

WERE OUTNUMBERED.

Only the Arrival of Reinforcements Prevented the Annihilation of Broadwood's Command.

Canadian Regiment Formed Part of the Force That Went to the Rescue.

Reported That Two of the Guns Were Recovered—Despatch from Pretoria Says There Was Heavy Fighting Around Mafeking on Saturday.

LONDON, April 2, 4.30 a. m.—Gen. Buller's anxious inquiry whether British officers will ever learn the value of scouting comes back with enforced emphasis to the British public today, in receipt of the tidings that a convoy with guns had walked deliberately into a Boer ambush within about 20 miles of Bloemfontein.

The loss of life was not great, since most of the British had walked into the trap before a shot was fired. Evidently Col. Broadwood thought it necessary to retreat in haste from Taba N'chu, as he marched all through Friday night, apparently followed by a considerable force of the enemy. The convoy and guns had to pass through a deep spruit which the Boers had occupied.

SIX of twelve guns, comprising two batteries, all the wagons, and it is feared many men, fell into the hands of the wily Boers, whose daring, displayed so near Bloemfontein, shows that they are rapidly recovering heart after their recent reverses.

A BOER SUCCESS. BUSHMAN KOP, Saturday, March 31.—The British force commanded by Col. Broadwood, consisting of the Tenth Hussars, Household Cavalry, two horse batteries, and a force of mounted infantry, under Col. Picher, which had been garrisoning Taba N'chu, was obliged, in consequence of the near approach of a large force of Boers, to leave last night.

which embankment, which is protected by the partially constructed railway embankment, enabled the enemy to pour in a galling fire on three sides, as well as a double tier of fire in front.

When the convoy was first attacked a scene of frightful confusion followed. The mules stampeded and the wagons were overturned, while the concealed enemy poured in a deadly fire.

STIRRING UP THE BURGHERS. MASERU, Basutoland, March 31.—Mr. Steyn is reported to have gone to Ladybrand to stir up the Burghers there to renewed resistance.

SICKNESS AMONG BOER PRISONERS. CAPE TOWN, April 1.—The departure of the British transports with prisoners for St. Helena has been delayed in consequence of the increased sickness among the prisoners. Three died today and twelve have died during the week.

A CHANGE OF NAME. CAPE TOWN, April 1.—Army orders were issued today declaring the abolition of the title "Free State railways" and superseding this by the title "International military railways."

HON. GEO. GOUGH DEAD. LONDON, March 31.—Lord Roberts reports the death at Norval's Point, on March 28, of Col. the Hon. George Hugh Gough, C. B. Col. Gough had been private secretary to the commander-in-chief of the British forces, Lord Wolseley, since 1877.

DEMONSTRATION AGAINST ENGLAND. LONDON, April 2.—A despatch to the Telegraph from Nice says that thirty French sailors from the fleet now at anchor in the harbor of Genoa, made hostile demonstrations against the British. They were seen to be shouting and waving flags, and to be firing their rifles.

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HEAVY FIGHTING AROUND MAFEKING. PRETORIA, Sunday, April 1.—Commanding was again heard in the direction of Brandfort Saturday and it is reported that heavy fighting had occurred Saturday around Mafeking. It is added that Col. Plumer's relief column was compelled to retire with loss. No details have been received.

IN FAVOR OF ANNEXATION. CAPE TOWN, April 2.—The speech at Claremont of the Hon. J. Ross-Innes, the leader of the British in the Cape parliament, in favor of the annexation of the Boer republics, has disconcerted the members of the Afrikaner bond. The Dutch papers, without exception, condemn the speech, arguing that annexation means permanent unrest.

HAS HIS BARNSTAPLE ATTENTION. EAST LONDON, April 1.—The mayor of this city has telegraphed to Gen. Roberts appealing to him to hasten the relief of Mafeking, where the troops consist almost entirely of recruits of the colony, led by British officers.

WAR SUMMARY. LONDON, April 3.—The London correspondents with Gen. Roberts add little of importance to the commander-in-chief's account of the disaster to Col. Broadwood's column, and neither Gen. Roberts nor them is anything learned of what has happened since the relief reached the waterworks, beyond Gen. Roberts' report that the Boers retired eastward, leaving a number of British wounded behind them.

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CONGRATULATES CANADA. OTTAWA, April 2.—Sir Alfred Milner writes to his excellency the governor general in as follows: "The Government House, Cape Town, February 27th, 1900: Dear Lord Minto—Thought, as you may imagine, I have little or no time for writing, I must send you one line on the Red Letter Day to congratulate you and Canada on the great share taken by your gallant contingent in the annihilation of General Cronje's force."

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MONTREAL. MONTREAL, April 1.—Sir W. C. McDonald, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, who has already given gifts to McGill University aggregating close upon three million dollars, has just added another \$200,000 to the fund. The gift is to be used in extending the work of the physics and chemistry department of the applied science faculty.

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THE SEMI-WEEKLY SUN

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AN ABUSIVE ORGAN.

The senate of Canada may not be in all respects an ideal legislative body. The members may sometimes err in judgment, and it may be true that many of them are old men.

The defeat of the gerrymander bill is the particular crime which has called down upon the senators the violent abuse of whoever is at present pouring mental garbage into the editorial columns of the journal named.

The Sun's Ottawa letters have shown clearly that in their action on the gerrymander bill last year and this year the conservative senators have merely exercised the same right which was affirmed and exercised by the liberal senators in 1882.

The telegraph charges that in defeating the gerrymander bill the senate acted "without any regard to honesty and justice or the popular will."

The senate of Canada, while it contains some members of ability, consists in the main of aged men, many of them in a state of decrepitude and long past their days of usefulness.

LONDON, April 2.—The prince of Wales held a levee at St. James' palace this afternoon. The weather was beautiful and large crowds witnessed the arrivals, which included Lord Salisbury, Joseph Chamberlain and most of the cabinet ministers.

The "white" and other despotic upholders of ancient prejudice will be swept aside and "cast as rubbish to the void."

THE WAR

History is repeating itself in the South African war. The latest British officer to step into a Boer trap in Orange Free State.

TARIFF TINKERING.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association met in Toronto on Thursday evening last, at their first annual banquet.

"This constant tinkering with the tariff is sooner or later going to be the death of a great many of our manufacturing industries. (Applause.)"

THE BRIDGE ENQUIRY.

We print this morning that part of the official report of Mr. Winston's evidence which shows there was no proper audit or examination of the permanent bridge expenditure and also that portion relating to the loose manner in which money was repeatedly paid to Mr. Haines on his mere verbal request.

Says the Montreal Journal of Commerce: "Complaints are rife of freight being so long delayed between Halifax and this city. Cases of merchandise larded from the Ferdinand at Halifax nearly one month ago are still creeping along at small pace on their way to Montreal."

A Winnipeg despatch says: "Great indignation is expressed among railway laborers and workmen of this city generally against the Doukhobors for the way in which they have cut the rates of wages in all kinds of manual labor, especially in the wood camps and on railway outfits where a reduction of fully 40 per cent. has been made."

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BOSTON LETTER.

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One Hundred Thousand Provincials in the City and Suburban Towns.

The Two-prise Bridge scandal attracting attention across the line—Little Ties on a Long Journey—Recent Deaths.

(From our own correspondent.) BOSTON, March 30.—There is every indication that spring is here, thus relieving one of the most extraordinary winters ever known.

Four hundred sons and daughters of the Maritime provinces attended the annual reunion of the Maritime Provinces Association in Worcester last Wednesday evening.

Judge Lowell of the United States district court finds that both vessels were at fault in the collision here in August last between the steamer Yarmouth and the schooner St. John.

W. H. Thorne, Hugh Macfarlane and Mrs. Macfarlane, H. P. Zimmerman and Mrs. Zimmerman, J. S. Bowles and W. T. King, of St. John, J. E. Price and Mrs. Price, F. C. Jones, G. H. Jones and E. E. Ayer of Moncton were in the city last week.

Rev. Thomas Rogers died near Bennington, Vt. March 21. Rev. Mr. Rogers was president of the Nova Scotia Methodist conference for several years. He came to New England in 1891.

The death rate in Boston last week was even heavier than that of the week previous. In all there were 26 deaths, of which 100 were from pneumonia, 40 from influenza and 41 from consumption.

The investigation of Premier Emerson has reached the New England local importance. There is a suspicion that the master of the local government, Mr. Blair, has counseled the doerchester statesman in the art of applying white wash.

GENERAL DEBILITY.

From the Advertiser, Montreal, N.B.

Rich O'Brien, postmaster at Moncton, N.B., is also known as a prosperous agriculturist. New analysis and reports, he says, would be recognized as the most reliable of the reports of one suffering the terrible symptoms of general debility.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS. These Pills do not purge and weaken like other medicines. They make rich red blood, build up the nerves, and make weak, depressed and easily tired people cheerful, active and strong.

Pink colored pills in glass jars, or in any loose form, or in boxes that do not bear the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, are NOT Dr. Williams'.

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SPRING MEDICINE.

In the springtime the blood needs attention. The change of the year produces in every one, whether conscious of it or not, some heating of the blood. Some people have pimples, a little eczema, or irritation of the skin; others feel easily tired and have a poor appetite. A tonic is needed. The best tonic—the best of all spring medicines for man, woman or child is

No other medicine in the world has offered such undoubted proof of merit. What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for others they will do for you, if given a fair trial.

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CITY NEWS

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges.

When ordering the address of your... THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY...

Cap. Allen of Kentville has gone to New York on business.

To cure a headache in ten minutes use Kumford Headache Powders.

The W. C. Pittfield residence on Germain street has been purchased by I. G. Crosby.

Sch. Ira D. Stungis recently reported sold to New York parties, brought \$4,000.

The Kings county court has been adjourned from April 3rd to 23rd on account of the local legislature being in session.

R. A. & E. B. Christie of River Head have cut about one million feet of lumber this winter. They haul to two rivers.

Sch. Fred Jackson, built at East Berwick in 1873, was sold at New York about March 20 to Walford & Co. for about account.

Frank MacDonald of Pictou, son of the late W. S. MacDonald, formerly editor of the Pictou News, has been appointed to a position in the J. C. B. freight department at Pictou.

Three pulp companies are seeking incorporation in Nova Scotia. They are the Bear River Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd., the Meteghan River Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd., and the Sheet Harbor Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd.

The beautiful residence of Joseph Andrews at Berwick, N. S., together with the store adjoining, containing a full stock of dry goods and groceries, were burned on Tuesday, but most of the furniture was saved. The loss is estimated at fully \$1,000.

THEIR ARE many things known as good for a cough, yet the special virtues of all are combined in Adamson's Botanic Cough Balm. Purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, not narcotic, soothing, healing. 25c. all Drugists.

The death occurred in this city Sunday of Daniel Maloney, an old and respected resident of St. Martins. The deceased, who was a native of County Donegal, Ireland, was in the 84th year of his age. The remains were taken to St. Martins Monday morning, where the interment took place.

A Portland, Me., despatch of Saturday says: The Allan liner California, which has been stranded at Ram Island ledge since Feb. 25, was hauled off today by tugs and will be beached near Bug light, where temporary repairs will be made and she will be towed to Boston.

Bentley's Liniment. Bentley's (10c) Liniment. Bentley's Liniment cures Pain. Bentley's is the Best Liniment. Bentley's Liniment sold everywhere.

On Wednesday last at Truro, N. S., Rev. John Lewis Munroe, Presbyterian clergyman, of Antigonish, and Miss Elizabeth Blanche Lewis, daughter of Mrs. John Lewis of Truro, were married by Rev. J. W. Falconer and Rev. Christopher Munroe.

THE JAPS DID IT. They supplied with the menthol contained in that wonderful D. & L. Menthol Plaster, which relieves instantly headache, neuralgia, rheumatism and all pains. Manufactured by the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

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Notice to Subscribers.

John E. Austin is travelling in Queens Co., N. B. in the interests of the Sun.

Genuine maple candy is beginning to come on the market. A little was received last week from Albert county.

Frank Melanson of the Queens Co. has been appointed to a position in the I. C. R. shops at Moncton.

The marriage of John Wheatley and Miss Hooper, daughter of James Hooper of Charlottetown, was solemnized by Rev. T. P. Reardon last Thursday.

Three of the Bear River coasting fleet running to Boston, have started on the first trips of the season. They are the Josephine, Vada and Mabel. Their cargoes total 30,000 of pilchard and 100 cords of firewood.

THE D. & L. EMULSION benefits most those having lung troubles with tendency to hemorrhage. A few bottles will regularly make a wonderful improvement. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

The butter market made the lowest record of the year in Montreal on Friday, sales being made of choice fresh creamery in ten, fifteen and twenty package lots at 19 1/2-20c, with single packages selling at 20c to 20 1/2-20c. A few rolls sold at 18c.

The sharp advance in the price of all classes of colored cottons referred to in our last week has been well maintained, and quite a number of purchases have been made in anticipation of a still further rise. -Montreal Trade Bulletin.

SHEDS BORN FROM A HACKING COUGH. Take Fanny-Pectoral, it will cure you quickly, no matter how bad the cold. Endorsed by thousands of Canadians. Sold throughout the land. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

The number of passengers that left Toronto Tuesday March 27th, by sea, to the Northwest, was 650. The total number of Ontario people who have left for the Northwest during the past three weeks number 2,000.

CLARKE'S CORNER. CLARKE'S CORNER, Queens Co., March 29th. A pit social and concert was held at Clarke's corner, Queens Co., on Wednesday evening, March 28th, that was in every respect a success. The pies were delicious and all were disposed of; the dialogues and recitations were excellent, and the singing and instrumental music very much enjoyed. The sum of \$20 was realized towards finishing the hall. The songs and recitations by Mrs. Gray were deserving of special mention.

ST. JOHN SCHOONER IN TROUBLE. MACHIAS, Me., April 2.-Tug S. B. Jones arrived here today and reports the schooner Irene of St. John, N. B., 50 tons register, for Boston, laden with lumber, went ashore on Seal Cove Ledges, at the southwest end of Cross Island, in a snow squall on March 31. The Irene was floated on the following high tide and taken to Starbuck Island harbor, where she is leaking badly.

ANOTHER READER HAS BEEN MAKING MONEY EASILY. I noticed in your valuable paper that one of your readers had been very successful selling Baird's Non-Alcoholic Flavoring Powders, and thought my experience would be interesting too. It is simply wonderful how much better these new fruit flavoring powders are than the liquid extracts sold in stores, when you stop to think that they cost only about half as much. You use them for cakes, custards, candies, ice cream, etc., just like the liquid. We used them ourselves and liked them so well that I wrote the manufacturers, Baird Mfg. Co., 195 Baird Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa., for samples and tried selling them to my neighbors. I only commenced a short time ago, but the powders are fast becoming celebrated around here, and I have built up a steady trade from regular customers, often making over \$25.00 a week. I never knew of such an easy way to make money, and I would recommend anyone having a little spare time to write this firm. They are very generous in their dealings. R. L. C.

MEDAL CONTEST

At the Currie Business University. About three months ago Mrs. J. R. Currie, proprietor of the Currie Business University of this city, placed in the hands of the students of this institution, at considerable expense, a machine for teaching pupils to become expert in practical arithmetic. The machine is about 12 feet high and 2 feet wide, and will show at a glance several columns of figures, and in a few seconds will give the sum of a Canadian or English invoice, or any other fractions, percentages, interest, partnership, etc. Changes on the machine can be made instantly, and as the combinations are practically unlimited, a few minutes is given every time, making it absolutely impossible for a student to secure an answer without performing the work.

The Queen had driven out to Frogmore during the afternoon amid considerable enthusiasm on the part of the townfolk, and her departure from the station was comparatively quiet, although quite a crowd had assembled to cheer the outgoing train.

Not in the history of the Great Western and London and Northwestern railways have greater precautions ever been observed to protect the royal train than those which had been perfected when her majesty started northward last night. Those officials who have supervised the transportation of cars, boilers and the princes of all nations in and out of Windsor have exerted themselves beyond precedent to insure the safety of the royal train between Windsor and Holyhead.

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The royal train was drawn by two locomotives, with expert engineers and a complete staff of railway experts and electricians accompanied the train for the entire distance in case anything went go wrong.

DUBLIN: April 3.-All Dublin, and in truth all Ireland, is on the qui vive in anticipation of the Queen's coming. Crews are peering in from all points, and it is estimated that the normal population of Dublin, about 200,000, will be swelled to one million. Rooms are at a premium. From every town come throngs anxious to share in the gaiety that now promises to be unmarred. From Belfast alone 10,000 are expected.

The exercises of the greatest prestige tact the government officials have practically destroyed sectional feeling, and there is no longer any doubt that her majesty will be welcomed with an enthusiasm equal to, if not greater than that which was displayed during her recent visit to London.

HOME FOR INCURABLES. A meeting of the trustees of the Home for Incurables was held Saturday afternoon at the Bank of N. B. building. The following trustees were present: Geo. A. Schofield, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, J. E. Irvine, Dr. Thos. Walker, Dr. P. Robinson, Innes, H. C. Tulley, F. P. Starr and Dr. Alward.

The different committees presented full reports as to the progress of the work. The following medical staff was then appointed: Consulting physicians and surgeons, Dr. Wm. Bayard, Dr. Bovie Christie, Dr. P. Robinson, Innes and Dr. H. G. Aldy; visiting physicians and surgeons, Dr. Chas. Holden, Dr. J. W. Daniel, Dr. W. F. Roberts, Dr. Murray MacLure, Dr. T. Dyson Walker and Dr. S. S. Skinner; oculist, Dr. H. Morrison; dermatologist, Dr. Melvin; pathologist, Dr. W. T. Ellis. Alfred McDonald has been appointed janitor.

COFFEE VS. PREACHER. "People Poisoned by Coffee Should Leave It Off." "I have been a great coffee drinker for years, and it has kept me in a bilious condition, with more or less neuralgia, as the result of general ill health produced by coffee drinking. I have discovered that coffee is a rank poison to my system. Since we have been using Postum Cereal Food Coffee, with all the good qualities of coffee, but that it has none of the injurious effects.

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"People who are poisoned by coffee should leave it off, because when one sines against his body, he dishonors the Holy Ghost." It would seem that any one conscious of the bodily distress that coffee brings would have no trouble in leaving it off when Postum Food Coffee can be secured. Rev. John M. Linn, Pastor of E. Church, South Corpus Christi, Texas.

KILLED IN A MILL. A fatal accident occurred on Friday afternoon at Rayworth's portable saw-mill, cutting for G. G. Scovill, M. P. T., three miles from Bellisle station. A young man named James Murphy, who was employed outside the mill, went in for some purpose and walked close to the main shaft. It is supposed that the leg of his pantaloons got caught on the thumb screw on the main shaft. At all events he was caught by the shaft and carried under it through a very narrow space between it and the floor. His head and body were horribly crushed, and death was instantaneous. His remains being crushed and the mill was running at full speed. The young man was about 26 years old, and a son of the late Dennis Murphy of Bellisle. His mother was a sister of Mrs. Bailey, formerly of the I. C. R. restaurant in this city. One Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Bellisle, and one sister in Boston. About a year ago the mother and a sister of the deceased were buried on the same day in the same place.

FIRE AT CALAIS. CALAIS, Me., April 1.-The dwelling house of J. W. Grant was burned this morning, entailing a loss of \$1,000, partially covered by insurance. John Trimble, foreman of hose company No. 1, was severely injured by being struck by falling brick.

EN ROUTE TO IRELAND.

Her Majesty Left Windsor at Nine-thirty Last Evening.

The Royal Train Will Occupy Eleven Hours on the Run to Holyhead.

LONDON, April 3, 1.29 a. m.—Queen Victoria left Windsor at half-past nine last evening en route for Ireland. Her majesty is accompanied by Princess Christian and Princess Henry of Battenberg, and is attended by Countess of Antrim, Hon. Charles F. B. St. Arthur Biggs, private secretary to the Queen; Sir Fleetwood Edwards, keeper of her majesty's privy purse, and Captain Ponsonby.

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The royal train was drawn by two locomotives, with expert engineers and a complete staff of railway experts and electricians accompanied the train for the entire distance in case anything went go wrong.

DUBLIN: April 3.-All Dublin, and in truth all Ireland, is on the qui vive in anticipation of the Queen's coming. Crews are peering in from all points, and it is estimated that the normal population of Dublin, about 200,000, will be swelled to one million. Rooms are at a premium. From every town come throngs anxious to share in the gaiety that now promises to be unmarred. From Belfast alone 10,000 are expected.

The exercises of the greatest prestige tact the government officials have practically destroyed sectional feeling, and there is no longer any doubt that her majesty will be welcomed with an enthusiasm equal to, if not greater than that which was displayed during her recent visit to London.

HOME FOR INCURABLES. A meeting of the trustees of the Home for Incurables was held Saturday afternoon at the Bank of N. B. building. The following trustees were present: Geo. A. Schofield, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, J. E. Irvine, Dr. Thos. Walker, Dr. P. Robinson, Innes, H. C. Tulley, F. P. Starr and Dr. Alward.

The different committees presented full reports as to the progress of the work. The following medical staff was then appointed: Consulting physicians and surgeons, Dr. Wm. Bayard, Dr. Bovie Christie, Dr. P. Robinson, Innes and Dr. H. G. Aldy; visiting physicians and surgeons, Dr. Chas. Holden, Dr. J. W. Daniel, Dr. W. F. Roberts, Dr. Murray MacLure, Dr. T. Dyson Walker and Dr. S. S. Skinner; oculist, Dr. H. Morrison; dermatologist, Dr. Melvin; pathologist, Dr. W. T. Ellis. Alfred McDonald has been appointed janitor.

COFFEE VS. PREACHER. "People Poisoned by Coffee Should Leave It Off." "I have been a great coffee drinker for years, and it has kept me in a bilious condition, with more or less neuralgia, as the result of general ill health produced by coffee drinking. I have discovered that coffee is a rank poison to my system. Since we have been using Postum Cereal Food Coffee, with all the good qualities of coffee, but that it has none of the injurious effects.

"Any person suffering from nervous troubles, caused by the poison of coffee, should be able to get rid of his sickness in short order, if such a one will leave off the cause, and take up Postum Cereal Coffee. There has been no coffee used in our home for a considerable time.

"People who are poisoned by coffee should leave it off, because when one sines against his body, he dishonors the Holy Ghost." It would seem that any one conscious of the bodily distress that coffee brings would have no trouble in leaving it off when Postum Food Coffee can be secured. Rev. John M. Linn, Pastor of E. Church, South Corpus Christi, Texas.

TIME THE BOY HAD A NEW SUIT.

Our department of Boys' Clothing is fairly overflowing with the novel things for spring wear. The question that will confront the parent in looking over our lines is not "What can I find," but which of the many pretty things shall I choose?

Boys' Single Breasted Sack Suits, for ages 9 to 16, in a splendid variety of new and seasonal Spring Woolens in fancy effects and plain colors. They are carefully and well made and will stand any amount of pulling and hauling without losing their neat appearance, \$3 00 to \$8 00.

Two-Piece Pleated Suits.—These are all-around favorites for the lads until they round the 13-year mark. Then they want 'em like "pop." Immense line of patterns in Tweeds, Serges and Worsteds, \$1 50 to \$5 00.

Vestee Suits, for boys 3 to 9 years.—A splendid showing of Vestee Suits in Serges and Fancy Cheviots, made up swell as you ever saw them, \$2 50 to \$8 00.

Boys' Spring "Toppers," as his majesty is pleased to style the New Spring Overcoats. We show them in all the new shades of Covert with plain collars. Just the right length and at least \$1 00 under the prevailing price, but that is nothing new here. \$3 75 to \$8 00.

Boys' Knee Pants, in many stylish fabrics, 25c. up.

Write for our Spring Style and Sample Book of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

YOUR MONEY BACK IF DISSATISFIED.

GREATER OAK HALL, SCOVIL BROS. & CO.

King Street, St. John, N. B.

EXCITING FIRE. Beverly's Store Completely Cleaned Out—Heavy Explosions Wreck Several Shop Fronts.

One of the most exciting fires that has taken place in St. John for many years was that which occurred in Geo. F. Beverly's hardware and notion store in the Gormain street end of the Market building Friday.

It was shortly after five o'clock when the alarm sounded, but before that everybody in the vicinity was fully aware of what was going on, as volumes of smoke were pouring upward from the building and minor explosions, compared with what followed, rattled all the windows in the immediate vicinity. By the time the apparatus arrived the store, was a sorry wreck, and the stores next above and those across the street were minus their plate glass fronts and several ornaments.

Shortly after five o'clock Mr. Beverly started to light the gas in the windows, the boy being busy in the cellar. He used a long wax taper, and when a drop from the taper ignited a package of fireworks, everything displayed in the large window was of a highly combustible nature, being part of a large order of fireworks that Mr. Beverly had imported for an outdoor town concert. Realizing the danger and the impossibility of averting the impending disaster Mr. Beverly ran toward the rear door and leaped to the boy, Robert Ward, to get out at once. Before either could get clear of the building a portion of the front was blown out and the interior of the shop and the street were full of exploding fireworks. Safely outside, in South Market street, Mr. Beverly looked for the boy. Almost instantly there was a loud explosion and in a few seconds the lad, with his hair singed and considerably cut about the hands and arms, came through the window of the rear door. For a minute the interior of the shop was a regular furnace and when with a mighty roar the whole front was blown out, windows were shattered and left above the shop and across the street. It was like the last vigorous kick of a dying beast, as what followed were mere convulsions, and shortly all was at an end.

All round the neighborhood the pavement was strewn with glass. The fronts were demolished in the stores of Kane & McGrath, A. L. Godwin, W. T. McNeill, J. Dimore, and B. H. Hammett Co., Ltd. Several smaller stores were also demolished in T. J. O'Connell's, Oak Hall, and the upper floors of Manchester, Robertson & Allen's, Gormain street premises.

Interviewed by the Sun, Mr. Beverly said he had been heavily hit, his stock being worth fully \$7,000, while the insurance amounted to but \$4,000, which was divided equally between the Northwich Union and Connecticut. Needless to say the stock is a total loss.

Messrs. Kane & McGrath, who occupied the store next to Mr. Beverly's, and some considerable meat damaged, their loss will probably amount to three or four hundred dollars. With the exception of the rooms immediately over Beverly's store, which had lately been acquired by the Royal Hotel as sample rooms, the other losses are merely for glass and are in almost every case covered by insurance. The sample items, which had been quite recently pointed, were in use at the time, but the loss in this connection was slight.

RECENT DEATHS. Hibbert Smith of Westchester, N. S., died on March 19th. He was a prosperous farmer, and a brother to Dr. Smith of Amherst and R. T. Smith of Parrishore.

Mrs. Pius McDonald of Mount Stewart, P. E. I., died on Monday at the Charlottetown hospital. She was the daughter of the late Ronald McDonald, St. Peter's Lake, brother of Very Rev. Mgr. McDonald, and the wife of Captain Jordan, formerly of Granville Centre, died at the residence of Miss Mary A. Messenger, Centreville, N. S., Tuesday morning of last week, at the advanced age of eighty-two years.

The death took place at Amherst, Thursday night, of Mrs. Ezra Black, aged 82 years. The deceased was a Miss Carter, sister to Mrs. Rufus Chapman, and Miss Rebecca Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turnbull of Lunenburg, four miles from Digby, died within six hours of each other from pneumonia, on March 27th. Mr. Turnbull had been ill a week, and Mrs. Turnbull only a day or two. Mr. Turnbull was a prominent farmer, and for upwards of ten years past was secretary-treasurer of the Digby central agricultural society. He was 69 years of age and his wife 65.

Says the Charlottetown Guardian: "The recent death of John Simpson of Bay View has removed from among us the oldest person in the locality. He was born in 1810, and remembered well when the news of Waterloo came to the island, about two months after the battle was fought. Though in his 90th year, he retained his faculties till almost the last, and had a vivid recollection of all the happenings, social, political and religious of the last 80 years. He was married almost sixty years ago and his wife survives him. He was the last surviving grandson of William Simpson, the first settler in Bay View."

"The death of Mrs. Thomas A. Treen, which occurred in this city on Friday, was particularly sad. She had come down from Sackville to spend two or three days, and was stricken with grippe. Her husband, who represents the Enterprise, Doudry Co., was in Carleton Place. He was telegraphed for and arrived a little before her death. The deceased lady was a daughter of Thomas Setton, bridge inspector on the I. C. R. She and Mr. Treen were married in Moncton six years ago by Rev. John Read. They lived some years in Moncton, and later in Sackville. She was only 29 years old, and leaves one child four years of age. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon in this city, Rev. John Read, who married Mr. and Mrs. Treen, conducting the services.

NEW GOODS. NEW GOODS.

Dress Goods, Prints, Skirts, Waists, Wrappers, Corsets, Curtains, Caps, Orloloths, Straw Hatting, Rugs, Yarns, Feather Ticking, Top Shirts, Pants, Undercloths, Bogatta Shirts, Overall, Jumpers, Caps, Umbrellas, Braces.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

MILLTOWN, March 22.—A quiet wedding took place last night at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. James Montgomery...

GASPEREAUX STATION, Queens Co., March 22.—Abner Kirkpatrick lost a valuable young horse a few days ago by having one of his legs broken.

QUEENSTOWN, Queens Co., March 23.—The entertainment given last evening in the Queenstown hall, last evening, in aid of the soldiers fund, proved a most gratifying success.

BOUESTOWN, March 23.—Charles Monroe, one of our leading citizens, is shortly to move to Douglastown, where he has purchased a mill.

MILLTOWN, March 29.—A fire in the house of Peter Martin's back of Pleasant street this morning was put out before very much damage was done.

MISS AMY YOUNG, who has been in Boston since the Christmas holidays, will resume teaching on Monday next.

Mrs. Catherine Casey is seriously ill. Her daughter, Mrs. Healey of Lawrence, Mass., arrived last week in answer to a summons from her father.

John Kerr has obtained a position as millwright with A. H. Sawyer at Hartland. Harry Smith has taken possession of the store which he purchased from J. S. T. Maxwell at the Union.

Mrs. M. Parks is confined to her bed with a very bad ankle. Mrs. Daniel Ryan is seriously ill.

The Knights of Pythias will parade to the Methodist church on the 30th of April, and will be addressed by Rev. W. J. Kirby.

A week of fasting and prayer, ordered by the bishops of M. E. church, is being carried out by the Rev. Mr. Bender and his flock in Chatham.

MILLSTREAM, Kings Co., March 23.—The entertainment held at the Head of Millstream by the people of

Mt. Middleton was a grand success, and the sum of \$10 was realized for the Canadian troops in South Africa.

HOPEWELL FALLS, March 23.—The 50th anniversary of Golden Rule division, No. 51, S. O. T., was celebrated in the division hall here last evening.

A small house, just outside the limits of Chatham, owned by John Gower, was burned to the ground last week.

A school of short timber is being hauled to Gasperaux station by Geo. A. Trevett. Some cordwood was shipped from Gasperaux station last week by J. W. Kirkpatrick.

On Sunday evening Rev. J. C. Berrie in the course of his sermon in the Methodist church, referred in feeling terms to the death of David Thompson, and incidentally to that of the Canadians and other British soldiers in the war now raging in South Africa.

The dwelling house owned and occupied by Hugh Wiley at Bay Side, parish of St. Croix, was burned to the ground on Tuesday afternoon.

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Our knees are all well and we got some new ones when the new boat got in, and they will land today.

Make New Blood. Parsons Pills. The Liver, Kidneys, and Bowels. Put in glass vials. Thirty in a bottle.

Several pieces of music were played by the choir. Miss Gertrude Henderson, president of the organ. At the close of the meeting the members of Court Andover and their ladies, went to the Foresters' hall, where a social time was spent.

The school trustees are having another meeting on Monday evening, March 27th, at a Boston Herald reporter will be read with interest.

FREDERICTON, March 30.—Judge Wilson was engaged today hearing a claim under the Mechanics' Lien act filed by Joseph C. Ristean against the new house built by Edward Moore for Mrs. E. C. Moore.

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AN AWFUL TRIP

Captain Worden's Story of the Perils of the Schooner W. P. Hood.

The following story of the vessel's perils, told by Capt. Worden, March 12th, to a Boston Herald reporter, will be read with interest.

"We left Baltimore Feb. 8, and since that day we have encountered nothing but bad weather and storms. It seemed as if everything worked against us from the start, and many times I was almost ready to reach port again.

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"When the sails went, the vessel fell into the trough of the sea, and labored fearfully. These moments were the most trying of any. Many times it seemed as if she would founder; in fact, we felt that she would go to the bottom as each breeze toward us.

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Table of market prices for various goods including flour, sugar, and other commodities. Includes sections for 'COUNTRY MARKET', 'Wholesale Prices', and 'Retail'.

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BRONCHIAL AFFECTIONS.

A Michigan Lady Tells How Her Little Daughter Suffered from Bronchitis.

The doctors failed to benefit her.
CATARRHOZE CURED.
Mrs. E. E. Jones of Richey, Michigan, writes: "Our little daughter of 8 years was a great sufferer from bronchitis, and slight changes in the weather brought on severe attacks. Our doctor was consulted and prescribed different bottles of medicine, but none of them seemed to afford more than temporary relief. We then tried a host of so-called cures, but they all failed to give any permanent relief. At last we were advised to try Castorhoxone, and after using it but a short time the bronchitis disappeared and the child was now run about in damp rainy weather—something unthought of before using Castorhoxone. We recommend Castorhoxone as a peerless remedy for bronchitis and colds."

CATARRHOZE.

BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, CATARRH.

Catarhoxone: Oronated Air Cure, is a new, scientific method of treatment that cures these diseases by the action of medicated air, which, when inhaled, reaches all portions of the lungs, bronchial tubes, and nasal passages, where it kills the germ and restores the inflamed membrane, and quickly restores the raw, irritated membrane to their natural condition, effecting a permanent cure.
Six weeks' treatment, price \$1; extra bottles of Inhalant, 50c. At druggists, or by mail, enclosing the cost of postage for stamps, from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingsport, Ont.

Putnam's Corn Extractor cures corns and warts without pain in 24 hours. At druggists, price 25c.

Harbor. The light will be placed at the entrance of the harbor. The structure is a dolphin in form, from which the lantern is suspended. The approximate geographical position of the light will be: Lat. 47° 12' N. Long. 70° 46' W.

A second class nun buoy, painted red and black in horizontal stripes, which was placed at the entrance of the harbor Aug. 1, to mark the supposed location of an obstruction struck by steamer Utopia while leaving for Liverpool, has been discovered.

Bids have been opened by the United States engineer in charge of District of Maine for removal of two wrecks which have been a menace in Maine waters for some time. One is the schr. Waldo Granite Co., at Frankfort. There is about 15 feet of water in the channel at high tide, and the rise and fall of the tide is about 13 feet, the pile of granite is well out at low tide, although at low tide the wreck is sunk deeper into the mud. The other wreck is that of schr. Vicksburg, sunk in Seal Harbor.

MARRIAGES.
BROWN-BROWN—At the residence of Arthur Brown, Intervale, West March 25, by Rev. Abram Ferry, James Brown to Augusta A. Brown, both of Sussex, Kings Co.

FOLSTER-McDONALD—At the minister's residence, Woodstock, N. S., on March 23d, by Rev. W. Clarke, John Folster of York Co. to Miss Lena McDonald of New Bridge, Carleton Co.

DEATHS.
BEST—In this city, on March 28th, John P. Best, in the 70th year of his age, leaving a wife and seven children to mourn their sad loss.

CARVELL—Suddenly, at Dorchester, Mass., on March 28th, Henry D. Carvell, aged 70 years.

LAWSON—At Kara, Kings Co., on March 22d, Catherine, widow of the late John Lawson, in the 22nd year of her age, leaving three sons and four daughters to mourn their sad loss.

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CAPE TOWN.

Interesting Letter from the Sun's Special War Correspondent.

Babbling Shoulders With Soldiers from Every Part of the British Empire.

Canadians Hold Their Own With Any of the "Gentlemen in Khaki"—Not an Ideal Campsite Ground—Moved By Love of Adventure and His Still Nobler Love of Country.

(From H. S. White, the special war correspondent of the Sun with the second contingent.)

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 28—Sunday, February 18, 1900, will forever remain an historic day for the dominion of Canada. On that day the Royal Canadian regiment, the "first contingent," as it is popularly known in Canada, was heavily engaged with the enemy in the neighborhood of the Modder River in one of the long series of operations which together form the decisive success that has fallen to the lot of British arms during this campaign; and while they were thus nobly earning glory for themselves and Canada as a cost in death and wounds that will also make many a mournful home in the land of their birth, the first detachment of the second contingent was quietly going into camp for the first time in South Africa.

The good ship "Leicester" sailed for Table Bay on the evening of Friday, February 16. By the following Sunday the whole detachment, with their camp equipment, were in camp at a suburb of this city, known as Green Point. The detachment consisted of D and E batteries of the Royal Canadian artillery with a full equipment of guns, transport wagons, ammunition, etc. Altogether there were 324 non-commissioned officers and men with the artillery, besides a small number of the mounted police. The senior officer in the transport was Major V. G. Hardman, and with him were thirteen other officers belonging to the two batteries. On their way to camp at Green Point they were joined by Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Drury, who then took over the command. Lieutenant-Colonel Lessard was also in camp with them, awaiting the arrival of the mounted police.

During the voyage they had been favored with almost perfect weather, and consequently had made a very fast trip. There were a couple of accidents among the men, the most serious being the case of Driver V. A. Skirving, who broke his arm, and that of Private W. C. W. Clarke, who was injured by a fall from a horse. A few horses were lost on the voyage, but the rest were landed in excellent condition, and are already quite fit for hard work anywhere.

Green Point cannot be called exactly an ideal camping ground. The situation, about three miles from the heart of the city, on a high plateau overlooking the beautiful blue bay, is convenient and healthful, and that is the most that can be said for it. These advantages, however, are counterbalanced by the fact that the combination of loose sand and strong wind which at the present moment appear to be its chief characteristics. It must surely have been called "Green Point" by some one who was anxious to display his power of sarcasm, and not by some one who was anxious to approach greenness or verdure. On the other hand it is a perfect little Sahara of sand. When the wind blows—and I can imagine the camper there asking sarcastically, "When doesn't it blow?"—sand enters into every element of life at Green Point. You breathe it into your lungs with every breath you draw; it is the principal ingredient of everything you do; you wash in it; you drink it; you carry it around with you in large samples in your eyes, your ears, your mouth, in every part of your clothing and person—awake or asleep, in your tent or out of it, you cannot get away from the dense cloud of dusty sand that forms the whole atmosphere of Green Point camp. This is especially the case just now, because it is the season of what is locally known as the "South-Easter." This is a strong, cool wind that, if it were not for the sand, would be altogether agreeable, if only as a relief from the heat that is so often oppressive when this wind is not blowing. In many ways it corresponds with the "Nor-Wester" of the western prairies. The people here say it is the great health preserver of Cape Town. That may or may not be true, but as far as our boys in camp are concerned, when this wind is not blowing, the most they would be satisfied to take chances regarding their health if they could have a little less "South-Easter."

Excepting for the sand, everything at Green Point Camp has been most agreeable. Officers and men are already more like veteran soldiers than volunteers. Everything goes like clock work; and the Canadian camp cooks meet favorably with the many camps of regular regiments that occupy almost every available space on the extensive area of the large sandy flat. When not on duty in the camp, the men visit the city, see the sights and have a good time generally.

A few days after their arrival there was a torchlight parade through the principal streets of the city. The Canadians took part in this, and though their horses were still weak from their long sea voyage, the men themselves had had such a little time to get things into shape, they made a most creditable display. I heard expressions of admiration from the sturdy Canadians on every hand, and many people went so far as to say that they were the finest looking artillery men that had yet arrived in Cape Town. Considering that they paraded alongside of the Royal Artillery, it was a matter of considerable credit to them that they only held their own, but were there picked out as objects of special commendation. Indeed, there need be no fear whatever at home but

that the Royal Canadian artillery, when they get down to work against the enemy, will acquit themselves nobly and do credit to the premier colony of the empire.

On Thursday, the 22nd, there was a grand series of military athletic sports held at the race track, Green Point, just alongside the camp. The large grounds were packed with civilians and soldiers—there must have been fully 10,000 people present. It was a well-dressed, merry crowd, and but for the dust, and a particularly strong breeze of the heat-preserving "South-Easter," the event would have been an unmitigated success. Indeed, in spite of the south-easter, everybody enjoyed themselves thoroughly, and the sports furnished many interesting moments. Here again the Canadians distinguished themselves. Without any time for preparation, they took part in the tug-of-war. Their team was not by any means the best they could have got together, and yet they beat all their rivals excepting one very heavy team of sailors from H. M. S. Doris. They believe they could make up a team among themselves that would beat even the champion team of sailors.

On Friday there was considerable excitement in camp when it became known among the men that orders had been issued for the two batteries to proceed on Sunday to Kimberley. Everybody was, of course, delighted at this prospect of soon getting to the front. Packing of kits and other preparations were immediately the order of the day. Then came the word that their departure had been postponed from Sunday until Monday, and then again, much to everybody's chagrin, that it had been further postponed for an indefinite period. The reason for this delay is understood to be the difficulty of procuring enough mules to pack the stores and the enormous amount of traffic that is now going on between Kimberley and Cape Town. As soon as this is available there is no doubt our boys will be sent forward. It is probable that there will be a delay of not more than a few days. Before the end of this week "D" and "E" Batteries expect to be on their way to Kimberley.

The Pomeranian, with the Northwest Battalion of the Canadian Mounted Rifles on board, sailed into Table Bay, at about 6.30 a. m., on Monday, the 26th. It was not until 5.30 the same evening that she came alongside the other ships of the detachment. The Pomeranian, with the Northwest Battalion of the Canadian Mounted Rifles on board, sailed into Table Bay, at about 6.30 a. m., on Monday, the 26th. It was not until 5.30 the same evening that she came alongside the other ships of the detachment.

As the Pomeranian was slowly coming alongside the quay on one side, a trainload of regulars was just leaving from the other side, destined to some point at the front. Tommy, on his special train, was very enthusiastic, and he started to cheer on the boys on the transport for all he was worth. Then our boys returned the cheering with interest, and for several minutes a scene of great enthusiasm prevailed. By the time Tommy's special train was away, the Pomeranian, and the single man on the board, excepting the healthy looking tank that came from the kiss of the tropical sun.

The voyage had been uneventful. Favored by almost perfect weather, the trip had been made in wonderfully good time for such a ship as the Pomeranian. Not a single man was on the sick list, and Dr. Devine, of Winnipeg, who was the medical officer accompanying the detachment, had enjoyed a sinecure. The horses had stood the calm passage equally well, and out of 575 on board only nine had been lost.

It was too late that night to disembark, and the men slept on board. The whole of the next day was spent in getting men, horses and equipment into camp. By Tuesday evening the whole detachment was in camp at Green Point, near to their comrades of the artillery.

These mounted men, more at home in the saddle than on their feet, inured to hardships of all kinds, good shots, the strength of the city almost required here, and already there are rumors in the camp that they are to be sent to the front immediately, or at least, in a very few days. Their horses, of course, will not be fit for active service for at least ten days, but the report goes that the imperial authorities are going to provide the whole detachment with remounts from here, so as to avoid even a few days' delay in sending the men to the front. It is impossible to verify this report, but it may be taken as a guarantee that Col. Herchman's riders of the plains will be very soon making closer acquaintance with Mr. Doer—much to that gentleman's disadvantage, probably.

With Table Bay crowded from end to end and side to side with transports, the streets of the city almost impossible for khaki-clad warriors, it may be imagined that Cape Town is, today, a pretty lively place. At no time, I should imagine, is this enterprising and busy commercial centre by any means dull, but now, with the soldiers of the war, and the crowds of "gentlemen in khaki," it is, as British towns go, about as lively as they make out.

Everything is war or warriors. If you took the subject of the war out of everyday conversation, and out of the local news, you would find the khaki-clad warriors away from the streets, the hotels and the saloons; it looks as if there would be very little left. Like Virgil of old, the Cape Town, today, sings of arms and men, and apparently attired with a great deal of compunction to whatever other occupations she may have.

When one comes into close contact with the khaki-clad warriors, and finds out who they are and what they are and where they all come from, it makes one realize, perhaps, for the first time, what a wonderful thing is the British Empire, and what a vast

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reserve of power she possesses. Here, on the streets of Cape Town, one rubs shoulders with soldiers of the Empire from every corner of the globe. Bushman, the Australian, cowboy from Canada, turbaned troopers from India, infantrymen, gunners and troopers from New Zealand, Ceylon, Tasmania, local South African levies, and yeomanry from England, the sturdiest crowd of mankind that was ever gathered together in one spot; all these, besides the ordinary Tommy Atkins of the regular forces. There is not a colony of the empire that is not represented, and nobly represented. Physically, as well, without a doubt as in intelligence and resourcefulness, the colonials so far surpass the ordinary Tommy that it is impossible to fail to be impressed with a sense of the reserve of power that the empire possesses in a loyal Greater Britain. South Africans perceive it clearly, and on every hand here one hears unstinted praise of the colonials. Many go so far as to say that the quality of the already here one colonial is worth half a dozen Tommies, and even the imperial authorities, to whom such an idea is absolutely contrary to all military canons, tacitly admit the fact by the untold use they are making of all the colonial forces.

In Cape Town, at present, are quite a large number of fine young fellows, whose patriotism, stimulated by a healthy love of adventure, has prompted them to undertake the journey at their own expense, purely out of the love of finding a place in the ranks of one or other of the many bodies of mounted infantry that are now being raised here. The old-time roving spirit of the Britisher, his love of hard knocks and stirring adventure, must be strong as ever. Many of the European races, and I fear I must also say, many Americans, have for a long time had a trick of sneering at the Britisher as an effete and played out individual. Let them come to Cape Town for a week, and for ever so far as they are concerned, the sneer is dead. From the mother land, as well as from every never land where dwell the offspring, there are here now many a sturdy gentleman who has thrown off comedy, pleasure, even remunerative occupation, has paid his own way to Cape Town, partly out of sheer love of adventure, partly out of a still nobler love of country, to take as big a share as he can get of the dangers and hardships of this campaign. I, personally, have met old countrymen, who have everything that, to the mind of the ordinary man, makes life worth living—wealth in abundance, good friends, happy family connections, homes among the most luxurious in England, all of gentle, many of aristocratic birth—and yet all this they eagerly cast aside for the opportunity of living the life of a trooper on active service in a hazardous, breath-tropic sun, and against as brave and as crafty a foe as the world could produce. From almost every colony are others—men, perhaps, not so "well fixed" at home, but to whom the expense of the long trip is an infinitely greater sacrifice, all here on the same mission, to see something of the "fun" before it is over. Among such men I met two fine young fellows from Canada: W. E. Rylands, of Millwood, and H. R. Page of Beulah, both places in Manitoba. They were exactly the kind of men that are wanted here, and they soon found a chance of satisfying their ambitions.

They are now troopers of Brabant's Horse, and are on their way to the front. H. S. WHITE.

DELAGOYA BAY AWARD.

Considerable Dissatisfaction Expressed in Both London and Washington.
BERNE, Switzerland, March 26.—The following is the text of the decision in the Delagoa Bay Railway award, which is in six clauses:
1. The Portuguese government, as the defending party, is condemned to pay to the government of the United States and to Great Britain, the claimants, altogether, in satisfaction of the £28,000 paid on account in 1890, the sum of 15,314,000 francs in legal Swiss money, with simple interest on this sum at the rate of five per cent. per annum from June 15, 1889, up to the date of payment of said sum.

2. This sum, after deducting what is necessary to defray the cost of arbitration falling on the claimants and in addition to the balance of £28,000 paid on account in 1890 shall be employed in the payment of bondholders and other creditors of the Delagoa Bay Railway company, according to their standing. The claimants will draw up a scale of distribution for this purpose. The Portuguese government will have to pay into the hands of the United States and Great Britain, according to the same scale, shall also be paid, in satisfaction of the bondholders, the sum of 15,314,000 francs in legal Swiss money, with simple interest on this sum at the rate of five per cent. per annum from June 15, 1889, up to the date of payment of said sum.

3. The delay of six months fixed by last line of clause 4 of the arbitration compromise shall run from this day forth.

4. The costs of the arbitration, according to a scale to be drawn up by the arbitrators, shall be borne by equal parts by the three parties to the suit, that is to say, a third part by each of them.

5. The conclusions of the parties in so far as they differ from the above awards are set aside.

6. An authentic copy of the present award will be delivered through the intermediary of the Swiss Federal Council to each of the three parties to the case.

The award is unanimous.

D. A. RAILWAY.

Annual Meeting of the Company in London—A Strong Board.

LONDON, March 30.—The annual meeting of the Dominion Atlantic Railway was held today, President Charles Fitch Kemp in the chair. There was a large attendance of shareholders. The policy of the company was clearly indicated in the various directors' speeches and unanimously approved and the directors were re-elected.

The directors are Charles Fitch Kemp, Thomas Robert Donaldson, and Axel-Bald Denny, the famous ship-builder of Dumbarton, constituting one of the strongest boards in the city of London. After the announcement of the dividend, a hearty vote of thanks to the superintendent secretary and leading officers of the company was passed.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.—Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that on or about April 15, 1900, a fixed white lantern light will be established on the structure recently erected on a site dry at low water, on the easterly side and 125 feet from the edge of the present dredged channel, in the

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