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A CHANGE OF FRONT. Boers in the Vicinity of Boshof Are Now There was an action at Black Moun-tain on the 25th instant. Killed, 8,074, Private J. Defoe, H. Making Trouble.

British Subjects Given Forty-eight Hours in

Which to Leave the Transvaal.

Additional Canadian Casualties-Boer Convoy Captured-Reported that Buller Sent His Resignation to Lord Roberts, Who Refused to Accept It.

COL OTTER WOUNDED. LONDON, April 27-A despatch from

VOL. 28.

Lord Roberts. dated Bloemfontein. April 27, gives Gen. Ian Hamilton's report of the British casualties at Israel's Poort April 25th. Among those slightly wounded is Col. W. D. Otter of Canada. Gen. Hamilton reports that the Can-adians and Marshall's Horse did par-

ticularly good service. COL. OTTER SHOT IN THE NECK, LONDON, April 30 .- A special despatch from Thaba N'Chu, dated Thursday, describing the fight at Is-

rdel's. Poort, which is about seven miles west of Thaba N'Chu, says: "Three hundred Boers were strongly entrenched on two kopjes. The place of honor was given to the Cana-

dians, who advanced very closely under Col. Otter. The Boers reserved their fire until the Canadians had reached the wire entanglements. Then they opened with a terrific hall of bul-"The Canadians, however, had taken good cover, and were not greatly dam-

aged. They were ably supported by the Grahamstown Horse. Successive rushes brought them right up to the kopjes, when Col. Otter was struck twice. one bullet inflicting a nasty, but not dangerous, wound in the neck, and the other tearing the badge from his shoulder. But he still cheered his men on until the kopjes were carried. The Boers bolted. The British losses were 20 in killed and wounded."

A despatch to the Daily Mail from Inaba N'Onu, describing the same en-

enemy. Most of them have taken their sheep and cattle along." COERS RETREATING NORTH OF LADY

RRAND. IRAND. LONDON, April 30.—The Standard's sp2-cial correspondent at Bloemfontein, tele-graphing Sunday evening, says: "Reports have just been received that the Boers are retiring to the north of Lady-lyand. Their horses are exhausted and they themselves disappointed over their failure to capture Col. Balgety's position. "The British cavalry, who were pursuing the fugitive commandoes, are returning to Bloemfontein."

FOUNDRY OWNER ARRESTED.

FOUNDRY OWNER ARIESTED. LONDON, April 30.-A despatch to the paily Mail from Johannesburg says that Mr. Repbee, the owner of the 'ron works where the fatal explosion occurred a few days murder. It is suspected that he blew up the works in revenge for the affront of be-not be repaired until the war is over. by the enemy. The foundry probably can-not be repaired until the war is over. by the molished. The two story house from which it is suspected that was in the relighborhood has disappeared, and sev-erat houses were wrecked. The foregoing despatch, which, it is stated, was censored by the Boer government, differs entirely by the Boer government, differs entirely the reported arrest of Mr. Begbee, stating the the the Transvaal at the outbreak of the war.

SHRINKAGE OF THE BOER FORCE.

LONDON, April 30 .- The Blocmfontein correspondent of the automatic graphing Friday, says: "From a Boer efficial in the commissariat I have obtained some interesting details. December sixty thousand Boers Sunday night were still holding the hills near Thaba N Chu, while be-hind them long wasan trains, loaded with wheat for the Boer army in the north, are moving through Lady-

The British captured one Boer convoy on Saturday, but its size is not nentioned.

company, Royal Canadian Artillery, Halifax. Wounded, Lieut. Col. Otter; 7,454, ward. Private R. Burns, Governor General's

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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1900.

Foot Guards. Another wounded has not been iden. tified.

Lieut. Col. Otter reports that the wounded were only slightly injured; also that his command did well in the

action referred to. SECOND CANADIANS FOUGHT BRAVELY.

MONTREAL, April 30 .- R. E. Finn, the Herald's correspondent with the Canadian Mounted Rifles, cables: "A squadron of Canadian Mounted Rifles, under Col. Williams, took part in the recent engagement at Leeuw Kop, and acquitted itself with the utmost credit throughout. Though a retirement was subsequently ordered, the men fought bravely and with the same dash and gallantry which made the first contingent famous. Lt. Von Straubenzie had his horse killed under him, and four troopers had the

same experience." CRONJE WELL RECEIVED AT ST.

HELENA.

JAMESTOWN, St. Helena, April 30. -Gen. Cronje and his wife, accompanied by the general's private secretary, were permitted to attend religious service yesterday at Deadwood camp, after which they had their first ride around the country, an experience which seemed to give Gen. Cronje much pleasure.

The fambus Boer commander was received with cheers.

BRITISH SUBJECTS MUST LEAVE THE TRANSVAAL

PRETORIA, April 30 .- As a sequel to the Johannesburg explosion, the government has ordered British subjects with a few exceptions, to leave the republic within 48 hours. Nearly £4,000 has been subscribed for the relief of the victims.

Commandant Schatt has been reliev ed of the military command at Johannesburg and has gone on commando. TWO CANADIANS REPORTED MIS-

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TORONTO, April 30. — The Tele-gram's special cable from London says: A despatch to the war office fore the senate last Saturday. The from Mafeking, in British Basutoland,

Wepener, lately the scene of incess-ant fighting, is deserted, Gen. Brabant and Col. Dalgety having moved north-

A despatch from Maseru, dated Mon-

A despatch from maseru, dated mon-day, says: "The Basutos are a second time as-tounded to see the Boers peacefully re-tiring with herds, which the natives think should be the booty of the Brit-ish, who are said to be the conquerors,'

ors," According to information from Mas-eru, the main body of Boers reached Leeuw River, due west of Ladybrand, Sunday, small parties trailing behind at intervals of ten miles to protect the rear and whip up the herds. Slight outpost actions take place daily beyond Karee Soing, where the head of the British_invasion is can-taned

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toned. African horse sickness has broken out in Gen. Buller's arry. It proves especially fatal among to bly arrived Gen. Lucas Meyer, replying to Gen. Buller's complaint that some of the

British prisoners at Pretoria are lodged in the town jail, says that only those are so treated who have tried or who are suspected of trying to escape. He reports, moreover, that Boer prisoners are confined in the town jail at Pletermaritzburg with natives.

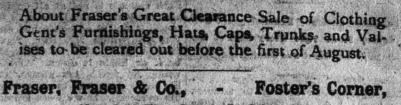
The morning papers give special prominence to the statement of a news agency that Sir Redvers Buller sent his resignation to Lord Roberts after the Spion Kop censures were publish-ed, and that Lord Roberts declined to

accept it. Examination Has Been Adjourned Awaiting accept it. The war specials toda: consist chiefly of detached scraps, the avorite intro-duction of the military commentators and editorial writers bing that, as only scant news has been wired, some-thing big is probably yout to hap-

pen. The Daily Chroniele's expert says:" "If a solid victory is to be obtained, the British must have different lead-ership from what has been displayed in the Dewst's Dorp operations."

SYMPATHY MOTION DEFEATED. WASHINGTON, April 30 .- Again today the question of expressing sympathy for the Boers was thrust upon the attention of the senate. This time it came up on a motion to proceed to

fore the senate last Saturday. The motion was defeated 29 to 20.



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40 and 42 King Street, St. John, N. B.

hauled into New London harbor leaking bady. The Parisian, Capt Wallace, from Liver-root for Montreal, before reported, has re-turned to Money Island, with a cargo of 30 of the lobsters, was struck by a squal and sunk Tuesday off Pumpkin Island, in Argyli avents, the captain and crew succeedod the cost of Chatham to load laths for New York. At the latter place she will take in coal at Yarmouth. The Alph Parker, owned by Captain Holland Outhcuse, is being extensively re-stried at Meteghan. A new stern is being the cost, John Chifferd will command the this season. Tommell Bros, New York, report the fol-ming charters: Bark Ancon, Philadel his to Japan, oil, 200, prompt, bark Ethel (park, Applachiecia to St. John, serte, it). Hattie with, corn, 2% cents per bushel, Avalon, New York to St. John, serte, it). John is, S. A. Frownes, Pt. Liberty to St. John void, 70e, Prohibition, New York to Sackville, with, corn, 2% cents per bushel, Avalor, New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with, corn, 2% cents per bushel, Avalor, New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with, is bechard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with, is bechard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with, is bechard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with, is bechard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with a theomard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with a theomard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with a theomard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents with a theomard B, same, Alert, Azure to New York to Charlottetown, corn 3 cents w iled into New London harbor leaking W. C. T. UNION. Quarterly Convention Held on Friday in Union Hall.

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the Arrival of Other Witnesses.

teresting Reports from Fairville, Carleton and City Unions-Paper on Sabbath Observance-Address by Rev. Mr. Steel.

NO. 37.

Quarterly convention of St. John 'W. C. T. U. met with the north end union on Friday afternoon. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Hartley. 'The subject was Sabbath ubservance. Mrs. Hartley read a very interesting paper on this subject, which was spoken to by Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Hanselpacker and others. Later, in connection with this subject, the following resolution was passed: That as under the existing circumstances it scems impossible for the proprietors of the groceries and dry goods stores to close on Saturday night before a late LAKEVILLE CORNER AFFAIB. hour, we request the housekeepers of our city to carefully consider the mat-

ter and to endeavor to make their necessary purchases as early on Saturday morning as possible.

It was further resolved to place the LAKEVILLE, April 27 .- The prelimmatter before the Evangelical Alliinary examination of Jas. A. Little, ance and to ask them to preach a sercharged with the murder of Edward mon to their congregations along Lawrence, was resumed Thursday these lines.

afternoon. Thos. Carl of Hunter's The decision of the judges in regard Ferry was the next witness. He told to the Sunday observance law wis of a conversation with the prisoner. favorably commented upon.

in which the latter said that when he The success of Mrs. Baizley in getjumped from the window he was so ting subscriptions for the Womans adly hurt he would have been burned Journal was remarked, and the rewith the house had not some one commendation made to each local pulled him away. Little also said that union to secure as many as possible. the night before the fire he loaned Mrs. Eaizley had secured 20 names. A parliamentary drill was held, Lawrence \$8.59 and that he (Little) had lost a \$15 watch in the fire. when 'questions were asked and dis-Chipman Simmons, of Lakeville, cussed regarding the duties of a press Corner, who was next neighbor to the superintendent and the requirements ill-fated Lawrence family next went of a column.

on the stand. He told of discovering It was resolved that in future the the fire and of going to the scene and W. C. T. U. column in the Sun shall be trying to get in at the bedroom winedited regu larly every dow, but could not, the smoke and press committee was appointed with heat was so great. He also assisted Mrs. Davidson as chairman. in getting the bodies from the ruins. The fear was expressed that the Frank Gallagher, Lakeville Corner. sickness in some of the schools arose was, one of those who assisted in tak- from defective sewerage, and the wist ing out the remains, and merely rewas expressed that the matter should peated what previous witnesses had be brought before the school trustees. The meeting in the evening was Thos. L. Simmons of Lakevile Corcalled to order by the president. Mrs. ner, told of watching the fire from his Davidson led the devotional exercise, home and seeing Little behind the nd gave a short address on temperwoodshed and walking back and forth ance considered from the breadest He was there about ten minutes. sense of the words, Temperance in all Mansfield London, brother of Mrs. things. Edward Lawrence, testified to having The report of Fairville union was noticed blood on the prisoners' shirt then read. The meetings have been front and of a conversation with Little held regularly every two weeks. Reas to the origin of the fire, in which mittances were sent to the provincial the latter's story agreed with what he organization fund, to the fund for dohad told other witnesses. minion president's expenses to world's Dr. Camp was recalled and said that fund, and to other funds as called a person caught in a burning house for. Contributions have been sent to with the smoke very thick and very Little Girls' Home, suits of clothing hot could not make much outery and have been provided for the roor, and would suffocate almost immediately! fruit, jellies and other delicacies pro-Sara B. Hargreave, Manly London vided. and Mrs. Mansfield London were call-St. John (north) reportel regular ed, but added nothing new but what meetings have been heid, four new had already been told. members added, and three new de-Miss Evelyn London was re-called partments of work, literature, suffand told of having been in the attic rage and press work: 6,510 pages of the day before the fire. Nothing was reading matter were sent to the lumbermen during January. A hox of clothing was sent to the Indians at hanging near the stove pipe. The pipe was sound and not within three or four feet of the wood. She had known of Oromocto. Two parlor meetings were this flue being on fire and of the pipe held, 424 sick visits were made, and getting red hot. The last time she 2 Sto the hospitals. A bed in the Home remembered it being on fire was a for Incurables has been furnished: year ago last winter. She saw Little's 1.300 pages of literature on temperance trunk at Mansfield London's house are ready for distribution. after the fire. Woody Lawrence and Mrs C. E. Lockhart reported that witness got a key and opened the two boxes and \$2.10 were sent to the trunk and found in it two coats which Indians at Oromocto. witness had thrown out of the house, Carleton reported that a Francis and a pair of Little's boots, which he Willard -memorial service had been had said were burned. Little told her held, a concert netting \$35.20 was given he got the key to the trunk from Isaac in aid of the Red Cross society, three umber camps have been supplied with Leonard London told of finding Litliterature. tle's trunk on a pile of logs between Lawrence's hog pen and barn. He St. John reported that ten regulameetings, and three mother's meetings took it home on a handsled, having have been held, \$5 was sent for the re-been asked to do so by prisoner. lief of the Indians at Oromocto, as Fred Simmons told of taking Litwell as two boxes of useful articles. tle's tool chest out of the wood house Hospital and sick visits have been and leaving it in the door yard, at made, and on March 29th Mrs. Davidson lectured for the benefit of the Red Several other witnesses were exam-Cross society.

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gagement, says: The British artillery shelled the kopjes all lay from three positions. The Boer positions were extremely well chosen, consisting of a long range. of steep hills, with narrow passes between, commanding a vest extent of country.

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The afficial who gave me the information predicts that the approach of winter will produce further wholesale shrinkage. "He says the Boers are short of wagons, wheat and smokeless powder, but that they bave plenty of other stores and of rifle am-munition. They are not likely, however, to offer serious resistance, as they possess no positions this side of Pretoria that are not carable of being turned by the British army. The official thinks a determined ad-vurce by the British would lead the Boers to destroy the Johannesburg mines. Their cleverest general, he says, is Delarey, al-though Botha is a man of great ability. None of the Boer commanders, in his opin-ion, can be compared with the late General Joubert." "The mounted infantry made a wide turning movement, while the foot infantry advanced within two thousand yards. under good shelter. "During the afternoon the battle became general and extended over a frontage of ten miles. The rifle, Maxim and artillery fire was deafen-

"At three o'clock the Canadians advanced in open order, but meeting TWO CANADIANS KILLED. with a terrific fire, they took shelter MONTREAL, April 30.-Special by in a donga. When they finally capcable from W. Richmond Smith, Cantured the kopje, the Boers were seen retiring north and east with wagons; adian correspondent of the Star with the Royal Canadian Regiment in acand, subsequently, when the infantry made a dash, the rest of the enemy tive service in South Africa:

fired a few shots and cleared off. BLOEMFONTEIN. Orange ' Free "On occupying Thaba N'Chu we State, April 27 (delayed in transmisfound the stores and hotels all looted sion)-Col. Otter is progressing favorby the Boers. The natives complain ably. of having their horses and cattle sto-I have to report that in the battle of Israel's Poort on Wednesday last len and of cruel treatment. The English residents were subjects to taunts Private C. E. Frye, of D company

(late of 15th Argyll light infantry), "I learn that yesterday Boer reinwas killed. forcements from Brandfort came too The engagement was completely

late to assist their comrades. We successful, as we were able to occupy found a heliographic message from Thaba N'Chu on Wednesday night President Stern to Gen. Botha, saying without opposition. it was unadvisable to send more

COL. OTTER'S REPORT.

troops to Fourteen Streams, as the OTTAWA, April 30 .- Lieut. Colonel Federals were already too weak be-1 tween Bloemfontein and Kroonstad. Otter cables to the major general comand because there were 50,000 British manding that 3,140, Private E. S. Pur-at Bloemfontzin. The farmers around cell, 66th Batt., died from enteric fever here have all been forced to rejoin the on the 22nd.

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southwest of Wepener, reports two I have obtained some interesting cetalls. Southwest of Wepener, repener, re rifles are missing. They are Sergt, R. H Ryan, "B" squadron. He was on reserve of officers and belonged to Kentville, N. S. Pte. Thos. E. Linden The official who gave me the information of "B" squadron. He had been in "B" squadron of Royal Canadian

Dragoons.

FRENCH OFFICER TAKEN PRISONER.

CAPE TOWN, April 30 .- A French officer, Comte Ducaine, who is described as the successor of Col. Ville bois Mareuil, has arrived here a pris oner. He was captured in a skirmish in the Kimberley district.

IRON FOUNDRY EXPLOSION CAS-UALTIES.

LONDON, May 1 .- A despatch to the Daily News from Lourenzo Marquez says:

"Sixty-five bodies have been extricated from the ruins of the Begbie Iron Work at Johannesburg."

WAR SUMMARY.

LONDON, May 1 .- There is no official news from the Orange Free States, and no unofficial news of later date than Sunday, when Gen. French was reported to be holding murder by stabbing was committed Thaba N'chu and reconnoitering the here Thursday night. hills to the east of that place. The

Boers, according to one report, are in great strength in the neighborhood. while according to another they are moving safely northward, leaving only a rear guard without transportin the hills. The Daily News correspondent at Thaba N'chu reports that the British have captured a Boer convoy,

but he gives no details. It is reported from Cape Town that Gen. Hunter, whose division was lately reported to be arriving at Kimberley, will start from that place in command of a strong column to relieve Mafeking. The operation, it is said, will probably be seconded by Gen. Methuen, but Gen. Hunter will be in chief control.

A despatch from Kimberley states that the Boers yesterday (Monday) occupied in strong force the town of Windsorten, which is about 35 miles from Gen. Methuen's headquarters at Boshof.

The Yeomanry in the Boshof district are grateful for the splendid service of the American field hospital luring the recent operations.

A despatch to the Times from Lourenzo Marquez says that the Transvaal and the Orange Free state continue to buy enormous supplies of provisions. Practically all the goods brought by German and French' steamers are landed into cars and prompttaken by rall to the Transvaal. The German steamer Herzog is now discharging three thousand tons of freight.

LONDON, May 1, 3.50 a. m.-The Boers are now showing uncommon activity west of Bloemfontein. They are in force between Fourteen Streams and Kimberley. On Sunday they oc cupied Windsorton, west of the rail-way, and now threaten to interrupt the communication of the British forces at Warrenton to the north. This, too, at a time when General

Hunter is about to start on a 200 mile march to Matching, probably with 5,-000 men. To the east of Bloemfontein the

SUNDAY'S RIVER DISTRICT CLEAR OF BOERS.

LADYSMITH, April 30.-The country north of Sundays, Liver, second comparatively clear of Boers. Gen. Louis Botha has returned to Pretoria to resume the supreme comtestified. mand of the republic's forces.

WILL TOUR AMERICA. NEW YORK, April 30 .- P. Louter Wessels, special commissioner from the South African republic, today Feceived a telegram from The Hague, saying that the peace envoys, Fischer,

Wessels and Wolmerans, will sail for the United States May 3. They will be the guasts of the National Boer Relief Association in this city. The envoys will make a tour of the country under the auspices of the association.

MICHAEL DAVITT RETURNING. PRETORIA, April 28, via Lourenzo Marquez, April 30. - Michael Davitt, an ex-member of the British house of commons, who came to the Transvaal ostensibly as a newspaper correspon-

dent, will leave tonight on his return to Europe. He has contributed £10 for the relief of the sufferers by the explosion in Begbie's engineering works at Johannesburg. A savage

FREDERICTON.

Miss Beckwith's Marriage-Valentine Stock Company Score a Success.

FREDERICTON, N. E., April 20.- Maud Agnes Leigh, daughter of his worship Mayor Beckwith, and Francis E. Ketchum Griffiths of Cambridge, Mass., were united in marriage at St. Ann's church this after-noon by Rector Roberts. The bride was attended by her sister, Ethel, and the groom had the support of Fred B. Dibb, a 'cousin of the bride. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the bridal party and guests re-raired to the residence of his worship, where a luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Grif-fiths left upon the afternoon express for Cambridge, where they will make their fu-ture home. The bride received many hand-some presents, that of the groom being a plano. Carl. Liano

cluded at ten o'clock Friday night.

MARINE MATTERS.

is the sehr. Avalon which is to take from New York to Charlottetown, and

corn from New York to Charlottetown, and not the Clayola. Sch. Viola was to have been ready to leave Boston last night for St. Johns, Nfid., with a general cargo. Prig. Ohio, Capt. Gratton, from Jackson-ville, Fla., for Point-a-Pitre, Icst jibboom and bowsprit, having cellided on St. Johns Bar with sch. Carrie E. Northam (? Carrie A Norton, from New York), and sailed with-out repairs. crime charged against him. He was committed to Sunbury county jail, to await trial at the circuit court, which will be held before Jurge Vanwart, commencing on Tuesday, May Sth. The

was wholly against the prisoner before at repairs. The Board of Marine Underwriters at the examination, has largely turned in Boston received a telegram from their agent at Halifax stating that the fire on steamer Halifax, which arrived there the other night from Boston, was not of a serious nature. Cargo in forehold and hull only slightly democed his favor now. No evidence of a dam, aging character has been brought out while matters which before seeme

domaged. Bark Mary A. Law has been chartered to load at Yarmouth for Buenos Avres. She sailed from Sharpaess on Monday last. Schr. Mary F. Pike, Capt. Raye, from New York for Eastport, with mixed cargo, was few think that Little will be convicted, and most reople believe the grand jury will not even find a true bill against him.

half, and contented himself with say-

ing he was perfectly innocent of the

After the adoption of the reports Mrs. Davidson sang a sole, "How Beautiful to be with god."

Mrs. Gray of Fairville read an interesting paper on the Duties of a President. Many valuable suggestions were made which will be of service not only to the president of the W. C. T. U. but also to the president of any other society.

About a dozen witnesses were exam-ined. They told chiefly of conversa-tions with the prisoner after the fire, wherein he had contradicted himself in some details. Really nothing new A reading entitled Married to 2 Drunkard was given in a very pleasing manner by Miss Ottie Maxwell. This was followed by a solo by Miss was elicited. Little declined to go on Lizzie Rollir. the stand and testify in his own be-

A report from the Little Girls' Home was read by the superintendent of that department. This will be given in the press column en Saturday.

A poem, "All for Jesus," was read by Mrs. Hanselpacker. Miss Bralley sang a solo in a very acceptable manner.

A collection of \$4.50 was taken in aid of the India famine fund.

Rev. Mr. Steel made a few remarks and Evangelist Romig gave an exhibition of lime-light views.

Children Cry for CASTORIA

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have the heartfelt sym-rathy of the community. Mrs. F. H. Risteen has had a beautiful monument erected at the rural cemetery in memory of her late husband. It is of Ver-nont marble. The Valentine Stock Co. scored a pro-nounced success in their presentation of insomar at the Opera House tonight. Mr. Mawson in the title role, and Miss Bonstelle as Parthena were splendid. The Misses Elanche and other members of the company handled their parts to the entire satisfaction of the large audiehce. The bill tomorrow night is, A Privian Romance.

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suspicious have been cleared up. Very

the request of Little.

The death occurred at noon today of Rug-gles, aged seven, eldest son of Alderman and Mrs. W. E. Smith, from heart failure. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have the heartfelt symined, but nothing new elicited. At 8.45 Thursday evening the examination was adjourned, awaiting the arrival of other witnes

LAKEVILLE CORNER, N. B., April 28.—The preliminary examination of James A. Little, charged with the murder of Edward Lawrence, was con-

