

French Had The Honor

His Summons to Surrender Brought the Officials From Bloemfontein.

Roberts Received Tremendous Ovation on Making the State Entry.

How the Great News Was Received in London—A Significant Phrase.

London, March 15.—A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Bloemfontein, dated Tuesday evening, says: "Bloemfontein surrendered at 10 o'clock. It was occupied at noon. President Steyn with a majority of the fighting Boers has fled northward."

Gen. French was within five miles of the place Monday afternoon. He sent a summons into the town threatening to bombard unless it surrendered by 4 a. m. Tuesday. A white flag was hoisted Tuesday morning, and a deputation of the town council, with Mayor Kellner, came out to meet Lord Roberts at Spitzkop, five miles south of the town, making a formal surrender of the place.

Lord Roberts made a state entry at noon. He received a tremendous ovation. After visiting the public buildings he went to the town official residence of the President, followed by a cheering crowd, who waved a British flag and sang the British national anthem. They were in a condition of frenzied excitement.

"On Monday afternoon, previous to the surrender, there had been a little shooting and shelling, but the enemy retired."

Lord Roberts has his headquarters at the President's house, and there are many of the British wounded in the building.

JOY AT THE CAPE.

Capetown, March 15.—A great popular demonstration took place here on receipt of the news that Bloemfontein had been occupied by the British. All the church bells were rung, and a procession headed by the Union Jack was taken to Government House, where the Hon. Mr. J. B. M. Steyn, Premier of the Cape, and other officials were present.

THE NEWS IN LONDON.

London, March 15.—Lord Roberts' despatch caused a feeling of great relief. The absence of any further fighting during the earlier part of the day that the British had met with a check before Bloemfontein, and the inquiries were made at the war office and in the lobbies of parliament. On the receipt of the news, the Prince of Wales, at Marlborough, Lord Walsley and others were immediately notified; but at 9 o'clock the war office was deserted, the public having given up hope of further news until this (Thursday) morning.

The appearance of the newspapers with the tidings caused great excitement, and in the West End generally. Owing to the late hour, however, there were no demonstrations approaching in the remotest degree those which heralded the surrender of Gen. Cronje and the relief of Ladysmith.

It so happened that a torchlight procession organized on an extensive scale for the widows and orphans of the fallen, was being held in London with bands and lanterns. This included a body of uniformed men who were marching in the field force, the surrender of Cronje and other inspiring incidents. Throughout the route was rung with flags, and the streets were crowded with thousands of spectators. Naturally the appearance of the extra editions of the evening papers created a further excitement among the paraders, who also greeted the news with cheers and the singing of the national anthem.

At Windsor the news was received with much joy. The Queen commanded that it be immediately published, and she posted her secretary at the dining table to send a note to the officers of the household brigade. The battalion was called on at 10 15 p. m. by Major St. Aubin read Her Majesty's note and called for cheers for the Queen and Lord Roberts. The band played "God Save the Queen."

Wherever Lord Roberts' despatch was read his reference to the "late" President Steyn and the "late" executive was immediately fastened upon as highly significant.

The Lord Mayor announced the news to a banquet to the Masters of the City Companies, which was in progress at the Mansion House. It was received with great cheering, the company raising and singing "God Save the Queen."

BOOTY FROM BOSHOE.

Methuen's Force Secured Guns and Much Ammunition on Occupying the Town.

Capetown, March 15.—The British troops under Lord Methuen have returned to Kimberley after the capture of Boshoe, Orange Free State. Guns and 70,000 rounds of ammunition were seized, and a strong garrison was left to guard the town. Six Boers were arrested there on charges of desertion.

Nearly all the residents were wearing mourning, as the Boshoe commando had 200 men at the battle of Belmont.

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BLOEMFONTEIN UNDER THE BRITISH FLAG

Roberts Announces Entry of His Troops and Surrender of Keys of Office by Public Officials—Orange Free State a Thing of the Past.

LONDON, March 14.—The following is the text of Lord Roberts' despatch to the War Office announcing his occupation of Bloemfontein:

BLOEMFONTEIN, Tuesday, March 13, 9 p. m.—By the help of God and by the bravery of Her Majesty's Soldiers, the troops under my command have taken possession of Bloemfontein. The British flag now flies over the Presidency, evacuated last evening by Mr. Steyn, late President. Orange Free State.

Mr. Fraser member of the late executive Government, the Mayor and Secretary of the late government, the landrost and other officials met me two miles from the town, and presented me with the keys of public offices.

The enemy have withdrawn from the neighborhood and all seem quiet. The inhabitants of Bloemfontein give the troops a cordial welcome.

The above despatch, though dated Tuesday, was not received at the war office until 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. It was made public a few minutes after 9 o'clock. On the Tuesday evening, extra papers are clearly out on the streets and the night crowds of London are singing patriotic songs and engaging in demonstrations.

Roberts Reports A Day's Fighting

Twelve Miles of March to Bloemfontein Contested by Boer Rear Guard.

White Flag Lures Small Party to Death—Cruel Wounds by Expanding Bullets.

Dreifontein, Orange Free State, Sunday, March 11.—Gen. Roberts' advance here yesterday across the scorching plains from Poplar Grove was marked by the most severe day's engagement since crossing the Modder river. Broadwood's cavalry brigade advanced on Bloemfontein, unexpectedly forcing the Boers in a strong position in the Dreifontein kopjes. The Boers maintained a stubborn rear guard action along a ridge of twelve miles on very difficult ground. The British were advancing in three columns. Gen. Tucker, the southward, occupied Petrusburg. Gen. Kelly-Kenny, after following the Boer flank, moved in the direction of the Modder river. The Boer artillery was accurately directed against the British cavalry. The Boer artillery was accurately directed against the British cavalry. The Boer artillery was accurately directed against the British cavalry.

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Bloemfontein Well Pleased

Evidence That Large Proportion of Citizens Were Averse to the War.

Roberts and Staff Everywhere Cheered—Effacement of the Republic.

London, March 15.—The first of the campaign is over. Lord Roberts arrived at Modder river on February 9. He entered Bloemfontein on March 13. Thus, in a little over a month, he has effected the relief of Kimberley and Ladysmith, the capture of Gen. Cronje's force and the hoisting of the British flag in the capital of the Orange Free State, all this accomplished with comparatively trifling loss. It is small wonder that he is the hero of the hour in England. All the newspapers eulogize him and congratulate the country. They talk of the Free State as having passed out of existence, and as being now one of the shadows of history.

It is not doubted there yet may be heavy fighting, but the genius of Lord Roberts is looked for victory over all difficulties. His calm reference to the "late" President Steyn is understood to show that there shall be no ambiguity as to his position assumed toward the republic.

The fact that Mr. Fraser, late chairman of the Free State, and leader of the opposition to Mr. Steyn, came with the deputation to surrender the keys, is regarded as extremely significant of complete agreement of opinion among the Free State's regarding the war. It is said that President Steyn hates Mr. Fraser on account of his sympathy with the Boers. The demonstration of the Bloemfontein inhabitants, is also regarded as a good augury for the future of British supremacy.

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Possessing Free State

Roberts' Victorious Army Arrive At Threshold of Defenceless Bloemfontein.

Boers in Retreat From Cape Colony Are in Presence of New Danger.

Many Indications of Complete Collapse of Lately Boastful Republics.

London, March 14.—4:30 a. m.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own despatch. Nothing more has been permitted to come through. Doubtless Lord Roberts himself is fully occupied with important military operations. The despatch from Capetown, saying that Gen. French has arrived at Bloemfontein, probably does not mean that he has entered the city.

Lord Roberts' movement may mean either that the Boers have cut the railway to the north or that the cavalry have done so. If the former, then it may be assumed that no rolling stock has been seized, but the general assumption is that the latter interpretation is correct. This would greatly facilitate obtaining supplies from Orange river, an important matter as Lord Roberts' line of communication with Modder bridge is now one hundred and ten miles long. The Boers may make another fight, but there is little doubt that Lord Roberts will occupy Bloemfontein to-day (Wednesday).

The Boers retiring from Orange river will find themselves between two British armies, and their guns are almost bound to fall into the hands of the British while the occupation of the capital of the Free State will strain the alliance of the two republic to the utmost.

The government will not allow the Kruger-Steyn matter to influence in any way their determination not to spare any effort to prosecute the war. There will be no diminution of measures calculated to maintain the full efficiency of the field force, and whatever reinforcements were previously considered advisable will still be sent out.

Lord Salisbury's reply meets with general approval among Conservatives, and it is the opinion that the Boers by their extravagant claims and chattering tongue meant to influence foreign powers have again over-reached themselves as they did by the ultimatum.

Mr. Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says: "Lord Roberts is probably waiting in front of Bloemfontein for the infantry divisions, none of whom could well be expected to arrive before dark. The three divisions would probably be so directed that while the leading one would follow the cavalry and take the Boer defences, the other two would come up on the original Boer front, so that in case of resistance, the Boers could be enveloped and compelled to retreat under difficulties and with heavy loss."

"Lord Roberts is not the man to forget, in his determination to reach a strategic point, any measures likely to contribute towards crushing a part of the enemy's forces."

"There are abundant signs of the demoralization of the Boers. The first is the had strategy of their resistance to the advance of Lord Roberts. Then comes the messages from the Presidents to Lord Salisbury, Kruger and Steyn, it can be seen, have not quite realized their position, but Lord Salisbury's reply being precisely what the British nation expected him to send, may open their eyes."

"With this object, and in view of the various British statements to the effect that this war was begun and is being carried on with the set purpose of undermining Her Majesty's authority in South Africa, and of setting up an administration over all of South Africa independent of Her Majesty's government, it is determined to destroy the South African Republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the incontestable independence of both republics as sovereign international states, and to obtain the assurance that those of Her Majesty's subjects who have been taken part with in this way shall suffer no harm whatever, in person or property."

"On these conditions, but on these conditions alone, are we now in the position of seeing peace re-established in South Africa, while, if Her Majesty's government is determined to destroy the South African Republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the incontestable independence of both republics as sovereign international states, and to obtain the assurance that those of Her Majesty's subjects who have been taken part with in this way shall suffer no harm whatever, in person or property."

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The Boers' Letter And Its Answer

Supposed Appeal for Peace But an Impudent Plea of Justification.

Salisbury Intimates That Republics Power for Mischief Must Be Ended.

London, March 13.—A parliamentary paper containing the telegram sent to the British government by the Presidents of the South African Republic and Orange Free State:

Foreign Office, March 11. "I have the honor to acknowledge your honours' telegram dated March 5 from Bloemfontein, of which the purpose is principally to demand that Her Majesty's government shall recognize the 'incontestable independence' of the South African Republic and Orange Free State, 'as sovereign international states,' and to offer on those terms to bring the war to a conclusive end."

"In the beginning of October last, peace existed between Her Majesty and the South African Republic, under conventions which then were concluded. A discussion had been proceeding for some months between Her Majesty's government and the South African Republic, of which the object was to obtain redress for certain very serious grievances which had been committed by the South African Republic against the British Empire."

"Suddenly, in two days' notice, the South African Republic, after issuing an insulting ultimatum, declared war upon Her Majesty, and the Orange Free State, with whom there had not even been any discussion, took a similar step. Her Majesty's dominions were immediately invaded by the two republics. Siege was laid to three towns within the British frontier, a large portion of two colonies were overrun, with great destruction of property and life, and the republics claimed to treat the inhabitants of extensive portions of Her Majesty's dominions as if those dominions had been annexed to one or the other of them. In anticipation of these operations the South African Republic had been accumulating for many years past military stores of an enormous scale, which by the character, could only have been intended for use against Great Britain."

"Your honours make some observations of a negative character upon the object with which these preparations were made. I do not think it necessary to discuss the questions you have raised, but the result of these preparations, carried on with great secrecy, has been that the British Empire has been compelled to confront an invasion which has entailed upon the Empire a costly warfare and the loss of thousands of precious lives. This calamity is the penalty Great Britain has suffered for having of recent years acquiesced in the existence of the two republics."

"In view of the use to which the two republics have put the position which we have given them, and the calamities their unprovoked attack has inflicted on Her Majesty's dominions, Her Majesty's government can only answer your honours' telegram by saying that they are not prepared to assent to the independence either of the South African Republic or of the Orange Free State."

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SURRENDERING.

Cape Colony Likely to Themselves Up to the British.

March 11.—News from Cape Colony and Aliwal North rebels are laying down large numbers, and that along the border are in the rebels' hands. The rebels assert that they are subsisting on bread and coffee, made from the coffee leaves, and that the British rule has been re-organised, where a big fight has occurred, many have been killed. It is reported that the rebels contemplate sur- gency, Brabant.

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Upon Captured British company the Siege of Pretoria.

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March 14.—Winston Churchill Morning Post from Durban against the ceremonious treat- mental Cronje, and adds: in decision not to exchange ill undoubtedly accelerate the war, but will prove very hard even dangerous for the Brit- in Pretoria.

abundant evidence that Boers are cruel and that the war en- phase. Mr. Mulock, answering Col. Prior, said he had no knowledge of where Mr. Charleson purchased his supplies this year, everything being left to his discretion.

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MACY EMBARRASSED. Demands Addition to British Gift to Secretary Hay.

March 12.—No communi- cation passed between London and in regard to the Nicaragua canal, and the reports cable here. Pauncefote, the British am- at Washington had sent des- the foreign office bearing on et are incorrect. The Asso- is authorized to say that the of the British government agreed to the Secretary tests without asking for a quid can do nothing more, nor ex- opinion until new requests are ough the same channels. As of the kind has been done, no- be taken of the senator's ap- appears that Lord Salisbury far devoted no attention to the United States charge d'aff- in Paris. A French exchange- Lord Salisbury to-day, but the Associated Press is able in the Nicaraguan canal matter. Under the circum- it is difficult to definitely say probable attitude of Great Brit- his question but the indications are fact that the adoption of the ment will result in Great refusal to furnish consular in- of the Clayton-Bulwer

THE GREENWAY LEGACY. Manitoia Legislature Will Not Meet Until Falls Have Frosted.

Out—A Sudden Death. Winnipeg, March 12.—(Special.)—When questioned to-day by the house of parliament, Premier Macdonald said that it would not take place this week, and probably not before the 22nd inst. "date whatever," said Mr. Macdonald, "has been settled upon. The opening will not probably be until the real com- mission has finished its investigation. The preliminary investigation into the several departments is now completed, but a more thorough one will be made in the near future."

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE. Pretoria, March 10.—Via Lorenzo Mar- ques, March 13.—General Joubert has arrived here to consult with the govern- ment. Rumors of peace structure in the air. All attention is directed toward the British advance upon Bloemfontein, but the federal are still confident of being able to check it.

RUSH FOR WAR LOAN. London, March 12.—The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks- Beach, announced that the results of the applications numbering 18,000, that at a late hour adopted the votes of money and men, embraced in the army proposal of Mr. Wyndham.

MOLINEUX HAS A STORY. Wants to Go on the Stand Himself in Case a New Trial is Granted.

New York, March 13.—Roland B. Molineux has notified his counsel that they must call witnesses in his behalf in case the court of appeals grants him a new trial. He has not decided whether he will go on the witness stand, but to justify some of his school boy friends he believes he will and expose some features in the case, and Philadel- phia.

Strathcona's At Montreal

Cheering Citizens in Parade Three Miles Long Give Rousing Farewell.

For Six Hours the Horsemen Had Freedom of the Metropolis.

Montreal, March 12.—Eight thousand people lined the route of the parade of the Strathcona's Horse to-day. The reg- iment from the Canadian Northwest. The Ottawa to Halifax, from which part they will sail during the week for South Af- rica. The stay in Montreal lasted six hours. The city turned itself loose on the plains- men from the Canadian Northwest. The line of parade was three miles long and every inch was occupied by cheering citizens. A luncheon was tendered the regiment at the Windsor, after which the trains were again boarded, leaving for Halifax at 9 o'clock.

ANOTHER SENATOR DEAD. Mr. Levin of New Brunswick Passes Away at a Venerable Age.

Ottawa, March 12.—Senator Levin, New Brunswick, died yesterday. Hon. James D. Levin was born on April 1, 1812, at Bonaventure, Radnor county, Wales, and was educated at Kingston Grammar school. He was a justice of the peace for St. John city and county. He was president of the Bank of New Brunswick for 41 years. He was called to the Senate November 10, 1876, a Liberal.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL. Charleson Given the Farming of Supply Contracts—Mr. Tarte's Holiday—Standard Wages Speculated.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, March 12.—The Kaslo & Larde-Duncan railway bill passed the Commons to-day.

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Mr. Watson says the labor party hope to send six members to the next legisla- ture, and that this they will hold the balance of power.

The executive committee of the labor party met to-night to consider the political situation.

VANCOUVER NEWS NOTES. Railway Line Clear After Great Slide—Damage by Water—Men Mourning.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, March 13.—The bursting of a water pipe about Mulr's store, West- minister, did \$10,000 worth of damage. The presence of smallpox in Washington, the health officers would not let Washington dogs come over to the bench show, which, therefore is postponed.

A resolution was passed at the annual meeting of the rowing club expressing sorrow at the death of Sergt. W. I. Scott, of the I.B.A.A., killed in South Africa.

Duncan McPherson was sentenced to 18 months for burglarizing Peters- burg's store on Cordova street. J. Townley, assistant superintendent C.P.R., states that the road will be clear for traffic tomorrow.

The board of trade to-night elected E. Buscomb president by acclamation, and W. J. Burns vice-president, and W. J. Stein secretary. The board decided to endorse the petition of the Atlin board asking the White Pass railway for bet- ter service. A resolution was passed recommending the federal government to pass an adequate insolvency act. De- sired the public attention against the land lines concessions to the Eastern Tele- graph Company, but the board is hope- ful that the concessions will not be made.

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New Light on the Mystery of the Trail-Dawson's Clean-Up Equals Last Year.

Richer gold fields than the Klondike- richer diggings than those of Nome, are reported to have been located on the Siberian coast, just opposite Nome, by two American miners who reached Dawson from the river-mouth not long ago, and who also credited with having discovered a new placer field as rich as Nome 120 miles distant from that new Mecca of the treasure-seeker. Henry Cowley, who formed a partner- ship with these miners, grub-staked them and sent them back to their dig- gings, has resigned his position on the Dawson Nugget to promote their mutual interests and has more recently left for Lout, New York, or some other great financial centre, to put our company on an operative basis. It is likely that I will also endeavor to get away from the coast, and to get into the vicinity of Nome. I cannot divulge more, but I say that I will probably go to London, New York, or some other great financial centre, to put our company on an operative basis. 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THE WAR.

Lord Roberts is at Bloemfontein; President Steyn has run away; the local authorities have handed over the keys of the public offices to our commander-in-chief, and the Union Jack flies over the public buildings of the Free State capital.

The effect of the occupation of Bloemfontein will be profound. It is not worth while speculating upon the moral effect, for this is necessarily uncertain. Being in occupation of this city with an almost uninterupted line of railway to the south, Roberts will soon have an independent line of communication with his base.

The representations that have been made to the Lieutenant-Governor on this head will be largely offset by the efforts made to make the forthcoming contest a test of the strength of political parties in the federal arena.

AN UNSATISFACTORY REPLY.

The delegation of business men, who waited upon the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday, received a rather cold reception—that is, if we may judge from what is reported of the interview. No member of the press was present but it is understood that the merchants represented to His Honor the imperative necessity from a business point of view that political conditions should be settled at the earliest possible day.

Without the Lieutenant-Governor believes that the promise of the prorogation speech will be kept. But he is the only person in British Columbia who thinks so. Mr. Martin deals more frankly with the public than he does with the Lieutenant-Governor, for he states to any one who asks him that he does not propose that the elections shall be held until after the May revision.

It is a pity that so much talent is devoted to such base uses. The references to Mr. Dunsmuir, and to the connection in which it is made, and it is utterly false so far as it implies that the relations between Mr. Dunsmuir and the coal miners are anything else than friendly, or that the mines under his supervision are not among the safest and best managed in the world.

It is not necessary to discuss this now. The Semlin government has not the approval of all ministers, which entitles the public welfare to personal attention. In regard to the political relations between Mr. Dunsmuir and Mr. Martin there is not much to be said. What those relations were was explained in the clearest possible way on the floor of the Legislature. There was a compact made by Mr. Dunsmuir on behalf of the political party with which he was associated and Mr. Martin on his own behalf that the

proceeding overlap the other, and reducing the time limit below what Mr. Higgins has given as a reasonable estimate, it is impossible, even if Mr. Martin succeeds, to have the house in session before some time in August.

In view of these facts, the Lieutenant-Governor will see that it is utterly impossible for the promise of the prorogation speech to be kept if the voting is to take place on the May revision.

That the business interests of the province demand an election at the earliest possible day is conceded. Strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the Lieutenant-Governor to induce him to insist that such an election shall be called. It is understood that Mr. Martin desires to postpone the election until some time in the summer.

The above is a literally correct statement of all the facts connected with this matter, except that the Colonist knew at all times after Mr. Martin had been called upon to form a government that Mr. Dunsmuir would not take a seat in his cabinet.

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