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The Town at Which Fighting is Now Taking Place Sketched by a Resident.

THE LADYSMITH OF TODAY.

When I left Ladysmith, in July last, there was naught to presage the present state of affairs save a vague unrest in the air, a subtle drawing together of the townfolk and the soldiers at the camp, and a tense feeling of expectation of something-we knew not what.

Ordinarily Ladysmith is a quiet, dull little place, intensely English, in so far that there is absolutely no Dutch element to disturb the solidly loyal serenity of the township-for it is little more.

We rather pride ourselves upon the situation of Ladysmith. It is over 3000 feet above the sea; the frowning crests of the Drakensberg mountains, are about thirty miles away to the north and west, and help to shelter us in winter from excessive cold. The climate goes to rather unnecessary extremes; the height of summer (December and January) is very hot, and the depth of win-ter (June and July) correspondingly cold. At the same time the air is extraordinarily dry and bracing. The open-air cure for con-sumption had been tried and proved successfully at Ladysmith years before it began to be talked about at home.

We are not only healthy, but we are very good. Probably few towns of 4000 inhabitants have so many places of worship. Practically every creed has its church or chapel, from the Dutch Reformed, which is a very small congregation. to the Wesleyan, which is quite considerable. We even can boast of the Salvation Army. Folks are wont to laugh at the importance

of little provincial places, but, after all, Ladysmith is the third sized town in Natal, Durban and Pietermaritzburg being, of course, a good deal larger. Our town hall, we think, is worthy of an English cathedral town, and we plume ourselves considerably on the public buildings, especially the court house, schools, public library, and the gaol.

Of course the town, as a town, is not much wide streets; a spacious market square surrounded by low galvanized iron stores, many SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO DISEASES OF of them bearing such curious Indian names as Moona-Sammy, Abdol Mahomet, and the like, on the signboards, for the important "Arab" merchants of Durban are all represented by branch houses.

In front of the court-house, the hotels, and the police barracks are the usual horsetethering rails, and one hitches up one's pony and leaves it alone for hours, quite secure in the average integrity of the passers-

by. Honestly, our weak points are our roads, These are our drainage, and our lighting. These are elementary and not on the scale that they should be. Our oediles promise us better things in the near future, but a moonless night, a rutty road, and a variety of small sluits (ditches) have before now made the about our rural simplicity.

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to twenty houses scattered about within a score or so miles from Ladysmith. Leath- learn this popular music. But, again, why erns, for instance, is fifteen miles away; Freers (Acton Homes), where General White's first engagement took place, is twenty four miles; and Little Tugela Waterfall is do at Camp Sussex, all right. about thirty. Round about are many more or less isolated farms, English farms, where they really do farm, not Dutch farms, where to look at-a few dusty, illkept but fairly wide streets; a spacious market square sur. of these, Farquhar's farm, the battle of Monday took its acutest phase.

Speaking as a resident, and one who knows the country, there need be no fear that we shall lose Ladysmith. The earthworks surrounding the heavy guns are amply sufficient what they ought to be, above suspicion, to protect the town. Every hill, sluit, and distinctive point of attack for miles round has been carefully measured for shooting purposes. The site of the camp itself was chosen by a board of officers specially appointed for the purpose, and the military position of the place has been studied and developed during the past two years by the most expert local military advice.

The natural advantages and defences of the town have been enhanced and strengthened by carefully planned redoubts at any possibly vulnerable points. The danger of the place being rushed is absolutely ill, bestranger in our midst use strong language cause the immediate surroundings are open and bare to nakedness, so that there is no possibility of surprise. Anyone approaching can be seen for a great distance, and no near cover is available.



"It's the devil for any one to tell me a secret, for it is sure to come out inprint."-HAZLITT.

"The Soldiers of the Queen" is the popular song among the boys fighting in the Transvaal, although I have not heard that our Carleton County military are masters of the air, and our Woodstock band has not yet treated us to this catchy piece of music. Those who have heard it pronounce it as quite as fascinating to the everyday man as "Marching through Georgia." When we had our Exhibition here we were treated to lots of "Marching through Georgia" and other American popular airs. Perhaps, it is hardly worth while for us to hear any other, particularly, as bands from Houlton and one side of a gigantic soup-plate, with a big Presque Isle will give us our music in the future. More than likely the Salvation Army will take up the air of "Soldiers of the Queen" as they adopt other patriotic airs and so our citizens may have an opportunity to not stand by "Marching through Georgia?" It wouldn't do at the Transvaal, but would

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It seems to be more difficult as time passes to get good, independent men to serve on juries. There is a good deal of nonsence talked about our matchless jury system and the like. In fact if juries were dispensed with in many civil cases, and our judges were, justice would be more certain. In criminal cases we would never agree to any other course than that a man should be tried by his peers. Mr. Justice Wurtele of Montreal quite recently had an experience about juries which lead him to make the following remarks: "The system of trial by jury comes from England, and if any attempt was made to deprive the public of the privilege they enjoy under that system, the very parties who are now summoned as jurors and who make default to attend would probably be the first to rise in rebellion. What I find



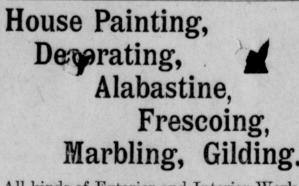
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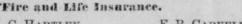
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By the way, the name of Ladysmith has the simplest of derivations. It was christened after Lady Harry Smith, about the year 1840. She was the Spanish wife of General Sir Harry Smith, who commanded the troops in South Africa at the time.

But, after all, the chief interest in Ladysmith today lies in its military position. In the old days of the first Transvaal war we had troops here, and the place was to all intents and purposes a garrison town. But the sol-diers were eventually withdrawn, and it was not until 1897 that we were again familiar with the fifes and the drums. In that year the military authorities came up from Maritzburg and laid out a camp of considerable extent near the water-works, rather less than two miles to the west of the town. We were right glad to see them, and tried our best to do them well. There were never less than 2,000 men in camp under canvas and in so-called huts, and three field batteries of artil-

lery helped to swell the number. It would be ridiculous in the extreme to pretend that Ladysmith is impregnable. It is nothing of the sort. To the west of the town there is a fine level plain, in which is the camp. The open veldt rolls away for miles notified to the togethills. miles until it meets the toothills stretching afar from Drakensburg mountains. The Sand river with its affluents, the Blaauwbank river, the Dewdrop spruit or stream intersect the plateau, and the Kilp and Sand rivers join on the road leading across Van Reenen's pass to Harrismith. There is very little water in any of these rivers save after a thunderstorm. During the summer months thunderstorm. During the summer months these are pretty frequent, and for at least a few weeks in January may be expected with almost clock work regularly between four and five o'clock every afternoon. They usually only last for an hour or less, and though the downpour is veritably tropical, for the time, the hot sun soon dries up the moisture, and the soil is parched and thirsty again by the next day. On the east of Ladysmith there are several hills, which are of some importance. The Isimbulwana, for instance, is dignified by the name of a mountain, but this is gross flattery;

name of a mountain, but this is gross flattery; Lombard's kop is an eminence within four miles of the town and six of the camp. Kopje (a hillock) is the diminutive of kop, a hill. Scattered about the veldt on this side of the town are many kopjes, covered with stones, and capable of making excellent cover for the Boers, who, however, could be, and evidently have been, dislodged by our heavy naval guns.

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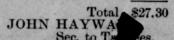
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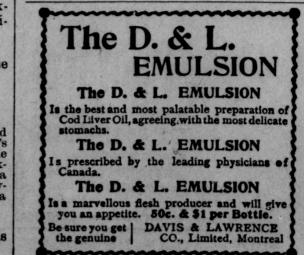
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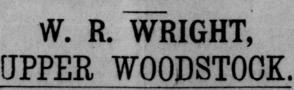
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