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CHATHAM, ONT. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1900

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Our Annual January White Wear Opening

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Jan. 1, says:—"A mounted force, consisting of 100 Canadians of the Toronto company, and 200 Queenslanders, commanded by Col. Ryckards; two guns and a horse battery, under Maj. De Rougement, 40 mounted infantry, under Lieut. Ryan, and 200 of the Conwall Light Infantry, the whole commanded by Col. Pilcher, left Belmant yesterday at noon, on a march westward, covering 20 miles before sunset. The force encamped at Cook's farm, where the troops were welcomed enthusiastically. At six o'clock this Jan. 1, says:-"A mounted force, confarm, where the troops were welcomed enthusiastically. At six o'clock this morning the force approached a spot where a laager of the Boers was reported. Col. Pilcher, on approaching the position, which was a line of strong kopjes, detached Maj. De Rougemont with the guns, Torontos and mounted infantry, to work towards the right, making a turning movement himself with the Queenslanders towards the south position. The manoeuver was a complete success. The British shells were the first indication of the presence of the troops. The Boers left their langer and opened fire, but the Queenslanders, completing the movement, the langer was captured with 40 ment, the laager was captured with 40 prisoners. The British casualties were wo men killed, three wounded and one missing. The whole force worked admirably. The two men killed be-longed to the Queensland contingent. The two men killed be-A BRILLIANT SUCCESS.

Belmont, Cape Colony, Monday, Jan.

—A despatch from Dover Farm, dated Jan. 1, says:—The cotonial troops, who have been longing to be allowed to meet the Boers, have at last been given an opportunity to do so, which ended in a brilliant success. The raid conducted by Col. Pilcher was very difficult, owing to the fact that the movements of the troops were im-mediately communicated to the Boers by natives. In order to prevent this Col. Pilcher, in making his forced march from Belmont, left a British trooper at every farm house with in-structions to not let the inhabitants leave the huts, the patrols calling the names of the natives hourly in order to prevent their escape. In the manoeuver at Cook's Farm, Col. Pilcher sent mounted patrols east. One of these, consisting of four men, com-The lieutenant was severely wounded, and Private Butler gave up his horse in order to carry the lieutenant out of range. Another private, whose horse had bolted, pluckily returned to render assistance. He was wounded in the leg and his horse was killed. Meanwhile Lieut Ryan, who had worked magnificently, reported that the veldt on the right of the ene-my was clear, whereupon Maj. De Rougmont ordered the guns to a trot. They arrived within 1,500 yards of the laager, unlimbered and planted five shells, in as many minutes , within the laager. Immediately

THE ENEMY could be seen streaming over the kopje. They were completely surprised, but quickly opened fire, well directed. A representative of the Associated Press had the privilege of carrying an order to the Toronto company to move on the double quick into action. The order was received with great satisfac-tion, and the company rushed forward until within a thousand vards of the anemy's position, when it opened a hot fire upon the kopje and completely subdued the Boer fire. The artillery

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shelled the position with wonderful accuracy, while Lieut. Ryan, with mounted infantry, worked round and completely uncovered the fire of the Boers, who had been hiding in the bush. Meanwhile, Colonel Pilcher, with the Queenslanders, taking advantage of every cover, made a direct attack, the Australians moving slowly, but surely, and only shooting when they saw the enemy retiring under their steady fire. The Queenslanders behaved with great coolness, laughing and chaffing even at the moment of greatest peril. During the final advance the Boer fire suddenly ceased. Thirty-five Boers hoisted a white flag and surrendered. A portion of the Torontos moved across the front of the guns and entered the laager. The Boers had fled. Fourteen tents, three wag-ons, a great store of rilles, ammunity ons, a great store of rifles, ammuni-tion, forage, saddles and camp equippage and numerous incriminating papers were captured. The Boers lost six killed and twelve wounded. The Torontos stood the galling fire with admirable patience, never wasting a

BRITAIN PROUD OF US. London, Wednesday January 3-The morning papers are unanimous in praising the gallantry of the colonial troops. The Times says:—"The mother country will share with the Canadians and Australians in the pride and gratification they must feel at the fine qualities displayed by their troops in qualities displayed by their troops in this dashing little engagement." The Standard says:—"The Canadians and Australians had been spoiling for a fight. Now they have had their opportunity, and they have greatly distinguished themselves by their coolness and discipline. From the view point of Imperial unity, the little fight may be fairly described as one of the most gratifying events recorded in the recent history of the British race."

Although the continuance of minor successes gratifies the British public, it is not forgotten that the larger aspects of the campaign are unchanged. As the Daily News remarks: "It is a day of small mercies." The importance of both Gen. French's and Col. Pilcher's victories lies in the ef-

Col. Pilcher's victories lies in the ef-fect they are likely to have upon the colonial Dutch. The latest despatch from Douglas confirms the earlier re-port that the Boer laagers consisted chiefly of British subjects, who, on the arrival of the small Free State commando, accepted, probably, an invita-tion to throw in their lot with the Boers, thus terrorizing loyalists, who are now jubilant.

STILL CHASING THE BOERS. Douglas, Cape Colony, Jan. 2 -Col. Pilcher, with his Canadians and Australians, has occupied Douglas without opposition and has been received with enthusiasm by the inhabitants. The enthusiasm by the inhabitants. The ment were both Australians.

THEY ALL SWORE. London, Jan. 3 .- In yesterday's issue manded by Lieut. Adye, suddenly en-countered fourteen Boers, who opened who says that the Canadians arrived on the morning of the departure of the Australians. They swore mightily in two languages on discovering that they were to detrain at the Orange River instead of proceeding directly to the front. One man on fatigue duty with the Canadians was pointed out as a part owner of a large line of Atlantic steamers, and another, at the time engaged arguing a point with a refractory mule, as nearly worth a million dollars. The correspondent says that, as he writes, the Canadians are leaving for Belmont, standing on open trucks, oblivious of a downpour of rain, and cheering the Duke of Cornwallis' Light Infantry, which had just

## ANIMMENSE ARM

General Poberts Will Have 200. 000 Men in South Africa.

Can Crush the Boers by Mere Force of Numbers -- Dutch Treason Subsiding.

London, Wednesdayk Jan. 3. 4 a. m .-Yesterday the Admiralty chartered eight more large transports. When all the troops destined for South Africa join those already there, Lord Roberts will be in command of about 200,000 men. Thirty thousand are now afloat or ready to embark. Military observers, in view of what these figures mean, cannot see how the British can fail to crush the Boers by mere

can fail to crush the Boers by mere force of numbers.

A Cape Town dispatch reports that the rebels in Barkley district are demorolized by the British occupation of Dordrecht. Should it turn out that the Dutch rebellion is thus being diminished, it will be a matter of great relief for the British campaign. The Standard, however, remarks:—"Until the Tugela has been crossed and Ladysmith relieved, it will be idle to deny that the politicl situation in Cape Colony is one of the greatest danger."

The Times publishes the following,

Colony is one of the greatest danger.

The Times publishes the following, dated Jan. 2, from Lourenzo Marques.

"It is asserted that Maj. Daly and 47 men of the British medical corps, who were left at Dundee when the town was excavated are now on the way from Pretoria to Delagoa Bay."

Extra processions have been adopted Extra precautions have been adopted by the military authorities at Durban. The constabulary has been well armed. The sentries, from sundown to morn-ing, have been increased at the bar-racks. Patrols march around and all leaves of absence are suspended.

THE BOER VERSION OF IT. Pretoria, Jan. 1. — Last night the British, in great force, attacked Com-mandant Schoeman's commando in the

Colesburg district and tried to storm Colesburg district and tried to storm the position. They repeated the attack this morning, but were forced to retreat. The Boers held their position. The loss of the British is not known, but it is considered heavy. The Boers consider it a great compliment to the Transvaal that Lord Roberts should have been selected to supreme command of the British forces.

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worth \$4.75, Sale Price......\$3 68

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and unlined garments, worth \$7.50, \$8.50 and \$9, Sale Price.\$5 Cashmere Gloves, heavy fleeced Ladies' Vests, heavy weight with

long sleeves, fine shaped rib, worth 17c, Sale Price......121/2c Morreen Underskirts, fine heavy weight deep, frill with cording, lined throughout, asserted throughout, asserted regular value \$2.50

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has moved to Ridgetown.

Martin Hall lost a valuable cow the other day of milk fever.

We understand that John E. Smith, of Pardoville, who is moving on J. M. Convay's form, lake shore, is nearly through and is getting quite settled down in his new home.

S. T. Hall, who for the past 10 month's has been fishing at Port Alma for J. M. Convay, has returned to Morpeth looking hale and hearty.

Mrs. Titus Hall, who for the past three months has been visiting her daughters at Petroles, has returned to home again quite smart as usual

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