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CANADIANS BUILDING A RAILWAY SIDING AT ORANGE RIVER UNDER DIRECTION OF LIEUT. MARSHALL. [Montreal Herald.]

## A BIG FIGHT IS EXPECTED.

### Joubert in Command of Boers

WHO ARE CONSTANTLY BEING REINFORCED.

Natal Clear of the Enemy—Rebel Dutch Returning Home—Boers treat our Wounded Kindly—Supplies for Ladysmith—No news of Movements of British Troops.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

LONDON, March 7.—There is important news this morning from all the fields of the war.

General Buller reports that Natal is practically cleared of the Boers. This points to a probability that while a portion of Joubert's burghers fell back on Laing's Nek and Majaba, the main body crossed the Drakensburg Mountains to aid in resisting Lord Roberts. Many military men find it hard to believe that the Boers have abandoned their strong position at Biggarsberg.

Facing Lord Roberts, there is a constantly increasing force of Boers occupying, according to various accounts, a front estimated at from ten to eighteen miles in length.

The Boers whom General French shelled and temporarily discomfited, have crossed the Modder River and hold a position on its northern bank.

Lord Roberts' force, which also occupied both banks of the river with the cavalry brigades on each wing, is waiting for ammunition and supplies before advancing.

Fighting on a large scale is expected shortly. Meantime the Commander-in-Chief maintains a rigid silence regarding his movements.

#### REBEL DUTCH.

ORANGE RIVER, March 7.—The recent British victories have had a wonderful quieting effect on the rebel Dutch, many of whom in the neighborhood of Douglas are reported as disheartened and about returning to their homes.

#### BOER TREATMENT OF WOUNDED.

LONDON, March 7.—The Daily News correspondent, who was captured by the Boers February 9th, was released at Bloemfontein and put through the lines near Sterkstroom. He telegraphs that the Boers are demoralized, but adds that they have been treating the British wounded splendidly.

#### SUPPLIES FOR LADYSMITH.

LONDON, March 7.—Surgeon Treves

cables from Ladysmith that the state of the town is most deplorable.

There are 800 cases of typhoid fever. Lavish supplies of comforts are now in the place.

#### A BRITISH LOAN.

LONDON, March 7.—The House of Commons, in committee of whole, has adopted a resolution to authorize a loan of £35,000,000. The vote stood at 161 to 26.

#### JOUBERT IN COMMAND.

LONDON, March 7.—A despatch to the Standard from Oostfontein says that Joubert is reported in supreme command of the Boer forces in that vicinity.

#### DUTCH REBELS.

CAPETOWN, March 7.—Nearly the whole Dutch population of the Pruska and Kenhardt districts is in rebellion.

#### LATER.

#### BOERS ON THE RUN.

LONDON, March 7.—Lord Roberts telegraphs from Oostfontein: "Advanced March 7th. Enemy is in full retreat, followed by our troops. Casualties are few."

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#### THE GLOBE AND LA PATRIE.

The Liberal Organs Divided—A Double Liberal Game!

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

MONTREAL, March 7.—La Patrie, the Tarte organ, publishes an editorial stating that the Toronto Globe is not the official organ of the Liberal party.

The cause of the course taken by La Patrie is the stand by the Globe on the recent student riots in which La Patrie was condemned as a contributory cause.

La Patrie says: "In all difficult situations, it is now recognized that the Globe invariably abandons us. It left us on the Riel question and in the question of the Jesuits' estates. The Globe was one of Mercier's most violent enemies. The Globe is published in Toronto, the hotbed of Toryism, and is afraid of public opinion in that city; for instead of moulding public opinion it follows it. The Globe is not the official organ of the Liberal party. It is a newspaper of independent tendencies combatting generally for the Liberal party; but its opinion engages no one and does not possess any great value."

#### DISMISSAL OF MR. BRACE.

SIR.—A short time ago it was rumored through the country that the Government intended to amalgamate the office of Inspector of Gas with that of Weights and Measures, thus saving the salary of Gas Inspector. Upon enquiry, we find the move has been effected. Of course it can be nothing else but pleasing, to the people in general, to learn that the government is beginning to economize, though it is the eleventh hour. But the question naturally arises, "Is it for the purpose of economy, or simply another way of getting rid of Mr. R. K. Brace, so that a little later they can reopen this office for one of their newly-found friends?" We assume the latter is the object. Mr. Brace has been a capable officer. There is no charge against him. But he must go. There is a certain element which seems to have the Government under control. Those who belong to it must be satisfied first; and nothing gives them more satisfaction than turning Mr. Brace, and men of his principles, out of office,—and out of doors, if they could.

We fear, Mr. Editor, that it is not "Laval" alone that is affected with "Tarte-ism." We fear that the Government is drinking too deep at this well. It is too late for the Government to reconsider this matter now; and it will be in evidence on next election day by every Loyal Liberal.

TRUE BLUE.

—Sir William Vernon Harcourt puts in a plea that the millionaires of South Africa ought to be drawn upon for a large proportion of the expensiveness of the South African war.

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