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#### BOER AND BRITISH

Battle Of Majuba Hill, Feb. 26th, 1881.

#### A BRITISH POSITION

Carried By Storm—The Insult Not Avenged—Gen. Colley Killed.

The English army advancing to the invasion of the Transvaal had cleared the country before it of Boers. The ease with which the English troops drove the enemy from one position after another inspired them with over confidence in themselves and contempt for the Boers. While General Sir Evelyn Wood, the British Commander in chief, was advancing with the main body, encumbered with a pack train and a host of camp followers, he despatched before him General Colley with a strong force to occupy and hold advanced positions. Colley moved forward about two days march on the night of February the 26th, 1881, encamped on an eminence, known as Mount Prospect, well within the Boer territory, and only a few miles from where the Boer army, under General Joubert, was awaiting the coming of the invaders. Between Colley and the Boer camp there rose the rocky plateau of Majuba Hill, and Colley conceived the idea of occupying this during the night, and thus taking the Boers at a disadvantage. A strong detachment was accordingly moved forward on the night of the 26th, to ascend Majuba and thus take by surprise the Boer camp, on the other side. The ascent of the rocky slopes was made, with extreme difficulty, the men being forced to climb on their hands and knees and often help

each other up the rugged sides of the crag, but they persevered and not only succeeded in ascending but even in drawing up y galling gun with its caisson and ammunition.

On the way they encountered the Boer pickets, who retired and gave notice to Joubert of the movement, under way. The whole Boer army variously estimated from 12,000 to 20,000, was at once put under arms, and learning the nature of the demonstration against his camp, Joubert determined to attack Colley and force on Majuba. As soon as there was light enough, to take aim, the Boers advanced to the attack, fighting in Indian fashion, every man for himself. Almost before they were aware of the proximity of the enemy the Highlanders who formed the bulk of the detachment on Majuba, found themselves under the deadly fire of an unseen enemy. One of the survivors declared that, although bullets were falling like hail, and men were dropping on every side, not a Boer's head was to be seen. Concealed by rocks, bushes and trees, they kept up a withering fire on the British forces. To endure it was impossible, so the officers ordered the men to conceal themselves as well as possible and return the fire as effectively as they could. These tactics were partially successful, and the Boer attack was momentarily checked. Only however for a moment; the deadly semi-circle of unerring marksmen crept closer, and closer up the hill. An attempt was made to use the galling but the rocks and crags which concealed the Boers from the sight of their enemies, also protected them from the missiles of the terrible engine which would have annihilated an enemy in the open.

Outnumbered ten to one by a force of sharpshooters, who at little peril to themselves, advanced upon a small body of troops unaccustomed to this style of fighting, the British line still held firm. By and by however, when the semi circle of fire began to extend beyond the flanks and it became apparent that the British force would be surrounded, the retreat was sounded, and the heroic band, carrying their wounded comrades on their shoulders, began to descend the slopes, they had toilsomely climbed the night before. The retreat was worse than the stand, for close upon the heels of the ill-fated detachment came the Boer sharpshooters still concealed and thinning the ranks at every step. In spite of the leaden hail which fell on every side the remnant of the English force fought its way through the swarming Boers, back to the camp on Mount Prospect. Why the isolated detachment was not properly supported has ever been a mystery. For the numbers engaged, the slaughter was frightful. On the night before the battle thirty five officers and 693 men climbed the hill, and of these 20 officers and 266 men were killed or wounded, including the commander, Major Gen. Colley who had been killed, and over a hundred more were missing, some of whom were made prisoners by the Boers, while others were never accounted for. Thirty six hours after the battle Sir Evelyn Wood arrived with the main body. The Boer army, exultant over its victory and supposing it had defeated the entire British force, had become careless, and did not even have pickets on the watch. The Boers were at the mercy of Wood, but while he was preparing an attack, which would have undoubtedly annihilated the Boer force, the negotiations for peace, were begun and military operations were suspended. Thus Majuba Hill has remained unavenged and a bitter recollection in the retentive memory of the Englishman whether soldier or civilian and not until the memory of that defeat has been effaced by subsequent success will the English be able to forget and forgive, Kruger and the Boers. The dead Highlanders are buried under a cairn at the summit of Majuba and it is a favorite saying in the British army that when the Union Jack floats over this cairn, then Majuba Hill will be forgiven.

"A woman's rank lies in the fullness of her womanhood." A sick woman, a nervous woman, a fretful woman, a woman who suffers from weakness and disease of the delicate and important organs that constitute womanhood, a woman doomed to childlessness, is not a real woman. The most glorious duty and privilege of womanhood is motherhood. The childless woman cannot be a happy woman. There are thousands of unhappy women who go through life without knowing the supreme happiness of motherhood, who go each day through a faithful but weary round of work, and live almost loveless and usually pain-racked lives, because they neglect to take care of themselves in a womanly way. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the most wonderful of all medicines for ailing women. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs that make maternity possible. It makes them well and strong. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It banishes the dangers of maternity. It does away with the discomforts of the period of anticipation and makes baby's coming easy and almost painless. It induces the new comer's health and an ample supply of nourishment. Thousands of homes that only lacked a baby as a final binding tie, now bless this marvelous remedy for the ring of childish laughter. It soothes pain, tones the nerves and makes a woman's work easy. All medicine dealers sell it.



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#### PREMIER'S BENEFIT

Sir Wilfred Laurier Forbids Canvassing

#### MUCH DISAPPOINTMENT

As The Result was Most Gratifying to the Pro-moters.

Montreal July 15.—The personal friends of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Montreal, who were interesting themselves in the proposal to tender the Premier a national testimonial recognition of his services to the country, are very much disappointed over the flat refusal of Sir Wilfrid to sanction any further steps being taken in connection with the matter. On June 28 the Witness explained the annoyance that had been caused to Sir Wilfrid's friends by the premature reference to the proposed testimonial in the public press.

It appears that the subject was first broached over a year ago by a couple of Sir Wilfrid's most intimate personal

friends, who were aware of the sacrifices Sir Wilfrid had made for his party and the country, and knew that his elevation to his present exalted position had tended to complicate his private affairs rather than to improve them. It is no secret that, as in the case of Sir John Macdonald, Sir Wilfrid has found his official income inadequate to the demands upon it, necessitated by the social position that has to be maintained, so some of Sir Wilfrid's most intimate friends naturally thought that as Sir John Macdonald's friends had subscribed to a testimonial to him, the friends of Sir Wilfrid might do likewise. The fact of the suggestion being made reached Sir Wilfrid's ears and he forbade any open public subscription being made.

Lately a suggestion was made in Sir Wilfrid's hearing that some of his personal friends would like to present him with a testimonial. While he did not consent, he did not actually express his disapproval, and some of his friends encouraged by that, started quietly to ascertain from some of the Premier's known moneyed friends just what could be done. The result was most gratifying, several handsome amounts being promised. One of the gentlemen interested in the inquiries, in confidence mentioned the success of the proposal so far as it had gone, to a well known public man, with whom he is intimately associated, and he thoughtlessly repeated in information at luncheon the same day.

Thus the fact of them being such a proposal on foot got beyond the select circle in which the plan had originated. Mr Lawrence Wilson who had just returned from Brome, where, according to his own statements, he had done much towards securing the repeal of the Scott act, at once took the matter up and began canvassing among his friends. The first public announcement made of the testimonial connected Mr. Wilson's name with it as the chairman of the committee, whereas, stated in the Witness in June, there was no committee in existence. The friends of Sir Wilfrid who had interested themselves in the matter at once saw that their plan was destined to shipwreck as they knew Sir Wilfrid's nature would revolt against a public appeal on his behalf, and that political wisdom would urge him to refuse to accept a testimonial with the raising of which the name of a leader of the rum interest had been associated.—Montreal Witness.

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