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ATTACK ON KIMBERLEY HAS COMMENCED

Despatch From Pretoria Says the Boers Began the Bombardment on Tuesday.

THE BOERS REPULSED AT MAFEKING

Colonel Keith-Falconer Killed in a Skirmish Near Belmont—Naval Men and Guns for the Front—News of Big Engagement Hourly Expected.

(Associated Press)
London, Nov. 11.—The last infantry battalions under orders for South Africa left England to-day and the last of Hussars also sailed, leaving the Household regiment the only cavalry still to be dispatched, and last but not least, the first battery of the howitzer artillery has started.

Great things are expected of the howitzer-battery, of which there are only three in the British army. These five-inch breachloaders are claimed to be of a superior character, and are expected to be particularly serviceable in removing the Boers from the hills.

Absence of News Causes Anxiety.

The absence of news of any importance from Ladysmith is having its effect on the nerves of the country, and references in the censored despatches of abnormal losses heightens the anxiety.

It is pointed out that the absence of serious news in such despatches as have been received from General White proves nothing, for the general is not likely to send anything unpleasant or indicative of anxiety by pigeons, which are liable to fall into the hands of the Boers.

Can White Hold Out?

On the development of the situation at Ladysmith the immediate future depends, probably the length of the war. It is pointed out that if Gen. White can maintain his position until Nov. 20th or 28th the British authorities will be fully satisfied that all danger in Natal will be over. Should he fail to do so and be compelled to retreat over the difficult Tintwa pass and retire with heavy loss southward, where he will meet the Boers in position on Tugela river it is impossible, it is added, to predict what may happen.

On the other hand, the critics say, should the situation at Ladysmith not be materially changed before November 28th, it is confidently predicted the majority of the Boer force will be caught between two British forces and be compelled to retreat over the difficult Tintwa pass or Liverhouse after abandoning its guns.

Boers Confident.

The Boers have expressed the intention of capturing Ladysmith and then marching on the capital of Natal, and the fact of their retaining Tugela bridge intact shows they have confidence in their ability to carry out their plans.

Gen. Schubert's flanking movement via Zululand must shortly develop, if it is to be effective, but the experts here scout the suggestion that, with the reinforcements already there and the big naval guns continually arriving at Pietermaritzburg, there can be any serious danger.

No News of Disaster.

There is nothing corroborative of the rumors from Brest of a disaster to a

French gunboat.

The wounded are progressing satisfactorily.

Two unarmed natives have been shot by the Boers at Alexanderfontein.

"The conservancy post to the south of Kimberley reservoirs has been missing since Nov. 4th. It is supposed to have been captured by the Boers.

"Brown, of Beaconfield, having ridden beyond the barriers yesterday, is missing. It is supposed he was captured.

"The situation, otherwise, remains unchanged."

Little Damage Done.

London, Nov. 11.—The following additional announcement was made by the War Office this afternoon:

"General Buller wired to-day at 10:10 a.m. that Colonel Kekewich reported on Nov. 8th that the bombardment of Kimberley on Nov. 7th did no damage, and there were no casualties.

"General Buller wired from Capetown to-day that all the sick and wounded in the hospital at Wynberg are doing well."

Called on to Surrender.

Baileya West, Monday, Nov. 6.—A dispatch received from Kimberley says General Cronje sent a message to Colonel Kekewich calling on him to surrender before six in the morning to-day, otherwise the town would be shelled, the women and children remaining at Kekewich's risk. The Boers, it was added, surround Kimberley in great force, with heavy artillery.

Movement of Boers.

Capetown, Tuesday, Nov. 7.—It is reported that a Boer force from Smith-

Briggs' ship was captured. The admiral has no knowledge of any such occurrence.

The Queen Inspects Cavalry.

Sunshine so brilliant that it compelled Queen Victoria to resort to a sunshade for protection, greeted Her Majesty's return to Windsor this morning when she inspected three detachments of the Household cavalry bound for South Africa.

The Royal Horse Guards and the Second Life Guards journeyed up from London, joining the First Life Guards.

Amid scenes of great enthusiasm, the troops formed in two lines, unmounted, in khaki uniform. An immense crowd of people witnessed the assembly. Brigadier-General Trotter, district commander, with his full staff, conducted the inspection.

Colenso Deserted.

Estcourt, Natal, Tuesday, Nov. 7.—The armored train, manned by the engineering staff, and a company of Dublin Fusiliers, under Captain Henley, returned here to-night.

It reports it found the stores at Frere had been looted, apparently by Boers who were met who reported the Boers were on Springfield Road, five miles away.

The train proceeded cautiously and found Bloukrans bridge intact. The train was frequently stopped, and Captain Henley examined the road before proceeding.

Nearing Colenso, Captain Henley inspected Fort Nicholson, and proceeding, found the line cut a mile south of Colenso. Two lengths of rail on each side had been lifted and placed out of gauge. From information obtained from Kathus it appears the Boers left the vicinity of Colenso early this morning, proceeding in the direction of Bulawayo mountain.

Captain Henley found Colenso absolutely deserted. A balloon was observed for several minutes hovering over the Boer position in the mountains. It was presumably a British balloon from Lady.

Smith.

Bluejackets to the Front.

Durban, Wednesday, Nov. 8.—A large force of men and guns from the British first-class cruiser Terrible have started for the front.

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Japanese vs. Russia

News of Rumors of War Between Two Powers in the Far East.

A Strange Incident Which Recently Occurred at Port Arthur.

Japan Strongly Resists Russian Encroachments in Korea.

An article in this regard, the Yodogawa says: "It is in fact a very good opportunity for Russia to act for the recovery of her lost influence in Korea, if she has really lost any. The attention of Great Britain is naturally divided now, her statesmen being very busy with the Transvaal affair. It is quite possible that she may overlook some activity on Russia's part in this part of the world, provided that Russia takes care not to tread on her toes in a manner too painful for her to endure. Most surely the shrewd Russian diplomats know this and so have commenced to act."

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FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Manila, Nov. 10.—Forty Filipinos, mostly non-commissioned officers, were captured by the Americans at Langyan on Tuesday. Several insurgent dead and five wounded were found in a building which had suffered considerably by the bombardment.

The troops camped in the rain during the night, and in the morning Gen. Wheaton established his headquarters in a church and quartered his men in the houses and sent the captured Filipinos beyond the outposts, with orders not to return.

Wednesday was devoted to reconnoitering. Major Logan went northward to Santo Anna and burned the Filipino barracks. Capt. Bucks' Thirteenth went to San Jantico and disposed of small bands. Marsh's Thirty-third went toward Magdalena on the Dagupan road, and had several sharp fights with small parties. They killed eight men, brought in twenty prisoners and had five men wounded.

"To Do Ill Costs More Than To Do Well."

This might properly read, "It costs more to BE ill than to BE well." The source of all health is rich, strong blood. It is to the body what the mighty streams are to the earth. If the blood is pure, the body thrives; if the blood is weak or impoverished, then every pulse-beat carries weakness instead of strength.

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The Boers at Ladysmith

Are Mounting More Guns on Hills Surrounding the Town.

Censorship Responsible for Delay of Despatches—British Husbanding Ammunition.

London, Nov. 11.—The Eastern Telegraph Company states that the delay in transmission of reports is only two days, therefore it is evident that the censorship is responsible for all over two days' delay.

This morning, however, the Daily Telegraph announces that its "approved" dispatch from Ladysmith dated Monday, which the war office published on Tuesday, was not delivered in fleet street until yesterday (Friday) morning.

It is believed that the war office received further despatches last evening, but nothing has been published.

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Investigation Decided Upon

Commissioners Find Further Enquiry Into Police Matters Necessary.

Detectives Send in an Interesting Report—Gambling Question Again.

Constable Clayards Makes an Explanation—Sergeant Walker's Protest.

The vague insinuations so often heard in connection with the administration of police affairs in this city, and the indecencies frequently levelled against members of the force which is charged with the enforcement of law here, are likely to be probed to the bottom as the result of the action of the Board of Police Commissioners at their meeting last night. Their determination to sift the matter to the bottom was largely the result of statements made in the communication of Officer Clayards in reply to a demand from the board for an explanation of his conduct in the Julia Lacoste case, toward his superior officer. In stating his case, Constable Clayards incidentally made the charge that not only had Sgt. Walker been insubordinate but that his insubordination had long been known to Chief Shepard, in spite of the latter's statement that he knew nothing of the matter. This was a grave charge which the commissioners felt they could not pass over silently, and at the suggestion of Solicitor Bradburn, the investigation upon which they decided will be a very exhaustive and complete one, and be sufficiently comprehensive in fact to satisfy the public demand for a general "airing" of matters in the department.

Another subject which engaged the attention of the board was a rather extraordinary communication from the two detectives of the force, who wrote without the formality of communicating through the chief, recommending, advising and remonstrating with the board. The assurance of Chief Shepard that he had asked the detectives to write to the commissioners probably saved them from a sharp reprimand.

Then there was a letter from Sgt. Walker in which he asked for an itemizing of the charges leading to his dismissal, and reflecting upon the probity of the head of the department by saying that he had never been asked for his resignation. The members decided that all that would be necessary would be to assure the ex-officer that the board deserved the right to dismiss any member of the force who was regarded as inefficient at any time without going through the disagreeable details of substantiating charges.

There were present at last night's meeting His Worship the Mayor, Commissioners Brydon and McMicking, the city solicitor, chief of police and clerk.

Before proceeding with the regular business of the meeting the mayor drew attention to the following paragraph from the morning paper which he characterized as unfair:

"Another matter claiming attention in connection with city police affairs is ex-Constable Abel's position. He has been known for weeks to have important charges to prefer in connection with police direction, but receiving no invitation from the commissioners to present these charges before that body, he has by advice gone to the Attorney-General, with whom he had an interview several days ago. The result will be looked for with interest."

"I wish to say," said the mayor, "that Officer Abel never applied to me or to any other commission with any charge against members of the police force. Had he done so he would have been requested to put those charges in writing and they would have then been investigated. It is not the business of the commissioners to run around and hunt up every one who has a charge to make. This paragraph infers that it is."

The minutes were then read and approved, after which, in reply to inquiry from the chairman, the chief said both of the new man had passed the medical examination. Only one new uniform, however, would be required.

Sgt. Walker wrote saying that as it had appeared in the newspapers that he had been asked to resign before being discharged, he wished to say that such was not the case. Had he been asked for the charges. He had had no opportunity to ask for these, being simply discharged without previously being asked to resign. He now asked for a copy of the charges which might have an opportunity of defending himself.

Mr. McMicking said there was a statement in the letter that he had not been asked to resign. Was this correct?

The chief replied that it was not. He had asked him to resign and had informed him that if he did so, one month's salary would be allowed him. He had refused to accede to this request.

The mayor observed that if in the opinion of the board the services of any constable were no longer desired, he might be discharged without any charges being preferred.

Mr. McMicking then moved that the communication be received and filed and that ex-Sgt. Walker be informed that the commissioners decline to give any reasons for dispensing with his services.

The chief's report was then read as follows:

Victoria, November 1, 1899.
Gentlemen—I beg most respectfully to submit my report for the past month for your consideration.

Constable Abbott was ill for fourteen days, suffering from bronchitis. He is now convalescent.

The men's uniforms are getting very shabby, and I propose issuing new ones.

My detectives will put in a full report of what they have done during the past few months, which I think will prove highly satisfactory to you.

I should like you to appoint two more detectives, so that two can sit on duty at the same time in two shifts, and it is essential in my opinion that they should be appointed for the proper detection and prevention of crime.

Constable Clayards, to whom I spoke in writing to you last week, gave the reason why he went against his superior officer in the late police court trial of Eddie Ladd. I might add that during the twenty-five years I have been connected with the police department of the city of Victoria I have never seen an officer act against another.

I enclose a number of cases brought before the police court.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

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The mayor observed that there was also a communication from the two detectives and one from Officer Clayards, which he thought would disabuse the minds of the commissioners of the impression that he was actuated by malice.

The mayor inquired if the detectives acted as constables, that is did they make arrests the same as a man on a beat. The chief replied affirmatively and added that they often had to spend considerable money to catch their men. When acting as a detective he had spent as high as \$50 to catch one man. Two detectives he thought would be better than two additional constables. He alluded to the necessity of harbor police and to the fact that the metropolitan police of London recovered only 30 per cent. of the goods annually stolen while men had recovered 80 per cent. The report was laid on the table.

The communication of the detectives was read as follows:

Victoria, B. C., 20, 1899.

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, most respectfully beg to submit the following report for your consideration.

We call your attention to the attention of your honorable body to the report of the proceedings at the meeting of the police commissioners as reported in the Daily Colonist, today, October 29, 1898, and would say with regard to the remarks relating to gambling that until the 28th of September ult. there was no illegal gambling outside of the several clubs, but since that date, owing to the many changes in up with other affairs of a more serious nature, and being unable to give proper attention to this work, we are not in a position to say what has been done in that time.

Mr. McMicking—Perhaps it was.

The Mayor—Order, chief, order!

Chief Sheppard—I beg your pardon.

Continuing, Mr. McMicking said that detectives, instead of being discouraged, should regard this oversight as helpful.

Constable Clayards character was in great danger in the matter mentioned, and it was a matter of regret that he had not seen fit to report through the proper channels. There may have been some aggravation—no doubt there was—but Clayards had undoubtedly been guilty of insubordination. This was an aspect of the case that the board could not pass unnoticed.

The Mayor—In what respect, Mr. McMicking, was he guilty of insubordination?

Mr. McMicking—in attempting to thwart the course of justice in order to defeat his superior officer. In attempting to run contrary to his superior officer in court. That was not the time or place to rectify any matter pending between himself and his superior officer. He had access to the proper channels for putting things right, but he stated that he had lost faith in them.

The Mayor—I cannot take the same view of the matter. I think it would have been better for him to have refused to enter the box as a witness, but when he had entered the box and was placed on oath and found he could not support his superior nor corroborate his statements, which he says were not true, it was certainly not his fault. He could hardly be called insubordinate because his statements contradicted those of a superior officer whom he alleges was not telling the truth. If he merely stated the facts, as he was compelled to do on cross-examination, it was no evidence of insubordination, unless there was something behind it all.

Chief Sheppard—He wasn't called as a witness. He came there purposely for the defence. Before he went into the box I asked him if he could help in the case. He went into the box. He had no right to answer the questions put by Mr. Higgins as my learned friend indicated Mr. Bradburn knows. If there was anything wrong the proper place to vent it was before the commissioners. He came there unasked. What did he do after that? He went to the woman's house on Douglas street with a "pimp" and interviewed her there. Never in all my life have I known a constable who knew a house to be one of prostitution go into the box and say it was an orderly house. No matter what speech there was between him and the sergeant he had access to your honorable body to do.

Mr. McMicking—The character of Constable Clayards was in no danger, I believe.

He read the proceedings in court as reported in the newspapers myself, as I believe it is the duty of a commissioner to avail himself of information no matter from what quarter it may come.

There was no occasion for the evidence he gave, apart from a disagreement between himself and his superior officer.

Mr. McMicking—No, he was not in the case.

The Mayor—Only when a transfer of license is taking place.

Clayards' Explanation.

The following letter was then submitted to the clerk from Officer Clayards in reply to the request of the board:

Victoria, Nov. 1, 1899.

Gentlemen—I am sorry to say that I received from H. W. Sheppard, chief of police, I desire to make the following statement in explanation of my attitude towards the superior officer in the case of Sgt. Walker vs. Julia Lacoste, tried in the city police court. I was placed in the witness box by Sgt. Walker as a witness to the prosecution, I being the constable on Nov. 1, 1898, when the premises occupied by the woman Lacoste in the course of my examination by Mr. Higgins, I was asked certain questions, which I was compelled to answer and did answer truthfully. That my wife resented heavily against the sergeant of police was not my fault, as I only stated facts, I have been a member of the police force for over ten years and never had any complaint having been preferred against me, and claim to have discharged my duties faithfully.

Mr. McMicking said it was a subject of some regret that the city solicitor did not understand the game referred to (blackjack). Was the solicitor aware that the game was played with a bank?

The Mayor—Oh! Do they do that?

That is a different thing.

Mr. McMicking—What do they play for, if not for money?

The mayor thought that perhaps they only played for drinks, etc., and wanted to know if his brother commissioners was positive about playing for money. The latter said he was—that he had been told so by parties who had watched the game.

The Mayor—Will these parties come up and give evidence? Ah! That's the point!

Mr. Brydon—I don't think that is the duty without being told it. The solicitor has given his opinion only on a case stated to him. I think myself that the communication from the detectives is uncalculated for. The questions put at the last meeting of the board were for the purpose of eliciting information for which we have a perfect right to ask.

The whole letter is in an offend tone,

as though we had no right to ask for this information, and the reference to Justice Martin has nothing to do with the case at all.

I was unfortunate in having been called

of justice from the police department's standpoint did not call for it.

The Mayor—Clayards' letter relieves him of any charge of insubordination. The chief's statement puts an end to the matter.

Mr. McMicking—Clayards in his letter says that the insubordination of Walker both on and off duty was well-known, and was known to the chief. Were you aware of that? (turning to the latter.)

The Chief—No I was not.

The Mayor—Were you aware of Walker's insubordination, chief?

The Chief—No your worship. No one gave me a written report. Of course he was before you in February.

The Mayor—in March.

The Chief—Yes in March, and he was also reprimanded over what Mr. Brydon was mayor.

Mr. Brydon said that the board could not pass over the statement that the chief knew of the insubordination of Walker.

It would have to be investigated. His statement is founded on facts it places the chief in a very untenable position. He did not agree with the position Clayards had taken in stating that the board was unable or unwilling to look into his complaints. The board must investigate his statements and find whether they were based on facts or whether they were untrue. He had accused the chief of a serious breach of his duties. He says the chief did not report irregularities on Walker's part enough known to him. If this is a fact we must know it.

The Mayor—I feel very much the same. This statement is too serious to be passed unnoticed.

Commissioner Brydon—We must know his authority for the statement. The chief says Clayards gave his evidence with malice. We must know the chief's authority for that statement, or whether he had such.

The Mayor—in reading the evidence of Clayards there was a suggestion of malice.

Commissioner Brydon—He states that he told the truth and the whole truth and stand by his conduct of any man who will stand by the truth under all circumstances.

Here Mr. Bradburn remarked that it would be very dangerous for the commissioners to enter upon a partial inquiry. If they were going to enter upon an investigation it must be thorough.

It was possible that Clayards had been actuated in his charges against the chief by malice. The solicitor said he had seen Clayards with his own eyes instructing the counsel for the defence. They would have to sit as a commission and review any evidence that offered.

Mr. McMicking drew a distinction between the two sections of the letter. In one he made his reply to the board; in the other he preferred charges against the chief. Mr. Brydon opined the latter as explanatory of the former.

Commissioner—McMicking thought Clayards might be reprimanded and the other matter come up on its own merits.

He was willing even to go so far as to say that Clayards possibly had cause for feeling aggrieved. But the commissioners could not understand circumstances which would justify one officer in attempting to get even with another in court. A reprimand would satisfy the ends of justice in that particular.

The Mayor thought that a full inquiry would be necessary to satisfy the public, but Commissioner McMicking was skeptical about even such an investigation satisfying them.

The Mayor agreed that if any investigation were decided upon it should proceed without delay. It was impossible to say what ramifications it would take.

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Our dispatches from South Africa today show that after a full of nearly a week, the hostilities on the western frontier of the republics have been renewed with augmented fury, and that the bombardment and assault of Kimberley are now in progress. Unfortunately it has been found impossible so far to send any relief to the besieged garrisons of Kimberley and Mafeking, but it is comforting to learn from the latest dispatches that they are fairly well able to take care of themselves.

Mafeking has already withstood numerous determined Boer assaults, and the casualties, according to the dashing Baden-Powell, are very small down to date.

As Kimberley, it is interesting to know, Mr. Cecil Rhodes is with the defenders, and there can be no doubt his practical talents will be of inestimable service in pacifying that important town in a proper state of defense. No man is more thoroughly hated and dreaded by the Boers than the Colossus of Africa; they have, it is alleged, set a price on his head, but by all accounts he does not seem to care a straw about it. Kimberley can offer a resistance that military men think will be beyond the power of the western commands to overcome. But it must not be forgotten that the Boers have been by no means idle since the aforementioned lull set in. In the interim they have been working like beavers, getting heavier ordnance from Johannesburg and other fortifications in the Transvaal, and wherever possible throwing up earthworks around the besieged towns.

Another fine officer, Colonel Keith Falconer, has laid down his life for the border to get that ever. The carrier pigeon post is a dangerous method of conveying information, for the reason that the birds are not always to be trusted to go to the desired destination, and that if they do fall into the hands of the enemy, valuable hints are thus provided. According to the latest from the front, the position of General White is somewhat critical, but as has often been pointed out, that force holds the trump card in being on the defensive; the burden rests on the attacking army. The capture of Ladysmith, if it is possible at all, will only be accomplished at a cost of life the Boers ... in no position to afford.

DISCREDITABLE WORK.

For months back the Tory press of Canada has been pouring for some pique upon which to attack the present administration. The case had rapidly been becoming desperate, and the people were beginning to think the country was getting along just about as well as it was possible for any country to get along. This degrading superstition the Tory press knew would not suit their book at all, so they were actually not a thing in sight upon which they could fasten the faintest suspicion of a charge against the government, they hasted as a veritable godsend the arrival of the war with the Transvaal.

Not having the distinguished honor to enjoy the confidence of the Dominion cabinet, of course they did not know that that cabinet the moment the news of the war came to hand, telegraphed to the Imperial authorities offering assistance. Almost at the same time the Tory press, as it by concerted arrangement, broke out in the most furious burst of senseless abuse of the ministry that has ever disgraced Canadian journalism. They alleged all sorts of impiety, they raked up old, dead issues of race and religion that have been smoldering for a century by common consent of all concerned, they attacked

the ministers personally; and "traitor," "treason," "unpatriotic" were terms of the mildest sort in the campaign of vilification.

The first severe blow the Tory press met in the midst of its shouting was the appearance that at the very moment the leading journals of Toryism were howling their meanest epithets and disseminating their lowest falsehoods against Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues, the warm and hearty hearts of Britain's cabinet were being flashed across the Atlantic. That was a decided staggering, but it takes a lot to shut the mouth of a Tory howler, once he gets his jaw unlimbered and his mouth on batterie.

Sir Wilfrid and the cabinet as a whole were deeply affected by Mr. Tarte, and the lies they told about him are enough to make Ushant's blood boil. The memory of the awful Drummond Castle disaster, four years ago, on the reefs of Ushant are revived by the sinister report from Brest to-day to the effect that a British transpont has foundered in the same place. We hope it is not true. Ushant has the worst record in the world for dreadful shipwrecks.

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There is one painful circumstance about all this, and that is the degradation of those Canadian newspapers in their attempt to injure the fair fame of men who are above suspicion, and whom the people of Canada receive as such whenever those men show themselves in public. It is a sad and shameful spectacle, and we trust it may never again be seen in Canada. We are sure it will not, for the guilty organs even now appear to be heartily ashamed of their shocking conduct. It has been a severe lesson to them, and an awful blow to the Tory party.

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Some months before the outbreak of the war the Transvaal government ordered from the Chargeurs Remmis Company of France some guns of the Creusot pattern, for the Pretoria fortifications. The company refused to run the risk of sending them out; a German company offered to try it, but the Boer government, to avoid almost certain capture of the guns as contraband of war, ordered them to be left at Creuson. They are amongst the most powerful guns in the world.

Mr. Amery, who was the London Times' correspondent at Pretoria, was one of the last British subjects to be sent over the Transvaal border under safe-conduct. He had a short interview with Oom Paul before leaving, and found the old gentleman quite elated, and sucking up prodigious comfort from the vasty depths of his tobacco pipe, with occasional moistenings of black coffee.

Woe unto him that is found in the neighborhood of the Boer lines of railway with dynamite in his possession. The Boer landdrosts (magistrates) have strict orders to shoot all such on sight. The rule holds good on the British side, of course.

There may be some truth in the rumor that every government in Europe has privately requested the press in the respective countries to moderate their comments upon the war to the extent of refraining from unreasonably harsh criticism of Great Britain's policy.

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Our **Buttermilk Talc** tones, soothes
while it heals. It is delightful to use—
neither greasy nor sticky—and it
softens and whitens the skin. **25c.**
per bottle. For sale only at our store.**C. H. BOWES & CO.**
Chemists, etc.
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taining to Drugs." 100 Government St.,
Near Yates St.

WEATHER-REPORT.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria
Meteorological Department.Victoria Nov. 11. 5 A.M.—The storm area
which was off Oregon yesterday is now
crossing Northern British Columbia to the
Territory, where it will probably make
high winds occur over theSeas to the north and fresh gales along
the American coast. Port Canby reports a
wind velocity of 64 miles. Our weather is
likely to remain unsettled.Victoria-Barometer, 29.80; temperature,
48 minimum, 48; wind, calm; rain, .09;
weather, cloudy.New Westminster—Barometer, 29.82;
temperature, 50; minimum, 49; wind, calm;
rain, .12; weather, cloudy.Barkerville—Barometer, 29.56; tempera-
ture, 36; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather,
cloudy.Nanaimo—Barometer, 29.80; tempera-
ture, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S.
W.; rain, .36; weather, fair.Portland—Oregon—Barometer, 29.00; tem-
perature, 32; minimum, 30; wind, 20 miles
S.; rain, .29; weather, fair.Tucson—Barometer, 29.88; tempera-
ture, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 6 miles S.; rain,
.18; weather, fair.San Francisco—Barometer, 29.04; tem-
perature, 56; minimum, 54; wind, 4 miles
N.; rain, .74; weather, cloudy.

Forecasts.

For 30 hours ending 5 P.M. Sunday.
Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh
S. and S. W. winds, partly fair, with occa-
sional showers.Lower Mainland—Southerly winds, mostly
cloudy, with occasional rains.**CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.**—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Ex-
tracts.—GLASGOW BEEF HAM at Jamie-
son's, 33 Fort street.Superficial hair and all facial blemishes
removed by Electrolytic Electric Parlor,
114 Yates street.—Few men are foolish enough to tell the
readers of a great family journal un-
truths about their goods. If they do they
are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon Tea
is as represented—therefore keep al-
ways before you.—Mr. J. D. Randolph, having severed
his connection with the firm of Green-
wood, Smith & Randolph, has opened up
a first-class job printing office at 124
Government street, over the Pitt-Reform
Wardrobe. Mr. Randolph has all the
latest and newest forms of type, and re-
spectfully solicits a trial order.—The attendance at the drill of the
different companies of the Fifth Regi-
ment this week has been excellent and
recruits are still enlisting. On Monday
night No. 3 Company paraded with a
strength of 54 men and 4 recruits; on
Tuesday evening No. 1 Company had 50
men and 1 recruit; while the following
night No. 2 Company mustered 66 men
and 4 recruits.—There is a possibility that Pad-
rewski, the great pianist, will visit Vic-
toria next spring. He will open a trans-
continental tour at New York on Decem-
ber 12th, and is booked to reach San
Francisco on March 25th, 1900. He will
start there till April 8th, return Portland
on April 11th, and his tour will end in Seattle
on April 12th, Tacoma on 13th, Victoria on
14th, Victoria on 16th, Spokane on
17th, Helena on 19th, Butte on 21st, Salt
Lake City on 23rd, Denver on 24th, Colorado
Springs on 26th, St. Paul on 27th Minne-
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ing to bring up the membership roll of
the Court to at least 300 by the end of
the term.—The congregation of St. Saviour's
church, Victoria West, has increased so
much recently that the number of mem-
bership who are attracted by the ser-
vices there, that it has become necessary
to enlarge the church. To aid the fund
for this purpose the ladies of the church
are arranging for a novel entertainment
in which the best amateur talent in this
city will take part, in A.O.U.W. Hall,
on Tuesday week, the 21st inst. It is
whispered that the feature of the enter-
tainment will partake of a dramatic per-
formance.—A small drop of ink
"Produces that which makes thousands,
Perhaps millions," think.When people think of taking an
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is to be considered or cared for. There
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MUTUAL LIFE, now in its 31st year.
Its policy-holders and they alone con-
stitute the Company—control its manage-
ment, elect its directors, and re-
ceive all its profits.

Don't fail to see our rates and plans.

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Provincial Manager, 34 Broad St.**S. W. BODLEY.**
Special Agent.

Drill Hall concert to-night.

—French lessons by Prof. A. Dumas,
A. Paris University, 90 Douglas
street.—Mr. and Mrs. Kosche have removed
their home to 102 Douglas street, near
the hair salons.—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen
Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A.
Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?—Don't miss the Scotch doctors, Free
concert and lecture in Semple's Hall,
Victoria West, on Tuesday night, next.
Come and spend a pleasant evening.Reduced rates to the East over
the Northern Pacific Railroad effective
September 12th; the second-class rate
to Chicago will be reduced to \$40, sec-
ond-class rates to all points east of
Chicago will be reduced also. E. M.
Blackwood, agent.The remains of the late Earl Ber-
nard, who resided in Rose Bay
yesterday afternoon, Rev. Dr.
Campbell conducting the services.
The pall-bearers were Messrs. W.
Reid, Theo. W. Sweeney, H.
Nelson, H. C. McDermid, G. S.
Mcintosh. The deceased was employed by
Messrs. Findlay, Durham and Brode.—Mr. and Mrs. Ensign Hawks will
conduct the services at the Salvation
Army barracks, Broad street, this evening.
The Ensign will contribute some
music, which may be relied upon to prove
of a high order of excellence, and Mrs.
Hawks, who was formerly Staff-Captain
Bigney, will add something entertain-
ing. On Monday evening a sketch of
a Salvationist's life aboard a man-of-war
will be given by the Army piping.—Collector Winsby had a "big killing"
at the police court this morning, when
four firemen were summoned for failing
to pay their revenue tax. All of those
summoned admitted non-payment of the
tax, but pleaded extenuating circumstan-
ces. In each case a conviction was
registered, and the defendants mulcted for
the costs \$2, and the amount of the tax.
Lee King, a Chinaman, was convicted
under the same act and similarly fined.—The Indian, Dick of Clao-oose, who
is accused of assault upon an Indian woman
in Victoria some time ago, was before the
court this morning. Mr. Morris
appeared for the defence, and upon
the chief asking for a remand for one
week, necessitated by the illness of the
woman, Mr. Morrisby asked that the man
be allowed out of his own recognizance,
as he is chief of his tribe and has a wife
and family to support. This was granted,
sureties being accepted in the sum of
\$200.—Rev. A. B. Winchester officiated last
evening at a quiet and pretty wedding
which took place at his residence, the
contracting parties being William H.
Armstrong, in the employ of the B. C.
Electric Railway Company, and Miss
Margaret Campbell, youngest daughter of
Mr. John Campbell, Mr. Charles Stephens
supported the groom and Miss Wilson
was bridesmaid. At the conclusion of
the ceremony the party adjourned to the
residence of the bride's father, where
the wedding repast was partaken of and
reception held. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong
will take up their residence on
Niagara street.—Miss Murent, the lady lecturer from
Australia, is a hard working and ener-
getic lady as her engagements for the
next few evenings will attest. To-mor-
row evening in First Presbyterian
church she will deliver an address to the
mass meeting to be held after the even-
ing service on the subject "Our Girls
Who are Perishing." In the school
rooms of the same church on Monday
evening there will be a meeting for the
children from 6 to 7 o'clock, and at 8
o'clock Miss Murent will lecture on
"The Way of the Cross." On Tuesday
evening at the same place and time her
subject will be "Australia; its Indians,
its Wikwams and its Goobiedahs," illus-
trated by magnified lantern slides.
Miss Murent is an eloquent and forceful
speaker, and to hear her on any subject
is an intellectual treat.—Mr. Humphrey gives notice that at
the meeting of the City Council on Mon-
day night, he will move "that according
to the provisions of the local Improvement
By-law, 1892, and amendments thereto,
this council hereby determines that it is desirable to have the following
work carried out under the provisions
of said by-law, and of the Municipal
Clauses Act and amendments thereto,
viz, to pave by means of wooden blocks
placed on a suitable foundation in ac-
cordance with specifications to be ap-
proved by the City Council, Yates street
from the east side of Broad to Douglas
street.

—Basket ball at Drill Hall to-night.

—An inquest was held at the City
Hall this afternoon, Dr. Hart presiding,
into the cause of the death of Jas. Hill,
the sealer whose body was found in the
harbor yesterday. The evidence of the
men who pieced up the body was taken
and also that of the skipper of the Hat-
zie, to the crew of which Hill belonged.
The man went ashore on the 15th of
October upon the arrival of the schooner
in port, and had not since been seen
alive. He had not drawn his pay. When
leaving the vessel the skipper told him to
be aboard the following morning, and he
replied that he would not be longer
than an hour. He was in good health
and spirits. Dr. Hermann Robertson,
who made the post mortem examination,
said the body was that of a young man.
There was a wound in the right of the
larynx about the size of a half-dollar,
which had been cut by a scimitar. It did
not appear to be a stab or cut. There
were no bones broken. There were some
bruises on the forehead which might
have been caused either before or after
death. There were no signs of hemor-
rhage in the brain. All the organs were
normal. The doctor could not say
whether the body had entered the water
alive or not. The wounds were prob-
ably inflicted after death. The man
was returned to the waters he occupied
10 days. —See page 6, last column, page 2.—XMAS PHOTOS for the ENGLISH
mall should be taken now to avoid hurry
and delay. Reasonable prices, latest
styles and finest finish at Skene Lowe's
studio.—Bandmaster Finn has arranged the
following excellent programme for this
evening's promenade concert at the Drill
Hall, the extra attraction being a game
of basket ball between the James Bay
and No. 1 Company teams:

Overture—"Light Cavalry"..... Suppe

Selection from "Annie"..... Calabria

Waltzes—"Visions of a Beautiful
Woman"..... FaribaultMedley Selection—"The X-Rays".... Art. Finn
(Especially dedicated to Mrs.
H. D. Helmcken.)

Basket Ball—Half time play.

Concert Schottische—"Fortuna"..... Art. Finn

Basket Ball—Half time play.

March—"British Grenadiers"..... Art. Finn

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Sub-Chief Ranger have chosen their teams
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contest is expected; the members expect-
ing to bring up the membership roll of
the Court to at least 300 by the end of
the term.—The Universal Brotherhood is rapidly
extending its sphere of influence in the
city. In addition to the successful con-
duct of a branch of the parent organiza-
tion and the Lotus League for children,
it is intended to organize a Boys' Bro-
therhood, the preliminary steps being
taken at a meeting held last night. The
objects of the club are: "To give larger
opportunities to boys and better ideas of
true comradeship and higher patriotism,
and to surround them with such bene-
ficial and moral influences as will tend
to prepare them for the battle of life.
They will be taught true nobility of char-
acter and the dignity of a pure life. The
objects shall further be: (a) Training in
debate and parliamentary law; (b) physi-
cal development by gymnastic exercises;
(c) military drill." The club is
strictly non-sectarian and non-political.There was a large attendance at the
meeting, and a number of boys enrolled
themselves as members. The decorations
of the hall, consisting of flags of all na-
tions, bunting and flowers, reflected great
credit on the taste of the ladies and
gentlemen who interested themselves in
that branch of the arrangements. An-
other meeting will be held on Friday
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LIVER OIL may be used with most benefit-
ful results by those who are run down
or suffering from after effects of in-
fluenza. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co.,
Ltd.

—EARTHQUAKE AT LEHIGHN.

(Associated Press)

Lehigh, Nov. 11.—A violent shock of
earthquake was felt here at 9 o'clock
last evening, causing a great panic
among the population.—"Better do it than wish it done." Better
care of your eyes than complain because you suffer from it.—GROUPS, COUGHS AND COLDS are all
cured by Perry's Patent Cough and Cold
Remedy. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co.,
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—The Scotch doctors in Semple's Hall,
Victoria West, on Tuesday night, No-
vember 14th. Free concert and lecture.—A meeting of the directors of the
Royal Jubilee Hospital will be held at
the Board of Trade building on Tuesday
evening next at 8 o'clock.—Lord Mayor's Pudding Bowls, Pud-
ding moulds, Pudding Bowls and Jelly
Moulds, all sizes, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s,
80 Douglas street.—Don't miss the Scotch doctors, Free
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Come and spend a pleasant evening.—At the next meeting of the City
Council Mayor Redfern will recommend
to that body the introduction of a by-
law to be known as the Supplementary
Estimate. By-law 1898.—Service papers announce that Major
W. F. Trotter, and Captains G. R. Poole
and G. E. Barnes of the C. B. M. R. are
presently serving at Esquimalt, who with
their detachments, recently rejoined their
divisional headquarters at Esquimalt.—On account of the ball given for the
benefit of the Royal Jubilee Hospital on
Thursday next, the rehearsal for the
chorus, orchestra and soloists of the
Philharmonic society, will take place in
Wait's Hall (Fort street entrance) on
Wednesday next, the 15th inst., at 8:30
sharp. All are earnestly requested to
attend, as the concert is soon to take

place at the waterfront.

—Instructions have been received by
Lt.-Col. Gregory to continue the recon-
struction of the Fifth Regiment, in-
creasing it from three to six companies
as indicated in the general order published
some time ago. The work will be pro-
ceeded with at once, whether on the basis
of the present half company organiza-
tion or not is not yet known. This
will make a number of additional vacant
commissions, and will also mean promotion
for some of the subalterns officers.—While a gang of men were lifting
a case of plate-glass out of a truck at the
outer wharf this morning a sounding
rod used as a lever gave way and the box
fell. J. Creed, a driver in the employ of
W. Lettice, endeavored to arrest the
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fell on him, breaking one of his legs.
Dr. Robertson was called and he bandaged
the broken limb. The unfortunate man
was then removed to the hospital, where
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Provincial News.

NEW DENVER.

There is urgent need that a set of fire wardens be appointed in this town, as there are none at present. And when appointed, they should see to it that their requests are carried out.

TRAIL.

Rev. Hugo Sanders has gone for a three weeks' trip to Packhole where he will be married, returning later to Trail. Mr. John G. Smith, his successor here, Mr. Collins, an English clergyman, who was a passenger on the wrecked steamship Scotsman, will take charge of the Bap-

MIDWAY.

The C.P.R. telegraph system is being extended to Boundary Creek. The construction party has already completed its work past Elcho on its way in.

It is stated that the round-house and other buildings for the Columbia and Western railway terminus at Midway are already in the material yard, on the Columbia river, awaiting removal to their destination. Members of the construction engineer's staff were lately at work in the local station yard presumably laying off the sites for the several buildings it has been already determined shall be built here.

ROSSLAND.

Voting on the \$5,000 by-law for park and cemetery purposes took place on Tuesday. There was but little interest taken in the matter, only 37 votes in all being recorded. All but one of the voters supported the measure.

On Monday Mr. Chapman was caught in a revolving pulley in the smelter at Trail and was violently thrown around while the wheel made many revolutions. His feet tore off boards and were subjected to such abuse that it was thought the bones were shattered into splinters. It was found that the arm which had been caught in the pulley had sustained a compound fracture. Beyond this his injuries were slight. None of the bones of his legs were fractured and he will be able to be about in a few days.

REVELSTOKE.

The ground has been cleared and preparations commenced for building the new Salvation Army barracks on First street.

The report brought into town on Saturday last that the body of Arthur Andy had been recovered was incorrect. Nothing has been seen of the missing man since last Thursday, November 2nd. On that day he rowed up from the St. Leon Hot Springs to the Halycon Hotel, and after spending some time there started back with a companion, whose name cannot be ascertained. After they had proceeded about half a mile down the lake Andy put the man ashore. That was the last ever seen of him. The boat was found on Saturday floating right side up on the opposite side of the lake with its contents untouched, but no sign has been discovered of the occupant.

VANCOUVER.

At the closing session of the Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster the following standing committees were appointed:

Committee upon the Indian Industrial School—Archdeacon Small, convener; Rev. J. S. A. Baston and Messrs. Myers, Gray, Lacy R. Johnson, J. H. Anthony, H. J. Cambie and Hon. T. Mayne Daly.

On Sunday School Work—Revs. A. Silva White, convener; L. Norman Tucker, H. J. Underhill and J. B. Haslam, and Mr. Myers Gray.

On Clergy Widows and Orphans—Revs. L. N. Tucker, Silva White, W. Baugh Allen, Dr. Underhill and Messrs. Downie and Schou.

On Temperance—Revs. E. P. Fawcett, L. N. Tucker, Silva White, H. G. Clinton, W. Bell, Messrs. H. de Vinc and W. J. Walker.

On Religious Education in Schools—Revs. H. G. F. Clinton, L. N. Tucker, H. J. Underhill, Messrs. Cambie and Downie.

Mr. W. F. Salisbury was unanimously re-elected as auditor.

The body of an unknown man was found in the harbor yesterday.

Mr. Frank Devlin, Indian agent for New Westminster district, returned on Thursday from Duncan, where he took temporary charge of the office of the Cowichan agency after the regrettable suicide of Mr. Lomas. To a News-Advertiser reporter who met him just before he left for the Royal City, Mr. Devlin said every man, white or Indian, in the whole Cowichan district felt that a personal friend had been lost when Mr. Lomas died. Mr. Devlin's duty was to see that Mr. Lomas' books were made ready for the next agent. But the deceased had seen to the task before he died. His accounts were all in good shape and his books were in excellent condition.

NELSON.

When Superintendent Marpole and Chief Engineer Cambie of the Canadian Pacific visit Nelson the company's proposal to the City Council will be considered.

MEN OF ALL AGES
suffering from the effects of early folly quickly restored to robust health, manhood and vigour. Lost Manhood, Premature Decay, Weak Memory, Erys of Youth, Varicose veins, etc.

\$1 BOX OF MEDICINE FREE.

OLD DR. GORDON'S REMEDY FOR MEN in a few days will restore the old man of 60 to 70 years younger. Sent sealed on the receipt of 12 cents to postage, full regular one dollar box, with valuable medical rules of health, what to eat and what to avoid. No duty, no inspection by Customs House, reliable Canadian Company. Write at once; if we could not help you we would not make this honest offer.

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most economical. Try it.*

In the establishment of educational institutions will be submitted.

Although nothing authentic has been received in Nelson with respect to the building of the Nelson end of the Crow's Nest Pass as far as Balfour, it is generally understood that Engineer Mackie, who is now in charge of construction on the branch from Cranbrook to Kimberley, will have charge of the Balfour extension as well. The line is between 20 and 22 miles in length, and unless further changes in the location are decided upon, it is in such shape that tenders for its construction could be called for at once.—Tribune.

A rather slick sharper made a cleanup of Nelson merchants on Saturday evening by the issuing of forged checks and cashing the same at different stores. Just how many merchants were victimized is not known, but three cases have been reported to the police. The amount of the check in each instance was written into the body of the check and was also punched out of the corner with a perforating punch. The checks were also numbered with a machine which is in common use in business houses. One check for thirty dollars was passed upon Patenante Brothers, the forger taking value in jewelry for close upon the full amount. A similar check was passed upon Brown & Co., who run a clothing store on Baker street. In this case but \$4 worth of merchandise was purchased and \$26 received in change. A third check for \$14 was passed upon Emory & Valley, the bulk of which was taken out in goods.

VERNON.

Mr. Fred Finlayson and children, who have been spending some weeks at Victoria, returned on Monday to their home on the upper Shuswap.

Jas. Piercy, at one time a well-known resident of this city, who for some time back has been living in Toronto, arrived in town again last week, and has taken a position in Smith & McLeod's sash and door factory.

At a meeting of the directors of the Vernon Jubilee Hospital it was decided to obtain the services of a nurse from Victoria, who will act under Nurse Henderson at the hospital, thus leaving Nurse McKay free to devote her attention exclusively to district nursing, which of late has demanded her entire time. During the month of October the number of patients at the hospital averaged six per day.

Yester evening a well attended meeting of the fire brigade held in the reading room re-inforced in the reorganization of the corps upon a satisfactory basis. J. J. Hull was unanimously confirmed in his appointment as chief, and H. W. Knight was elected first lieutenant and foreman of No. 1 hose reel, with W. Cryderman as second under him. S. T. Elliott was elected foreman of the hook and ladder wagon. A second hose team will be organized as soon as another reel can be procured.

A swash named Frank Pete met with a serious accident last week. He was foolish enough to probe at the head of a dynamic cartridge with an awl, and the inevitable result of course, speedily followed his investigations. His left hand, in which the cartridge was held, was shattered in a terrible stroke, rendering amputation an absolute necessity. He was taken to the hospital where the injured hand was cut off, and he is now rapidly recovering.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The old fire hall on Royal Avenue has been renovated, and once more turned into a suitable headquarters for the city band.

The Epworth League of the Queen's Avenue Methodist church is preparing for a winter's campaign in evangelistic work. Beginning on Sunday morning next at 7 o'clock, a week of special services will be held in the school room of the new church on Sixth street. The Rev. W. H. Barnes,ough, pastor of the Cottenham church, Victoria, will preach both morning and evening on Sunday, and will assist in the week night services following.

Mr. T. A. Sharpe, superintendent of the Dominion government Experimental Farm at Agassiz, is at present in the city, supervising the work of packing the remainder of his part of Canada's exhibit for the Paris Exposition. Most of British Columbia's exhibits from the Experimental Farm have already been forwarded to Ottawa, where the Dominion government's exhibits are being collected. Mr. Sharpe says he is not trying to send samples of all the varieties of fruit grown in this province, but only the best samples, fair representatives of about 20 varieties of apples. The shipments already gone forward consist of a splendid assortment of botched fruits of almost every description grown in British Columbia. These are supplemented by a large exhibit of ginseng, both in the straw and in special bottles, embracing about 180 varieties. The Paris Exposition will open on April 1st, and will continue until the November following. It is expected, says the Canadian, that the Canadian government will send a supplementary exhibit next year, in which case, the display of early British Columbia fruits will open the eyes of not only Parisians, but of the millions who will visit the great 1900 Exposition.

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Rich Headache and relieve all the troubleless malady to a bilious state of the system, such as

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"try them and find them" little pills value

nothing. But after all sick head

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Preparations for the Reception of the German Emperor and Empress.

United States Has Figured Prominently in Recent International Negotiations.

Lord Aberdeen on Canada--The Brightest Jewel in the British Crown.

(Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 11.--Europe is now agog with rumors of diplomatic activity and of alliances that may be effected as a result, and the relations of European powers seem to be rapidly assuming a new phase. This is doubtless not a little due to the fact that in nearly all recent international negotiations the United States has been a factor.

The Emperor's Visit.

The forthcoming visit of Emperor William to Queen Victoria is regarded as marking the climax of British diplomatic success, and the feeling of satisfaction at the state of affairs is not in the slightest degree marred by the feeling of jealousy over the Emperor's recent meeting at Potsdam.

The statement that Count von Bülow will accompany Emperor William to England is taken to be an indication that His Majesty does not mean to give the anti-British press any opportunity of belittling his visit on the score that it is merely an obligatory one to his grandmother, but, while the Emperor undoubtedly intends to officially emphasize the friendship of Germany for Great Britain, it is scarcely likely, as some optimists declare, that important treaties looking toward a closer alliance will be the immediate consequence of the imperial jaunt.

It is pointed out that all which could be done in this direction seems already accomplished, and several diplomats have expressed the opinion that this was far more than was expected, and that international feeling was not yet ripe for any more than a formal bond between the two nations, which, three years ago, were on the verge of hostilities. The announcement of the Samoan agreement throws a pleasant shadow over this meeting of Queen Victoria and Emperor William, and assures the visitor a hearty reception upon the part of the British public.

Practical Patriotism.

Intense interest in the war has not abated, and the enormous amount of the Mansion-House fund is but one instance of the practical form which the feeling assumes throughout Great Britain. Hundreds of all classes are spending their spare time and money to provide comforts for those fighting in South Africa. The moment it was known that Mrs. Brown Potter had succeeded in securing the patronage of the Prince of Wales for the Cafe Clementine which American performers are to give Nov. 18th, for the benefit of the hospital ship Maine, which American women are equipping for service in South African waters, the success of that entertainment was assured, and the rush for tickets is now so frantic that absconded applicants even forged to send their addresses with postal orders. The whole ground floor of Claridge's has been placed at the disposal of the committee, and the question now is how the programme can be crowded into a brief three hours.

Money is pouring in for the opening performance at Charles Wyndham's new theatre on November 16th, on which occasion Mr. Wyndham has announced that the receipts will be devoted for the benefit of the war victims. One enthusiastic Canadian has cabled £100 for "standing room in the pit."

The Prince Will Receive Him.

An elaborate programme has been drawn up. Upon arrival at Portsmouth on November 20th, the Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, with the Emperor-Empress, two sons and others on board, will be met by the British special service squadron, and it is said the Emperor, wearing the uniform of a British admiral, will be received by the Prince of Wales similarly attired, and the Duke of York. After salutes and a review, the party will go direct to Windsor, staying there five days. Thence the Emperor will go to Sandringham for two days, and meet Lord Salisbury, Mr. Balfour, Lord Rosebery, Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Wolseley and other notables. The remainder of His Majesty's visit will probably be spent in the Duke of Cleveland's seat, Chatsworth, and in shooting in Scotland, the Imperial-party returning to Germany via Leith on the Hohenzollern.

Liberia Rehabilitated.

After twenty-five years of bankruptcy, America's first colony, Liberia, is now rehabilitated, the interest on her public debt being paid from the royalties coming into the government of the republic by the Liberian rubber syndicate, an essential English corporation. The Associated Press understands that there is likely to be in the near future, diplomatic activity in relation to the status of Liberia.

Rooms for Lady Symons.

It is announced the Queen will offer Lady Symons, widow of Gen. Symons, the first vacant suite of rooms in Hampton court, where under similar circumstances now live Lady Napier and other widows of British heroes.

Officers Anxious to Fight.

The losses suffered by Gen. White's forces have only helped to swell the continuous procession of regular, volunteer and ex-army officers who have implored the war office to send them out. The enthusiasm, however, does not seem to

have spread to Ireland, for it is said that the families of some of the soldiers of the Irish regiments recently engaged have refused them permission to return to their homes. Such bitterness seems almost incredible, but it is vouches for by an Irish high sheriff.

Canada.

Lord Aberdeen, speaking at Scarborough, referred to Canada as the "Brightest jewel in the British crown, destined to take a still higher part in the Imperial government," and prophesied an increase in the brotherhood, not only between Canada and Great Britain, but between Canada and the United States.

Rector of Aberdeen University.

Lord Strachan and Mount Royal, high commissioner for Canada, has been elected rector of Aberdeen University without opposition.

CANADIAN BREVIETIES.

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Varsity students have decided that in future no liquor shall be served at annual dinners.

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Arrival of Troops.

London, Nov. 11.--It is officially announced that the troopship Yorkshire, Lismore Castle and Anstrua have arrived at Capetown with 3,676 troops. The first two steamers immediately proceeded to Durban. It is supposed the Anstrua's troops will be landed at Capetown.

Painting Rhodes.

London, Nov. 11.--A dispatch from Capetown, dated Wednesday Nov. 8, indicates that the American miniaturist, Amelia Russner, is among the beleaguered people at Kimberley. The dispatch adds that Mr. Rhodes is sitting to her for a miniature.

All Prisoners Treated Alike.

Durban, Nov. 11.--The government received letters from Col. Schell, the German officer captured at Elandskraal, in behalf of the Hollander prisoners expressing gratitude for the kind and humane treatment. Boers and British, he says, are treated exactly alike. The colonel further expresses appreciation of the civility and humanity of the British authorities at Ladysmith and Pietermaritzburg.

Victoria Prize Court.

Ottawa, Nov. 11.--Mr. Chamberlain sends a dispatch naming Halifax and Victoria as points where prize courts will sit and giving warrants to the Exchequer court to hold the same if found necessary.

Rumored Loss of a Transport.

Prest, France, Nov. 11.--Rumors are in circulation here that a British transport has foundered off the Island of Ushant, on the coast of Brittany.

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ATTACK ON KIMBERLEY HAS COMMENCED

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field has crossed the front of Belvoir. It is estimated at 400 strong, with field guns.

Latest advices are that the Boers had not entered Atalj North yesterday evening, but the Boerish force of Boers was momentarily expected.

It is reported the Boers have already captured some police and others on the outskirts of Atalj, and that Atalj North is deserted and defenceless.

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