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Secretary.  
**FRANK HIGGINS,**  
Chief Factor.

## OCCUPATION OF KROONSTAD

Lord Roberts Telegraphs That He Entered the Town This Morning Without Opposition.

### BOERS BOLTED FROM ENTRENCHMENTS

French's Cavalry Prevented the Burghers From Opposing the British Advance—Another White Flag Outrage—Several Dragoons Killed by the Enemy.

(Associated Press.)  
London, May 12.—Lord Roberts is now face to face with the Boer position at Kroonstad, and despite the reports of its strength the result of the meeting of the opposing forces is expected to be very similar to the outcome following the British advance on Brandfort and the Zand River.

Lord Roberts is apparently keeping the federals moving far too quickly to give them time for effective occupation of any position so near him.

That numerous kopjes in the neighborhood of Kroonstad afford strong positions from which a delaying action might be fought, it is fully anticipated by the best experts that the Boers will

Hurry on to the Vaal, where they will once more attempt to stem the progress of the invading army, while the bulk of the federals prepare for what will be a decisive battle on the ridge running east and west of Johannesburg, where open ground to the southward offers the defenders splendid advantages over any attacking force.

Lady Georgina Curzon has issued an urgent appeal for help for Mafeking. She says: "Nothing but absolute knowledge of the sufferings of the people of Mafeking prompts me to inaugurate another fund but the heartrending accounts received from my sister, Lady Sarah Wilson, must be my excuse."

General Gatson has arrived from South Africa, his coming being marked by no demonstration of any kind.

A dispatch received here to-day from Cape Town says: "General Sir Charles Warren has been gazetted military governor of Cape Colony north of the Orange river with the exception of Kimberley."

### AT KROONSTAD.

London, March 12, 9.16 p.m.—General Roberts has entered Kroonstad, meeting with no opposition.

The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts: "Kroonstad, May 12, 2 p.m.—I entered Kroonstad at 1.30 without opposition to-day, when the Union Jack was hoisted amidst the cheers from the few British residents.

"President Steyn last evening vainly endeavored to persuade the burghers to continue opposing us. The Transvaalers said they would no longer fight on Orange Free State soil, and made off to the Vaal River. The Free Staters accused the Transvaalers of having made use of them and then deserting. Many of the Free Staters have gone to their homes.

"The procession, entering the town, was headed by my bodyguard, all of whom were colonial, and after the staff of foreign officers came the North Somerset, Imperial Yeomanry, followed by Pole-Carew's guards and the 18th brigade navals, the 83rd, 84th and 85th batteries, two five-inch guns manned by the Royal Artillery Company, and the Twelfth Engineers.

"The rest of the force encamped around the town.

"Before leaving Kroonstad, President Steyn issued a proclamation making Linley the seat of government of the Free State. Generals Botha and Dewet accompanied the Transvaalers."

### MORE BOER TREACHERY.

Geneva Siding, May 11.—The British forces have arrived here, marching splendidly, Gen. French in the advance. Firing was heard yesterday in the direction of his force.

Some of the Inniskillings had approached the kraal, where a force of Boers was concealed. A white flag was flying from the kraal. With the troops

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ers were unsaddling their horses a deadly fire was poured in upon them from the windows of the farm house, killing several of the Inniskillings. A score of them were captured, most of whom had been wounded.

It is expected that the railway to Zand River will be completed to-night. The line is almost entirely destroyed north of the river, but beyond where the British are the Boers retreated from their position too hastily to do much damage.

The Boers are reported to be entreaching themselves around Kroonstad, twenty miles off.

### IN TOUCH WITH ENEMY.

London, May 12.—Roberts telegraphs to the war office under the date of Geneva Siding, May 11th, evening, as follows:

"My headquarters, with Pole-Carew's division, marched 20 miles to-day and are now at Geneva Siding, 14 miles from Kroonstad, and about six miles from Boschrand, where the Boers are holding entrenched positions.

"The Gordons' brigade is in touch with them. Tucker's division is a short distance southeast, and Hamilton's force is still further east.

"Broadwood's brigade overtook a part of the enemy's convoy yesterday afternoon at Potgieters lagoon, southeast of Ventenburgh, and captured several wagons and some prisoners.

"French, with Porter's and Dickson's brigades, and Hutton's mounted infantry, is some distance due north of this place.

"We have taken 100 prisoners during the last two days. All the Free Staters who could give a good account of themselves have been disarmed and allowed to return to their farms.

"The nights are getting much cooler."

### ENTRENCHMENTS EVACUATED

London, May 12.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Roberts:

"Boschrand, May 12—9.05 a.m.—I am eight miles south of Kroonstad. The enemy evacuated the first line of entrenchments during the night. We are now reconnoitering toward Kroonstad.

"Gen. French's cavalry seized the drift over the Vaalch River at 4.30 last evening, just in time to prevent the passage being opposed by the enemy."

### BRABANT ADVANCING.

Eden, May 11.—The Boers retired somewhat to-day, but it is impossible to say where they may turn up next, owing to their great mobility.

Gen. Grenfell succeeded in pushing them back near Rapuskop, while Brabant pushed forward in the direction of Brand's Drift, along with Gen. Campbell and the 10th Brigade.

A body of Boers has appeared at Verona, on the Ladybrand road.

### Invalided.

Ottawa, May 12.—A militia order to-day announces that hereafter military corps, independent companies excused, will be known as regiments instead of battalions.

Private A. Macaulay, of the 43rd regiment, and Corp. J. Smith, of the 22nd regiment, have been both invalided from the first Canadian contingent in South Africa to Woodwich, suffering from wounds received in action. Private F. Brown, of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, was slightly wounded in Africa.

Ottawa, May 12.—The department of militia is notified that Father O'Leary, who is with the first contingent, is very ill. No further particulars are to hand.

Horses for Africa.

Toronto, May 12.—British remount officials, who have been in Ontario and Quebec for weeks purchasing horses for the British army, have secured a number to be sent by the first transport from Montreal next week. Walter H. Smith, purchasing agent, says 5,000 excellent animals could be secured in Ontario and Quebec at the present time.

Recruits for Strathcona.

London, May 11.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Canadian high commissioner, bade farewell to-day to the contingent of Canadians belonging to the Strathcona Horse, which landed yesterday at Liverpool and which sailed for South Africa to-day on board the British transport Assaye. The high commissioner made a speech to the troops, during the course of which he expressed the belief that they would emulate the excellent example of the other Canadians at the front.





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### Nearing Mafeking

British Relief Column Has Reached Vrystad, 100 Miles From Besieged Town. May Be Relieved on Monday or Tuesday—Boer Accounts of Fighting.

London, May 12.—News has arrived that a British column 300 strong has reached Vrystad, 100 miles from Mafeking. It reached there Thursday and though harassed by the Boers, is pushing swiftly forward.

Forty miles south of there at Taunus, is Gen. Hunter's main body, moving slowly and contending with considerable forces. The pick of his mounted men are the 3,000 who are going without wheeled transports, and at a rate that may possibly bring them to Mafeking on Monday or Tuesday next.

Lord Roberts's narrative closes with Thursday evening, but he is continuing his march to-day towards Kroonstad, 20 miles distant, and by this time tomorrow he must know whether the Boers intend to fight there.

Mr. Winston Churchill says there were only 2,000 Boers who opposed the British at Zand River. Another estimate is that 6,000 Boers with six guns, made a rear guard, acting while many other thousands with convoy retired without firing a shot.

A cable from Pretoria says: "It is announced that a British force of 3,400 men advancing along the railway by forced marches, night and day, and reached Vrystad yesterday."

### THE BRITISH ADVANCE.

Boer Reports of Fighting—Rumors of Heavy Losses.

London, May 11.—A special dispatch from Christiana (Transvaal), published on Wednesday by the Standard and Digesters' News, says: "Six hundred British cavalry crossed the Vaal Friday at Kalnberg, about 15 miles below Fourteen Streams, and went to Taunus, followed by commandos. A second detachment of British crossed at the same place on Saturday, and Grigorianders under Gen. Axwegen, after being reinforced repulsed the British and forced them in the direction of Taunus. General Axwegen was killed. The other Boer casualties were seven wounded. The British loss was heavy, everything was brought away from the laagers except a few tents left to attract the enemy's shells. Taunus was occupied by 500 Boers."

A telegram from Pretoria dated Monday in the same paper reports the British seizure of Fourteen Streams, Sunday afternoon. It says: "The British force at Wilrand, was overwhelmed. Subsequently, the enemy moved their line toward our positions, bombarding them with such effect that the burghers were compelled to retire, which they did in regular order. To-day a forward movement of the British was checked by a Boer force, who drove them back in places."

A dispatch from Pretoria dated Thursday, in the Standard and Digesters' News, says: "The British in this passage along the Stellan border towards Mafeking were engaged by Commandant Bichel, near Taunus, with great success. Hundreds of British troops met a watery grave while attempting to cross the Vaal. A second advance was made up on Taunus on Sunday morning by 1,500 British troops and six guns. Communication with Taunus was cut Sunday afternoon."

The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Daily Mail in a dispatch dated Friday, 11th, says: "The Boer papers report severe fighting on the western border. The facts are very much confused, probably by a desire to conceal the truth from the burghers, but there is enough to show that the Boers admit a British occupation at Taunus."

DECIDED TO CONTINUE. Steyn is in Active Command of the Burghers. London, May 12.—President Steyn and a council of leaders of several thousand Free Staters in Ladybrand and Hickersburg district determining to submit the question of continuing the war or not at a great open air meeting, the fighting men decided to go on.

Steyn, who appears to be in active command, began to advance towards the British, and came into contact on Thursday with Campbell's brigade and Brabant's Horse twenty miles northeast of Thaba Nchu. A sharp engagement ensued with no positive success on either side, except that the Boer advance was stopped. Gen. Ruddle has disposed of 10,000 infantry along a twenty mile frontier, where he had to bar the advance of the Boers towards Lord Roberts. With the exception of Brabant's cavalry, Gen. Ruddle has no horsemen. The cavalry are all with Lord Roberts.

Moving Against Boers. Maseru, Basutoland, Friday, May 11.—British forces from Thaba Nchu under General Ruddle and Gen. Brabant are reported to have advanced toward the colon and Pletsburg. A large comman-

### With the Victorians

Corp. O'Dell Sends Interesting Letters to the Times from the Front.

Col. Otter Scores the Writers of Misleading Letters—Description of Bloemfontein.

The Times this morning received a number of letters from Corporal O'Dell, containing the latest news from the boys at the front.

The Victoria Times is now to stamp and my copies are eagerly sought after and read by the boys. Other papers arrive from different parts of the Dominion and are distributed throughout the battalion. Some of them, highly respected as they are pronounced to be, publish the most ridiculous and inaccurate stuff so long as it is from the regiment. Food and mothers in the pride of receiving a letter from the olive branch, who has gone to fight for the Queen, hasten to get it inserted in the columns of their local journal. The editor of the journal, to please them, inserts it, little thinking it is a tissue of falsehoods from my dear father down to your soldier son.

On parade to-day, Col. Otter in remarkably strong language severely censured such letters which have appeared in more than one Canadian newspaper. One man, Desjardins, of "E" Co., a native of Montreal, writing home, tells of roasting eggs in the sand and with vivid imagination describes a fight at Belmont in which he says he was shot through the helmet. Also that we captured a herd of ostriches from the Boers, and the correspondent collected some feathers two feet six inches long, etc., etc. The whole together, with some satirical remarks on the writer, is a pack of lies. I blame the writer, the recipient of the letter and the manager of the journal, for giving to the reading public such nonsense. Another idiot, whose name Col. Otter withheld, a member of "C" Co., criticises his colonel in the way he makes use of or does not make use of money placed in his hands by different people of Canada to be used as he, the colonel, deemed expedient, and for the full benefit of the men. The fool, cannot he trust his commanding officer and those with him? I know for a fact that £120 was spent upon our Christmas dinner, and more would have been spent had it been possible to obtain the supplies. I wish to give the lie direct to one and all of these letter writers whose malicious falsehoods appear in the papers, and say with emphasis that Col. Otter, and the officers under him, have shown their willingness and striven hard to see that our men got as much and more than other regiments now in South Africa in the service of their Queen and country. Such a lie, and such a lie should have been left behind and their sisters sent. We were all warned it would be a hard campaign. What campaign is not? We have had severe weather, exposure and short rations. After all, we are not children, and we have had some experience, when camping out. Most of us of "A" Company have been through such experiences before, and can go through them again if need be. In duty to our relatives and friends in British Columbia, I have composed a letter for the purpose of setting the fabulous statements of others. There I have done with a distasteful subject. Now let us turn to something more agreeable to us and to you all.

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Appendicitis kills nine of every ten persons it attacks. Its cause is very obscure but the best doctors say it springs in the most of cases from Constipation.

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Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets cure Dyspepsia and Indigestion. That they have proved in hundreds of thousands of cases.

In order to complete the work thoroughly, the proprietors of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets enclose in every box of that remedy a quantity of small, brown tablets, that are guaranteed to cure the most obstinate case of Constipation. The large tablets act on the stomach, which they tone and strengthen. The small brown tablets act on the bowels and the liver, stimulating them to perfect and regular action.

Thus the food is promptly and thoroughly digested, the blood is purified to enrich the blood, and by the action of the small tablets the system is thoroughly cleansed—the bowels carrying off all the waste matter that would otherwise lie in the stomach and bowels, to rot and cause disease.

Senator Lodge, while arguing in the senate for a large navy, said: "I am by no means sure that some European nation (perhaps one whose navy is now receiving such rapid increase) may not test the Monroe doctrine."

Achilles was invulnerable in every part of the body save his heel. The heel was the only part not submerged and therefore retaining its mortality. Everyone has some weak spot in his physical organization, and that weak spot is his invariable attacking point of disease. No man is stronger than that weakest spot in him. We see great robust looking men go down like ninetails, at a touch of disease, and wonder at it. It is simply the wound in the weak spot, the vulnerable heel of Achilles.

It is the office of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery to build up the weak places, to strengthen the weak organs of the body. It does this on Nature's own plan of nourishment. Proper food properly assimilated makes a weak man strong. But the man is only an aggregation of parts, so that the strong man means strength of all parts, heart, lungs, liver, nerves, etc. "Golden Medical Discovery" puts into Nature's hands the material by which the stomach is strengthened, the blood purified, the nerves nourished, the lungs vitalized. It makes the weak strong, and the sick well. It contains no alcohol or other intoxicant.

Mr. E. J. McKnight, of Cedar, Wisconsin, writes: "I had been troubled with rheumatism for two years, and had been told not to leave my bed. I was badly crippled. Tried many doctors and two of them gave me up to die. None of them did me much good. The pain in my back, hips and legs (and at times in my head) would nearly kill me. I bought a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and four vials of 'Pills,' and to-day my health is good."

### Defeated By Champion

Corbett Knocked Out by Jeffries in the Twenty-Third Round.

Former Champion Struggled Hard to Avoid the Knock-out Blow.

New York, May 11.—At the Seaside Sporting Club, Coney Island, to-night Jeffries knocked out Corbett in the 23rd round of the fight for the championship of the world. The men's weights when they entered the ring were Corbett, 182 lbs.; Jeffries, 200.

Round 1.—After light sparring and a clinch Corbett got the first blow on the cheek with left; Corbett breaks and lands the right; Jeffries counters heavy on Corbett's chest; Corbett lands on neck; Jeffries chases Corbett to ropes; they clinch on breakaway; Corbett lands left on jaw.

Round 2.—Opens with Corbett landing left to head, and again Jeffries chases Corbett through the ropes with left hook; Jeffries lands light left, and Corbett counters on ear; Jeffries lands right on arm; Corbett counters on jaw with left; and does it again; Corbett rushes to the ropes clinching; Jeffries lands on chest; Corbett lands on jaw; Corbett rushes to ropes; Corbett lands left and right on side of the head.

Round 3.—Corbett backs sparring; Corbett running away; Jeffries unable to reach him; Jeffries rushes and smashes him hard with right and left on body; Jeffries gets right to head; Corbett rushes to clinch; sparring; Corbett lands left and gets right and left in return; Jeffries knocks Corbett against ropes; Corbett lands a right.

Round 4.—Corbett rushed to a clinch, and Jeffries hooked a left to head. They sparred for a spell with Corbett breaking ground, and then Jeffries forced Corbett to the ropes, sending his left to body. A month later he repeated the blow and Corbett looked worried. At close quarters Jeffries put his right to head, and as they broke he came back quick with right to body. Then a right and left from Jeffries jarred Corbett. Jeffries followed up with another terrific left on neck and Corbett was very tired when the bell rang.

Round 5.—Jeffries backs away and Corbett goes to clinch; Jeffries lands right on jaw and they clinch; Jeffries chases Corbett to the ropes and lands right and left on jaw.

Round 6.—Corbett sidesteps and Jeffries lands a vicious left on Corbett's chest. At the end of the sixth round honors were all over even.

Round 7.—They started with a rush, Corbett looking left to wind, then dived; Jeffries's left and cross countered with the right to good effect. Jeffries puts left to Corbett's wind that makes him clinch; Corbett got a right and left to head.

Round 8.—Jeffries lands on chest; Corbett lands lightly on jaw; Jeffries lands on jaw and they clinch; Corbett got hard blow on chest; Corbett lands on chest; Corbett lands right on ribs. Corbett's round.

Round 9.—Jeffries added for an opening; Corbett hooked left to jaw and followed with a cross-counter, following up his advantage and put right and left all over the champion.

Round 10.—Corbett advances confidently. Corbett lands left on Jeffries's jaw and clinches; Corbett lands on jaw, and tries the men clinch; Jeffries lands hard on the jaw and got a return on jaw; both men strike in clinches; Corbett is hitting the champion at ease; Corbett lands left on jaw and ducks return; Jeffries lands right on chest and they clinch; Corbett ducks left and the men clinch; Jeffries lands right on chest and a left on the ribs. Corbett's round.

Round 11.—Corbett lands a left on the ribs; Jeffries rushes him to the ropes and clinches on the ear; Corbett lands left on jaw and they clinch; Corbett lands on mouth and repeats; Corbett ducks a vicious left and misses left swing; Corbett puts hard one to mouth; gets a hard one from Jeffries on jaw; Jeffries rushes Corbett to ropes and the bell sounds. Betting is now even money.

Round 12.—Corbett was fresh at the going, while Jeffries was blowing. They sparred at centre, while Jeffries covered himself with his men blow.

Round 13.—The men were a trifle slow in getting together, being very tired. The men hugged in the centre and Jeffries sent a left hook to the jaw. In the breakaway Jeffries rushed Corbett to the ropes and punched him there, until he sprang out of reach.

Round 14.—In a breakaway Corbett tried to send his left to head, but Jeffries ducked it; Jeffries sent a back hand left smash on Corbett's face, and Corbett retaliated with a buffet; Jeffries landed comfortably from the nose and Corbett sent two more lefts to that organ; Corbett had the call at the end of the round.

Round 15.—Corbett was the aggressor, sending twice the left to face; Jeffries ducked in, driving a pile-driver right to the body, which Corbett blocked cleverly. At close quarters Corbett tried to evade the left, and snappily the alternate blow landed he recoiled quickly and stood upright when he looked as if he should have gone to the door.

Round 16.—Corbett hooked a light left to Jeffries's face, and jumped around as lively as a cricket. The men clinched at the bell.

Round 17.—Corbett put Jeffries down with a swing; they exchanged lefts and rights, and as Jeffries tried rough tactics Corbett gave him the right and landed on the face; the crowd booed Jeffries for his unfair fighting in the clinches; Jeffries landed a left and right and was perplexed when Corbett showed no sign of having felt the blow.

Round 18.—Jeffries rushed Corbett and landed a light left on jaw and evaded left to ribs; Jeffries backs Corbett to the ropes, where they clinch; the men are clinching as the bell sounds.

Round 19.—Jeffries rushes to a clinch and lands with left, but misses, and lands on jaw; he lands left again and clinches; Corbett lands left swing on jaw and gets right in return; Jeffries lands two lefts on ribs; Corbett's nose getting red; Jeffries lands a light left on the ribs; Corbett is rushed to the ropes and Jeffries knocks him down with a left swing on the jaw; he gets up and lands, but misses; Jeffries lands right and left on

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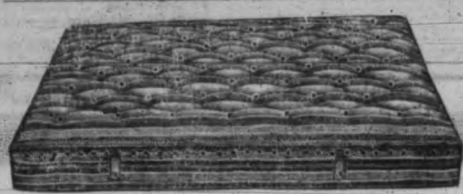
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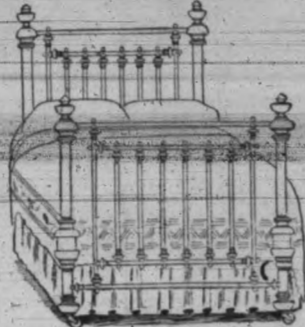


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## In the Gay World

Items of Interest to Many Persons.

Mr. C. J. Sims left last week on a short visit to England.

Mrs. E. G. Prior leaves town shortly for a brief visit to Ottawa.

Mrs. Olive Phillips-Wolley is recovering from the injuries she sustained some time ago as the result of a bicycle accident.

Everyone is regretting the illness of Canon Beaudouin. It is sincerely hoped we shall soon again have his genial presence amongst us.

Miss Nairn, of Toronto, who made so many friends while visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Robertson of Pemberton road, is now in Montreal, where many social events are being given in her honor.

The Misses Dupont, of Toronto, are visiting in the city, the guests of Major and Mrs. Dupont. Those ladies have many friends in Victoria, who will no doubt make every effort to see them while they visit here a most enjoyable one.

The young men who carried off so many honors at McGill University are a credit to Victoria and its educational institutions. Victoria leads the way in athletics, and her sons are distinguished for bravery, and now they hold the palm for brains.

Mrs. Geo. J. Potts, of Yates street, gave a most successful card party to a few friends on evening before the departure of Mr. Macdonald Potts for Bennett. Mrs. Potts was assisted in entertaining by her two talented and charming daughters.

"The Bridal Trap," which was presented at the Victoria theatre, was a genuine treat to all our citizens who delight in opera of the comic order. The cast was very good and reflects much credit on the dramatic ability of the performers. The costumes were beautiful, the singing and music above the average, and the chorus girls simply irresistible. The principal characters—Messrs. Kent, Rhodes, and Moxon, and the ladies, Mrs. Kent, Miss Stoddart, and Miss Carter, were exceptionally good. The success of the opera was in a great measure due to the bumping his child over the pavement, as long as it is in an upright position in the chair. I wonder how any woman

would like to ride a bicycle without pneumatic tires! Yet that would be luxury compared to the sensation of one of these springless go-carts, where frequently the back of the tiny little head rests against the back of the cart, and so every joint must be felt through the child's spine.

The Red Cross Society is now flourishing in all our cities and towns. In Toronto at the great horse show the ladies of the Red Cross Society had tea rooms and the results were most gratifying. An auction sale was improvised, and a red cross flag brought \$25; a badge with the signature of His Excellency brought \$50; another brought \$60, and a pin \$75. This is by way of suggestion to the ladies of our local society. The Queen's birthday celebration might afford a good opportunity.

In society notes from the Capital is announced the engagement of Mr. W. L. Scott son of Hon. R. W. Scott secretary of state, and brother of Mrs. Fletcher of Rockland avenue, Victoria, to Miss Mary Sullivan, second daughter of Mr. Justice Sullivan, of Prince Edward Island. As the young lady is said to be charming as well as pretty, Mr. Scott is receiving many congratulations. The marriage is to take place the latter part of July, at Brighton Villa, Judge Sullivan's handsome country house, near Charlottetown.

The Ottawa-Hull fire was a terrible calamity, but we have had quite as bad a one in its way in our own province. Have any steps been taken towards relief measures in Sandon? As far as can be ascertained, the Fifth Regiment band is the only organization which has taken up the question in a practical way. As a result of their prompt action a good many sufferers, and has been forwarded to the sufferers. Surely it would be well to remember that "charity begins at home."

Now that so many of our girls are taking up nursing as a profession, it may interest them to know that many of the Queen's daughters have a hobby for that splendid nurse and the Empress Frederick, during the Franco-German war, proved that she was capable of caring for the sick and wounded in the most thorough manner. Princess Christian is an enthusiast on the subject of hospital nursing, while Princess Beatrice has proved herself on more than one occasion to be an excellent nurse.

Everyone attended one or other of the good performances of the Boston Lyric Co. last week, and altogether the presentation of the different operas was exceedingly good. Theatre parties were the order of the day, and many admiring comments were made upon the appearance of our pretty little theatre, astonished everyone by his powerful and beautiful voice. The ladies of the company, Miss Andrews and Miss Mand Lecky, also made many friends. We are now looking forward to "Black

Mantles," which is to be presented by the talented amateurs of the city.

Already Victorians are beginning to leave town for the summer holidays, driven away no doubt by the warm weather we have been enjoying lately. Among the first to go are Mrs. F. N. Walter, of Oak House, Esquimalt road, and her guest, Miss Hart, who are shortly going to Salt Spring Island, where they have taken a cottage for the summer months.

In spite of counter attractions at the theatre and Drill Hall the Institute Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity last Friday evening, showing that the Arion Club has not diminished either in talent or popularity. These concerts are always a treat to the strictly musical world, and this one was undoubtedly the best concert of this season. The club was assisted by Miss Grace Helen Bradley and Dr. Richard Nash, and presented a programme of more than ordinary merit. Dr. Nash is already a great favorite with Victoria audiences and charmed everyone by his delicate execution and the pathos which he threw into his selections. But the star of the evening was undoubtedly Miss Bradley, who comes from Tacoma. Although not altogether a stranger to Victoria, having sung here last fall for this enterprising club, people were unprepared for the genuine treat which she afforded them on Friday. Miss Bradley possesses a pure soprano voice of great refinement and culture, and sang her selections with the marvelous technique and true feeling which is seen in the artist alone. Her winning face and manner, and her generous response to the hearty encores gained many friends for her in this city. The stage was prettily decorated and the feature of these concerts, were on this occasion a veritable triumph of art. Heartily congratulations are due to Mr. E. H. Russell, the clever conductor, and his associates, for the able manner in which the various numbers of the programme were interpreted.

A few of those who enjoyed the concert were: Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Fell, Mrs. and the Misses Earle, Sir Henry Crease, Mr. A. D. Crease, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. Janion, Miss Rhodes, Mrs. H. Barnard, the Misses Loewen, Mr. D. Rogers, Mrs. and Miss Schweggers, Mr. B. Schweggers, Mrs. and Miss Bains, Mrs. and Miss Coward, the Misses Graham, Mrs. Moss, the Misses Russell, Mrs. and Miss Green, Mrs. and Miss Angus, Mrs. R. Nash, Mr. Coles, Miss Hall, Miss Galley, Major and Mrs. Nicholls, Mr. and Mrs. Lunn, Mrs. and Miss Johnston, Mrs. Berridge, Mrs. and the Misses McCollough, Mr. T. Devereux, the Misses Devereux, Mr. T. Devereux, Mrs. and Miss Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Waddock, Mrs. and the Misses Claxton, Mrs. and Miss Lawson, the Misses Williams, Mrs. and Miss Wollaston, Mr. and Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Jay, Mrs. Kent and many others.

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A PROFESSIONAL WOMAN:  
Experiments Made With Food.

A certain professional woman in New York, connected with one of the large institutions there, has had a curious experience with an experiment in using a certain kind of food. It seems that in October last, she had a serious illness and was at the point of death, the brain and bowels in the last stages of exhaustion. Her remarkable experience with the food was brought to the attention of the makers by some of her friends, and in reply to a letter she wrote as follows: "I have no objection to the public knowing of the wonderful transformation my system has undergone by the use of Grape-Nuts since November, 1899. I began using the food when convalescing and when in an exceedingly low condition. And used a small quantity and became so fascinated with the flavor that I gradually discontinued nearly all other food, including tea and coffee."

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## The Trade Held Here.

Skagway Paper Tells How the business of the Yukon Is Done by Canadians.

Greater Part of Merchandise Landed at Skagway is From Here and Vancouver.

The Skagway Alaskan has the following article in a recent issue pointing out how the Yukon trade is controlled by British Columbia cities. It says: "Since early in the year by far the greater part of the merchandise landed at the port of Skagway for the interior has come from Victoria, Vancouver and other Canadian ports." While this has been generally known, no figures to substantiate it have actually been presented of late from official sources, but compilations of the customs up to April 1 have been made in the local custom house and, following are given, published through the press for the first time.

The consignments from the States of that originate from Skagway houses sent from her into British territory, are known of course to the customs people as exports. Those coming from lower British Columbia or Canadian ports and going through this port and over the pass into British territory, go as goods in bond. Therefore the goods are classed in the custom house under two heads, namely, "bonded," and "exported."

Merchandise exported the first three months from the port of Skagway to British territory was as follows:

January	.....	\$ 22,450
February	.....	112,292
March	.....	162,180
Bonded merchandise passing through the port of Skagway the first three months of 1900 amounted in value to:		
January	.....	\$ 31,836
February	.....	112,292
March	.....	246,799

By comparison of the two immediate foregoing statements it is seen that the goods going from Canadian points to British territory by this route were far in excess of those from American ports for each of the three months. During the month of March the value of British shipments was more than twice the American. The total of the American shipments have not been compiled as yet, but it is safe to say the Britishers still hold the lion's share.

This was also the case the latter part of last year, as is shown in the custom house statements to the effect that the strictly American exports from Skagway to British territory from July 1 to December 31, six months aggregated in value \$569,000. British shipments to the same territory for the same period aggregated \$1,285,024. The British outfit the Americans by more than two to one. Goods manufactured in foreign lands and sent to the United States and exported together with American goods for the same period amounted to

\$8,788. With this total equalized, the British shipments were nearly twice those of all others for the six months.

"Just let anyone who may be interested take a walk to the wharf when a steamer is in port from British Columbia with goods for the interior," said a stationer who is well acquainted with the shipping business passing through the port, "and they will see that a large percentage, possibly one half the goods entered here in bond are of American manufacture."

"They will see among these goods canned meats and hams from the East, fruits from Oregon and California, milk from Illinois, and other staples from Yankee land. Duties have been paid on them when crossing the border into Canada from the northern states, and then they become, to all intents and purposes Canadian. It is thus the Britishers are doing a thrifty business in American goods, while the American merchants at Skagway, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, and other places on the Coast see the traffic in goods of their own country carried on by others."

"One reason why the duties on the American goods going through to the interior are paid below by the Canadians is that they buy in various lots and get reduced prices, and will therefore pay their duties on Chicago prices, which means the Chicago prices plus the transportation to this point, and perhaps the profits that would go to two or more individuals. Thus Victoria and Vancouver merchants have an advantage in handling American goods over the interior."

"Skagway has an advantage over the Victoria and Vancouver merchants in one regard in catering to the interior trade, and that is in filling orders on short notice. When there is an immediate demand for an article, the buyer in the interior will probably make more, and insure himself against being anti-trusted by a competitor, by buying there, even though he has to pay a little more."

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Military Matters

Communications from members of the different branches of Her Majesty's Service represented in Victoria and Vancouver, in connection with the proposed "Victoria" Times Office.

Honorary Members.—At the meeting of the sergeants' mess on Thursday evening in addition to dispatching the regular business, the members made the sergeants of the "Co. R.C.R." honorary members of their mess.

Again Postponed.—The meeting of the association of No. 4 Co., which was to have been held after the parade on Wednesday evening, was postponed for one week, owing to the lateness of the hour and the impossibility of disposing of the business that evening.

A Proud Distinction.—No. 19 Co., W. D. R.G.A., stationed here, has just received notice from Halifax that they will be entitled henceforth to wear gold cross arms and to have the word "Victoria" on their caps in recognition of the fact that they have proved to be the best shooting company in Canada.

A Naval Tenant.—Col. Peter's handsome new residence will not be long vacant, although the owner has moved his family to Toronto. A lease of the property has been taken by Capt. Jas. Startin, skipper of the Arethusa, who, with his family, promises to be a distinct addition to social circles in Victoria.

A Canadian's Success.—Those who remember Lang, R.E., who made the preliminary surveys for the works at Work Point late in the eighties, will be glad to hear that he has been recently promoted to the rank of major. He is at present engaged on an Anglo-French delimitation boundary commission on the west coast of Africa, and has the local rank of lieutenant-colonel. Serving with him is another Canadian and old R.M.C. man—Lieut. Denison, of Toronto.

Lucky Sam!—There can be no doubt about the appointment of Lieut. Col. Hughes, Canadian Militia, as his name is included in the April Army List, among the "Special Service Officers." In fact he is the only colonial officer shown as such. His appointment is dated 12th December, 90. According to the Daily Telegraph, Col. Hughes is chief intelligence officer to Brigadier General H. H. Settle, C.B., D.S.O., Royal Engineers, inspector general lines of communication.

Victorian for Bixley.—It is no small gratification to the military fraternity in this city to learn that one of the gunners of the Fifth Regiment, G. Fleming, has won a place on the Bixley team this year. The sergeants' mess has promptly recognized this honor by voting a liberal appropriation at their meeting on Thursday night to assist in sending their crack shot to the meet this summer. They also made a strong recommendation that the company associations of the battalion make similar appropriations.

Victorians in the Service.—It is interesting to note how many young Victorians are now holding commissions in the Imperial army or navy. Capt. R. J. Macdonald, son of the Senator, is now stationed at Work Point, while another son holds a commission in the navy. There is also Capt. H. C. Carey, R.E., son of ex-Mayor Carey; 2nd Lieut. R. D. Harvey, of the 4th Hussars, and a grandson of the late Robt. Dunsmuir, and 2nd Lieut. J. S. Peters, of the Indian Staff Corps, who is a son of the ex-D.O.C. of this district.

A Riotous Sunset.—The Liverpool Post tells the following amusing story: "An old lady, who was visiting a garrison town for the first time in her life, was much startled when the customary gun was fired at sunset. 'These men, whatever the matter?' she inquired in a fright. 'It's only the sunset, ma'am,' replied the landlady, in a reassuring tone. 'You don't say so?' exclaimed the old lady, more amazed than ever. 'Why, in London, the sun sets as quietly as anything. But here, we don't hear the bang on account of the traffic,' she conceded, after a moment's thought."

Major Arnold's Burial.—Frederick Hamilton, in a letter to the Globe, thus describes the burial of A. Company's captain: "Early this morning Captain Arnold died, five days after receiving his wound. He had made a splendid fight for life, but it was a hopeless struggle. The funeral took place that same day about noon. The treatment was posted several miles away, and in consequence a few of the deceased officer's comrades were present. The funeral was held in the presence of the following: Major O'Leary and Lieutenants Hodgins, Miller and Taffery were the only officers of the Royal Canadians present. A detachment of non-commissioned officers and men of A. Company acted as pallbearers and a firing party, although no volleys were fired. Rev. S. J. Jeffrey, the chaplain of the Gordons, conducted the service. The grave is, with several others, upon a little spur between a danga and the river bank. It commands a view of the ford which poor Captain Arnold waded across, the leader of the first company of the Canadians on that Sunday of mournful yet glorious memory. The grave has been decorated as well as the hurry of the campaign and the poverty of materials have permitted."

Against Professional Devices.—A petition is in circulation among the members of the Fifth Regiment in which it is set forth that the use of a cedar box or leather case containing cartridges, racks, grease pot, black and white points, with camel hair brushes, chalk pencils, wind-gauge vernier, blow tube, orthoptic, colored glasses and a temporary rest to support the rifle between rounds, is detrimental to accurate shooting in actual warfare. The signatories protest against the use of these implements on the rifle range and pledge themselves to being about their abolition.

A Story of Lord Roberts.—On the eve of his departure for South Africa, Lord Roberts received a letter, written in a boyish hand, and signed with the Christian names of three children of evidently the same family. The surname of the family was not given, says the London correspondent of the Birmingham Post, but the little ones had written their letter on the father's notepaper, with its printed address. They told Lord Roberts that they regarded him as one of the biggest men in England, and hoped he would beat the Boers. "We shall pray for you," they added, "every night when we go to bed." When Lord Roberts got to Modder River he sent a delightful reply. He did not know the surname of the little ones, but he wrote the Christian name on the envelope, and sent it to the address given on their

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HOVANLAND. Morris Riddle, walking along the railway yard of the Red Mountain line on Wednesday morning, noticed that the cabin of Alex. Carson, a well known prospector and a friend of his, which is situated near the water tank, back of Third avenue, was fastened on the inside, and, therefore, it was reasonable that his friend, Alex, would be inside.

Messrs. Kennedy Brothers have received \$1 from "Tipperary," Alderover, of Ottawa-Hull line, which has been handed to the Bank of Montreal to be forwarded to the mayor of Ottawa. Any further subscriptions will be received by the Bank of Montreal.

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A post mortem examination on the body of John Sanderson, who died suddenly yesterday, made by Dr. Poole, disclosed the fact that Sanderson's disordered indigestion was heart disease, the heart being found in bad condition. A coroner's jury subsequently decided that death was due to natural causes. At the inquest Coroner McGuffin proved the harmlessness of the medicine supposed to have caused Sanderson's death by swallowing a dose out of the bottle at the suggestion of one of the jurymen. The remains of the late Mr. Sanderson, who lost his life to the Safford disease, arrived by yesterday's Pacific express. They were met at the station by a large number of the Fraternity of Eagles, an order of which the deceased was a prominent member.

NEW WESTMINSTER. It has been announced that a deal has been closed of considerable importance to those directly concerned as well as to local commercial circles. Westminister has been gradually taking her place as a manufacturing centre, particularly as regards the turning out of all kinds of up-to-date automatic machinery used in the salmon canning industry, and it is in this respect of her enterprise, through the business push of Mr. J. D. Munn and Mr. Alexander Ewen, that the attention of the outside world will be attracted.

Mr. Munn, when questioned on the subject by the Columbian, stated that an agreement had been completed with Mr. H. Schaake, of the Schaake Machine Works, for the sole manufacture and sale in British Columbia of the Kellogg automatic weight scales. Another agreement, with Messrs. Letson & Burpee, of Vancouver and Fairhaven, carries similar privileges for the Pacific States and Alaska. This arrangement is worth \$20,000 to New Westminster.

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To feel young again! To realize the joyous sparkle of nerve life as it infuses the body with its glowing vitality; to feel the magnetic enthusiasm of youthful energy; to be happy, lighthearted and full of joyous impulses; to be free from spells of despondency, from brain-wandering, from the dull, stupid feeling; to have confidence, self-esteem and the admiration of men and women! Such is the wish of the broken-down man—and it may be gratified.

Nature has provided a means of regaining health and of curing all those effects of hard usage in past years. Nature has given me Electricity, and after twenty years of study I have perfected an appliance for using Electricity according to the

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FREE BOOK. My Electric Belt is worn while you sleep. It is unlike all other applications. I warrant it, on a bond of \$5000, to give a strong current as soon as it touches the body, to last one year without any expense for repairs, not to burn or blister, and to be stronger in power than any other Electric Belt on earth. It has a perfect regulator and chamols-cushion electrodes.

Mining News

GRAND FORKS NOTES. Grand Forks, May 9.—Jay P. Graves, general manager of the Miner-Graves Syndicate, has returned from a trip to Phoenix. Speaking to your correspondent he said: "The track-laying force is now engaged laying the rails from Hartford Junction to Phoenix. The smelter spur, with the exception of the bridge across the dam, is finished, and two weeks at the latest will see the shipping of ore in progress. The ore bins of the Victoria, Knob Hill and Old Ironsides, with a capacity of 8,000 tons, are nearly full. We have just exchanged the old bins used in No. 1 shaft, Old Ironsides and the Knob Hill, with two large bins with a lifting capacity of 3,500 pounds each. We have also put in a new cage into No. 2 shaft house of the Victoria, and are building two new cages for the second shaft of Old Ironsides and the Knob Hill, which will be used with the new bins just ordered. We have also ordered a 1 1/2 d. duplex Rand compressor, two 80 h. p. boilers, a large surface condenser and station pump to be placed at the mouth of the Knob Hill tunnel to work the Knob Hill and Grey Eagle. This plant will be used until we install a forty d. pump. The new addition gives us a total capacity of twenty shafts. These two new shafts with the one already installed are capable of raising the ore each. This, of course, is irrespective of what can be taken on of the Knob Hill tunnel."

The properties never looked better than during my recent visit. We are stopping on the two hundred and three hundred foot levels of the Old Ironsides and in one and two crosscuts of the Knob Hill tunnel. The slopes are thirty feet wide.

"Phoenix is growing nicely. It has been decided to make surveys with a view to putting in a temporary system of water works this summer capable of supplying a population of the thousand people."

The roasting of the first ore heap at the smelter has been finished. A contract has just been let for the haulage of five thousand tons of City of Paris ore to a Grand Forks. This service will require four horse teams. The contractor will receive \$4 per ton. The ore is being taken from the 120 and 200-foot levels of the mine, in which some high grade ore values were recently encountered."

The City of Vancouver and City of Liv- erpool claims in Central Camp form the northern extension of the City of Paris. The Vancouver ore bodies are exposed by open cuts and shafts, the deepest being of twenty feet and containing some fine looking ore.

The force on the Enterprise has been increased. There are 107 men on the payroll of the Slocan Star.

The force at the Payne, Slocan Star and Last Chance aggregates 120 men. The Vancouver, Four Mile, is to start up shortly with a large force of men.

Small forces are now going to the hills from Slocan regularly on assessment work. The Minnesota Silver Company will build a concentrator near Slocan this summer.

Eighteen inches of ore have been struck on the Black Hussar group, Lemon Creek. The miners are working on the Molly Chino.

The entire Get There group, on Frenchville, has been turned over to E. J. Deacon by Dr. Gonna, of Slocan.

The Emily Edith and Vancouver, with well known properties not far from New Denver, will be in full operation next month, according to the latest reports.

A strike of some importance has been made on the Lizzie claim, a short distance to the east of McGuffin. It is owned by Mike Pearson. A number of inches of good galena has been found in the lead a few feet from the surface.

The long crosscut at the Franboise is now in 1,100 feet, and the lead will be struck in about 100 feet more, probably in about two weeks' time. One blind lead was encountered on the way containing some ore, on which drifting will be done later on. They took all the way was very hard, and all things considered, it is said to be among the best work ever done in the district.

We are showing some very nice things in "Ingrain Papers," with rich borderings; also a line of beautiful decorated goods. Weiler Bros.

Ministers, Lawyers, Teachers, and others whose occupation gives but little exercise, should use the "Liver Pills for Biliousness and Indigestion." Use it as directed. Try them.

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A FLASH OF LIGHTNING. A very few days after my arrival at Maritzburg, at the end of 1876, I was standing one afternoon in the shade of my little house on a hill, anxiously watching the picturesque arrival of an ox wagon laden with my boxes. It was in the very early summer, and the exigencies of settling left me no time to worry about the thunderstorms, of which, of course, I had often heard. A more serene and brilliant afternoon could not be imagined, and it was not even hot at all events, not out of the sun. My two small boys, as usual, trotted after me like dogs, and clamored to assist at the arrival of the wagon; so I lifted the little one up in my arms and stood there with the elder boy clinging to my skirts. Suddenly, out of the blue unclouded sky, out of the blaze of gold sunshine, came a flash and a crash which seemed as if it must be the crack of doom. No words at my command can give any idea of the intolerable blinding glare of the light which seemed

to wrap us round, or of the rending sound, as if the universe were being torn asunder. I suppose I flung myself on the ground, because I was crouching there, holding the little boys beneath me with some sort of protective instinct, when in a second or two of time it had passed, for I heard only a slight and distant rumble. I do not believe the sun had ceased shining for an instant, though its light had seemed to be extinguished by that blaze of fire. Never can I forget my amazement, an amazement which even preceded by deep thankfulness at finding we were absolutely unharmed, the fearless little boys, only enquiring, "What was that, Mummy?" There had been no time for their rosy cheeks even to pale. I looked at the little stone house with amazement to find it still there, for I had expected to see nothing but a heap of ruins. Nay, it seemed miraculous that the hills all around should still be standing.—Lady Broomie, in The Cornhill Magazine.

STUDENTS' NERVES Are Injurious and Their Brain Kept Bright by Using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

Hundreds of students throughout the country are at present studying with all the energy and diligence they possess for the coming exams. Many of these find the

strain on their nervous system more than they can stand. They are restless, easily excited, can't sleep well, lose their appetite and become pale, thin and run-down. Those who are in such a condition as this can have strong nerves, sound sleep, good appetite and robust health by using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

They make the brain bright and clear and keep students in splendid shape mentally and physically.

Mr. R. F. Cleary, York St., Lunenburg, N. S., gives his experience with this remedy as follows: "I am a student and when studying hard got so nervous and run-down in health that I had to lay my books aside for a time."

"One day a friend said to me 'why don't you try a box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, they'll soon fix you up all right.'"

"I took the first bottle given me and started all my expectations. One box was a half made me feel like a ray of old, and I can study for hours at a time now with a clear brain and not have any symptoms of nervousness or be the least fatigued."

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City of Victoria, British Columbia

Tenders for Debentures

Sealed tenders enclosed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900, for the purchase of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C., amounting to \$200,000 or its sterling equivalent at the rate of \$4.86 2/3 to the one pound sterling, in sums of \$1,000 or its equivalent as aforesaid, payable in 25 years from 1st April, 1900, and bearing interest from that date at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, with principal and interest payable as aforesaid, at the office of the Bank of British North America, either in London, England; New York, Montreal or Victoria, B. C.

The tenderer must state the price per cent. or Victoria which he will pay.

In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest at four per cent. from 1st April, 1900, to whatever date the money is received by the City Treasurer.

The above debentures are issued under authority of "The Public Works Act" and interest secured by a rate on all rateable land and improvements in the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

WILLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 28th March, 1900.

Notice to Contractors. Tenders will be received on or before Thursday, May 17th, for the erection and completion of a two story brick building and basement on the corner of Government and Commercial streets.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned, on or after the lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

THOMAS HOOPER, Architect. Room 23, Five Sisters' Block.

TENDERS. Tenders will be received at NOON, SATURDAY, 19TH, for the erection of a brick building, facing Flanagan street. Lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

J. C. TRAGUE, Architect.

Notice of Assignment. PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITORS' TRUST DEED ACT."

Notice is hereby given that James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes, trading under the firm name and style of J. Haynes and Co., Grocers and Provisioners, City of Victoria, and residing at 82 Douglas street, in the Province of British Columbia, have, April, 1900, assigned all their real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes, of the said Province, Clerk in Trust for the purpose of paying and discharging their liabilities to the creditors of the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes their joint debtors.

The said deed was executed by the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes (the assignors) and the said Arthur Brechling (the trustee) on the sixth day of April, 1900, and the said Trustee has undertaken the trusts created by the said deed.

All persons having claims against the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes must forward a statement of their claims, duly sworn, to the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes, of the said Province, Clerk in Trust for the purpose of paying and discharging their liabilities to the creditors of the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes their joint debtors, on or before the seventh day of May, 1900, the trustees will proceed to distribute the assets of which they shall have taken possession, and to take further notice that a meeting of the creditors of the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes will be held at 6 pm, on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of April, 1900, at 8 p. m.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 7th day of April, 1900. LANGLEY & MARTIN, Solicitors for the Trustee.

NOTICE. Take notice that we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Board of Licensed Commissioners in and for the City of Victoria at its next sitting on the 15th day of May, 1900, for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell wines, spirits, beer and fermented liquors at the premises known as the Hotel Victoria, situate on the west side of Government street, in the City of Victoria, to Edward E. Leason, of the City of Victoria. Dated 8th day of May, 1900. J. C. VOSS, E. E. LEASON.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sitting for a transfer of the license to sell wines and liquors in bottles from said premises to the premises known as the Hotel Victoria, to Wm. O'Rourke.

By his attorney, JOHN PARR, Witness, George Trague, Victoria, B. C., May 7th, 1900.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned, Breckling, Wall & Company, of the corner of Fort and Government streets, Victoria, Grocers, shall apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of our license to sell wines and liquors in bottles from said premises to the premises in the new brick structure at the north-west corner of Government and Broughton streets, to which we are about to remove our store. Dated the 12th day of April, 1900. BRECKLING, WALL & CO.

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# Caused a Sensation

### British Public Was Totally Unprepared for the Speech by Lord Salisbury

### The Country Can No Longer Overlook Perils Which Threaten It.

London, May 12.—Lord Salisbury's address to the members of the Primrose League on Wednesday and the remarkable utterances of the Premier on that occasion continue to form almost the sole topic of conversation. Editorial writers quickly gave up the attempt to analyze for the benefit of the public the numerous features of the speech, and were well nigh staggered into silence by its baffling unexpectedness and the multiplicity of the issues it contained. It was derived when the nation expected exactly the opposite kind of remarks. To implore his countrymen to

Awake to the Perils constantly menacing the great empire and its existence at the very moment when a long period of patient waiting had been replaced by jubilation over Robert's successful advance was an expedient which seemed so utterly essential of the first principles of statesmanship, considering the approach of the elections, that some of Lord Salisbury's own supporters were astonished. He pulled to pieces every fabric that had been built around the Queen's visit to Ireland, calmly comparing the present efforts to attain Home Rule to

Boer Conspiracies and Hostility.

The whole tone of the speech lacked all those formalities, reticence and veiled utterances to which the English people have been accustomed since the days of Pitt and Palmerston. Lord Salisbury himself has been astonished.

So amazing and interesting has been Lord Salisbury himself as revealed this week, that the broad and far most standpoint of other nations, of the speech has passed almost unnoticed. Were the Premier of any other European state to get up in these times of war and rumors of wars and urge the people of an eminently commercial race to accustom themselves to

The Use of Firearms and to establish rifle clubs in every city, village and hamlet, there would be no market prices would drop by tens, and mobilization plans would be at the finger tips of every war minister.

Hostilities Toward England. the world over, he was speaking purely in the abstract, without harking in his mind one concrete instance whereby that hospitality might become an immediate menace.

A curious incident connected with the parade of the Ladysmith naval brigade of the British cruiser Powerful was that the decorating authorities almost smothered the officers of Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal the Canadian High Commissioner, with the

Stars and Stripes, while on the outside of the United States embassy, in the same street, there was no sign of an American flag. Lord Strathcona pointed out the unsuitability of the predominance of the Stars and Stripes, and the number of those emblems were reduced.

NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

The Longshoremen's Strike—Man Burned to Death.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, May 12.—J. F. Trowbridge, northern superintendent of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, has arrived here with the object, it is understood, of arranging if possible, the settlement of the longshoremen's strike.

The water in the Fraser river on Friday at noon at Mission was higher than it has been during late years at the same time in the season.

The Tartar will take a trial shipment of coke from the Union works, when she leaves for the Orient next week.

George Cunningham, an employee of Champion & White, died last night from burns received when his shack near the corner of Westminster avenue and Dupont street was burned down on Saturday morning. It is supposed that he had overturned a lamp.

A POOR MILLIONAIRE. Lately starved in London because he could not digest his food. Barty ate of Dr. King's New Life Pills, and he is now well.

What a record it has! 50 years of cures! It can't be said of any other Sarsaparilla.

Take Ayer's Pills with Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

After an attack of the grip my whole system was run down very low. I thought I could not get any more good than all the doctors' medicine put together. I took a bottle of Ayer's Pills and in a few days I was as well as ever.

## METHODIST CONFERENCE.

### Election of Officers—New Chairman of Victoria District.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) New Westminster, May 11.—The fourteenth session of the annual conference of the Methodist church in British Columbia convened in the Queen's Avenue Methodist church yesterday morning at 9.30 a.m., with the president, Rev. Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., of Vancouver, presiding. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. J. C. Spier, of the Toronto conference.

The roll being called 48 ministers and 22 laymen answered to their names. On the ballot for conference officers, Rev. Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., of Vancouver, was re-elected president, and Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A., of Victoria, secretary. Revs. A. N. Miller and John Robson, B.A., were appointed assistant secretaries, and Rev. C. M. Tate, stationery secretary.

In the evening Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Toronto, missionary secretary, gave an address to a large audience on the "Evangelical Missionary Conference held recently at New York. He spoke of the growing enthusiasm on behalf of missions, and the feeling, also growing, that a larger element of co-operation between the churches on the mission field was desirable. It was hoped that even in British Columbia a division of the work might be arranged, whereby one denomination should take one part of the field and another the other, and thus result in the saving of missionary money and the building up of self-supporting churches.

## Settlers in Railway Belt

### In British Columbia Can Now Obtain Free Grants of Homestead Land.

Ottawa, May 12.—Settlers of the Dominion lands within the railway belt in British Columbia were charged \$1 per acre for homesteads. An order-in-council has been passed going away with this, and bona fide settlers can now have lands free on the same conditions as exist in Manitoba and the Northwest.

Government Will Probably Reduce Postage on Newspapers—Victoria's Rifle Range.

Ottawa, May 12.—The Department of Militia has forwarded plans, specifications and instructions for the new rifle range at Victoria.

FREE FROM PLAGUE. (Associated Press.) San Francisco, May 12.—The steamer American Maru, from Hongkong via Honolulu, brings advice that Honolulu was officially declared a clean port on April 30th.

An attempt was made to blow up the residence of De Sausa Gamarova, the Portuguese consul, with dynamite. The house was damaged, but there is no loss to the occupants.

THE DRAWING ROOM.

London, May 11.—The third drawing room of the season was opened by the Queen in person at Buckingham Palace to-day. Bright weather prevailed and immense crowds assembled about all the approaches of the palace and warmly welcomed the arriving Royalities.

ITCHING PILES.

False modesty causes many people to endure in silence the greatest misery imaginable from itching piles. One application of Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment will soothe and ease the itching, one box will completely cure the worst case of blind, itching, bleeding, or protruding piles. Your Ointment is guaranteed to cure all.

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False modesty causes many people to endure in silence the greatest misery imaginable from itching piles. One application of Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment will soothe and ease the itching, one box will completely cure the worst case of blind, itching, bleeding, or protruding piles. Your Ointment is guaranteed to cure all.

BETTER WITHOUT A STOMACH.

After an attack of the grip my whole system was run down very low. I thought I could not get any more good than all the doctors' medicine put together. I took a bottle of Ayer's Pills and in a few days I was as well as ever.

THE DRAWING ROOM.

# Stories of The Campaign

### The Local Contingent Tell Their Experiences in Letters Home.

### A Bit of Khaki Worn at Paardeberg Converted into Easter Card.

In addition to the letters published in another column from the Times special correspondent with the first Canadian contingent, a number of friends of the boys have received personal letters. Mrs. Siddall has a couple of letters from Mr. Stephen Court, in one of which he says, "I have an Easter card made out of a piece of my khaki jacket which I wore at Paardeberg. Pte. Court nursed Major Arnold until his death. He reports the boys as all well and in good spirits. He is now attached to the signal corps, but would prefer to be in the fighting line.

City Assessor W. W. Northcott has received several letters from his son, Sergeant Joseph Northcott, dated March 25th, 30th and April 2nd respectively.

The last letter was written from Bushman's Kop, where an engagement was recently fought. The writer was in the best of health and spoke most encouragingly of the situation.

Mr. Stewart, of the Albion Iron Works, has also received a couple of letters from his son, J. A. Stewart, who is in the front line at Paardeberg.

Miss Rachel Sheppard, daughter of ex-Chief H. W. Sheppard, has received the following letter from her step-brother, Private W. Whitley, dated March 27th, from Bloemfontein:

"I take much pleasure in writing you a few lines to let you know that your brother is well, and in the best of health at present, but there is a lot of sickness here just now. We have had to sleep in for a long time and it is the worst season. When it does rain it is a downpour and lasts for a day or two. This is a very pretty country and will be a great English country in the future. They lost a lot of men fighting for it. I think the war is not over yet. If we could only catch old Kruger and Steyn it would soon be over, or if they would only stand and fight, but they won't, and it is a very hard country to march in. Water is very scarce. Some of the boys think we will soon be home, but we have got to get to Pretoria. They say Buller has got them in a cag, and I hope it is so."

Mr. J. B. Thompson, assayer of Tronnoe alloy, this morning received the following letter from Pte. Jas. W. Jones, dated Delfontein, April 11th, 1900, and written in the Imperial Yeomanry Hospital: "I thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know I am still alive and kicking. I have been through some pretty tight places since I last talked to you in Tronnoe alloy, but I am really none the worse for it by my experience to the present. I am knocking out with a sprained back and rheumatism. After the big fight at Paardeberg I had to parade sick. We fought for five days. Some mornings I could hardly get up. I was so stiff since I last talked to you in Tronnoe alloy, but I am really none the worse for it by my experience to the present. I am knocking out with a sprained back and rheumatism. After the big fight at Paardeberg I had to parade sick. We fought for five days. Some mornings I could hardly get up. 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