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JOY OVER THE RELIEF

Whole British Empire Celebrates Success of Her Majesty's Arms in South Africa in Royal Style.

Unprecedented Scenes of Enthusiasm in London and in All Parts of the Dominion of Canada.

Nelson was filled with enthusiasm yesterday. It was a day of celebration of the success of British arms in South Africa and if ever a city celebrated in an enthusiastic way Nelson did. Some patiotic spirits, headed by Mr. Frank Fletcher, undertook to arrange a fireworks display and were successful in their efforts. The affair was not a magnificent one from a pyrotechnic standpoint but it occasioned a great deal of noise and resulted also in enthusing the several hundred people who witnessed it and the hearty cheers for Queen Victoria, Generals Lord Roberts, Buller and French were given with a will. It was an evidence that the people of Nelson are a patriotic people, that they rejoice with all those living beneath the Union Jack in the glorious victories which have been chronicled during the past two days.

When The Miner reached its readers yesterday morning, announcing that General Dundonald had relieved Ladysmith, and suggesting that a demonstration of some kind in commemoration of the event, be held, the idea met with popular favor at once. Chief Thompson of the Fire Department immediately began preparing for a smoker to be held in the Opera House in the evening and Mr. Fletcher started on his fireworks campaign. When evening came the roar of the bombs and the red, white and blue fire in the vicinity of the Hume Hotel attracted the people. Several long strings of fire crackers were hung from wires stretched across the street and these aided in the celebration. When the last cracker had exploded the Rocky Mountain Rangers, marching to the stirring music of the Salvation Army Band, and accompanied by the fire apparatus put in an appearance and were greeted with cheers by the assembled crowd. Several volleys were fired and the march again resumed. As the soldiers were given orders to march some one called for three cheers for Queen Victoria. They were given with a tiger, and then followed cheers for the British generals.

Following this, the patriotic smoker at the Opera House began. The audience was not as large as it might have been, but it was a noisy one, much too noisy at times. The programme consisted of musical selections and speeches, choruses, a boxing match and a cake walk. Mr. W. A. Galliher acted as chairman Mr. Galliher first introduced the Nelson Quartette, consisting of Charles A. Prosser, R. H. Thompson, D. Hardie and W. J. Caldwell, who sang, "Red, White and Blue." The balance of the programme was as follows: Speech by Chairman Galliher; roller skating exhibition by C. M. Berry; songs by John Devlin, otherwise known as "The Gunner from Galway;" speech by Mr. W. A. Macdonald; song, Rex Macdonald; cake walk by Charles Prosser and others and a boxing match by Davis and Sutherland.

During the evening bulletins from The Miner office were read, announcing that General Buller had visited Ladysmith, and that there were no Boers in the vicinity. The news was received with loud cheers.

(SPECIALS TO THE MINER.)

Ottawa, March 1.—The flags which were taken down yesterday after the rejoicing over the surrender of Cronje, were raised again today for the relief of Ladysmith and all over the city the glorious emblem of liberty floated proudly, indicating the joy over the safety of the brave garrison. From all the Government, civic and other public buildings, flags were displayed and so great was the popular joy, private houses joined in the demonstration with patriotic decoration. In military circles everybody was inclined to talk. Colonel Aymer, who is in command of the Canadian Militia, was delighted. When asked his opinion of the effect, Colonel Aymer said: "I think now they will begin to roll the Boers back into the Transvaal. Buller will go on to Laing's Nek, unless he goes over to assist Gatacre. Roberts will corral the Boers at Bloemfontein and all will then combine. Methuen will be on the left, Roberts in the centre and Buller on the right, and the British will have the base line extending from Kimberley to Durban. They will then concentrate for an advance on Pretoria and Johannesberg. Plumer is coming down from the north with a force and Mafeking will be relieved at once. The relief is a great achievement for British arms. Buller had almost insuperable difficulties in his way. He is a splendid chap. I have served under Buller, Hildyard, French, Methuen and Fitzroy-Hart and they are all splendid fellows. The relief will have a great effect throughout the Empire.

Toronto, March 1.—The celebration of the relief of Ladysmith by the people of Toronto was the most remarkable exhibition of patriotic fervor since the return of the troops from the Northwest rebellion. The news came sufficiently early in the morning to be heard by workers in factories, warehouses, and stores, on their way to business. The result was that practically everybody in the city heard the good tidings before 9 o'clock and the bulk of the people spent the balance of the day in jubilation. The factories closed down, ten thousand school childen were turned out on the streets to add their shrill cries to the cheering of the multitudes. Thousands of students in the various Universities and colleges tramped the streets singing martial airs, and business men of the Board of Trade sang the National Anthem.

In the afternoon, when down town buildings, in spite of the raging snow storm, had been decorated in bunting and most people had provided themselves with from one to a score of tiny Union Jacks, the scene was a truly memorable one. Some of the manifestations of enthusiasm were quite out of the common. A society lady, not content with decorating herself all over, tied small Union Jacks to the top of her umbrella and hoisting it sailed down street amid the applause of the onlookers. It was a bad day for pro-Boers. In one of the west end factories, some Boer sympathizers were rounded up and the employees gave their erring brothers a mock trial and made them kneel on the Union Jack and beg pardon. In another factory Boer sympathizers were required to stand upon a box and sing "God Save the Queen," much to the amusement of the onlookers. Everywhere the celebration was conducted with the greatest good humor and to the incessant accompaniment of tooting whistles, cheering crowds and clanging bells. There was great rejoicing on 'Change. At the Board of Trade, George Carruthers secured a supply of minature Union Jacks and British ensigns and soon had every member properly decorated. W. B. Matthews made a speech to the members and they lustily sang "God Save the Queen."

Toronto, March 1.—The telegram prints a special cable from London which says the War Office has supplied a list of wounded in action at Paardeberg, Feb. 18. This indicates the nature of the wounds received by Canadians. It includes the following: Severely wounded, "L" Co., Private H. Andrews, 5th Regiment, Victoria; Private Beach, 5th Regiment, Victoria; Private F. Finch Smiles, 5th Regiment, Victoria; slightly wounded, "A" Company, Private Duncalfe, 90th, Winnipeg; Private H. MacKenzie, Manitoba Dragoons.

Ottawa, March 1.—The following cable was received today from Sir Alfred Milner by Lord Minto:

Cape Town, March 1.—Referring to my telegram of the 24th, No. 2, official list of casualties as received from chief of staff agrees with list already sent except the following alterations: Capt. Arnold, dangerously wounded; 7960 Pte. McCreary is since dead; 7398 Stewart, is Corporal H.; 7158 Smith is a corporal; 2509 Power is O. Power; 3115 is E. Hough; 7827 is Private W. Downing, and 7659 is T. Moore, both severely wounded; 4111 Thompson is Color Sergeant C. Thompson; 7152 is a sergeant in Company G.; 5062 Shreves is a sergeant; 5124 is Moody; 597360 McQuerin is 7260, Company L.; 7689 Shaw is 5689 Company A.; 7392 Sutton is 7292, Company G.; The following do not appear in the official list, 7169 Burns and 7160 Adams. (Sgd.) Milner.

Ottawa, March 1.—Although Sir Alfred Milner's cable today announces that Captain Arnold, of Winnipeg, is not dead but is amongst the wounded, the Militia authorities are in doubt as to Captain Arnold's fate. On Monday, Colonel Otter cabled that Private McCreary, of New Brunswick Company had succumbed to his wounds on the 19h inst., and that Captain Arnold died on the 24th, Saturday last. While Sir Alfred Milner's advices are the latest, it is inexplicable that the commanding officer of the Canadians, who by this time, knows every man in the regiment, could be in error as to Captain Arnold's fate.

Kingston, March 1.—Out of four members of the 16th Battalion, Picton, who went with the first contingent to South Africa, three were wounded, Private A. Croft, Private C. Holland and Private J. L. H. Bradshaw.

Quebec, March 1.—A cablegram has been received by Mrs. J. F. Wilson, wife of Lieut-Col. Wilson, from Captain "Buff" Ogilvie, dated Kimberley, reporting himself well. Evidently on reaching Cape Town, batteries "D" and "E" of the second contingent were rushed through to Kimberley and are at present stationed there.

Rensberg, Feb. 28.—General Clements, escorted by a squadron of Inniskillings, entered Colesberg this morning and received an enthusiastic reception. The Boers are in full retreat. A number of leading Boers have been arrested. The inhabitants are well and not starving. They have suffered many indignities at the hands of the Boers, but no violence.

London, March 1.—The Pietermaritzburg correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, under date of Tuesday, says: "Mr. Gutridge, a contractor, who resides at Dundee, after being kept in prison at Pretoria for five weeks, was put beyond the Portuguese border. He describes the treatment of the British prisoners as disgraceful. Fever had broken out before he left, and a Boer doctor told him that the Government would not allow adequate medical supplies."

London, March 1.—Mr. Gibson Bowles, Conservative member of Parliament for Kings Lynn, who was much interested by the statement of Mr. Cecil Rhodes, the other day that the profits of the De Beers' company last year were £2,000,000 and that there are diamonds in Kimberley now valued at £167,000, intends to suggest to Mr. Balfour, first Lord of the Treasury, that the rescued property be distributed among the troops as salvage, or at least be applied to the relief of the widows and orphans of the fallen.

London, March 1.—A special from Cape Town says that a telegram has been received there from Mafeking, announcing that the Boers made a severe and protracted assault on Feb. 24, but were driven off at all points. They lost 40 killed and wounded The British lost two killed and three wounded.

London, March 1.—When the news of the relief of Ladysmith, was received this morning, London went wild with joy. Business was at a stand still and traffic on the main streets was blocked for hours.

London, March 1.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts: "Paardeberg, (date uncertain.)—Clements reports that on hearing Colesberg had been evacuated he sent a force to occupy Colesberg and rode into Colesberg, when he received an enthusiastic welcome. He secured a certain amount of ammunition, arrested several rebels and has returned to Rensberg. He reported the railway line clear and working to Lane-Wellewnan's Siding. He will report tomorrow as to the few culverts which have been blown up. Colesberg and Colesberg Jct. are held by our troops."

Storkspruit, Feb. 26.—The Boers admit their losses, when Brabant recaptured Jamestown, were 50 killed, 123 wounded, and 300 missing.

London, March 1.—(6:55 p. m.)—Buller wires from Nelthorpe that he has just returned from Ladysmith and the whole country south of that place is clear of Boers. The garrison at Ladysmith were on half a pound of meat per day, and will want a little nursing before being fit for service.

Paardeberg, Feb. 26.—Yesterday was observed as a tacit armistice. The Boers freely showed themselves to the British troops. Our horses are now thoroughly rested and fully rationed. Boer prisoners, both Free Staters and Transvaalers seem convinced now that the war must end in British victory. They seem equally convinced that, when British get to Pretoria, some foreign power will intervene.

COURAGEOUS CANADIANS.

Paardeberg, March 1.—Lord Roberts addressed the Canadians, expressing in the strougest terms his pleasure and appreciation of their splendid work and courage. He attributed to them the greatest share in the Boer surrender.

London, March 1.—Special dispatch from Cape Town, dated Tuesday says: "The Boers of Barkley East, have offered to surrender on condition that the safety of the rebel Dutch is assured. The British, however, insist upon an unconditional surender."

Paardeberg, Feb. 28.—(Evening.)—The Boers are reported in force to the southweat. The British are well and cheerful.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

London, March 2.—(4:30 a. m.)—Britons feel that they are living in the presence of momentuous events. Tornados of patriotic excitement are whirling through the country. Even the dullest soul must have been stirred by the emotions of yesterday and London's six million were raised to a high pitch of patriotic exhalation. It was a wonderful sight. Old men have nothing in memory with which to compare the day. Some likened it to Luck now, others talked of the fall of Sebastopol. It was a time of singular abandon, the usual conventions of society ceased to control and everybody knew everybody else; all joined in smiles or bellowings as their dispositions moved them. Lord Lansdowne chose the psycological moment to announce estimates exceeding £60,000,000 and rather startled the public by unfolding the programme of the War Office to send out, in addition to the 30,000 troops now afloat, 56,000 fresh soldiers. Lord Roberts will ultimately have a force of a quarter of a million. An order has reached Woolwich arsenal for the construction of 224 new guns from 3-pounders to 12 inch guns. Of these 140 are to be naval guns. Already 25,000 workmen are employed at the arsenal and 3,000 more will be engaged. The decision to send out more troops and to increase the armament met with universal approval. The Boers seem to have gotten away from around Ladysmith without losing a gun or their baggage. Van Reen's Pass is only about 20 miles from Ladysmith. The enemy had artillery in action Tuesday and they probably utilized both railroads in retreating, sending heavy pieces to Pretoria and lighter ones to the Free State. Dr. Leyds says General Joubert is assembling 50,000 men at Winburg, 70 miles north east of Bloemfontein. Colonel Albrecht according to a dispatch from Paardeberg affirms that the Boers have 75,000 men left.

London, March 2.—(1:15 a.m.)—Until midnight London gave itself up to the wildest expression of joy. From the Mansion House to the West End all the leading thoroughfares were constantly paraded by cheering crowds, intermittently bursting into partiotic songs. Bands marching through the streets assisted with strains of jubilation and the same exultant notes were to be heard at every railway station or place of public gathering throughout

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TO EMPTY BENCHES

Sensational Prorogation of the Provincial House---All Members but Martin Left as Governor Entered.

In the Ottawa House the Finance Minister Asks for $2,000,000 to Pay for Contingent Expenses.

(SPECIALS TO THE MINER.)

Victoria, B. C., March 1.—Joseph Martin, Smith-Curtis and J. Stewart Yates were sworn in this morning at 10 o'clock at the Court House and then drove to the Legislative buildings and went to work in their several departmnts, Mr. Martin in the Attorney-General's office, Hon. Smith-Curtis in the Finance Minister's, and Hon. Mr. Yates in the Provincial Secretary's.

The most sensational week in the history of the British Columbian Parliament was brought to a close this afternoon when the Legislature met to prorogue in a scene as dramatic and sensational as though it were part of a political drama. It was, however, a significant demonstraton, showing as it did, the feeling of the people in regard to the selection of Joe Martin as Premier by the Lieut.-Governor. Immediately after prayers had been read, Prentice sprung to his feet, although the Lieutenant-Governor was waiting outside demanding the removal of the bar of the House, and moved as a question of privilege, that the House had no use for Martin who had been callled on to form a Government. With well authenticated animity, the rules of the House were suspended and the motion adopted amidst loud cheers. J. M. Martin, of Rossland, alone voted in the negative, and Dunsmuir, Helmcken and Turner refused to vote at all. The count was given 35 to 1. The galleries were cheering wildly when the impatient Governor pre-emptorily ordered the removal of the bar, and entered, sparkling with all his regalia and accompanied by his staff. Then it was that the sensation was sprung. McKechnie was on his feet asking for names when McInnes entered, and he paused. As he stopped Dunsmuir sprung up, and with the word "Gentlemen" he started for the lobby. The whole House, with the exception of Premier Martin, followed and as Mr. McInnes took the throne, the coat tails of the members, were disappearing around the corner. The galleries were in a tumult, shouting, hisses and cat calls, drowned all voices. The Governor sat still for some time and then he began to read his speech. "Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly."

"Where are they?" shouted a voice in the gallery and the cat calls and shouting were resumed. After the delay, he continued reading to Premier Martin, who looked for once as though he had not all the self possession that he usually carried, and the empty benches. When he concluded, some one shouted: "Three cheers for McInnes," and the audience groaned. The Governor then hurried from the House to the accompaniment of groans and hisses. As he left, the members hurried back to their seats, and Mr. Forster, of Delta, was elected chairman amidst cheering that could be heard for considerable distance. Resolutions were then passed and with "God Save the Queen" the members dispersed.

The Government held a caucus tonight and Semlin announced his retirement from the leadership. Cotton was unanimously chosen. The party will oppose party lines.

Speaker Forster said tonight that it was reported that the Government had already dismissed Martin and his colleagues. He did not credit it but said it was not improbable.

Ottawa, March 1.—In accordance with a motion made by the Premier on Tuesday last, this was Government day in the House. After routine proceedings were disposed of Fielding's resolutions for two million dollars for the Canadian contingents were taken up. Dr. Russell, (Liberal) of Halifax, made an able speech in favor of the proposition. He was followed by Bennett (Cons.) after which the House discussed it in detail.

Major Beattie (London) introduced an act to determine the length of working day for workmen and laborers. Erb introduced a bill to amend the Dominion Elections' Act as regards the manner of marking ballots. The idea is to use a punch instead of a pencil and the punch is to be used to mark within the disk.

Taylor (Conservative whip) asked if it was the intention of the Government to place a sum in the esitmates for the purpose of erecting a monument at the Capital in memory of the Canadian volunteers who have fallen, or may fall on the field of battle in South Africa in defence of the Empire.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "Unfortunately the war is not yet over, though the successes which have lately attended Her Majesty's arms, of which the relief of Ladysmith is one, (cheers) have brought the end within measureable distance. The Government believe that so long as the war lasted all our energies should be bent on prosecuting it and when the war is over the Government will be prepared to remember, not merely the dead but the living (cheers). In reply to Davis (Saskatchewan) Sutherland said that The Regina Leader had received in 1884, $1,211 for advertising mining regulations. The total amount paid to the Leader Company between Jan. 1, 1883, and Jan. 30, 1895 for advertising and printing was $47,852.

In reply to Foster, Borden said the expenditure incurred to date for the transport of Canadian troops into and out of the Yukon was $596,941, from which was to be deducted $52,952 for constructing barracks. Sir Charles, on the orders of the day, read a telegram which he had received stating the insurance company which had placed accident insurance on the Canadian contingent had authorized him to pay out $28,000, covering deaths which occurred. Sir Charles said that the news received today would make it $31,000. Sir Charles also called Laurier's attention to the report in the press that Chamberlain had asked Australia if they could send more troops to South Africa in event of the Imperial troops being wanted elsewhere. He asked whether the Canadian Government had received any such report. Sir Wilfrid said the Government had received no such information.

Sir Charles: "I am glad to hear this and hope the whole story is void of truth." Bourassa pointed out that Mr. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, had said that negotiations were well advanced in Canada for a naval reserve. The Premier asked Bourassa to move for papers and they will be brought down. The debate on Fielding's resolution followed. It was carried almost unanimously.

Toronto, March 1.--Premier Ross made the important announcement this morning to a good roads deputation that the Government was prepared to grant $100,000 a year for ten years, towards improving the roads of Ontario, provided a satisfactory system is found. The gentlemen to whom the statement was made comprised a committee appointed for the purpose of interviewing the Government at a recent county convention called by York County Council.

Montreal, March 1.—The strike at the Montreal Cotton Company's works at Valleyfield is still going on. It is now 10 days since the mills were shut down.

H. A. Allan returned yesterday from Portland. He says if the weather keeps fine the Californian will be floated in a few days. At present she is in

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A RAMPANT GOVERNOR.

The country may have an opportunity to reckon with Mr. Martin later on, and in the meantime let him continue the task he has undertaken to form a new Government. The concern of the people just now is with the Lieutenant-Governor. It is most desirable that something should be done to teach this man that he is no autocratic ruler, and that the people of British Columbia are not his slaves. The unconstitutional and arbitrary dismissal of the Turner Administration ought not to have been condoned; it has given him encouragement to indulge his love of authority by engaging in another and greater outrage. To what extent, if any, Mr. Dunsmuir may have been in the plot will perhaps never be known, but it seems as clear as day that the Governor and Mr. Martin have conspired to make summary riddance of the Semlin Government, in order that the latter might be advanced to the Premiership. Mr. McInnes is not confining himself to the constitutional functions of Governor, but is employing the power vested in his position to successfully intrigue in behalf of political favorites.

When a Government is defeated the usual custom, of course, is to resign. There can scarcely be any other course under our British system of party government. In this Province, however, there is not party government; it is government on personal lines. A Premier of proper dignity and self-respect, in Mr. Semlin's place, would probably have gone as directly as possible after defeat to lodge his resignation. But politics in British Columbia are not conducted on the loftiest of principles, and if he chose to make terms with opponents, and thus obtain a majority, it was not for the Lieutenant-Governor to object. The people might when the time came, but it was none of Mr. McInnes's business. Mr. Semlin was able to assure the Governor that he had effective control of the House, but notwithstanding this fact he was dismissed. Why? Because the Governor was not to be baulked of his opportunity to bring in his own clique, represented in the person of Mr. Martin. There is no open evidence of this as the motive for his action, but it would be safe to defy the wit of man to conceive any other explanation that would stand a moment's intelligent investigation.

It is high time this autocrat was checked in his career. A strong man at Victoria, with his wits about him, would speedily bring him to his knees. He would not permit the Legislature to be prorogued or dissolved; he would allow no message to be received or read from the Governor, but would hold the House in session and defy him. The House represents the people, and in a trial of strength between the people and Mr. McInnes the latter would be quickly taught his place. This would involve no disrespect to the office itself, or to the Crown for which it stands. The only disrespect is shown by the occupant, who does not scruple to use it as an instrument for an unworthy purpose. But better many times over that the severest proprieties be shocked than that free Canadian citizens should be made to submit to such an outrage.

OF RECORD.

Following is the statement made by Mr. Semlin, when the House resumed on Tuesday after the adverse vote of the previous Friday:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of privilege. On Friday last, I moved that this House be adjourned until today. This was in order that the Government, which had just sustained a defeat in the House by a majority of one, might see if some arrangement could not be come to by which the business of the country might be gone on with. Such an arrangement was come to, as I believed, and I advised His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to that effect last evening. I informed him that the Government had effective control of the House, and was ready to go on with the despatch of business. This forenoon, however, I received a communication from His Honor to the effect that he declined to be further advised by myself and my colleagues, and had already sought, or would forthwith seek other advisers. In connection with this communication I should like to have an expression from the House as to whether or not I had properly advised His Honor in reference to the situation, and as to whether this Government had effective control of the House. For this purpose, I beg to move the following resolution, which is seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General.

"'That this house being fully alive to the great loss, inconvenience and expense to the country of any interuption of the business of this House at the present time, begs to express its regret that His Honor has seen fit to dismiss his advisers, as in the present crisis they have the effective control of the House.'"

And the resolution was carred by a vote of 21 to 14.

Discussing the political situation at the beginning of the week, a paper that is evidently preparing itself to accept whatsoever happens, The Columbian of New Westminster, said: "Mr. Semlin may resign, but, supposing he did, there is hardly a remote possibility of the Lieutenant-Governor calling upon the leader of the Opposition, or any member of the Opposition, to form a Government." On whom else should he call, pray? We are supposed to be under the British system of Parliamentary government, and wherever that prevails the custom is to go to the Opposition. Only in British Columbia would a Governor think of calling on a man who had absolutely no following, and who proceeds with the work of Cabinet-making by selecting men who are not in public life and of whom the people never heard. When The Columbian made its guess as to the probable course of the Governor it doubtless had the advantage of the broadest kind of a hint, which a close intimacy with Mr. Martin would readily put in its way.

Mr. Houston's loyalty will have received a severe strain, through the action of the British House of Commons, in rejecting a Bill to establish an eight-hour day for underground mining. His paper should drop Victoria for a time, and devote its great abilities and stupendous energy to the enlightenment of those benighted members at Westminster.

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LOWER RATES

Now Prevail on the Boundary Division of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Freight Department Makes Announcement of Importance to Local Shippers.

The Canadian Pacific Railway issued a new tariff of freight rates yesterday that shows a great reduction in rates between Nelson and nearby points, the reduction averaging about 40 per cent. on all classes of freight.

Between Nelson and Greenwood the old rates ranged from $1.41 per hundred on first class to 36 cents per hundred on tenth class freight. The new rate is from 90 cents per hundred on first class to 21 cents per hundred on tenth class, being a reduction of from 51 cents to 15 cents per hundredweight or an average of 40 per cent.

Between Nelson and Grand Forks the old first class rate was $1.25 and the new rate 78 cents, and so on along the classification till we reach the new rate of 18 cents per hundred on tenth class goods as against the old rate of 32 cents. Here we find a reduction of from 47 to 14 cents, being also an average of about 40 per cent. in the whole tariff list.

The adoption of the new rate is due to the C. P. R. having taken over on March 1, the management of the Columbia and Western Extension into the Boundary district. Up to the present time the extension has been operated and controlled by the construction contractors, who also fixed the freight rates and the C. P. R. was not to blame for the high rate that previously existed. Before the extension was half finished the people along the line were clamoring for a freight service as all goods had to be hauled in by team. So to accommodate them an arrangement was made with the contractors to operate a freight service. The rate was fixed by the contractors over the signature of the superintendent of construction, and was about half the cost of teaming. It was considered a fair compensation to the contractors for the expense of operating the road. Recently the Company deemed it inadvisable, on account of the heavy snow on the summits, to continue the laying of track to Phoenix Camp and decided to take over the management of the road from the constructors. It was immediately decided to make a reduction in the existing freight rates and the tariff issued yesterday is the result of that decision.

HOW THE NEWS CAME.

Very Rapid Service By the Canadian Pacific Telegraphs.

Night Dispatcher Ross, of the Canadian Pacific telegraphs, had copied "30" on the Associated Press service about half past one yesterday morning and would have then gone home had not The Miner been receiving some special dispatches from Montreal. He waited to copy them, but they were coming slowly and frequent waits were necessary. He was not at his instrument at two o'clock when he was called sharply, and when he replied, Vancouver said: "Wait, Ladysmith." Mr. Ross immediately telephoned The Miner that Ladysmith had been relieved, for the call could mean nothing else. A minute later came the welcome message, "Ladysmith has been relieved." Then followed: "The War Office officially announces that Ladysmith has been relieved." and about five minutes later came Buller's dispatch. Had The Miner been receiving no specials the telegraph office would have been closed before the news was received.

It was a very creditable feat for the C. P. R. telegraphs, for the announcement was made by the War Office at 9.32 a. m., and just eighteen minutes later Operator Ross called up The Miner and told the news—at exactly 2 a. m.

For a city in the heart of the mountains so far away from London, to receive the news in such a short time is a feat for which the Canadian Pacific telegraphs deserve every credit.

THE CITY ASSESSMENT.

City Clerk Strachan Will Shortly Start to Compile Statistics.

City Clerk Strachan has about finished making a transcript of the assessment roll of 1899 and in a few days will begin making the new assessment ordered by the City Council. At the same time he will make a census of the city of Nelson. In making the census he will note the number of British and alien residents. The number of assessments last year was 3,121 and there were 651 property holders. Of course this year the list will be greatly increased. Mr. Strachan was fortunate last year in having but few of his assessments appealed, a record that few city assessors can point to.

While the census is being made a list will be compiled of all children at the school age, six years. There will also be a list of children who are now eligible for the High School grade, with a view to securing the establishment of such a school in Nelson. On account of the lack of such a course, many people are compelled, through inability to send their children to other cities for such instructions, to take them away from school with an incomplete education.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Ansen Whealler, of Kaslo, is in town for a few days on legal business.

The B. C. Mines, near Eholt, have averged 70 tons of ore a day shipped, during February.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 46 degrees and minimum 30 degrees. Rainfall was .01 inch.

Nelson's old acquaintance and friend, Mr. Holdich, is about to remove from Revelstoke to Ferguson, in the Lardeau country.

Mr. A. Booth, real estate and insurance agent, has removed to more commodious quarters in the C. & K. land office building, Kootenay Street.

The mineral claim, Directorate Fractional, was transferred yesterday from C. D. McKenzie to the Hastings Exploration Syndicate, Ltd., for a nominal consideration.

Captain Troup, of the C. P. R., is expected back from Calgary today and will immediately go to the Boundary Country to take over the management of the Columbia & Western division of the C. P. R.

Ferguson, in the Lardeau, is a new place, and of course it has a newspaper. It is a bright, healthy-looking sheet, but is chiefly remarkable for the fact that it is not called the Miner. It has been christened The Eagle instead.

A curling match was played at the rink yesterday morning between the following rinks: Dr. Armstrong, P. E. Wilson, Frank Fletcher, skip., and S. M. Brydges, F. W. Weir, J. H. Wallace, skip. Mr. Wallace's rink won by 12 to 7.

The interest of Charles Callaghan in the claims Cody Fraction and Joker Fraction will be exposed for sale by Sheriff Tuck at his office on March 6, to satisfy a judgment obtained against Callaghan by Hunter Bros., of Sandon, amounting to $91.17 and costs.

The telephone company has announced its intention of reducing the price of telephones in Nelson to $2.50 a month for instruments in business houses and $2 for residences. Those paying six months in advance will be charged nothing for connections.

The cast of characters for the opera "Pinafore" will be as follows: Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B., Mr. Freeman-Lake; Captain Corcoran, Frank Worthington; Dick Dead Eye, C. B. Winters; Bos'n's mate, H. Gervan; Ralph Rackshaw, J. Lochore; Josephine, Mrs. W. A. Macdonald, ; Little Buttercup, Mrs. W. J. Goepel, and two minor parts will be chosen from the chorus.

City Clerk Strachan sent out about sixty notices yesterday to all property owners, whose houses are contiguous to sewers, to have the proper connections made with same within 60 days from date of notice. The notice stipulated that the work must be completed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, and says that unless the connections are made within the time limit that proceedings will be taken against all delinquents.

There seems to be some dissatisfaction with the contracts which have been let on the Balfour extension of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, inasmuch as it is claimed that the act states that no person who is not a British subject can secure a contract or be otherwise employed. There are several persons, it is said, who are not British subjects, and who have received contracts in preference to Canadians. The matter will be presented to the Government in the proper manner.

A shack near the smelter occupied by a man named George Miller, caught fire yesterday afternoon and burned to the ground. Everything in the house was lost. The shack was near the flume which supplies the water for the power for the City electrical plant, and for a while the flume was on fire. If the flume had burned it would seriously crippled the illumination of the City last night. Mayor Houston and Chief Thompson went to the scene of the fire at once when they heard of it, being notified by City Clerk Strachan.

Thomas Claiborne was arrested early yesterday morning, by the night patrolman, on the complaint of Edward Haskkins, who thought that Claiborne had appropriated some money belonging to the former. At first he charged Claiborne with taking about $300, but later on some of the amount was found and the loss amounted to $130. Haskins had been drinking yesterday afternoon and went to a room in the Clark House to sleep. At the time he had about $300 with him in checks and currency. While he was in the room Claiborne went up to the room. Later he was seen to be flush and spending a good deal of money. When Haskins awoke he missed his money and on being informed of Claiborne's actions had him arrested. Later in the day a warrant for him was issued by Magistrate Crease, and he will be tried this morning in the Police Court.

HIS LIFE WAS SAVED.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says, "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I could not sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected soon to die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Canada Drug & Book Store. Every bottle guaranteed.

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H. Mansell, Merchant, Government street.
R. Homfray, Esq., C. E
J. C. Elliott, Esq., Sec. Board o Fire Underwriters.
J. Giscombe, Miner, Fort Street.

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From Halifax	March 8
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JOY OVER THE RELIEF

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the Metropolis. The West End clubs the cafes, the restaurants and the public buildings were brilliantly illuminated and their interiors, even to the tables, were beautifully decorated with flags, bunting and ingenious arrangements of electric lights. At all the music halls patriotic songs were given, the people rising and joining amid scenes of unbounded enthusiasm. Hardly a person could be met with who was not wearing the national emblem, in the shape of a tri-color rosette, or ribbon. The biograph representation of leading Generals and heroes of the war were greeted with tremendous acclamations. One striking feature of the rejoicing was the great number of American flags intertwined with the British. At 11 o'clock, when the theatres and the music halls poured forth thousands, the jubilation was redoubled. In Trafalgar Square every available inch of space, including the plinth of lions at Nelson's column, was occupied by a surging, singing, cheering crowd. All joined in "God Save the Queen," wildly applauding every reference to Roberts, Buller, White, Baden-Powell and the rest. The scene at this point was almost without precedent and is not likely to be forgotten by those who witnessed it. A smaller, but an almost equally striking demonstration occurred in the vicinity of St. Paul's Church yard earlier in the evening when the famous peal of bells was rung in honor of the occasion. Pall Mall, the Strand, Fleet Street and Cheapside echoed and re-echoed until long after midnight with the cheers and songs of the slowly and reluctantly dispersing crowds.

Even now at 2 o'clock in the morning, there comes from Manison House Square every few minutes the sound of vigorous cheering. Everywhere groups of people can be seen and although noisy they are perfectly orderly. Great throngs remained in the vicinity of the War Office until 11 o'clock last evening when it was announced that no further news was at hand for publication.

From every part of the Empire there is a constant influx of telegrams describing the rejoicings. The news was received with great enthusiasm at Dublin, where, however, the jubilant spirit of the Trinity College students carried them beyond the bounds of discretion. A large body of them marched to the Dublin Mansion House where they scaled the garden walls and captured a green flag flying on the grounds. A policeman and the servants of the mayor's residence with others struggled desperately to recover the trophy and eventually wrested it from the invaders, several of whom were injured. Other constables soon arrived on the scene and a dozen students were arrested, but with the exception of three all were rescued or managed to escape. Later in the day, isolated assaults were committed, chiefly in the neighborhood of College Green. A strong force of police kept the students within the college gates and cut off from the excited crowd that assembled in front of the college buildings. The three students were arraigned and small fines were inflicted. No further disorders occurred. Great rejoicings are reported at Malta and also at Gibraltar, where an effigy of President Kruger in chains was paraded.

Calcutta, March 1.—There is general rejoicing throughout India at the capture of General Cronje and the relief of Ladysmith. The statue of Lord Roberts has been decorated with flowers and many congratulations were wired him including one from the Cawnpour Chamber of Commerce which said: "Your birthplace salutes you."

Cape Town, March 1.—The news of Ladysmith's relief last night was officially promulgated at about 10 o'clock this morning and spread like wildfire. The town became wild with delight, the residents parading the streets and flags and bunting being displayed everywhere. The throngs of persons crowded the front of the Government House hurrahing and singing. An excited crowd stormed Parliament House and a man mounted the flagstaff and hoisted the Union Jack as a protest against the attitude of the Ministry.

Victoria, B. C., March 1.—News of the relief of Ladysmith was received here over the C. P. R. wires, 18 minutes after the announcement in London, about two o'clock in the morning. Fire bells pealed in accordance with prearranged plan and a fusilade of fire crackers and bombs started from telegraph and newspaper offices was taken up at hotels and other scenes of all night activity so that a grand celebration was very quickly in progress. Advantage was taken of the early hours and absence of traffic to start great bonfires in the principal streets. In the morning papers Mayor Hayward proclaimed a holiday and called upon the citizens to decorate and give up the day to festivities and right nobly did they respond. Stores, factories and schools were closed and the greatest demonstration ever witnessed here has been in progress all day and up to a late hour tonight continues, with bonfires, rockets and music accompaniment. The Imperial soldiers and sailors of Victoria and Esquimalt stations, of course, take a prominent part in the display.

Montreal, March 1.—The news of the relief of Ladysmith was received with much greater enthusiasm throughout Eastern Canada than the news of the relief of Kimberley or Cronje's surrender. Crowds thronged the newspaper bulletin boards and manifested the greatest interest in the news, many cheers being raised for the general who has had the most difficulties to perform in relieving the beleaguered garrison. Many stores displayed flags and bunting. McGill students, upon hearing the news, visited several newspaper offices, some of whom had leaned somewhat in their sympathy towards the Boers. In some instances they took possession of the bulletin boards and compelled the proprietors to display the British flag. Finding no flag displayed on the city hall, they marched in a body to the tower of that building and hoisted the flag. Five hundred high school boys also paraded the streets with banners.

At 5 o'clock this afternoon the students of Laval, the French Catholic University, appeared at St. Giles Street and demanded that the flags ordered up by McGill boys to be pulled down. The request was promptly complied with but not until one British flag had been torn up by the French students. Then the McGill men appeared again and there was every prospect of a riot. Large bodies of police kept the two factions apart, until the leaders got together under the chairmanship of Alderman Lebeuf, chairman of police committee. Then it was agreed that the Laval students should go one way and the McGill men the other. The police started the crowds moving and the trouble was over. Tonight, despite a blizzard that has stalled the street railway for the first time in its history, and tied up all railway traffic, over ten thousand people gathered on Dominion Square and around an immense bonfire of tar barrels celebrated the relief of Ladysmith. Nothing like it was ever seen in Montreal.

Ottawa, March 1.—The Military Department today issued a bulletin showing the following having died from wounds received on Tuesday, February 27, in "D" Company: Corporal P. S. Brady, 43rd Ottawa, and Carleton Rifles; "E" Company: Private F. W. Wasdell, 3rd Victoria Rifles; "F" Company: Private A. Roy, 89th Temiscouata and Rimouski Battalion; "H" Company: Private G. Johnstone, 63rd Halifax Rifles, died February 26, from his wounds received in action at Paardeberg, on Feb. 18.

Quebec, March 1.—A cable was received from "Buff" Ogilvie of the Canadian artillery, dated Kimberley. Evidently the Canadian batteries were rushed through to protect Kimberley as soon as they reached Cape Town on the Laurentian.

Toronto, March 2.—A special cable to The Globe this morning from Modder River says G. B. Corbould, Fifth R. C. A., Victoria, reported missing, is now reported safe.

London, March 1.—The news of the relief of Ladysmith caused a scene of unprecedented excitement in the city today, particularly in the Stock Exchange. Mobs of thousands of persons surrounded the Mansion House, cheering and waving flags and stopping traffic. Business in the House was superseded by champagne drinking and general jollification. The older members of the Exchange say they never saw anything like it. Patriotic songs were heard everywhere instead of stock quotations and dealings were infinitely small. Provincial centres were similarly engaged and the wires usually devoted to business were blockaded by messages of congratulations.

The markets opened nominally stronger but sagged in the absence of transactions. The tone finally was harder on a rumor that General French was at Bloemfontein. Consols were merely still, in short, the public was too much preoccupied to speculate. Americans were the lightest. The market for them opened strong and free, general buying.

"Grey Scout," writing in the Saturday Review, says: The following is a fairly typical example of the opinion held by the Boers of the intelligence of our officers. It was on the night following one of the severe combats which marked the British advance towards Kimberley that the officers of a certain corps had gathered near the bivouac fire for their "dinner," as the evening meal, which did duty for breakfast and luncheon as well on that day, was styled. Suddenly a man in civilian attire appeared, equipped with a large Geneva cross on his arm, and asked for the commanding officer. To the latter he told a rambling story about his ambulance work, and ended by asking for corn for his horses. With the usual hospitality of the British officer he was at once made at home, corn was ordered for his horses, and he was provided with dinner, which latter he proceeded to dispatch in a manner fearful and wonderful to behold.

Meanwhile he kept up a not unamusing rattle of conversation interlarded with sundry expressions, admittedly English in origin, but usually not forming part of the polite conversation of our medical men. It was whilst he was thus employed that an officer made some casual remark about civilised warfare, upon which our guest fired up, and with a volley of expletives assured us that he and all his compatriots were as civilised and a good deal more so than the British. Nobody ventured to argue the question, and his outburst was received with polite silence, some of us thinking sadly of the narrow escapes from painful death he had survived in his attempts to swallow one of our largest steel knives during dinner, and also of his peculiar manners, customs, and conversation.

Having eaten and drunken his fill he shouldered his sack of corn and coolly asked for the "countersign" so as to enable him to pass out of our lines to his ambulance! And this he would certainly have obtained had not a staff officer who had been a pained witness of the festive scene and bided his time for decisive action, gently taken the "Doctor" aside and made a prisoner of him. Of course the "Doctor" was highly indignant, and talked very big about the sanctity of the Geneva Convention. His captor, however, was obdurate, and he was marched off under escort. It may be mentioned that subsequent inquiries amply justified both the course taken and his further detention. This story has been given in detail, as it affords an admirable example of the amount of gullibility with which the Boers credit us, and also of the lengths to which many of our officers will go in their chivalrous desire to help an enemy in distress. It is hardly necessary to add that the safety of a whole force might easily be compromised by an adroit spy thus trading on the good nature of an officer.

WAR OFFICE BLUNDE

The following (says The Daily Chronicle) is an instance of the mistakes that emanate from the War Office returns of the killed and wounded in the present campaign in South Africa. Doubtless there are great difficulties to be encountered in rendering a correct return but for all that, it is a pity that friends and near relatives should be made to suffer such anxiety. On November 30 last a man at Aldershot received a notification from the War Office to say that his son-in-law in the 1st Northumberland Fusileers had been wounded at the battle of Belmont. On December 12 he received another letter stating that the number previously given as 4457 should read 4437, thus giving him hopes of some mistake having been made. Next day the father-in-law received a letter from the injured man himself stating he had been wounded at Belmont, but that he was all right, and expected to be on duty in a few days. On January 20 the War Office reported to the father-in-law that the man had been killed on November 23, but on the following day a letter was received from the son-in-law written on Christmas day at Modder River, stating that he was all right, his wound had healed up, and he was not at all disfigured. On January 24 the War Office, in reply to further inquiries, wrote the father-in-law at Aldershot regretting to state that his son-in-law died in November last.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Manila, March 1.—A hundred insurgents, seven miles from San Fernando de la Union, ambushed ten men of the Third Cavalry who were escorting a provision train. The Americans scattered and while returning to camp one man was killed. The insurgents captured four horses and a quantity of provisions. A subsequent reconnaissance of the locality developed the fact that there were entrenchments there and a force of Filipinos estimated to number 800 men. The Third Cavalry is preparing to drive the insurgents out. The recently purchased naval trransport Alava, sent to Regay in the Gulf of Libera for Spanish prisoners, has returned here bringing 500 prisoners, including priests, officers, soldiers and civilians, and 10 Americans.

VERY NICE ESTATE.

Chicago, Ill., March 1.—Mrs. D. B. Teneyck, 108 North Leavet Street, received information that she would receive probably one-fifth of an estate valued at more than $20,000,000 left by her uncle who died 12 years ago in Albany, N. Y. According to the story told by Mrs. Teneyck, the uncle's name was Russell Wandell. His relatives have not heard from him in years and had no idea of his wealth until the administrators of the estate began to look up the rightful heirs. The whole fortune falls to the children of his brothers and sisters. Three live in New York and two in Chicago. The other Chicago heir is John Wandell, a retired Chicago & Northwestern engineer.

METAL QUOTATIONS.

New York, March 1.—Copper, quiet; brokers' $16.2; exchange, $16.25.

Lead, dull; brokers' $4.45; exchange, $4.75.

Tin, firmer but dull; Straights, $3.35, nominal. Plates, quiet.

Spelter, quiet; domestic, $4.55 to $4.60.

Halifax, N. S., March 1.—The work of fitting out the transport Monteray is already well under way. The vessel came into port during Monday night and is taking on some 600 tons of coal and getting ready for Strathcona's Horse. The work will be done by the Elder-Dempster Co., who have engaged 200 men. An army of workmen will be kept going day and night until the boat is ready for service.

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an upright position and lighters are alongside taking off the cargo. When he left Portland the wrecking steamer from Boston was visible off the harbor and could begin work immediately. All depends whether the wind keeps down. She is resting easy at present and work can go on quietly as long as this state of affairs continues.

Ottawa, March 1.—Rocen, the late inspector of separate schools for Manitoba, is here and says it is his intention to run for Provencher as Libera candidate at the coming general election. He speaks confidently of his ability to carry the constitutency.

It is reported here that Watson may resign from the Senate to oppose Roche in Marquette when the general elections are held.

Signs point to a general election next summer, although much may depend upon the progress and result of the war.

Winnipeg, March 1.—Another contingent of 44 men, and 17 cars of horses passed through this city for Ottawa tonight. There was general rejoicing throughout the west when the news was received of the relief of Ladysmith. At many of the smaller towns in the Territories, processions were formed and with bands paraded the streets. Hon. Clifford Sifton reached here today. Tomorrow the Minister attends the annual meeting of Brandon County Liberal Association at Brandon.

Winnipeg, March 1.—U. S. Consul McCook, of Dawson, passed through for Vancouver today. Inspector Belcher, second in command of Strathcona's Horse, who has been detained at Regina by illness, left there for Ottawa today.

Ottawa, March 1.—Mr. Dan Smith, R. J. Whitla and J. H. Ashdown are here. Interviews with the Minister were held in reference to Mr. Smith's dismissal. It was clear that the dismissal was an act of retaliation, and it was also made clear that Mr. Smith would not be reinstated.

Lieut.-Gov. Forget is here. He and Madame Forget are guests of Premier Laurier. The Militia Department does not intend to make an official statement of the list of wounded in the first fight in which Canadians were engaged until the mails arrive. It is impossible to do anything with figures. Some of the Australian members are among the figures given as belonging to the Canadian Regiment.

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