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NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Correspondents must send their names with each week's contribution, or their matter will not be printed. The names will not be published, but The Dispatch must know who is accountable for everything that is inserted in its columns.

FORT FAIRFIELD.

Mrs. Fred Boyer, of Florenceville, N. B., has been visiting at the home of Dr. Drecker. Herbert T. Powers Esq., representative to the legislature from this town left on Tuesday for Augusta where he will remain about a week. W. B. Jewett, of Woodstock, came up on the B. & A. on Tuesday to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. S. E. Jewett. John M. Flewelling, representing New York Life Insurance Co., is on a business trip to Houlton and Patten. Rev. Geo. Bruce Nicholson left on Thursday for Waterville and will be gone a week. When he returns he will know whether or not he will be removed from Fort Fairfield. The many friends of the reverend gentleman are earnestly hoping he may not go from the town for a long time yet. On Sunday last Allie Bridges and Miss Elizabeth Price were married by Rev. Mr. Bridges grandfather of the groom. John McDonald who is having a run of typhoid fever is doing as well as could be expected. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald have the sympathy of the community in the loss of their infant child on Saturday last. Mrs. Carrie E. Jewett, who returned from Massachusetts about six weeks ago died Monday morning of consumption. About twenty-five teachers and school officers from this town went to Presque Isle on Monday to attend the teachers' institute held there on Monday and Tuesday. J. W. Plummer, of Maple Grove, who has been quite ill was able to be in town on Friday. Maurice C. Knowles of this town has accepted a position as leader of the 67th Battalion Band of Hartland, N. B. He will go down once a week. A special town meeting to see about repairing the bridge or building a new one was held Thursday and Saturday. John Towne, contracting engineer for the Berlin Iron Bridge Co., of East Berlin, Conn., gave estimates on the cost of a steel bridge. The town voted to build a new steel bridge with rubble work piers of granite. The estimate on such a bridge was \$26,700.

RED RAPIDS.

Messrs. S. Perley and Smith of Upper Woodstock were in this place on their way home after having spent three months prospecting on the head waters of the Tobique. Miss Annie DeYone has returned home after a visit of two weeks with friends in South Sebec, Me. Mr. Beckwith, formerly of Madawaska, N. B., but now of Missoula, Montana, called on friends here on his return from a trip up the Tobique. Miss Alma C. Smith of Three Brooks passed through this place to Perth Centre to attend the wedding of Robert J. McCrea and Miss Ida M. Armstrong which took place Wednesday last. Miss Mary McLaughlin of this place was a guest at the nuptials of Miss Ida M. Armstrong at Perth Wednesday evening. A Brymer gave an entertainment to the young folks of this place Monday evening last which was very much enjoyed by those who were present. Mrs. Gilbert Cronkite has been very sick, but we are pleased to learn she is now convalescent. Mrs. O. C. Boyer has been visiting friends at Odell this week. Miss Harriet Roberts is at present visiting her aunt Mrs. J. DeYone. A gloom has been cast over the home of Joseph Miller by the death of his three months old daughter, Emily, which occurred last week.

UNION CORNER.

On the evening of Oct. 17, a party of six went over and took tea and spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Merrithew, McKenzie Corner. Mrs. I. Blanch Ebbett, a former teacher here, and her mother from the Barony, York Co. spent a few days with their relatives and friends here recently. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Patterson of Temple, York Co. were guests at J. R. Barton's first of last week. Mr. Alev. Bell of North Richmond, candidate for councillor, passed through the settlement last Wednesday canvassing. The young people from different parts of Richmond had a very pleasant party at Mr. Milton Green's on Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Green and their two little girls came down from Centreville last Sunday. Mrs. Green and the children stayed to visit a week at her parents. George McAnardin and his family have returned from Lawrence Mass., and have got settled again in their home. M. Meagher's hay press is to work again in this Settlement.

Wm. Gildred and Henry Potter have gone away to the lumber woods for the winter. Mrs. Wilmot Green came down from Ludlow Me., last Thursday. Ploughing frolic at Geo. McAnardin's last Friday.

BRISTOL.

Miss Vella Davis has returned from a pleasant visit to Woodstock. Mrs. G. L. Davis is visiting her daughter Mrs. William King, Woodstock. Alex. F. McLean, of Cape Breton, has been spending a few days with his brother A. J. McLean. He left on Friday for Butte City. Charles Appleby of THE DISPATCH was in Bristol one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Evertt, Jacksonville, were in Bristol on Thursday and Friday the guests of her sister Mrs. J. Farley. Miss Mattie Bell went to Perth on Wednesday to attend a wedding. Mrs. M. C. Atkinson has gone to Windsor to take charge of some fever cases. Mrs. Wm. McIntosh went to Glassville on Saturday to attend the funeral of her brother George Shaw, whose death occurred on Thursday from typhoid fever. Miss B. E. Woolverton went to Woodstock on Saturday, returning on Monday. Mrs. Henry Bell, of Caribou, has been spending a few days with her sister Mrs. Dow Boyer. On Wednesday evening a party of about fifteen young people drove out to Glassville, and had an oyster supper at Love's Hotel. A telephone message having gone before, the party found ample preparations made for their arrival, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Some mischievous boy however removed a nut from their wagon, and on their return drive a wheel came off, throwing some of the party out, but luckily receiving no injury.

EDMUNDSTON.

Mrs. S. S. Burpee arrived home last week after a pleasant visit with relatives down country. Alfred Babin son of Mrs. A. Babin of the Royal Hotel arrived home last week from Manila. He was in Company D. of North Dakota. He brought with him several curiosities including cartridge, buttons, etc., taken from the dead Philippine soldiers. Richard Dubord, Quebec, and J. S. Eagles, of Woodstock, were in town last week. T. F. Cochran and J. M. Stevens are building a fine flour and grist mill they also intend putting in two or three shingle machines. The building is about finished and they are waiting for the machinery. We had a little snow Saturday. J. M. Stevens has gone to St. Stephen for a few days.

FLORENCEVILLE.

Rev. A. H. Hayward preached an anniversary sermon on Sunday afternoon. He has completed nine years of service in this village. Rev. D. Fiske is taking a post-graduate course at McGill University. J. L. Saunders and wife arrived home Saturday after a pleasant visit of four weeks among friends. The Presbyterians give a chicken supper in Greenfield on next Saturday evening. Charles Upton left a few days ago for Michigan, where his son Howard has been for some months. A written examination was held at our school on Friday. Among those making the highest marks in order of merit were Miss Larsen, of Bairdsville, Miss Allen of this village, Miss Wallace, of Bairdsville. Harry Burnham is quite sick at present. It is reported that he has typhoid fever. Dr. Hagerman claims to have the best spring's pig in the county.

MEDUCTIC.

The Rev. Beechem T. Gaskin and bride arrived in Meductic on Thursday. On Thursday evening a large bonfire was kindled and the happy couple were serenaded by the villagers in an old fashioned up-to-date charivari. After a beautiful treat and with cheers for bride and groom the guests departed. Your correspondent joins their numerous friends in wishing the happy couple a happy future. They will reside in future in P. S. Marsten's house on Jersey street, where they will be at home to their friends after the first of November. Both Mr. and Mrs. T. Edwards have been sick during the past few days. Rev. Mr. Clements preached here Sunday. He leaves next week for P. E. Island on a vacation accompanied by Mrs. Clements. Mrs. Clements intends spending the winter at her old home on the Island. During the reverend gentleman's absence his duties will be performed by Evangelist Gaskin. Mrs. C. A. Grosvenor, who has been spending the past month with her daughter in Boston, is expected home today. Sunday Rev. C. N. Barton, administered the ordinance of baptism to one candidate. Fred K. Marsten expects to move into his new house this week. Harry Herrin as master builder is to be complimented on the work done both in quality and in appearance. Sampson Dow has returned home from Lowell, Mass., after two months absence. Messrs. Olt's Bros. are busily engaged packing beef. They expect to handle over two hundred barrels this year.



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THE WAR.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The lull in the news from Ladysmith, Natal, which was beginning to be regarded as ominous, has at length been broken by a Cape Town despatch under this morning's date, saying:

"Scouts from Modderspruit having reported the Boers in force on the Helpmakkar Road, General White ordered out a strong force of artillery, mounted infantry and cavalry. A small patrol of mounted infantry was shelled by the Boers nine miles from Ladysmith, and the Boer position was finally located three miles beyond Modderspruit. The British force is now four miles from the Boers."

The despatch does not give the date of the above occurrence, but it must have been since Thursday noon, when the last news arrived from Ladysmith, so the Boers advance from Dundee southward and from Besters Station eastward evidently proceeded steadily in the interim, and the engagement foreshadowed by the above despatch may already have been fought.

The other news from the front does not enlighten the situation in Natal.

Fragmentary details are arriving of the occupation of Dundee by the Boers. It is alleged that twenty men of the town guard occupied an outpost a couple of miles from the town, when a Boer shell dislodged them and the men fled to a neighboring hill, where three hundred Boers surrounded them and shot the majority. The Boers then entered Dundee, dragged several civilians out of their houses and pistolled them in the streets.

As a pendant to the above comes a story from Cape Town to the effect that several cases of dum dum bullets were found by the Boers at Dundee, which the British abandoned in their flight. Some of the Boers wanted to use the dum dums in the next battle, but President Kruger vetoed this, saying: "No. It must not be so. Whatever the British are, we, Boers, are at least humane." The bullets were then destroyed.

Further details from Buluwayo, Rhodesia, show that the armored train from there, October 17th, sent towards Mafeking under the command of Lieut. Llewellyn got within seven miles of Lobatsi, when the British found the railroad badly damaged. Boers were visible on hills in the vicinity. Lobatsi had been looted. The train encountered the Boers south of Crocodilepools and the British opened fire with their maxims and drove the Boers back to the hills, whence they had advanced. Besides eight men killed the Boers lost eleven horses.

Despatches from Sydney and Melbourne record the departure of the Australian contingent for the war amid wild scenes of enthusiasm.

A Dutch ambulance corps has also started from Amsterdam for Lorenzo Marquez.

ALLEGED BOER TREACHERY.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—The Daily Telegraph publishes this despatch from its special correspondent:

LADYSMITH, Monday.—In the latter part of Saturday's action (at Elandslaete) the Boers hoisted a flag of truce. Thereupon Colonel Hamilton ordered the men to cease firing. The troops stood up, when a party of Boers furiously resumed firing.

On the same day other parties were guilty of similar treachery, on firing from a house which was being used as a hospital. Another party, when close pressed, threw up their arms in token of surrender and took advantage of the soldiers grounding their rifles to shoot and in several instances to escape.

The surgeons have found that a percentage of expanding bullets have been used by the enemy.

Generals White, Hunter and French, with their staffs, made the round of the hospitals today. The Town Hall and churches, as well as tents, are fitted up with beds. The medical arrangements are ample and complete.

A number of the wounded Boers were allowed to go into their own hospitals near Elandslaete.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—The position at Ladysmith, without being alarming, is sufficiently dangerous to excite anxiety. Evidently the Boers are to repeat their Dundee tactics. Roughly estimated, they 17,000 men, as against 12,000 British.

Gen. White has the better artillery, but his is of lesser range. The delay in the Boer attack is reported to be due to the non arrival of Commandant General Joubert's column. This has given the British a much-needed respite after their recent exertions.

Everything, it is now considered, hinges upon Gen. White's resources and judgment. Nothing is known regarding the progress of defensive works for the protection of Ladysmith.

The censorship is more active than ever. According to the Daily Chronicle's correspondence, "New regulations limit the number of words allowed for press messages to one-fourth the number allowable before."

Farmers in the neighborhood of Ladysmith have left their farms and stock at the mercy of the Boers, and are congregated in the town. The two guns the Boers have mounted are powerful weapons. They are the ones

used in shelling Dundee, and it is a matter of considerable surprise how they managed to transport such heavy pieces.

Again it is reported that President Kruger, accompanied Gen. Joubert to the front in a splendidly fitted travelling wagon.

The Standard's correspondent at Ladysmith, telegraphing Saturday, sent a statement that the Boers have captured 1,500 mules, a loss that must seriously inconvenience the British transport.

The attempt of the Boers to cut the railway to Pieters was frustrated by British cavalry.

The wife of General Jan Kock has arrived at Ladysmith under a flag of truce to nurse her wounded husband. All the wounded Boer prisoners have been sent to Durban to prevent any attempt at rescue.

The explanation of the alleged Boer massacre at Dundee appears to be that a portion of the town guard although fairly warned by General Yule before his retirement, continued to carry arms, and thirty of them were shot before the Boers discovered who they were.

The body of Sir William Penn Symons was buried without a coffin, shrouded in the Union Jack. Among the papers found upon him was a telegram from Lady Symons congratulating him upon his success.

MAFEKING BOMBARDED.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 29.—The following despatch dated Oct. 23, has been received from Mafeking:

"The enemy began a bombardment of Mafeking at 7.40 a. m. today, at a range of two miles and a half, their battery of three Krupp guns throwing seven pound, nine pound and twelve explosive shells.

"At the outset the firing was erratic, but ultimately the Boers got the range and sent a number of shells into the town. Comparatively little damage was done, a convent which was converted into a hospital, being the chief sufferer. This building was struck three times.

"Apparently the Boer ammunition was inferior. No casualties were sustained by the British and only one shot was returned. This however, was so well directed as to disable one of the enemy's guns.

"After three hours the Boers sent an envoy to ask the town to prepare for surrender. Col. Baden Powell, the British commander, replied in the negative. The shelling was not resumed."

BOERS KILLED A DOG.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 28.—A despatch from

Mafeking dated Oct. 21 says: "All is well. There was a four hours' bombardment, during which a dog was killed."

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 28.—A despatch from Mafeking dated Oct. 24, says:

"During a sortie this evening, the British encountered the enemy three miles off to the north. The Boers had apparently been warned, and returned our fire in earnest, with a well handed machine gun. As our men had no intention of pressing an attack they retired immediately.

"Commander Sydney Webb was severely wounded and left behind during the retreat, but afterwards rescued by Troupier Steevens. The conduct of our men was splendid. The enemy's loss could not be ascertained.

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