

WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Interesting Particulars of the Struggle Between Great Britain and the Boers.

LEADING TRIBUTES.

TO OUR BRAVE CANADIANS.

In the House of Commons Sir Wilfrid said: "It may not be out of place at this moment that we should interrupt the regular course of business to give a moment's attention to the news from Africa today. The news we have received is of a character at once to cheer and sadden our hearts. It is cheering in this respect—it brings the announcement that our Canadian troops in the field have received their baptism of fire, and have supported the ordeal in a manner creditable to themselves and to their country. The telegraphic messages give no details whatever; still, we know by the number of casualties which have taken place that our men have died at their posts and that their courage has been equal to what we expected of them. But this is the saddening part of it. Such is the awful character of war, that its triumphs are always mixed with tears, and however much we can rejoice at the victories achieved by the British arms, victories in which our fellow country are taking a part, till the announcement is saddened by the fact that twenty of our countrymen have lost their lives, and sixty-nine are now lying between life and death. The announcement is such as to, if it were possible, still more confirm us in our resolve of doing our full duty in the present emergency. We can do nothing at present to solace those families which are bereaved, but we can assure them—and this I am sure we do with all our hearts—that their loss is not their

own exclusively, but that it is also ours and our country's."

Sir Charles Tupper replied as follows: "I desire to associate myself in the warmest manner with the extremely appropriate words that have just fallen from the Right Honorable leader of the House. He has truly said that the triumphs of war can only be achieved in connection with the sadder fate that involves men's lives and carries pain and suffering into the households of a great many of our people. The Canadian Contingent, who have realized on the field that which Canada expected of them, who have discharged their duty nobly and faithfully, who have fallen in the cause we believe to be a righteous one, have conferred not only undying fame and honor on themselves, but that same honor and fame upon our country, which sent them there.

"I am sure that every member of this house will extend his most heartfelt sympathy to the friends and relatives of those who, still living, are in a situation calling for our sympathy. The great news that has gladdened every portion of the Empire, of the success attending British arms in the relief of Kimberley and the relief of Ladysmith, together, with the prospect of more decisive measures calculated to bring this war to an end at no distant day, will at the same time, be accompanied with a feeling of deepest sympathy and commiseration with the friends of those who have fallen on the field of battle in the glorious struggle they have made on behalf of this country. I would suggest to my Right Honorable friend that a message reflecting the warmest sympathy of this House, and of all the people of this country, whom

we represent, should be sent to Col. Otter as a solace to the wounded."

"I shall have much pleasure," replied Sir Wilfrid Laurier "in preparing a telegram which I shall show to my Right Honorable friend, as he has suggested."

Mr. Arthur Weir contributes to the Montreal Star the following on the subject of our dead heroes:

Dead on the Modder they lie,
Under a southern sky.
Happy it is to die

For country and Queen.
The south their bones shall hold,
But here in the north, behold,
The shrine of those strong and bold
Shall rise ere the grass is green.

Dead by the Modder! our sons,
Their dead hands clasping their guns,
Dead! while the enemy runs,
Dead but our flag sweeps along!

Now, well we know that we are
One people beneath every star,
One blood, one steel; and afar
The nations know NOW we
are strong.

The Vienna Fremdenblatt, in discussing the consequences to be looked for from the United States, of new policy of expansion, says:—

"If the United States continues the policy it has inaugurated in the Philippines, it will require, besides a large standing army, the raising by conscription of a great body of national militia. Great Britain's experience in the Transvaal war has shown that a large standing army, recruited by voluntary enlistments, is sufficient for the

needs of a first class power. If the United States becomes a competitor with the great colonizing powers, England, Russia, and Germany, it must be prepared for the conscription. Expansion without conscription is a logical impossibility. The necessary conscription need not necessarily take the prevailing Continental form. The election system of the Swiss army will answer perfectly."

A Scotch doctor, commended for service with the Boers, remarked (according to the Natal Witness) to a British stretcher-bearer at the Tugela: "You may think your losses heavy, and so they are; but we have lost three for every one of yours."

Of the severe wounding of General Macdonald the Herald correspondent says that this news has an effect which few people outside of England can fully gauge. Hector McDonald, to the multitude, is the man of the war. The public have surrounded him with a halo of heroism. They consider him lion-hearted and invincible, and above all, one of their own body, for McDonald is a self-made man. When the Boers wounded "Fighting Mac" they hurt the British public keenly.

—In view of the despicable attitude of the Irish politicians who are praying for Britain's humiliation, it is curious to note that Britain is largely depending on her Irish soldiers to fight for her and her Irish statesmen to manage war affairs at home. Lord Lansdowne, the War Minister, is a Kerry man; so is Kitchener. Under-Secretary Wyndham is a great-grandson of the famous Irish rebel, Lord Edward Fitzgerald, General Roberts is a Waterford man, General White is from Antrim.

—According to the London Daily Chronicle, Dr. Leyds, during his stay in Berlin, saw all sorts and conditions of men—journalists, skippers, merchants, and reserve officers—and was, moreover, much feted in private houses. But, save for one visit to the Foreign Office and the diplomatic dinner which he attended on the Kaiser's birthday, there has been nothing to show that his visit to Berlin has been of any importance or in any way welcome to the German Government.

THE "NEW LIPPINCOTT."

For February, 1900.

Louis Zangwill's complete novel in the February number of the "New Lippincott" entitled "The Siren from Bath" is a refreshing antidote to the Colonial romance which has been so popular for some time past. Modernity, however, is not by any means the only merit in Mr. Zangwill's half-humorous, half-pastoral tale of English life. In it, a stilted, would-be schoolmaster gets entangled in the charms of a Siren, whose heartless conduct leads him into truer pathways of love.

A strong appeal to one's sympathies is contained in the second Mormon story in Mrs. J. K. Hudson's series, begun in the January number. "A Stake of Zion in the Wilderness" is about the courageous struggles of a Mormon wife—New England born—against the advice of Brigham Young, to her husband, to "Go home and read the Word, and get thee another wife, or more than one, before I come again." The inevitable hour had come. Her firmness was heavily punished.

"The Squire" is a first-rate story of a city election, with much local color and character thinly veiled, by Francis Churchill Williams, who is rising into note for this kind of fiction.

A tale of the new West, called "The Girl in Red," by Stewart Edward White, is an editorial discovery of great power in a writer comparatively unknown.

The distinguished honor recently achieved by Dr. Horace Howard Furness at Cambridge University, England, has never been fully reviewed. Professor Albert H. Smyth writes of this, and the article is accompanied by a private portrait, not before seen, of Dr. Furness in his scholarly robes.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Custer, the widow of General Custer, whose western experiences have been wide and varied, contributes an article of special interest to her own sex. It is called "Where the Heart Is" and shows that her heart is on the wild frontier.

"What gives a popular song its vigor?" by the eminent musical critic, Henry T. Finck, is a very reasonable for the opera mouth; and "A Day with a British Militia Regiment," by Herbert Hudson, a little militia subaltern, is of a special interest at the moment, and was written with spirit and inner knowledge.

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[J. F. VANBUSKIRK, Fredericton.]

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When a wounded heart forgets
Is wrong, and spite of all that frets,
Can grasp with hand of brotherhood
His enemy and do him good.

If thou hast hopes of future bliss
This deed shall me thou must not miss;
For he who lives is loved again,
And, blessing thus, despite his pain,
Will rise above his crushing grief
And find sweet solace and relief;
Will see that in his darkest hour
Forgiveness has not lost its power.
Forgive as thou wouldst be forgiven,
And find with joy the courts of heaven.

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L. C. OWEN,
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