

OUR MOUNTED RIFLES

Were Engaged Friday Last in the Fight at Honing Spruit With DeWet's Force.

Outpost Cut Off by the Enemy and Two Canadians Killed, One Officer and Four Men Wounded, and Three Captured

LONDON, June 22.—The following despatch has been received from Lord Roberts: "PRETORIA, June 22.—Jan Hamilton's column reached the Springs yesterday en route to Heidelberg, where they will join Buller's column tomorrow, thus opening up communication between Pretoria and Natal, and preventing any joint action between the Transvaalers and the people of the Orange River colony."

Baden-Powell reports from Rustenburg that he fired by the railroads very pacific and cordial on his return journey hence. Commandant Steyn and two actively hostile field cornets had been captured during his absence. Lord Edward Cecil, the administrator of the Rustenburg district, has to date collected 3,000 rifles from the district. The commissaire at Kroonstad reports that 341 rifles have been handed in at Wolmarstrand."

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STANDERTON OCCUPIED. KAATSBOSCH, June 22.—Gen. Dundonald, with the third cavalry brigade, occupied Standerton today without opposition. The burghers left yesterday after having blown up the railroad bridge and doing other damage. The infantry marched twenty-two miles today and camped at Kaatsbosch Spruit tonight.

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THE CAPTURE OF A LARGE CONVOY. With an escort of Highlanders, near Heidelberg, show that the depressing story was suppressed as long as possible. There has clearly been a good deal of blundering on the British side. Despatches, yesterday of an anti-climatic in the vicinity of Lindley was not credible to British arms and details of the capture of a large convoy.

KRUGER'S CONDITION FOR PEACE. LOURENZO MARQUES, June 22.—President Kruger's principal condition for immediate peace is that he be allowed to stay in the country. There are 5,000 British sick and wounded at Pretoria. Mrs. Reitz, wife of the Transvaal state secretary, and her family, who arrived here en route for Europe, had so little money that the Dutch consul purchased second class steamship tickets for them.

CHINA WAS AT WAR. With Europe, America and Japan. This well informed official could not find in yesterday's dispatches any evidence that the relief column under Seymour had reached Pekin or that the legations were safe. Chinese assurances were of no value, and the news from China was a tissue of rumors. This informant declined to believe that the legations were safe, since he remembered how easy it would have been for the Boers and soldiers to command every embassy except the Austrian from the South, which towered above them a short distance away.

WAR SUMMARY. LONDON, June 25.—The Transvaal military incidents are summed up officially by Lord Roberts in the following message to the War Office: "PRETORIA, Sunday, 11.30 a. m.—Buller reached Standerton June 22. He found a good deal of rolling stock. All the Dutch residents had left the town. The British prisoners captured since our occupation of Pretoria have been taken to Machadodorp. Heidelberg occupied Heidelberg Saturday. The enemy fled, pursued by our mounted men six or seven miles. The previous day Broadwood's cavalry had a skirmish with the enemy, dispersing them completely and capturing six. Hunter's advance brigade reached Johannesburg, toward Heidelberg, June 22. "The enemy attacked our post at Honingspruit, and before reinforcements arrived from Kroonstad they had burned three culverts. These had all been repaired by this afternoon." Associated Press despatch from Cape Town, dated yesterday, says: "The British casualties at Honingspruit were 27 killed and wounded."

IN THIS TANGLED MAZE of uncertainties. One is the necessity for an army of 50,000 to 100,000 men. If China is to be rescued from anarchy and the second fact that the Chinese troops are well armed and in better condition for warfare under modern

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ASHANTI WAR. LONDON, June 25.—The government has received despatches from Ashanti indicating that the relief of Kumassi should be accomplished this week. About 500 men of the British Central African native forces called June 22 for Shan Ashanti, where they will be employed to quell the rising. This is the first time that British Central Africa has been called upon to partake in the responsibilities of the empire.

NOT TO BE INTIMIDATED. Of all the impediments to a good understanding between Russia and Japan, the most dangerous will be the continuance among the ruling class in Russia of the delusion that intimidation is the best argument to employ in reasoning with the Japanese. The Russians cannot too soon disabuse themselves of this dangerous notion, if they are really anxious to cultivate friendly relations with this nation.—Japan Times.

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where he had gone to pick up supplies and some heavy guns preparatory to acting in combination with columns from Lindley, Heidelberg and Heidelberg. He drove the enemy north of Sand Spruit, with loss. No casualties were reported.

Jan Hamilton reports that Heidelberg is the most English town he has ever yet seen. The inhabitants gave him a great reception. The streets were crowded and decorated with bunting. Capt. Valentine, of the Union Jack in the Market square, amidst the cheers of the populace, and the British, Australian and other colonial troops. God Save the Queen was sung, the crowds heartily joining in. The poor royalists have had a rough time lately. "Hutton's mounted infantry skirmished with the Boers yesterday, a few miles southeast of Pretoria. Capt. Anley is reported to have managed the little business very well. "Lieut. Crisp and one of the Northumberland Fusiliers were wounded."

CANADIAN OFFICER WOUNDED. TORONTO, June 23.—A London cable from Lieut. Inglis of 4th troop, C. M. R., was seriously wounded in the fight at Honing Spruit.

L'E. INGLIS WOUNDED. OTTAWA, June 23.—In response to Chamberlain's inquiry, the department of militia has sent to the war office a copy of the order in council containing the terms of enlistment of the Canadian contingents. The militia department received today a despatch from Lieut. Inglis of the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles, formerly of H. M. S. Berkshire regiment, also of the convalescence of Private Hiam of Montreal. In the first contingent, who had been reported as seriously wounded, a Col. Oker cables from Pretoria, June 25, that no casualties have occurred since June 19th, the date of his last despatch.

WAR SUMMARY. LONDON, June 26, 4.22 a. m.—Lord Roberts's six columns are converging rapidly, so as to close in upon the Free Staters, although decisive results cannot be expected for several days. A number of Boers who were supposed to be within the wide ring net, have broken, or rather stolen, through Gen. Rundle's Ficksburg-Senekal lines. The Canadians were engaged in the Honing Spruit fight last Friday. Gen. DeWet's men first cut off a Canadian outpost of mounted rifles at dawn, two being killed, Lieut. Triglis and four others being wounded, and three being captured. The Free Staters then attacked the camp where there were fifty Canadians and two companies of Shropshires, though without much effect, as the men were well entrenched.

The foreign military attaches who were with Lord Roberts, are now in Cape Town en route for Europe. U. S. Consul Hay of Pretoria is going to Machadodorp in the interest of the British prisoners and to see President Kruger. Eighty Hollanders have been lodged in jail at Standerton for destroying property prior to the British occupation. The wives and children of the British Boers are surprised that the British do not loot, but pay for what they get. The Lourenzo Marquez correspondent near Standerton on June 23. Two trainmen were killed and four badly hurt.

A party of Brabant's Horse, near Ficksburg, saw a camel of khaki clad British, and walked in, only to find themselves among the Boers. The visitors surrendered. The Lourenzo Marquez correspondent of the Times, telegraphing yesterday, says: "The Boers are losing a large number of horses from the cold and from lack of food, and the survivors are in a miserable condition. The inadequacy of the Boer commissariat is telling on the burghers."

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Souris Board of Trade Meets Officers - Funeral of the Late George Owen Who Died at Ottawa.

CHARLOTTETOWN, June 21.—Joseph R. Brooks, of the firm of Wright Bros., Victoria, and Ethel Blanche Crossman were married yesterday by Rev. M. Forbes. The feast of St. Aloysius, patron saint of the League of the Cross Temperance Society, was celebrated here today. Rev. C. McMillan preached the sermon. In the evening the members of the society marched in procession to the cathedral.

30, part I, regulations and orders for the militia, 1888. Lieutenant and Esvelt Major R. G. E. Leckie is transferred to the reserve of officers. To be captain, Lieut. J. W. S. Black, vice F. E. Black, promoted. To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. H. E. Scovill, vice R. G. E. Leckie, transferred. To be 2nd lieutenant provisionally, J. A. Allen, gentleman, vice H. E. Scovill, promoted; W. H. Campbell, gentleman, to complete establishment. To be 2nd lieutenant provisionally, W. H. Irvine, gentleman, to complete establishment. Kings Canadian Hussars—To be captain, Capt. J. A. Northrup, promoted from the unattached list, vice H. L. Borden, promoted.

ROTHESAY COLLEGE. Ninth Annual Closing - College Sports - Old Boys' Association.

The ninth annual closing exercises of the Rotsey college for boys began on Thursday afternoon with some of the preliminary sports, which were well contested. The main portion of the programme, however, was carried out yesterday. A very large number went out to the city, and there was a good attendance of Rotsey people. Among visitors from a distance were his honor Lieut. Governor and Mrs. McClellan, Esq. of the New Brunswick university, W. T. Whitehead, M. P., of Fredericton, and many others. The afternoon sports yesterday were keenly contested and two of the school records were broken. The high jump, won by Allan Kerr with 5 ft. 1 3/4 in. was an especially creditable performance. The gymnasium drill and physical exercises led by Dr. Walker of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium proved quite a feature in the programme, and the boys showed remarkably good physique as well as proficiency in these exercises. At the conclusion of the sports the assembly adjourned to the tennis court, where the prizes were presented to the winners by Mrs. McClellan. Speeches were made by a number of gentlemen present. On the platform were Lt. Gov. and Mrs. McClellan, Esq., Reverend H. Mathers, W. B. Armstrong, W. R. Jones, S. S. Hall, Dr. Scott and others. Rev. O. Raymond, who acted as chairman, congratulated Principal I. E. Moore and his aids, Messrs. Allen, Dale, Meredith and McClellan on the results of the year's work. At the closing a year ago there were 34 boys in attendance. The number had increased this year to 42, nearly all of them in residence. The prospects for an increase in the immediate future are bright. The health of the boys had been exceedingly good, and the only event that had marred the year's record was the sad and unexpected death of the classical master, E. W. Watson, during the Christmas vacation. Referring to the attendance of a large number of the old boys, Mr. Raymond observed that while the old boys were proud of their school, the school was proud of them. The record of Taylor, Peters, Arnold, the Bayfields, Ritchies and others had rebounded to the honor of their school. Fatis that just attained by W. B. Armstrong, the University of New Brunswick in gaining three gold medals and first rank in every subject taken in his college course was perhaps unsurpassed. Three of the boys are messrs. Markham, Fairweather, and Adams, and they will undoubtedly uphold the honor of the school by their courage and conduct. Short addresses all couched in very appreciative terms of the school and its work were made by Lieut. Gov. McClellan, Dr. Scott, Rev. W. B. Armstrong, Hon. T. R. Jones and Rev. W. R. Ralaine. It was announced that the lieutenant governor had offered as a prize next year a silver medal for proficiency in history and English literature. The announcement of prize winners was made by vice-principal Allen and the prizes were presented by Mrs. McClellan.

At the close of the presentation the rooms and grounds were all thrown open for public inspection and refreshments were handed around by an efficient committee. The fifth annual meeting of the Old Boys' association of the school was held at the close of the exercises. A large number of the old boys were present. The object of the association is to keep the old boys in touch to help advise the school and to encourage the students in their studies and physical exercises. Two medals are given annually by the association for competition, a silver medal for the best English essay and a gold medal for the best all round athlete. A cricket bat will be given next year to the boy making the best batting average in the school matches during the year. The following officers were elected: President, D. R. Arnold; vice, G. E. Graham; sec.-treas., L. W. Barkers; asst. sec.-treas., C. R. Hamilton.

THEIR WISEST COURSE. In Queen Victoria we greet the head of the nation that has been for long the faithful and valuable ally of Portugal, and whose friendship we ought to prize on account of the traditions, common interests, and destiny that bind us to them. Let us pray to Heaven that our political parties may see the wisdom of pursuing this course unflinchingly, for we know no other that can raise us and conduce to our development and aggrandisement.—Novidades, Lisbon.

MILITIA ORDERS That Relate to Corps in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

OTTAWA, June 22.—The following militia orders have been issued: 62nd Regiment St. John, Fusiliers—Capt. E. E. McMichael resigns his commission. To be captain, Lieut. R. R. Rankine, vice E. E. McMichael, resigned. To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieutenant J. S. Frost, vice R. R. Rankine, promoted. 57th Regiment, Carleton Light Infantry—To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. E. S. Kirkpatrick, vice C. W. Dickinson, retired. 73rd Northumberland regiment—To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. C. Donald, to complete establishment. 75th Lunenburg regiment—2nd Lieut. P. W. Smith, having absented himself from the annual training of his corps, is removed from the list of officers of the active militia.

8th Princess Louise Hussars—Lieut. G. S. Kincaid is granted rank of captain under the provisions of paragraph

