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A snap near town, 5 roomed cottage and lot \$750

Two lovely building lots, off Oak Bay avenue \$300

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Splendid stabling, with good lot, near centre of city, for \$7,500

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PRACTICALLY CLEAR OF BOERS

General Buller Says He Cannot Learn of the Presence of Forces in Natal.

SHARP FIGHTING IN CAPE COLONY.

Gen. Brabant Engages the Enemy at Dordrecht—Splendid Conduct of Colonials—Boer Position at Osonfontein Can Be Easily Turned.

(Associated Press.)
London, March 6.—The Boers in northern Cape Colony are in full retreat to the Orange Free State. The possession of Stormberg puts Gatacre in railroad communication with Clements at Colesburg, for though the Boers partially wrecked the railroad, it is understood that it can be quickly repaired, and the entrance of British troops into the Free State will be greatly facilitated.

Skirmishes at Osonfontein.

From Osonfontein, where Field Marshal Lord Roberts is opposed by a good-sized body of Boers, there is still no news except reports of minor skirmishes.

Brabant's Success.

The position gained by General Brabant at Dordrecht is reported to be exceedingly strong. According to the Times the Boers' numbers alone enabled them to retreat from Dordrecht practically unhindered. It also reports a violation of the white flag by the Boers, and that they deliberately fired at close range on a stretcher party.

White's Garrison.

General White's garrison has begun to leave Ladysmith and is arriving at the Mool River camp, where the troops will remain several days, after which they will go further south. They are completely exhausted, and say the road to Colesburg presents scenes that exceed in horror those depicted in Dante's Inferno. Dead men and animals are lying mutilated and putrefied in the trenches formerly occupied by the Boers, and fill the air with a sickening stench. In cases where hurried burial had been attempted, the rains have washed the earth away, and out of the earth stick ghastly legs and arms of dead burghers.

Statement by Prisoners.

London, March 6, 2.50 p.m.—A dispatch from Osonfontein says that according to the Boer prisoners another important British success will cause President Steyn to flee to Pretoria, leaving a provisional government at Bloemfontein, which is likely to make peace overtures, those Free Staters not wishing for peace.

tricking into the Transvaal and then helping to make a stand, which most of the British military critics now point out will constitute the most difficult and deciding feature of war.

Supplies for Roberts.

The recent rains have afforded Lord Roberts good grass, copious supplies have

HUNGARIAN HUDSON'S BAY

THE CREME DE LA CREME

reached him, and news of his advance is eagerly awaited.

Mrs. Steyn Visits Relatives.

The Press Association says that the wife of President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, is residing at Aberdeen with relatives.

Fever at Ladysmith.

Surgeon Trever cables from Ladysmith that the state of the town is most deplorable, and there are 800 cases of typhoid fever. Laxative supplies of comforts are now in the place.

LORD ROBERTS'S DISPATCH.

London, March 6.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"Osonfontein, March 6.—Gatacre occupied Stormberg yesterday. The lines of railway north and west will now be repaired.

"General Clements is at Joubert's side, 'warrior beyond Colesburg.

"The Duke of Marlborough, with the Oxford company of the Imperial Yeomanry has left Capetown for Naauwanpoort.

"General Buller reports Natal as practically clear of the enemy, and that he cannot hear of any formed forces anywhere. The Boers left some ambulances full of their sick and wounded, from which the mules had been taken for transport services."

PURSuing THE BURGHERS.

Dordrecht, March 5.—Following yesterday's success, General Brabant again engaged the Boers to-day with advantage, holding the position captured yesterday.

There was some smart fighting this morning, the British losing five or six men and capturing the Boer fort, thus vastly improving their position.

The Boers fought tenaciously, contesting every inch of the ground, but ultimately retreated suddenly, carrying their guns and wagons.

A mounted force pursued them, but the result is not yet known.

The British casualties during the two days were 90 wounded and 12 or 13 killed. The Boer losses are unknown.

Throughout the arduous fighting and severe fatigue, the colonials have behaved splendidly.

BOER POSITION AT OSFONTEIN

Osonfontein, March 2.—The Boer position has now been fairly located as about four miles in front of the British, and extending about eight miles.

The Boer right consists of a high, long mountain on the north side of the river, which French shelled this morning. Apparently the space between the mountain and the river has been entrenched.

South of the river the Boer lines cover more ground. A few days ago their left rested on the high kopjes standing in the middle of the plain. They have now been extended two miles further south, while six small kopjes, which stand in the plain between the centre and the left, and between the centre and the river, form a bridge behind which the Boers move unseen. The weakness of the Boer position is that it can be easily turned in either direction.

The country is flat and water abounds,

ENEMY ESCAPE ON TRAINS.

Ladysmith, March 3.—Three regiments of cavalry, reconnoitering northwards to-day, saw a body of Boers behind Popworth Hill. Two long trains which were ready to leave promptly moved before the troops reached them, and the Boers blew up a culvert behind them as they went.

The British passed a large body of Boers near Popworth. The Boers opened a heavy rifle fire, the British field guns replying. The British did not press the attack and the Boer fire ceased on the British retiring.

The Boer camps showed many evidences of the presence of women.

An auction was held on things brought from Boer camps. A bunch of grapes sold for 25 shillings, a plate of tomatoes 18 shillings, a dozen matches brought 18 shillings, a package of cigarettes 25 shillings, 50 cigars \$10, and a quarter of a pound of plug tobacco 40 shillings.

CECIL RHODES'S POLICY.

London, March 6.—The Morning Leader says: "Of one thing we may be certain. Cecil Rhodes, who knows Africa, has made up his mind that the annexation of the republics will not bring the lasting peace which our Imperialist prophesy. Rhodes is so sure this will not happen that he is prepared to set to work at once on the fortifications of Kimberley."

"We are inclined to think Rhodes is preparing for a possible armed conflict with the Imperial faction which he fought at the polls and in parliament until 1895. He is preparing to resist any attempt on our part to interfere actively in African affairs, either in the interests of the Dutch elector, whose vote is already threatened, or of the Kaffir laborer who seems doomed to virtual slavery."

"This is not indeed an extravagant hypothesis. Rhodes has consistently maintained a policy of Africa for the Afrikaner, and on his lips the latter word is synonymous with buander. He will be loyal to the English flag just so long as it continues to be a valuable commercial asset."

Congratulations From Buffalo.

Montreal, March 6.—Wm. Corwael, president of the City National Bank of Buffalo, N.Y., has sent the following message to the managers of the principal Canadian banks:

"We beg to extend congratulations on the great success of the British arms aided by Canadians. The right thinking American people are with the Mother Country."

Patriotic Fund.

Ottawa, March 6.—The Canadian patriotic fund to date is \$153,122.36.

Sir Henry Irving's Speech.

Toronto, March 6.—In response to clamorous appeals for a speech at the Grand opera house last night, Sir Henry Irving, who presented Robespierre, expressed great pleasure that at the end of this century Canada and the Empire were drawing ever closer together. He said it had made his heart thrill with pride to read of the doings of "Canada's heroes." "Our heroes," he added, "had to rush the breaches in the trenches, and from a determined enemy had snatched victory and glory."

This allusion was received with prolonged cheers.

The Colonies and Britain.

Kingston, March 6.—The Rev. Dr. Wilde, a well-known Congregational minister of Canada, who has been preaching in Los Angeles, in a letter to "British America" says: "The coming of British and Americans through their governments, now eye to eye, and how nicely Providence welds the British colonies together on the African war. Concluding, the eminent divine says Southern confederacy must be formed from Capetown to Cairo, in Egypt."

Flight of a Boer Sympathizer.

Post Erie, Ont., March 6.—Mullen, the Boer sympathizer, who was reported to have been kidnapped and carried away in a cutter on Friday by some indignant citizens, has not yet returned, but it is learned that he was not forcibly taken away, but made his escape to Post Erie village about two miles away and intends taking up his residence in the United States. While making his escape he had one foot and two fingers frozen.

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AMBASSADOR AT WASHINGTON.

(Associated Press.)
Rochester, N. Y., March 6.—The annual convention of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was called to order at 9 o'clock this morning in the common council chamber by Grand Master Workman P. W. Vanhook, of New York City.

THE WAR OF THE TONGS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

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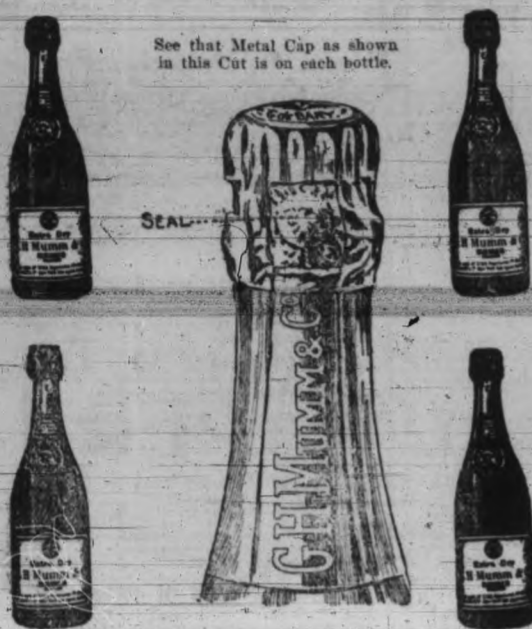
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Read Comparative Table of Imports.

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PIHER & LEISER, Victoria

Table showing List of imports of Champagnes into the United States for the years 1898-99, compiled from official records. Columns include Year and Total imports.



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In the Gay World

On Tuesday last the ladies' gallery was crowded. Whether it was a wish to witness a fiery "scrap" or merely a sporting desire to be in at the death of the part of our fair dames I know not.

At the "drum-head" service on Sunday many ladies attended to show their sympathy with those who are bereaved by the loss of our noble young soldier.

At a concert in the Institute hall on Feb. 27th, given by pupils (mostly) of the children of Mr. E. G. Wickens in aid of the women's ward of Jubilee hospital, there were present: Mrs. J. D. Helmick...

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Rock Bay Swing Bridge

More Correspondence on the Subject Between Millmen and the Council. The Point Ellice Bridge Suits Loan By-Law to Be Submitted.

The repairs at present being made to Rock Bay bridge were the subject of a number of communications, the first from Capt. Gardin representing the department of Marine and Fisheries, and the other from the local millmen of the Taylor Mill Co. and of Lemoor & Co.

At the meeting of the council on Monday night, the subject of the proposed swing bridge was discussed. The millmen proposed a swing bridge, while the council favored a fixed bridge.

The council has decided to refer the matter to the water commissioner for report. The water commissioner reported that the cost of extending the water main from Fairford road to Moss street would be \$3,000.

South African News. The Sisters of St. Dominic and Their Unique Accomplishments. Far away, out in South Africa, where the din of conflict between Briton and Boer is sounding, it is a band of nuns who not only pass their lives in religious devotion, but have adapted the role of new women in a strange character.

At the Mansion House fund for April the 20th it is earnestly urged that those intending to take part be still regular and punctual in their attendance. Everything now depends on this matter.

The party of British Columbians at Santa Monica, California, including Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunn, of Chemainus; Mrs. W. S. Drewry; and Master H. Drewry, write in glowing strains of the delightful sea bathing of Kelitropas, stampering over the houses and huge staircases. This is even better than Victoria.

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Advertisement for ATLIN MINES. Features include: "Reliable information can be had by applying to RANT & JONES, Notaries, Mining Brokers and General Agents. ATLIN, B.C." Includes an image of a person.

Advertisement for BLYTH THE OPTICIAN. Features include: "Accurate testing and fitting, combined with moderate charges, is the foundation of our success in the optical business." Includes an image of a person.

Advertisement for CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Features include: "CURE SICK HEAD ACHE. Back headache and relief of the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as indigestion, nausea, flatulence, etc." Includes an image of a hand pointing to a bottle.

Advertisement for SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE. Features include: "The Institute is free for the use of Seafaring and Shipbuilding men, and is a place where they can get a good education and a good trade." Includes an image of a person.

Advertisement for CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Features include: "It is a mystery why women endure Backache, Headache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting, and Dizziness, when thousands have proved that Electric Bitters will quickly cure such troubles."

Advertisement for PERRY DAVIS' PAIN-KILLER. Features include: "SIBERS SORE FROM A HACKING COUGH. This remedy is a sure cure for all kinds of coughs, colds, and sore throats." Includes an image of a person.

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headed by Maj. Steyn, a reputable farmer, brother of the president. Accompanied by 800 men, he is said to have returned home, declining to fight further in a cause with which he and they had little sympathy.

enabling bill now before the Imperial parliament, when the preferential trade policy of the Canadian government will almost certainly be extended by Australia to Britain and all her self-governing colonies. The most important fact in connection with the passage of the resolution of Mr. Fielding was its effect on the relations of the people of the various parts of the Empire.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION. To the Editor: During the last few weeks a state of "open" representation of the people have manifested phenomena of unfitness for responsible government or was it only an epidemic of hysteria, a consequence of the excitement attendant upon recent military and political events?

THE LOAN BY-LAW. The Loan By-law which will be submitted to the people of this city in a few days differs from the ordinary proposal to the electors in that there can be no cavil about the expediency of providing the sum mentioned without delay. To meet the bulk of the claims arising out of the Point Ellice bridge accident, aggregating over one million dollars, an arrangement has been reached whereby these claims can be liquidated for the sum of \$150,000.

SPENCER'S THIRD SHIPMENT OF LADIES' SUITS JUST OPENED UP. We have now about five hundred costumes, all new styles. As new designs come out in New York they are made up in our Ladies' Tailoring Department so that we show them here as soon as the largest New York stores.

We will show on Monday 50 Costumes received by express from New York. They are all different styles, being sent as models. We have marked them at a very small advance, so that considering the style, prices are very moderate; the cheapest is \$8.75, and there are Suits from that to \$35.

Business is growing in the Ladies' Tailoring Department, every customer being pleased with style, fit and workmanship. Stocks of New Cloths and Trimmings have come and we are ready for the Spring trade. Made to Order Suits, Best Tweeds \$25. The same with Coat Lined Silk \$27.50.

THE RIGHT STUFF. Detroit News. When the material is of the right sort it does not take long to make good soldiers, and we think it will be generally conceded that there is no better material in the world than that which is to be found in the Canadian volunteers.

AN AMERICAN'S CONFESION. Buffalo Express. We Americans have fallen into the habit of contrasting British generalship with what unfavorably with that of our own military leaders, but there is one feature of it, at least, from which we could learn an important lesson.

THE ENGLISH RACE. New York Commercial Advertiser. Canadian losses in killed and wounded at Modder River a few days ago have deeply stirred our friends across the border.

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