

SOUTH AFRICA.

Capt. Barker Says Lord Roberts Has Expressed a Determination to Visit Canada.

Commandant Botha Has Sent Lord Roberts a Statement of the Terms Upon Which He is Willing to Surrender.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—"We understand," says the Daily News, "that Lord Roberts in his interview that it is impossible to withdraw more troops from South Africa."

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Commandant General Botha, according to a despatch to the Daily Mail from Pretoria, has sent to Lord Roberts a statement of the terms on which he will surrender.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—"The Portuguese government," says the Lisbon correspondent of the Daily Mail, "has called depriving Herr Potts, Transvaal consul at Lourenço Marques, of his exequatur."

TORONTO, Nov. 14.—C. D. Cory received a cable today stating that his son, Captain Cory of the Dublin Fusiliers, previously reported dangerously ill with enteric fever in South Africa, is decidedly better.

Capt. R. K. Barker of C Company, R. C. I. L., in the course of an address last night stated that Lord Roberts had expressed his intention of visiting Canada within a year's time, and of renewing his acquaintance with the Canadian volunteers.

OTTAWA, Nov. 14.—A report from Col. Otter, dated Eerst, Fabrikken, Sept. 28, which has evidently been delayed in transmission, reached the department of militia this afternoon. He announces that Capt. Burestal of Quebec has been offered an appointment in the militia as captain in the position which he will take up when relieved from duty with the Royal Canadians.

Col. Otter cannot account for the Paardeburg casualty list going astray. He says that he sent to Kimberley with a cheque to pay telegraphic charges. This cheque was returned to him. As he understood it, Col. Ryerson had undertaken to get the list killed and wounded through to Canada free of charge. Col. Otter was endeavoring at the time of writing his report to take the sick Canadians scattered in different hospitals in South Africa back to Canada with him. He expresses his acknowledgments to the cities of Toronto, Ottawa, county of Carleton, Hamilton, Ingersoll, Revelstoke and Windsor for their generous contributions to enable him to purchase comforts for the sick. Princess Louise also had been most generous and active in this work. A sum of \$3,750 had been expended by him in this way. He states that the commissioners of the royal hospital at Chelsea have granted pensions of eighteen pence a day for twelve months to Privates James Corley, A. Macaulay and J. F. McConnell. All graves of the Canadians who have died in South Africa had been properly located and marked with the exception of the following: Lieut. Blanchard, Ptes. W. Haines, W. F. Whitely, G. Bolt, J. Larue, E. Mullins, A. C. Duhamel, R. Cowan and G. W. Leonard, but before leaving South Africa he hoped to find their graves. The reason why the positions had been lost was due to the fact of men lying in field or base hospitals at a distance from the battalion. Yesterday's report states only three graves unlocated.

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 15.—A correspondent of the Cape Times reports that 1,260 Boers are besieging a British garrison of 250 regulars at Schwellersreke, in Western Transvaal, and that Lord Methuen and Col. Settle are believed to be going to the garrison's relief.

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 15.—An outbreak of bubonic plague is reported among the natives of Sziynoka, near King William's Town. Precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of the disease among the whites.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—The members of the Chicago Irish-American ambulance corps sent out to aid the Boers

in South Africa arrived tonight at quarantine on the steamer Trave, from Bremen. A delegation of members of Irish societies will meet them at the pier and escort them to the Vanderbilt hotel, where they will be fettered a banquet. A delegation headed by Gen. O'Beirne, Vice-president Buckley, ex-Minister Patrick Egan, Dr. R. P. O'Neill, and P. J. Judge, the organizer of the movement, will board the steamer at quarantine in the morning.

ALASKA.

Native and Mixed Population of the Northern District is Over Twelve Thousand.

But Three Fires in Seventy-four Indian Villages—Subsisting on Frozen Fish and a Little Seal Oil.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The census bureau recently completed the enumeration of the district of Alaska. The schedules have been received at the office and are now in process of tabulation.

The director of the census today gave out the following statement with reference to the work in that great territory: "Samuel C. Dunham, who had charge of the work in the northern district, returned to Washington a few days ago and submitted his final report. He left Washington on this work on May 4, 1899."

"The native and mixed population of the northern district of Alaska is 12,652. The most populous district with respect to the native population, is the country lying between the mouth of the Yukon and the Kuskokwim rivers and extending back from the coast 100 miles. Maurice Johnson, the agent for this district, travelled over 2,000 miles with dog teams during the winter and enumerated 3,013 persons, all of whom were Indians Mr. Johnson reports that from Dec. 1 to March 15 he visited 74 Indian villages and during that time saw but three fires burning in the shacks or dug outs. The poor creatures huddled together in their miserable dwellings during the long winter and subsisted on frozen fish and a little seal oil, which they secure on the coast during the summer. The fur-bearing animals which formerly furnished them with natural clothing, are nearly extinct, and they have been forced to adopt the white man's garb, and as their poverty prevents them from scouring enough to cover their nakedness, there is great suffering from the cold. The spiritual condition of these neglected natives is no better than the physical, as the missionaries devote their attention to the more attractive fields in the gold regions and along the river, where their good work may be seen."

"The Nome district is the most populous in Northern Alaska. The enumeration showed a permanent white population on June 1 of 2,704. During the summer about 13,000 people landed at Nome, about 2,500 of these coming from Dawson. About 12,000 have returned to their homes in the states, leaving about 9,000 people in the region contiguous to Nome. It is probable that the population of the town of Nome during the winter will be between 4,000 and 5,000."

WAR REVENUE TAXES.

WINONA, Wis., Nov. 15.—Congressman James A. Tawney of the ways and means committee, speaking of the meeting to be held in Washington Nov. 30, says: "The object is to consider the extent to which the war revenue taxes can be removed and amendments suggested to make the law more satisfactory in administration. The problem is at what taxes shall be removed will be a perplexing one. I think, however, it is safe to say that the stamp tax upon instruments of conveyance such as mortgages, mortgages, inheritances for charitable and benevolent purposes will be removed; possibly the taxes upon proprietary medicines and some others."

"It will be the desire of the members of the committee to remove just as many of the stamp taxes as possible, but like the removal of the stamp taxes under the old civil war revenue act, this will probably have to be done gradually, so as to avoid sailing too close to the danger of a deficit."

MONTICELLO DISASTER.

Manager of the Line Positive the Steamer Never Broke in Two.

Captain Doane Says There was no More Seaworthy Boat on the North Atlantic, and Gives His Theory of the Foundering.

HALIFAX, Nov. 14.—Halifax has had its share today in the sad obsequies made necessary by the Monticello disaster. A large concourse of citizens followed to the grave the remains of Charles Greig, chief engineer of the ill-fated steamer. St. Mark's Marconi Lodge and the members of Court Jubilee, I. O. F., were also in attendance. There were many funerals in the city. At Clark's Harbor the bodies of three victims of the Monticello disaster belonging to Cape Sable, recovered on the shore of Cribogue on Sunday, very slightly disfigured and readily identified, were interred today. The burial took place amid scenes of solemnity.

The late first officer, Newell, was interred in the forenoon at Newville. The two boys, Wickens and Cunningham, in the afternoon at Centreville, where their parents reside.

One of the saddest events in the history of the town of Lockport took place there today in the funerals of Stanley Ringer, John Whitmore and Harry Copeland, three of the four who were drowned in the Monticello that belonged to Lockport.

The remains of Ober W. Coleman, one of the victims of the Monticello disaster, were brought to Hopewell Cape today from Moncton, and interred in the old cemetery at Upper Cape. A large number of the grave was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Steele of Amherst. Mr. Coleman, who spent his boyhood in Hopewell, was widely known in Albert county, and the news of his untimely death caused grief for a week to his friends here. His wife, who is a native of the town, has the sympathy of all in her sad affliction.

YARMOUTH, N. S., Nov. 14.—The Yarmouth S. S. company are negotiating for the purchase of a steamer to take the place of the Monticello. They have in view a steel twin screw boat. No bodies have come ashore since Monday. The financial loss in connection with the Monticello disaster is paltry compared with the awful sacrifice of human life, but will suffer to the extent of about \$7,000.

YARMOUTH, Nov. 15.—Hon. David Macpherson, manager of the Yarmouth S. S. Co., in an interview with your correspondent today, said in reference to the loss of the steamer Monticello: "You can see that I am positive the boat never broke in two, and even bottom. Her hull will be found as solid as ever."

Captain Harvey Doane, one of the directors of the company, made my reputation as a shipmaster that the more seaworthy boat on the North Atlantic. Only last winter she was cleaned out from stem to stern and every part needing it repaired with the best of material. The hull was docked in Halifax and she was in perfect condition. On her inspection she was found first class in every particular."

"Then, captain, how do you account for the disaster?" "In this way. The wind was heavy from westward. Every lurch threw the cargo which was stowed between decks to leeward. Coal in bunkers also went the same way, and the water as it broke over her found its way through the hull, and the pumps, giving her stem greater list. Pumps were set going, but gradually the coxes on the ends of the pipes became choked with pieces of fine coal. In times past I have personally had to order all hands to get on the deck to clean the roses under similar conditions."

"The valves of the pumps becoming choked required time to clean, during which the water was gaining. The ship listed more and more, the windward paddle came out of the water, and the ship became unmanageable. The list became greater, the port fires were put out by the rising water and the stem so reduced that the ship became helpless. The list reached the deck line, water rushed in the ports, and the ship went down with a plunge and the upper works broke away from the hull, but no water ever came through the hull. Capt. Smith informs me that fifty dollars would have replaced all the damage she sustained before sinking."

Captain Stanwood of the Boston says that staunch as she is he would be afraid for her to lie as long wallowing in the trough of the sea as did the Monticello. I am convinced of nothing more firmly than this, that whatever the disaster may be due, it was not due to the ship's defective construction. Had the ship run against the sea she would have been afloat today, but Capt. Harding's judgment, for I do not question it or consider him at fault in the slightest, led him to keep her on her course to Yarmouth, and she was caught under conditions of weather which would have overwhelmed almost any craft."

Asked regarding the company's intentions, Capt. Doane said: "We will replace her as soon as possible, but we do not expect to be able to get a boat equally well adapted for the service."

Captain Doane also stated that specifications for a new boat to replace the Monticello on the Boston service were completed, and the shipbuilders were ready to proceed with the construction the moment the directors should give the word.

RAILWAY WRECK.

BAYONNE, France, Nov. 15.—The southern express was derailed at noon today between St. Goueres and Sausse, about 33 miles northeast of Bayonne.

The restaurant car was precipitated over an embankment. Thirteen persons were killed and twenty others injured, seven seriously. Five passengers are missing.

The list of killed includes Senhor J. F. Canevaro, Peruvian minister to France, and an attaché of the Peruvian legation in Madrid.

The section of the line where the accident occurred is under repair, and the derailment is attributed to the great speed of the express.

The engineer says that the ground gave way under the locomotive, which sank into the ballast. The restaurant car came into terrific collision with the tender and alone rolled down the embankment.

It was luncheon hour, and out of thirty-four passengers in the train thirty were at table.

The bodies were terribly mangled. One of the victims of the restaurant car, who was slightly injured, became suddenly insane and walked to and fro amid the wreckage singing at the top of his voice.

The engineer and stoker, who were thrown into a field, had miraculous escapes.

AT A BIG LOSS.

Mr. Blair's Contract to Carry Grain Anything But a Profitable One.

Estimated that He Will Lose Fully Fifteen Thousand Dollars on His Present Contracts.

MONTREAL, Nov. 15.—Mr. Blair has made a contract to ship 800,000 bushels of grain from St. John. It is expected the country will lose \$15,400 on the contract. Allowing a quarter of a cent per ton per mile as the actual cost of carrying the grain, which is the lowest possible estimate, and the cost of elevation in St. John at one-half cent per bushel, the actual cost of carrying the grain from Montreal to St. John is \$228 per car load of 25,000 bushels at the figure at which Mr. Blair has offered to do business the F. C. R. will receive just \$18 per 1,000 bushels, leaving a balance of \$54.33 representing the actual loss to the government road in the transaction.

MONTREAL, Nov. 15.—It is said that Mr. Blair has undertaken to carry 300,000 bushels of wheat from Parry Sound to St. John, N. B., at seven cents per one hundred pounds. Of this price the Canada Atlantic railway receives five cents for its haul to Coteau Junction and the Grand Trunk one cent as its proportion of the haul from Coteau to Montreal. This leaves three cents for the government railway from Montreal to St. John, or sixty cents per ton—that is eight-tenths of a mill per ton per mile. The actual cost of handling grain per mile is placed by railway authorities at from one-quarter to one-third cent per ton, and it is claimed that at the low estimate the government road will lose \$15,000 on their contract.

NOT COLONEL OTTER.

The G. O. C. Knows by Sight But Doesn't Remember His Name.

KINGSTON, Nov. 15.—Col. Otter will not be the commandant of the Royal Military college. Major-General O'Grady-Haly stated that the new commandant had been selected, but he could not remember his name. The officer selected is at present serving in South Africa.

MINE ENGINEER'S STRIKE.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 15.—The striking mine-holding engineers claimed that four mines have signed the scale for an advance in wages, demanded by the engineers on Monday, when, by refusing to work longer at the old scale, they threw over 7,000 bituminous coal miners in Indiana out of employment. On the other hand, the operators declare the miners are coming back to work and will force the engineers to accept the old wages until the January inter-state joint conference.

FOR POLAR EXPEDITION.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Nov. 15.—Evelyn B. Baldwin, who as a member of the Wallean expedition spent the winter of 1898-99 in Franz Josef Land, and who was a member of the Peary expedition of 1898-94, arrived here today in search of steamers, men, dogs and other requisites for his projected North Pole venture next summer, backed by the purse of Wm. Zeigler. He will secure a sealing steamer prior to next spring's sealing voyage, if possible.

BIG SCHOONER ASHORE.

WALDOBORO, Me., Nov. 15.—The new five masted schooner Fannie Palmer, owned by Wm. F. Palmer of Boston, which went ashore at Waldoboro last Friday, is still hard and dry, all efforts to haul her off having proved unsuccessful.

A trench is now being dug around her, and it is thought she will soon be floated.

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Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges.

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THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, issuing weekly 8,500 copies of THE WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers please make a note of this.

Miss Elsie Loggie has accepted the position of organist of St. John's church, Chatham.

Among recent visitors to the grounds of the Dominion Pulp Co., Chatham, were a caribou and a large bear.

All the saw mills on the Miramichi river except Snowball's have been closed for the season.

The cargo of ship Honolulu, from Norfolk for Manila, which put into Eidsvold Nov. 15th, has been surveyed and surveyors recommend immediate sale.

Dr. W. H. Morse and Miss Emma G. L. Londe, both of Woodstock, N. B., were wedded at the Stephenson house, Memphremagog, October 31st.

The new Presbyterian church at St. Anthony's cemetery, Highfield, P. E. I., was opened on the 4th inst. with appropriate services.

Bishop Kingdon confirmed 23 candidates in St. George's church, Moncton, on Monday night, in the presence of a large congregation.

Father Boucher of Dalhousie, who is not in very good health, will leave shortly for Watertown, Mass., for an extended vacation—Campbell Telephone.

Among the gentlemen who took part in the at-home given by the programme of the Sons of St. George, in Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 7th, was Dr. Brydson, Jack, formerly of Fredericton.

A Nova Scotia schooner arrived at St. Stephen on Monday and offered choice apples at one dollar per barrel. There were lots of purchasers, as No. 1 fruit had previously been selling at the shops for \$2.25 per barrel.

Bowman Bros., Arthur and Fred, both of this city, have started up in the crockery and chinaware business in Sydney, and according to the Sydney Post their store and stocks are to be the finest in their line.

In Charlottetown, P. E. I., over \$700 was subscribed to the patriotic monument fund as a result of two hours and a half canvass by the citizens' committee.

J. A. Patterson of Apohaqui has completed the purchase of the Stevens Lumber Company's mill at Salmon River. The price paid was something over \$15,000.

C. H. Ferguson, barrister, and James Ferguson, of Ferguson & Page, St. John, came up to Woodstock on Monday to see Howard Sawyer before his departure for Texas—Dispatch, 14th.

It is said 40 cargoes of potatoes have been shipped so far this season from Cornwallis to Cuba. There is quite a demand now for small vessels to take forward what still remains to be sent to that island.

C. A. Duff-Miller, agent general for New Brunswick, was one of the invited guests at the banquet given to the Chancellor of the Exchequer by the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, Oct. 25th.

Game Warden Ross of Washington Co., Maine, captured two deer hounds at Loon Bay last week. The animals, which the warden thought were being used for hunting purposes, were shot. They were owned in St. Stephen, N. B.

Calais celebrated President McKinley's great victory with enthusiasm on Saturday night. There was a torch-light procession, display of fireworks and a general illumination. The St. Stephen brass band was hired for the occasion.

The pain of a strain or sprain quickly relieved by rubbing in Bentley's Liniment. Regular size, 10c. Large bottles, 25c.

Rev. Robert Haddow, B. A., D. D., has resigned the Presbyterian pastorate at Waterville, Ontario, and will join the staff of The Westminster published at Toronto. The rev. gentleman is a son of George Haddow of Dalhousie, N. B.

An elderly countryman, named Parker, was in a frantic state of mind at Indiantown, Wednesday morning, having lost all his money. It was learned he had jumped on an electric car at the head of Indiantown Hill, and a visit to that spot revealed the old man's wad, \$18 in all, dented in the mud.

A Wolfville letter says: "Four members of company H, first contingent, have re-enlisted, and will return to South Africa as members of the Mounted Police. They are: Privates H. G. Brown, Fugwash; R. L. Nelly, Kingston; L. R. Miller, Lawrenceton; and E. E. Bent, Kingston."

Word was received on Tuesday from the London, Eng., manager of the Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., that Corporal Fred Coombs is still confined in hospital a few miles from London, and that it is likely, owing to his case being so serious, that it will be some time before he will be able to leave the institution.

Willard McMullin, son of Alderman John McMullin of Indiantown, will start out today with a crew of twenty men to begin lumber operations in the woods back of Gasquet. This is a new place to the McMullin crew. Spruce and pine will be cut, and it is expected a large number of logs will be made ready for the opening of navigation next spring.

While the 8-year-old son of Albert McLean of Chatham was standing with a companion near a granite boulder one day last week, the other boy struck the stone with a hammer. A chip of stone struck McLean in the eye. The Commercial says the eye-ball had to be taken out in order to save the sight of McLean's other eye.

A pretty wedding took place at the bride's residence, Dorchester, Wednesday, the contracting parties being H. B. Herd of Fleming's foundry, this city, and Miss Gussie Sarah Buck of Dorchester. After the ceremony the happy couple left on the C. P. R. for this city, where they will reside on Hazen street. The presents received by the bride were numerous and costly.

To cure a headache in ten minutes use Kumfort Headache Powders, 10c.

Robert E. Everett of Charlottetown, Mass., son of Harris Everett of Jacksonville, Charlottetown, N. B., died at the Massachusetts General Hospital of typhoid fever, November 1st, in the 28th year of his age, after an illness of five weeks. His father, who had gone to Charlottetown to see him, was with him when he died. The funeral took place on Saturday from his father's house at Jacksonville.

Roland Penny of the South African contingent was presented last evening with a gun metal watch by the N. C. O.'s and men of F Company, to which he was attached before joining the contingent. Mr. Penny proved himself a good representative of the Fusiliers, going through the campaign without being invalided or wounded. He took part in all the engagements of Company were in. Mr. Penny will leave this evening to visit his home in St. Johns, Newfoundland.

LUMBER FOR CAPE TOWN. Among the vessels held here by the unfavorable weather is the barkentine Florence B. Edgett, loaded with 510,000 feet of lumber for Cape Town. Nearly all of this cargo will be used in rebuilding and reconstructing the mines in South Africa. Capt. J. N. Kay, the commander of the Edgett, was recently married at New France, N. B., to Miss Germaine Stoheln of his place. Mrs. Kay will accompany her husband on the voyage—Boston Globe.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists take the money. It falls to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

George A. Schofield, manager of the Bank of New Brunswick, was reported Thursday as having spent a fairly easy night and as gaining strength gradually. His physician, Dr. Walker, is in attendance daily, and is greatly encouraged by his patient's condition.

Bentley's Liniment cures Neuralgia. Lumbermen are in good demand at Fredericton this season and wages are good.

SYDNEY.

Seventeen Members of the First Contingent Arrive from England via Newfoundland.

Given a Splendid Reception All Along the Line—Steamer Put Back With Her Boilers Leaking.

SYDNEY, C. B., Nov. 15.—Seventeen members of the first Canadian contingent, arrived here, and who arrived at St. John's in the Carthaginian, passed through North Sydney last night from St. John's. In St. John's they were royally treated. North Sydney also gave them a good reception. A number of citizens went to the station and enthusiastically cheered Canada's sons. The North Sydney band also gave them a send-off. Chaplain Lane, who was acquainted with all of them and had served with them in South Africa, met them at the station. The volunteers belong to St. John's, Toronto, Vancouver and the Northwest Territories.

The steamer Turret Chief, which left yesterday for Montreal with a cargo of coal, put back to the International pier today with her boilers leaking. The following is the actual result of the polling in Cape Breton county on Nov. 7th: Johnson, 3,922; Kendall, 3,900; Tupper, 3,672; McDougall, 3,608.

A CASE OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

(St. Croix Courier.)

The case of William S. Maxwell against Edgar McGibbon, both of Moore's Mills, tried recently before Commissioner Mann of Bathie, excited a good deal of interest among the farmers in the neighborhood, and the Courier has been requested to publish a summary of the evidence and of the decision. Briefly, the action was one for damages done by defendant's sheep to plaintiff's crops. The evidence showed that there was no lawful fence between the parties and that only a small portion of the fence surrounding the field which contained the plaintiff's crops was of lawful height. The defendant had done all he reasonably could to prevent his sheep from damaging the crops, and in order to maintain this action, it was necessary for the plaintiff to show that the sheep had entered the field over that portion of the fence which was sufficient and of lawful height. The defendant's evidence of this was presented, but Commissioner Mann gave judgment for the plaintiff. On review, this decision was reversed and a non-suit ordered to be entered against the plaintiff, with costs. The Macdonalds for plaintiff; George J. Clarke for defendant.

DECLARATION IN GLOUCESTER.

BATHURST, Nov. 14.—Today was declaration day in Gloucester county. Sheriff Meagher, the returning officer, declared Mr. Turgeon-elected, majority 398. The following are the returns from the different polling divisions:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Votes, Total. Includes Blanche Harris, Turgeon, Bathurst, etc.

WEDDED AT FOUR FALLS.

FOUR FALLS, Victoria, N. B., Oct. 21.—A happy event took place this afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, when their daughter Rose was united in marriage to William Antworth of Greenfield, Carleton county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Hilcock of Edgewater in the presence of a few immediate relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Antworth left for their home at Greenfield Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Antworth will be much missed among her friends here, as she was a great favorite.

Coastwise freights to New York are now reported firm at \$3.

Pictou has decided to borrow \$80,000 for the introduction of water works.

A quarter inch of ice formed along the shores of the little coves of the river Wednesday night.

One day last week, Willie, son of Senator Wood of Sackville, fell from a tree and severely sprained one of his ankles.

Posters are out for a convention in the interest of the liberal conservative party, to be held at the court house, Hampton, on Wednesday, 21st inst. for the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest the county seat made vacant by the resignation of the Hon. A. S. White.

Mrs. Stevens, widow of the late Capt. William I. Stevens, who was drowned by the capsizing of the schooner Rowena, wishes to express her gratitude to the many friends who sympathized with her in her sad bereavement.

Monday was declaration day in Albert, and the official figures gave Dr. Lewis a majority of 118. Dr. Lewis was present and briefly addressed the electors after the result had been declared by Sheriff Lynds.

Major Cropley has sold his fine property and residence on Brunswick street, Fredericton, to his brother-in-law, Daniel Richards, of the People's Bank. Mr. Richards takes immediate possession and is moving into his new home today. Major Cropley has removed to the Church of England parsonage, on Church avenue, recently occupied by Rev. Sub-Deaf Whalley.

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AT \$10.00 MEN'S STYLISH BUSINESS SUITS, that are everything that a business man wants while attending to his daily routine. In Tweeds, in Green Mixtures, Grey and Browns—Light and dark shades in checks, plaids and overplaids. Blue and black Serges, also fine Black Clay Worsted. Nowhere else will such suits be shown for less than \$15.00.

AT \$8.50 MEN'S OVERCOATS, single breasted, in Blue Beaver, Grey Twill and Grey Melton, with velvet collars, full facings, Italian body linings, and mohair sleeve linings. A \$12.00 coat in other stores.

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SHERIFF YOUNG, A Native of Fredericton, Killed in Montana.

By a Desperado He was About to Arrest—Particulars of the Tragedy.

One of the most deplorable tragedies that was ever enacted in the state of Montana took place on November 9th, when Sheriff George T. Young, a native of Fredericton, N. B., was shot down and instantly killed by a cowardly fellow, and his under sheriff, Frank Beller, was mortally wounded.

The tragedy took place on the railroad station platform at Springdale, whither Sheriff Young and his deputy had gone to arrest a fellow whom the station agent suspected of being the murderer of a man named Beaver at Logan, Montana, two days before.

It appears that as the officers approached the suspect he opened fire on them. Under Sheriff Beller was struck with the first shot, and a moment later the stranger turned his deadly fire on Sheriff Young, who by this time had advanced to within a few feet of him with handcuffs in his hand. He was going steadily forward when the fatal shot was fired. The sheriff reeled and fell heavily upon the depot platform, shot directly through the heart.

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SUSSEX NEWS.

SUSSEX, Nov. 16.—Rev. J. S. Sutherland, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian church here for the past five years, has accepted a call from St. John's Presbyterian church, Halifax, and will take charge about the first of December. Rev. Mr. Sutherland while in Sussex made many friends, by whom he will be greatly missed. H. L. Grady, formerly a tailor at Apohaqui, but now living in Cambridge, Mass., recently married Miss Georgia Thompson, daughter of John Thompson of this place, who had been visiting Cambridge for a short while.

STRATHCONA MONUMENT.

MONTREAL, Nov. 15.—A public meeting of citizens today decided to erect a monument to Lord Strathcona, in recognition of his loyalty in equipping and sending the Strathcona Horse to South Africa at his own expense.

TO REVISIT OLD SCENES.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Lord Wolsley, it is asserted, intends as soon as the opportunity is offered to visit the scenes of his campaigns in Canada (1847), South Africa (1879), and Egypt (1882).

A MONTICELLO VICTIM

Funeral of the Late John Richmond of Sussex.

SUSSEX, Nov. 16.—The funeral of the late John Richmond, who was drowned in the Monticello disaster, took place today from his residence on Church avenue. A large number turned out to pay their last respects to the deceased, who was highly respected by all. The procession was led by the Masons, under whose auspices the services were conducted. Rev. J. Sutherland officiating.

John Richmond was born at Edinburgh, Scotland, on June 1st, 1841. He first started in business in Chateaufort, as a draper and there married Miss Jessie Sturrock Blyth, daughter of John Blyth, Hillside, Kenback, Fife-shire. They had two children, a son and daughter, both of whom died in infancy. Mr. Richmond came to Canada in 1870, landing at Pictou in April of that year, and went to Chatham to assist in the management of the business of J. B. Snowball. Shortly afterwards Mr. Richmond removed to Monticello, where his wife died. He went on the road for the large boot and shoe firm of Jas. Pophorn & Co. of Montreal, and looked after their interests in portions of Ontario and Quebec as well as the maritime provinces and Newfoundland. He afterwards represented J. B. Bottrell of Quebec, and for the last nine years had been caring for the maritime business of the well known firm of Mignin & Boucher of Quebec.

On March 14th, 1888, he married Miss Aileen T. McKay, daughter of Captain McKay of Sussex, who survives him. During the past summer he spent two months in the Royal Victoria hospital of Montreal, where under the treatment of Dr. Buller his eyesight, which for some time had been failing him, was almost completely restored.

In 1867 he joined the Masonic lodge, St. Michael's of Cliffe, Scotland, and on August of the same year was raised to the sublime degree of master Mason under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, from whose grand secretary he held a certificate. On coming to America he was given the following certificate from the lodge with which he had affiliated at Edinburgh: Lodge Room, Freemason's Hall, 89 George street, March 26, 1870.—We, the undersigned office-bearers of the lodge "Rifle," Edinburgh, No. 405, do hereby certify that the bearer hereof, our well-loved brother, John Richmond, has during his connection with this lodge, by his uniform Masonic deportment and seal on behalf of the order, and general courtesy to all the brethren of this lodge, won for himself their highest esteem and good will; and learning that he is about to leave this country for a residence in America, desire to give expression in this manner to their ardent wishes for his future welfare, and to commend him in the most kindly manner to the fraternal intercourse of the brotherhood amongst whom he proposes to sojourn, assuring them that he carries with him the cordial affection of the craft in this district.

FREDERICTON BOYS ABROAD.

The orchestra of the Northwest Mounted Police at Regina gave a concert Nov. 8th, under the patronage of Lieutenant Governor and Madame Porget. Geo. H. Winter, son of H. G. Winter, customs appraiser of this city, and a former member of the 71st Regt. band, is conductor of the orchestra, and H. Lee Winter, his brother, is piano accompanist. A select programme was rendered, in which the orchestra rendered selections, H. Lee Winter gave a piano solo, Geo. Winter rendered an euphonium solo, and Otto Dever, also a Fredericton boy, appeared in tumbling and horizontal bar work, in which he is an expert and which he learned in the Fredericton Y. M. C. A.—Gleaner.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., Nov. 14.—Three thousand united mine workers of this place at a meeting last night decided not to use any tobacco, cigars or beer that did not bear the "union made" stamp. It was also decided to destroy all powder kegs and gun boots after they were used or worn out, so that the rag men and junk dealers could not collect and sell them to manufacturers.

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CHINA SITUATION.

Tartar General Has Been Nominated Governor General of Manchuria.

Empress Dowager Continues to Issue Decrees Appointing Officials to Office—Unable to Realize Her Position.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Dr. Morrison, writing to the Times from Peking Tuesday, says:

"The Tartar general commanding in the province of Sze Chuan has been nominated governor general of Manchuria, in deference to Russia's invitation to China to resume the government of that territory under Russian protection."

"The Chinese police commissioners continue to issue decrees appointing officials to office. She is unable to realize her position, and has even appointed literary chancellors to conduct examinations in the provinces. 'Trustworthy' despatches from Niu Chwang assert that despite their assurances that they will not loot the railways, the Russians are transferring material from the Shan Hai Kwan line across the river at Niu Chwang to the Russian Manchurian railway."

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The Daily News publishes the following from Peking, dated Nov. 12: "It is reported here that Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have requested an interview with Count Von Waldersee, which will probably be granted. The field marshal intends to make an excursion to Nan Kau Pass and the Ming tombs as Prince Henry of Prussia did in 1898."

SHANGHAI, Nov. 14.—There are continued rumors of the projected transfer of the Chinese coast to Cheng Tu, but it is said that the viceroys of the province of Sze Chuan object to such an arrangement. It is also rumored that a rebellion has broken out in the province of Kaa Su. Chang Chi Tung, the Wu Chang viceroys, is said to be raising 100,000 troops and is proposed to the Nankin viceroys that they should combine forces to oppose the allies.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

MAUGHERVILLE, Sunbury Co., Nov. 10.—Thomas Robinson, of Lower St. Mary's, was killed by a fall from a tree while in the act of going down into his cellar.

Rafting at the Mitchell boom was completed this week. A raft of two remains to be towed down. There is a lot of loose logs on the shores below the boom, previously felled, that will be towed down in booms, if the river remains open long enough.

The grit heeler here on election day resorted to the most unblushing acts, even to acts of personating, abetted by a recent candidate for local honors, while the "nominatees" were conspicuous for their conduct.

Dr. Philip Cox of Chatham came home to vote and returned the following day.

William Foster, who was working in Ottawa, came home to take a hand in the election. The "workers" pay list must have been large for this parish, and yet they failed.

D. W. Hoegs & Co. are securing acreage for their corn crop, at somewhat higher rates.

Miss M. L. Sheahan, a very estimable young lady of Onomoto, died of typhoid fever this week, aged 19. Her early demise is to be regretted by a large circle of sorrowing friends.

HAVELOCK, Nov. 10.—On Wednesday evening a huge bonfire was lighted by the young conservatives of Have-lock in honor of the election of Mr. Fowler, the conservative candidate. A number of elections were held before the bonfire in the temperance cause, who have been heard to affirm publicly their determination to go back on the government if they refused to pass a prohibitory law, were the first to cast their votes with the Licensed Victuallers' Association.

FREDERICTON, Nov. 13.—The annual meeting of the St. Andrew's Society was held last evening. The following officers were elected: J. F. McMurray, president; James R. Howie, 1st vice; J. A. Edwards, 2nd vice; J. D. McKay, chaplain; Jas. Tennant, treasurer; O. S. Crockett, secretary; Wm. Minto, marshal; George W. Ross and Daniel Hascock, pipers. It was decided to celebrate St. Andrew's day by a dinner at the Queen Hotel.

St. John has been added to the list of flag stations. The Union Jack will be flown over Fort Howe on Sundays and holidays, and the royal standard on royal anniversaries, such as the Queen's birthday, 20th June, etc.

The adjourned sitting of the Michaelmas term of the supreme court was held this morning, the chief justice being absent.

The following common motions were made: Provincial Chemical Fertilizer Co., defendants, appellants, v. Albert E. Belyea, plaintiff respondent.—Dr. Alward, Q. C., moved for leave to have this cause entered on the appeal paper of this term; leave granted.

The Queen v. Jas. McQueen et al., ex parte Alfred E. Holstead.—Mr. Phinney, Q. C., moved for a rule nisi to quash a conviction for selling liquor on the grounds, first, that the summons was not served by a constable; second, the summons was served by the informant; rule nisi to quash granted.

The Queen v. Jane Hay, ex parte Wm. Wallace.—Mr. Chandler, Q. C., asked for leave to enter this case on the crown paper; Mr. Teed, contra, consented, and leave was granted.

The same v. the same, ex parte Albert Harvey.—The like.

Ex parte William J. Kelly.—Mr. Barry moved for rule nisi for a mandamus against the county councillors of the municipality of Carleton to compel them to examine into the circumstances and determine what amount shall be paid by the overseers of the poor for parish of Richmond to William J. Kelly in respect of relief given by him to Bessie Ryan, a pauper; rule nisi.

Mellon v. Municipality of Kings et al.—Dr. Alward, Q. C., moved that this case be entered on the special paper, Dr. Stockton to move to set aside an order of Mr. Justice Landry, Mr. White, Q. C.; by consent of parties.

Ex parte Albert J. Duffy.—Mr. Chandler, Q. C., moved for rule nisi for a certiorari to remove a conviction for an assault made on Sept. 14th inst. in which Duffy was fined \$5 and costs; rule nisi.

Ex parte Clara J. Taber.—Mr. Phinney, Q. C., moved for a rule nisi for a certiorari to recover a conviction for selling liquor; no evidence of selling, and rule refused.

Gallagher v. Wilson, the younger.—Mr. Curvey, Q. C., moved for judgment quasi nonsum; A. J. Gregory, contra.

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FREDERICTON is to have a new skating rink, which will be, in fact, the only indoor skating in the city. The rink will be made at the corner of the building are called for. It is hoped to open the new rink on New Year's night.

On Nov. 14th last year navigation closed here, and the river was frozen over from bank to bank. Today the river is as free from ice as in July, and the weather is mild and rainy.

At the crown land office at noon today two timber berths were announced of a two-mile berth on Cain's River, above Ten Mile Brook, was bid in by

William Russell at \$50.50 per mile. W. T. Whitehead, the applicant, got a ten-mile berth on Gounamty River, near the head of Little Forks, Green River, at the upset price of \$8 per mile. The Supreme court considers in the cause Gallagher v. Jarvis Wilson the younger.

This finished the common motions, and the crown paper was next taken up, the first case being the Queen v. James Masson ex parte Geo. Maxwell. Mr. Curvey, Q. C., showed cause against a rule nisi for a certiorari to quash a conviction for keeping liquor for sale contrary to the liquor license act of 1896. Mr. Wallace, Q. C., supported the rule; court considers.

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Chief Justice Tuck arrived here last evening and the full bench was present at the opening of the court this morning. The following cases were before the court today:

Ex parte Benjamin Boudreau.—Mr. Phinney, Q. C., showed cause against a rule nisi for a quo warranto to show by what authority Denis D. Boudreau holds the office of commissioner of sewers of the parish of Shediac. Geo. W. Allen supported the rule. Court considers.

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Than All that Has Been Accomplished By Lyddite and General Lord Roberts—Notes of a French Officer in the Transvaal.

(From the Paris Figaro.)

If the English generals at the beginning of the South African campaign astonished the world with their incompetence and were beaten in nearly every encounter by a numerically inferior enemy, the Boer chiefs who were opposed to them have shown that they were, perhaps, still worse; and they are in a large measure responsible for the reverses which have delivered their country to the invader. Of course they have the excuse of not being professional military men; many of them never saw war. They were called suddenly from their farms to direct the march of several thousand undisciplined men totally devoid of military instruction. Elected by the burghers, from the "corporal" to the "commandant general," these Boer officers have no other authority than that which their men chose to give them.

Unfortunately, events have proven that, in the selection of men for the higher grade offices, and especially for the office of general, errors have been committed. Even in times of peace there is nothing that can guide the burghers in their voting. They generally chose rich and educated farmers, or else some of the men that distinguished themselves during the war of independence of twenty years ago.

These old Boers of 1831 make war as much with the Bible as with arms. Every order is accompanied with a verse from Scripture, and in the "Twenty-seventh Psalm" it is not mistaken—there is a passage that has done more for the English than all that has been accomplished by Lyddite and Gen. Roberts. This passage is to the effect that you shall not kill an enemy who is not attacking you. The English army has been saved several times by these few words of the Old Testament.

Recently the Daily Mail itself published the account of the retreat of the six battalions of Col. Thorneycroft, after the battle of Spion Kop; they could not re-pass the Tugela River without getting in range of four Boer cannon, which Gen. Joubert refused to have fired. Three months before that the commandant general had showed a goodness of heart, which had important results of a very different kind. At the battle of Nicholson's Nek, Gen. White was utterly defeated, and half of his left wing, being surrounded by the commandos of de Vrede and of Harris Smith, surrendered. The rest of the army retired in the greatest disorder. The "Long Toms" of the Boers, an eye witness tells me, were ploughing furrows through the English columns, and the commandos of Lucas Meyer and of Botha were coming down from Lombard's Kop to cut off the retreat of the enemy, when the general-in-chief had the artillery fire stopped and also the offensive movement of his left wing. To the pleadings of the other generals he answered:

"LAT DE KERIS LOOPEN"

(Let those fellows run). If Botha had been in command then, the English army would have been destroyed, the siege of Ladysmith would never have taken place, and, maybe, the Boers would have reached Durban before Gen. Buller's army of relief.

On the side of the Orange Free State, Gen. Piet Cronje committed errors similar to those made by Joubert in Natal. The stubbornness of this old Boer was equalled only by his fatuity. When the European officers advised him to attack Kimberley, which was defended only by a thousand volunteers, he answered, shrugging his shoulders: "I was a general when you were babes in your mothers' arms. Besides, what's the use of risking the lives of my burghers? The Lord will surely cause the fall of a town that holds within its walls the worst of all monsters." He referred to Cecil Rhodes.

After having repulsed Lord Methuen at Magerfontein he would not follow up his victory nor would he attack the English camp, which was filled with discouraged soldiers who were almost in mutiny, and who would not salute their general. And when, two months later, Gen. French's cavalry passed at a few miles' distance from his left wing to make a dash by way of Koffyfontein to deliver Kimberley, although he had notice of this movement of the enemy, Cronje refused to budge, considering it impossible that an Englishman should pass where he, Cronje, did not want him to pass. Finally when, after he was surrounded at Paardeberg, two veldt komets urged him to take advantage of it, but the only answer he had for them was: "Look out for yourselves, and I'll look out for myself."

In the end, however, he earned forgiveness for all his faults by the heroism of his desperate defence. Unfortunately, as much cannot be said for another general whose incompetence did trifling damage to the army of Natal. Gen. Lucas Meyer is the only veldt general—except Col. Viljoen—Mareuil—who received his command from the government without having been elected by the burghers. Physically he is one of the handsomest men in South Africa. He is 6 feet tall and formed in proportion, and his long gray beard makes him look like a patriarch of sacred history. He lived a long time in the neighborhood of Vryheid, on the Zulu and Swazi frontiers, and he has the reputation of being of all the white men the one that best speaks the different native

languages. So he became the counsellor of several native negro kings, and contributed to a great degree to the annexation to the Transvaal of the New Republic in 1886 and of Swaziland in recent years.

It was these successes, so little military in their character, which caused him to be appointed general, and in the discharge of his new duties he showed himself to be equally unskilful and un courageous. It was his fault that the 4,000 English from Dundee succeeded in reaching Ladysmith by an almost impassable road, on which a hundred men would have been able to stop them. Later it was upon his advice that, despite the pleading of Botha, the right bank of the Tugela was abandoned, and that the superb positions at Colenso, which the English had been attacking unsuccessfully for three months, fell to the hands of the latter without a struggle. Lastly, he allowed himself to be turned by Sir Redvers Buller at Helpmakaar, like Cronje at Koffeyfontein. The day before this happened he watched the English army marching on the plain of Pomsberg, and he would not allow the 200 men who were sent to the enemy's way. When these 200 were obliged in the presence of overwhelming forces to abandon Helpmakaar, the army retired in the best of order, without losing a cannon or even a wagon! The general, however, with his head and feet in haste toward the north. Then only the burghers refused to serve under his orders and caused the government to deprive him of his command.

THE SICKNESS AND DEATH

of Joubert and the surrender of Cronje, happening at almost the same time, brought to the head of the army younger chiefs who were men of other worth. If, with the handful of men left to them, they have not been able to triumph over the English invaders, at least they will have the consolation of selling their lives and their independence dearly and of doing for their country all that courageous men can do.

The army of the South African Republic in no way resembles the armies of Europe. Military service does not exist in the country, and it was only after Dr. Jameson's raid, four years ago, that a permanent artillery corps, consisting of 400 men, was created.

When war is declared every citizen between 16 and 50 years of age takes his Mauser rifle, his cartridge belt, and a little dried meat, mounts his horse, and goes to the capital of his canton, or wijk. There all hands assemble under the orders of the veldtkornets, the number of which is regulated according to the size of the wijk. The veldtkornet is a permanent functionary elected by the burghers, and in time of peace he assesses the taxes and commands the farmers in time of war. All the detachments of the veldtkornets of one district form a commando under the orders of the commandant. The number of men in a commando varies greatly. For example, that of Pretoria is 2,500, while that of Swaziland is only 140. Several commandos are grouped together into a little army under the direction of a veldt general. The commandant general is the chief of the army. The positions are all elective, no matter what the grade.

When the burghers reach the capital of the district they receive new supplies. If necessary, and wagons drawn by oxen or mules, and loaded with tents, preserved food, cartridges and tools, are furnished to the commandos. A large number of Kaffir servants follow their masters on reserve horses or in the wagons which they drive with marvellous skill. From the wijk the capital the commandos start for the frontier, which is soon reached. At the last railroad station they are joined by the artillery and the ambulances that have come from Pretoria. Thus, the mobilization is completed.

The Boer army marches without the slightest order, but with extraordinary rapidity. The chief of each fraction knows only the destination of the marching army, and he goes there as quickly as possible, without paying any attention to the other commandos. When he finds near a stream a wagon with his position there, and the wagons are arranged in their places off the route of march, the animals are sent out to graze under the surveillance of the Kaffirs, and the fires are lighted. Coffee comes next, and after swallowing it the Boers retire to await the rise of the sun or of the moon to resume the march. The different divisions of the column pass one another constantly, and marching through camps in bivouac is of continual occurrence. The miscellaneous teams, the horsemen grouped with no regard to order, the shouts of the Kaffirs at the mules, the whistling of the long whips with bamboo handles—all give to the commando the aspect of a gypsy band rather than of an army on the march.

Except in the artillery there is no uniform in the Boer army. The Boer goes to war in his everyday clothes. HE WEARS A JACKET of a dark color, over which his cartouchiers are thrown in the form of a St. Andrew's cross. Any old thing goes for his trousers, but his boots are strong and solid, one only being furnished with a spur, usually, turned out. The entire outfit is surmounted by a long beard and a felt hat with a narrow brim, that is soon knocked out of shape and color by the sun and the rain. In this costume the Boer goes to war. He has three enemies, the flies, the sun and the English. Against the first his only weapon is patience. Against the second he uses his umbrella, which in fine weather is attached to the saddle; and for the last he has his Mauser, which he carries across his back or in the holster expressly made for it, which hangs behind his right leg.

When the commandos are in retreat entire families leave their farms and join the column. They carry all their goods in a huge wagon, in the back of which there is a compartment for the women and children. The men travel on horseback, helping the Kaffirs to drive the ox teams. On the front of the wagon provisions are piled and also the humble furniture of the abandoned farm. The cattle, sheep and goats travel by the side of the moving habitation. In Natal I saw an old man with a switch driving before him a dozen guinea hens. The fowl certainly

NO MAN IS STRONGER THAN HIS STOMACH.

The stomach is the vital center of the body. It is the organ from which all other organs feed. A weak stomach means a weak man. There never was a strong man with a weak stomach. What is called "weak stomach" is in general a diseased condition of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, which prevents the proper digestion of the food which is taken into the stomach, and so reduces the nutrition of the body. When all food is taken away the body starves. When the food eaten is only digested and assimilated in part, it only nourishes the body in part, and the body is partly starved. And this starvation is felt in every organ of the body dependent on the blood which is made from food.

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were not of much value, but he did not want to let anything fall into the hands of the hated "Kaffirs." The tent of the army halted for a certain time the commandos establish their laagers near some railway station. The tents are thrown up rapidly. The trains bring along cattle and provisions of all sorts. A bakery is hastily established. Sometimes entire wagon-loads of straw and cornstalks serve to better the food of the horses. The aspect of the camp is as confused and picturesque as the line of march of the commandos. Tents and wagons are scattered about in all directions.

The tent of the general-in-chief is distinguished from the others simply by the little tri-color flag that surmounts it. All through the day the burghers on their horses gallop back and forward in fatigue uniform—that is to say, without their Mausers and cartridges. They bring back to the station, to get letters from their wives and journals from Johannesburg, which the railroad employees deliver gratis. The station is the regular place of rendezvous. Some go to the "bait" to get pipes and tobacco. Others wait for the general-in-chief to pass by in all directions, making the approaches to the laager often more dangerous than a line of battle. Consequently accidents are frequent. During the two months that the army of Natal remained near Glencoe, half a dozen burghers were killed by accident and only two were killed in action.

The quiet life of the camp is often interrupted by the attacks of the English. While the burghers are fighting, the Kaffirs unfurl the tents and load the wagons. This is done in an incredibly short time. At the close of the fight the march is resumed forward or backward according to the result of the day, and on the order of the general, a new laager is established.

Such has been the life of the Boer commandos during the past year. As the war is prolonged and the towns fall into the hands of the enemy, existence becomes harder and more painful. But it requires so little to sustain the Boer in his march that he will be able, without too many privations, to fight till his last cartridge is gone. That is the reason why the English are bound still to meet with many deceptions and surprises before they will be able to pacify the annexed territories and finally conquer their alert and active enemies. J. CARNE.

QUAKER REFLECTIONS.

It isn't right to pay left-handed compliments. The widow's life is not always choked with weeds. The height of ill-breeding, according to accepted social standards, must be listened to the music at the opera. Almost any woman can talk her husband into buying her a \$25 hat, and yet some idiot once started the rumor that talk is cheap.

THEY FEAR MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

England's legitimate and glorious imperialism of former days has disappeared; that of today is founded on rancour. It has become pervious to the attacks of Europe, and is forced to consider it as to be dreaded, because it is a continual menace to her. Mr. Chamberlain has been the principal agent of this detestable transformation, and for this reason the entire continent bestows on him the epithet of "the man of straw." He counts for much in the insecurity of the present moment. In England he is regarded as a "modern style" imperialism, which has chosen so dangerous a foothold, that it has been reserved—journal des Debats, Paris.

UNIQUE.

"I think we ought to give this wedding a display here on the first page," said the managing editor. "Out of the ordinary, is it?" asked the managing editor. "Enough," cried the managing editor; "why, there was no 'howler of news,' no 'floral bell,' no 'copy,' no 'blinking bird,' nothing beautiful in its simplicity, no 'solemn strains' to be 'wedding march,' no 'double lead' and give it, a scare head; it's the only one of the kind."

SIR JAMES OUTRAM, The Bayard of the Indian Army.

Among the memorials of heroic men in Westminster Abbey there is not one more worthy than that of General Sir James Outram. "The Bayard of the Indian Army." He was so-called because he resembled in character the famous Chivalrous knight of the Middle Ages. He fell in the Spanish war, in 1823, and his memory was long held in honor as a pattern of true chivalry. To be called the Bayard of the Indian Army was thus no slight honor to Outram. He, too, was a gallant and brave soldier; he, too, was gentle, modest and pious; the ally, helper of higher and purer type than that of medieval times.

A great poet has said: "The Christian is the highest type of man." Outram showed his Christianity not only in religious spots and observances, but he carried it into his professional career and his public life, as the following anecdote proves: When Sir Charles Napier, determined to invade Scinde and suppress the warlike and troublesome Amerees of that country, Outram did not approve of the policy, but

AS A SOLDIER HE OBEYED,

and by his gallantry contributed largely to the swift and decisive victory and conquest. When the prize-money came to be distributed, Outram said that as he disapproved of the war he would not accept his share of the rewards. On this refusal being represented to him as a reflection on others, he gave the whole of the money that fell to his share to the establishment of Christian missions and schools.

In the war with Persia, just before the Indian mutiny, he was chief of the expedition, with Havelock second in command—a man of equal gallantry and of kindred spirit. They soon became fast friends, as two Christian men were likely to be when engaged in the same perilous and patriotic service.

They had scarcely returned from the Persian expedition when the mutiny of the Sepoy army broke out. The story of Havelock's battles and marches is well known to readers of Indian history. With a small force he had to oppose overwhelming numbers of the rebel armies, and although he

GAINED SEVERAL VICTORIES,

giving the first check to the triumphant mutineers, the losses in his little army, and the outbreak of cholera in his camp, compelled him to retreat without reaching Lucknow, and he had to wait for reinforcements before re-joining the British army. The reinforcements at length came, under General Outram. Being senior officer, he was entitled to take command. This Havelock expected, though he could not but feel hurt by the thought that he would seem to be superseded on account of the failure of his first advance. The noble-minded Outram saw this, and with a generosity ever to be remembered, he waived his right of seniority and placed his military services at Havelock's disposal as a volunteer. The divisional command which he declared this purpose is such as was never before issued to an army by its commander.

THE AGE OF CHIVALRY

is not gone when Outram thus spoke and acted, and his conduct towards Havelock will have an influence for good for all time.

In the second advance on Lucknow, Havelock led the force as skilfully as before, and the troops had again to face the same difficulties, and to encounter greater resistance. But they had confidence to use the words of Outram, "that the great end for which General Havelock and his brave troops have so long and generously fought will now, under the blessing of Providence, be accomplished."

One incident more must be mentioned. When Havelock's son performed a daring and gallant deed during the advance, his father hesitated to recommend him for the Victoria Cross, lest he might be charged with favoritism. General Outram wrote to him in terms honorable alike to father and son, and worthy of his own chivalrous nature: "I shall deeply regret having divested myself of the command during the advance on Lucknow, if, from what I must regard as most sensitive delicacy, you withhold from Lieutenant Havelock, because he is your relative, the reward to which, as a soldier, he has so unmistakably established a first claim."

Does not Outram well bear the title of "the Bayard of the Indian Army?"

REV. MR. ALMOND.

(Charlottetown Guardian.) The telegraphic information that the Rev. J. Almond, B. A., Anglican chaplain to the Royal Canadian Regiment, has decided to enter the imperial service is of interest to many outside of the circle in which he moved previous to his appointment a year ago. His career at the front has been unmarked by sensational incidents, but steady adherence to duty, self-sacrificing performance of work of an arduous and trying nature, and a constant and cheerful zeal have marked his connection with the regiment, have lifted it above commonplace compliance with regulations, and entitle him to an honorable place in the annals of the first contingent.

Rev. Mr. Almond's work compelled attention in the evil days when the entire fever was wasting the ranks of the army at Bloemfontein. Illness had separated him from the regiment when he marched to Paardeberg, and he was not present on the field where the Canadians received their baptism of fire.

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THE WAR CORRESPONDENT.

(Westminster Gazette.) No more for him the dust along the street, The cry of new-borns and the traffic's din, The joy of balanced prose—the work well done.

Rap at his door—another comes "come in." Another, who perchance knows not his name. But fills the well-worn chair with boyish pride, And dreams the same old dreams of work and fame.

No more for him the grind—slow—word on spur. His paper prints his name, and then he forgets; He showed rare promise and he laughed at fear. "He sent his news—a truce to vain regrets."

No more for him the saddle and the spur, The maddened ride, the hardship, and the fun. He saw great deeds, and earned his little pay, Dead jerked his bride when the march was done.

City and koppel! what to him is change? Topper and helmet! what to him is dress? The fever passed him, but the rifles saw—God rest him! and his paper goes to press. —Theodore Roberts.

