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SKIRMISHES BETWEEN BRITISH AND BOERS

Several Small Engagements Are Reported to Have Taken Place in Cape Colony.

SEVENTEEN BURGHERS KILLED AND WOUNDED

On the British Side Nine Men Were Wounded—Sensational Reports From Mafeking—Meeting of Imperial Parliament—The Queen's Speech.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 17.—A special dispatch from Capetown says that three hundred Boers and eighteen British have been killed in a battle at Mafeking.

Lorenzo Marques, Oct. 17.—Refugees who have just arrived from the Transvaal report that the Boers have been repulsed at Mafeking, sustaining heavy losses.

British Victory.
London, Oct. 17.—Col. Baden Powell made a sortie from Mafeking in force and attacked the Boers who were investing the town.

After fierce fighting the British carried the day.

Two Engagements.
Pretoria, Oct. 14.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Heavy fighting took place this morning north of Mafeking.

An armored train sent to repair the railway line opened fire on the Boer's commando. One burgher was killed and two wounded.

A second engagement followed in which nine British soldiers were wounded.

Then while some of Cronje's troops were near the broken railway bridge, nine miles north of Mafeking, an approaching train, loaded with dynamite, was fired upon and blown up. There

were no casualties on the Transvaal side.

Pretoria, Oct. 15.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Further dispatches received by the government say that fighting continues north of Mafeking.

The British, after the second engagement, retired in the direction of the town, but resumed the attack shortly afterwards, two burghers being killed and three wounded.

The commando engagement was impeded owing to the want of heavy artillery, which was subsequently obtained from Gen. Cronje.

Another Fight.
Kimberley, Oct. 17.—An armored train while reconnoitering near Spytfontein, engaged the Boers, killing five and wounding seven. The British had no losses.

The Boers in Natal.
London, Oct. 17.—Delayed dispatches from the scene of action in South Africa throw little fresh light upon the situation.

The Boers appear to be strengthening their position in Natal, and biding their own time for attack.

The Orange Free State burghers are apparently threatening to invade Cape Colony by way of Norval's Post and Allwal North, both of which are at their mercy, if they possess artillery. So far as known the only British force stationed at Allwal North is a detachment of the Royal Berkshire regiment.

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Another Post Isolated.
Capetown, Oct. 17.—Allwal North, Cape Colony, is now isolated.

Transvaal Boers Chartered.

New York, Oct. 17.—The Boers' movement is seriously crippling the trans-Atlantic carrying business, the World says, by snatching up a number of vessels to be used as transports during the campaign against the Boers. Seventy ocean carriers, it is estimated, including thirty-two trans-Atlantic liners, have already been chartered. The Cunard Steamship Company has already turned over the Aurania and the Servia, respectively 4,000 and 3,971 tons register, which are on the New York line as extra boats, and those steamers engaged in the Boston trade with Liverpool, the Tavonia, 3,490 tons; Cephalonia, 3,515 tons, and Galatonia, 3,003 tons. The Corinthia, 3,623 tons, is now coaling in Boston, and from there goes to New Orleans to transport mules to South Africa. If necessary the Cunard Company must turn over the Luennia, Campania, Umbria and Etruria, to be converted into armored cruisers. The British, Nomadic and Clifina, of the White Star line, will probably be taken by the British government, and so far only the Nomadic, a freighter, has been chartered. The Allan-Scott line steamers chartered are the Monrovia, 3,082 tons, which has been taken off the New York service, and the Bavarian, 6,722 tons, a new steamer. The Leland line have chartered the American, 5,744 tons, and the Winifreda, 6,816 tons.

It is reported the Columbian, 3,323 tons, and the Chicago, 4,123 tons, of the Wilson-Furness-Leyland line, running between Boston and London, have been taken, and that a number of steamers of the Elder- Dempster line, running between England and New Orleans and Montreal, and of the Warren, Dominion and Atlantic transport lines have also been called upon.

The Queen's Speech.
London, Oct. 17.—Parliament opened today in extraordinary session to consider the South African situation. In the speech from the throne Her Majesty said:

"My Lords and Gentlemen,—Within a brief period after recent prorogation, I am compelled by events, deeply affecting the interests of my Empire, to recur to your advice and aid.

"The state of affairs in South Africa made it expedient that my government should be enabled to strengthen the military force of this country by calling out the reserves. For this purpose the provisions of the law render it necessary that parliament should be called together.

"Except for the difficulties that have been caused by the action of the South African Republic, the condition of the world continues to be peaceful.

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons,—Measures will be laid before you for the purpose of providing for the expenditure which has been or may be caused by events in South Africa. The estimates for the ensuing year will be submitted to you in due course.

"My Lords and Gentlemen,—There are many subjects of domestic interest to which your attention will be invited at a later period when the ordinary season for the labors of the session has been reached.

"For the present I have invited your attendance in order to ask you to deal with an exceptional exigency, and I pray, in performing the duties, which claim your attention, you may have guidance and blessing of Almighty God."

In the Commons.
Immediately after the reading of the Queen's speech in the House of Lords, the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Right Hon. William Court Gully, returned to the House of Commons.

The House adjourned at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Henry Labouchere, Liberal member for Northampton, will move an amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne in favor of arbitration in the Transvaal controversy even at this late day.

Mr. John E. Redmond, Parnellite member for Waterford, will move an amendment protesting against the war.

Mr. Henry Seton Kerr, Conservative member for St. Helens, Lancashire, has given notice of a question for Thursday, concerning the alleged (History) utterances of certain Irish Nationalist members of the House, which he will contend is in violation of the oath of allegiance. He will take special exception to an expression by Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Parnellite, of a hope that Irishmen in British regiments, instead of firing on Boers would fire on Englishmen. He will also refer to similar declarations made by Mr. Michael Davitt, Nationalist, and Mr. William Redmond, Parnellite.

Opening Ceremonies.
The opening ceremonies occupied a quarter of an hour. There were scarcely a score of persons present when the Lord High Chancellor, Baron Halsbury, took his seat on the woolsack. The black rod was despatched to the House of Commons, and after a brief interval the Speaker and other members appeared at the bar.

The galleries of both houses were crowded.

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By-Law in Committee

Port Angeles Steamer Must Make Two Round Trips Every Day.

Directorate and Shipping Registrar to Be Regulated by Victoria.

Very little business was transacted at last evening's meeting of the City Council, except the further consideration of the Port Angeles ferry and by-law. This resulted in some very radical changes being made in the proposals submitted by the promoters, changes which the advocates of the by-law said would result in its being killed.

Instead of one daily trip it was decided that the passenger steamer shall make two; that the boats be built in Victoria and be under Canadian register; and that the board of directors be limited to seven members, of which three shall be Victorians, including the mayor.

The only concession obtained by the promoters of the by-law was the reduction in the speed of the freight ferry from nine knots to nine miles an hour. There was a much larger attendance of the public than has been the case for a considerable time, indeed there were more people beyond the rail than has been the case since the occasion upon which the Sunday closing by-law was defeated.

All the aldermen were present and his worship the mayor presided. City Solicitor Mr. C. Dubois Mason and his partner, Mr. J. M. Bradburn, were both present, and City Clerk Dowler was also in attendance.

The proceedings commenced a little earlier than usual, being only five minutes after eight o'clock when the mayor called upon Mr. Dowler for the minutes of the last meeting, which were read and duly adopted on motion of Ald. Humphrey.

Correspondence was the next order of business and the first letter came from Albert T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, asking the council to construct

A Wooden Guard Rail on the south side of Rock Bay bridge, the same as has been placed on James Bay bridge.

Ald. Kinsman moved that the letter be referred to the city engineer with power to act, which Ald. Humphrey seconded, remarking that he understood it was the intention to lay a new floor on the bridge shortly and the guard rail might be placed there then.

The mayor asked whether it was the intention that the city or the company should pay the cost. The rail on James Bay bridge cost about \$50.

Ald. Stewart asked who bore the cost of that, but the mayor did not know, although the engineer said the city paid for it. Ald. Kinsman's motion giving the engineer power to act was then carried unanimously.

A Muddy Crossing. Messrs. R. Porter & Sons called the attention of the council to the muddy condition of the crossing from the corner of Courtney street to the other side of Government street and expressed the hope that the council will be able to lay the stone crossing so long promised.

Ald. Stewart moved that the letter be referred to the engineer, and he be asked to report on the cost of laying a wooden crossing. There were probably enough blocks already tarred, left over in the corporation yard to do this work, and the cost would not be much. Every one would agree upon the necessity of having the crossing laid.

Ald. Humphrey thought it would be better to have a report from the engineer as to the cost and necessity and a motion to that effect carried when seconded by Ald. Macgregor.

Port Angeles Boat. President Cushing of the Port Angeles Eastern Railway Company said he was informed some of the aldermen thought the steam passenger boat to ply between Victoria and Port Angeles was only to be 100 feet long. This was a mistake. The proposed steamer is to accommodate 150 first-class passengers and at least 150 feet long. A steamer 100 feet long would accommodate only half the contemplated number. The misapprehension was probably due to a plan being exhibited in the window of their Victoria headquarters, but that was the plan of a steamer which Moran Brothers happened to have prepared when the Port Angeles ferry scheme was brought up. The promoters approved of the general design, but not of the size.

Ald. Macgregor moved to receive and file the letter. The information would enlighten such of the aldermen as needed it.

Ald. Stewart said the mistake was not a mistake of the aldermen. The company exhibited a plan drawn to scale and he had taken the trouble to measure it, with the result that he found it was about 106 feet long.

The letter went on file.

total estimated cost \$225. As to cleaning the paving in the centre of the city the engineer recommended having men employed during the day, each to have a small push cart, a plan followed by Eastern corporations. Cost of carts \$35 each.

More Light Needed. John Breidford and 24 others petitioned for an electric light at the corner of Sayward avenue and North road, the vicinity being dangerous to pedestrians owing to want of light.

Referred to electric lighting committee on motion of Ald. Macgregor.

St. Ann's Laundry Fire. The fire warden and the chief engineer of the fire department reported upon the complaint of Mr. Flewin, referred to them, regarding danger of fire from the laundry of St. Ann's convent. There will be no further cause of complaint.

Received and filed on Ald. Stewart's motion. Money Matters. The standing committee on finance recommended for payment out of current revenue accounts amounting to \$1,307.88 and the report was adopted on motion of Ald. Stewart and Hayward.

Printing Voters' Lists. Ald. Macgregor moved and Ald. Humphrey seconded "that tenders be invited in the Victoria Daily Times for publishing the voters' list of the city for 1900, to be received not later than Friday, the 20th inst., at 1 p.m., at the city clerk's office, and that a special committee be appointed with power to award the contract and affix the corporation seal thereto."

Ald. Hayward could not see the necessity of calling for tenders until the number of voters is known and that will not be until the end of November.

The mayor explained that they could not wait for that. The lists can be made up to include the names of the property owners.

AM. Stewart moved to amend the motion by extending the time for receiving tenders to Monday, 23rd; the amendment was accepted and the motion then agreed to.

V. & S. Railway Matters. Ald. Macgregor moved and Ald. Kinsman seconded:

Whereas, the Victoria & Sidney Subsidy Act of 1892 recites that the railway company has agreed, in consideration of a guarantee of interest on its bonds, to pledge its undertaking and security therefor;

And whereas, the company is empowered to charge its undertaking and its tolls, and its property, real and personal, in respect of such guarantee, secured and subject only to the charge in favor of the bondholders;

And whereas, the Lieut.-Governor in Council by the act authorized to enter into all agreements and arrange all details for carrying out the provisions of the act;

And whereas, provision is also made for permitting the corporation to share in any security taken in advance;

Be it therefore resolved that the government be requested to take such steps as may be necessary to obtain security in the nature of a mortgage on the Victoria & Sidney railway, its undertaking, tolls and property, real and personal, for the amount of the advances made by the government and corporation to the railway in satisfaction of their respective guarantees of interest, and that the mortgage contain such terms and clauses as will permit the corporation to share in such security pro rata, to the extent of the guarantee.

Ald. Macgregor said he had had occasion to look at the act and saw that the government has the power to safeguard the city to the extent of the interest guarantee on the loan and he had made some enquiry with the result that he found no steps had been taken in that direction. He thought the aldermen were there for the purpose of protecting the city's interests and it would be well to call the attention of the government to the matter.

Ald. Stewart—I have just been wondering whether the other railway scheme had anything to do with this.

The Mayor—That has nothing to do with the question, Ald. Stewart.

could only be taken for the money already paid, not for future payments.

The mayor read a section of the by-law which provided that all money paid by the government and by the corporation should be considered as a debt to the government and to the corporation and be a charge on the property of the corporation, real and personal, then belonging to them or afterwards acquired.

Ald. Hayward thought the question raised by Ald. Williams a very pertinent one. Suppose the company ran into debt in some way by the purchase of water, roads, or other property, the government would be liable for the debt, and the corporation would be a charge on the property of the corporation, real and personal, then belonging to them or afterwards acquired.

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Electric Light Wiring. Ald. Macgregor moved that Mr. K. H. Sperling be appointed to the position of electric wiring inspector under the provisions of the recently passed by-law.

The mayor explained that three applications for that position had been received. The Municipal Clauses Act gives the city the power to appoint an official either by resolution or by ballot.

Ald. Macgregor thought it was in the interest of the city and of the consumer that an independent man be appointed. Independent in the sense that he was not compelled to rely upon the proceeds of the position for his living.

Mr. Sperling is connected with the Electric Railway Company, and is the best electrician in the city, next to the city electrician. If Mr. Hutchison had time to devote to this work he would be a good man for appointing him. As that could not be done Mr. Sperling was the next choice.

Connected with the Electric Company, who are not interested in the sale of supplies and it is in their interest to have the wiring done on the best plan, as in the case of had wiring being done the ous falls upon them.

Ald. Cameron raised the question whether Mr. Sperling is willing to accept the position in accordance with the offer of the company to allow a rebate of half the fees.

This placed a new light on the subject, and as Ald. Stewart said he knew of several others who were waiting for an advertisement to appear calling for applications it was agreed to defer action for one week.

Douglas Street Cars. Ald. Williams asked from the city solicitor a statement regarding the present position of the claim made by the city that the Street Railway Company shall extend their service on Douglas street to the end of the line. It is a question that has been dragging all through the year, and the failure of the company to run the cars as required works a great hardship on those who live out at the end of Douglas street.

City Solicitor Bradburn explained that he had filed the statement of claim against the company and two months time had been lost in the filing of the long vacation. Mr. McPhillips, for the company, had asked him to wait a few days for the pleadings. He believed they are now ready, and would be filed within a week. The delay was not Mr. Bradburn's.

Trade Licenses. Ald. Macgregor asked if anything was being done in regard to enforcing the payment of trade licenses without discrimination. He understood there was a test case. How was it progressing? There are some professional men, he believed, and men in his own line of business, who defy the license. If one had to pay, all should.

The mayor said the proper course to pursue would be for the collector to place such cases in the hands of the solicitor. This was hardly a convenient time to ask the solicitor what was being done.

The matter dropped.

Port Angeles Ferry By-Law. Ald. Macgregor moved that the council resolve itself into a committee of the whole with the mayor in the chair for the further consideration of the Port Angeles Ferry Aid By-Law, and Ald. Hayward seconded the motion. It carried unanimously, and clause B, was taken up.

change them. Ald. Brydon insisted that in addition to the specifications, the cost should also be submitted to the council for approval. This was seconded by Ald. Stewart, but the mayor said the solicitor thought it had better not be included.

Ald. Williams thought the aldermen had not read the by-law. Sub-section J provided that on the board of directors there should be three Victorians, including the mayor.

Ald. Brydon wanted to know what good this would do. He thought the board composed possibly of fifteen or twenty members would be better.

Ald. Hayward thought anything further than was already in the clause quite unnecessary. They had stipulated what the size, the speed, and the seaworthy qualities of the boat should be. That would be sufficient to determine the cost, he to refer it to the city engineer and it stood left a loophole for contention.

Supposing the plans submitted did not meet with the approval of the council? Ald. Hayward—They will have to prepare others.

Ald. Beckwith insisted that more details should have been given. The company posted plans in their window and they proved to be wrong. They should have submitted the plans of the boats they intended to run.

Ald. Williams reminded the council that the stipulation was that the boat must be able to run in any weather. That did not leave much room for a poor boat. Perhaps it would be better to strike that portion out.

The mayor asked if Ald. Williams would move in that direction.

Ald. Williams said he only wished to meet Ald. Beckwith's wishes, but Ald. Beckwith denied that such an amendment would meet his wishes.

Ald. Brydon's amendment to insert the word cost in addition to specifications to be submitted to the council for approval was lost.

Section B was then passed. Section C being taken up Ald. Beckwith thought the steamer should make two round trips a day, instead of one, as contemplated.

Ald. Macgregor thought that was going too far. If there were sufficient boats to make two trips it would be better to take for granted that the boats would be run. It would be too bad to make it compulsory to run the boat twice if there were not sufficient travel.

Ald. Humphrey had intended to move the amendment if he had not been forestalled. He was in a predicament; we should certainly have two trips.

Ald. Hayward said there would be one trip; one of the passenger boat and one of the ferry.

Ald. Williams thought it rather amusing that the aldermen should insist upon two trips when the last week there would not be travel enough to justify one trip. Having cut the bonus down a low it would not be advisable to put this amendment in.

Ald. Cameron said the arguments of the aldermen were that there would not be sufficient travel to justify paying the subsidy of \$17,500. Some estimated \$8,750 too much. Had it come down asking the city to pay that amount for running empty steamers?

Ald. Brydon said the council should remember this subsidy is for twenty years.

Ald. Beckwith reminded the council of the transcontinental traffic. It would be absurd to have a steamer on a twenty mile run only make one trip a day.

Ald. Hayward thought this was only a matter of one trip a day. There would be only one trip a day.

Ald. Beckwith said there are two trains a day on the N.P.R.

The mayor said there might possibly be times when it would not suit Victorians to go across just when trains were leaving.

Ald. Macgregor asked if the aldermen had any conception of the cost of running a steamer. He had figured it out at \$200 a day. That was \$73,000 a year. Pretty big figures for some of them to think about.

More lengthy discussion followed in which the aldermen tried to estimate the cost of running the steamer, but eventually the amendment carried against Ald. Kinsman, Williams, Macgregor and Hayward.

In clause D Ald. Humphrey moved that the boats must be built in Victoria and be under Canadian register.

Ald. Brydon thought the very reason for the boats being American bottoms, and then aliens could not get a chance to work on them.

Ald. Macgregor said this was another attempt to kill the by-law. They were making it so no one could use the present company, and it could not be used by any other company.

The mayor reiterated the argument that if American bottoms the boats would be closed to Victorians as far as the work.

Ald. Humphrey said our people have a right to be protected. It was stated that Victorians would have the right to tender on the construction, but what would become of their tenders? They would be pitched into the waste paper basket.

Ald. Hayward and Kinsman said they were both in favor of protecting the people of Victoria, but although they would support this amendment it was from a different purpose from that which animated the others. They did not wish to kill the by-law. It should be referred to the people to vote on.

The amendment carried, Ald. Macgregor and Williams being the only dissenters in the vote.

Ald. Hayward moved to reconsider clause C for the purpose of inserting the length of the boat, 150 feet, and the amendment carried.

The two daily trips to one daily trip, but was defeated, being supported only by Ald. Kinsman, Macgregor and Williams.

Clause J being reached, Ald. Humphrey moved that the board of directors be limited to seven, the city having three members. That would give the company a majority on the board.

Ald. Hayward said this was unreasonable. Ald. Macgregor did not agree to it either, but it was adopted.

A long discussion then took place on the matter of the city terminals. Ald. Brydon being afraid the company was not sufficiently bound down to come within the city limits.

Ald. Williams had a sarcastic amendment to the effect that nothing in the by-law should be construed into meaning that the city desired better railway connection, and Ald. Humphrey said that would carry unanimously.

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HOSPITAL BOARD.

The Monthly Meeting Held Last Evening.

A meeting of the Hospital Board was held at the Board of Trade building last evening, with Mr. H. D. Helmcken in the chair and Messrs. A. Wilson, Drury, Yates, Sholtz, Braverman, Crimp, Lewis, Holland and Day present.

A letter was received from John Piercy & Co. saying that the firm understood that at a recent meeting of the Hospital Board it was decided to order the necessary supplies in the dry goods line from "the east." The letter was to protest against this procedure.

The letter was received and filed, and the writer was ordered notified that he was laboring under a misapprehension. A report was received from the medical health officer that the total number of patients in the hospital during the month was 116. The daily average number of patients was 37.56. The total days' stay was 1,247. The daily average cost was \$142. The ambulance ordered from Weston's carriage factory not having been furnished, the suggestion was made that as it was urgently needed, one be ordered from Messrs. Stevens of Toronto, who offer to supply same for \$40. The accounts for the month to be passed for payment amounted to \$1,408. Received and filed.

Moved that the president stir up Mr. Weston.

The steward reported that "he had nothing to report." Donations were received from Rev. Mr. Barber, Mr. E. Sears, Mrs. W. Le Poer Trench and Mr. H. D. Helmcken. Received and filed and donors thanked.

The matron reported the receipt of donations from Mrs. Goodacre, Mrs. L. P. Duff, Mrs. A. J. Smith, St. Saviour's church per Rev. Mr. Barber, Mrs. Musgrave, Mrs. Landsberg and Women's Auxiliary.

The casualties caused by the graduation of Misses Fraser and Boddie have been filed by Miss Brownrigg and Miss Tolmie, both of whom reside here. Received and filed and donors thanked.

Mr. Wilson then had something to say of patients who were placed in the free ward at the hospital. He cited the case of Peter Jackson, who had been there a month, and suggested that an effort be made to get some payment.

Mr. Lewis wanted something put in the by-laws so that the hospital could present a bill and secure payment from a man who has been in the free ward, when he returns to work.

It was pointed out to Mr. Lewis that this was stated on the new card.

Mr. Yates reported that the committee of which he was a member had plans drawn up for the house at the hospital, the cost to be within the appropriation.

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SATURDAY LAST DAY.

Sunday next, 21st inst., is the last day upon which voters may register their names to be in time for the revision, which is held early next month. Any person whose name is not then on the list will not be able to become a voter for another six months as the revision is only held twice in each year. It is necessary, therefore, to register this week, and it can be done at any of the following places:

- The office of the Collector of Votes in the Court House. The Victoria Daily Times office. Messrs. Munn, Holland & Co.'s, Broad Street. Messrs. Lee & Fraser, Troncon Avenue. Fell & Gregory, Barristers, Board of Trade Building. Messrs. Nicholles & Renouf, Ltd., corner of Broad and Yates Streets. Messrs. Langley & Martin's, Government Street. Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmecken's, Bastion Street. Messrs. McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard's, over the Bank of Montreal. Messrs. Hall & Goepel's, Government Street. Mr. J. B. Robertson, Bastion Square, Henry Callow, Belton Avenue, Victoria West.

EXTRAORDINARY IMPUDENCE.

From the columns of our contemporary this morning we gleaned this bright gem, which, in our humble opinion, is without a match in the annals of Journalism for sheer effrontery. "We do not care to comment upon the way a contemporary serves up its news. That is always a matter of individual taste. But we protest that there was nothing in yesterday's dispatches to warrant the Times in introducing them with such salacious headings as the following: 'Sarrounded by Boers—Several British Outposts in South Africa Have Been Ignited—Kimberley and Mafeking Will Probably Have to Withstand a Long Siege—Newcastle Has Been Abandoned and Burglers Are Moving Toward Dundee.' In the body of the dispatch so introduced was the official statement of the War Office that the situation had undergone no material change. It seems a pity that the Times should be in such extreme haste to represent the British as getting the worst of the situation. This may not be its deliberate intention, but such is the impression created."

We submit that the foregoing is a malicious contortion of the facts where it is not arrant nonsense. It is not extravagant to say that if there is one paper in broad Canada that ought to hold its peace with religious strictness upon the technique of Journalism it is the Victoria Colonist, which shows in its own columns a practical acquaintance with the subject that raises the paper into the rank of a journalistic curiosity. This is not a question of politics, nor a question affecting the beloved constitution; nor has it any bearing upon New Brunswick; it is not a question of law,

It is a question concerning the technicalities of Journalism; therefore, we submit, it is not a question with which the Colonist is competent to deal. On all the subjects we have mentioned we were, and are, content to receive the opinions of the Colonist with bowed head and thankful humbleness, or coming from one speaking with authority. But when it comes to style in newspaper work we are fair to laugh at the follies of the Colonist in not being able to see that this is the one subject upon which it ought to keep mum. The headings of which the Colonist complains are not colored in the slightest, the language of the heads is strictly in accordance with the contents of the dispatches they introduce. In short, those heads are pure summaries of the telegrams. But let us take the headings which appeared in the Colonist this morning. It would be easy to go further back and compare them with those to which the Colonist takes exception. Here they are, with the opening statement of the dispatch from which they are taken:

(1) "Cape Colony Troubled." (2) "British Populace Incensed at Schreiner Minister's Betrayal of Mafeking." (3) "Dutch Farmers of the North Resisting Their Kinship's Pleas for Rebellion." (4) "Word of Treason in Natal—Boers Force Isolate Several Towns." (5) "Seizing Natal Towns—Captors of Newcastle Move on to Surround Dundee and Glencoe—Fortifying the Passes." "London, Oct. 17.—The war news is still in the region of surmise. There are rumors that the Boers have been repulsed at Mafeking and are attacking Vryburg. We ask any reasonable person to compare the two sets of heads and say which shows the more 'extreme haste to represent the British as getting the worst of the situation.' The Times has said editorially on several occasions that the British might be expected to meet with a series of reverses at the opening of the campaign, and our remark was not based upon the formal statement to this effect issued by the War Office the other day, but on a study of the facts, and on conversations with persons familiar with the ground and with the Boers. It is perhaps sufficient to say that only a person totally ignorant of the ethics of Journalism, consumed with rancor and burning for self-advertisement would have perpetrated such a piece of gratuitous insolence and ill-nature as that editorial paragraph in the Colonist this morning.

THE INEVITABLE IS COMING.

Too late the Boers will find that they have set out to brush the Atlantic back with a broom, whereas if they had shown some disposition to conform to modern ideas and some regard for that justice about which they are so fond of talking, they might each of them have settled down comfortably under his own vine and fig tree, enjoying the inestimable privileges of British justice, law and order; plenty to eat, drink and wear, and absolute protection for the home. All this earthly happiness they have stupidly thrown away for a dream that could never be realized. The Transvaal was an impossibility; it was a 'shibboleth in the pathway of the mighty ships of progress,' and it had to be destroyed that modern progress might not be stayed or turned aside from its beneficent work. The piece of surgery fell into the best hands in the world; for while the British will cut out the diseased condition with a firm, unflinching hand, they will heal it far more quickly and kindly than any other nation would.

The Boers did not know when they were well off; it seems to be human nature to a great extent to desire things that cannot be, and to seek for impossible conditions. The Boers have had wonderful luck; they actually thought they had defeated the British army because they overcame a few feeble detachments. The whole Boer nation, with the exception of their leading men, seem to be in total ignorance of the real strength of the British army and their leaders have much to answer for in keeping the people ignorant on that matter. Great Britain is thoroughly galled this time, and when the Boer power is crushed into the dust, nevermore to raise its head, measures will be taken throughout South Africa to secure upon the broadest and surest foundations the permanency of British supremacy. Great Britain would commit an awful mistake if she withdrew from this task without seeing to it that rebellion, treason of any kind in that quarter were utterly out of the question. But Britain can be trusted to make fast this grand colonial empire in South Africa with knots and bands beyond the flecking or the sundering of future malcontents.

RECOVERING MINUTE GOLD.

All miners know that in every stream or other area that was ever worked for gold, there must remain, even after the most rigorous washing, a large quantity of the precious metal, but distributed so minutely as to preclude any attempt to recover it by any means at present known to the miner. The bars of the Fraser have for many years yielded fortunes to patient and industrious Chinamen. A band of them went home to China the other day each worth several thousands of dollars. That gold which they get out is the despised scrap due of the white mining samps; it would not pay to work it, that is, the pay is not big enough for white men. Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, has

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It is his eye on this thing for a number of years. He recently put into operation a device for getting out iron ore, extracted from the iron by means of magnetic appliances. It was, as usual, laughed at at first as a madman's dream; it is now every day one of the various mining sections of the United States. He has just sent to Santa Fe an electrical gold extracting machine, which, it is asserted, has solved the problem of extracting gold from sand without the aid of water. He says of the new process:

"This is certainly the biggest thing I ever invented—this electric process for extracting gold from sand. Near Santa Fe, New Mexico, there is a region of 100 square miles, containing gold worth \$800,000,000 that would have remained there had this process not been discovered. At the start we shall produce \$10,000 worth of gold every day. The electric machinery will take it directly from the sand. There will be no transportation of the ore. We shall handle it all on the spot and merely ship the pure gold. 'Give me the deposits of low-grade ore in this country and others can have the high-grade.' The high-grade deposits are always in small veins, and it would not pay to put up machinery to work them. The great profits of the future in mining are to be made from low-grade ore near at hand, reduced by such an extractor as I have designed. 'I have figured out that a small profit can be made in gold ore that assays as low as \$1.25 a ton. Ore of an low grade as that could not be mined profitably by any existing process except mine.'"

NATURE'S REVENGES.

Charles A. Pillsbury, the celebrated Minneapolis flour miller, was one of the hardest-working business men in the United States. He was a shrewd, sagacious man, and all he did seemed the very product of that most uncommon thing, common sense. Yet he was ignorant of a law of Nature for the breaking of which he lost his life at the early age of 57.

He, like hundreds of other clever business men, thought he could slip through life to the green old age of man's allotted span without bothering his head or wasting any of his golden hours on the care of the body—physical exercise. Up to a few years before his death this clever business man lived on the reserve of health and strength he had inherited from his parents; he did not do a thing to make interest enough off that capital to live without molesting it, and till the seventy year was well rounded, when all the reserves of life must be called out.

This clever business man spent nearly all his life, certainly all his business life, in defying the law of Nature which says that no man shall live without taking systematic exercise of some sort. It is said by one critic of this remarkable career that Mr. Pillsbury, like so many thousands of other eminent business men, looked upon physical exercise as a mere waste of good time, and a good deal of a bombing, fit only for children and idlers who do not have to earn their living. The extent to which this extraordinary belief exists amongst our business men is perfectly amazing. They really seem to think that it is derogatory to their dignity to take systematic exercise, such as is prescribed by the specialists in physical culture. This is the cropping out of the silly streak in their wisdom. Mr. Pillsbury neglected these things till it was too late, and then he spent thousands consulting the most eminent specialists in Europe, but all their wisdom could not then make up for his lifelong folly, and he came home to die.

Overwork and insufficient exercise producing distention of the stomach and consequent heart troubles, killed Pillsbury. He never took a holiday, he never tried to go away 'somewhere' from the maddening crowd's ignoble rage; and think about other things than the price of flour and the condition of the stock market. He made no attempt to shake off the conventionalities that blur the busy business man's life, and make them forget the first principles of things. Had he taken the advice of George Borrow, who found life's philosophy summed up in the formula: "Walk five miles every day, learn to box and keep a civil tongue in your head." Mr. Pillsbury would probably have been alive and well to-day.

As for dignity, what about the great legal lights of London who every afternoon of the week leave their offices in the Temple at about four and go straight to the gymnasium to fencer, box, wrestle, play hand-ball, single-sticks and otherwise disport themselves till the glow of rejuvenation is in every fibre of them? These men know what dignity is if any men do, yet they would never count as undignified the postures into which the pursuit of the exercises mentioned throw them, nor count undignified the struggle for the mastery in those athletic pastimes, which carry healing in them. To make a great fortune in a short space of time is no doubt a fine thing,

VOLUNTEERS. (The stirring news from the front has been the topic of conversation among little groups of enthusiastic Britons. The effect has been seen in the number of members of the Fifth Regiment who have approached their officers with the object of volunteering.—Times, October 14th.)

The signals flash from sea to sea, The dogs of war unleashed are free; Come, Volunteers, Volunteers all, When war's the time when Britain's sons Fought the light, forsook the guns; Eager for battle, ready for brav', Quick they respond to the call, Volunteers, Volunteers all.

Who spoke of danger? Who spoke of death? Who said a man should not be a man? Victoria's lands have never been so free, "Here" and "here" and "here, all" Volunteers—all.

Though all the wide world were armed, And rocks should lead, we're not alarmed, Volunteers, Volunteers all, When Britain's war-cry throbs were heard From land to land around the world, Each man stepped out—the whole world knew Britain's sons to the glory were true; The army volunteered—all.

None feared the danger, None feared to die, Not one among them Bank low or high; Each man was ready, When came the call, "Britain require you, Volunteers—all."

We don't forget Majuba's fight, When battles sang to the left and right, "Majuba Volunteers, Volunteers all, And we long to hear cannon roar, To see the lancers of the Boer, Though nations scowl grimly as we go, There's a power behind us they know—Some legions at our call."

Volunteers, all, Men of the Land, Sons of the Whirl, On to the Red; Follow the colors, On through Lala's Nek, On the Boer Trek, Volunteers—all.

Who follow the flag, Some to the death, On to the Empire, To the last breath, On to the struggle, On to the fight, Over the Vore, Volunteers—all.

Victoria, Oct. 17th, 1899.

THE NEW JAPAN. The new Japan is the object of special interest to all the world, and especially to all Americans—and with good reason. The United States was her god-father, her tutor, her adviser, her neighbor; and now that she is essaying to walk alone among modern nations, it is not surprising that we should look with interest, not to say solicitude, upon her first steps. It is not less than half a century since Commodore Perry, "persuaded" Japan to open all her doors, which had been closed to all the world since long before our nation existed. It was to the United States that she first sent envoys to make acquaintances and to observe the ways of the modern commercial and political world. To our schools and colleges she sent thousands of her best young men, who have now returned, and in turn are instructing hundreds of thousands of her people in the things which they learned here.

Many American citizens have taken up their abode in Japan, as teachers in the schools, and as missionaries, preachers, financial and political. Numerous other American citizens have visited Japan in the interest of the Christian religion; and mingling with the light of modern methods with the light of the Gospel. Thousands of citizens of the United States have been residents of Japan during the years since the acquaintance of the two nations began; and tens of thousands of Japanese citizens have, in that time, lived under the Stars and Stripes. The citizens of the United States residing in Japan today number more than 1,000, and of Japanese in the United States there are over 7,000, or more than in all Europe and the English colonies; while in Hawaii there are over 27,000 Japanese living under the American flag and within American jurisdiction. Finally, having been the godfather, instructor and advisor of Japan, for many years, we have now become her nearest neighbor—in the Aleutian Islands, at the north and in the Philippines, at the south; and the Yankees of the Orient and the Occident, joining hands, control the line of strategic territory which stretches along the entire Pacific front of Asia.

Three important changes have been recently made in the political affairs of Japan: (1) the substitution of the gold standard for that of silver; (2) the establishment of a new and mildly protective tariff, instead of one whose highest and nearly uniform rate was 5 per cent, and (3) the abolition of the extra-territorial system, and the substitution of that by which foreign residents become subjects to her own laws and regulations.—Oscar P. Austin, in October Forum.

PASSENGERS. Per steamer Yosemite from Vancouver: J. G. Gifford, C. Calhoun, Dan Woodward, M. Des Brisay, Mrs. Goring, W. Gilday, Mrs. Thornber, J. J. Coughlan, A. Doid, H. J. Grant, P. G. Wright, R. P. Shaw, W. B. Smith, Miss Howard, M. H. Murphy, L. Goldstone, F. Bowie, H. Lewis, S. McClure, Miss Elmer, Mrs. Lawton, Mrs. C. O. Wilson, S. Scott, Capt. Callister, E. McMillan, J. J. Heiler, W. H. Kyle, C. W. Muro, M. P. J. W. Holland, Geo. Sangster, G. Brokford, Mrs. A. I. Bennett, Thos. Collinson, Rev. Canon Paddon, J. Selater, Mrs. J. Selater, A. C. Campbell.

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Weather Bulletin. Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 17, 5 a.m.—The barometer has risen again over British Columbia and decreased in the California coast. This will probably cause a little more settled weather for the next 24 hours. Light to moderate rain has been reported and snow is falling in Cariboo and Assiniboia.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 45; minimum, 36; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Nanaimo—Wind, S. W.; weather, cloudy. Nanaimo—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 38; minimum, 36; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Bathurst—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 35; minimum, 28; wind, calm; snow, on; weather, snowing.

Neah—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 12 miles W.; rain, .02; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, .16; weather, fair.

Tacoma—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, .25; weather, cloudy.

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Forecasts. For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh southwest and west winds, partly fair, with occasional light showers.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street. —Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts. —LIPTON'S "FINEST" BACON at Jameson's, 33 Fort street.

—Holly Club's next dance Wednesday evening, the 18th inst., Harmony Hall. —The annual meeting of the Local Council of Women will be held on December 11th.

—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Caps and Sanitars at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street? —The fire brigade had a run this morning about 1 o'clock, a false alarm being turned in from box No. 3, corner of Birdcage Walk and Superior street.

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—What is said to be a really good farce comedy and one that almost every one has seen and all have heard of, is "My Friend from India," the attraction at the Victoria Theatre on Friday. It is headed by Walter E. Perkins, for whom it was written, and to whom the critics in the larger cities attribute much of its brilliant success.

—This evening the Victoria Theatre will be occupied by a company presenting "Mistakes Will Happen," with Charles Dickson, of "Innocent" fame, in the leading role. The play is said to be brimful of amusing situations and clever comedy work, and Jacob Litt, the proprietor, is said to have used great discretion in the selection of the company.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street. —The eighth anniversary of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, was celebrated last evening at a social, which was largely attended. Rev. D. MacRae presided, and after the singing of a hymn gave an address. Following this a solo was given by Miss Grace King; an address by Rev. D. Campbell; solo by Mr. J. G. Brown; an address by Rev. A. Fraser; solo by Mrs. Hunt; an address by Rev. J. P. D. Knox; a solo by Mrs. McIntyre; an address by Rev. W. Leslie Gray; solo by Mr. J. G. Brown; an address by Rev. Mr. Payne; and a solo by Mrs. Beveridge. Mrs. Lewis Hall acted as accompanist. The social was considered the best in the history of the church.

—Standing room only was to be had in the Savoy Theatre last night, and those who were present had no reason to complain of the programme provided, as from start to finish it proved interesting. The principal attractions this week are the living pictures, and Miss Josephine Strong, who was until recently one of the leading sopranos of the Mormon Tabernacle choir of Salt Lake City, Utah. Miss Strong is by far the best singer who has yet appeared at this theatre and she received a warm welcome. She sang two songs and had to respond to a hearty encore. The living pictures were well selected, and the music, under the direction of Miss Jennie Guichard, was excellent. Miss Lotta Smith made quite a hit with the song "Soldiers of the Queen," and the whole audience joined in singing the choruses in a manner which showed that the war fever has extended to Victoria. The farce, "A Hot Time," characters by members of the company, proved amusing, and the several artists who contributed songs, etc., were listened to with pleasure. As usual, the orchestra played a number of selections which helped to pass the time between turns.

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General's Inspection

The returns of the Victoria Clearing House for the week ending October 17th were \$200,325; balance, \$109,767.

There will be a full rehearsal of the orchestra and chorus of the Philharmonic Society for the May Queen at Waitt's Hall on Thursday evening.

A series of protracted meetings is being held at the Metropolitan Methodist church, and the meeting this evening is one of the most important of the series.

Mrs. Henry will give her last address in this city at the Pioneer Hall, Broad street, this evening, at 8 o'clock. This will be an important meeting. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Court Cariboo, 743, I.O.F. met tonight at 7.30. After the routine business a social will be held, to which a large number of guests are invited.

At St. Paul's church, Victoria West, tomorrow, will be solemnized the nuptials of two of the popular young people of the suburbs of Victoria. The contracting parties are a young gentleman of Cloverdale and a young lady from Sooke.

Dr. Campbell's reference last evening in St. Paul's church to Canada sending a thousand of her sons to the Transvaal to maintain the honor of the grand old empire, and secure justice and equal rights to Her Majesty's subjects there, was greeted with thundering applause.

Reduced rates to the East over the Northern Pacific Railroad effective September 12th, the second-class rate to Chicago will be reduced to \$46; second-class rates to all points east of Chicago will be reduced also.—E. E. Blackwood, agent.

Latest styles in Ladies' Capes, Jackets and Coats at the Sterling, 58 Yates street.

Seattle Exposition; low rates. D. J. Wells & Co. announce that a special rate of a single fare for the round trip will be in effect during the Seattle Exposition. Good leaving on Tuesday and Friday mornings, returning on the following Friday and Monday nights. Full particulars can be obtained at D. J. Wells & Co., at Government street.

The police docket this morning was filled with an unimportant list of cases. Two Indians, each of whom rejoiced in the name of Bob, were up, one for drunkenness, for which he was fined \$10 and \$1 costs or 20 days, and the other for being in possession of an intoxicant, fined \$25 and \$1 costs, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment. Polly, for being in possession of an intoxicant, contributed a similar amount. The charge against Mrs. Kelly, of the \$300 from a sealer named Michaelson, was withdrawn, owing to the failure of the prosecutor to appear.

A well planned robbery took place this morning at No. 3 Fire Hall, Kingston street, James Bay. Shortly before 1 o'clock a false alarm of fire was turned in from box 3, at the corner of Superior street and Birdcage Walk. Driver T. P. Sehl and Hoseman Colin Blinn responded with a hose wagon, leaving the fire hall open and unoccupied. Within fifteen minutes the firemen returned, and found that a robbery had been committed through their sleeping room, abstracting loose change from their clothing, opening up cupboards and bureaus, turning the bedding over and leaving things in disorder. Several articles are missing. Chief Deasy is of the opinion that two or more persons took part in the robbery. The false alarm was no doubt arranged to draw the firemen away from the hall, and it was evident that the person at the alarm box had little time to reach the hall before the men returned. The police officer was also away at his midnight meal, a fact also apparently known to the miscreants.

There were twelve very mad people at the depot of the E. & N. railroad this morning, when the George Woodthorpe Company, which has been playing here for the past week, gathered, with the intention of taking the train for Nanaimo, where they are billed for a week's performances. When the company had congregated it was learned that Fred Cooper, the manager of the company, accompanied by his wife (George Woodthorpe) had taken the boat the evening previous for San Francisco. Cooper organized the company about nine weeks ago, playing first at Vancouver and afterwards coming over for a week to Victoria. They then went to Port Angeles, where they had a very good week's business, so the company assert, after which they returned to this city, indifferent houses being the rule. In reply to their requests for money he made all sorts of excuses, and his departure last night leaves them without any means of even paying for their board. An effort is being made by them to secure the opera house from Manager Jamieson for a benefit, but it is not yet known with what success. The members state that they were suspicious that Cooper was attempting to "shave" them and that when at Port Angeles they secured an attachment on his effects which compelled him to return to Victoria. He proved too wily for them, however, and succeeded in getting away last night with his bills for the A.O.U.W. Hall and for printing unpaid.

THE ARMOUR CASE.

More Evidence Taken To-day—Counsel's Addresses Expected This Afternoon.

In the assize court this morning the hearing of the Armour case was continued. Counsel for the defence called W. A. Jamieson in support of the affidavit it is sought to prove, and William Gordon and Edwin Outer in substantiation of the charge that Ethel Shields's character was not of the best.

Mr. Belyea, for the prosecution, called several witnesses in rebuttal, and when the court rose at 1 o'clock Mrs. Shoup was again in the witness box being cross-examined by Mr. Powell.

It is expected that counsel's addresses to the jury will be reached late this afternoon.

General's Inspection

The C. O. C. of the Canadian Militia Will Review the Fifth.

Generous Response to a Call For Volunteers For the Transvaal.

Tonight Major-General Hutton, general officer commanding the Canadian militia, reviewed the Fifth Regiment of militia in the drill hall. He will be met by the local officers, and although there will be no formal function to-night, the usual courtesies will be extended to him. He will be driven to the Government House and will, during his stay, be the guest of the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. McTear.

Tomorrow will be devoted to an inspection of the armoury and of the Clorox Point range, when the local officers will go over the ground with him, and will explain the changes contemplated in connection with the suggestions made by Engineer Weatherbee. In the evening General Hutton will be entertained at a private dinner given in his honor by Lieut.-Col. Prior.

At 9.30 he will inspect the Fifth Regiment in the drill hall. Notwithstanding that the inspecting officer is not expected until that time, the parade is called for an hour earlier in order to permit of necessary arrangements being made before his arrival. The officers of the regiment are determined that a creditable showing shall be made, and to this end formal notice has been given in order to promulgate two days since that absentees will be dealt with under the provisions of the Militia Act.

At the conclusion of his visit on Thursday, General Hutton will be entertained by the officers of the Fifth Regiment and later in the evening will take the boat for Vancouver. His visit has been considerably abbreviated owing to urgent demands on his time at the capital.

Major-General Hutton, who is now paying his first visit to the Coast since his appointment, succeeded Major-General Gascoigne in the office of G. O. C. of the Canadian militia. He is a graduate of the staff college, and has had a varied and successful career in Africa, Australia and elsewhere. He was the author of the idea of mounted infantry for New South Wales, and that efficient arm of the service was instituted during his tenure of command in that colony. Since his appointment to Canada he has manifested a lively interest in the force which he temporarily commands, and has introduced a number of features which have distinctly stimulated the military spirit throughout the Dominion.

Last night's parade of the Fifth Regiment was the best which has been held this fall. About 214 men were in line, a feature which interfered with the manoeuvres, for the operations in line could only be carried out by the flank file of companies overlapping the remainder. Lieut.-Colonel Gregory was in command, and after he had given the corps a lively handling, Capt. Blanchard, the adjutant, gave the men a final brush in the manual and firing exercises. At the conclusion of the parade the commandant officer called for volunteers for the Transvaal, when the following stepped forward amid the cheers of their comrades and of the crowd which occupied the galleries:

Gr. Martin Brinkman, Mr. John Todd, Mr. Cecil M. Roberts, Mr. Henry W. D. Copeland, Mr. John H. Dixon, Gr. E. Finch-Smith, Sgt. William H. Bailey, Mr. George C. Watkins, Mr. James Anderson, Gr. Arthur S. Burgess, Gr. Samuel Moore, Gr. Henry J. D. Andrews, Gr. John E. Stephenson, Gr. Joseph H. Matthews.

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Company Sgt.-Major Joseph Northcott, Gr. H. Smith, Mr. Frank Dickenson, Gr. Charles E. Whitelaw, Gr. James Johnston, Rougher, William Scott, Gr. Robert H. Johnston, Gr. Charles H. Graham, Mr. Matthew W. Pendray, Gr. James H. Johnston, Gr. Herbert Stevenson, Gr. Alexander M. Wood, Gr. Sydney H. Howell, Gr. Ralph W. J. Leeman.

It will be noticed that all of these are non-members of the Fifth Regiment, but all have had military training. Some of those mentioned were before the regimental surgeon to-day, and so rigorous are the medical conditions that in a number of cases their applications had to be refused.

To-night the drill hall will again be open from 7.30 to 10.30 for the purpose of receiving applications for a position on the Transvaal expedition. The department of militia announces the outfit for each man as follows: One helmet, one field service cap, one tunic to wear on board ship, two frocks of rifle green (unlimited), two pairs of trousers (rifle green), one great coat or jacket, and one pair of trousers of khaki, one pair of leggings, two pairs of ankle boots, three gray flannel shirts, one pair of drawers and one undershirt of light wool to wear on board ship, two abdominal belts, one Jersey, one pair of canvas shoes, brushes respectively for the hair, clothing, polishing, blacking and shaving, one razor, spoon, knife and fork, hold-all, housewife, two cups, three pairs of boot-laces, one camp-knife, two towels, soap, four pairs of socks, one tin of blacking, together with a Lee-Enfield rifle and the Oliver equipment complete with valves and kit-bags.

An extra of the B. C. Gazette is issued to-day for the purpose of circulating the proclamation of the Governor-General designating Thursday, October 19th, as a day of general thanksgiving in Canada.

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THE COAL MARKET.

J. W. Harrison, the coal and metal broker, of San Francisco, in his circular for the week ending on Saturday last says: During the week there have been four deliveries of coal from Washington with 18,655 tons; three from British Columbia, 9,634 tons; one from Oregon, 600 tons; one from Japan, 3,700 tons; total 26,889 tons. Our colliery proprietors are pushing their steamers to their utmost capacity, and are beating records in making fast time in their deliveries here. The outlook is improving for our winter supply of fuel, although there may not at any time be an over-supply on hand, there will be sufficient for current requirements. Present prices will rule for the next six months. Freight from foreign ports are halting, which means light shipments of coal for several months to come. The Hawaiian islands are securing all the Australian tonnage for fully eight months ahead, so that the entire fuel trade is drifting into the hands of the northern colliers. The transports are relieving us of a large amount of steam coal, and now that there is such a scant quantity on hand at Honolulu, the steamers leaving here are filling their bunkers to their full capacity.

PORTLAND EXPOSITION.

Northern Pacific Railway has made a rate of \$1.10 Victoria to Portland and return, including two admissions to the exposition. Tickets on sale Tuesdays, Oct. 10th, 17th and 24th, good to return, leaving Portland following Mondays.

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NEW YORK STOCKS. (Reported by F. S. Taggart & Co.) New York, Oct. 17.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange: Open, High, Low, Close.

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Rumored Boer Repulse

Burgers Are Reported to Have Commenced the Attack on Vryburg.

Cape Cabinet Accused of Having Betrayed Mafeking--Kimberley Can Hold Out.

London, Oct. 17.—Rumors are current that the Boers have been repulsed at Mafeking and are attacking Vryburg. A dispatch from the Orange River to Cape Town states that the telegraph wires have been cut between Vryburg and Kimberley and it is believed that the Boers are taking advantage of the presence of a large gathering of the disloyal farmers at Vryburg celebrating the anniversary of the town, believing that the farmers will assist them against the British. The same dispatch says the British force at Kimberley is confident of its ability to hold out, but urges the immediate dispatch of relief corps.

The Coleridge correspondent of the Daily Mail has been making inquiries regarding the possible rising of the Dutch farmers in the northern portions of Cape Colony, and on the whole thinks the chances are against such action. He bases his opinion on the prospect of the good crops after four lean years, which he believes will predispose the farmers to peace. Nevertheless, there is serious disloyalty and much anti-British agitation in these districts, while the Free State Boers threaten an immediate invasion of Coleridge and Alwal North.

It is reported that Capetown is surging with bitter resentment at what is called the "Schroder cabinet's refusal of Mafeking" by its constant refusal to send a volunteer force to its relief. Last night's Evening News had a dispatch from Capetown saying that as the Cape military refused to call out the volunteers for the defence of the colony, the Imperial authorities have done so. On the other hand, the Capetown correspondent of the Daily Chronicle declares that the Imperial authorities have never suggested any such action; and he asserts that the widespread report regarding the resignation or intended resignation of the Cape premier, Mr. W. P. Schroder, is unfounded.

Official Correspondence. London, Oct. 16.—The correspondence between Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Alfred Milner, British high commissioner in South Africa, respecting the Transvaal controversy, from September 8th to October 12th, was issued to-night. Some of the telegrams treating of side issues are interesting.

For instance, the governor of Natal, Sir Walter Francis Healy Hutchinson, wired Mr. Chamberlain on October 2nd as follows: "Disunion reports that the natives in the Vryburg district of the Transvaal are becoming desperate, and it is feared that they will remain quiet much longer. The Boers are seizing their cattle, and the chief implores the British government to intervene. I have replied that it is best for the Zulus to remain quiet. My opinion is, however, that the natives in the Vryburg district may possibly rise against the Boers in case of war. They will not much longer submit to the treatment they have had at the hands of the Boers."

Mr. Chamberlain sent the following to the British high commissioner on September 20th: "I think that the government of the South African Republic commencing hostilities, it would be well for you to warn President Kruger that in view of the persistent rumors that have reached Her Majesty's government as to threats to murder British subjects, he and his government are expected to protect the lives and property of all peaceable persons, British subjects and others, and will be held responsible by Her Majesty's government for any act committed contrary to the usages of civilized people."

A cablegram, dated the 11th, instructed Sir Alfred Milner to convey immediately to President Kruger the foregoing warning, in view of the alleged outrages reported by the refugees. A dispatch showing the feeling of the Cape government was received from Sir Alfred Milner on September 21st, enclosing a minute sent by the Cape ministers, urging Her Majesty's government to exercise a spirit of magnanimous compromise, "in order to avoid a calamity which seriously threatens the British provinces in South Africa and not merely the republics."

This minute goes on to say: "It is not open to doubt that the issue of the war will be a victory for the Imperial army; but the evil consequences of a prolonged struggle would be far-reaching and adding for generations, affecting Europeans and natives alike."

Unwilling to Fight. London, Oct. 16.—It is assumed that the refusal of the Boers to accept battle in Natal last week, when General Sir George Stewart White advanced and endeavored to draw them through Va Reena's pass, indicates their unwillingness to commence hostilities.

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SOUTH AFRICAN HISTORY.

Summary of Leading Events Since First Settlement at the Cape.

At the request of a reader the Times has compiled the following brief summary of South African history; the present will no doubt be of interest at the present juncture.

In 1652 a settlement was formed at the Cape of Good Hope by the Dutch East India Co. as "a half way house" on the route to India, and in 1665 many families of Huguenots, driven from France by the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, arrived at the Cape. It is owing to this immigration that so many French names, vide Joubert, Marais, Du Plessis, etc., are found among the Boers.

In 1795 the British took possession of Cape Colony. In 1802, however, they restored it to Holland at the peace of Amiens.

In 1806 the British again seized the Cape. In 1812 a rebellion against the British authority occurred among the Dutch settlers. It was promptly put down and five Dutch farmers—the ringleaders—were hanged at Slaughter's Nek.

In 1814 Great Britain was confirmed by the consent of the European powers in the possession of the colony. It was in 1836 that the Boers went to the Transvaal and established the state, with whom Britain is now at war. In this year a number of Dutch families decided to emigrate to the north, and Canadians and Americans have to the west. These families, called by the British "the emigrant Boers," and by the Dutch "the Voortrekkers," which liberally translated means "pioneers," went into the then unknown wilderness to the north of the Orange river, the principal boundary between Cape Colony and the territories to the northward. Within the two following years a number of "Voortrekkers" set out from the eastern districts of Cape Colony. One of the most important was the leadership of Andries Pretorius—after whose son the town of Pretoria is named—and with this party went Oom G. (uncle) Paul Kruger, then a boy of ten years of age. Another important party was under the leadership of Gerrit Maritz and Pieter Retief. This party went east through what is now known as the Free State, and over the Drakensburg mountains to what is now known as Natal, where they made a treaty with the great Zulu chief Dingaan, uncle of Cetewayo. The treaty was, however, not worth much to the Boers, as they were murdered by Dingaan treacherously murdered Retief and others, and tried to extirpate the party. The "Voortrekkers," however, natives, and on December 16, 1838, totally defeated the Zulu army. These were the events which led up to the founding of the Republic of Natal, the capital of which, Pietermaritzburg, is named after the two leaders. Meantime the "Voortrekkers," under Pretorius, had to struggle against the Matabele, under Moshilikane, the father of the now reigning King Matabeleland, Lobengula. Finally they fought the natives, back from what is now known as the Transvaal into the northern territory, now known as Rhodesia. The Boers then formed the independent governments of the Orange Free State and the South African Republic, the Transvaal, the capital of the latter being then at Potchefstroom.

In 1842 the British government at Cape Town sent an expedition around by sea, overthrew the Dutch in Natal and took possession. Six years later they sent an expedition into the Orange Free State, fought with, and defeated the Dutch at the battle of Boompan, and proclaimed their authority over the country.

In 1852 the British acknowledged the independence of the Transvaal and in 1854 withdrew their rule from the Orange Free State and acknowledged the independence of that state. For some ten or twelve years the republics proceeded in the even tenor of their way, and then there were internal disturbances in the Transvaal. These were, however, amicably settled, and a government established firmly. Pretoria was then made the capital.

In 1870 diamonds were discovered on the Orange river and gold in the Transvaal. The farms on which the diamonds were discovered, and on which Kimberley by now stands, passed into the possession of Britain. They were claimed on behalf of a native chief, who had ceded his claim to the British; and after a trial of the case, the fields were awarded to Britain on the payment of compensation to the Free State government.

In 1872 T. F. Burgers was elected president of the Transvaal. Five years later Britain declared the annexation of the Transvaal at Pretoria. President Burgers verbally protesting. Later in the year a deputation of Boers, including Kruger, visited England to protest against annexation. They were told it was irrevocable. A year afterwards another deputation, including Kruger and Joubert, went to England to protest, and received the same answer.

In 1879 the Zulu war commenced. The Zulus, after having annihilated a large portion of the British forces at Isandlwana, were finally defeated at Ulundi in July.

In December, 1880, the Boers broke out in revolt. A detachment of a British regiment, which was marching to Pretoria, was intercepted by a Boer force at Bronkhorstspuit and massacred. Then waged the war which was

so disastrous to the British. In 1881 Sir George Colley tried to force the Boer position at Laing's Nek, but was repulsed and cut off from his line of communication. A few days later, while endeavoring to restore communication, the British troops were defeated at Ingogo. The war closed on February 27th, 1881, when the British were defeated at Majuba Hill, which Sir George Colley had seized with a small force. He was killed in the action. Terms of peace were arranged on the 23rd of March, and confirmed at Pretoria on August 3rd, restoring independence, though with limitations, to the Boers. In 1884 the limitations, except the right of the Queen to veto foreign treaties concluded by the Transvaal, which might seem opposed to British interests, were cancelled by the convention of London.

All went well with the Transvaal until 1880. In 1887 the Witwatersrand gold fields, which were discovered the year before, turned out very rich and in 1888 the amalgamation of the Kimberly diamond mines was carried out by Cecil Rhodes and the Rothschilds. It was in 1880 that the Transvaal began to make the obvious restrictions against the British elements, the "Uitlanders," as they were called. Later in the same year the Transvaal had trouble with the British government over the withdrawal of the British troops from the Orange River. The difficulties were got over by arbitration. In 1894 there was friction with the Republic over railway routes, and in 1895 the trouble was intensified by the closing of the "drifts," fords, across the Vaal river, by the Transvaal government. British was considering going to war with the Republic when the war withdrew their proclamation and opened the "drifts."

In the fall of that year there were internal disturbances. Arms were imported and revolution threatened, and towards the close of the year came the memorable Jameson raid. Dr. Jameson with his force crossed the border. He was intercepted by the Boers, who had been warned, and in a sanguinary battle Jameson was defeated and taken prisoner. At the instance of President Kruger the Transvaal government handed their prisoners over to the British government. The leaders were tried at London and imprisoned. It was hinted that Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Beit were behind the raid, and in 1897, when the committee of the House of Commons investigated the raid, many of the members censured Mr. Rhodes. The Afrikaner or Dutch element of the Cape Colony then withdrew their support from Mr. Rhodes, and he resigned the premiership of Cape Colony.

It was in this year that Sir Alfred Milner became governor of the Cape, replacing Lord Rosebery. Sir Hercules Robinson. In 1898 Mr. Rhodes's party in the Cape parliament was defeated, and Mr. W. P. Schroder, a pro-Boer, brother of Olive Schroder, author of "The Story of an African Farm," "Peter Halkett," etc., formed a new ministry.

Month by month the breach widened in the Transvaal, the Uitlanders crying for redress, and now the last step has been taken—Britain has gone to war.

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