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ND NOT DISCOURAGED. The Force Still in the Mines Prospect of Better Times Than Ever.

Feb. 17.—While ore ship- fallen away to the south for the general mining activity, the camp has decidedly improved. men will find steady employ- Le Rob. War Eagle and mines until the present dim- machinery is over, when the oyed will be larger than ever- lery for the War Eagle and ar is already arriving, but that he Mol will be delayed for at weeks longer. The miners felt there will be no further of the forces of men em- the camp's mines, and that the from this on will continue until shipping will be com- more. The element in the Sloan of the mines which have existed there last and which were ended on has helped to steady matters the outlook already has up. A detailed statement of ments from Roseland camp (ately) for the War Eagle and 17: War Eagle, 386 tons; Star, 215.3; Iron Mask, 91.5; Star, 30; X. L., 50. Total 751 tons; for the year.

NATIONAL HOCKEY. Secure Championship in Last of an Exciting Struggle.

Feb. 16.—The third match of three for the possession of the cup, played to-night in the rink, between the Victorias of the city and the Shamrocks of this city, was the most exciting and greatest of them all. One min- half had been played when the Shamrocks had scored four goals each and the West- agation were having the best of

the Shamrocks' point, finally a fine run down the ice. He checked by the Shamrocks' captain. When the puck reached the end of the ice, Flett, the point man came out to give his hand. The puck was put up by the hand to indicate he was incapacitated but before he had stopped the playing he was put back into the net. He did not count. was carried off the ice and it was time before he was in condition to appear again. When the play- time, the puck was forced into in front of the Winnipeg goal- stant poke by a Shamrock into the net. There still remain a minute to play before the time up, but in twenty seconds, Capt. the Shamrocks twisted his leg and retired to have it repaired. It is useless prospect for the Western system went up and down couple of times, the Shamrocks and the Shamrock supporters into a prolonged yell of triumph. was carried off the ice by the admiral's. The play preceding national climax of the match was a start of the most aggressive and variety.

NIGHT BOMBARDMENT. Hammering the Boers in Preparation for Another Important Move.

Feb. 16.—The Pietermaritz- correspondent of the Daily Mail, date of February 15, says: "The Boers are being hammered by the British on all sides. I hear that the Boers rely on entrenched and barbed wire entanglements along the principal roads. The Boers responded with rifle fire. The British artillery during the night fired several large and one Nordenflett ineffect-

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How Fares Roberts?

London Disquieted by His Silence and Boer Reports of New Successes.

These Tell That Cronje Largely Refreshed Holds British in Check.

Rumor That First of Buller's Force Have Actually Reached Ladysmith.

London, Feb. 22.—(4 a.m.)—Lord Roberts' list of 40 killed and wounded officers, including two generals, in the engagements up to Sunday evening, causes anxiety, especially as in the officers' list neither the losses of the Welsh and Essex regiments, nor those of the Mounted Infantry included. This is about the number that fell at Colenso where the non-commissioned officers and men were killed. That name is not on the list. The absence of details from Lord Roberts' dispatch, contrasted with his casualties Lord Roberts gives no information as to the result of the fight. If he has sent such a report the war office is withholding it.

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A BOER ANNOUNCEMENT. Berlin, Feb. 21.—The Tagblatt publishes a special despatch from Brussels which says that a despatch from Kimberley announces that all the Boers are evacuating Natal, their positions in that colony being no longer tenable. Gen. Buller has ordered the evacuation of all the available forces to oppose Lord Roberts. The siege of Ladysmith will be raised. It is expected Gen. Buller will enter the town at the end of the week.

STILL ANOTHER STAND. London, Feb. 22.—Mr. Winston Churchill, in a despatch from Kimberley dated February 20, says he still expects fierce fighting before Ladysmith is relieved, and he again urges the imperative necessity of "pouring in continuing legions of men, guns and supplies into the Cape." He declares that soldiers are wanted in South Africa, and not Algeria. Meanwhile, he says, there are "many encouraging signs that the Boers are wearying of the struggle."

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Enemy in Full Retreat From Their Positions Along Tugela River.

British Again Occupy Colenso After Slight Resistance by Rear Guard.

Suggestion That Boers Unite Forces to Give Battle to Roberts.

By Associated Press.

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"Blow's Farm, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 4.20 p.m.—The Fusilier brigade yesterday took the position of the enemy's main body, and commanding Colenso the rest of the force advancing towards the Tugela.

"This morning the enemy had withdrawn all the troops north of the Tugela and practically evacuated Colenso. To-day General Hart occupied Colenso after a very slight resistance by the rear guard, and we hold the line of the Tugela on the south side from Colenso to Eagle's Nest.

"The enemy seem to be in full retreat and apparently are only holding the position they occupy to complete the recovery of the angle of the Tugela, with a weak rear guard.

"I have advanced guard is crossing at Colenso.

"Our casualties yesterday and to-day have, I hope, been few.

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The Entrance To Kimberley

Signals of Approach of Relief Thought Too Good to Be True.

Sight of Provision Train Most Welcome for Four Months.

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"I desire to say that the military foundation for the government and Gen. Hutton are two different things. Gen. Hutton is a private citizen, and his opinions are his own. He is not a member of the government, and he is not responsible to it. He is a soldier, and he is a patriot. He is a man of high character and high ability. He

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Needs HORSES.
March to Kimberly Two Cavalry Mounts.

Standard's Correspondent.
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Apartments in Bomb-Proof Police Sport a Piano.

Feb. 21.—A despatch to the Free State, dated February 9, says that the burghers conducted underground, and commissioner has suspicions of a subterranean force. The Cape Police have a piano mounted on rifles.

Affairs at Berlin.
Press Moderating Hostility to British-Terrific Snowstorms—A Leaderless Party.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—Dr. Lieber, the Centre leader, is dangerously ill, and there is nobody in authority in the party with whom the government and other parties can negotiate.

WASTE IN FREEDOM ARMY.
Thirty-Five Hundred Volunteers Too Much for One Radical Deputy to Stand.

Paris, Feb. 17.—The report of M. Pelletan, Radical, on the war budget, delivered in the chamber of deputies Thursday, has raised quite a storm in military circles.

PLUMMER TRIES TOO MUCH.
Little Party-Suffer Severely in Attempt to Take Boer Big Gun.

Balesway, Monday, Feb. 12.—Col. Plummer sent Major Bird with 200 colts to attempt the capture of the Boer 12-pounder on a kopje near Crocodile Pools.

EFFECTS OF THE WAR.
It Has Made Imperial Unity More Than a Satisfying Hope in England Never Doubted the Outcome.

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 19.—President John G. Milburn, of the Pan-American exposition, has announced that he will not employ, after a five weeks' absence abroad, the burghers of the Free State.

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Liberal Scored By Hardshell.
Their Carrying On in Manitoba Too Much For Lifelong Supporter.

Protest at Their Use of Senate as Refuge for Defeated Politicians.

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—J. Grant, a Manitoba farmer who voted for Greenway, renews his subscription to the Witness, with the following statement added:

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—(Special)—R. C. Ennis, Liberal member-elect for Beautiful Plains, has been compelled, for business reasons, to resign his seat.

STRIKES IN CANADA.
Spoolers Close Montreal Cotton Mills—Brantford Moulders Go Out.

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ROYAL RESERVE BATTALIONS.
Invitation from Her Majesty for O.M. Soldiers to Serve a Year for Home Defence.

London, Feb. 20.—The Queen, through her private secretary, Sir Arthur John Bigge has sent the following letter to the Commander-in-Chief of the forces, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley:

My Dear Lord Wolseley:
As so large a proportion of the army is now in South Africa, the Queen fully realizes that necessary measures must be adopted for home defence.

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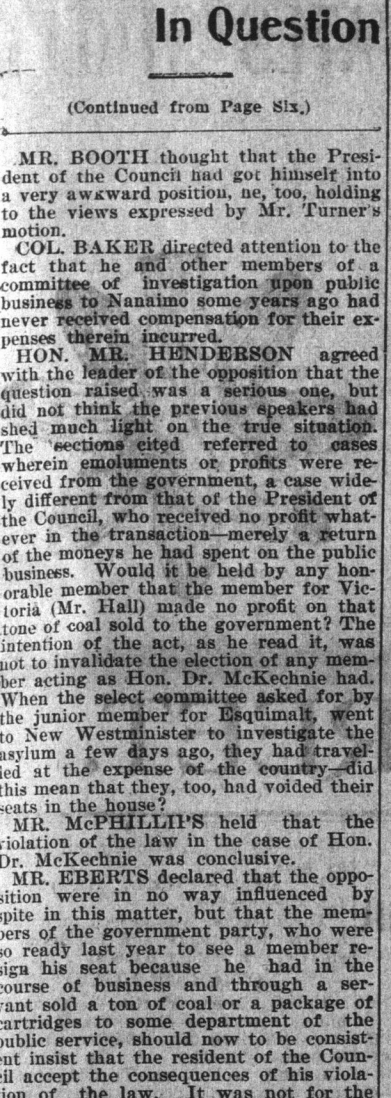
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MR. BOOTH thought that the President of the Council had got himself into a very awkward position, as, too, holding to the views expressed by Mr. Turner's motion.

COL. BAKER directed attention to the fact that he and other members of a committee of investigation upon public business to Nanaimo some years ago had never received compensation for their expenses therein incurred.

HON. MR. HENDERSON agreed with the leader of the opposition that the question raised was a serious one, but did not think the previous speakers had shed much light on the true situation.

WATERY BLOOD AND WEAK NERVES ARE AN OPEN DOOR TO DISEASE



Good health is the best asset that any man or woman can have; but good health can only be had by keeping the blood rich and red and the nerves strong. If the blood is allowed to become poor and watery the whole system is weakened and falls an easy prey to disease.

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Although it had not been anticipated that the President of the Council would be found in his place when the house met yesterday a writ having been issued by Mr. Gordon Hunter in a claim for \$33,000 penalties on the petition of a friendly elector of Nanaimo city, to test the matter of his disqualification.

Mr. Higgins also had a matter to bring before the house under a question of privilege. He held in his hand a telegram just received from the associated press in London, which was directed attention to the fact that the return of correspondence on this subject, laid before the house in response to a resolution of the house was a grave offence.

GUARD THE DOOR.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People

It is proved on the testimony of thousands that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure the following troubles: Anæmia, Locomotor Ataxia, Sciatica, Painful of the Heart, Neuritis, Nervous Headache, Neuritis, Indigestion and Dyspepsia, Chronic Erysipelas, After-Effects of La Grippe, Kidney Troubles, Eruptions and Pimples, St. Vitus' Dance, Pale, or Sallow Complexion, Consumption of Bowels and Lungs, General Debility, Scrofula, Partial Paralysis, All Female Weakness, Chronic or Acute Rheumatism, Loss of Vital Forces.

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Mourning for Soldiers Slain

Canadian Premier Sends Words of Sympathy to Her Volunteers' Commander.

Sad News But Nerves Dominant for Full Duty—Col. Prior's Message.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—All eyes here are halting in respect for the Canadian dead at Modder river. In the Commons Sir Wilfrid Laurier made touching allusion to the wounded and the families of the slain. The news, he said, is such as to confirm Canada's resolve to do her full duty in the present emergency.

THE SLAIN VOLUNTEERS.

Western Ontario Moved by Heavy Share in the List of Casualties. London, Ont., Feb. 21.—The Globe's special despatch from the front giving the names of those who fell in Sunday's fighting, was repeated to the local papers here and created intense excitement. Extra editions of the evening journals were also issued.

GERMAN FRIENDSHIP.

Emperor and His Ministers Grieved That It Is Not Reciprocated by British People. Berlin, Feb. 20.—The foreign office watches with some solicitude the growing anti-German sentiment in Great Britain. The truth is that Germany, since the outbreak of the war in South Africa has maintained the strictest neutrality. No responsible German statesman official has hitherto expressed a word of criticism against the British. True, the German press is inclined to be anti-British, as are also the masses of the people, but the foreign office points out that this is a spontaneous outbreak for which the government cannot be held responsible.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Queen's Message to Canadian Troops—Command of the Blaisy Team—Rifle Practice. Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Mr. McInnes to-day introduced a bill to debar Chinese and Japanese from working in the mines. A cable received by Lord Selkirk this morning from London said: "Her Majesty the Queen appreciates the enthusiastic loyalty of Canada and wishes the best success to our arms." (Signed) Chamberlain. This cable is doubtless in regard to the departure of Canadian troops to-day from Halifax.

GEN. BULLER'S PROGRESS.

London, Feb. 21.—The war office has received the following from Gen. Buller: "Chieveley Camp, Feb. 21.—The Fifth Division crossed the Tugela to-day by pontoon and drove back the enemy's rear guard, our brave twelve-pounder silencing all of the enemy's guns." The well known strengthening properties of iron, combined with other tonic, and a most perfect nerve, are found in Carter's Little Liver Pills, which strengthen the nerves and body, and improve the blood.

BOER PRODIGES.

Official Reports Still Tell How With Trifling Loss They Drive the British.

Pretoria, Feb. 19.—A portion of an official report from Cronje, dated Feb. 19, has been given out as follows: "Yesterday morning about 6 o'clock, while moving the laager near Scholtznek we were attacked by the British. The fight lasted until 7.30 in the evening. Although on the whole the British were driven back, they each time drove them off. Cronje's laager and the Boer loss has been 8 killed and 12 wounded. This morning the British shelled with cannon. Chief Commandant Ferreira's forces were too small to stop the cavalry from entering Kimberley."

Pretoria, Feb. 20.—Official reports have been received as follows: "Commandant Steyn says on Saturday, 17th, and Sunday, 18th, near Koodoesraad, he fought the British who tried to encamp Gen. Cronje's laager and Sunday evening. The Boers had one man killed and one wounded, and captured heavy 21 horses and mules."

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BOUNDARY SHIPPERS.

Greenwood, Feb. 20.—The Times to-day says: "Another important consolidation of two Boundary Creek mining companies is in process of consummation. Last night the following brief statement was made to the press: 'The consolidation of the mining stock exchanges in Montreal, Toronto and Roseland, by Duncan McInnes, president of the latter city, and the Winnipeg Mining and Smelting Company; Winnipeg mine closed down to-day pending consolidation with the Brandon and Golden Crown.' By the same gentleman the Times was informed that while all the details of the consolidation have not yet been perfected, it is announced that Montreal and Toronto capital is behind the new company. It is also stated that the two mines has been on the tapis for some time. It is proposed to use the main shaft of the Brandon mine as a ventilation shaft for the output of the two properties. Both mines are developed by shaft to a depth of 800 feet. Within the past three weeks the recent Boer successes prove the inefficiency of their defensive, since an energetic offensive would in like circumstances have released the Boer except guarding the 'degraded' corps of General Buller. Lord Methuen and General Buller, by delivering a crushing blow to the British.

THE BOERS' WEAK POINT.

Their Clinging to Defensive Tactics Not Admired by German Critics. Berlin, Feb. 20.—The Militaire Wochenblatt, in the course of an article by a high officer of the general staff, attempting to deprecate the view that the Boer successes have been due to their tactical defensive skill, says: "On the contrary the recent Boer successes prove the inefficiency of their defensive, since an energetic offensive would in like circumstances have released the Boer except guarding the 'degraded' corps of General Buller. Lord Methuen and General Buller, by delivering a crushing blow to the British.

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Philadelphia, Feb. 19.—The Spredrick sugar refinery, owned by the American Sugar Refining Co., which has been closed since Monday, started up to-day on full time. One thousand men who had been thrown out of work returned to their jobs.

NO COLONIAL RISING.

London, Feb. 22.—A despatch to the Times, dated Durban, February 19, says: "It is believed that all danger of a colonial rising is at an end."

PROMOTION BY SELECTION.

Schemes to Enable President to Reward Merit in the American Army.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The secretary of war has sent to the senate and house military committees a draft of a bill that the department claims greatly strengthens the military system and remedies defects developed during the Spanish-American war. The bill was introduced in the house to-day by Chairman Hull.

London, Feb. 22.—The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "It is of the very gravest importance that the British public should not be carried away by recent successes into a belief that the war is practically over. Nothing could be more fatal to a satisfactory prosecution of the war, and above all to a satisfactory settlement of the whole country after the war, than any relaxation of military activity and stoppage of reinforcement and temporizing or bargaining with the Free State or the Transvaal through mistaken ideas of magnanimity toward an assumedly beaten foe."

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