

SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, March 21.—An officer sends the following interesting account of the recent escape of Lord Kitchener on the railway near Pan station:

"Lord Kitchener was travelling as far as Middleburg to see General Smith-Dorrien. When Kitchener arrived at the suspected spot he sent the pilot engine to go over the line and examine it. The pilot returned, and reported the line quite safe. Any ordinary man would have been satisfied with that, and the fact that the engine ran over the line and nothing happened, but Kitchener is not so easily taken in. He ordered two heavily-laden trucks to be attached to the pilot engine and run over the line in front of his train, with the result that the two trucks were blown to pieces. At the same time about 100 Boers made a dash for the wrecked train, to find only the poor engine-driver among the wreckage, whilst the Sirdar steamed back into Pan station safe and sound. But not so a squadron of the 18th Hussars, who came out to escort the commander-in-chief past this dangerous part of the line. They were surprised by the Boers, who made a dash for the train. Our gallant horsemen bolted with the exception of fifteen old soldiers, who stood their ground, but they were eventually taken prisoners."

DURBAN, Natal, March 21.—The Boers have gained an important success at Vrede, in the extreme north-east of the Orange Free States. The Boers besieged the British garrison at Vrede and pressed the British so hard that Col. Campbell went to the relief with a considerable force.

Heavy fighting occurred between the relief force and the garrison on one side and the Boers on the other. The Boers appeared to have had the advantage, for the British colonel was obliged to retreat and evacuated Vrede, returning with 100 sick and wounded.

PRETORIA, March 20.—The Boers attempted to raid cattle at the Sanctuary farm, close to Pretoria, last night. This morning twenty bushveldt carabineers were sent after the Boers, and tracked them to Scheerpoort, fifteen miles to the west. Sixty Boers who were concealed in the long grass on both sides of the road opened fire on the carabineers at 300 yards. The British had one man killed.

BLOEMFONTEIN, March 21.—Colonel Bethune's system of moving his force in detailed columns just missed clearing up Kolbe, Brand and Pretorius, at Petrusburg. The King's Dragoon Guards and the 3rd Dragoon Guards were sent north as separate commands, and a convoy was then detached on the Bloemfontein road. The Prince of Wales Light Horse, under Colonel Thomas, were left in the town. They secreted themselves in the houses and waited. The Boers seeing the convoy move off, fell into the trap, and rode into the town. Unfortunately a shot prematurely fired spoiled the plan.

In the meantime, Kolbe attacked the convoy, which lagged and held out until Colonel Thomas arrived from Petrusburg and attacked from two flanks. Just before the outlet was closed the Boers left their positions, losing altogether in both fights three killed and five wounded.

STANDERTON, March 21.—On the arrival of General Darnell's column at Intombi drift, the outposts were occupied by troops from the commander-in-chief's bodyguard. Boer scouts were soon afterwards seen to be approaching. The outposts, remaining unobserved, allowed the Boers to get close up; and then, springing out of their cover, summoned the scouts to surrender.

They immediately threw up their hands, and the troops were advancing to take possession of their rifles, when the scouts treacherously opened fire, and three of the outposts were shot dead. On the appearance of a large British force from the camp the miscreants were compelled to surrender before they could make good their escape. One of the murderers is suspected of being an oath-breaker and a spy, who had previously managed to get within the British lines. In all probability he will receive his deserts.

LONDON, March 21.—Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the war correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* in South Africa, sends his paper an interesting account of DeWet's brutality.

Among the prisoners in DeWet's possession during his pursuit by Plumer were twenty Yeomen of the 65th Company, under a lieutenant, and Major Bogle Smith and Captain Williams, of the 4th King's Dragoon Guards, belonging to Plumer's column. The prisoners were terribly treated, their water-bottles taken from them, food refused, and they were forced to march on foot and keep pace with the mounted Boers. From 11 a. m. until 1 the next morning they were hurried on, their requests to see the commandant being refused, until finally, unable to proceed, they threw themselves upon the sodden ground.

Within a quarter of an hour DeWet himself rode up. He was evidently

in a towering rage, and roared "Where's the officer?" "Here I am," said Major Bogle Smith rising. DeWet rode at him, and began lashing him with the heavy rhino-hide sjambok he always carries. He managed to get in three or four blows, when the astonished Smith grabbed his arm and nearly pulled him from his horse. Thereupon DeWet yelled "where's my pistol? What's my pistol?" Bogle Smith moved off in the dark, but DeWet, still in a fury, lashed out, hitting right and left at the other officers, and soldiers, and the Boer escort joined in, driving them along.

STANDERTON, Transvaal Colony, Friday March 22.—Four hundred Boers, under the Boer commander, Buys, have wrecked a supply train north of Vlaklaagte. They overpowered the escort and carried off several wagon loads of provisions.

A convoy destined to join General French's column has been attacked between Blood river and Scheepers Nek, Transvaal Colony. The British had one man killed and three wounded. The bridge at Blood river was burned.

LONDON, March 26.—The official casualty list, issued last evening, indicates a renewal of active operations since the failure of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and General Batha. At Hartbeestfontein, March 22 and 23, two officers were killed and three wounded and four men killed and 20 wounded. There also seems to have been heavy fighting at a place near Gredegacht, March 18th, and near Vantarsburg, March 16. Ventersdorp, the scene of the defeat of Delarey, is about 25 miles northeast from Hartbeestfontein.

It is possible, therefore, that the advances as to fighting at these points really refer to the same engagement. The Pretoria correspondent of the *Standard* says that it is obvious some months must pass before Boer resistance can be crushed.

The Amsterdam correspondent of the *Daily Express* says he understands that Mr. Kruger has advised acting President Schalk-Burger to formulate peace terms.

It is virtually certain that the government will decline to hear Messrs. Merriman and Sauer at the bar of the House of Commons.

LONDON, March 25.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener:—

"PRETORIA, March 25.—Babington's force, including Shalketon's column, attacked Delarey, 1500 strong, south-west of Ventersdorp, and having defeated him, followed him up rapidly with the result that the Boer rear guard was driven in and their convoy, including the guns captured at Vaalbank.

Our troops displayed great gallantry and dash. They captured two fifteen-pounder guns, one pom pom, six Maxims, 320 rounds of big ammunition, 15,000 rounds of small ammunition, 160 rifles, 53 wagons and 24 carts, besides taking 140 prisoners. Our losses were slight. Many Boers were killed or wounded."

CAPE TOWN, Mar 25.—The threatened attitude of the Malays respecting the Bubonic plague regulations, causes the local authorities much uneasiness. Two Malays died of the disease to-day and three fresh cases were officially reported. In addition to these there are six fresh cases.

A soldier in the Queen's regiment has been isolated under suspicion. Two Kaffirs succumbed to the plague to-day.

It is said the Boers lost very heavily in attacking the garrison at Litchenburg last week. Upwards of 70 burghers are reported to have been shot at one spot, among the wire entanglements.

SUFFERING WOMEN.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO THE WEAK AND DEPRESSED.

A Grateful Woman Tells of Her Release From the Agonies That Afflict Her Sex After Three Doctors Had Failed to Help Her.

The amount of suffering borne by women throughout the country can never be estimated. Silently, almost hopelessly, they endure from day to day afflictions that can only fall to the lot of women. The following story of the suffering and release of Mrs. Charles Hoeg, of Southampton, N. S., ought to bring hope and health and happiness to other sufferers. Mrs. Hoeg says:—"For nine out of the thirty-two years of my life I have suffered as no woman, unless she has been similarly afflicted, can imagine I could suffer and yet have lived. Three weeks out of four I would be unable to move about and, indeed, at no time was really fit to attend to my household duties. I consulted physicians—three of the most skillful doctors in the county of Cumberland at different times had charge of my case. These all agreed in their diagnosis, but the treatment varied; and while at times I would experience some relief, at no time was there any hope given me of a permanent cure. Many a night when I went to bed I would have been glad if death had come before morning. I never had much faith in proprietary medicines, but at

one time I took a half dozen bottles of a blood-making compound that was highly recommended. This, like everything else, failed to help me. There seemed to be not a particle of blood in my body. My face was absolutely colorless, and my appetite almost entirely deserted me. I often saw in the newspapers letters testifying to the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but nine years of suffering and discouragement had made me too sceptical to see any hope of relief, when doctors had failed to effect a cure. But at last came across the story of a cure near home—that of Mr. Moses Boss, of Rodney. I knew that at one time he had been regarded as a hopeless consumptive, and his cure through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, determined me to try them. I had not taken two boxes before I began to feel better, and grew confident of a cure. I kept on taking the pills, all the time feeling new blood in my veins, activity returning to my limbs, and the feeling of depression gradually wearing away. To many women it may seem incredible that the mere making of new blood in my veins could restore to a healthy condition misplaced internal organs, but this has been my happy experience. My pains have all left me, and I am now as healthy a woman as there is in this place. This health I owe to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which have rescued me from a life of suffering, if not from the grave."

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A NEW STEAMER.

To Ply Between Fredericton and Woodstock.

Application for incorporation of a company formed to build and run a steamer between Fredericton and Woodstock for the carrying of freight and passengers, is to be made at once. Mr. Geo. W. Brown, Southampton, is the chief promoter, and J. H. Barry, Fredericton, is the solicitor for the company.

The steamer will be built at Southampton and building operations will commence immediately. It is expected to have the new steamer on the route about July. The provisional directors of the new company are:

Thomas S. Duncan, Woodstock. Frank R. Brooks, Southampton. Henry G. Grant, Southampton. David Gilman, Dumfries. M. Byron McNally, Queensbury. John J. Rogers, Northampton.

The capital stock is \$10,000, of which about \$5,000 have already been subscribed. The plan shows a side-wheel steamer 139 feet in length, 19 feet breadth of beam, with a carrying capacity of 37 tons of freight and drawing when laden, 12 inches of water. The promoters are most sanguine that a steamboat such as they propose can be maintained upon the route from the time navigation opens in the spring until the river freezes in the fall.

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W. O. Fuller, Jr., New Book.

A book announcement of great interest especially to all Maine people is the news that W. O. Fuller, Jr., of Rockland, is to have his famous Wigglesworth papers brought out in book form.

Mr. Fuller was in Boston last week and completed arrangements with the well-known firm of Boston publishers, Henry A. Dickerman & Son. Mr. Fuller's publishers are much attracted by the manuscript and their judgment tells them that the book will be a hit from the start—an opinion that is shared by Mr. Fuller's friends and admirers. The book will appear in season for the spring trade and will be illustrated with great generosity. The title will be "What Happened to Wigglesworth," and all the whimsical and humorous adventures of that creation of Mr. Fuller's brain will be set forth in handsome style.

Mr. Fuller's brand of humor has been familiar to Maine. Some years ago he lectured widely and was in much demand. He is the editor of the *Rockland Courier-Gazette*, one of the brightest papers in Maine.

Mr. Fuller lectured in Woodstock some years ago, his matter and manner, creating a very favorable impression.

A Fortune.

The relatives of the late Moses Jewett will soon have about \$40,000 distributed among them. Moses Jewett was well known along the river, having been a Baptist preacher for a number of years. He lived at Begaume, Carleton county, where he operated a saw mill and did considerable business. He died about two years ago leaving an estate worth \$40,000. He left no family, his wife and children having died before him. His fortune is now to be distributed among the surviving relatives, of whom there are about 40. Among them is Mrs. John Anderson, who lives in the old Atherton house, corner Queen and Westmorland streets, this city. Jewett Brothers, who run a grist mill at Upper Kingsclear, are also heirs, and a number of them live at Keswick. Mr. L. E. Young, a Woodstock lawyer, is now making arrangements to have the estate closed up and equally divided among the different heirs.—*Gleaner*.

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Sudden Death.

A telegram received here this morning from Newport, R. I., conveyed the sad intelligence that Miss Carrie McNally died very suddenly there last night. Deceased was the youngest daughter of Mr. Michael McNally, of this city, and went to Newport about two years ago to learn the profession of a nurse, and she was engaged in that capacity at the time of her death. She spent Christmas with her parents here and was then apparently in the best of health. She was a graduate of the Fredericton High School. Heart disease caused her death. Miss Mame McNally, teaching school at Hartland, and Miss Ganny McNally at home, are sisters of the deceased. The remains are expected to arrive by to-morrow's noon train. Mr. and Mrs. McNally have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.—*Gleaner*.

Deceased was a niece of Mrs. A. J. Marsten and Miss Martha McIndoe, Woodstock.

Home Needle-Work.

The April *Delineator* on sale in the middle of March, is out soon enough to have its effect upon Easter garments. The eighty shown fore-shadow the favorite styles for spring and summer wear. This number is especially strong in its picturing of the new fabrics and of new designs in fabrics for summer wear. The dressmaking article in the April number, from the skilled hand of Mrs. A. L. Gorman, is devoted to lingerie, cutting, making and trimming. It explains by word and by diagram how women can successfully make their own undergarments.

A Familiar Falsehood.

When a customer seeks to purchase some well-known, widely advertised, standard article, and the dealer tries to sell him something else claiming the offered substitute to be "just as good," that dealer is guilty of flagrant falsehood.

If the substitute were just as good it would sell on its own merits and would be called for by customers instead of having to be unloaded upon them by means of falsehood and deceit.

The very fact of the comparison "just as good," proves the claim to be untrue. We measure up, not down. We measure the less by the greater, not the greater by the less. When, therefore, some unknown or little known article is ranged up for measurement by a well-known standard article, the very fact of such measurement and comparison, stamps the substitute as a lesser thing than the standard article with which it is compared.

But this is only half the truth. By this we prove the claim "just as good" to be a falsehood, but the extent of that falsehood it is impossible to estimate. "Just as good" means, in general, adulteration in place of purity, an uncertain quality instead of a certain quality, cheap material instead of good material. And beyond all this the adulterants may be not simply make weights and cheats, but in some cases may be dangerous poisons.

When the dealer says "just as good," ask yourself "just as good" for whom? You will find in the answer to that question the motive of substitution, which is the extra profit paid the dealer by the sale of the substitutes and imitations of standard wares. Practically the dealer says, when practicing the gentle art of substitution, "This is 'just as good' for you, because it is a great deal more profitable for me, and anything is good enough for you which increases my profits."

A true bill was returned by the Winnipeg grand jury against the Free Press, on a charge of criminally libelling Premier Roblin.

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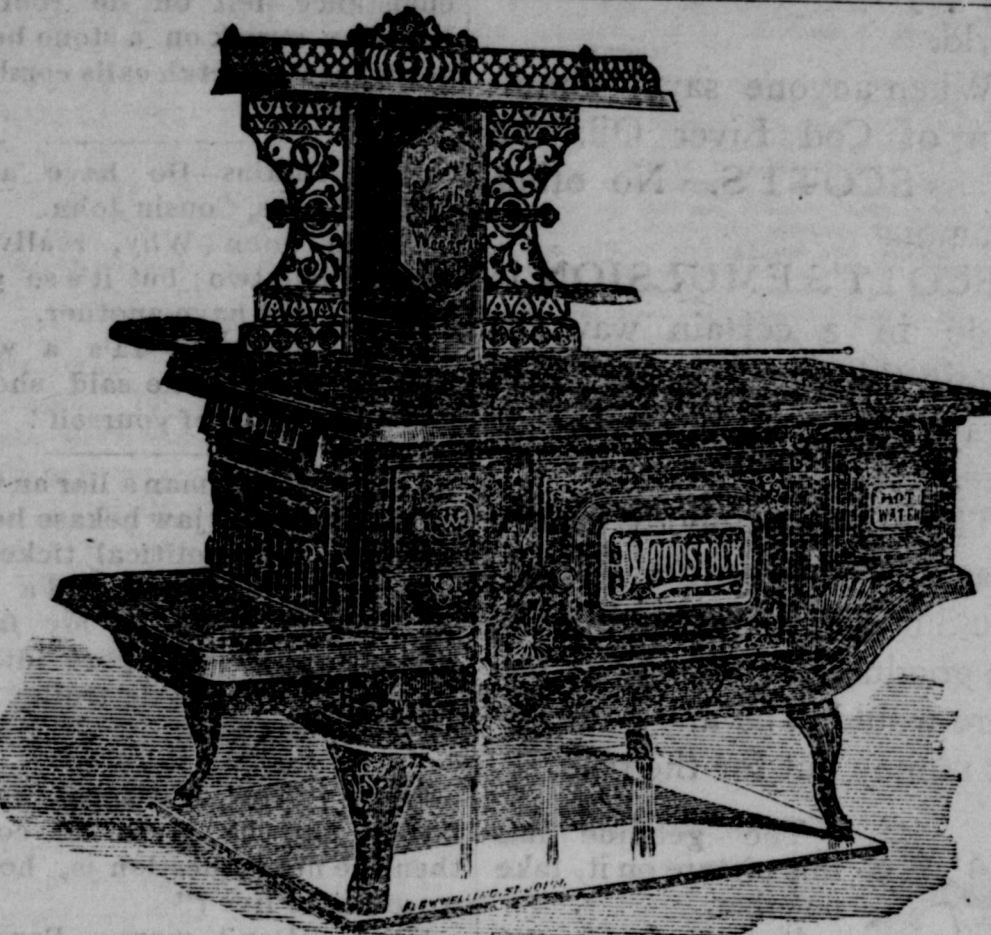
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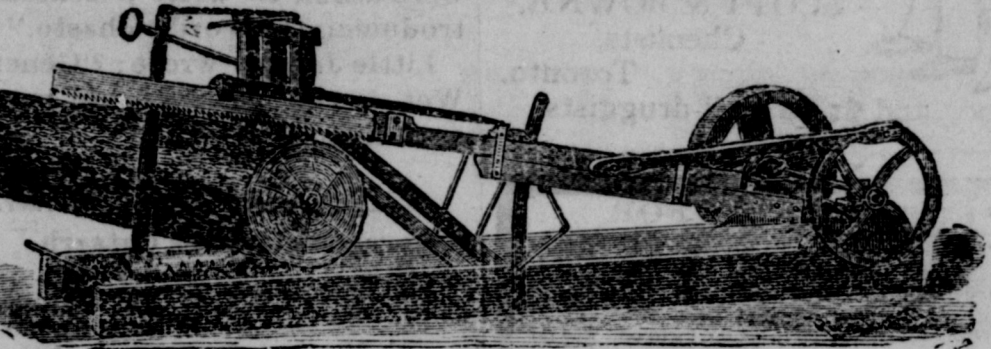
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Notice of Sale.

To John W. Buckingham, Farmer, George B. Nixon, Merchant, and Lina S. Nixon his wife, Aaron F. Campbell, Merchant, and Margaret C. Campbell his wife, all of the Parish of Brighton in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, D. McLeod Vince, of the Town of Woodstock, in the said County of Carleton, Barrister, and Charles H. Clarke, of St. Stephen, Merchant, and all others whom it may in anywise concern:

NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the Twenty-eighth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and recorded in the Records of the said County of Carleton, in Book K, No. 3 between said John W. Buckingham of the one part, and Lydia Snow, of the Parish of Wakefield in said County of Carleton, widow, of the other part, which said Indenture of Mortgage was assigned to Charles Condon of said Town of Woodstock, Barrister, by Indenture of Assignment, bearing date the Thirtieth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, made by the said Lydia Snow and duly recorded in Carleton County Records in Book A, No. 4 of said Records, on page 70, there will for the purpose of satisfying the monies secured thereby, be sold at Public Auction, in front of the office of Charles Condon, in said Town of Woodstock in the said County of Carleton, on WEDNESDAY, the Third day of April next, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, the lands and premises in the said Indenture of Mortgage, described as follows:

"All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate in the said Parish of Brighton in the said County of Carleton, and bounded as follows, to-wit:—Beginning at a Cedar tree standing at the south-east angle of Lot number fifty-nine, and containing one acre and south-west of Pole Hill Settlement; thence running by the magnet north nineteen degrees east twenty chains to a post; thence thence south nineteen degrees west twenty degrees east twenty chains to the place of a certain lot, piece or parcel of land, more or less, and distinguished as Lot number fifty-seven, south-west of Pole Hill Settlement, to the said John W. Buckingham, by grant number 2327, Registered the 31st day of December, A. D. 1887."

Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon and the privileges and appurtenances thereto in anywise appertaining. Dated this Twentieth day of February, A. D. 1901.

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THE undersigned offers for sale his valuable Farm in Hodgdon, Me., distant 31 miles from Houlton, within half a mile of school house. The Farm contains 100 acres, about 60 cleared and under good cultivation; there is a small new house, a large barn, henery, etc. An aqueduct runs to the house, and the farm is well wooded and watered. For further particulars enquire of W. M. McELHINNEY, Richmond Corner, N. B.

House For Sale.

THE Dwelling House on Water Street, owned by the late William Currie, will be sold at a reasonable figure. Possession given immediately. For further particulars enquire of JOHN A. CURRIE. Woodstock, March 12, 1901.—4-11.