

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR

Forty Boers Rushed a British Post of Three Men.

BUT TIMELY ARRIVAL OF REINFORCEMENTS PUT THEM TO FLIGHT.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—A cable from Chamberlain says Trooper Lyle Medway (next of kin J. Medway of Medicine Hat), also Alfred Cooper (next of kin A. Cooper of Mount Hope, Ont.), are reported severely wounded at Potescheffsroom.

Cape Town, Jan. 8.—A Boer force attacked a British post at Brand Drift, near Thaba N'Chu. The post consisted of a sergeant and three men. The Boers, who numbered forty, rushed the post at night, shouting, "Don't shoot, we are Pilcher's men." The post was overpowered and stripped before assistance arrived. When reinforcements reached the place there was a sharp fight, in which two British officers were wounded. The Boers then retired, taking their wounded with them.

A railway (bridge across the Modder River is in course of construction. It is expected that the railway to Thaba N'Chu will be completed in six months, and that fifteen months will be occupied in extending the line to Ladybrand. Native labor, however, is scarce.

Winburg, Jan. 6.—Gen. Barker has returned here after lengthy operations in the north. On the morning of Dec. 16 about 500 Boers, under Commandants Haasbroek, Celliers and Lategan, were met near Schuttedraai by Major Marshall, commanding the advanced guard of the column.

In the fight, Commandant Haasbroek with about forty Boers, occupied a kopje. The guns were turned on this position and the enemy were forced to keep below the sky line.

A party of the 10th Battalion Mounted Infantry charged the position. When they reached the top of the kopje they met the Boers coming up again from the other side. Haasbroek, who was leading them was killed.

Several wounded Boers escaped. Haasbroek's body remained in our hands.

Haasbroek's successor as Boer commandant is said to be Field-Cornet Frickie Cronje.

WEDDING BELLS.

Popular Young Couple United in Marriage at Penniac.

Nashwaak Village, Jan. 5th.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of ex-Coun. Luther Goodspeed, Penniac, on Christmas day, when his only daughter Harriet Ethel, was united in marriage to Hanford Dunphy, eldest son of Obed Dunphy, Esq.

The bride was attired in cream cashmere trimmed with silk and applique. She was attended by Miss Flossie Lint, who acted as maid of honor and wore white organdie over pink.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. R. Knight of Lower French Village. At eight o'clock the bridal party accompanied by the Marysville guests took their departure in a special train. The brides travelling costume was brown camels hair with stitched silk trimmings.

After a pleasant trip to Grand Falls, Woodstock and other points north, Mr. and Mrs. Dunphy arrived home on New Year's evening and the following evening a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother.

The presents were numerous and valuable.

The groom's present to the bride was a gold chain and brooch, and to the maid of honor a gold chain and pendant. Other gifts were as follows:

Mr and Mrs Luther Goodspeed, piano and check.

Mr and Mrs Obed Dunphy and family, sideboard.

Mr and Mrs H P Lint, Mr and Mrs Harry Smith, Mr and Mrs B E Goodspeed and Miss Mable Dunphy, dining table and chairs.

Mr and Mrs B N Goodspeed, Mr and Mrs C N Goodspeed, parlor lamp.

Daniel Richards, F'ton; 1/2 doz silver spoons.

Mr and Mrs Geo. Brown, table napkins and Rose jar.

Rev B H and Mrs Sloat, Melton, N. S.; silver fork.

Wesley Manzer and Irving Higgins, berry sett.

Miss Norah McNeill, picture throw.

Dr and Mrs Goodspeed, Toronto, sterling silver spoons.

Mr and Mrs M H Goodspeed, Ottawa, 1/2 doz coffee spoons.

Mr and Mrs S Parent, Bear Island, \$2, Miss Edith Emack, Gibson, silver fork

Rev and Mrs W B Wiggins, Woodstock, gold bowl sugar spoon.

Mr and Mrs Chas Fisher and family, Marysville, parlor lamp.

Mrs H Magee, Oshkosh, Wis, 1/2 doz sterling silver spoons.

Mr and Mrs George Peters, Fredericton, sugar spoon.

Mr and Mrs Marvin Dunphy, silver butter dish.

Mr and Mrs Frank Dunphy, Marysville, silver berry spoon.

Misses Alma and Eva Youmans, parlor lamp.

Misses Mabel and May Richards, silver bon bon dish.

Horace Dunphy, Lowell, Mass; silver bon bon spoons.

Mr and Mrs Judson Goodspeed, Marysville; silver salver.

Misses Maud and Nettie Cadwalder, Marysville; handsome antique vase.

Fred Goodspeed and Percy Schurman, P E I; fancy clock.

Dr and Mrs Jewett, Woodstock; medalion.

Mr Ross and family, Douglas; antique vase.

Miss Maud Fisher, Marysville; medalion.

Mrs E Nevers, counterpane.

Miss Jessie Slipp, St. John; china bureau set.

Mrs Camber and family, Milbury Mass; toilet set.

Mrs Slipp, St. John; silver fork.

Miss Peake, Oshkosh, Wis; cut glass.

Stephen Youmans, medallions.

Mrs R Dunphy and family, Marysville; table cloth and napkins.

Removal Notice.

The Herald Printing and Publishing Company Ltd., have moved their business to the building opposite Lemont's store. There they will be pleased to receive calls from old friends and new whether or not the latter have any particular business to transact.—Jan. 7 d & w t-f.

G T Whelpley is discharging a car of White Ontario Oats.—d.

The Irishman on the Stand.

Lawyers with an appreciative sense of humor enjoy nothing so much as to get a quick-witted, ready-tongued son of the Emerald Isle on the stand to relieve the monotony of the legal technicalities of a case. A gentleman who had been collecting samples of Irish wit and repartee for some time relates the following anecdotes. Some of them are doubtless mellow with age, but in any case they will bear repetition:

"Are you guilty or not guilty?" asked the court clerk of a prisoner charged with some trivial offence.

"That are yees there for but to foind out?" was the quick rejoinder.

A henpecked husband had his better half arrested for assaulting him. The plaintiff was on the stand.

"And now, Mr. O'Toole," said his counsel, "will you kindly tell the jury whether your wife was in the habit of striking you with impunity?"

"Wid what, sor?"

"With impunity."

"She waz, sor, now an' then; but, she generally used th' potaty mash-er."

A witness, testifying in a murder case, was asked to describe to the jury the exact location of a flight of stairs.

"Explain to the jury," said the prosecuting attorney, "exactly how the steps run."

"Shure, sor, if ye stand at the bottom they run up, an' if ye stand at th' top they run down."

In a suit brought by an installment house to obtain payment for a suite of furniture, a witness was asked if he knew what "quartered oak" meant. Here is his definition:

"It m'ans that it's thra-quarters poine."—Baltimore Sun.

America's Superior Schools.

In spite of excessive decentralization and the lack of a regulative central authority America has, by making education a local concern, by confiding to each district the organization and control of its schools, by insisting on free public schools in the true sense of these much abused words, created a system which, in spite of its crudeness and obvious imperfections, may yet excite our envy, both as it brings education, secondary as well as primary, within the reach of all and as it is capable of infinite self development and progress, unshackled by the dead hand of ecclesiasticism and departmental routine. —London Chronicle.

Food, Brains and Genius.

In a passage of his "Confessions" descending upon the nature of drunkenness DeQuincey concludes that the exact condition indicated is a question of accuracy in terms. He was assured on medical authority that a man could be, and had been, drunk upon a beefsteak. This is largely true, for even solid food may produce at any rate great mental torpor. The comfort of a good dinner may have suggested a writer's theme, we doubt whether it ever promptly stirred his pen. It is the empty stomach that best suits a full head and ideas that flow out freely before retire with the entry of a substantial repast.

A PLANT WHICH DINES.

The Sundew, Common to Boggy Ground in England.

Among the insectivorous plants there is hardly one of greater interest than the sundew (*Drosera rotundifolia*), which is common on boggy ground in many parts of Britain. The leaves of this plant says "Chamber's Journal" are supplemented by highly sensitive glandular hairs or tentacles which secrete a viscid fluid; and when any small insect inadvertently alights on these, it is held fast while the tentacles gradually bend down and hold it in a close embrace until its digestible parts are incorporated within the substance of the plant. The entire process has recently been photographed by Mr. A. E. Goodman, and the pictures are reproduced in the pages of the "Amateur Photographer," under the quaint title of "A Tragedy in Six Scenes." In the first of these pictures we see a small fly, an aphid, settling upon the treacherous and sticky points of the plant which is destined to devour it; and in the subsequent photographs, which were taken at intervals of from thirty to forty minutes, we see how the victim is drawn nearer and nearer to its doom. In this interesting photographic experiment we are told that the digestive process lasted for about three days, when the tentacles once more resumed their extended position; but they remained dry for about 24 hours, and thus allowed the remains of the repast, the indigestible portions of the aphid, to be carried away by the first puff of wind. After that the glands once more began to secrete their viscid fluid, and were ready again to act as fly-traps.

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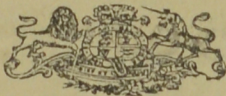
Tender for Alterations and Additions to North Street Station, Halifax, N. S.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the under signed, and marked on the outside "Tender for Alterations, Halifax Station," will be received until

WEDNESDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF JANUARY 1902

for the above work. Plans and Specifications may be seen on and after the 16th day of December, 1901, at the Station Masters' Offices at Halifax, N. S., and St. John, N. B., at the Intercolonial Railway Office, 143 St. James Street, Montreal, Q. C., at the Office of Sprout and Rolph, Architects, 94 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario, and at the Chief Engineer's Office, Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the Specifications must be complied with. D. POTTINGER, General Manager. Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., 10th December, 1901. Dec. 12, d-tf.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the under signed and endorsed "Tender for Public Building, Marysville, N. B." will be received at this office until Saturday, 11th January, 1902, inclusively, for the erection of a Public Building at Marysville, N. B., according to plans and specification to be seen at the office of Messrs. McFarlane, Thompson and Anderson, Fredericton, N. B., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of tender, must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party decline the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order, FRED. GELINAS, Secretary. Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 29th December, 1901.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it.

PEOPLES BANK OF N. B.

A DIVIDEND of 4 per cent. on the Capital Stock of this Bank, for the half year ending 31st December, will be payable to the Stock holders, at the Bank, on or after MONDAY the 27th January, 1902.

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