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DIXON AND DELAREY

Boers Eventually Driven off With Heavy Loss-Dixon's Casualties Were Heavy-Fight Took Place at Vladfontein.

Paris Visited by a Terrific Ra'n and Thunderstorm-Intensely

Sultry Weather Followed by Rain in Torrents.

them out.

London, May \$1.—On the anniversary of Lord Robert's entry into
Johannesburk comes the news of
severe fighting and heavy losses within forty mises of the Gold Reef City. The battile at Vlaidfontein, on the Durban-Johannesburg Raifroad, reported by Lord Kitchener to-day, is the most serious engagement since General Clements's reverse at Magafesburg. The garrison of Vladfontein, apparently largely composed of Yeombury, had 174 men put out of action. That their assailants came to close quarters and suffered heavily is shown by the number of dead left on the field.

London, May 31.—Lord Kitchener reports to the War Office, under date of Pretorie, May 30, as follows:—"Gen. Dixon's force at Vlaidfontein was attacked yosterday by Delarey's forces and there was severe fighting The cameny was eventually driven of the British troops will be granted to enable for the poorer classes. A bad to commemorate the entry of the switched in the field.

HE DROWNED HIMSELF.

Cape Town, May 31.—Paymaster for over-staying his leare at Port Elizobeth, has ATTACKS ON A CONVOY.

ATTACKS ON A CONVOY. in forty miles of the Gold Reef City. The battle at Vladfontein, on the

ATTACKS ON A CONVOY. despatch from Potchefatroom

HEAT-CRAZED CAPITAL

Paris, May 31 -The intensely hot

hours has been responsible for a large

number of cases of suicide and mad-

Yesterday morning opened with a double "frlo-de se" in the Canal St. Maure. Charenton. A young

soldier to the 102nd Regi-ment, statebased at Chartres, was

found drowned, together with a young

woman, aged twenty. Their legs and arms had been tied together.
Albert Dujorquoy, aged twenty-one,
a butcher's resistant, residing in the

Rue Lacepede, awallowed a large dose of laudaquin, die was conveyed to the Pitie hospital.

Before evening three more sui like

were registered. Cases of madn ss

were equally numerous, five persons

Rarely has Paris seen such a terrific

thunderstorm as burst yesterday afternoon. The weather had been

stifling hot all the morning and short-

ly after one o'clock the approach of a thunder storm was visible. It broke with tremendous violence at half-past

two o'clock. Great drops of rain, mingled with hail, fell by bucketfuls,

being conveyed to asylums. cases of madness have been treated since the beginning of the week.

Many accidents were recorded in and

The Comedie Francaise was one of

the worst sufferers in this respect, the

water in the basement being almost

Several sewers burst under the en-

In many houses the water could be

plainly seen in the cellars playing havor with the wine-casks and bottles. Several cases are recorded of animals

several cases are recorded of animals left in the basement being drowned.

Telegraphic and telephonic communication with the suburban districts are disorganized.

was placed under arrest for over-stay-ing his leave at Port Elizabeth, has jumped overboard and drowned him-self.

McCorneck-It has never been

was not grapted.

The tenders for sprinkling carts were looked over and the council will be asked to purchase a sprinkler from George Heamen at \$275, and to get the old eart repaired by the same

party at \$150.

Ald. Pritchard said that the expense of sweeping the streets must be nearly \$30 a week. The engineer pointed out that it was just \$19. Ald. Pritchard claimed that the

SWEPT BY A DELUGE drayman got \$4.50 a week, just for carting the refuse from the street.

The city engineer said that he didn't and the two shook hands on a new hat. The city engineer said he had notified the waterworks company that no more bricks were to be removed

on King street. The engineer presented the follow-

and sultry weather which has prevail- around Paris, due to the water, hall ed in Paris furing the last 48; and squalls of wind. The capital presented an extraordin-ary appearance during the two hours which folowed the outbreak of the storm. Traffic on the boulevards and ing report: Gentlemen.—I have examined, in accordance with your instructions, the different sewers going into the river, which require additions to complete what is in your opinion placing them in a perfectly sanitary condition, an estimation of which I did not make as it is impossible to calculate such figures under the circumstance. all the central thoroughfares was com-pletely paralyzed; the unfortunate horses being blinded by the downpour and so scared by the hallstones that they refused to move, while the more mettlesome steeds became, in many figures under the circumstances, as I have not started to place them. Will cases, unmanageable. Flooded cellars were the order of the day, and the fire brigade spent a busy time pumping

hand the same in in my next report.

Re new sewer on Head St.

I am now preparing plans and profiles of the same and will hand them in in due course. As to the brick pavement on King street, I might say that under the circumstances where water in the basement being ainced level with the pavement of the Hotel Cobert. The Rue Zacharie, the Rue Lagrange, and the Rue Mouffetard were completely inundated, and the lire brigade rescued a number of persons from watery graves. Several houses in Rue Saint Andre des Arts were also swamped, and the Lycee Fenelon appeared to be in danger of being undermined by the water. we flush the streets once or twice a week and the probability of water precolating the brick into the sand, will certainly have a deteriorating effect upon the solidity of the pavement, and of the opinion that the inment, and of the opinion that the interstices between the bricks should be properly closed with ourse cement or tar. Under the existing contract, I believe cement is the material to be used. I do not believe brushing the cement in with a broom in this case would have the effect desired. I think the cement should be placed between each individual brick with a ormous pressure of the downpour. The printing room of the Bulletin Municipal, at the Hotel de Ville, was flooded by the bursting of a neighboring sewer at about half-past three o'clock tween each individual brick with a trowel, closed closely and at once, as A similar accident occurred under the monumental building occupied by Saint Freres, in the Rue du Louvre, causing considerable damage to the the life of this pavement, in my opin-ion, is not of great length and imme-diate action will prolong the same.

Street grading. I have placed a catch basin at the approach of foot bridge on Sixth St. and graded same from King to river; placed stone crossing at Standard Bank; repaired wooden crossing on Stanley avenue across Prince and one on North side of Church; have repaired crossing at the intersection of 8th and 7th streets; repaired crossing at Church St., west side; have raised and renewed crossing at north side of Stanley avenue on William; also raised crossing on south side of Murray

Steam roller and scraper have oper-ated on the following streets:-Stanley avenue, Cemetery road, Third St.

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from King to Wellington. I have hauled earth to fill up road bed, raised catch basin and raised stone to protect crossing at King St.
I have lowered walk on east side of

St. Clair, in accordance with opinions expressed by Board of Works while on our tour of the city, and have also placed a box for drainage purposes underneath the walk. I cleaned King street by scraping mud from post office to gas house. I received some as-bestine walk and placed it on the proper level on the west side of Prince, also fixed crossing on Prince and Wellington I have scraped Wellington macadam from east side of market to William, King St. to Adelaide, also William from King to bridge, also Queen street from King to Grand Trunk Railway. I have repaired the wooden crossings on Gray and Ralaigh wooden crossings on Grey and Raleigh and placed catch basins on the corner of William and King. I have renewed crossing on Harvey at Lacroix. I have scraped mud from Wellington to King on William, also repaired iron had gas pipe removed off this bridge and placed permanently underneath the river. Bridge in perfect condition

to swing at any time: Under my new process of cleaning crossings, notwithstanding the opinions of different sycophan's, have found perfect satisfaction in putting young blood on old brooms. I have placed new crossings on Victoria Ave. at Amelia St. We are to-day engaged in removing earth excavated P. L. Marden Co. and placing it in the gutters on Park St. These gutters I consider dangerous.

I herewith also submit to you a repert of the approximate valuation of the telephone plant in the city of Chatham. Kindly understand that an estimation of this kind without the sympathy of the Telephone Co. is a matter almost impossible to arrive at, but such valuation as I have prepared for you I am prepared to youch for as I am certain that I am 33 1-3 per cent. under the true value of the telephone plant in the city.

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mingled with hail, fell by bucketfuls, converting the streets into miniature torrents, while thunder rolled, and lightning flashed unceasingly. The rain gauges at the Tour St. Jacques reported a fall of six millimetres. During the first downfall hail stones from one to one and a half centimetres in circumference were picked up around the Halles. RESIDENTS DIFFER ON PARK ST. SIDEWALK

Counter Petitious Presented to the Board of Works Last Evening -Ald Pritchard and Engineer McNab Have Wagered a New Hat.

The Board of Works met last even- 1 ing. Chairman Marshall, Ald, Pritchard and the city engineer were present. There were many matters of interest before the meeting. Sam McCornock was present with a petition and Albert Merrill had a contra petition in regard to the location of of the sidewalk on the north side of Park the sidewalk on the north side of Park law said fast all walks should be laid street. One party wanted the walk outside the trees unless otherwise

discouraged. Towards the end of the meeting, however, he stuck the en-

meeting, however, he stuck the engineer.

The disagreement in regard to the Park street sidewalk was first dealt with. The engineer said that the grade had been made for the walk inside the trees. He was taking the levels this afternoon when some of the residents had objected. The initiative had been taken by the council on this walk last year and every thing had been done preparatory to the city, and he didn't consider it right that a ratepayer should be forced to fill such a deep ditch at his own expenses from it take down the fence for people would cut across the corner of his lot. In addition, there were a number of poor willow women on the street who couldn't afford the extra expense of putting the walk outside the trees.

The City Engineer said that the cost of putting the sidewalk outside the trees would be immense, as there

laying the walk. As the matter now stood to lky the walk outside the trees would necessitate another by-

Samuel McCornock, who repre sented the residents who wanted the walk outside the trees first addressed the committee. He said he was willing to leave the matter to the Board of Works.

Ald. Marshall said that the city by-

inside the trees, the other cutside, specified. The walk had been advertised inside the trees but some of the a bet of a new hat with Sam McCornock and Chairman Marshall became Mr. Merrill said that the ditch at his pince was one of the deepest in the city, and he didn't consider it



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