

MILITARY OPERATIONS CONTINUE TO BE SLOW.

Newspaper Writers Suggesting Remedies, Change of Plans and So Forth—Boer Ingenuity—A Tramway for Guns Built by the British.

THE COST OF THE WAR WILL BE ABOUT £60,000,000 STERLING.

London, Dec. 29.—4.40 a.m.—During the lull in the military operations in South Africa the papers are filled with letters and articles criticizing the Government and the campaign, and suggesting remedies, improvements, alterations in the plans and the like. The Times complains of needless censorship and concealment. It cites the fact that nothing has yet transpired to show how General Gatacre came to lose 600 men at Stormberg.

THE BOERS IN DREAD.
The despatches from the front all represent the Boers as in a nervous condition and constant dread of the British advance, but this is probably an exaggeration.

BOER INGENUITY.
The Modder River correspondent of the Daily Chronicle gives an explanation of a sudden rifle fire inexplicably opened from the Boer trenches. He says the Boers have wires stretched along the ground in front of the trenches and connected with lamps. If a wire be touched a lamp is extinguished, thus giving warning. One night a high wind extinguished a lamp, which resulted in a false warning. The fire ceased when the Boers discovered that the alarm was false.

A TRAMWAY BUILT.
A correspondent of the Daily News at Pietermaritzburg says that a tramway is being constructed from the railway to a hill commanding the Boer position and that along this the British will convey heavy guns.

A HOT SPELL.
According to a despatch from Ladysmith, dated Wednesday, Dec. 20th, the heat there was intense, being 104 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade. There were many cases of enteric fever in the town at that time, but not enough to cause alarm. On the other hand, reports from Boer sources on the continent state that typhoid fever is epidemic in Ladysmith.

Cape Town despatches complain of the inadequacy of the hospital arrangements.

COST OF THE WAR.
It is now estimated that the war will cost £60,000,000, and it is suggested that the sinking fund of the National debt should be suspended for 5 or 6 years, in order to defray costs.

THE SEIZED FLOUR.
It is satisfactory, says the Times, editorially, this morning, to learn that the Washington Government is acting with regard to the American cargoes seized in Delagoa Bay, as we should have wished and expected. It is a matter, of course, that we shall make full reparation if reparation is proven to be due. In the meantime, it may be noted, as the Americans themselves admit, that the facts are in considerable doubt, and that some of them seem to be rather compromising to the vessel seized. There will be time enough to talk of the law and policy of the steps when facts have been authoritatively ascertained.

A BOER THREAT.
The Transvaal Government according to information supplied by Boer sympathizers threatens to reduce the rations of the British prisoners if Great Britain stops the entrance of food by Delagoa Bay.

THE YEOMANRY.
The Imperial Yeomanry committee has issued a statement to the effect that the Government considers the formation and despatch of yeomanry as one of the most pressing needs of the situation, and has intimated that it is now prepared to accept from 8,000 to 10,000 yeomanry instead of 3,000, originally asked for. It is expected that the first contingent of 1,000 will sail about the middle of January.

ARTILLERY ACCEPTED.
The Government has announced that it will accept the services of a battery from the Honorable Artillery Company. It will be attached to the City Imperial Corps.

FIELD HOSPITAL.
Lady Chesham and Lady Gerogina Curzon have issued an appeal for public funds to establish a field hospital for the Yeomanry.

KRUGER'S TERMS.
Durban, Natal, Dec. 23.—Mr. Winston Churchill, on arriving here, after his escape from the Boers, received a tremendous ovation. He says that from conversations with members of the Transvaal Executive at Pretoria he learned that the Boers began the war with trepidation, but that President Kruger is now confident that Great Britain will soon sue for peace. In the highest Transvaal circles, Mr. Churchill asserts, there is serious talk of compromise, by which Great Britain would cede the territory now occupied by the army of the two Republics, pay an indemnity of £20,000,000 and acknowledge the complete independence of the Transvaal.

FRING ON LADYSMITH.
Chieveley Camp, Natal, Dec. 27.—A heavy Boer gun on Balakana hill fired steadily upon Ladysmith throughout the morning. Ladysmith did not respond.

A HOT SKIRMISH.
The enemy have been making determined attempts to capture the trenches near Gen. Buller. The British heavy artillery opened upon them.

RALLYING AROUND THE OLD FLAG.

Too Many Men Offering at Hamilton

250 FOR EIGHTEEN PLACES.

NONE BUT THE CHOICEST MATERIAL TAKEN—OTHER LOCALITIES ARE CROWDING THE RECRUITING DEPOTS WITH APPLICANTS—WARLIKE POLITICIAN—DISLOYAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

Hamilton, Dec. 28.—Altogether about 250 men offered their services to Major Hendrie for the second contingent artillery brigade to South Africa. Only 18 men were required from here, and these have all been enrolled. The men paraded at the Gun sheds this afternoon, and are a select lot. All but one or two of the gunners have had experience in handling the big guns, and the drivers are all experienced men with horses. Sergeant W. J. Anderson, of "H" Co., 13th battalion, the only man who has not been attending the school selected to go with the Canadian Mounted Rifles, is a good horseman and a fair shot. He has been patrol driver for the local police department for some time back.

A WARLIKE POLITICIAN.
Kingston, Dec. 28.—Ex-Patron Leader Haycock has declared himself as an ultra-Britisher. In conversation he stated, in reference to the threatened Fenian invasion, that "While I may not be fit for a campaign in South Africa, at the same time I can do a little border work. I am as good a shot to-day as when a boy, when I used to go shooting woodchuck and partridges. If there is any need of it, I will go to the front in defence of the country, and I will be found at the most advanced point. If such a thing should happen that I am bowled over, I will try to square accounts with the other fellows beforehand, and have a balance on our side."

Col. Burney, of the Royal Military College staff, expects to be recalled to his regiment, the Gordon Highlanders, in South Africa.

THEY MAY LOSE THEIR SNAP.

The Times says there are Government officers in this city who fail not at every opportunity to belittle England's cause and openly curse England's "Soldiers of the Queen." These and officials would be employed at the most menial jobs were it not for the public money that they receive monthly for little work, and this often improperly done. Fortune has been kind to these incapables, who now are hourly violating the oath they took when appointed to office. Strong language it is, but circumstances compel plain talk, and if the said officials will not have the decency to keep silent in future, this paper will publish their names.

Wickton, Dec. 28.—Word was received here this afternoon from Kingston that John Daveport and Fred Paley, of this town, who left here a few days ago to be examined, have been both accepted, and will go with the second contingent to South Africa.

PLENTY OF MEN IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Now that the officers of the second Canadian contingent to South Africa have been announced, the recruiting commenced to-night. At eight o'clock in the Drill Shed to-night the men who want to go to the front were examined, and pronounced upon as to their fitness. The examinations were much the same as those gone through by the other regiments. Major Hurdman and Lt. Morrison, the local officers of the contingent, were on hand, and conducted the recruiting and picking of the men. Lieut. Morrison superintended the battery enlistments. Major Hurdman says that the Ottawa Field Battery will probably be asked to furnish 40 men for "D" Battery, but as two-thirds of the Ottawa Field Battery have already volunteered, the task will be one of discrimination, rather than of securing applicants. In fact, the Ottawa battalions would consider it rather a piece of good fortune if some other place did not furnish the full number asked, and that, as in the case of the first contingent, Ottawa were asked to double its number. The number of cavalrymen to be taken from Ottawa will be small, probably not more than half a dozen, and this fact, of course, is a disappointment, as there are many times that number anxious to go.

It is understood that Lieut-Col. Steele, Superintendent of the North-West Mounted Police, will be appointed to command the two Western squadrons.

POST OFFICE OFFICIALS.

A cable has been received accepting Mullock's offer to send five officials of the Post Office Department to serve with the Imperial army postal corps at the expense of Canada.

EMBARKATION OFFICER.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Lieut-Col. Burge, Gordon Highlanders, staff Royal Military College, is appointed Embarkation Officer at Halifax, and will proceed to that place accompanied by the Chief Engineer on Friday, the 29th instant. Lieut-Col. Burney will assist the District Officer commanding to arrange accommodation for the reception of men and horses. He will supervise the preparation of the ships, and superintend the embarkation.

INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFICERS.

Officers commanding squadrons and batteries will be good enough to send in daily the size rolls therein referred without fail.

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THE WRECKED WHALEBACK

THE CREW HAD A HARD TIME OF IT AFTER LANDING ON AN ISLAND—SOME OF THEM FROST-BITTEN.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Members of the crew of the wrecked Whaleback barge 115, which went aground on Pelee Island, Ont., on the northern shore of Lake Superior, tell a thrilling story of their experience after the ill-fated craft broke away from the steamer Colgate Hoyt. Mate Lynch said: "About 11 o'clock on Monday morning the barge drifted ashore on what we afterwards found to be Pelee Island. Where the barge grounded the land is extremely bold, and rises from the waters edge 500 to 600 feet and even higher in places. The barge began to pound heavily, and we were afraid it would knock a hole in the hull. There was a little life raft on top of the after turret, and we used this to get ashore. Some of the men took extra clothes with them, and in the party we had two loaves of bread and a shoulder of ham, besides our pockets full of candies. We landed in a small cove, and began to climb up the steep bluff. We thought at this time that we were ashore on the mainland. The snow was about 3 feet deep, but the weather was not as cold as on the water. The first night we camped in the woods and the next day we started along the shore line. It was then we found we were on an island. As we followed the shore we came across a log-cabin about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. We stayed in this shanty Tuesday night, and it was here that the Steward's feet were so badly frozen. Wednesday morning we saw the mainland about three miles away. We ripped the old shanty down and made a raft with which to get ashore on the mainland. The raft was not large enough to hold all of the men, and sank knee deep in the water when we all boarded it, but we started out, and after drifting a couple of miles down the shore, making our trip about five miles in all, we landed. As soon as the raft struck the shore it went to pieces. There was lots of snow on the mainland, but we built a fire and camped in the bush all night. On Thursday morning we started out, and walked all day along the shore to the west. That night we camped in the bush again, and on Friday morning, after walking until 11 o'clock, we struck the tracks of the Canadian Pacific Railroad. Here we ate the last of the provisions which we had with us. At last we met two section hands who told us that the nearest town was Middletown, a mile and a half away. We reached the railroad station at Middletown about noon on Friday. The agent there did all he could for us, gave us a place to sleep, and dressed the Steward's feet."

We left on Sunday for Cleveland."

A BAD FAILURE.

Many of the Creditors will not Receive one cent.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 28.—The committee appointed by creditors to investigate the accounts of Stahl & Straub, brokers, who failed Nov. 29th, report that the total liabilities amount to \$1,221,208, and the total assets \$927,478. These figures mean that creditors (the banks only excepted) can never hope to realize a dollar on the amounts due them from the firm. The statement shows that there is \$833,944 due to banks, and that the amount is secured to the lenders by stock and bonds estimated at the value of \$831,457. There is \$387,364 due depositors and customers. There is \$66,021 left to pay this amount. John H. Straub, the junior member of the firm, is under bail on the charge of embezzlement. His partner, Mr. Stahl, is missing, and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

Vote One Thousand Dollars For Comforts for Canadian Troops.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—At the annual meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association to-day it was decided to vote \$1,000 to the fund to provide comforts for the Canadian troops now in the field. The association, it was reported, has now 4387 members as compared with 4399 a year ago. The permanent reserve fund for the mortuary benefit is now \$300,390 an additional of \$15,440 having been made during the year. The election of directors resulted as follows: Hamilton Beard, P. Allen, J. J. Herring, J. H. Madill, W. D. Reid, Fred Sully, H. G. Wright; Toronto Board, H. Goodwin, G. A. Henderson, Arthur P. Hatch, Lewis A. Howard, Thos. McQuillan, S. M. Sterling, Joseph Taylor, George West, M. R. Wynn.

SANTA CLAUS

Had a Narrow Escape at a Sunday School Festival.

New York, Dec. 28.—The Christmas festivities last night of St. Paul's M. E. Sunday School had Santa Claus represented by young Robert Wheeler. He was holding a candle to read the address on a present when his clothes caught fire. In an instant his head was all in flames. A panic ensued, and people rushed out of church. Several men smothered the fire on Santa Claus, but his eyebrows were burned off and his face was scorched. The occurrence broke up the gathering.

BRAZILIAN ELECTIONS.

Rio Janeiro, Dec. 28.—General elections will take place next Sunday throughout Brazil. The Brazilian warship Tiradentes has sailed for Amapa, in the territory of Guiana in dispute between France and Brazil, where serious trouble is expected to occur.

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WANT TO HAVE A TAXONELECTRICITY

An American Company is Afraid of

COMPETITION FROM CANADA.

AND NOW APPEALS TO THE GOVERNMENT AT WASHINGTON TO PLACE AN IMPOST ON THE ELECTRIC CURRENT SUPPLIED BY AN ONTARIO COMPANY.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 28.—The Evening News publishes the following despatch from its Washington correspondent to-day:—"Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Spaulding has a case now under consideration that is causing him much thought and worry, and no matter which way he decides it is likely to be finally appealed to the Secretary for his decision. And even then it is sure to find its way into the highest courts of the land before it is finally settled beyond further dispute. It is, in short, a proposition on the part of the Government to levy and collect a tariff on an electric current generated in Canada and conducted across the border into the United States. The question was raised and brought to the attention of the Treasury officials by the Niagara Falls Power Company, of Niagara Falls, purely in self-defence against the Ontario Power Company; a rival company located across the river at Niagara Falls, Ont. The Ontario Company proposes to extend its lines to as many points in the United States as will furnish it with customers for the light and power it has for sale. This, of course, is just what the Niagara Falls Company does not want it to do, as that kind of competition would prove a very serious competitor to the American Company. The officers of the Company have, therefore, represented to the Treasury officials that inasmuch as the electric current is a thing of value that is bought and sold it should be subject to tariff tax like any other article or commodity, and especially so in this particular case, where the Canadian product will, if brought to this country, and sold as proposed, come in direct competition with an American industry and work great hardship to the latter. The Canadian Company hopes to secure a ruling in its favor and has set up its claim in opposition to the American Company's contention that the electric current cannot be regarded as an article within the meaning of the tariff law, even though the American Company represents that electricity is a thing that can be measured as accurately as potatoes or wheat, or cotton or cloth. It is understood that the Treasury officials are strongly inclined to rule that the point is well taken on the part of the American Company and that the Canadian Company pay a tax if it attempts to bring its electric current to this country and sell it."

FRENCH STATE TRIAL.

Counsel for the Defense Have Finished Their Addresses.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The speeches for the defense in the conspiracy case began in the High Court (Senate) to-day. M. Deroulle's counsel announced that his client had written, instructing him to be silent, as the trial was a legal masquerade and an iniquitous stratagem. Moreover, counsel continued, had M. Deroulle left him free to speak he would not have discussed the charges upon which M. Deroulle was acquitted, May 31, nor insulted the High Court by supposing it wished to give the Government a condemnation which a jury had refused them.

M. Buffet defended himself, denying that he had been engaged in a conspiracy, and concluding by declaring that he was a Royalist and no more in sympathy with M. Deroulle than with the Republicans now in power.

M. Jules Guerin then applied to the Court for an order providing that the prosecutor's dossier against him be submitted to his counsel.

The Court refused this application and adjourned.

LIFE INSURANCE WAR.

Likely to Occur After the Opening of the New Year.

New York, Dec. 28.—There is with the beginning of the year a strong possibility of war between the great life insurance companies, says the Herald. The "rebate contract" which existed between them and which served to bind them together in a community of interest has been terminated, and this has been followed by the abrogation of the agreement between the New York Life and the Equitable Life, under which the same agents acted for both companies within certain territory. The Equitable took the first step in the surrender of former relations by withdrawing from the "rebate compact." The other companies were obliged to follow its example. The New York Life soon afterward received notice from the Equitable that only Equitable agents who had been acting also for the New York Life in a foreign country would do so any longer. The New York Life thereupon decided to put an end to the second agreement and has so informed the Equitable officers.

LATE DUKE OF WESTMINSTER.

London, Dec. 28.—The ashes of the Duke of Westminster, whose remains were cremated at Woking Cemetery on Dec. 24th, were to-day privately interred in the church-yard of Eaton Hall, Cheshire, in the presence of his relatives and the Marquis of Lorne, representing Queen Victoria.

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COL. OTTER TO JOIN GEN. BULLER'S STAFF

A Boer Prisoner's Account of the Battle at Magersfontein—There Were 21,000 of the Enemy Engaged, and they Suffered Heavy Loss.

HEAVY CANNONADING AT MAGERSFONTEIN ON TUESDAY LAST.

Cape Town, Saturday, Dec. 23.—The colonel commanding the Canadian Contingent of troops, Colonel Otter, is to join the staff of General Buller, all of whom are proceeding to Natal, indicating that General Buller's sphere will shortly be confined to Natal.

A PRISONER'S REPORT.
A man named Green, a former Sergeant-Major of the British Balloon Department, is among the Boer prisoners captured at Magersfontein. Green, who deserted from Aldershot in 1893, admitted he had been some time in the service of the Boers, and had instructed them in trenching. He says there were 23,000 Boers at Magersfontein, 21,000 of whom were engaged the day of the battle. The Boer losses, he also asserts, were very heavy, the trenches being full of dead. Green further declares that if the attack had been pressed the Boers would have yielded, and says the Boer losses have to be taken to the Modder River, as water is so scarce at Magersfontein.

CANNONADED MAGERSFONTEIN.
London, Dec. 28.—The War Office has received the following from Cape Town, dated Wednesday, Dec. 27—then reports as follows: "At 9.30 yesterday evening the Boers on the South side of Magersfontein opened a heavy fire for some time. This morning the Naval Brigade fired at the enemy at the west part of Magersfontein. The cavalry brigade is reconnoitering in a north-easterly direction. Lieut. Masters has made an extended reconnaissance westward and northward of Enslin, and reports all well. The farmers were glad to see our men. They were suffering from want of food. I have established a market here, where I can purchase fresh milk and vegetables, selling to the farmers tea and other articles which they cannot otherwise purchase. Heavy rain fell last night. General Gatacre and French reports no change in the situation. Baden-Powell reports all well Dec. 12."

CHANGE OF PLAN.
The experts here have come to the conclusion that the British have given up the idea of carrying the positions along the Tugela and Modder Rivers by assault and will await the transport and cavalry required to give their forces the necessary ability, when they hope to be in a position to besiege the Boers in their respective Plevnas, while General Roberts carries out the

original plan of campaign, of advancing straight on Bloemfontein, the other generals detaching sufficient mobile troops to reach their goals by circuitous routes. There is nothing to indicate that the beleaguered garrisons are in any special straits calling for immediate relief. The latest advices from Kimberley, where a shortage is not feared, report plenty of food.

PATRIOTIC INDIAN PRINCES.

An interesting feature of to-day's news is the patriotic offers of service from Indian Princes. The Nizam of Hyderabad, replying to a toast proposed by Lord Curzon, the Viceroy, at a banquet in Calcutta yesterday evening, said the proudest title he possessed was that of being the Queen's faithful ally, adding that his purse, his army and his sword were ever at her disposal.

The Maharajah of Gwalior has asked permission to serve on General Roberts' staff and has offered to send troops, horses and a transport to South Africa.

The Government of France has appointed Captain Demange military attaché at the Boer headquarters.

CRETANS VOLUNTEERING.

Many Cretans in Athens are offering their services to the British Consul for the war in South Africa.

GOOD FOR TWO MONTHS.

The latest independent news from Ladysmith says:—"The field fortifications would now withstand any organized attack the enemy is likely to deliver. There are sufficient food stocks for two months. The question of forage might be troublesome, but since the rains there has been some grazing within the British lines. There is no horse sickness. The casualties caused by our shell fire are increasing, and the Boers are reported to be becoming nervous. They fear night, and constantly open a heavy fusillade on an imaginary attack."

GERMAN NEUTRALITY.

The German officials have promptly stopped the Boers from recruiting in Danzig. Neither men nor horses are permitted to cross the border.

GERMANS ARRESTED.

Durban, Natal, Dec. 28.—A German former named Stucke and the Herr Mr. Harter, Director of the Hanoverian missions in Natal, have been arrested and imprisoned at Estcourt on the charge of aiding the Boers. They both claim the protection of Germany.

A THREE DAY TRIP TO EUROPE

A VESSEL TO RUN FIFTY MILES AN HOUR TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT NEWPORT NEWS—THE CAPITAL FUND.

New York, Dec. 28.—James Gresham, of Brooklyn, N.Y., has found capital to demonstrate the commercial uselessness of or success of his cork-screw boat, for which is anticipated a speed of 50 miles per hour. W. J. Arrell to-day organized a private syndicate of New York capitalists which has agreed to furnish \$50,000, which will build a small boat on the cork-screw plan with the further understanding that if it demonstrates its ability on a commercial scale to approximate the speed which the models have reached the syndicate will furnish sufficient capital to build a mail boat. The inventor promises that his craft will cross the Atlantic in less than three days. The vessel, the construction of which is being arranged for at the Newport News shipyards, is not intended for passenger service, but only for the conveyance of mails and fast freight and for use of life-saving stations. It is so constructed that it can penetrate the surf or the waves of the roughest water. The boat is cylindrical in shape with a serpentine flange like a cork-screw extending from bow to stern and the outer shell revolves through the water while the inner compartment maintains its equidistance.

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Sporting News.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—The annual meeting of the Capital hockey team was held last night, and the following officers were elected:—Hon. President, Ald. J. Davidson; President, Ald. Darcy Scott; Vice-President, W. C. McCarthy; Secretary, J. P. Carruthers; Treasurer, E. J. O'Neill; Executive Committee, F. N. Hannum, T. H. Clancy, J. Borthwick, W. Sparks, W. Rogers, A. Bekey, F. Taylor, B. Grimes. The team will practice in the Rideau Ring.

TO CLOSE UP.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 28.—The Louisville Driving and Fair Association whose annual meeting has been one of the most important events in the trotting season has decided to go out of business. Heavy losses in numerous enterprises led the backers of the Association to disorganize.

THE RING.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28.—Joe McMay, of Rochester, who was brought here before the Capital Club to-night, proved a "dub" of the first water. He was the rankest kind of a quitter and lay down in the second and twice in the third round, making scarcely any effort to fight. Jack Bennett, of Toronto, who was referee, counted McMay out in the third round, and on reaching ten the Rochester man got up and went to his corner smiling. Smith put it all over him all the time and landed when and where he chose. The crowd yelled "fake" at the end of the bout.

What was to have been a ten-round go between Alf Allan, of Ottawa, and Barney Britton, of Toronto, was somewhat of an improvement. Britton was green and the fight was Allan's all the way, but Britton is a husky chip and did his best.

CURLING.

The attention of the members of the Victoria Curling Club is drawn to the notice in another column of this issue calling a special general meeting for this afternoon at 4.15 o'clock.

QUEBEC SNOW-SHOE CLUB.

The old-time Christmas tree was the attraction at the Club's tramp last night, each of the forty odd members present being the recipient of an appropriate gift by the Hon. Treasurer, consisting of a box of most luscious raw apples which he has on several occasions overlooked when providing for the weekly suppers. The boxes were suitably engraved and studded with forget-me-nots. The Vice-President officiated as Santa Claus, but being accompanied by a harnessed dog in place of the majestic traditional reindeer, the useful but unornamental household attachments to his costume somewhat dispelled the illusion of the venerated Santa Claus of our forefathers. After the presents had been distributed a number of games were indulged in, cock fighting, boxing, lam-bette, &c., &c., followed by the usual Club supper, and about 12 o'clock the

members left for home after a most enjoyable evening. On Saturday, 6th January, the Club will have an outing to Chateau Richer or Lorette, at which over 25 members have already signified their intention of attending.

Marine News.

OCEAN ARRIVALS.

Dec. 28.—
SS Germanic, at New York from Liverpool.
SS Ingram, at Swansea from Tilt Cove.

ALLAN LINE.

The Allan Line SS Carthagénien arrived at St. John's, Nfld., at 1 p.m. on Thursday.
The Allan Line SS Orcadian arrived at St. John's, Nfld., at 7.30 a.m. on Thursday.

NOTES.

The SS Empress of China arrived at Hong Kong on the 27th instant at 9 a.m., from Vancouver.

GROUNDED.

The s.s. John Bright, which made one trip to the St. Lawrence during the past season, was stranded at Poti on December 6th. The cargo was discharged, and by December 11th the steamer was floated and towed into the inner harbor. The John Bright was bound for Philadelphia.

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is one of the most popular of London
hostesses, and Rufford Abbey is one of
the splendid houses of England, con-
taining many historical portraits —
Van Dyck's, Kneller's, Reynolds's and
Lely's. During his stay the Prince of
Wales occupied the splendid chamber
known as the Stuart room, where both
Charles I. and Charles II. have slept,
and which is hung with very extraor-
dinary old Flemish tapestry. Rufford
Park has long been famed for its trees,
and a fine cedar on the lawn was
planted by Charles II.

In the stimulating little book which
A. B. Walkley calls "Frames of Mind"
is a curious observation on our modern
habits. Mr. Walkley is contrasting the
shifting fashions of woman's garb
with the monotony of masculine at-
tire, and he says it distresses his eye
to see a brilliantly dressed woman
arm-in-arm with her soberly accom-
panied escort. Mr. Walkley has inad-
vertently strayed into the period of by-
gone days when arm-in-arm was the
rigid conjugal etiquette. Husbands in
peg-top trousers were arm-in-arm with
wives in crinolines and spoon-bonnets.
It was considered shocking to be seen
walking with a woman in that unat-
tached go-as-you-please fashion which
prevails now. No husband would
dream of taking his wife on his arm
down the street to-day. The feminine
reformer, who chafes against the con-
vention which robs a married woman
of her identity by forcing her to take
her husband's name, would flame into
open revolt if compelled to take his
arm.

Everybody likes "Sir Julian," as
Lord Pauncefoot, the British Amba-
sador at Washington, is affectionately
called, and his familiar figure—portly,
well-groomed, with ruddy complexion
and white whiskers—will be missed on
his favorite promenade along Connecti-
cut Avenue, says the Saturday Even-
ing Post. His Lordship is now 71
years of age, and would have been re-
tired from the diplomatic service more
than a twelvemonth ago had it not
been for the anxiety of Her Majesty's
Government to retain at Washington
a man so thoroughly acquainted with
Anglo-American relations and so en-
tirely persona grata. Sir Julian is a
very approachable and unostentatious
man, simple in his ways and extren-
ely hospitable. He has been accom-
panied to entertain most handsomely
during the winter seasons in Washing-
ton, following in that respect, the
habit of his predecessors. It is the
policy of the British Government to
give to its diplomatic representatives
plenty of money for such purposes, and
Lord Pauncefoot has had an allowance
of \$30,000 a year for "table money,"
in addition to his annual salary of
\$60,000. A furnished house is being
provided for his occupancy, with no
taxes to pay, his expenses have not
been large, and it is reasonable to pre-
sume that, though he began life poor,
he now possesses a comfortable for-
tune. The British Embassy is the cen-
tre of greatest social importance in
Washington. In this respect it is not
rivalled by the establishment of any
cabinet officer, not even by the white
house itself, the President's entertain-
ments being mainly of an official char-
acter. It takes the lead of all the
legations, and gives the best dinners
and finest balls. Sir Julian has given
two or three balls every season — one
of them always on the night of the
Queen's birthday, in May—which have
been attended by a distinguished gath-
ering of diplomats, high officers of the
government and people in fashionable
society at large. In addition, occa-
sional dances have been organized by his
four daughters. Once a week, or oft-
ener, in winter, Lady Pauncefoot has
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QUEBEC, DECEMBER 29, 1899.

Moved by Hon. Richard Turner, seconded by Mr. H. M. Price. That in the opinion of this meeting of the members of the Quebec Board of Trade and other citizens a grave injustice is being done to Quebec by the management of the Intercolonial Railway in running their Halifax trains through Lévis at an hour when there is no communication with Quebec.

"That the fact that repeated remonstrances against such a condition of affairs were made last winter by the Council of the Board of Trade and by the press ought at least to have prevented the authorities from inflicting the same injustice on us again this winter."

"That it is urgent that some change be immediately made in the arrangements, it being for the Intercolonial management to say whether relief can most speedily be given by altering the hours for running of the trains, by subsidizing the ferry boats to make special midnight trips, by establishing its own ferry, or by other means."

"That the Secretary of the Board of Trade is requested to transmit these resolutions to the Hon. Prime Minister, the Minister of Railways and Canals and to Honrs. Doherty, Joly and Fitzpatrick and Mr. Malouin, M.P."

THE NIGHT FERRY.

Since Mr. Fitzpatrick has characterized the present ferry arrangements for reaching the Intercolonial trains as intolerable, and as everybody in Quebec who has looked into the matter will agree with him, the Federal Government will do well to lose no further time in removing the grievance complained of by our business men and by the public generally. Where is Sir Wilfrid Laurier? Where is Sir Henri Joly? Where is the Hon. R. R. Doherty? And where, indeed, is Mr. Fitzpatrick himself that Quebec is subjected to treatment that the Solicitor-General frankly concedes to be intolerable? We are told that in these matters we should not expect haste on the part of the ministers. They need it, seems, time for deliberation, whole years in this case to determine how and in what way the grievance should be removed. It is not always thus. Witness the speed with which the Government has closed with the Connors Syndicate to build elevators at Montreal. Speaking of this, the Montreal Herald says: "The administration of business men at Ottawa has promptly endorsed the agreement made by the Harbor Commissioners with the Connors Syndicate, and work will at once be begun on the long-desired terminal facilities in this port. Red tape does not hamper the Laurier Government's actions when the interests of the country call for rapidity of movement." While we see such wonderful promptness displayed where Montreal's interests are involved, it is not surprising that a delay of a couple of years should seem unreasonable to Quebec. Surely the administration of business men can grapple with the simple question that presents itself here. By changing the train service they created the grievance they are now asked to remove. Before they did so they should have carefully considered the consequences, and the inconveniences to this city. As they failed to do that they must now remedy the state of affairs for which they are responsible, and they should do it without delay.

THE RIGHT TO DIFFER.

Le Courier du Canada has placed the public under an obligation to it for the thorough exposition it has given of the attitude of the French-Canadians towards the South African war and the British Empire. No right-minded person can question the loyalty of our fellow-citizens of French origin towards Great Britain or withhold from them the privilege of forming their own judgment upon the merits or demerits of any conflict in which the Empire is engaged. While Englishmen, Irishmen and Scotchmen hold conflicting views on the subject without being subjected to the charge of disloyalty, it seems to us that Canadians, no matter what their origin may be, are entitled to the same consideration. We would deplore as in-

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politic and unjust an attack upon any section of our community for holding that this war should have been avoided just as we venture to disapprove of attacks upon those who believe that Great Britain should be sustained in carrying the conflict to a successful issue. Let us respect each other's differences of opinion, believing and hoping that they are based on loyal motives, and let us, for the peace and welfare of Canada, countenance no attempts to hold up to public scorn those who differ from us. The honour and prestige of the Empire are greater than any personal or political considerations, seeing, as our contemporary points out, the safety of Canada, the permanence of our institutions, and the prosperity of our country are involved where they are at stake.

WILL MR. TARTE STEP OUT?

Important Cabinet changes are again being discussed in the press and among politicians. They are based on the generally accepted assumption that Mr. Tarte is about to retire from politics, owing to failing health or waning popularity. It is said to be an open question as to whether the Mayor of Montreal, or the Mayor of Quebec will be asked to accept the portfolio of public works. Nobody doubts that Hon. Mr. Parent would give the country a clean and efficient administration of the important department now presided over by Mr. Tarte. But it is declared that Mr. Prefontaine holds the fate of the Liberal party in Montreal district in the hollow of his hand, and will accept nothing short of the great spending department as the price of his active services to the party. The retirement of Sir C. A. P. Pelletier from the Speakership of the Senate to a seat on the bench, and the appointment of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbinière to the vacancy are said to be on the carpet, and to be intended to prepare the way for the entrance of Mr. Bernier of St. Hyacinthe into the Cabinet. Thus the representation of the province of Quebec will be re-arranged for the approaching Federal campaign if the present speculations prove to be well founded, but unless Mr. Tarte is prepared to go the Cabinet will remain as it is; and Mr. Tarte is by no means dissatisfied with his position and his surroundings.

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

To the Quebec Chronicle:
An oversight prevented my presence at the Board of Trade meeting yesterday, relative to a winter ferry for I.C.R. passengers. I could not, however, have agreed with those who would urge the Government at an enormous cost to provide such a ferry, as I believe it to be quite unnecessary, and costly out of all proportion, to the revenue from such passenger traffic. The whole difficulty, I think, can be overcome without cost to the Government, and without inconvenience to the travelling public, by arranging the running of I.C.R. passenger trains on common sense lines, namely, to time passenger trains for Quebec from East and West alike, to arrive here during the period of daylight, each day, summer and winter, then the public ferry will carry passengers to and from the trains, with expedition and without extra cost to anybody. This we call a common sense solution of the difficulty, and if there be obstacles in the way of its adoption, we think no great statesmanship will be required to remove them. No management of passenger traffic can be intelligent which shuts off on its line a city of eighty thousand inhabitants, giving them no opportunity to use it, excepting at the dead hours of midnight; and ferry or no ferry, exclusive midnight arrivals and departures would and should kill the enterprise dead. Let the City and district, therefore, insist that the I.C.R. passenger trains, East and West, arrive and leave during regular ferry hours, and the Government and people will benefit alike by the change. The former by a greatly increased traffic, and the latter by the reasonable convenience to which as contributors to the I.C.R. expenses, they are indisputably entitled.

THOS. DAVIDSON.

Quebec, Dec. 28th, 1899.

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given that an application will be made at the next sitting of the Quebec Legislature, for the adoption of a private bill authorizing the Canadian Electric Light Company, Limited, to issue debentures, with the consent of the share holders, to ratify and confirm, so far as it is necessary, those already issued and to ratify the arrangements entered into on that subject.

Quebec, 11th December, 1899.

Signed

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Insolvent Notice.

In the matter of J. B. DROLET, of Ancienne Lorette, Boot and Shoe Manufacturer, Insolvent.

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 4th of January, 1900, at 11 a.m., will be sold by public auction at my office, 241 St. Joseph street, the following assets of the above estate, as follows:

Stock of finished and unfinished boots and shoes valued at \$4,161.03
 Leather and furnishings amounting to 2,436.82
 Machinery amounting to 1,016.95
 Lasts and patterns 837.00
 Office furniture 95.95
 Rolling stock 400.25
 Book debts 1,266.45
 Heintzman & Co. piano 250.00
 The undivided half of the Aqueduct at Ancienne Lorette 1,200.00
 One share in St. Roch Athletic Club 20.00
 One lot No. one hundred and ninety-three (193), and one one hundred and ninety-eight (198-8) one hundred and ninety-nine (199-9), and part of No. one hundred and ninety-eight (198-7) of the cadastre of Ancienne Lorette with factory, engines, boilers, heating apparatus, and stables, thereon erected 1,650.00
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 \$18,131.15

The sale will be in bloc, at so much on the dollar on the figures mentioned in the inventory.

The inventory and list of book debts can be seen at my office.

The stock will be on view at the factory on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 2nd and 3rd of January next. Each bidder will have to deposit \$500 as security in the hands of the curator.

Conditions of payment—Cash. Sale will take place at 11 a.m. on the day and place mentioned.

JAS. DESCHENES, Auctioneer.
 GEO. DARVEAU, Curator.
 Office 241 St. Joseph st.

Insolvent Notice.

In re GEORGE DUMAS, Boot and Shoe Manufacturer, Insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given that on FRIDAY, 29th December, 1899, at 11 a.m., will be sold by public auction, at the insolvent's establishment, No. 158 Crown street, St. Roch, Quebec, the assets of said estate, consisting of:

A. Boots and shoes, manufactured and unfinished... \$522.58
 Leather and furnishings... 1,061.63
 \$1,584.21
 B. Machinery... \$3,649.00
 Shafts, pulleys, straps &c... 505.17
 C. Forms, dies and patterns... 1,688.83
 D. Office furniture... 200.00
 E. Rent to first May, 1900.
 The sale will be made for each item separately in bloc at so much in the dollar.

The inventory can be seen at my office and the stock at the factory on Thursday, 28th December, 1899. Each bidder on items A and B must deposit one hundred dollars (\$100.00) as security.

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Sale of the Plumber's Stock and Roulant

ON THURSDAY, THE FOURTH OF JANUARY, 1900.

The following will be sold by public auction, at the shop occupied by Napoleon Vezina, No. 256 Richardson St., Quebec, to-wit:

1. Stock in hand of Richardson St., valued as per inventory... \$307.85
 2. Do. in shop, Richardson St., valued at... 644.17
 3. Do. in workshop on Richardson St., valued at... 2317.36
 4. Do. in hand, corner of Dalhousie and St. Paul Sts., Lower Town, valued at... 2310.27
 5. Tools, on Richardson St., valued at... 712.67
 6. Roulant, including, valued at... 554.30
 \$6,906.62

The sale will be made in bloc for each item, at so much in the dollar on the figures shown by inventory; except as to the roulant which will be sold in detail.

The inventory may be seen at L. H. Gaudry's office, No. 102 St. John St., or at the office of the undersigned.

The stock will be on view every day at the shop lately occupied by Napoleon Vezina, No. 256 Richardson St., except as to stock in hand, corner of Dalhousie and St. Paul streets, which may be seen only on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 2nd and 3rd January next, 1900.

Each bidder shall have to make with LaRue & LaRue a deposit of \$200 in cash or by accepted cheque before his bid may be accepted, but this will not apply to bidders on the roulant.

Sale at 10 a.m., sharp.

For particulars, apply to L. H. Gaudry, No. 101 St. John St., or to the undersigned.
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RALLYING AROUND THE OLD FLAG.

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MESSAGE FROM COLONEL OTTER
 Toronto, Dec. 28.—Major Shaw this afternoon received the following undated cable from Belmont, from Col. Otter, the commanding officer of the Canadian Contingent in South Africa: "Belmont, Major of Toronto; Greetings from Toronto quota in South Africa, Otter. The despatch was probably sent before Christmas, with the intention of making it reach the city on Christmas day, but it has evidently been delayed in transmission, like other despatches.

LONDON'S QUOTA.
 London, Dec. 28.—No further applications can be received for enrollment in the contingent of Canadian Mounted Rifles, but some who have been accepted provisionally have come to be sworn in.

THE WOOLLEY WEST IN LINE.
 Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—Major Williams, D.O.C., was busy all this morning examining horses offered for sale to the Government for use by "B" squadron and purchased seven animals, which would satisfy the tastes of the most critical and exacting cavalry officers. This makes about twenty-five mounts already secured out of the forty-two required with the six draught horses for transportation of military stores and equipments. Judging from the horseflesh bought "B" squadron will be superbly mounted. The Rough Riders who came in from outside points yesterday were examined this morning by Surgeon-Major Codd and all succeeded in getting through.

MONTREALERS FALLING IN.
 Montreal, Dec. 28.—Lt.-Col. Gordon, D.O.C., was kept busy to-day receiving recruits for the second Canadian contingent. A large number of men offered their services, but only 11 were accepted to-day. The recruiting will be continued, until the required number is secured.

TORONTONIANS CROWDING UP.
 Toronto, Dec. 28.—Col. Kitson needs only four artillerymen to complete Toronto's quota of 101 men for the second contingent. Of the total 83 are for the Mounted Infantry and 18 for artillery. Forty-three men for the Royal Canadian Dragoons and the balance of the recruits are mostly from the Governor-General's Body Guard and the Toronto Field Battery. The horses required are almost all purchased and the men will begin drilling at once. The recruiting officers have had the pick of several hundred men, the enthusiasm of those offering being very marked. On the first call for men for 18 places in the artillery this afternoon between forty and fifty responded, good naturally, each other for places. The recruiting officers have been selected where practicable, and to-morrow it is hoped to complete the quota with a splendid wagon-making and a wheelmaker.

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Late Telegraphic News.

THE RECENT FLOUR SEIZURE

BY BRITISH CRUISERS — THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT NOT TROUBLED ABOUT THE MATTER — IF ILLEGAL, THE LOSS WILL BE MADE GOOD.

New York, Dec. 28.—Exporters of flour in New York are greatly interested in the recent seizure by Great Britain of certain flour cargoes, and the reports that England has seized or will seize Delagoa Bay. They are seeking the opinions of experts in international law regarding the flour seizures. The three vessels, whose cargoes have been interfered with — the Beatrice, Masgona and Maria, the first two named being English and the third German — carried among other American products, about 20,000 barrels of flour shipped by the Pennsylvania Export and Milling Company, and it is believed in the absence of more definite information from the seat of the trouble that it was this shipment principally that caused the English warships to take action. The Tribune's Washington correspondent says that the equanimity of the State Department is not at all disturbed over the significance attached in legal and mercantile circles to the seizures. The officials express confidence that the British Government will make full reparation for any act committed by its naval agents if it turns out to have been illegal or unjustified. It seems that among the rules for contraband of war adopted by the United States last year is one which says that among the articles which are conditionally contraband are provisions, when destined for an enemy's ship or ships, or for a place that is besieged. Some attorneys think that if England can prove that she is conducting a campaign of reduction, and ultimately templates the investment of Johannesburg or Pretoria for instance, she can rightly claim that large shipments of flour and other food stuffs, destined for Transvaal cities are for the aid and comfort of the enemy. As war is now officially recognized between the two countries, England might claim that though the investment of the Boer capital is remote, the enemy might still be laying in stores for that contingency. If these contentions were all proven it would make no difference whether the vessel carrying such cargoes were neutral or were bound for neutral ports. The proceedings would be considered as being directed toward the cargoes and not toward the vessels.

TAX EXEMPTIONS

In the Dominion Capital Run Up to High Figures.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Commissioner Pratt has issued a statement showing the exemptions granted for the year 1922 of whatever nature within the city limits. The total exemptions on Protestant churches is \$573,325, on Roman Catholic churches, \$448,625, and on the Jewish synagogues, \$1,700; a total exemption on churches of every denomination of \$1,023,650. The entire exemptions on charitable institutions without regard to religious complexion are for land values, \$79,500, for improvement values, \$454,775, total, \$534,275. The exemptions on educational institutions amount to \$310,050 on those belonging to the Protestants, \$635,025 on those belonging to the Roman Catholics, and \$208,900 on those that are undenominational, making a total of 1,154,975. Protestant cemeteries, three, are exempt to the amount of \$15,000, while the Roman Catholic cemetery is valued at \$4,500, a total on cemeteries of \$19,500. Corporation property is exempt to the amount of \$2,557,500. The Dominion Government is exempt to the amount of \$19,621,125. These exemptions in all total up \$16,923,720.

HER MAJESTY

Arrives at the Isle of Wight — She Had a Rough Passage.
London, Dec. 28.—Queen Victoria arrived at Osborne, Isle of Wight, this afternoon. The water was very rough while Her Majesty was crossing the Solent.

THE DEAD OF THE MAINE.

One Hundred and Fifty of the Victims Buried at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The remains of 150 victims of the Maine disaster, brought from Havana by the battleship Texas, were buried to-day with full military honors upon a knoll in Arlington Cemetery. The exercises were exceedingly simple. They were in charge of Captain Sigbee, now of the Texas, who was captain of the Maine when his ship was blown up in Havana harbor two years ago. They were attended by President McKinley and the members of his Cabinet, Admiral Dowie, Major-General Miles and his staff and many other officers of the army and navy stationed in Washington.

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It looks as if the majority of the magazine poems had web feet.

A GOOD WINDFALL.

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