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Our readers will please overlook any dearth of editorial matter on the ground that the editor has only just returned from his 'sea legs' yet.

Our subscribers have all been furnished with statements of their accounts, and many of them have responded most promptly. To these we beg to return our thanks. We would be most pleased if all others would remit with as little delay as possible. This is the time of year when we have large bills to pay, and we must depend on our subscribers for the means necessary to meet these demands.

REPORTS from the Belfast and Murray Harbor districts indicate that the Government candidates are bound to have a hard road to travel in these districts when the bye-elections are brought on. The Government cannot judge with impunity that they cannot persist in their carnal of recklessness and extravagance at the public expense right before the people's eyes, without being brought to task.

The indications point strongly to a general Dominion election in the early part of 1900. The Laurier Government are evidently convinced that they are fast losing out, and that their only hope of retaining power is an appeal to the people before the full extent of their political perverseness is fully exposed to the search light of investigation. In this their hope may prove vain; for the people are already cognizant of the wickedness of their false promises and broken pledges.

The most absorbing topic these days is the war in the Transvaal. The news to hand at latest accounts indicate a state of affairs that is serious enough. Some of the British troops seem to have fallen into the hands of the Boers, and have possibly been destroyed. These Boers seem to be desperate fighters, and they seem to be well equipped and officered.

Col. Murray, D. O. C., received a despatch Friday morning from Col. Otter stating that he had no more room for volunteers and that those already enrolled for the second Contingent would not be required.

AT OTTAWA.

THE CANADIAN CORPS.—PREMIER AND PARTY HAVE SURRENDERED AND ARE NOW LOADING DOWN THE CORPS WITH OFFICERS—SEE CHARGES TO THE FRONT.

OTTAWA, Oct. 27.—For the moment the department of Militia is the chief part of the government, Mr. Wilfrid Laurier is lecturing and kissing him in Ontario, leaving Mr. Fielding with him. Mr. Sifton is campaigning and bargaining in the west.

IT IS A CANADIAN CORPS. The idea that this was not to be a Canadian corps, but only a gathering of volunteers for the British army, which the government was allowing to depart in peace, is finally abandoned. The force of public opinion has been too much even for Mr. Tarte. In one respect the reaction has gone to a ridiculous extreme. At first it was announced that no officer higher in rank than a major would be recognized, and besides one major there would be only the company officers.

A POPULAR MOVEMENT. If Sir Wilfrid and Mr. Tarte had been more strongly opposed than they were to the despatch of the government of a contingent to Africa, they would have backed down before the overwhelming impulse of popular enthusiasm.

DEATH OF MR. MITCHELL. Hon. Peter Mitchell, who has been in poor health for some time, was found dead in his bed at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, on Wednesday. He died at the age of 58 years. He was a distinguished public career. He was one of the principal actors in the confederation movement in his own province, and in the last of the New Brunswick fathers of confederation.

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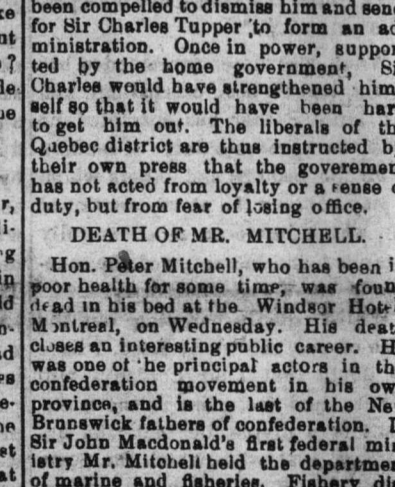
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A Fight at Kimberly—90 Boer Prisoners Arrive at Pietermaritzburg.—British Defeated with Great Loss at Ladysmith—3 Regiments Captured.—Buller Arrives.

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THE REVOUOT OF BOURASSA. THE GOVERNMENT has one supporter who has not been able to change his opinion. Mr. Bourassa is a prominent French Canadian member. He was a great friend of the premier, and received from him the appointment of secretary to the international commission at Washington and Quebec.

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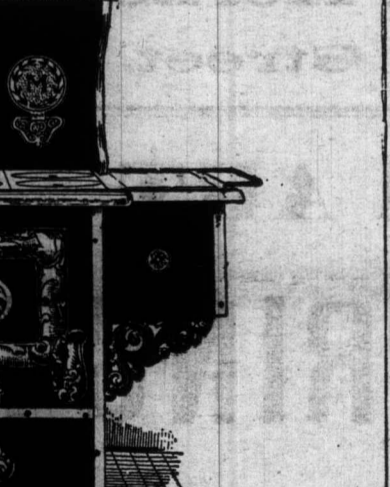
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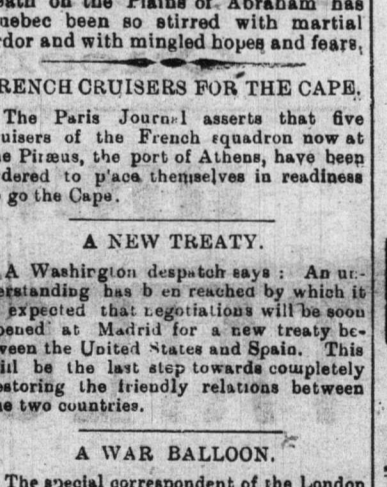
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