

FOR THE EMPIRE

The Boys Who Will Represent St. John in the Second Contingent Given a Royal Send-off.

Gen. White's Losses in the Recent Engagement at Ladysmith Not Known, but Are Probably Heavy.

Canadians and Australians Have Been Doing Good Work Near Modder River—Gen. White Reported to Have Captured Four Hundred Boers.

Once more St. John has offered the lives of her sons as the test of her loyalty. Out from her precincts yesterday went another detachment, small but heroic, eager to throw their strength into the balance to preserve inviolate the bounds of empire and the laws of freedom.

THROUGH THE HEART OF THE CITY

About half-past seven last evening the men of the St. John contingent met in the rooms of the 62nd officers' club. A few of their friends and several of the officers of the different corps were also present.

A little after eight o'clock Major Borden, accompanied by Col. McLean, entered the room. The men came to attention. Major Borden reported that the roll had been called and all were present.

At the request of Major Borden, Aid. Macrae spoke briefly to the men. The mayor, he said, will present to you the farewell address of the citizens in his representative capacity.

The men were then formed up, with private Armstrong in command, and preceded by the 62nd band, marched out of the building. Their appearance outside was the signal for an outburst of applause.

ished its quota of spectators, who added their voices to the shouting that could be heard all over the city. Up Charlotte street to King went the crowd, greeting people to itself and increasing in size and noise at almost every foot.

The Currie Business college was crowded with cheering people; from every window a number of heads, and from every throat a cheer.

The Furlong building was ablaze with colored fire as the men turned down King street. Each corner turned was a sign for renewed cheering. Flags were waved from the tops of houses, and the different buildings were brilliantly illuminated and bright with flags and bunting.

Up German turned the crowd, and the wind almost strong enough to stagger one seemed only to act as a stimulus to the shouters, who fairly yelled themselves hoarse in their endeavor to give to the men a fitting send-off.

To the inspiring music of the British Grenadiers the men swung down Carleton street and into the institute.

At the historic institute. Never since its erection did the Mechanics institute contain such a large and enthusiastic crowd as that which occupied the premises last night. It was the citizens' opportunity to say farewell to the boys who were about to leave for Halifax en route to the Transvaal.

The crowd cheered for all they were worth and

MAYOR SEARS had difficulty in restoring order. "Citizens of St. John," said the mayor in opening remarks, "my very nature is my size prevents your seeing any of the noble young fellows behind me. But I will only take a moment or two. I wish Kruger could get a telescope glance at this meeting."

REV. JOHN DE SOYRES was introduced by the mayor and cheers were given both for the chief magistrate and the reverend gentleman. Mr. de Soyres said it was an enviable position to be placed in to have the privilege of speaking to such an audience.

DR. ELLIS, M. P., was given a very warm reception. He said he agreed with the Mr. de Soyres had said. He had never known the people of St. John to be so aroused.

GEO. ROBERTSON, M. P., was cheered when he stepped to the front. He quoted from Joseph Cowan, a radical member of parliament, to show that the war was a foregone conclusion.

MAJOR ARMSTRONG, the district paymaster, was greeted with cheers as he came forward to present to the men the badge gotten up by Payson Davidson.

THE SCENE AT THE DEPOT. Around the outside of the Institute a crowd gathered some time before the meeting was out. When it did break up the rush of people swept the mass back and against the walls of Calvin church.

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LADY TILLEY presented the men with parcels containing various useful articles. Cheers were given for Lady Tilley, who said a few words to the men as she handed them the parcels.

WISHING ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would inform you that in consequence of having to take account of stock the first of February we have to reduce our stock of Clothing and will make prices lower than ever to clear.

Fraser, Fraser & Co., - Foster's Corner, 40 and 42 King Street, St. John, N. B.

of the polished band instruments, the martial tread of the men, the shouting crowd, formed a panorama at once grand and beautiful. The columns of fairs had long since been broken up, and high on the shoulders of their friends, the men of the detachment were carried.

THOSE WHO HAD COME earlier and secured these coveted places were pushed down and on, their places taken by others, who again had to leave reluctantly but of necessity.

JOINED BY THE SUSSEX QUOTA. SUSSEX, Jan. 8.—The recruiting office closed here this afternoon so far as its business is concerned. Lieut. Col. Campbell of the 8th Hussars, who has had charge of this station, expresses the belief that there will not be a finer body of men from any part of Canada.

CAPT. ARMSTRONG was sorry that he had to sever his connection with the artillery, but he felt that it was his duty to go out to South Africa. (Cheers). He promised that his constant endeavor would be to reflect credit on the artillery and on St. John.

AT METHUEN'S CAMP. MODDER RIVER, Jan. 6.—The balloonist this morning located new Boer trenches, three miles from the Modder river. The Boers fired a shell from each of these guns in the direction of the guards and pickets yesterday afternoon, but they did no harm.

FOUR HUNDRED PRISONERS. LONDON, Jan. 8.—The crowd at the war office today was larger and more excited than any since the time of Gen. Buller's reverse. The lobbies were packed with enquirers, and the street outside was thronged with people.

FROM YOUR OWN POCKET In order to introduce our Assorted Steel Pens we are giving away Watches and Chains, Rings, Bracelets, Autokeys, Jack Knives, Fountain Pens, Canevases, Chairs, Air Rifles, Clocks, Skates, Sleds and numerous other beautiful premiums.

AT HIS OWN EXPENSE

MONTREAL, Jan. 8.—A London despatch states that Sir Charles Ross, Bart., of Balmagown Castle, has made an offer to the secretary of state for an offer to personally equip at his own expense a machine gun battery.

BLAMES GEN. METHUEN. LONDON, Jan. 8.—Lord De La Warr, in a graphic description of the battle of Magersfontein, says: "It is useless to disguise that a large percentage of the troops are losing heart for a campaign composed of a succession of frontal attacks on an invisible foe securely entrenched and unreachably."

A FREE HAND. LONDON, Jan. 8.—Speaking at Manchester today, Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, said that the government has given the generals in South Africa a free hand, it ought to leave them unhampered to solve the problem to the best of their capacity.

CONFIDENCE UNSHAKEN. LONDON, Jan. 8.—The Morning Post correspondent at Fere Camp, in a despatch dated Jan. 6th, says that the foreign military attaches, who are accompanying Gen. Buller, express astonishment at the high spirits of the troops, the excellence of the medical transports and the supply arrangements.

EIGHTH ARMY DIVISION. LONDON, Jan. 9.—The Daily News says it understands that the eighth army division will begin sailing for South Africa on Jan. 15. Several two additional battalions, including three howitzer batteries, will be sent as soon as possible, not later than the end of January.

SITUATION REVIEWED. Now is the Time for Gen. Buller to Make His Attack. LONDON, Jan. 9.—The sense of intense relief with which the country learned that Gen. White's troops had repulsed the vigorous Boer attacks after seventeen hours fighting, has not yet been disturbed by the publication of the garrison casualties which it is feared, may make a terrible list.

When about 4 o'clock Gen. White's official despatch was received the matter was intense. The afternoon papers containing the despatch sold rapidly. A sentence in General White's despatch, "The troops are elated at the services they have rendered to the Queen," spiced popular gratification and some of the papers emphasize it by using heavy type.

Lord Salisbury was at the foreign office this afternoon and conferred with attorney general, Sir Richard Webster, and solicitor general, Sir Robert Finlay. It is understood that the matter discussed at the conference was the seizure of the vessels carrying goods alleged to be contraband of war.

The Central News states that Gen. White has taken 400 prisoners in the fighting at Ladysmith.

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BOER WAR NEWS.

Boer Attack on Ladysmith Repulsed, But Gen. White's Case is Desperate.

Gen. Clery's Entire Division Moved on Colenso Saturday—Seventy Men of Gen. French's Column Taken Prisoners—Surrender of Kuruman.

All Saturday afternoon and evening there was hurry and bustle among the enlisted office. During the day some sixty men presented themselves for examination. Col. McLean chose from this number thirty-five of those most physically fit and in general the best for the campaign. These thirty-five were sent up to Surgeon-Major Walker, and from them he selected sixteen. These men are the very pick of the city's young manhood. Their appearance is certainly a credit to the corps to which they belong and to their native town.

The picked men were put through a riding examination by Lieut. Markham and Parks of the 8th Hussars. The men also presented certificates from their officers as to their proficiency in shooting.

THE HONOR ROLL. The men picked for service are: A. L. MCINTOSH, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. SERGEANT A. LEAVITT, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. E. VENNING, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. E. P. MALLORY, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. CAPT. B. R. ARMSTRONG, 3rd Reg. C. A., St. John. LT. J. H. PARKS, 8th Hussars, St. John. LT. R. F. MARKHAM, 8th Hussars, St. John. R. MCINTYRE, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. W. ANDERSON, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. J. NILANT, 62nd Fusiliers, Montreal. F. BETTLE, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. R. W. BOYES, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. DR. PRICE, Moncton. W. G. BISHOP, Montreal. SERGEANT R. C. HENRY, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. R. J. RYAN, 8th Hussars, Golden Grove. Besides these, the following men were chosen to fill up the ranks of the Newcastle Field Battery: G. H. JOHNSTON, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. H. D. COMEAU, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. W. BOWEN, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John.

The following men were enrolled at Sussex: HERBERT I. STEVENSON, 8th Hussars, Richibucto. HARRY METZLER, 74th Batt., Moncton. D. A. MORRISON, 8th Hussars, St. John. F. L. DOYLE, 74th Batt., Moncton. WALKER H. BELL, 62nd Fusiliers, St. John. A. H. MOOREHOUSE, 74th Batt., Moncton. FRANK S. MORRISON, 8th Hussars, Chatham. GEO. MCCULLY, 8th Hussars, Chatham.

The following men form the Woodstock quota: CAPT. W. C. GOOD, Woodstock. HAROLD GRAY, Woodstock. HARRY DYSART, Woodstock. J. ALLEN HAYDEN, Woodstock. ROBERT HUGHES, Woodstock. ROBERT WELSH, Woodstock. HARRY G. McLEAN, Woodstock. WHEELER L. LEIGHTON, Woodstock. FRANK C. BREWER, Woodstock. GEORGE SEARLE, Woodstock. NORMAN CAMERON, Woodstock. FRANK BUCK, Woodstock. WILLIAM KENNEDY, Millville. FRED H. EVERETT, Prince William.

HARRY HALL, Jacksonville. MATTHEW McLELLAN, Jacksonville. ROBERT SMITH, Lakeville. JOHN BARNETT, Jr., Hartland. GEORGE ALLEN, Florenceville. A. S. TIBBITS, Fredericton. WILLIAM P. LYNN, Fredericton. The Newcastle detachment is made up as follows: JOHN ROSS, Campbellton. GEORGE DUVAL, Campbellton. DUGAL STEWART, Dalhousie. JAMES TIBBITS, Newcastle. BERNARD KING, Newcastle. TIMOTHY CARROLL, Newcastle. SYDNEY MORRISON, Newcastle. DICKSON DALTON, Newcastle. SAMUEL CRAIG, Newcastle. JOSEPH R. WOODS, Newcastle. D. L. McDONALD, Newcastle. NORMAN McLEOD, Fredericton. BERT FINNAMORE, Fredericton. GEO. RUTHER, Fredericton.

The men who are to go to Newcastle leave this morning at 7.30. Newcastle will take fourteen battery horses and Woodstock twelve. The movement of these two detachments has been postponed by order from Ottawa. The St. John contingent of mounted rifles will entrain for Halifax at 10.10 tomorrow night. Arrangements for a demonstration in their behalf have not been completed, and it is not yet known at what point the contingent will assemble. It is not likely, however, that the men will start from the shed as before.

The men will wear the uniform of the 8th Hussars. Major Borden is expected to arrive in town this afternoon, and it is expected that all details will be completed then. Of the contingent from this city, E. P. Mallory, formerly connected with the C. P. R. telegraph office, is able to manipulate the heliograph. Mr. Nilant, who joined St. John's contribution to the mounted rifles, is a Halifax man. He spent some time at the Quebec school of artillery and is a fine looking fellow. He was for a time with the C. P. R. and came here at the opening of the winter port.

There will be six militia officers in the ranks of the contingent taken by Major Borden from the maritime provinces, namely: Capt. Beverly B. Armstrong, 3rd Regt. Canadian Artillery; Lieut. Reginald H. Arnold, 8th Hussars; Lieut. Ralph F. Markham, 8th Hussars; Lieut. John H. Parks, 8th Hussars; Lieut. A. H. Moorehouse, 74th battalion, and Lieut. Ryan, Canadian Hussars of Kentville, N. S. Captain B. R. Armstrong joined the 3rd Regt. Canadian Artillery as trumpeter at 13 years of age. After three years he became gunner. In 1894 he was appointed provisional 2nd lieutenant. The following year he qualified at the Royal School of Artillery at Quebec, taking a first class certificate. In 1896 he was appointed 1st lieutenant and in April last was appointed captain of No. 1 company, which command he has since held. Captain Armstrong was attached to the 74th battalion for drill in 1895. Lieut. A. H. Arnold joined the 8th Hussars in 1893 as provisional second lieutenant. He holds a certificate from the Royal School of Cavalry at Toronto. Some months ago he was promoted to 1st lieutenant. Lieut. Arnold is a skilled horseman and a good all round cavalry officer, besides being a splendid rifle shot. Lieut. Ralph Markham joined the 8th Hussars in 1894 as trumpeter, and was appointed provisional second lieutenant in 1895. He is in possession of a Royal Cavalry School certificate. Lieut. J. H. Parks graduated from the Royal Military College in 1896 and the same year was appointed 2nd lieutenant in the 8th Hussars. Lieut. Moorehouse joined the 74th battalion as provisional second lieutenant in 1898.

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GENERAL REVIEW. LONDON, Jan. 8, 4.50 a. m.—The British public is at last face to face with a critical moment in the campaign. It may safely be said that no previous time have there been such anxious hours of suspense as will be passed through until the arrival of further news regarding the fate of Ladysmith.

FRESH DISASTERS. The week opens with only fresh additions to the disasters that have befallen British arms, and there is no longer any sustaining confidence in the British position. The editorialists this morning flatly reflect the extreme gravity of the situation, with a painful undercurrent of ominous foreboding, mainly caused by the fact that, while the Boers have now changed their tactics and assumed the offensive, Gen. Buller is apparently unable to do more to assist Gen. White than in making a demonstration. The Morning Post says: "He might as well have ordered a display of fireworks."

As the heliograph ceased working yesterday (Sunday) it is probable that Gen. White's last message was sent by a pigeon or runner. Its purpose is serious enough.

THE GREAT ATTACK. The Times publishes a despatch from Ladysmith, dated Jan. 1, recording two night movements on the part of the Boers to assault the town. These had to be abandoned when the British defenses were reached, but the correspondent says it was apparent that the great attack would not be long delayed. He adds: "Loyally supported by the civilians, the garrison can hold out for a considerable period. We are not yet reduced to last resort. The greatest difficulty is proper accommodation of the wounded and sick."

Little doubt remains as to the meaning of the Boer attack. A despatch from the Boer camp at Colenso, dated Thursday last, and sent by Lieut. Lourenzo Marques, mentions that a thunderstorm had turned the dry ravines into torrents and flooded the Tugela. Doubtless Gen. Joubert felt sure he had secured a couple of days in which he could attack Ladysmith without fear of interference from Gen. Buller, who, even if he decided to attempt to relieve the town, would probably occupy three days in reaching it by even a victorious advance.

Apparently on Saturday Gen. Buller was not ready to attack. Possibly Gen. Joubert anticipated that Gen. Buller would shortly deliver an attack, and in that case, Gen. Buller may have actually opened battle yesterday.

THE FALL OF LADYSMITH. Great Britain has to face the terrible possibility that the next news will be the fall of Ladysmith. The disquieting feature is that the Boers seem to have had sufficient forces to enter Gen. Buller from attacking while themselves making strenuous efforts to reduce the town.

In the presence of this ominous situation even Gen. French's disaster, of which apparently the worst has not yet been heard, assumes quite minor importance in the eyes of the public.

AN EIGHTH DIVISION. The war office has already decided upon immediate steps for sending an eighth infantry division to South Africa. Some of the regiments for this division will be taken from Gibraltar and Malta. They will be replaced by militia.

It is asserted that the customs au-

thorities of the River Thames have detained two outgoing steamers and seized two large guns and six Maxim's, packed in piano cases, intended for the Transvaal. It is also said that a quantity of foodstuffs on another vessel has been seized.

AT LADYSMITH. Boers Made a Determined Attack on Ladysmith But Were Repulsed. LONDON, Jan. 8.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Frere Camp in a despatch dated Jan. 6 says: "A private heliogram from Ladysmith states that the Boers attacked at 2 o'clock this morning in great force from all sides. The garrison opened a tremendous fire and repulsed the enemy. Three distinct attacks were made. The fighting continued, but the commanding staff dwindled. The Earl of Ava, eldest son and heir of the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, was seriously wounded in the thigh during the assault on Ladysmith."

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 8.—The Daily Mail has the following, dated Jan. 6 at noon from Frere Camp: "At three o'clock this morning very heavy firing began at Ladysmith. It lasted fully four hours, and must have meant either a sortie by the British or a determined attack on the garrison by the Boers. Our shells could be seen falling on Umbulwenha hill, and the enemy were repulsed. "Besides the cannon reports there were sounds indicating smaller pieces of artillery in action. The fighting must have been at closer range than has been the case up to now. "Our naval guns at Chieveley sent their usual fire into the Boer trenches, but there has been no further movement here."

FRERE CAMP, Jan. 6, 7.20 p. m.—Heliograms from Ladysmith state that Gen. White this morning defeated the Boers, who crept up so close to the British lines that the Gordon Highlanders and the Manchester regiment drove them back at the point of the bayonet. LONDON, Jan. 8.—A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Frere Camp says: "Saturday's bombardment of Ladysmith was the heaviest yet recorded. All the heavy guns were working, and the Boers seemed to be pouring in shell from every available lighter gun."

REVERSE FOR FRENCH. Seventy Men of the Suffolk Regiment Taken Prisoners. LONDON, Jan. 7.—The war office publishes the following despatch from Gen. Forester-Walker, commanding at Cape Town: Gen. French reports under date of Jan. 6: "The situation is much the same as yesterday, but I regret to report that a serious accident has happened to the first battalion of the Suffolk regiment. From news just come to hand from them I gather that, with the authority and with the knowledge of Gen. French, four companies of the first battalion advanced by night against a low hill, one mile from their camp. They attacked at daybreak. Lieut. Col. Watson, commanding, gave orders to charge. He was at once wounded. Orders for retreat were given. Three-quarters of the force retreated to camp. The remainder held their ground, but were overpowered by greater numbers, when they surrendered. Seventy were taken prisoners, including seven officers. Gen. French reports that the Boer commando which made the attack on Jan. 4 lost fifty killed, besides wounding many prisoners. The commando was dispersed."

HARD PRESSED. Gen. Buller Received a Message from White Stating the Attack Had Been Renewed. LONDON, Jan. 7.—Gen. Buller has wired the war office the following, dated Jan. 6, from Frere Camp: "The following message received from Gen. White at 1 p. m. today: "Jan. 6, 11 a. m.—Attack continues, and enemy has been reinforced from the south." "The following was received at 4 o'clock this afternoon from Gen. White: "Jan. 6, 12.45 p. m.—Have beaten enemy off at present, but they are still around me in great numbers, especially to the south, and I think renewed attack very probable." "The sun has fallen and I cannot get further information from Ladysmith until tomorrow."

Gen. Buller sends the following from Frere Camp today: "This from White, dated Saturday, 3.15 p. m.: 'Attack renewed; very hard pressed.' "I have absolutely no more news, and there is no sign of relief. There is a camp rumor that White defeated the enemy at 5 this afternoon and took 400 prisoners. "I sent all available troops yesterday to make a demonstration at Colenso. The trenches there were all occupied by the enemy."

KURUMAN SURRENDERED. Report from Pretoria States that the Garrison Gave in on New Year's Day. PRETORIA, Thursday, Jan. 4, via Lourenzo Marques.—Field Cornet Visser, under date of Tuesday, Jan. 2, reports as follows from Kuruman, British Bechuanaland: "I commenced a bombardment of Kuruman yesterday (Monday) morning, aiming at the police barracks. The place lasted until 6 in the evening, when the garrison surrendered, issuing from the forts and yielding up arms. "We took 120 prisoners, including Captain Bates and Captain Dennison, Mr. Hilliard, the magistrate, and eight other officers. We also captured seventy natives, together with a number of rifles and revolvers and a quantity of ammunition. "Fifteen British were wounded. They are being attended by us, with the

responsibility invariably rests on the government, been fairly to a degree, but that the tactical and strategical training of the generals and troops, which is the special business of the commander in chief, have not been adequate. The time has come when the nation must rouse itself and find leaders who can lead, and place the resources of the empire at their disposal. Short of that there is no way to success. The alternative to success is the abandonment of the empire."

BRITISH ADVANCE. Gen. Clery's Division Moved on Colenso Saturday Afternoon (Special Despatch to the Sun.) FRERE CAMP, Jan. 6, 6.45 p. m.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon the whole of Gen. Clery's division marched to attack Colenso. General Hildyard had the left of the line, Gen. Carton the right and the cavalry the extreme right. The attack slowly developed and at half-past four the field guns advanced in the centre and commenced shelling the flat land between Hlangwane hill and Fort Wylie. A heavy thunder storm was then raging over the Boer position. At half-past five the troops were still advancing and were very near Colenso. The naval 4.7 inch guns and the field guns were dropping shells into the trenches and the river forts. The enemy did not reply. The day has been dull throughout, and darkness is now rapidly approaching.

SITUATION UNCHANGED. LONDON, Jan. 7.—Gen. Forester-Walker, telegraphing from Cape Town today, says in a despatch to the war office: "There is no change in the situation as regards Lord Methuen and Gen. Gatacre. "Referring to my earlier despatch today, I have to report that Gen. French reports, under date of Jan. 6, that the situation has been sent out to collect all the wounded to the northeast of Colenso. The exact list of persons missing French has not yet ascertained. Probably about seventy. The first battalion of the Essex regiment has been sent to reinforce the flank of the Suffolk. "The position of affairs, tactical and strategic, is without alteration. A Boer medical officer admits it was intended to leave Colenso. The enemy's loss day by day from our fire has been heavy."

CORPS OF GENTLEMEN. LONDON, Jan. 8.—It has been decided, with the approval of the war office, to raise a corps of gentlemen for service in Africa as mounted infantry, forming an integral part of the Imperial Yeomanry. The corps will be raised unit by unit throughout the kingdom, any civilian having the necessary qualifications in respect of riding and shooting will be eligible, as well as any former member of the army.

THE LONDON REVIEW. LONDON, Jan. 8, 4 a. m.—The news from South Africa, though it is not lengthy, is grave in the extreme. It is practically all contained in Gen. Buller's brief despatches, which amount to his sending on Gen. White's heliogram and announcing his own operation against Colenso, but reading between the lines it is perfectly plain that Gen. White's case is desperate. Whatever else Gen. White may be, he is conspicuously brave, as his Victoria Cross testifies, and his last dispatch, announcing his own appeal for immediate help, shows that he is abandoning hope of holding out much longer against the besiegers. Generals Roberts and Kitchener are expected to land at Cape Town Tuesday, when they will be met by the British force there. The Boer commander on Friday felt sure that he had secured a day or two more in which to attack without any possible interference from Gen. Buller. The Boer lines south of the Tugela River could not be carried or turned in less than a day. The second day would be needed by Gen. Buller to cross the river, when there he would be more than a day's march from his objective. The Boer commander therefore resolved upon a persistent attack, to try to end Gen. White's resistance. The fighting continued all day Saturday, and there is every probability that it was renewed Sunday. As Gen. White was hard pressed Saturday afternoon, he evidently thought there was a limit to his powers of resistance, which had then nearly been reached. Today or tomorrow the cable may bring word that Gen. White's division has ceased to exist as a military force. Gen. Buller on Saturday was not ready to advance. His resources were to order a demonstration. He might as well have ordered a display of fireworks. The Boer attack, which was a surprise, pushed the Boers into a position of embarrassment. The danger now is that Gen. Buller's second battle will bear the motto indubitably inscribed by the initial incompetence of the government. Every measure of this war has been too late because it already doubled the fighting power of the Boer army. That army will not be crushed by any such measures as the present government has devised or is likely to devise. Evidence accumulates that not merely has the general conduct of the war, for which

responsibility invariably rests on the government, been fairly to a degree, but that the tactical and strategical training of the generals and troops, which is the special business of the commander in chief, have not been adequate. The time has come when the nation must rouse itself and find leaders who can lead, and place the resources of the empire at their disposal. Short of that there is no way to success. The alternative to success is the abandonment of the empire."

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THE LONDON REVIEW. LONDON, Jan. 8, 4 a. m.—The news from South Africa, though it is not lengthy, is grave in the extreme. It is practically all contained in Gen. Buller's brief despatches, which amount to his sending on Gen. White's heliogram and announcing his own operation against Colenso, but reading between the lines it is perfectly plain that Gen. White's case is desperate. Whatever else Gen. White may be, he is conspicuously brave, as his Victoria Cross testifies, and his last dispatch, announcing his own appeal for immediate help, shows that he is abandoning hope of holding out much longer against the besiegers. Generals Roberts and Kitchener are expected to land at Cape Town Tuesday, when they will be met by the British force there. The Boer commander on Friday felt sure that he had secured a day or two more in which to attack without any possible interference from Gen. Buller. The Boer lines south of the Tugela River could not be carried or turned in less than a day. The second day would be needed by Gen. Buller to cross the river, when there he would be more than a day's march from his objective. The Boer commander therefore resolved upon a persistent attack, to try to end Gen. White's resistance. The fighting continued all day Saturday, and there is every probability that it was renewed Sunday. As Gen. White was hard pressed Saturday afternoon, he evidently thought there was a limit to his powers of resistance, which had then nearly been reached. Today or tomorrow the cable may bring word that Gen. White's division has ceased to exist as a military force. Gen. Buller on Saturday was not ready to advance. His resources were to order a demonstration. He might as well have ordered a display of fireworks. The Boer attack, which was a surprise, pushed the Boers into a position of embarrassment. The danger now is that Gen. Buller's second battle will bear the motto indubitably inscribed by the initial incompetence of the government. Every measure of this war has been too late because it already doubled the fighting power of the Boer army. That army will not be crushed by any such measures as the present government has devised or is likely to devise. Evidence accumulates that not merely has the general conduct of the war, for which

responsibility invariably rests on the government, been fairly to a degree, but that the tactical and strategical training of the generals and troops, which is the special business of the commander in chief, have not been adequate. The time has come when the nation must rouse itself and find leaders who can lead, and place the resources of the empire at their disposal. Short of that there is no way to success. The alternative to success is the abandonment of the empire."

AT HALIFAX. HALIFAX, Jan. 7.—Dr. Jas. Walker of St. John has contributed \$12 to the Herald's fund for the Nova Scotia company of the Canadian contingent, making it \$1,000. With the exception of a few dollars given to men direct, this \$1,000 and a similar fund in the hands of the mayor of Halifax is all that this city and province has given for our absent soldiers.

A GENEROUS OFFER. VICTORIA, Jan. 7.—The British Columbia government and legislature unite in endorsing the decision to offer a company of 200 mounted scouts, equipped and delivered at Halifax or any other named port of debarkation for South African service. Each will be provided with picked saddle horses, first class saddle uniform, rifle and revolver, the outfit involved being \$250 per man, or \$50,000 for the corps.

LOCAL WAR NOTES. Sergt. Herbert Pond, Private Harding Pond and Private Nelson Spencer, all of Boiestown, Miramichi, members of the 73rd Regiment, volunteered for positions on the second contingent for South Africa. Last week a rumor was in circulation that a few volunteers from Trail would be accepted for the second contingent. A dozen applications were made to join before it was found that the rumor was baseless.—Trail, B. C. News.

The members of G Company, 62nd Battalion, and members of the former St. John Rifle Company are requested to meet at Capt. Tilly's office at 1 o'clock, to bid good-bye to Corp. Andrew McIntosh of G Company, who leaves for Halifax tonight with the Mounted Rifle detachment.

A letter received from Lieut. Edwin K. Parks of the 8th Hussars, at High River, Alberta, says that he intended leaving for Bon River the following day to secure horses for the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

M. L. Oliver of Digby received word on Wednesday that her son, W. L., who is a member of the Northwest Mounted Police, has volunteered for South Africa.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

TRANSATLANTIC LUMBER TRADE. (Monday's Evening Globe.) The deal trade shared in the boom of business which marked the year 1899. Unfortunately, the cut last winter was not as large as usual and consequently some mills were without logs before the season ended. Mill-owners who had logs or could procure them were able to realize good prices for the product in the English market. As a result of the increased demand for a few logs or deals left over, and the conditions are considered so satisfactory that the lumbering operations this winter will be heavy.

The shipment of deals, etc., from St. John to trans-Atlantic ports during 1899, was quite heavy, and shows an increase of nearly four million feet over the previous year. Comparative statements are as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, No. of Vels., Tons, Deals, etc. Rows for 1898 and 1899.

The shipments from all other ports in New Brunswick to trans-Atlantic ports were as follows:

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A recapitulation shows that the total shipments from New Brunswick ports during the year reached the large total of 42,515,277 feet. The figures for four years are as follows:

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Children Cry for CASTORIA. FAMILY TRAINING. (N. Y. Judge.) Little Mike—Feyther, plowt is a bigot? McLubberty—Thot's roight, Moike; kim to me plinver yes are in doubt about the mainin av the worlwd. A bigot is wan av them 'dings thot ates holes in chae.

CALGARY, Jan. 7.—Sir Charles Tupper was thrown from his carriage yesterday while crossing the river from Edmonton. While his injuries are not serious, he is suffering considerable pain. But is able to proceed to Winnipeg.

156 POPULAR SONGS. With words and music complete. Grand collection of musical gems, sentimental, patriotic and a valuable treasury of the best songs, songs and beautiful songs. Price, 10 cents. Postpaid. JOHNSON & McLELLAN, 11 Temple St., Toronto, Ont.

CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John,

Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges.

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

To cure a headache in 10 minutes use Kumford Headache Powders.

Croup, the dread of every mother, is instantly relieved by Bentley's Liniment.

An effort is on foot to get a railroad built from Bristol, Carleton Co., to Ebeestown, a distance of about 60 miles.

Rev. W. R. Harvey has resigned charge of the Congregational church at Economy, N. S., and gone to Sheffield, N. B.

Rev. R. McNamara of Lindsay, Ont., the new rector of Gagetown, passed through the city Friday on his way to the latter place.

An Ottawa despatch to the Globe states that F. H. J. Dobbie has been appointed collector of customs at Woodstock, N. B., in place of W. T. Drysdale, deceased.

Isaac Withrow has returned from Moosejaw, Man., for a visit to his home at Windsor, Carleton Co. He intends moving his family west and making it his home there.

C. H. Rigby of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. has returned to Sydney from a business trip through Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Mr. Rigby purchased while away three million feet of lumber for immediate delivery.

Edmund Bachman, Shelburne's well known shipbuilder, died on Dec. 31st. He was the builder of the cruisers Osprey, Kingfisher and Agnes McDonald, the bark Romanoff, and many other vessels.

The annual meeting of the Insular S. S. Co. was held at Westport, N. S., last week. A very satisfactory year's business was made by the str. Westport. A dividend was declared to the shareholders, 5 per cent, with \$1,400 left for reserve fund. The same directors were appointed for the ensuing year.

E. Wheatley, one of the largest live stock exporters of P. E. Island, shipped last Monday two car loads of sheep for St. John to be put on board the s.s. Montrose for England. This shipment makes the total number handled by this firm for 1899, 14,262 sheep besides 2,244 cattle.

The kiln and grist mills belonging to Edward Munn, Brudenell, P. E. I., some three miles from Montague, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday night last. The carding and cloth mills were saved with great difficulty. The loss is heavy, and the message from Montague stated that the mills were not insured.

Articles of incorporation were filed at Trenton, N. J., Dec. 30 by the Townsend & Downey Shipbuilding and Repair Company of Brooklyn, N. Y. The new company is capitalized at \$1,500,000, and will build, repair and operate ships. The incorporators are James A. Townsend, Wallace Downey, Samuel Q. Brown, A. S. Sumner and Charles B. Brown.

A party of about 16 of Campbellton's young men under Charles French recently left for British Columbia, where they are engaged to work at Hastings Mills. The party consists of Chas. French, Michael Dowling, Palmer Keith, Rich. Lowe, Robt. Walker, Charles Hersey, Alphonse Theriault, George Gallant, John Martin, Hiram Gracey, John Mercier, Rich. Lane, Charles Burpee and Alex. McGregor of Jacquet River.

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Rev. R. McNamara, Gagetown's new rector, arrived at Fredericton from Lindsay, Ont., Friday evening...

A BUSINESS MAN'S RIGHTS. You should not think of embarking in business until you know something of a business man's rights and obligations under the law...

A Liverpool letter to the London Times dated Dec. 30th says: "Spruce deals are not at their highest pitch of price. By this, we mean that contracts have been made this week at 43 per standard c. i. f. for cargoes or large parcels by liners for specifications containing about 80 per cent. of 7 and 8 in. The value of 9 and 11s on the spot may be gauged from this."

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Rev. Joseph Hayes was ordained a priest on New Year's day at the Catholic cathedral, Halifax. Father Hayes is a native of St. Mary's, and son of the late James Hayes, and a nephew of the late Rev. J. C. McDermott, pastor of St. Dunstan's church.

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Send FIVE CENTS to the Daily Sun Office for a large map of the Transvaal, showing all places where fighting is likely to take place.

A table received yesterday by J. Willard Smith from Capt. Publicover of the sch. Fred H. Gibson, announced the arrival of that vessel at Montevideo from Havana.

THE JAPS DID IT.—They supplied us with the menthol contained in that wonderful D. & L. Menthol Plaster, which relieves instantly backache, headache, neuralgia, rheumatism and sciatica.

A Liverpool, England, letter says: "Doubtless there will be a big rush of spruce deals to South Africa as soon as the war is over, and may it be soon." It is quite likely that within a few years this great country will absorb as much spruce as England itself, that is, after it is opened up by railway.

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BLACK CREPONS, 55c, 60c, 90c, \$1.20 per yard. BLACK LUSTRE (Plain or Figured), 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 65c, 75c per yard. BLACK SERGES, 28c, 35c, 40c, 55c, 60c, 70c per yard. BLACK CASHMERE, 35c, 45c, 55c, 75c, 90c per yard. COLORED DRESS GOODS, 15c, 22c, 27c, 35c, 40c, 55c, 60c per yard. COSTUME LENGTHS (No Two Alike), \$5.00 to \$5.50 a costume. WOOL PLAIDS, 45 and 50c per yard.

JACKET CLOTHS.

Beaver in Blacks, Browns, Blues and Faws, 75c, \$1.10, \$1.40, \$1.65 per yard. Ulster Cloths (Smooth or Rough Finish), \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.40 per yard. Golf Cloth in Black and White and Colors \$2.25 per yard. Rider Down for Children's Coats, Plain or Fancy Colors, 45 to 50c per yard.

SHARP & McMACKIN, 335 Main Street, St. John, (North End.)

AWARDED DAMAGES.

The case of Runciman v. the Star Line S. S. company was concluded yesterday, a verdict of \$3,500 being given in favor of the plaintiff.

The questions the chief justice submitted to the jury and the answers are as follows: 1. Did the deceased, John Runciman, while the small boat was alongside the Victoria give any indication that he meant to board the steamer?

2. Before the paddle wheels began to revolve and before the steamer started John Runciman reached his left hand forward and clutched the rope at the steamer's steps with his left hand and with his left foot on the lower step when the back wash came and swept him into the water?

3. Bearing in mind his instructions on this point, the question is if there was any negligence on the part of the defendant company's servants or agents; what was it? Answer: The steamer was started while John Runciman was in the act of getting on board.

4. Was there any negligence on the part of John Runciman in boarding the steamer? If there was, what was it? Did it contribute to the accident? If so, in what way? Answer: No.

5. When the boat hook was withdrawn and the bow of the small boat shoved off had Oliver P. Simpson or John Runciman or either of them left his seat in the small boat? Answer: Yes.

6. Did John Runciman attempt to board the steamer for the first time after the small boat had been shoved off? If not then, when did he first make the attempt? Answer: No. The first attempt was made while the small boat was held at the steps.

7. What damages has the plaintiff sustained? Answer: \$3,500.

The chief justice ordered that a verdict for plaintiff for \$3,500 be entered. L. A. Curry applied for a stay of postea, and says he will appeal from the verdict.

D. Mullin, Q. C., for the plaintiff; L. A. Curry, Q. C., and A. W. Baird for the defendants.

WRECKED BY COFFEE.

Heart Failure Cause! By the Seductive Cup.

"I have been a great coffee drinker for several years. For a long time I thought I could not eat without coffee."

"I have been troubled with my stomach for two years. I could not do ordinary housework, except with great care, because of heart failure."

"I met a friend who said she could not drink coffee because it affected her heart so. I thought perhaps coffee might be the cause of my troubles, and so I quit the use of it about eight weeks ago and took up Postum Food Coffee. I have not taken any medicine, and I have gained so fast that it is a surprise to my friends as well as to myself. I can eat, sleep and work, do not have any spells with my heart at all. I have been wanting to tell people what a relief it is, since I left off coffee and used Postum Food Coffee. I want the fact published that it may relieve some poor, weak, nervous woman." Emma Pitt, South Washash, Ind.

THE DEATH ROLL.

William Woodman was found dead in his bed at Cambridge Station, N. S., on Wednesday morning, 3rd inst.

The death of Mrs. Eliza Struthers, widow of the late Rev. Dr. Struthers of Cornwallis, N. S., took place at the residence of Mrs. F. W. Chipman of Kentville, Jan. 1st. She was 81 years of age. She leaves two daughters, Miss Struthers and Mrs. F. W. Chipman, both residents of Kentville.

Mrs. Margaret Legacy, one of the oldest residents of Northumberland county, N. B., died Jan 2nd, at her residence in Nelson. Deceased was born in Bathurst 100 years ago last August. She has sixteen sons and daughters. Her oldest daughter is 83 years of age and is in perfect health. Mrs. Legacy resided in Fredericton for a time.—Advocate.

The death of Patrick Flanagan, a well known and highly respected farmer of Carleton parish, Kentville, was announced. Mr. Flanagan, who was a native of Kent, represented his parish at the county council for a number of years and took an active interest in municipal and other affairs. He was about 48 years of age and leaves a large family of small children. James Flanagan of Moncton is a brother of the deceased.

The death occurred on Friday of Wm. Oulton, a well known resident of this city. Mr. Oulton was eighty-four years of age. Previous to the fire he carried on a shoe business on King street about where O. H. Werwick's store now is. He was a heavy loser in the fire. For the past year or two he has resided with his niece, Mrs. S. Williams, Lombard street.

Henry Fennell died at Lower Woodstock Dec. 31 from fever.

Mrs. Z. R. Estey, residing at Macnaquac, York Co., died at that place Jan. 3, aged 83 years.

The death of George Laird from pneumonia at Lynn, Mass., is announced. Mr. Laird lived in Woodstock until quite recently, being connected with the Vendome restaurant. He married a daughter of Mrs. Burns Gibson.—Dispatch.

Frederick Simpson, who lived at Pollet River, was hauling hay on Jan. 3rd to Petticoat. He left for home in the afternoon, and when the team arrived there he was found lying in the bottom of the hayrack, dead. His neck was broken. It is thought he fell backward. He leaves a widow (nee Miss Bolter) of Fredericton, one daughter and two sons. Ed. Simpson, proprietor of the Mansion House, Pet-

ticoat, is a brother, Mrs. Barker of Moncton a sister.

J. F. Saunders, proprietor of the leading millinery establishment in this county, says a Digby letter, died at his home Jan. 3rd. He was a leading member of Digby's First Baptist church and held the position of secretary of the local Masonic lodge for many years. A wife and one son survive him.

By the death of Mrs. Rebecca Stark, widow of Lawrence Stark, Digby has lost a landmark. She was 74 years of age, and the eldest member of the Methodist church, Digby, of which she was, till the time of her death, a devout attendant. Five daughters and two sons survive her, viz.: Dr. John Stark of New York, Joshua Stark of St. John, Mrs. Hawksworth of Newport, Hants; Mrs. Troop of Bell Isle, Annapolis; Mrs. John Campbell, Mrs. Fletcher Warrington, all of Digby.

The death of Lena Handspiker, youngest daughter of Alfred Handspiker, Mount Pleasant, occurred Jan. 3rd, after a brief illness.

Harold, the youngest son of Charles McGrath of Digby, died Wednesday night, 3rd inst.

Mrs. Richard (Capt.) Lowerison of Annapolis died on Saturday, 3rd inst., after a long illness. She leaves a husband and four children, Mrs. S. S. Thorne of St. John; Dr. E. H. Lowerison of Halifax, Mrs. Horace Fawcett of Sackville and Mrs. H. R. McCully of Annapolis. Mrs. Lowerison was about 71 years of age.

Margaret Noble, widow of the late Francis Malone, died at South Melville, P. E. I., on Dec. 28th. She was born at Miramichi, and had lived on the island 75 years.

Benah, Chitico, an Acadian who died at Rollo Bay Cross Roads, P. E. I., on Christmas day, was said to be 104 years old.

William E. Goodwin of Lower Argyle, N. S., died on Jan. 3rd. He entered the new church at that place and set down in a new to inspect the building. He had hardly taken his seat before his head sank back and life was extinct. The shock of her husband's death proved too great a blow for his wife, and she passed away on the evening of the same day. The couple were about 66 years of age. Their children are all grown up.

The Sun's Ottawa correspondent telegraphed Sunday night that Lewis Blair, second son of the Hon. A. G. Blair, minister of railways, died suddenly at his parents' residence on Sunday evening. Young Mr. Blair, who had been in the west for about two years, acting as private secretary to F. Aug. Hélice, the Manitoba capitalist who built the railway from Trail to Rossland, came to Ottawa about a month ago, in poor health, the result, it is thought, of overwork, but no serious consequences were anticipated. He had dinner with the family Sunday evening, and shortly afterwards had a severe attack of coughing, which it is thought brought on hemorrhage, and collapsed almost immediately thereafter. Profound sympathy is expressed for Mr. Blair and his family, who had intended leaving for St. John today (Monday) to attend the wedding of George Blair, the minister's eldest son. Lewis Blair was well known in St. John, where he was for some time in the employ of the city telephone company. He was about 23 years of age, and was highly esteemed by all who met him in business as well as social life.

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INLAND REVENUE RECEIPTS AT ST. JOHN.

Table with columns for Dec. 1898, Dec. 1899, and Totals. Rows include Spirits, Tobacco, Malt, Cigarettes, Petroleum inspection, and Total receipts.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Table with columns for Dec. 1898, Dec. 1899, and Totals. Rows include Total imports, Duty collected, and Total receipts.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH GUILD.

A few very pleasant hours were spent at the meeting of St. Stephen's Guild last evening, which took the form of a children's social, and the social committee, who made all arrangements, are to be congratulated on the success of the affair. The work of the decorative committee was visible in the tasteful and patriotic decorations. Although it was a children's evening, and the committee and other members of the guild devoted themselves specially to the entertainment of the young folk, all the congregation were invited, and the large number who responded was very gratifying to those who had charge. Rev. Mr. Fraser in his address referred to Lieut. J. H. Parks, a member of the guild, who accompanies the second contingent. Refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable programme was furnished by the children consisting of: Carol choruses by children; recitation, Robt. McQuarrie; piano solo, Miss Eva Newcombe; vocal solo, Miss Helen Dick; recitation, Fraser Dick; Slumber song, Misses Marion Peters, Helen Dick, Jean Morrison, George Collins and Mabel Collins.

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TEACHER WANTED—A Second Class Female Teacher of some experience for School District No. 11, Parish of Saint George, County of Charlotte. School to begin first of term. Apply, stating salary, to GEORGE W. MCKENZIE, Sec. to Trustees, Catfish, Saint George, N. B. 18

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WANTED—A Second-Class Female Teacher for School District No. 16, in the Parish of Petersville, County of Queens, for the term beginning January 31st, 1900. Dated 27th day of Dec., 1899. Apply to WM. J. SMITH, Secretary to Trustees, Armstrong's Cor., Q. C. 17

WANTED—Second Class Teacher, Male or Female. Apply immediately, stating salary, to HOWARD GOOD, Secy. Clifton, Gloucester Co.

WANTED—By April 1st, a shepherd thoroughly capable of caring for a flock of about 200 sheep on a large farm with modern methods. An extra consideration for a young person of his family who will shepherd flock during summer. Apply, EDWARD R. CASSIDY, 19 South Hawk street, Albany, N. Y., immediately.

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Addressed at the Drill Shed by Col. Jones, Surgeon Major Daniel and Mayor Sears.

Presented With Gold Coin, Holdalls, Housewives, and New Testaments - A Scene of Wild Enthusiasm at the Union Depot.

At half-past four Saturday afternoon the artillery men enlisted here to fill up the vacancies in the Quebec company met at the drill shed to receive the last instructions and farewells of their officers.

The names of the seven artillerymen are: Charles William Kaye Cunard, 20, Wall street, student, No. 1 Co. George Frederick McLeod, Winslow street, Carleton, shoe factory employe, No. 2 Co.

Burgess Gregg, St. James street, Carleton, freight handler, No. 2 Co. Samuel John Withers, 24 Paddick street, teamster, No. 3 Co.

Frederick Temple Chesley, 143 Leinster street, bookkeeper, No. 4 Co. George Percy Kirk, 158 Duke street, bookkeeper, No. 4 Co.

Roy Armand Harrison, Gondola Point, Kings Co, sailor, farmer and soldier, late Royal Field Artillery.

Although the notice of the departure of the men was very short, and the public in general was scarcely aware of the fact of their going so soon, yet a fair crowd gathered in the drill shed.

The men were formed up and Lt. Col. Jones addressed them briefly. He was proud, he said, of the regiment, which had sent to the first contingent twenty-three men and one officer to act as infantry, and now when was used of field artillery.

Each of the members of the detachment were called forward and presented by Col. Jones with New Testaments from the N. E. Bible Society and with holdalls containing hair brush, looking glass, comb, tooth brush, tooth powder, soap, sponge, pin cushion and pins.

Mrs. Sears, on behalf of the Red Cross ladies' society, presented the men with a housewife, containing needles, thread, tape, pins, buttons, scissors, court plaster and darning worsted.

His Worship Mayor Sears, as chief magistrate of the city, spoke to the men. It would, he said, have been much more pleasant to him to speak words of welcome to returning men than to bid them farewell, as they went forth to fight the battles of the empire.

The different parts of the empire are units, and England expects every man to do his duty. New Brunswick was ever foremost in her attachment to the Queen, and St. John, the city of the Loyalists, stood well to the front in the province.

(Cheers.) But comparatively few were present to bid farewell to the first contingent of the second contingent, while the demonstration of citizens was not so large as when the first contingent left, yet the city admires the present detachment in perhaps a larger degree than it did the first.

His worship, on behalf of the citizens of St. John, presented each man with a sovereign, speaking, as he did so, a kindly word of well wishes to each recipient.

Serg. Major Daniel expressed for the regiment their hearty good wishes. It was most gratifying that all that response had been so ready and enthusiastic. This response dispates the illusion that the militia is a force only on paper, fit for sham manoeuvres.

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