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E. W. Taylor
OPTICIAN

April 2nd 1900,

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THE DISASTER TO THE CONVOY

Doubtful Story of the Recapture of the Guns.

BOERS MASSING IN VICINITY OF TUNGAS AND KLIP DAM

The Daily Chronicle's account of the convoy disaster.—Murderous fire of the Boers.—Kaffir drivers run away—One hundred wagons lost—Heavy fighting reported around Mafeking.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

THE CONVOY DISASTER.

LONDON, April 3, 4.50 p. m.—The latest news from the front is little to the public knowledge of the convoy disaster. No credence is given to reports that the Boers numbered between 8,000 and 10,000 men. The general belief is that so many could not have been collected so near headquarters without the knowledge of the British commanders.

The affair has provoked much criticism. The disaster is regarded as the direct result of the inability of General French to cut off the command of General Oliveier and the other commandos when escaping from the Orange River.

Lord Roberts' own despatch, dated two hours later than that of the Daily Chronicle, says nothing about the guns being recaptured. That story, therefore, looks doubtful.

Little news has arrived from the other points.

Kenhardt was formally occupied on Saturday. A report that the Boers are massing in the vicinity of Tungas and Klip Dam is confirmed. Lord Methuen's difficulties are apparently increasing. He has Boer laagers or guerrilla bands on three sides of him and he will be obliged to watch carefully his communications with Orange River.

A DETAILED ACCOUNT.

LONDON, April 3.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing on Sunday, and describing the loss of the convoy, says: "The Boers opened with a murderous fire. It was simply slaughter."

The Kaffir drivers of the convoy ran away, leaving their teams, and it was impossible for our men to hit the hidden enemy.

Our gunners fought bravely, trying to save the guns. But our people were

greatly hampered by the Kaffirs, who ran hither and thither looking for cover from the fearful fire that poured in on all sides.

Meanwhile the enemy were hotly pressing Colonel Broadwood whose mounted troops were completely surrounded.

The British showed magnificent bravery and the officers were quite cool and composedly directed the operations.

The opportune arrival of reinforcements saved Colonel Broadwood from annihilation.

The water supply was cut and the pumping gear destroyed, as well as the field telegraph. One hundred wagons were lost through the cowardice of the Kaffir drivers.

FROM PRETORIA.

PRETORIA, April 1, (Sunday).—Canonade was again heard in the direction of Brandfont on Saturday, and it is reported that heavy fighting occurred on Saturday around Mafeking.

It is added that Col. Plumer's relief column was compelled to retire with loss. No details have been received.

REPLY TO "SCARLET KNIGHT."

SIR,—The enclosed letter was refused publication in The Patriot. Is this British fair play?

Yours, R. K. BRACE.

April 2.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PATRIOT.

SIR,—I do not wish for a newspaper controversy, but I notice some good Brother "Scarlet Knight" has made several statements in your paper of this date which are as false and misleading as it is possible to make them. These I decline to answer unless "Scarlet Knight" will come out of his shell and let the public see who he is. I believe I lost the position of Gas Inspector on account of the persistent wire-pulling of the same crowd that some time ago hawked a petition through this city and country to have Rev. Donald McNeill dismissed in order that one of themselves might get his position and not on account of any party politics. For when solicited by a candidate for our Local Legislature to vote for him, I said that, as I had a notice from Ottawa that officials were not to take any part in politics, I thought better not to vote at all. Nor have I entered a political meeting of any kind for the past four years.

I have good reason to believe that just such statements as appeared in your paper were sent to Sir Louis H. Davies, and had he to do this over again it would be different, for he was deceived.

Now Sir, I decline to go further into this case till "Scarlet Knight" will come out over his own name, which I challenge him to do. I will then have the pleasure of proving him false to the oath he has taken.

R. K. BRACE.

March 30th, 1900.

It is a Mistake.

To suppose that the kidneys alone are responsible for all the weak, lame, aching backs, backache as well as pain under the left shoulder blade frequently comes from the liver or complications of the liver and kidneys which can only be cured by using the great double treatment—Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

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IRELAND ENFETE.

To Welcome the Queen, Whose Reception Will be Enthusiastic.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

LONDON, April 3.—The Queen left Windsor at half-past nine last evening en route for Ireland. Her Majesty is accompanied by the Princess Christiana and the Princess Henry of Battenburg, and is attended by the Countess of Antrim, Hon. Harriet Phipps, Sir Arthur Brigg, (Private Secretary to the Queen), Sir Fleetwood Edward (keeper of Her Majesty's private purse) and Captain Ponsonby.

DUBLIN, April 3.—All Ireland is on the *qui vive* in anticipation of the Queen's coming. It is estimated that Dublin's population will be swollen to a million by Wednesday. There is no longer any doubt that Her Majesty will be welcomed with an enthusiasm equal to her visit to London.

Death of Prominent Nova Scotians

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

HALIFAX, April 3.—Michael Dwyer, head of the firm of John Tobin & Co., died yesterday in New York, whither he had gone for his health. It is estimated that he was worth half a million. He was injured in New York and Montreal one year ago for six thousand.

F. D. Laurie, of New Glasgow, while visiting at the Citadel last evening, dropped dead. He was Mayor of New Glasgow last year. For years he was District Superintendent of the Eastern Division of the Intercolonial railway.

Norfolk's Successor.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

LONDON, April 3.—It is officially announced that the Queen has approved the appointment of the Marquis of Londonderry as Postmaster General, in succession to the Duke of Norfolk who is bound for South Africa with the Sussex Yeomanry.

A Reserve Army.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Representative Hay, of Virginia, one of the prominent members of the military commission of the house, has prepared a bill to create out of the militia of the several states a reserve volunteer army for use in time of war, to supplement the regular army. The bill contemplates a general broadening of the base of the national guard, its equipment with the service rifle, and its complete organization in time of war into regiments, brigades, divisions and corps, with the three battalion formations as in the regular army, and is designed to obviate the necessity of a large standing army upon the expiration of the present law, July 1st, 1901, increasing the standing army to 60,000 and authorizing the present volunteer army of 35,000.

Sir William Again.

MONTREAL, April 2.—Sir W. C. McDonald, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, who has already given gifts to McGill university aggregating close upon three million dollars, has just added another \$200,000 to the amount. The gift is to be used in extending the work of the mining and chemistry departments of the applied science faculty.

Pana a Prisoner.

MANILA, March 31.—The Chinese General Pana, who has been terrorizing and devastating the province of Panay, has surrendered to Brigadier General Kobbe and is being brought to Manila.

Good Seal Catch.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., April 2.—The sealing steamer Newfoundland arrived yesterday with 21,000 seals. She reports that the remainder of the fleet are adding daily to the catches already reported. The steamer Iceland is so heavily loaded that several thousands seals are carried on her deck. She left the ice-fields yesterday and will probably arrive to-morrow. The weather continues good, and no casualties are reported.

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