncient lace ears and sleevelless desease.

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Captain Fall Delayed in Recruit-

From Our Own Correspondent. Oftawa, Feb. 4-Communications have been passing between the Governor-General and the Home authorities in reference to recruiting in Canada for the South African Constabulary. At one time it was suggested that Capt. Fall should get to work without delay, but from present appearances he may await from present appearance from Liver-torean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Canadian South African postal corps, in charge of Capt. E. Ecclestone, Hamiltone Corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Capt. The corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Capt. The corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Capt. The corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Capt. The corean reached here from Liver-pool last night, having on board the Capt. The corean rea from present appearances he may await the arrival of Col. Steele, and possibly Sir Hibbert Tupper arrived to-day and took the oath of allegiance as privy

Montreal Shamrocks Will Play in Winnipeg Next Month.

Montreal, Feb. 6.—President Mc-Laughlin, of the Shamrocks, announces definitely that the Shamrocks will go to Winnipeg to play during the first week in March, unless there is a tie in the Eastern league series.

THE EMPEROR LEAVES. Sails from Sheerness With Full Nava Honors.

Sheerness, Feb. 6.—The Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, with Emperor William on board, sailed at 6:40 o'clock this morning for Flushing. The Hohenzollern was escorted by the German cruiser Nimphe and the British cruiser Niobe.

Full naval honors were accorded the Emperor upon his departure. The warships in the harbor were dressed in rainbow fashion, with the German ensign at the main. Guards of honor lined the decks, and salvos of twenty-one guns were fired.

Flushing, Feb. 6.—The Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, with Emperor William and his suite on board, arrived here at 1:40 p.m. A Dutch warship fired a royal salute.

London, Feb. 6.—Emperor William is reported to have left England with the understanding that if affairs of state permit it, he will visit King Edward at Balmoral next autumn.

Rich, warm, healthy blood is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and thus coughs, colds and pneumonia are prevented. Take it now.

HONORS FOR "BOBS," Emperor William Confers the Order the Black Eagle Upon Him.

London, Feb. 5.—Emperor William has conferred upon Earl Roberts the Order of the Black Eagle, the highest Garman description

THE QUEEN'S WILL. Report That Balmoral and Osborn House Are Bequeathed to the King.

London, Feb. 5.—The latest rumor regarding Queen Victoria's will is that it bequeaths \$140,000 each to the Duke of Connaught, Princes Louise and Princess Beatrice, and includes liberal bequests for the Duchess of Albany and a number of the late Queen's grandchildren. The bulk of her private fortune, however, goes to King Edward, and both Balmoral and Osborne Houses are given to the King. Two houses on the Osborne estate are given to Princess Beatrice.

STANDARD OIL.

High Dividends Continue to Be Paid on the Stock.

New York, Feb. 5.—The directors of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey have declared a dividend of \$20 per share, payable March 15. In March last year \$20 was paid, in June \$10, in September \$8, and in December \$10.

Threaten the Portuguese

Boers Reported to be Planning a Raid on Lorenzo Marques.

And the British Fleet Has Been Asked to Afford Protection.

PRESS CENSORSHIP.

get one of the commissions in the force. United States Authorities Suspending Publication of Papers in Manila.

took the oath of allegiance as privy councillor.

A crown of violets has been placed over the Queen's portrait in the Commons chamber. The prayers of parliament have been revised consequent upon the change of sovereign. Following the prayer for the King comes one for "our Gracious Queen Alexandra and the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York."

The department of justice decides that it is not necessary for the militia to renew their oath of allegiance.

A new militia list is out.

Hon, James Dunsmuir has gone to New York, and Mr. Eberts to Toronto. They will be here again on Thursday, and leave for home on Saturday. Col. Prior has arrived here for the session.

Publication of Papers in Manila.

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Two Spanish papers which are ostentatiously sympathetic with Salas' course, are being closely watched for sedition.

YOUTSEY'S SENTENCE. Man Found Guilty of Goebel Murder Condemned to Life Imprisonment.

Georgetown, Ky., Feb. 5.—Henry E. Youtsey, stenographer to Governor Taylor during his incumbency, and who was tried as a principal in the shooting of Governor Goebel and found guilty, was arraigned before Judge Cantrell late this afternoon and sentenced to life imprisonment. When sentence was pronounced, Youtsey exclaimed, "I am innocent!" No appeal was taken, and the prisoner was, taken to state prison shortly afterwards.

STORMS OFF FRANCE. Several Small Wrecks But No Loss of Life.

Paris, Feb. 5.—A severe storm is prevailing along the coast. Three small wrecks have occurred off Cherbourg, but no loss of life has been reported. STORM-STAYED.

Seven Iron Horses Are Now Blocked In Near Altoona

Malone, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Seven trains on the Ogdensburg & Champlain railway are now stalled at Ellenburgh cut. near Altoona, owing to the storm on Monday night, and all efforts to get them out have availed nothing. For two days trains from Ogdensburg have run east only as far as Malone. New York Central trains through the Adirondacks also have been delayed.

R. L. Borden Is Leader

He Is Unanimously Chosen by the Conservative Caucus at Ottawa.

Enters Upon Duties Assured of the Hearty Support of the Party.

Louis P. Brodeur of Rouville the New Speaker of the Commons.

From Our Ownl Correspondent. Ottawa, Feb. 6.-R. L. Borden, senior member for Halifax, was to-night unanimously chosen leader of the Liberal-Conservative party in the Dominion. It is well-known now that the position was pressed upon him last night, but he was reluctant to accept. To-day, however,

he yielded to the pressure of the party, and to-night the following resolution was adopted amidst the greatest enthuwas adopted almost the greatest entinesiasm:

"That Mr. R. L. Borden be leader of the Liberal-Conservative party."

A committee was appointed to arrange for a banquet to be tendered to the new leader at an early day, the committee consisting of Messrs. Bennett (convener) Clarke, Pope, Ganong, Prior, Roche, MacLean and Kemp.

Mr. Borden enters upon the duties of his office assured of the hearty good-will and support of the party. He is given absolute control of the party's affairs in parliament, no restriction whatever being imposed upon him. In a few days he will select party whips for this parliament.

liament.

One hundred and seventy-five representatives took the oath of allegiance to King Edward VII., and their seats as members of the ninth parliament to-day.

The proceedings commenced at noon, London, Feb. 5.—It is reported in London that the Boers, commanded by Blake, are threatening Lorenzo Marques, and that Portugal has requested British assistance.

It is further asserted that a British squadrom hus been ordered to Lorenzo Marques.

No official confirmation of the report is obtainable.

King Edward VII., and their seats as members of the ninth parliament to-day. The proceedings commenced at noon, the chamber presenting quite an aimated appearance until 1 p.m. The members were sworn in batches, after which they signed the test roll. The first signature was that of Mr. Sproule.

The Senate met at 2:30, when the clerk read the commission of the new speaker, Mr. Power of Halifax, who was then formally installed. Fur new senators were introduced, and took their seats, namely, Messrs. Mackay, Jones, McHugh and Wood.

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Brodeur, member for Kouvine, as Speaker.

Sir C. H. Tupper, as senior privy councillor on the Conservative side, concurred in the government's choice. Sir John Bourinot then put the motion and declared Mr. Brodeur unanimously chosen Speaker of the Commons. The new Speaker was then formally installed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright, and returned thanks. The speech from the throne will be de-ivered to-morrow.

FIRE RATES. Underwriters Will Consider the Subject at Toronto This Month.

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Toronto, Feb. 6.—(Special)—Matters appear to be shaping themselves towards the re-organization of the fire insurance business in Canada, and there is a probability that the basis upon which rates are levied will be reconsidered, with the result that the companies will secure increased revenue. The proposed change was discussed at the recent meeting of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Assotiation in Montreal, but, contrary to the report given out, no definite decision was arrived at to advance rates in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. Action was simply deferred, and at a meeting of Canadian underwriters to be held in this city on the 13th instant, positive action will be taken.

It does not seem likely that an actual advance in rates will be announced. What will be done will probably be in the line of specification rating in cities and towns of the two provinces, and perhaps in Manitoba also. The reason given is the generally unsatisfactory condition of the insurance business in Canada, but recent heavy losses 'n Montreal would appear to have stirred the companies up.

DUKE OF CORNWALL Recovering Health Rapidly, Leaves Osborne This Week.

London, Feb. 6.—The Duke of Cornwall and York is convalescing so rapidly that he is expected to leave Osborne on February 9. The Duchess of Cornwall and York leaves Osborne to-mor-

REBEL LEADER CAPTURED. Venezuelan Government Have Caught

Caracas, Fel. 6.—Gen. Julian Acosta; chief of the revolutionaries in the Carupano district, is a prisoner in the hands of the government forces.

TORONTO'S HOTEL. Contract Let for the Million Dollar

Toronto, Feb. 6.—The contract for the erection of the million dollar hotel here, on a site bounded by King, Victoria and Colborne streets, was let to-day.

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