

St. Patrick's Great Day.

Dublin Riots Over Mayor's Patriotism—Weather Tries New York Enthusiasm.

Record Celebrations in Canadian Cities—Toronto as Irish as Belfast.

Dublin, March 17.—The Lord Mayor's procession to-day was interrupted by many scenes of disorder caused by those who objected to his attitude toward the Queen. His carriage was stoned at various places along the route, windows were smashed and the enormous crowd was much excited. Occasionally the police were powerless to deal with the outbreak. Several arrests were made. The mayors of Sligo and Drogheda, who had at first accepted invitations, refused to participate in the procession.

IN CANADIAN CITIES.

Quebec, March 17.—For the first time in the annals of Quebec, St. Patrick's Day was generally observed. The day had been proclaimed by the Mayor a civic holiday, and the provincial legislature adjourned from last night to Monday in honor of the occasion. The procession was one of the best ever seen here. Many prominent English, Scotch and French citizens were in the ranks. Flags were seen everywhere in the city. Montreal, March 17.—Patrick's Day was observed here as in other Canadian cities to-day. The Irish flag floated on the city hall for the first time in its history. Hundreds of British flags were hoisted on public and private buildings, and all nationalities were represented in the parade. The day almost lost its significance as a purely Irish holiday. Mr. Falconer, the grand delegate to Canada, officiated at a public mass in St. Patrick's church in the evening. The Irish societies held memorial patriotic entertainments, which were largely attended.

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NEW YORK EN FETE.

New York, March 17.—The green flag of Ireland divided honors with the national and state colors on all the municipal buildings in New York to-day, while many business buildings and private houses flew the Irish flag. Overhead the day was all that could be desired for the celebration. Under forceful rain, the streets were muddy slush, through which the St. Patrick's Day procession tramped heavily. Headed by the 69th Regiment, with the first battery of Irish Volunteer Infantry, the parade moved over miles of streets covered with slush and water.

ROYAL YACHT A FAILURE.

London, March 17.—The new yacht built for the Queen in the government dockyards at a cost of £240,000, will probably never be used by Her Majesty. Her instability, so palpably demonstrated at the time of her launching, has caused the Queen to take a strong dislike to the vessel, and the alterations required to make her seaworthy and comfortable and convenient that it is believed will render the vessel unsuitable for the purpose originally intended. The yacht is named the Enchantress and converted into a despatch vessel for the use of the admiralty.

HANDLING DAIRY PRODUCE.

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FACTIONS IN CHINA.

American Government Urged to Check Empress Dowager as Enemy of Open Door Policy.

Shanghai, March 15.—The American Association here telegraphed to-day to the United States government that the attitude of the Empress Dowager towards the reformers would upset the "open-door" policy. They also said rebellion and anarchy were expected, to the detriment of foreign interests, and advocated prompt concerted action on the part of the powers.

The China Association will appeal to the British minister, Sir Claude Macdonald, on the same subject. Washington, March 15.—The cablegram from the American Association has been received at the state department. It has not been acted on, but is under serious consideration. At the first reading it does not seem clear just what connection exists between the attitude of the Chinese Empress Dowager towards the reform element in China and the "open door" policy of the United States. It is recalled, however, that the Empress Dowager, persecuting with relentless hatred the reform party, going so far as to resort to the barbarous practice of offering a large sum of money for the assassination of leading reformers. This reform element in China is believed to include nearly all of the members who are disposed to give China into a civilized nation, following in the footsteps of Japan. They realize that this can only be done with the help of foreigners, and are therefore disposed to the "open door" of the measure to liberalize and enlighten China, through the introduction of foreign capital and foreign methods.

It is assumed that the basis of this representation from the American Association is the apprehension that the Conservative party surrounding the Empress Dowager, in satisfying animosity against the reformers, will exclude the reform party from the masses of Chinese to a degree that will make the "open door" impossible of attainment in the future. It is a curious fact that our minister to China, Mr. Conger, has so far made no representation to the state department touching this subject. He has represented to the department that serious attacks have been made upon the American mission in Shanghai by the "Boxers," a powerful and numerous anti-foreign league of Chinese. Upon the Chinese representations the state department has decided that an American warship shall be despatched from the fleet at Manila to the nearest port to the seat of disorder, probably at the mouth of the Peiho river or Wei-Hai-Wei. It is added, however, that the Chinese government will be able to repress the "Boxers" without any action on the part of the United States warships.

It is distinctly understood that the struggle now going on between the Empress Dowager's party and the reform party is purely internal, with which the United States government has no right to concern itself. It is probable, therefore, that this discussion on its part indicates the character of the response that will be made by the department of state to the telegram of the American Association.

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A USURER'S EVIL FAME.

Though He Amassed Five Millions Followed Scathing Denunciation Followed His Death.

London, March 17.—The will of Isaac Gordon, the notorious money lender, who died recently, cannot be found and is advertised for. It appears that this well-known name in the English courts, though Gordon himself rarely appeared in court, was born by a man of only 35, who is credited with leaving \$5,000,000. On his body was found \$20,000 and in his office \$135,000. This accumulation was due to the fact that the banks finally would not have anything to do with his accounts.

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ENDS SLAVERY IN GUAM.

American Government Issues Proclamation Forbidding Traffic in Human Beings.

Washington, March 17.—A proclamation has been issued by the Governor of the Island of Guam, which in relation to the prohibition of slavery says in part: "Now, therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me by His Excellency, the President of the United States, I, Richard P. Leary, Capt. U. S. A., Governor of the Island of Guam, do hereby announce and publicly proclaim the absolute prohibition and total abolition of human slavery or peonage in the Isle of Guam, on and after the 22nd day of February, A.D. 1900, and all persons are hereby commanded to comply with the requirements of this proclamation."

War Cloud Over Orient.

Startling Reports From China That Japan Will Shortly Attack the Bear.

Civil War and German Aggression Threaten China—Japan's New Minister.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—The Japanese steamer Ise-maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, which reached quarantine the previous evening, came alongside the outer wharf early yesterday morning and proceeded to discharge 250 or more of the Japanese passengers, who soon were streaming towards the city—a straggling, unorganized army of little brown men in every variety of out-of-fashion European garb. The Ise-maru had left Yokohama just one day later than the Glenlochy of the Northern Pacific fleet, but unlike that vessel, brought quite an interesting budget of late Oriental news. Writing of the strained relations between Japan and Russia, under date of February 28, a very conservative correspondent at Yokohama says: "The Japanese are unwilling to enter the Transvaal, being anxious to trek homeward. No one would be much surprised if a great spread of this contagion occurs in the next fortnight. Lady Randolph Churchill, who started homeward on the hospital ship Mainz yesterday, residence, and a committee that she regards it as a compliment to the United States that the Kaiser copied his father's revolver on a Lady Smith was relieved. There are 12 officers and 183 non-commissioned officers and men aboard the Mainz.

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PRETORIA NOT POSTED.

Building Hopes of Mediation in Absence of Official Notice of Its Refusal.

Pretoria, March 15 (via London Marquee), March 16.—The United States Consul, Mr. Adelbert Hay, has not returned here. Secretary of State Hay is being asked for his good offices in behalf of the Boers towards peace. "The Secretary of State has received a despatch from Washington saying the war was the subject of a friendly negotiation with the British government and containing an expression of the President's earnest hope for peace. All the consuls are co-operating for the general good of the whole community.

SHIP'S OFFICERS DROWNED.

Capetown, March 17.—Capt. Johnstone and Third Officer Bolton of the steamer Mahona, captured by a British cruiser and subsequently released, were drowned in a gale last night. Four others were drowned and a boat's crew was covered by insurance.

London In Gay Mood

Great Success of the Campaign Put Public in Humor for Holiday.

Burglers Disposed to Trek for Home Rather Than New Battlefields.

Hospital Ship Mainz First Despatched With Sick of Lady-Smith Columns.

London, March 18.—(3:45 a. m.)—Amidst the festivities of St. Patrick's Day, London has been listening to-day for the word that Mafeking is relieved. It is remarkable that the revival of this holiday, which puts St. Patrick's Day hereafter on an equality with Primrose Day, has been the occasion of the first real gala day since the declaration of war. Christmas was gloomy indeed in comparison with to-day's merry-making, and the only fillip needed was the news of the relief of the besieged Mafeking.

There is much in the situation in South Africa to justify rejoicing, however, for the rapid pacification of the Boer State leads the people of Great Britain to believe they have a statesman as well as a strategist in the hero of the hour, "Boer." With railway communication open to the Cape and the morale of the army at its highest, England is now ready to trust the Commander-in-Chief to complete the remainder of his task in his own way, confident of his ultimate success.

So far as the Free State is concerned, although the Boers are entrenched on the Vaal river, the impression at the Cape to-night is that the war is virtually over. The Transvaal officials are said to have vacated Tuguis and Vryburg, but the rebels are unwilling to enter the Transvaal, being anxious to trek homeward. No one would be much surprised if a great spread of this contagion occurs in the next fortnight. Lady Randolph Churchill, who started homeward on the hospital ship Mainz yesterday, residence, and a committee that she regards it as a compliment to the United States that the Kaiser copied his father's revolver on a Lady Smith was relieved. There are 12 officers and 183 non-commissioned officers and men aboard the Mainz.

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FREE STATE RAILWAY.

Vansyl, Friday, March 16.—The railroad has been repaired from Bloemfontein to Norval's Point.

HAIR SEALS PLENTIFUL.

Quebec, March 17.—Reports from Magdalen islands state that the fishery there is better than for the last twenty years. Up to the present time 150,000 seals have been killed.

MR. GREENWAY'S FRIENDS.

Winnipeg, March 17.—Mountain Liberals banquet ex-Premier Greenway on March 28 at Crystal City.

THE KENTUCKY ASSASSINS.

Frankfort, Ky., March 15.—At a conference between the county and district court officers here, it was determined to have returned here Secretary of State Powers, Holland, Whitaker, W. H. Colton and Davis, the four alleged accessories to the assassination of Governor William Goebel, and to make a speedy example. Deputy officers will at once go to bring the prisoners.

TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS.

New York, March 16.—Sullivan was given the decision over Broad at the end of the twenty-fifth round.

TOOTHING, BLEEDING PILES.

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DUNDONALD SKIRMISHING.

Boers Found in Strong Position at Various Points—Vindictive Under Defeat.

London, March 17.—Lord Dundonald's cavalry patrols reconnoitered the Free State border at Basutoland to De Beers pass, where a slight skirmish occurred, in which two British soldiers were wounded. The Boers were also encountered in strength at Van Reenen's pass and Tintwa pass. Kafirs arriving here report that the Boers are manifesting a very vindictive spirit under defeat, and that many farms, hitherto respected, have been burned.

The German ambulances attached to the Boer forces were found near Modderpoort, abandoned by the Boers. The physicians in charge were unable to drive, and were brought into camp, where the wounded were cared for. The ambulances were afterwards sent to the Boer lines.

THE WEEK IN LONDON.

Eloquent Words of Canadian Premier Generally Praised—The Limit to Free Speech.

London, March 17.—In comparison with the surpassing importance attached to what is taken to be the addition of the Free State to the British dominions, events in Great Britain this week were highly uninteresting. The Boer war has not distinguished itself. The most interesting feature was the debate arising over the "top the week" meetings and the accusations against the government of palliating the suppressing of free speech by allowing such meetings to be broken up.

From the imperial point of view, Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech has caused more concern than any event of the week. The Spectator says: "These are noble words," and other papers compare his eloquence to that of Pitt and Channing. Speaking on the other hand, has been quite the disappointment of the week, his "The Sin of Witchcraft" creating little interest, and a severe criticism of the remainder of his talk in his own way, confident of his ultimate success.

So far as the Free State is concerned, although the Boers are entrenched on the Vaal river, the impression at the Cape to-night is that the war is virtually over. The Transvaal officials are said to have vacated Tuguis and Vryburg, but the rebels are unwilling to enter the Transvaal, being anxious to trek homeward. No one would be much surprised if a great spread of this contagion occurs in the next fortnight. Lady Randolph Churchill, who started homeward on the hospital ship Mainz yesterday, residence, and a committee that she regards it as a compliment to the United States that the Kaiser copied his father's revolver on a Lady Smith was relieved. There are 12 officers and 183 non-commissioned officers and men aboard the Mainz.

PRISONERS FOR ST. HELENA.

Sickness Delays Their Departure—Only Transvaalers Booked For























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Postpones Its Decision Calls a Provincial Convention.

Correspondent.

March 16.—At a meeting... decision of the convention... coming elections... party... carried by 148 to 5.

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Political Situation Engages the of a Large Gathering.

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People Move In Politics.

Well Attended Meeting Discusses the Situation and Comes to Important Decision.

Premier Martin, the Governor and Partisanship Strongly Condemned.

(From Friday's Daily Colonist.)

"Resolved, that this meeting regards the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in the premiership as fraught with danger to the best interests of the province of British Columbia."

With hardly a dissenting voice the above resolution was passed at a largely attended citizens' meeting last evening in the Philharmonic hall.

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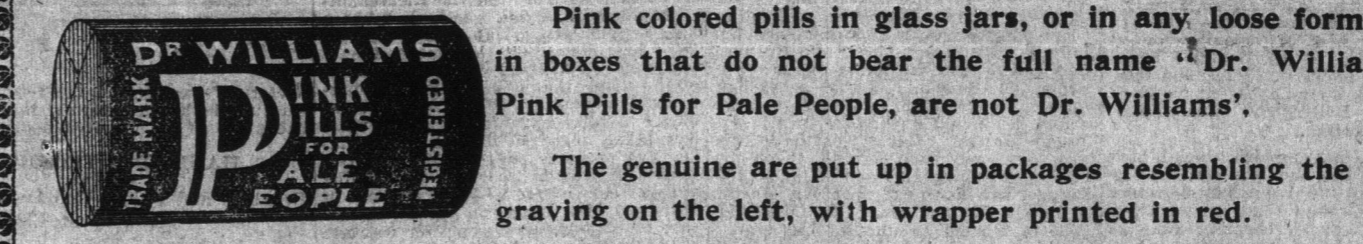
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The Royal Canadians' Baptism of Fire.

Special by Cable from Mr. W. Richmond Smith, the Montreal Star War Correspondent with the Royal Canadian Regiment in South Africa.

Paardeberg, Drift, Feb. 18.—By the firing line. "F" Company, from Quebec, "G" Company, from New Brunswick, and "H" Company, from Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, acted as reserves.

When we reached this Drift, shortly after daylight on Sunday, we found the Sixth Division of the forces in the field and a cavalry brigade engaging the Boers.

When the Canadians arrived at the scene of battle and perceived the situation of affairs, in their eagerness to be in the fight they forgot all the hardships of the forced march which they had just undergone.

Our battalion at once advanced to the banks of the Modder and jumped into the river, which was running four feet deep, and requested that the Dominion government would aid in its construction by a liberal subsidy.

He then continues his narrative thus: At dark the firing ceased from the Boer guns.



Proposed to Erect One in Memory of Dead Colonial Soldiers.

A London exchange says: "The suggestion is made by the Spectator that there should be erected in London, on the best site that can be found, cost what it may, a monument to the men of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and other British colonies who have fallen in defence of the Empire."

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Sir Wilfrid Takes It Coolly

People of British Columbia Must Have First Chance at Lieutenant Governor.

A Serious Thing for Him if They Vote No Confidence in Premier Martin.

From Commons Hansard, March 6. Mr. E. G. PRIOR (Victoria, B.C.)—Before the orders of the day are called, I wish to draw the attention of the government to a matter of some importance...

Victoria, March 1.—A scene unprecedented in the history of the province and in all probability never before seen in a British governing colony, occurred this afternoon...

The Governor then entered the chamber, preceded by his suite of naval and military officers, and took his seat on the throne. The members rose in a body and filed out of the room.

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In connection with this communication, I should like to have an opportunity to be heard on this subject...

That resolution was put to the house, and although the government had only been defeated by one, it was carried by a majority of seven.

The Prime Minister (Sir Wilfrid Laurier)—I must confess to my honorable friend that I do not at all appreciate the manner in which this matter has been brought to the attention of the house...

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War Near Collapse

Impression at Roberts' quarters Where Prospects for Long Halt.

Free States Accept Invitation to Surrender—Suggests for Prisoners' Benefit.

Boer Officials Seek Hand-Russle and Carry Incentive Documents. London, March 22.—The Correspondent of the Daily Mail, graphing Tuesday, March 20, writes: "I have just arrived from Pretoria."

THE NAVAL BRIGADE. Bloemfontein, March 21.—Lord Roberts, while inspecting the Naval Brigade, was accompanied by the presence of many of the town's prominent men.

REMOVING EVIDENCE. London, March 22.—The Correspondent of the Daily Mail writes: "On the best authority, it is stated that the real objective of the Boer attack on the Tlokoeng was to destroy the telegraph lines."

PRISONERS' TREATMENT. London, March 22.—Mr. Churchill in a despatch from Maritzburg says: "I think it is a mistake to suppose that the Boers would immediately comply if Britain were to demand equal treatment for all prisoners."

BOERS' PLACE OF EXILE. Feuds Between Transvaalers and States May Cause Division of the Prisoners. London, March 21.—Col. Ch. the Army Service Corps, will sail for St. Helena to-morrow to make the necessary arrangements for the accommodation of three of the Boers.

HONOR TO DUBLIN'S MAYOR. Corporation Expresses Thanks for His Visit to United States. Washington, March 21.—The Mayor of Dublin has received a copy of a recently adopted unanimously municipal council of the city of Dublin, in which the Mayor is complimented for his high appreciation of the city of Dublin.

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