

CONFLICTING REPORTS.

One Account Says the Boer Capital is Surrounded, Another that the Enemy Are Full of Fight.

Another Report Says the City Will be Surrendered as Soon as a Formal Demand is Made.

Generals Rundle and Brabant Have Joined Forces and Were Prepared to Advance Last Friday—Their Combined Effort Expected to Put an End to the Resistance in the Orange River Colony.

OUR CANADIAN SOLDIERS.

The following letter was published in the London Times of May 15: To the Editor of the Times:

Sir—The services of the colonial contingents have been recognized by Englishmen with a generosity most gratifying to those who watch with anxiety the work of our hitherto untried troops in the most exacting warfare of modern times.

TEN CANADIAN OFFICERS WANT.

The secretary of state for the colonies offers to Canadian militia officers ten appointments to the position of assistant inspector in the West African constabulary.

The conditions are: Unmarried; age 22 to 25; pay, three hundred pounds a year, with increase of twenty-five pounds each three years up to three hundred and fifty pounds; free quarters and free passage to Africa; officers eligible for pension.

LORD ROBERTS AT ORANGE GROVE.

LONDON, June 3.—Lord Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, has received the following from Lord Roberts, dated Orange Grove, June 2nd: "Johannesburg is quiet. The people are surrendering arms and ponies. Only three Boer guns were left in the fort."

ANOTHER DESPATCH FROM "BOBS."

LONDON, June 3.—The war office has received the following additional advices from Lord Roberts, dated Orange Grove, June 2:

"Owing to the interruption of the telegraph lines I only today received a report from Col. Sprigg that his battalion of Imperial Yeomanry was attacked between Kromstad and Lindley, May 23. Casualties as follows: Killed—No. 452, Bombadier (corporal in nominal) John W. Latimer, 15th Sheffield Field Battery.

CANADIANS SUFFER.

OTTAWA, June 2.—The following cable was received today: I have the honor to report the receipt of a cable from Major Ogilvie, commanding special service battery, dated Douglas, 2nd June, reporting the following killed and wounded in a night attack on Faber's farm: Killed—No. 452, Bombadier (corporal in nominal) John W. Latimer, 15th Sheffield Field Battery.

WOUNDED—No. 408, Corporal H. M. Brown; No. 420, Bombadier J. McCaskill; "B" battery (severely); No. 411, Driver J. Kane; No. 448, G. H. Ross; "C" battery (slightly); No. 23, Gunner H. B. Tait; No. 53, Gunner C. Wollard, 15th Field Battery (slightly); No. 475, G. F. Fletcher, Halifax; No. 491, C. Jackson, Picton garrison artillery (slightly).

In the Indian mail landed at Dover Saturday was a bag of despatches from Pretoria, including some from the Transvaal government to its agents abroad. The destination of the bag was Naples, but it was landed at Aden by a German steamer through a mistake and was shipped with the Indian mail to Pretoria, where it was taken up by the English authorities.

GEN. COLVILLE AT HEILBRUN.

LONDON, June 2, 3.03 p. m.—It is officially announced that Gen. Colville has arrived at Heilbrun, northeast of Kroonstad, in the Orange River Colony, after meeting with great opposition.

LONDON, June 2, 3.15 p. m.—The war office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts: "JOHANNESBURG, June 1.—Sir Henry Colville, in reporting the arrival of the Highland brigade at Heilbrun, May 29, states that he was opposed more or less the whole way from Ventersburg. Eight men were killed and four officers and 32 men were wounded. Colville says the Lancastershire battery of field artillery did excellent work. Sir's naval guns were most valuable and the troops behaved in a most soldierly manner throughout the trying march."

BRABANT HAS THE BOERS SURROUNDED.

MASERU, Basutoland, June 1.—Gen. Brabant has practically surrounded the Boers' field artillery, which is at Senekal, Orange River Colony. The only side open for the Boers' retreat is the Basutoland border, where thousands of Boers, under Chief Jonathan, are waiting to fight.

GRENADIER GUARDS LOST HEAVILY.

MASERU, Basutoland, June 2.—The Grenadier Guards were the heaviest losers during Gen. Rundle's fighting. They lost thirty men killed and had 88 men wounded.

WAS A SUCCESS.

LONDON, June 4.—The Daily Telegraph has the following from Senekal, dated May 29: "Gen. Rundle's action Monday and yesterday entirely secured the object for which it was undertaken. The Boers have now withdrawn from Lindley and Col. Spragg has been able to extricate the Duke of Cambridge's Yeomanry from their difficulties."

THE BATTLE OF SENEKAL.

LONDON, June 4.—The Daily Telegraph has the following from Senekal, dated May 29: "The scene during the battle was wonderfully picturesque, rolling billows of smoke, higher than the highest kopjes, obscuring the combatants. The roar of artillery and the crackle of musketry, under the light of the flames of the burning veldt, combined to produce a picture of appalling grandeur, but terrible for those engaged within its field. "The whole army of Free Staters is now between Senekal, Lindley and Ficksburg. It is reported to be composed chiefly of desperate men, who would not go to the Transvaal to fight, and who are too proud to surrender. Their total number is believed to be from 3,000 to 4,000."

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

OTTAWA, Ont., June 4.—Colonel Aylmer reports that he has received a cable from Lt. Col. Otter, commanding the 2nd Battalion, R. C. R., dated Johannesburg, 4th June, reporting the following men as having been wounded on the 29th of May: No. 7,090, Pte. J. E. Davies, Royal Can. Dragoons; No. 7,235, Pte. J. B. Robinson, 31st Essex Regiment; No. 7,355, Pte. J. Jordan, 2nd Regiment, Q. O. R.; No. 7,533, Pte. E. Hill, 9th Voluntary B. Co. Quebec; No. 7,539, Pte. A. Hayden, 62nd St. John Fusiliers; No. 7,888, Pte. F. Richardson; No. 5,000, Lt. Col. Otter also reports No. 7,888, Evans, as wounded, but Col. Aylmer is unable to identify this man. Lt. Col. Otter also states that the effective strength of the battalion at the front is only 450, all ranks.

WAR SUMMARY.

LONDON, June 5, 3.20 a. m.—Of official intelligence regarding what is happening outside Pretoria, there is little or nothing today. Lord Roberts is silent. Nevertheless, by piecing together items from various correspondents it would seem that Lord Roberts' immediate army is all employed north of Johannesburg, except one brigade, which is at Johannesburg, and that six columns are converging on Pretoria.

OTTAWA.

To be Brought Back from New Zealand—Twenty-six Newspaper Men—Astonished.

OTTAWA, June 3.—J. A. Ruddick has been recalled from New Zealand by cable and will next month take up the duties of assistant to Prof. Robertson. Mr. Ruddick for the past year has been daily commissioner of New Zealand, where he was very successful.

OTTAWA, June 4.—Colonel Richard Hutton, C. B., and of the distinguished service order, has been appointed major general commanding the Canadian militia to succeed Gen. Hutton. Col. Hutton is sixty years of age and is on retired pay. He got his commission in 1858. His name was submitted by the imperial authorities to the Canadian government.

A cable from Buenos Ayres, dated April 28th, says: "Bark Mary A. Troop, from Portland, Me., hoisted off today from where she had been anchored in the South channel, and entered the Atlantic."

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BOSTON LETTER.

Treating Consumption as a Contagious Disease.

The Board of Health Fumigates Every House Where a New Case Appears.

Business Men Did not Welcome the Boer Delegates—The Coming Summer Tourist Travel to the Maritime Provinces—Recent Deaths—The Lumber and Fish Markets.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOSTON, May 31.—The Boer envoys reached Boston just in time to hear the news which told of the practical downfall of the South African Republic and of the fact that Oom Paul himself is energetically "trekking," as if his life depended upon it. To be sure, the intelligence was far from welcome to the envoys, but they accepted the situation philosophically and in a way which indicated that there was not so much of the unexpected as of the expected. As told in the telegraphic despatches in this morning's Sun, the Boer sympathizers in Boston were well represented at the dinner which the delegates arrived, and the visitors were cheered until after their hotel was reached. The envoys were wine and dined last night, and no doubt they were not altogether unhappy, even when the impending fall of the Boer capital was announced. Few of the substantial business men of the city took part in entertaining the Boers, that duty being undertaken largely by petty politicians who delight in assailing Great Britain in and out of season.

The visit has no significance whatever in the domestic arena, and the sporadic nature of the so-called republican form of government which has held sway under the dictatorship of Kruger, whose inglorious career appears to have reached its end. Yesterday, which was Decoration day, the Boer envoys were met at the station in laying a wreath on the big soldiers' monument on the Common. This monument was erected in memory of the men from Massachusetts who fell in the conflict which resulted in the severing of the shackles which bound the Boer people to the South African Republic. The dark record of the burghers in their treatment of the blacks in far away Africa evidently did not trouble the consciences of the hypocritical Boer delegates when they deposited their wreath at the base of the shaft on the Common. The Boers are generally in an excellent condition. The outlook for a large yield of hay and fruit is good at the present time. Farm help is now in fair supply, with wages averaging about \$18 per month and board. The potato bug has made his appearance in some localities.

The Portland Express a few days ago said: "A case where New York parties invested not wisely, called for some clerical work on the part of Appraiser Hewey this morning. A lot of old felt hats was purchased by the New York parties at St. John, N. B. They were entered as fur waste, and if allowed to cross the border into this country as such would have been subject to a 10 per cent. duty, costing the owners \$15.80. On examination by the appraiser at Eastport, however, it was found that two-thirds of the consignment was made up of woolen hats dutiable at 10 per cent. per pound and calling for a tax of \$1,676.40 instead of \$16.80. The purchasers in New York ordered the goods sent back to St. John forthwith, but in the 'shame' found that an expense of \$50 for clerical work, storage, etc., was attached thereto."

The new board of health regulations requiring Boston physicians to report to the board all cases of consumption have resulted in statistics showing that about nine new cases appear in this city daily. Consumption is now

MEMORIAL TREES.

Five memorial trees were planted on the south side of Queen square Wednesday forenoon in honor of the late Corp. Withers, Privates Johnston and McCree, who have fallen in South Africa, for the late Thomas Sloven, famous as a life-saver, and for the British occupation of Johannesburg, Messrs. Stanton Bros., the marble and granite workers, received the trees recently, two silver maples, a locust and a poplar. They were supplied by Samuel Donnelly of Port George, N. B. Those who took part and assisted in the ceremony were Deputy Mayor Maxwell, Major Crawford, Messrs. Stanton, John L. Carleton, Charles F. Tilley, P. F. Mooney and Miss Ritchie. The Johannesburg tree was planted by Ald. Maxwell; John A. Stanton planted the one for Private Johnston, Major Crawford planted the McCree memorial, and Miss Ritchie the one for Corp. Withers. The tree to the late Tom Sloven was set by Joseph Stanton.

THE ASHANTI WAR.

LONDON, June 4.—The Daily Express has the following from Cape Coast Castle, dated Saturday: "Fifteen hundred men are here and 600 others are in Nigeria. It is expected that these, with eight guns, will go to Kumassi. One thousand men have crossed the Ashanti river. It is reported that Capt. Hall has already relieved Kumassi, but this report is not confirmed."

MARINE MATTERS.

Advice from Montreal state that steamer Activ is ashore at Batiscan, River St. Lawrence, and discharging cargo to lighten her. Assistance has been sent from Montreal. Bark Albatross and sch. La Plata have arrived at Montreal with cargoes of molasses from Barbados. Both vessels encountered terrific weather, the Albatross having about 50 puncheons of molasses smashed, and receiving damage to her rigging, and several of the La Plata's sails were blown away. Lawrence Ross, a sailor on the Albatross, fell from aloft during the storm and was killed. His remains were buried at sea. Capt. Arthur McCree, formerly commandant of the D. A. R. steamer Prince George and Prince Edward, has devised a non-sinkable vessel, and his model is one of the selected out of 112 which were received by the Public Health Commission for the 230,000th ten devices will be shown at the United States exhibit at the Paris exposition. This prize was offered by the heirs of a wealthy gentleman who went down with the French liner La Bourgogne, which was lost off Sable Island on July 4, 1898. Scammell Bros. of New York report the following charters: Ship Marabout, Sabine Pass to Liverpool, timber, 115; bark Gretna, Weymouth, N. B., to Buenos Ayres, timber, 50; schooner, 312; bark Gretna, Sagua to Nantes, sugar, 35 cents; schooner Henry Waller, New York to Windsor, N. B., crossed sailing, \$150 load and discharged; bark Bell, New York to St. John, N. B.; barkstone, St. Louis, same; steamer Terrest, St. John to N. C. England, dest., \$66. 34. Sch. C. C. Lane, from Norfolk, coal laden, arrived at Bridgewater on the 2nd in a damaged condition. Captain Tullock reports having been in collision Friday night off Oyster Bay, with sch. E. Merriam, Hatfield, from Hillsboro for Jersey City. Her starboard bulwarks forward were stove and up-board bulwarks forward were much damaged. She will probably repair at Bridgewater. The Merriam had her starboard side stove, but vessel was not leaking. She had bowprit, jibboom and all head gear carried away.

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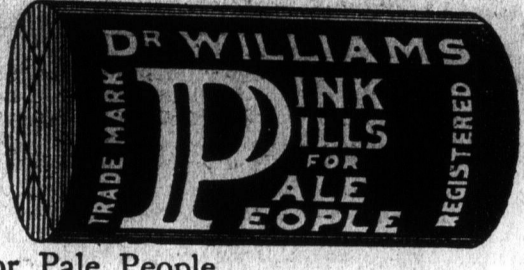
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MR. PINEAU.

The statement made by Mr. Pineau in explanation and justification of his sudden and amazing change of political faith may be satisfactory to himself, but will hardly satisfy those who elected him.

To Mr. Henry J. Pineau, M. L. A.: Sir—The undersigned French and other conservative electors of the first district of Prince county, believing you to be a man whom they could trust as their representative in the local legislature of this province, have recorded their vote in our behalf on the 19th July last and confided you the mandate of helping, at least, by your vote, in the hall of our legislature, to rid the country of the present Paragharson government.

There remains nothing for you to do now but resign the mandate which you hold, and we hope that there is still enough manliness in you to come to that determination. By so doing you will, to a certain extent, redeem your personal reputation and comply with our earnest wishes and hopes.

Mr. Pineau is just now the ruler of P. E. Island, and if he be a vain man he may decide to retain that position for some time longer.

THE MACHINE.

The Birmingham incident has been seized upon by the grit press as something which may be used to divert public attention from the West Huron and Brockville election frauds.

THE LATE DR. RAND.

The eulogy upon the late Dr. Theodore H. Rand, pronounced by the Hon. George E. Foster, at the New Brunswick University's centennial proceedings last Tuesday, is worthy of a high place in Canadian literature.

"valued his true and healthful friend," said Mr. Pineau, "and long shall weep for our loss."

PINEAU'S PRICE.

From his place on the floor of the Prince Edward Island legislature the other day Mr. McLean read several affidavits to show that Mr. Pineau had been induced to turn traitor to the trust imposed on him by the electors of his district.

I, James W. Shea, of Waterford, Lot 1, Prince County, Prince Edward Island, farmer and lobster packer, do hereby solemnly declare that on or about the 13th May inst. I was in conversation with Henry J. Pineau, M. P. P., and he stated to me that he expected to get from the liberal party in Charlottetown, for his support, the sum of \$2,000.

JAMES W. SHEA.

Declared before me at Waterford, in Prince County, province of Prince Edward Island, the 25th day of May, A. D. 1900.

CHARLES DALTON.

Both cheese and butter are bringing a higher price in Montreal than they did a year ago. The export of cheese thus far this season has been considerably larger than in the like period last year, but that of butter a good deal smaller.

The fact that Mr. Pineau, who was present when this affidavit was read, backed up the government in choking off the reading of the Ottawa letter he had written, is more than significant.

Another 10 Heard From

Recently we published a list of TEN of our Students under one roof in the C. P. R. OFFICES, ST. JOHN.

PINEAU EXPLAINS.

Had Never Received a Cent from Any Government

For Deserting the Party that Had Elected Him and Voting With the Liberals.

But He Carefully Avoided Denying the Charge that He Had Been Bought With a Price in the Interest of the Present Island Administration.

(Saturday's Charlottetown Guardian, grit.)

Last night's session of the legislature was largely attended. A. Peters continued the debate on the budget and charged that some of the affidavits submitted by Mr. McLean were signed by men who were guilty of bribery.

Mr. Arsenault followed and said he did not want Mr. Peters to throw a taunt of disloyalty in his face to shield another member who occupied a seat on the government side.

Mr. Birch—Produce the letters! Mr. Pineau concluded his remarks by stating that he had not intended to speak tonight, but the hon. member from Wellington had challenged him.

Mr. Pineau explained his explanation by stating that he was an artist of some note, having designed and drawn many missionary maps of foreign countries.

Continuing, Mr. Pineau said that he wished the member from Wellington were contradicted and had to be taken back. Before giving his explanation he wished to say a few words on the finances of the province.

Mr. McLean—There never was a telegram and Capt. Cameron, who is an honorable man and a good liberal, never gave it to that man (pointing to Mr. Pineau).

recognize this: "I was well received by the government." "I suppose the people will blame me, but I could not help it."

Mr. Speaker ruled that Mr. McLean was out of order.

Mr. Pineau, continuing, said that he was sorry now he did not go to Mr. McLean's office and get his exact words and lay them on the table of the house.

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THE LATE MRS. H. M. CLARKE.

Of the late Mrs. H. M. Clarke, the Halifax Herald says: "The death occurred in St. Stephen, N. B., Sunday afternoon, of Mrs. H. M. Clarke, widow of Dr. H. M. Clarke, for some time a missionary of the Presbyterian church in Trinidad."

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SECOND CONTINGENT.

All the Mounted Canadians Are Now Together.

Under Fire for the First Time—A Brief But Newsy Letter from Ralph Markham.

FISHER'S POND, May 5.—We arrived here this morning and found "A" squadron under Major Porrester here under canvas.

We are to form part of the mounted infantry division of the first mounted infantry brigade under Gen. Hutton.

Two days later when we were marching in the direction of Ladybrand, we heard a big fight going on about two miles away.

I am sending you a Boer almanac, which I got in a Boer house. If you read it all you will see several references to English affairs.

RALPH MARKHAM.

DR. MILLIGAN OBJECTS.

TORONTO, Ontario, June 4th 1900.—At old St. Andrew's church, yesterday morning, Dr. Milligan strongly endorsed, in the course of his sermon, every effort made towards the observance of the Sabbath day.

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