

A DEATH TRAP.

For Hours the British Troops on Spion Kop Fought Gallantly Against Impossible Odds.

List of Officers Killed, Wounded and Missing as a Result of Wednesday's Battle.

Expected That Lord Roberts Will Now Revert to the Original Plan of Campaign and Send a Big Force Through the Free State.

SPION KOP CASUALTIES.

KILLED.

- Staff. GEN. WOODGATE (first reported wounded). CAPT. M. H. VIRTUE. Second Lancashire Fusiliers. CAPT. S. M. STEWART. LIEUT. F. R. MALLOCK. LIEUT. E. FRASER. Second Royal Lancashire Regiment. MAJOR A. J. ROSS. CAPTAIN M. W. KIRK. LIEUT. A. W. WADE. Second Middlesex. CAPTAIN C. MURIEL. LIEUT. W. LAWLEY. H. A. WILSON. CAPTAIN C. G. BIRCH. LIEUT. F. M. RACHAEL. First Borderers. LIEUT. H. W. GARVEY. Second King's Scottish Borderers. LIEUT. PIP-WOLFERSTAN. Thornecroft's Mounted Infantry. CAPT. HON. W. H. PETRE. CAPT. C. S. H. KNOX-GORE. LIEUT. C. G. GREENFELL. LIEUT. P. F. NEWMAN. LIEUT. P. S. MCCORQUEDALE. LIEUT. HILL-TREVOR. Imperial Light Horse. LIEUT. RANDAL. LIEUT. KNOCHSCHAND.

WOUNDED.

- Second Lancashire Fusiliers. COL. BLOMFIELD (taken prisoner). MAJOR W. F. WALLER. LIEUT. R. S. WILSON. LIEUT. LECHARTON. Second Middlesex. MAJOR E. W. SCOTT-MONCRIEFF. CAPT. G. W. SAVILLE. CAPT. R. DE H. BURTON. CAPT. G. W. BENTLEY. 2nd Royal Lancashire Regiment. CAPT. W. SAUBACH. LIEUT. A. DUYKES. LIEUT. J. A. NIXON. LIEUT. G. R. STEVENS. Staff. CAPT. F. M. CARLETON. LIEUT. J. W. BALDWIN. Thornecroft's Mounted Infantry. CAPT. R. A. BETTINGTON. LIEUT. HOWARD. Imperial Light Horse. CAPT. COLEMAN.

MISSING.

- Second Lancashire Fusiliers. CAPT. W. F. BLMSLIE. CAPT. HICKS. CAPT. G. B. FRENCH. Second Royal Lancashire Regiment. MAJOR G. A. CARTON. Thornecroft's Mounted Infantry. LIEUT. POWER-ELLIS.

SUMMARY.

- Killed— 1 general, 1 major, 7 captains, 14 lieutenants. Total— 23. Wounded— 1 colonel, 2 majors, 7 captains, 6 lieutenants. Total— 18. Missing— 1 major, 3 captains, 1 lieutenant. Total— 5. Grand total— 46.

GENERAL REVIEW.

LONDON, Tuesday, Jan. 30.—The war office announced at midnight that it had received no news from South Africa beyond a message from Lord Roberts declaring the situation was unchanged, and there is nothing of importance from other sources. Every body is still in the dark concerning the whereabouts of Gen. Lytton's brigade and Lord Dunsford's mounted troops, and though there is no apparent reason to suppose that they did

fortifications. Between midnight and 4 p. m. yesterday 146 shells were fired. They seem to have been of Transvaal manufacture, not bursting widely. One child was killed and four people injured.

GERMAN COMMENTS.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The latest information from South Africa is unfavorably commented upon by the German papers. The National Zeitung says: "The British position around Ladysmith is now untenable. Either Lord Roberts must await reinforcements or remove his strategic centre elsewhere, abandoning Ladysmith." The Lokal Anzeiger says: "The defeat at Spion Kop is likely to become of decisive importance for the whole war."

The Krutz Zeitung says: "It requires a good piece of British good luck to believe in an approximately favorable issue of the war, but whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." The Vossische Zeitung says: "The best prepared and most carefully planned British operation during the war has now ended in complete fiasco. What is there now to prop up the sinking prestige of world power?"

WAR OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 30, 12.45.—The war office announced that no further news has been received from South Africa, except a report from Lord Roberts that the situation is unchanged.

LACKED AMMUNITION.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Central News correspondent, with Gen. Buller's forces, telegraphs: "The ammunition section of our infantry gave out in Wednesday's fighting."

NOT AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—An official agency has communicated the following to the Press: "In spite of unofficial statements that Dr. Leyds (the diplomatic representative of the Transvaal) is here by official invitation, his visit is entirely by his own initiative, and though he has received ordinary courtesies, his presence is entirely without political significance."

BRITISH PRISONERS.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Jan. 29.—Col. Maxwell De Villebois, the French officer serving with the Boers, is leaving Colenso for Colasberg.

The Standard and Diggers News, of Johannesburg, states that the Boer prisoners taken at the Tugela River number 210. Among the Boer slain is Lieut. Brasewiss, a German who joined the Boer forces two months ago.

HALIFAX.

St. John Men in the Mounted Rifles. The following extract is from a letter written by one of the St. boys in the Mounted Rifles at Halifax: "Up to now our worst enemy has been the mud, which is terrible, without exaggeration it is over the ankles. Our nice new khaki suits and puttees are getting very dirty. We have mounted parade every morning and had a parade in the afternoon. We drill on the common, near the new armories. The cowboy aspect of our camp is fast disappearing, as the westerners are all being fitted out with khaki. The men from the west were a most picturesque lot when they arrived, nearly all of them in buckskins and sombreros. They have several half breeds in the party. They are a splendid lot of men, all good horsemen and fine fellows personally. Most of the cow-punchers are in conversation with the men and found he was the son of an inspector or Superintendent Griesbach of the N. W. M. P. There is no doubt that the N. W. M. P. are the finest lot of men in the continent. Most of the cow-punchers have never seen any military service, yet they are going to leave tomorrow and have had no drill whatever. One or two of the men of our troop are going to be rejected unless they improve visibly in their horsemanship. We had a crucial test in this drill the other day, namely, sunnigh ride, and two or three had to dismount, one of them rather hurriedly. Major Williams, our squadron commander, is a fine soldier and knows his drill thoroughly. Day before yesterday we had enough mounted drill to do us for a week. Our C. O.'s favorite movement is taking up a position. Three troops are supposed to cover a frontage of five miles in extended order. In this movement No. 3 of each group takes the horses of Nos. 1, 2 and 4, who double to the front while the led horses follow the firing line. I am in command of the guard to-day. We mount five men in stables and three on the main gate. The squadron has just returned and they are mud from head to foot. Armstrong has the grip. Venning's horse stepped on his foot. McIntosh was kicked by his on light duty again. Bell was kicked on the ankle but will be out in a day or two again. With these exceptions, all the St. John boys are well. I have got a horse at last, but am going to try and get rid of his go another, as he is vicious and kicks. It is not likely that we will get away before the 15th of February. An old man just fainting by the main gate. He told me he had driven 50 miles to see the troops depart. FR. O'LEARY SAYS BOERS TAKE NO PRISONERS. Father O'Leary, the Roman Catholic chaplain of the first Canadian contingent, writing from the battlefield of Belmont to his brother, J. M.

O'Leary, of the post office department, says: "Around our position, a defended camp of Boers have been seen and the greatest precautions are being taken against a surprise. The Boers have been seen in force below us, and between us and the Orange River bridge, which they may attempt to destroy. "The boys know the Boers take no more prisoners. They proved it when, in the late battle, after taking from the British prisoners their rifles and ammunition belts, they told them to go, as they had no place for them. Hardly were they forty yards away when they opened a deadly fire on them, and few were left to tell the tale. This has excited our boys to such a pitch that they will yield their lives before being taken. As no mercy can be expected, they shall show none."

CANADIANS ARE POOREST PAID.

(Charlottetown Herald.) Letters were received from two soldiers from Fredericton, N. B., from Belmont Station, twenty miles from Modder River, South Africa. These letters bear date of 12th December, and the island boys had not then received any island mail. They were all in good health. Mr. McInnis says: "The Australians are getting a better show than we are, because the majority of them are mounted. They also get better pay. Their colonial governments give them four shillings and six pence a day, in addition to the regular pay of one shilling and fourpence. The Cape Colony volunteers get seven shillings per day, including imperial pay. So you see the Canadians are the poorest paid of any colonists."

THE LATE JOHN RUSKIN.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The remains of John Ruskin were interred at Coniston this afternoon amidst universal signs of sadness and with a ceremony typically rural. The coffin was hidden beneath a mass of blooms, including a floral tribute from the Queen. The body was laid in a grave lined with white tiles and close, according to Mr. Ruskin's desire, to the last resting place of the three Miss Beever, with the baroness's letters and the country were represented at the graveside. A memorial service in honor of Mr. Ruskin was held in Westminster Abbey this morning and was largely attended.

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On the Respective Merits of James Hannay and Stanley Chappie. (Telegraph Editorial, Jan. 24th.) There is no reason why the amount of tourist travel should not come this way than that present. The main difficulty has always been the difficulty of getting on the subject, but this difficulty has been overcome to a considerable extent by the publication of the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company re-published, at large expense, an edition of Mr. Hannay's History of Acadia, in a condensed form, and this book was widely distributed in the United States. We understand that a new edition is to be distributed this year, as the results of the last edition were found to be excellent. Our Tourist Association might very well imitate the example of this railway company in placing a book of real value before the public as a tourist guide. Hitherto the idea has seemed to be that any man who could work hard and write for others, without giving credit for them, was good enough to write a guide book, whether he possessed any literary ability or not. This idea, we presume, has had its day, and the successful tourist books can no more be written by inferior writers than successful novels can be written by inferior persons of the same calibre. This matter ought to receive a thorough ventilation at the meeting tomorrow evening, and steps should be taken to produce some really good literature for the benefit of St. John's tourists. It is to be hoped that the efforts that have been made by the association in this direction have been very satisfactory.

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OTTAWA, Jan. 29.—In the course of an interview today, Mr. Batten declared that he was in any way responsible for Col. Sam Hughes not securing employment with the forces in South Africa. The fact of Col. Hughes going unrecommended would, he said, be sufficient for the British military authorities. Col. Hughes lacked the smallest conception of discipline. He had taken him on the staff side in western Ontario, in hope that Col. Hughes would gain some knowledge of what military discipline really meant, but the lesson had been altogether lost. He hoped no misguided friend of Col. Hughes would call for the correspondence in parliament, as it could not fail to place the colonel in a most unenviable light. The senatorial vacancies will be filled this week, and although no appointments have yet been made, it is said that Charles Bruce, ex-sec. of the War Office, will get the post of Under Secretary. Mr. Temple's seat. Mrs. Balfour reported tonight to be holding her own, although she is by no means out of danger.

HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 29.—A heavy south-east gale and rain storm prevailed all day. The schooner Olive Louise, which left Halifax for Lunenburg, her home port, on Sunday, was ashore at the entrance of the harbor, and went to pieces. Capt. Zuehl, who was in command, was largely injured in the wreck. She was insured for \$3,000, only half her value.

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CAMPBELL, Charlotte Co., Jan. 18.—A Christmas tree was held in the public hall on Monday evening for the benefit of the scholars of St. Anne's Sunday school. After the distribution of the presents, a sale of cakes, pies, coffee and light refreshments followed for the purpose of raising a soldiers' fund. The affair was carried out pleasantly and successfully.

A masquerade ball was the feature of Tuesday evening. Many pleasing and original costumes were to be seen. Ernest H. Phinney, aged 11 years and 6 months, son of the late Calvin Phinney, died on Saturday, Jan. 14th. The funeral was on Monday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. A. D. Paul, pastor of the West Isles.

On Sunday, Jan. 15th, the death of Mrs. Susan Mitchell, wife of Captain Daniel Mitchell, occurred. Mrs. Mitchell had been in poor health for some time. She had attained the age of 44 years and 12 days. The entire community join in sympathy to the bereaved husband and children.

One day last week Mrs. Mulholland, a lady about 80 years of age, had the misfortune to fall, fracturing one of her legs in two places. Surgical aid was quickly rendered, but the old lady's health continued to be worse, and on Monday, 16th instant, she died. Her daughter, Mrs. P. B. Donoghue, of St. Andrews, was present at the time of her death. Mrs. Mulholland was a native of Ireland, and came to this country about sixty years ago. The wharf and storehouse of James A. Calder, which were recently burned, are being rebuilt.

RICHBOUX, Jan. 23.—Ferd J. Richboux of Shediac, who opened a law office here a few weeks ago under the style of Russell & Richboux, has closed it up and gone into partnership with Geo. V. McInerney, M. J. Collector. P. B. Johnson's baby girl, seven nine months, died on Sunday, and was buried this afternoon.

ST. MARYS, York Co., Jan. 21.—Miss Atkinson of Upper St. Marys is spending a few days in Margueriteville. Mrs. John T. Gibson, of Margueriteville, was yesterday the guest of the Robinsons. Miss Annie Johnson of Maine is spending a portion of the winter with her mother, Mrs. Asa Johnson, who has quite recovered from her recent illness. Mr. Nichols, who has commenced repairs about the first of March.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Jan. 21.—Mrs. Hammond, wife of Prof. John Hammond, principal of Mt. Allison Art School, died this morning at 8 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Montreal, leaving Thursday. Mrs. Hammond was about 60 years of age. She had been in failing health more than a year. Her death was caused by heart trouble, with complications. She was a very quiet, kindly disposition, much beloved by her friends, who will sincerely mourn her death.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., Jan. 21.—The small-pox epidemic in this county, which changed since last report, further than that the public health regulations are being enforced with great strictness. As yet no medical officer has been appointed to vaccinate persons and fumigate baggage coming from Quebec, but it is expected in Mountain Brook four additional cases are said to exist. Dr. Lunn, medical officer, has reported to be at a "bleb" and pronounced it as a small-pox.

The results following the use of the vaccine points which have not been satisfactory, and in a large proportion of cases which the vaccine has had to be re-vaccinated. With very few exceptions, the vaccine has been found to be of the highest quality. Dr. McNeil of the Quebec board is doing excellent work in this connection.

Dr. McNeil of Bathurst, who is attending the cases at New Mills, reports that only two of them are now in the hospital here. The vaccination is progressing rapidly, and arrangements are pending to have every house in town visited by a doctor, so that it is considered the best means to enforce general vaccination.

ST. STEPHEN.—The town elections passed off quietly here today. F. M. Murchie was elected mayor, with 12 votes. In Dukes ward, J. W. Dismore and J. L. Haley, for councillors, and A. D. Taylor, for assessor, were elected. In the Queens ward, E. G. Vroom and E. B. Kierstead, for councillors, and Thos. K. McInerney, for assessor, were elected. In the St. John's ward, D. A. Vaughan had 11 votes, and W. S. Stevens 10 votes, being elected councillors; another candidate got 12 votes. A. A. Mills was unopposed for assessor.

In Milltown, the Rev. Mr. Marchant, Mr. Edw. Farnham, Harrison McAllister, A. S. McKenzie, Jas. Cronin, J. S. T. Maxwell and Arthur Hill, for councillors; J. S. Andrews, Horace Whitney and Isaac Smith, for assessors, were all chosen without opposition. Mayor Murchie and the St. Stephen board of health met this afternoon and took steps to secure general vaccination against a possible introduction here of small-pox.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 21.—The secretary of the provincial board of health, was notified today of four new cases of small-pox, which were reported at Beauceville, Gloucester county. The marriage of Miss Lizzie Doherty, daughter of the Rev. J. J. Doherty, of "The Rowan of Lincoln, was solemnized in St. Dunstan's church by the Rev. J. J. Doherty, at 8 o'clock this morning. Notwithstanding the early hour, a large congregation was present. The bride was attended by her groomsmen, Miss Sarah Doherty, and Arthur Rowan, brother of the groom, acted as groomsmen. The happy couple embarked on the E. C. P. R. train on a trip to Bangor and other Maine towns.

Charles Brewer, a well known resident of Keswick, died at his home on Tuesday of last week, aged 82 years. He was survived by four sons and one daughter. A letter received by J. C. Heston from California Tuesday speaks in the most encouraging terms of the health of his son, Frank H., the well known court stenographer. All hopes had been abandoned of his being able to get back home alive. The news has been received with great joy. Capt. Carpenter, commanding the R. R. O. I. depot here, leaves for Kingston on Monday to take a staff course at the Royal Military College.

A hockey team was organized here Tuesday night, with Ralph Clark, formerly of St. John, captain. The team will play Woodstock Tuesday. A letter was received today from James Gray of E. field factory. He speaks in high terms of the chance for three stripes is excellent. The boys, he claims, will do all honor to Woodstock if they come in. He says the suns they shipped on the Laurentian were beautiful. Letters to the boys, came from Boston, with the boys, sends word to his friends in Woodstock that he expected to have five o'clock with Paul Kruger.

Matters are very quiet here after the election and the departure of the quota. Woodstock people feel most kindly to the St. John citizens who turned out in large numbers to send off Capt. God and his men. It is even yet the talk of the town. DORCHESTER, N. B., Jan. 25.—Hearing today continued through the evening before Judge Hanning, the application of the Rev. J. E. Cartwright and West, candidates for Hopewell, Albert Co. C. A. Peck, Q. C., and M. G. Teed, Q. C., for applicant Murray, and Hon. A. S. White and W. B. Chandler, Q. C., for co-adjutors. White and Chandler made

lengthy arguments, contending that the judge had no power to order the oral examination of the councillors and the non-resident voters of Woodstock. Their agents, who had no qualification, contended that the councillors proposed to let the rule nisi issue without examination of the witnesses, but this was opposed by the counsel for the applicant. The judge ruled to hear the witnesses. The matter will probably occupy several days.

ST. MARTINS, N. B., Jan. 24.—The recent heavy rains have very much interfered with the lumber industry. From several of the camps the teams have ceased work entirely. Snow is being anxiously looked for. HOPEWELL HILLS, Jan. 25.—Alex. Rogers is shipping presents to St. John and Halifax, that to St. John to be forwarded to the West Indies by str. Tiber.

Abraham Woodworth left on Tuesday for Salisbury, Mass., where he will reside for a time. Valentin Smith sold his timber land at Melmel for a large figure. Chas. L. Peck's steam grist mill has been kept running lively for the past three months. Mr. Peck is getting his saw mill into shape for the season's work.

Miss Smith and her daughter, Miss Marie Smithers, are visiting at the rectory, Riverside. Mrs. Reid, mother of Mrs. (Gov.) McClellan, who was seized with an attack of paralysis some days ago, has shown some signs of improvement and hopes are entertained of her recovery. Dr. W. J. Lewis of Hillsboro and Dr. L. Chapman held a consultation today.

There are several cases of whooping cough among the juveniles hereabout. Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Russell entertained a number of friends this evening at their home. MILLTOWN, Charlotte Co., N. B., Jan. 25.—The Union services following the wedding of the Rev. and Mrs. J. Kirby of the Methodist church here took 12 on trial for membership on Wednesday night as a result of the services.

The flag is flying at half mast over the public school buildings, in respect to the memory of Mrs. E. H. Balkam, secretary of the board of trustees. Mrs. Balkam was highly respected by this community. Last summer while gathering flowers in her garden for the sick, she was struck with paralysis. She was the oldest member of the W. C. T. U. and a member of the Congregational church. A son-in-law of the deceased is living in South Africa.

On account of diphtheria, the schools at Union have been closed. The brick kilns have been closed till the first of April. There is a great rush of business this winter hauling lumber for baths and box wood. One bath mill has already paid out \$1000. W. J. Kirby, Whittaker Co., No. 8, U. R. K. of P., was organized in Border lodge room, by Col. W. C. Hazen, member of the first regiment, with a membership of 24 and the following officers: Captain, Dr. W. J. Kirby; 2nd Lieut., Allan McDonald; recorder, Harrison McAllister; treasurer, B. H. Kerr; sentinel, Fred A. Ross; guard, Frank C. Murchie.

A subscription list is left in the post office to receive to the fund of the Canadian contingent fund. ANDOVER, Victoria Co., N. B., Jan. 25.—The remains of Ernest Gibson, who was accidentally killed while working on a special train near Megaguadivic, were buried here yesterday. He was accompanied by five of the Brotherhood of R. T. His mother and sisters and brothers have the sympathy of all. The funeral took place today. The floral tributes were very beautiful, including those from the W. C. T. U. and the W. C. R. U. of the city and Cantlevier Lodge, No. 407.

FREDERICTON, Jan. 26.—An accident occurred at the mills today. The son of Daniel Ryan and a man named Wilson, hailing from Nova Scotia, were on the mill. Ryan's farm and had made several attempts to set of a certain blast but they became careless and without a moment's warning the powder exploded, killing Ryan and hand badly mangled. A piece of flying rock struck one of the other boys and knocked off his ear. A physician summoned from the city attended the wounded man.

The New Brunswick Telephone company between St. John and St. Stephen, Jan. 25, is now completing arrangements for a line between here and Chatham. The poles are being set up and the line is being distributed along the line. The erection of the poles, however, will not begin until the snow has melted.

Dr. H. W. Gregory, who for several years has been practicing medicine in St. John, is soon to remove to this city. It is rumored that A. J. Gregory, the well known barrister of the city, will be a candidate for mayoralty honors at the next city election.

BLAIR LOSING HIS GRIP. (Montreal Gazette.) The Carleton, N. B., election, where J. Kidd Fleming was returned, was like the Manitoba contest, run on federal political lines, and the liberals lost. Mr. Blair seems to be slipping his grip, as well as Mr. Sifton.

PARCELS CARRIED FREE. ST. GEORGE, N. B., Jan. 24, 1906. To the Editor of the Sun: Sir—I see by today's Sun that the Elder-Dempster Co. have kindly offered to take parcels for Canadian soldiers in the field, from their office in Montreal to Cape Town, free of charge. Will they do the same from St. John and if so, who will take charge of them in St. John? This information through your columns will oblige, yours truly, CHARLOTTE CO.

In reply to the Sun's enquiry respecting such parcels, Troop & Son have replied that parcels will be carried free on the S. M. Milwaukie, sailing from Halifax. The parcels from New Brunswick should be sent to Troop & Son here. They must be of reasonable size, securely packed for shipment, and plainly addressed. The Milwaukie had only arrived at New Orleans, Jan. 22nd, and will not be able to reach Halifax in time to sail on the date first mentioned.

THE MARKETS.

Revised Every Monday for the Weekly Sun.

COUNTRY MARKETS. Pork has returned firm in the last couple of weeks, prices were in better supply last week and a little easier. Fresh killed poultry brought high prices, with frozen turkeys ranging down in price, according to quality. Meats and vegetables generally are unchanged.

Table listing various market prices including Beef (putchers), Mutton, Veal, Pork, Butter, Eggs, etc. with prices per unit.

There are now some large fat New-England hams on the market at 10¢ per lb. Receipts of fresh fish of any kind are very small. Pickled herring and salted herring are in good supply.

SMELTS. Large dry cod, medium dry cod, small dry cod, etc. prices listed.

GROCIERIES. Molasses is higher and a good article is decidedly scarce. There is no other change noted.

PROVISIONS. The market is steady. American mess pork, Canadian mess pork, etc. prices listed.

GRAIN, ETC. Oats, corn, wheat, etc. prices listed.

FRUITS, ETC. Cape Cod cranberries, Apples, etc. prices listed.

AT COST.

We will close out the balance of our Sleigh Robes at Cost. We carry the largest stock of Horse Furnishing Goods in the lower Provinces, which we offer at the lowest prices.

H. HORTON & SON, 11 Market Square, St. John, N. B.

Seal oil is higher, also olive oil. Cottonseed oil and all vegetable oils have lately advanced and the market is strong. The sermon was by the Rev. Mr. Dicker, pastor of St. Paul's church, St. John. He took for his text II Corinthians 1:10: "In whom we trust that He will help us, ye also helping together by prayer for us."

HAMPTON.

Annual Service of Kingston Deanery Choral Union.

A Magnificent Musical Programme Sermon by Rev. Mr. Dicker All Visitors Most Hospitably Entertained.

HAMPTON, Kings Co., Jan. 26.—The Kingston Deanery Choral Union held their annual service in the Episcopal church at the Station yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. Preparation for the service was made with the heartiest hospitality had been in progress for some days by the local members, and whilst the church edifice was the natural and only appropriate place for the service proper, the hamlet, but not less important for the comfort and sustenance of the physical being was most satisfactorily carried out in Smith's hall, where dinner and tea were served to all concerned who presented evidence in going to the union. At 10 o'clock there was a rehearsal of the united choirs under the direction of Dean Hanington, the rector of Norton, who has drilled the local unions during the year and brought their performance to such a degree of perfection that it needed only to listen to the work at this rehearsal to augur a most satisfactory issue when the full service should be held. About two hours were spent in these preliminaries, when an adjournment was had to the hall, where seven tables were spread with such cheer as appealed most strongly to the quickened appetites of those who are both travellers and singers. Large as the accommodation was, it was found necessary to perform this service in relays, and happily for those who came first, there was a beautiful supply, and for those who came last there was no lack. No only was the meal excellent as to quality and supply, but it was exceedingly well served.

By 3 o'clock the church, save that portion reserved for the singers, was crowded to the doors, all available sitting and standing room being occupied and the vestibule and outside platform and steps filled with waiting watchers for a chance to squeeze inside. The singers entered through the vestry, and when Harrison's orchestra, the organist, Mr. Hammel-Warford; the director, Dean Hanington, and the clergy, in their vestments, had taken their respective places, the building was literally packed. The union, as represented, was composed, as nearly as could be ascertained, of the following: Hampton and Norton—Rectors (Rev. Messrs. Schofield and Hanington), with Rev. E. A. Warneford and 52 members; Upham—Rev. Mr. Bates and 6 members; Kingston—7 members; Rothesay and Quispamsis—Rectors (Rev. Mr. Daniel) and 20 members; Saint John—Rectors (Rev. Mr. Dickerson and Rev. Mr. Dicker) and 30 members; Sussex and Apohaqui—Rectors (Rev. Messrs. Neale and 30 members; Greenwhich—Rectors (Rev. Mr. Cody) and 7 members; And Revs. Messrs. Newham, St. Stephen, C. Warneford, Johnstone, and Crosswell, of Springfield, making a total of 12 clergymen and about 152 singers.

The service opened with a prelude by Harrison's orchestra, Spring Song, by Mendelssohn, followed at once by the processional hymn, by Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, Bart., From Highest Heavens the Eternal Son. The psalms were chanted antiphonally, with organ and full orchestra, Non Nobis Dominis, to Turle, In convertendo, to an old melody, and Lundaie Dominum, to Higgins. The blessing, prayers and responses were intoned by Revs. Messrs. Dicker, Schofield and others, and the full Choral Union. Only the creed was said, and the lessons read, all other parts being choral. The anthem was J. Barnby's Easter Anthem, Awake Up, My Glory, and was given with spirit throughout.

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The sermon was good, thoughtful, and though not above criticism in some respects, was such as to give ground for the expectation that in every section whence the members came, the music of the church—the people's service—will be strengthened, widened, and beautified. Tea was served in the hall, and proved to be as bountiful and excellent in every respect as the mid-day feast. The Choral Union, through Rev. Scott Neale, returned their thanks to the rectors and parishioners of Hampton and Norton for their hearty hospitality; also to the leader and members of Harrison's orchestra, who annually give their services without charge; and as the trains came in from west and east, the members and friends took their departure, looking forward to another and still better meeting next year.

A BEAUTIFUL POEM By Mrs. Chapman of London, Formerly Miss Frances Sutherland of Toronto.

A NATION'S PRAYER. A nation bends, Oh God to Thee in prayer imploring Thee her gallant sons to spare— Her soldier host sent forth from England's shore To face unflinching the fell blast of war! The home of many hearts, the young, the old, the brave, the true, and the good, Let Thy enfolding arm protect and save When they the army form of Britain meet With steady tramp and onward pressing feet! Grant wisdom to our leaders, and on all Let Thy sustaining influence softly fall. Thou, the Almighty! give them of Thy might To win the victory, and the triumph bright. Before our just and honest cause be won We know that husband, father, and son Rest unworried, and in hearts of war! They die for Queen, and realm, forgive each sin. Open the golden gates, and pass our lost ones in. —Frances Chapman.

The above beautiful poem is being sold all over England at 1d. per copy, for the benefit of the Transvaal Fund. It is Mrs. Chapman's contribution to the cause.

This fact and the poem are of special interest to Canadians for Mrs. Chapman, now of London, was formerly Miss Frances Sutherland of Toronto, a gifted artist, and sister of J. N. Sutherland of the C. P. R. Miss Sutherland won so high a reputation as an artist that her paintings for seven successive years were accepted and hung in the Royal Academy, London.

THE TAGAS REBELLION.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The British expedition against the rebellious Tagas, under Mat Salich, in British North Borneo, has been entirely successful. Captain Harrington, with 100 Sikhs, after two days fighting, Jan. 8 and 9, against a thousand rebels, captured two forts and two villages, blew up the rebels' magazines, and killed or wounded sixty Tagas. The British had four men wounded. The remaining villages of the disturbed district submitted.

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SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived. Jan 26 - Str. Glen Head, 985, Phillips, from Belfast via Arratoon, Wm Thomson & Co, Halifax.

CANADIAN PORTS.

ARRIBOROUGH, Jan 26 - Arr. s/s Urban B. Llewellyn, from Sydney, N.S. (to lay up); Ella May, from St. Stephen; E. Mayfield, McNamara, from do; Jesse D. Salter, from do.

BRITISH PORTS.

At Bermuda, Jan 25, s/s Big Bell, Ward, from Sackville via St. John, (44) (detained 22d).

FOREIGN PORTS.

At New York, Jan 24, s/s Ventura, Foot, from San Antonio.

MEMORANDA.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Jan 26 - In port, barkt. Palmouth, from New York to Port Greenville.

SPOKEN.

Bark Cedar Croft, from Philadelphia for Port Elizabeth, 20 miles NW of St. David's, Bermuda, on Jan 19.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

WOODS HOLE, Mass., Jan 24 - The light-house tender Arzon took up the bell-buoy in Pollock Rip, which was previously reported as having drifted from its position.

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