

GEN. FRENCH PRESSING ON

Seizes a Ford on Reit River With Slight Loss.

LORD ROBERTS REPORTS A

Slight Engagement—Kimberly Attacked—Plumer Fighting—Buller at Chieveley—Mafeking is All Right—Strathcona's Horse—London is Uneasy.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—(Special).—It is officially announced that the British Cavalry Division under Gen. French on Monday seized the crossing of Reit River at Dekib Drift, on the east bank of which the Dutch Division is now encamped.

The casualties were two troopers and Captain Magendi killed.

LORD ROBERTS' REPORT.

Lord Roberts telegraphing from Reit River says Colonel Haney with a Mounted Infantry Brigade from Orange River to Romah had a slight engagement on Sunday, with the Boers holding the hills.

He succeeded in holding the Boers while he pushed his baggage and main body through. Four men were killed, 22 wounded and 13 missing.

FROM COL. PLUMER'S FORCE.

Advice from Gaborone, February 4th says: An artillery duel between Col. Plumer's force and 500 Boers continued until today, when the British dropped two shells into the Boer fort.

The enemy's guns are since silent. Col. Plumer's further advance is checked by floods.

FROM THE TUGELA RIVER FORCE.

The only news from Gen. Buller is a despatch from Chieveley announcing a reconnaissance at Springfield on the 12th resulting in no gain of ground on either side, but causing the wounding of Capt. Hamilton Russel, Lieut. Churchill and ten men, while Lieut. Pinkington and six men were captured.

BOER ATTACK ON KIMBERLY.

The generals commanding at Reins-

berg reports they were attacked on Monday in force by the Boers.

Lieut. Coningham of the Worcester Regiment was wounded and has since died.

GEN. BULLER AT CHIEVELEY.

LONDON, February 14.—The fact that General Buller's despatch revising the casualties to the British troops at Potgieter's Drift is dated from Chieveley is taken in some quarters as an indication that General Buller has removed his headquarters to that place.

There is nothing to indicate whether or not he left any large force at Springfield.

MAFEEKING IS ALL RIGHT.

A Mafeking despatch states that the garrison can hold out until June.

WHAT NEW YORK PAPERS SAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—(Special).—Cable despatches to the New York papers state that London is in a state of uneasiness over the news from South Africa.

STRATHCONA'S HORSE—COL. GORDON.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 14.—(Special).—Col. Seale commander of Strathcona's Horse has gone east. He says his corps will consist of 537 men and 600 horses.

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—(Special).—The announcement has been made of the officers of Strathcona's Horse.

Col. Gordon, D. O. C., Montreal, has been appointed for special service in the Transvaal to take the place of an officer there who will join his own regiment.



COL. OTTER.

COLONEL OTTER REPORTS

To the Minister of Militia on the Contingent—The Story of Death Sentence a Pure Fake—The Severest Sentence Was Eight Days Confinement.

Hon. Dr. Borden has received a report from Col. Otter giving the details of the court-martial of three members of the Canadian Regiment at Modder River for being asleep while on sentry duty.

The Sergeant in charge was reprimanded, one of the privates admonished and the third sentenced to eight days confinement.

This shows that the story of the sentence of death was made out of whole cloth.

BOER GEN. SECURES A GUN.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—A despatch from Buller's camp, dated Sunday noon, describes a daring feat on the part of the Boer General Viljoen.

Maxim-Vickers gun, abandoned by the Boers in a donga, was about to fall into British hands, when the fearless Viljoen himself brought back a team of horses and escaped with the gun, threading his way between the red fishes and black clouds of lyddite shells which the British artillery concentrated on him. During the night General Hildyard fortified himself continually with much skill, building traverses and head

coves. Consequently, though exposed to a terrific shell fire all of the 7th, he only lost 41.

In twelve minutes 63 shells exploded on the hill and 240 were counted in two hours, besides smaller shells from Maxim-Vickers guns, which were innumerable.

Prince Christian Victor, aide-de-camp of General Hildyard, was knocked down by the concussion of a 100-pound shell bursting on a rock to which he was sitting. The Prince behaved throughout with extreme composure.

LIBERAL CAUCUS

Appoints Whippers-in For The Session.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE

Opened by Governor Mowatt—Big Storms in France and Britain.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(Special).—A storm throughout France has demoralized the telegraph communications. In Great Britain the trains are snowed up in all directions.



SIR OLIVER MOWATT.

A GOVERNMENT CAUCUS.

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—(Special).—The first Government caucus was held today.

Wm. Gibson was appointed to succeed Hon. James Sutherland as chief whip; Frank I. Frost takes Gibson's place as whip for Ontario and Mr. Colvert will assist Frost.

The whips for the other provinces are the same as last year.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE OPENED.

TORONTO, Feb. 14.—[Special].—The Legislature was opened to-day Governor Mowatt referred to the war and congratulated the province on the enthusiasm manifested in the enrollment of his sons for imperial service at the seat of war.

He was confident that any sum voted by the Government for the wives and families of soldiers will receive favorable and generous consideration.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Closing Prices	Feb. 14.
American Sugar	111 1/2
American Steel & Wire	58 1/2
American Tobacco	110 1/2
Brooklyn Transit	74 1/2
Burlington	125 1/2
Continental Tob.	33 1/2
Federal Steel	55 1/2
Federal Steel Prfd	75 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	nil
New York Central	135 1/2
Rock Island	109 1/2
St. Paul	123 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron	100
United States Rubber	36 1/2
Union Pac Prfd	33 1/2
April Cotton per 100 lbs	8.61

ROUTE TO CH'TOWN

Barrachois More Directly in Line

THAN BRULE ROUTE

It Has the Advantage of Better Shelter and Bolder Water.

A correspondent signing himself "Old Coaster" has a letter in the Colchester Sun replying to "Shipmaster." Among other things he says: I notice in a Truro paper of the 1st inst., a communication signed "Shipmaster," in which the writer shows some temper—evidence of a weak case—over the comparison I drew in my letter of the 20th January between Brule and Barrachois as to which was the best point for the terminus of the N. C. Railway when built. In that letter I advanced the contention, that Barrachois was more directly on the air line and within shorter voyage of Charlottetown, P. E. I., was better sheltered and had bolder water than Brule. "Shipmaster" has not attempted in any way to controvert or even to assail any of those contentions. And let me say that with his experience and particularly with Bayfield's chart before him he cannot do it. Bayfield's chart shows the 2 fathom line closer to the land in Barrachois than in Brule.

"Shipmaster" talks of his 1000-ton ship coming into Brule. Does Bayfield's chart show anything to prevent that being done in Barrachois. This 1000-ton ship business sounds large, but after all, with the ship in light ballast, or perhaps no ballast, with an experienced shipmaster knowing well the lay of "Cornia House," in charge, is it such a great thing to boast of doing on a fine summer evening.

"Shipmaster" says vessels don't have to go to the north and west of Annet Island, that there is deep water between Annet Island and Cape John. I never intended it should be inferred that vessels had to go to the north of Annet Island to seek deep water. Vessels can take the course round Cape John and sail to the south of Annet shoals to go to Charlottetown. This would help the crooked entrance. They might sail around Pictou Island, but no steamer seeking the shortest course to Charlottetown would do either. Perhaps "Shipmaster" would inform us how often the Heather Belle in her three summers running to Brule took the course to the south of Annet shoals. She would only take that course under such exceptional circumstances that one can scarcely conceive of her ever doing it at all.

I am quite content to let Barrachois take its chances between Brule and Tatmagouche. The nearest and direct air line to Charlottetown.

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 1000 paper covered books worth 10 cents each, our price 8 cents each, 4 for 25 cents.
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 No trash, all good reading, best authors. Other book bargains at:

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CHICAGO MARKETS.
 CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—(Special).—There following are the closing rates:
 February wheat, 67; corn, 33; oats, 22 1/2; pork, \$10.70.
 May wheat, 68 1/2; corn, 34 1/2; oats, 23 1/2; pork, \$10.85.
 July wheat, 69 1/2; corn, 35 1/2; oats, 22 1/2; pork, \$10.70.

Ordered Out

In "sorting up" for stock taking we found about **50 pairs** of ladies fine boots. They're odd lines, 2 or 3 pairs of a kind, "sort of remnants."
 We want to clear them out so we've put the right price on these to do it quick.
 Some of them were worth \$1.35, 1.75, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75.
 You can have them now for \$1.00, 1.35, 1.50, 1.75.
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Yesterday's Contest.

VERY little interest was taken in the Civic Election which took place yesterday. The following is the number of votes polled for the different candidates:

WARD 2.	
A. McDonald	114
F. McCarron	72
WARD 4.	
J. Whear	392
P. S. Brown	297
S. W. Crabbe	262
WARD 5.	
Alex. Horne	538
L. P. Tanton	447
Henry Bells	438
Geo. Wheatley	317
J. K. Ross	260

If WE WANTED TO LIE we could say there is no case of advanced consumption that Adamson's Botanic Cough Balm will not cure. The truth is it cures coughs and thus prevents consumption. 25c. all druggists.

A few of those blue dinner sets left which we are selling at 25 per cent discount. W. P. Colwill. 1 tf

"Brahmin" tea at Beer & Goff's. 14 St.

Bed Comfort Day Tomorrow, Counterpanes and Bachelors and Blankets 25 per cent off at Paton & Co's. 5 tf

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. L. U. Fowler, came to the city yesterday.
 Rev. John Godfrey, was in the City yesterday.
 Major Schurman Esq., left last night for Sydney, C.B.
 Senator Ferguson, returned home yesterday on the mail special.
 Senator McDonald, arrived in the City from Ottawa yesterday evening.
 Stipendiary Blanchard, returned to the City by the express yesterday evening.
 Miss B. Chappell, daughter of Mr. J. J. Chappell has secured a position in a hospital in Newport, R. I.
 The many friends of Rev. J. J. Teasdale will be pleased to learn that his condition is much improved.
 Owing to ill health Mr. A. Saunders, of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co. has been compelled to take a furlough.
 Bentley's Liniment cures Whooping Cough.