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RELIEF IS VERY NEAR AT HAND.

British Troops Steadily Going Northward

HEAVY FIGHTING YESTERDAY

BOERS REPORTED TO BE ALREADY RETREATING

Dundonald's Horse Near Ladysmith

Boer Guns have been taken away.—The passage of the Tugela.—Water was waist high.—Splendid engineering work.—Death of Stevens the correspondent.—Plumer marching to the relief of Mafeking.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

AT SPEARMAN'S CAMP.

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, NAIK, Jan. 13.—The Boer trenches have been persistently shelled by British naval guns all day long.

Small parties of Boers were seen at intervals.

A large force from the direction of Ladysmith were seen trekking toward the north-west of the British position.

ON TO LADYSMITH.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—The successful engagement of Dundonald's cavalry and the Boers west of Warren's force has given the British control of an easy entrance to Ladysmith and interrupts the enemy's communication with the Free State.

Our cavalry hold the position. Our guns continue to bombard the Boer lines, the enemy replying freely.

General Warren is advancing steadily.

BOERS MOVING.

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Jan. 18.—This evening our naval guns and howitzers fired quite frequently against the Boer lines situated opposite Potgieters drift.

A balloon was sent up from the kopjes by General Lyttleton. The men in the car reported that no guns were visible in the enemy's works, but that there was a large camp of Boers placed between Spoukop and Brankfontein, the latter of which is four miles from Potgieters drift.

The Boers have arrived in large numbers today from Colenso and Ladysmith. The enemy have certainly run branches

of railway from Modder Spruit around to Mount Bulwaai. Nearly all of the enemy have gone to attempt to check General Warren's advance, but the General made no sign today.

The British garrison at Ladysmith today fired some shells which nearly met ours at an extreme range.

LYTTLETON ADVANCES.

About five o'clock this afternoon General Lyttleton advanced against Brankfontein, covered by a heavy artillery fire. He went forward two miles and gained several positions. The Boers fired no cannon. They discharged a few Mausers.

Lyttleton bivouacked upon the ground which he had taken.

DEATH OF A JOURNALIST.

A Ladysmith despatch announces the death from fever of George Stevens, the distinguished war correspondent of the Mail.

PLUMER'S ADVANCE.

A Boer telegram from Pretoria announces that Colonel Plumer, with three armored trains, is at Gatseron's. His intention, it is added, is evidently to relieve Mafeking.

GOOD WORK.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Details of the manner in which the passage of the Tugela was effected are now published.

The water rose above the waists of the men who steadied themselves by holding each other's rifles.

The Central News pays a tribute to the work done by the Royal Engineers, who established a record in military bridge building. It is said that the Pontoon

bridge covered a total distance of over hundred yards and was thrown across the river in two hours.

LATER.

STEADY PROGRESS.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—A special despatch from Cape Town, dated Friday, January 19th, at 1 p. m., says: "Ladysmith relief force is steadily working northward. Heavy fighting occurred yesterday. The Boers are retreating."

PUBLIC OPINION.

SIR:—With numerous others, I have been looking in vain for an independent denial of the charges made against the Lieut. Governor by the *Sun* and *Amerside Journal*. Are we to believe them true? Certainly the rumors about the streets seem to point that way. Is it possible that a man sworn to uphold the British Constitution, and accepting British pay, is at heart in sympathy with the enemies of Britain? Must the loyal people of Prince Edward Island, who have given their husbands, sons and brothers to fight the battles of the Empire, suffer the indignity of having a disloyal man as their Chief Magistrate? Surely Prince Edward Islanders will not stand this. If Governor McIntyre believes the Boers to be right and the British to be wrong, let him come out like a man and resign the position he cannot consistently fill. Does it not seem a burlesque that our brave boys should go out from us to risk life itself for our beloved Queen, and to undergo all the hardships attending a life on the battlefield, for a mere pittance, while this man enjoys all the comforts which accompany a princely salary, drawn from the Queen's purse, yet charged with being disloyal to the Queen whose representative he is. Come Governor McIntyre, step out and deny these charges if you can, or else step out of the Government House and let some loyal man occupy your place.

UNION JACK

Third Levy.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 18.—A despatch to the Times from Herschel, Northern Cape Colony, dated Jan 10, says that a third levy of the colonial Burghers has been made by the Orange Free State Boers. All male residents between the ages of 14 and 60 years have been commanded to assist the Boer forces at Stormberg. It is reported that many of the colonial Dutch who joined the Boers are now deserting and returning to their farms. The despatch adds that the reports that the whites in Basutoland fear a rising of the natives are entirely groundless. The natives are steadfastly loyal to the British. A special police force numbering 400 men is keeping order among the Basutos.

THE GROWING TIME.

(O. Tawa Citizen.)

The net debt of the Dominion has increased \$2,317,047 during the last fiscal year and at its close amounted to \$266,273,446.

The average rate of interest paid on the gross debt has risen in the same period from \$3.10 to \$3.14, and the net rate of interest from \$2.66 to \$2.68.

The debt has grown, and the rate of interest increased, notwithstanding that the revenues of the year, \$46,743,102, were \$6,186,592 in excess of those of the previous year and ten millions greater than those of 1896.

The disbursements, ordinary and capital, have gone away beyond the half-century mark, being \$51,542,635, as against \$45,334,281 in 1898, and \$44,096,388 in 1896, when the high water mark of a decade of Conservative administration was reached.

The interest on the public debt has grown. It was \$352,682 greater last year than in 1896.

It is, indeed, a growing time.

Will the person who found the shopping bag some time ago please call at THE EXAMINER office.

P. E. ISLAND HOSPITAL.—A meeting of the women interested in the P. E. Island Hospital will be held in the Y. M. C. A. parlor next Tuesday morning, January 23rd, at half past eleven o'clock. A large attendance is desired. 3in.

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