

letter has been received at the Department from Lord Lansdowne, Secretary of State for War, regarding the terms of service of the troops who went from Canada to South Africa. It is evident that a similar case has gone to the other colonies, and it is thought to be preliminary to the transfer of some of the troops from Africa.

The Gazette announces that Victoria has been bestowed on Major Philipps Hornby, Sergeant and Driver Glascock, of "Q" Company, royal artillery, for conspicuous bravery in saving four of the guns of the convoy disaster at Koraspruit Free State, March 31 of the last year.

The following shows the feeling of the Free State Boers. The correspondent of The Mail Empire has had an interview with a representative Free Stater who has been a prisoner here. This man spoke freely and frankly about the Boers.

The Boers were persuaded to join the Boer army by President Steyn, who said that now was our chance to drive England's power. He said we should be able to capture Durban and the Town before reinforcements could arrive from Great Britain.

The Baptists of Sweden now number 40 759. The Baptists have six missionaries working in Puerto Rico, and have eight property at Rio Piedras, eight at San Juan.

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The Young Men's Christian Association in North America show a steady growth. The Year Book just issued shows 1 439 associations, with a reported membership of 255 472, owning buildings and other real estate valued at \$21,620 480.

At the beginning of the century the Bible had been translated into 66 languages and dialects, but in this closing year of the century the Bible may be read in 451 languages and dialects. The people of this Bible-tongued world, it is estimated, speak in some 2000 languages and dialects; but the 451 languages into which the Bible has been translated represents a population of 1 200 000 000.

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From LICEN, KIRKPATRICK—Generally, the first thing I look for in the INTELLIGENCER is the denominational news. This is my first letter to the paper. It has been a weekly visitor to our home, with the exception of a few months, almost from its first publication.

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PARLIAMENT. MONDAY.—Morning sessions of the house began today. The first business taken up was the Chinese immigration resolution. The principal feature of this legislation is the increase of the import tax on Chinese from \$50 to \$100 per head.

NEWTON AND LOWER RIDGE DELEGATES, with W. Edgar Wallace. Lower Millstream and Victoria Road delegates, with Alfred Freeze. Coverdale and Lutes Mt. delegates with Chas. Osborne. Waterford delegates, with Hiram Secord.

MILLSTREAM MT. AND APOHQUI DELEGATES, with Albert Scott. Sussan and Ling Point delegates, with Byron McLeod. Any member of the District who is not provided a home in the above list and all the Sunday School delegates will be assigned homes at their arrival.

WEDNESDAY.—Mr. McLeod introduced the conciliation bill, so called. It follows in part the English law as to the method of adjusting disputes between labourers and employers. The discussion continued all the morning.

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DEATHS. GRANT.—At Kilburn, V. Co., May 17th, John H. infant son of John and Annie Z. Grant, aged 25 days. "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

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