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## SECOND CANADIAN CONTINGENT

### How it Will be Made Up

#### NONE BUT MOUNTED MEN AND ARTILLERY

#### Volunteers Offering Everywhere

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Ninety per cent of the members of the Honorary Artillery Company of London have volunteered to service in South Africa.

Two-thirds of the men of the Court volunteers, composed of barristers and solicitors, have likewise tendered their services.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20.—Premier Haultain of the North West Territories, says that 100 of the finest rough riders in the world and trained warriors can be raised in the Territories on twenty-four hours' notice, horses and all.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 20.—British Columbia proposes to offer 200 well equipped rough riders for the South Africa service.

STANLEIGH, Que., Dec. 20.—Rev. J. E. Stair, Methodist Minister, has offered his services as Chaplain of the second contingent.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Queen has sent a letter to General Lord Roberts sympathizing with him on the death of his gallant son, and thanking him for the great patriotism he has displayed in putting aside his terrible private grief in order to devote himself to the affairs of the nation.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 20.—Colonel McLean, commander of the 62nd Fusiliers here, received a cablegram from his son, Lieut. Weldon McLean, who is with the Canadian Contingent in South Africa. The message is dated, Belmont, Dec. 19th and contains only the two words, "All right." Read from the code arranged by father and son before the regiment sailed this cablegram indicates that the Canadian regiment have had a brush with the Boers and that none of the New Brunswick Corps have been killed or wounded.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—It would appear that the composition of the artillery divisions as finally decided upon by the militia authorities, constituted the despatch of three field batteries constituting a brigade division, composed of 18 guns, 21 waggons, 531 officers and men, and 393 horses. The scheme, as foreshadowed yesterday, was to utilize A and B batteries as the nucleus of the volunteer batteries of the contingent. The mobilizations would be carried out as follows:

"C Battery" at Kingston, "D Battery" at Ottawa, "A Battery" at Quebec. Thus, one section of A Battery would be the nucleus of the Kingston Corps, the other

sections being brought to Ottawa for a similar purpose. B Battery would be made the nucleus of the Quebec Corps.

How far this plan will be adhered to, however, becomes a matter of conjecture since the authorization of the Cabinet is withheld. As for the cavalry division of four squadrons it would appear that the scheme of the militia department for its enrolment is also in abeyance. That the frame-work of each squadron will be the Northwest mounted police and Royal Canadian Dragoons is taken for granted.

But no orders appear to have been sent out either to Toronto or Regina looking to the release and reinstatement of those two mounted bodies for service in South Africa.

France and China.

TACOMA, Wn., Dec. 19.—Hong Kong mail advices state that another Franco-Chinese war is imminent over the delimitation of French "leased" territory at Kiang Chou Bay on the Tsookin border. Marshal Su, China's most famous general and the author of the battle of Liang Shan in the last Franco-Chinese war, was sent to Kiang Chou Bay with 30,000 well drilled troops. He bore special orders from the Empress Dowager to uphold the Chinese cause and fight if necessary without further orders from Peking. A skirmish from Chinese and French troops followed his refusal to longer temporize over boundary negotiations. Half a dozen Frenchmen were wounded and sixty Chinese. Marshal Su is preparing for a big fight.

Free from the Plague.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 1, via Victoria, B. C., Dec. 18.—Within a few days it is expected that Kobe will be declared free from the plague. No cases, except one of doubtful character, have been reported there since the 17th of November. The energetic measures of officials have been crowned with extraordinary success. Nothing like it has ever before been accomplished in another port.

Famine in India

CALCUTTA, Dec. 18.—The distress in the famine-stricken districts is becoming more acute. About 2,250,000 persons have received relief.

THE PHILIPPINE WAR.

Death of General Lawton Confirmed.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The War department has received the following confirmation of the killing of General Lawton near San Mateo Luzon.

"General Lawton, while engaged in driving the insurgents from the San Mateo section of the country north-east of Manila, was killed instantly at 9.30 yesterday morning—a great loss to us and his country. (Signed) "Oris."

KRUGER'S MALADY.

Bright's Disease, the Formerly Incurable Malady that has Fastened Itself Upon the Boer President.

Cape Town, Dec. 18.—Bright's Disease, the disease which a trustworthy report states has attacked President Kruger, of the South African Republic, is considered incurable here. It is an affliction of the Kidneys and doctors state that it is invariably fatal. The disease was first diagnosed as a distinct disease by Dr. Bright, from whom it takes its name.

It is understood that a remedy has been discovered for Bright's Disease in America in recent years called Dodd's Kidney Pills, and reports reach Africa to the effect that cures are being made in England and Australia by the same medicine.

It is unlikely that the Dutch of the Transvaal are acquainted with Dodd's Kidney Pills, however, they being very slow to take up with things that are new.

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