IMPENDING BATTLES.

Gen. Buller Has Started For the Front.

Battles Expected at Tugela River in Natal, and Spytfontein in Northern Cape Colony-Gloomy Reports From Ladysmith Rinderpest Breaks Out-Message From White.

A despatch from London, Friday, here. Every effort will be made to says: The announcements that Gen. prevent the spread of the disease. Buller had gone to Frere and that Gen Methuen had assumed active command of his division intensify the eagerness with which the public await news of the apparently impending battles at Tugela river, in Natal, and Spytfontein in Northern Cape Colony. a shortness of supplies in the Boer Little is allowed to be known of the preparations or strength of the two British forces, but it is assumed that Gen. Methuen has received valuable reinforcements from Cape Town since the Modder river fight, possibly including the howitzer battery, which arrived at Cape Town on Dec. 4. It is not known whether Gen. Methuen has advanced; the latest advices from him being dated Dec. 6, in which he says that he had again assumed command of his division. The troops in Natal were reported on Dec. 1, to be within canon shot, of the enemy. These troops were probably only Britishoutposts, inasmuch as telegrams from Frere indicate that the main camp is still there. The constant rumours of the with Irawal of part of the Boer forces in Northern Natal seem to have some basis, but the stories of dissensions among the enemy, though published on Gen'. White's authority, are not officially claimed to be true, and they are therefore quite unsubstantiated. It is more likely that whatever part of the invading forces has been withdrawn has been allotted a new position. Perhaps the suggestion that these forces have been sent west, to assist in opposing Gen. Methuen is not

far out. Meanwhile the reports from Ladysmith are couched in gloomier language, and everything indicates that the enemy is striving to the utmost to make the British position untenable beiore General Buller can reach the town. The Stangard's correspondent at Ludysmith, in a despatch dated December 2, supports the other statements concerning the anxiety with which the movement of the relieving force is awaited, and adds that on November 29, General White considered the advisability of making a Sortie, but the idea was abandoned, the Buers, as is now usual being informed heforehand. usual being informed beforehand of

the British intentions.
The Times Modder riven corresponpaich, dated December confirms the reports that Commandant Delarey's son was killed in action. The despatch adds that a battery of horse artiflery and the Twelfth Lancers were erriving. Colonel Kekewich, the British commander at Kimberley, has in- principal thoroughfares. All the offilight that the town has forty days' provisions, 30 days' forage, and plenty

BOERS SWARM ON THE HILLS.

The London Daily Telegraph has reocived a series of despatches from Frere camp, bringing the news up to Wednesday, but all show evidences of the work of the censor A significant paragraph in one dated Monday, would seem to indicate that up to that time General Buller's advance for the lished a letter from a well-known relief of Ladysmith had not begun. resident of the Transvaal to the com-

The British camp here is increasing in dimensions daily. We expect to see General Buller, in the course of a day or two. Reports, of Wednesday's

date. brought by native messengers from Ladysmith, state that nightly electric searchlight messages are read by General White's force. They also declare that there is dissension in the Boer camps, and that numbers of the enemy are wishing to abandon the siege. The Boors' supplies are said to be running

A native runner, with Government despatches from Ladvanith arrived at Estcourt on Wantsday. He reported that all was well. The

Boers have mounted another 150pounder on Bester's farm, but the gun does no more harm than the others. Fewer Boers than formerly are now stationed south of Ladysmith, presumably not more than six thousand. The enemy are now intent on defending the passage of the Tugela at Colenso. A recent arrival from the Tugela river says that the Boers are in force along the Drakensberg range at all points from Mont aux Sources to Van Reenen's pass, and that they are also stretched across from the Drakensberg range to Colenso at all strategical points, and further east. Apparently not many of the Free

Staters have left for the western border, their intention being to resist determinedly the passage of the Tugela. RINDERPEST BREAKS OUT.

A despotch from Frere Camp, says: A patrol of Thorneycroft's Horse, under command of Capt. Mann, on Wednesday met two Boers with a white flag some distance from here. Nothing can be learned of the object of their visit, or the contents of their massage, if they brought one. One of lowing: the men looked like a well-to-do farmer, and the other like a professional clerk. They were detained outside the camp. They expressed surprise that the British patrol was so far out.

One of the Boer camps above Colenso moved on Wednesday. The Boers were

Captain Birdwood, of the Eleventh Sombay Lancers, has been appointed brigade-major by Lord Dundonald.

There is one case of horse sickness

MESSAGE FROM WHITE. A despatch from the London Daily News from Frere camp, says:—"It is reported that a messenger has brought despatch from General White, at Ladysmith, acknowledging the receipt of searchlight messages, and reporting that there are dissensions and

General Buller is completing all his arrangements before making a further

Heavy firing at Ladysmith heard Tuesday afternoon. It is reported that the Boers have mounted a pneumatic gun on Umbulwana hill.

MODDER RIVER DEAD 89. Twelve of the British wounded in the light at Modder river have died, makng the total casualties to date for Dead. .

Wounded. 382 Missing. 7 AN ARTIST CAPTURED. A despatch from Pretoria says:-newspaper correspondent named on Monday, with the alleged purpose of exchanging newspapers, has been

made a prisoner, and will be brought to Pretoria. A SEVENTH DIVISION. The London Daily News, says it is intended, as soon as the sixth army division is embarked, to prepare to

mobilize the seventh, in case it should be needed. A CAVALRY BRIGADE The Government has decided to despatch to South Africa, at the earliest

possible moment, a cavalry brigade of about 4,000 men. A TOTAL OF 105,770.

A despatch from London says .- Mr J. Powell Williams, Financial Secretary of the War Office, in the course of a speech at Queensbury, said that when all the troops arrived in South Africa, the total, including the colonial and naval contingents would be

CANADIANS FOR THE FRONT.

A despaich from Cape Town, says:-The Canadian contingent, which arrived here on Thursday, and the remainder of the Australians, marched through the city before taking trains for the front. Their appearance excited tremendous enthusiasm.

was only equalled by hat given to der Col. Scotti-Turner at dawn in the General Sir, Redvers Buller upon his direction of a ridge near Carter's arrival here from England. The streets were decorated, cers were individually presented to

also sang the National Anthem. the medical inspection. The Canadian contingent will act in consort with the Black Watch and Seaforth High-

landers. THE WHITE FLAG TRICK. The military authorities have pub-

mander at the Cape. \ In this letter the statement is made

that, prior to the sending of the ulti-matum to Great Britain, the Boer leaders openly discussed the use of the white flag when cornered for the purpose of deceiving the British.

HOTTEST FIRE ON RECORD. According to the latest accounts of the battle of Modder river, the Boer terrible at 8 o'clock. Having no force tire was the holtest on record, and will sufficient to hold the position he had revolutionize existing theories. It was stormed, Major Scott-Turner effective up to 1,600 yards, but the gradually retiring his men. He had a casualties among the prone troops were horse shot under him, and a builet trilling; it was tound impossible to through the fleshy part of his shoulbring the British ammunition reserves to the firing line. Many Boers wearing Red Cross badges were actually

employed in serving out ammunition. THOUGHT IT IMPREGNABLE. A despatch from Modder River, via Orange River, says:-Refugees, who have returned here explain that when Commandant Gronje reached Kimberley he maintained that Modder river could be made a Boer stronghold. The German officers with him concurred in this opinion. The Transvaul commander thereupon forced the Kaffirs to work in constructing trenches and strengthening the other defences.

After the retreat of the Free State Boers, under Commandant Duplessis, from Belmont and their junction with the Modder river force, Commandant Cronje expressed himself as being confident in the defences. . He declared that if the Boers could

not resist the English for three weeks he would return home. MAJOR GIROUARD AT FRERE

From Frere, under date of Wednes-

day noon, the London Daily Telegraph's correspondent sends the fol-"Major Girouard, of Quebec, Canada formerly director of Egyptian railways, who was in charge of the laying of the Soudanese railway, and is

now, director of railways to Buller's army, has arrived here. "Progress is being made with the temporary bridge. Our troops are well. All living in tents. The cavalry, with tion of Macrums's actions is that he guns, proceeded again on a reconnoisis frightened out of his wits. His mbay Lancers, has been appointed sance toward Colenso. The Boer field conduct is in sharp contrast to that

shells burst better, but were practical-

ly harmless.
"The Boers from Weenen have all crossed the Tugela river, Colenso and Weenen are now clear of the enemy. We are in telegraphic communication with Estcourt."

"The Boers are still at Grobler's Kloof hill, and are expected to make a determined stand against the advance by Gen. Clery's force. Heavy firing was heard on Tuesday in the direction of Ladysmith. This points to the fact that no effort is being spared to level the town before the arrival of the relief column."

CASUALTIES AT LADYSMITH. The London Daily Mail's correspondent sends the following from Pietermaritzburg:

The news from Ladysmith is beginning to come in more freely. The latest despatches state that from the beginning of the investment up to Saturday, November 25th, there military and civilians. The Boers shell the town from all sides. Their favourite time for opening is midnight. The day following the last encounter Gen. Joubert begged medicines from the British. We lost one killed in the attack of the 14th, the Boers again osing heavily. On the 20th the bombardment; which had been more or less

severe, damaged some buildings. "A locomotive was hit by a projectile on the 24th and ran off the line. There was no damage done. A Boer shell in the evening killed three men of the Liverpools and wounded nine more, some dangerously. "On the 25th one of our naval guns

breached the epaulement of the Boer big gun on Bulwana hill, which thus been thrice silenced.

CENSURES THE ADMIRAL. Bennett Burleigh, of the London Daily Telegraph, in a long letter, dated Estcourt, November 10th, grumbles about General White's inaction Lynch, who entered the Boer lines and the management of the campaign in many other respects. He particularly emphasizes a complaint regarding the conduct of Admiral Har-ris, commanding the South African fleet, who, he says, "for some occult reason has been invariably rejuctant to afford facilities for the defence of Naships. He ordered the officers and men of the Tartar, who had landed with a few guns, back to their ship, and it was only upon the strong request of the Governor, Sir H. Hutchinson, and others, that he was induced to resoind the order. He is blamed for not permitting Captain Scott, of the Terible, to quickly prepare and land a naval 12 pounder and other guns u. on land carriages and convey tuem, with a naval brigade, up country for the defence of L. dysmith. It is notorious that only at the last moment, on October 30, while a decisive action was pending, did Captain Lambton arrive with long-range 12-pounders and two 7-inch guns at Ladysmith. A week, a day, a lew hours, might, and there is no doubt in my mind would, have saved the situation that day, and de ayed the investment of Ladysmith, it not effectually put an end to the attempt on the part of the Boers."

· FIGHTING AT KIMBERLEY. A despatch from London says:-The ernor Sir Alfred Milner received them sortie from Kimperley on November at the station. The crowd, upon see- 25 appears to have been much more ing the Governor, cheered him tumul- serious than had been supposed. Be-The reception accorded the troops sauce in force by mounted troops un saved. The insurance and tween \$70,000 and \$80,000. farm, where the Boers were stronglyentrenched. Finding the Boer Pickets asleep, Major Scott-Lurner proceeded along the ridge under cover and rushed the Boer redoubts at 5.25 a.m., in the Governor, who was heartily cheer the face of a harl of bullets. The Boers ed by the Canadian soldiers. They noticed a white ilag, and fired at the British under its protection before gir A party of 39 Canadians remained at rendering. Owing, possibly to the Cape Town as the men had not passed exhaustion of their ammunition, the British were unable to follow up the attack, and to seize a large Boer laager above 800 yards ahead, especially as Boer reinforcements were seen approaching, and the enemy was keep-

ing up a heavy fire from the shelter of the thick bush. ... During the sortie an armoured train reconnoitred north and south, while a considerable force of British, with field guns and Makims, advanced to ward Spytfontein holding the Boers in

check in that direction. Ten guns were engaged simultaneously, and viewed from the conning tower, an artillery duel seemed proceeding in every direction except towards Kenilworth, the fusiliade being der. Several men had terrible wounds. The British captured 28 of the enemy.

There appears to be some doubt as to-whether this was the reconnaissance in which, according to the announcement of the War Office, Major Scott-Turner was killed, or whether that office met his fate in a subsequent' sortie.

BULLER ON BOER LOSSES.

The War Office has recoived the following from General Builer:-"Pietermaritzburg, Tuesday.—It is very difficult to make ony statement n regard to the enemy's loss. For instance, at Belmont 81 of their dead were accounted for. The memy gave fifteen as the number of killed. There is every reason to believe that the enemy's loss in the fight at Ladysmith, Nov. 9, was over 800 killed and wounded. Information from a trustworthy Boer source shows that at Hildyard's fight, Nov, 23, the enemy lost thirty killed and 100 wounded. It is impossible to say how far these numbers are correct, but it is evident the enemy does not admit a tenth of the losses suffered. Intercepted despatches to Joubert, from a commander, show that even the official despatches contain decidedly inaccurate information in this

respect. SCARED OUT OF HIS WITS. Referring to the acceptance of the resignation of the United States Consul at Pretoria, the Washington cor-respondent of the New York Tribune says:-"The only plausible explanaguns and Kruppe were fired when they of the British Consuls who represented were six miles from the town. Their the United States in Spain last year,

and particularly to that of the heroic Ramsden, whose instrumentality in securing the surrender of Santiago was incalculable, and whose death was due to his devotion to duty."

REFUSES INFORMATION. The correspondent of the London Daily Mail at Cape Town, says that the Transvoal Government obstinately refuses to furnish the American Consul at Pretoria with information concerning the British prisoners.

The authorities say that Gen. Buller must apply to Commandant Joubert for such information; and refuse to recognize the right of the United States to intervene.

DOING EFFECTIVE SHOOTING. A despatch from Ladysmith says: The hottest bombardment of the siege took place last Thursday. The Boers got a new big gun in position on Lombard's kop, completely commanding the town, and shelled our camp that 83 killed and wounded, including both day and next, planting shells with great accuracy in the camp of Gordon Highlanders and Manchester regiments, where there were many narrow escapes. Saturday the enemy resumed the bombardment, doing some very effective shooting. Several of our guns have been shattered by the big Boer gun:

WOUNDED ARRIVE HOME. A despatch from London says :- The South Africa; numbering 133 men; ar rived in the Thames on Tuesday on board the British transport Sumatra, which left Table bay about November

BIG FIRE AT OSHAWA.

McLaughlin's Carriage Works Totally De

A despatch from Oshawa says:-The destruction by fire of the McLaughlin Carriage Company's works, together with a great deal of the contents. which took place on Thursday morning, marks the second disastrous fire here during the past few months. By the burning of the Robson tannery quotations: thirty men were thrown out of emtal, either with guns or men from his ployment, but not since the great fire of 1889, when the Ontario Malleable Iron Company's works were laid Butcher, med. to good . 300 in ruins, has such a dire calamity overtaken Oshawa as the fire of Thursday in the drying kiln at 3.05 a.m., and rapidly worked its way into the wood shop, favoured by a strong westerly wind, until by 5 o'clock the building Calves, each. was a mass of flames and a great portion of the made-up goods were removed to safety, together with large quantities of leather and other small goods in course of construction.

The fire burned fiercely when once into the inflammable material used in the paint shop. The blaze could be seen for ten miles and the town was illuminated as bright as day. The building is a total wreck, but large quan-

were ignited; but no damage done. be in the neighborhood of \$140,000: 75c; and track, Midland or Owen Sound [13,11] There was about \$130,000 in stock on 72c. saved. The insurance amounts to be-

The factory was built about fifty years ago and was known as the Gibbs chair factory Since that time the present owners have built large additions.

The firm was very busy, and on account of the uncertainty in the market very large quantities of raw material were on hand, especially in leathers. Even the temporary suspension of this most important industry will seriously interrupt trade in town. At present nothing can be said as to the company's intentions.

GOOD YEAR FOR LUMBERMEN.

Despite High Wages, Sufficient Men Can Hardly be Obt .ined.

A despatch from Ottawa says:-This has been a banner year in the history of railway laborers and lumbermen. Competent authorities estimate that some 5,000 men of the above classes have been shipped out of the Otta- Toronto, \$3.35; and in wood, 63.45 per wa district during the past autumn bbl. month. Wages have been generally Montreal, Dec. 12.—Special. — There high. In the lumber shanties log-mak- was little change in the grain market ers, cant-hook men, and teamsters have to-day; there was a good demand for been getting as high as \$26 per month, Manitoba wheat, and quotations showsawyers, top rollers, and road-cut ed an advance of 3-4c, on yesterday's ters or swampers, are being paid from price, coarse grains remain dull and \$20 to \$26 per month. Cooks are paid steady; No. 1 hard, Manitoba wheat from \$30 to \$50 per month, according was quoted to-day at 65 1-4, affoat, to the size of the camp and their pro- Fort William; No. 2 hard, 21 1-20, befessional ability. Foremen are worth low No. 1; No. 2 oats are held at 30 from \$50 to \$60 per month, and clerks 1-2c; and No. 3 at 30c, in store; Maniand storekeepers are paid from \$1 to toba peas, 670, barley, No. 1 47 1-2c; \$1.50 per day: Even at these high fig- rye, 58c; buckwheat, no enquiry, nomures sufficient men can hardly be ob- inally 50c. tained.

BATTLE WITH FILIPINOS.

Carrison Attacked and Many Killer and Wounded.

A despatch from Manila, says:-Tuesday night a force of insurgents. estimated at 800, attacked the American garrison of 200 at Vigan, Province of So Hocos. The American loss was 8 killed and many wounded. After very 2 Northern, 71 7-00. Willed No. 2 red, 710, No. 1 Strongly held; No. 2 red, 710, No. 1 ing 35 dead

ng 55 dead. Col. Bisbe is now reinforcing the garrison. Fears are entertained, regarding the various small bodies of Gen, Young's troops in the Province of

INSULTING THE QUEEN.

Paris Police Seize Copies of La Carleatur and Other Sheets.

despatch from Paris, says :- The police, in addition to another seizure of copies of La Caricature containing matter and illustrations grossly insulting to Queen Victoria, on Monday night seized copies of a ribald

MARKETS OF THE WORLD

Prices of Grain, Cattle, Cheese, in the Leading Marts.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—We hold a life. run and a brisk trade at the western cattle yards this morning; about 4 carloads came in. Prices were firm

Shipping cattle was not in particular ular demand for export, but much of it was sold locally for the Christmas trade; prices ranged from 4 to 48 48 per pound, with ten to twenty certific per cwt. more for a few extra cho ce

Butcher cattle sold well the odla snap having don't much to encourage buying. Loads of good stuff sold from 3 3-4c, to 41-4c per pound, and picked lots from 43-8 to 43-4c per pound, for man what were practically Christmas cuttle. Medium to good stuff sold from Mon 3 to 3 1-2c per pound, and inferior Dr from 25-8 to 3c per pound.

Stockers were steady at from 21-2 to 3c per pound, with 31-4c paid for extra choice stockers.

Feeders were scarce, and wanted from 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c per pound. Good milkers are wanted; prices range from 622 to \$45, and \$50 for Sheep and lambs were steady price and sold well, with an upware

Lambs are per pound. Sheer sell at from 3 to 31-40 pdz pound.

tendency.

We had no change to-day in the hold Gue to 200 lbs., are selling, at \$4,37 1-2 'per cwt.; thin hogs sell at \$1; and fat hogs at \$4 per cwt; stores are not wanted. Following is the range of current

Shippers, per cwt. . . \$100 Butcher, choice do. . . 375 Butcher, inferior. . . 250 Stockers, per cwt. . . : 225 Sheep and Lambs Bucks, per cwt. 225 Milkers and Calves Cows, each. .

Choice hogs, per civt. Light hogs, per cwt. Heavy hogs, per owt. . 375 Toronto, Dec. 12.-Wheat - Western markets were rather better to-day, but local prices were unchanged, values here being still above an export basis. Millers are the only buyers. Red and white Ontario is quoted to millers at tities of lumber were saved, owing to 64 to 66c, according to nearness to the

favourable winds. During the progress mill. Goose wheat unchanged at 700, of the fire several of the houses near middle freights, and osc, north and west. Manitoba steady; No. 1 hard, The loss to Messrs. McLaughlin will gitter 700 and Toronto and west, at in buyers' bags, middle freights, \$2.00

> for local account, \$3 per bbl. asked, and \$2.90 bid, for sing e car lots. Millfeed-Scarce and steady. Bran is quoted at \$12 to \$12.50, and shorts at \$14 to \$14.50, west. Corn-Dull. No. 2 American yellow, duoted at 41c, Toronto; and mixed at 40, 1-2. Canadian corn dul. at 39 1-2e,

track. Toronto. Peas-Firm. Offerings rather light. Car lots sold at 57 1-2c, north and west, and 58 1-2c east.

Barley-Quite and steady. Car lots of No. 2, uniddle freights, sold at 390, and No. 1. was quoted at 41 to 42c. Rye - Quiet. Sold at 50c, west; and

olc. east! Oats-Firm and in fair demand. Good local business doing, as well as fair export trade. White dats, 26c, north and west; 26 1-2c, middle freights; and 27c. east. These prices were paid freely

Buckwheat-Dull. Car lost, east, 50c: and west, at 49c. Oatmeal-Rolled oats, in bags, track.

Duluth Dec. 12 - Wheat - No. 1 hard, cash, 651-2c; No. 1.Northern, cash 61 1-2c; December, 64 1-2c; May, 68 1-2c; July, 69 1-2c; No. 2 Northern, 62c; No. 3 spring, 58 1-20. Minneapolis, Dec. 12. -Wheat-In store,-No. 1 Northern, December, 63

to 631-8c; May, 663-4c, July, 681-8c. 17 On track: No. 1 Northern 611-2c; No. 1 1 hard, 65 1-2c; No. 1 Northern, 62 1-2c. Buffalo, Dec. 12.—Spring wheat-Dull; No. 1 Northern, spot, 743-8c; No. of Stills, practising medicine under 2 Northern, 717-8c. Winter wheat—the half-to Ir. Gray. white, 70c. Corn-Fairly steady; No. 2 yellow, old, 36 1-2c; bid; No. 3 yellow, 36 1-4c; No. 2 corn, 35c; No. 3 corn, 34 1-2c. Oats-Firm; fair demand; No. 2 white, 286-4c; No. 3 white, 28c; No. 4 dito. white, 27 1-2c; No. 2 mixed, 26 1-2c; No. 3 mixed, 26c. Rye—Duil; No. 2, in store, 58 to 59c. Hour Steady. Chicago, Dec. 12 -Flaxseed Closed; -North-West and South-West; cash and December, \$141; May, \$138. Duluth, to arrive, spot, and December, \$1.33; May, \$1.37.

Kendal G'Brein, chairman of one of the Tipperary distript | councils, has call been removed from his position of metaber justice of the peace for seconding the Jews Council's resolution congratulating the song entitled "The Disembarkation of Boers upon their victory at Glencoe, the English, containing a drawing and Lord Emly has been dismissed ridiculing her Majesty. The song has from a similar justiceship in Limerjok been exposed in many shops and for inciting the laborers in his district to create a disturbance.

ERY LATEST FROM HE WORLD OVER.

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suggested at Ottawa to present Government and Rideau Hall for a por-Rookliffe Park, and erect ew home for the Governor-La Present Government House asa into an art pruseum. aser; the millionaire

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will visit Emperor W liate at the ma, in April. Sampson, an absconding cre still near L merick. has given £300 for children of the soldiers Dragoons, now com-

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Financial News Savi ats of an astonishing be made in the course in reference to the case cer Balfour, formerly arliament, who a few sentenced to a long sonment for fraud and mection with the failure tor Permanent Building int Society. The Govern bably be asked to review sition.

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Starting a Business on Too Si and Perplexities of Bus the Only Uncorruptible T

A despatch from Washington Rav. Dr. Talmage preached from the following text:- "Comfort ye, confor ye, my people."—Isaiah xl., l., l. These words came to the prophet in

the olden time, but they come just

forcibly to any man that stands

day, in any of the pulpits of our gran oities. A preacher has no more ri to ignore commercial serrows than other kind of sorrows. Any man will, in this day, by voice, or per type, inflame the public mind, or to keep up the excitement of com cial circles, is the enemy of God land good society, Instead of that, I'm rather utter words of peace and solation, obeying the in unction o text, "Comfort ye, com ort yp, my ple." Some of you have come in with countenances worn from the citement of the past week. Some the best men in the land have full men whose hearts are enlisted have blessed every great charity! Church of God can afford to expan them her sympathies, and please be heaven with all availing prayer schools such men have establishe churches they have built, the asy and beneficent institutions the fostored will be their enlogy fon ter their banking institutions are gotten. Such men cui nevel They have their treasures in the that never break, and will be much aires for ever. I thought it would appropriate to-day, and useful; for to talk about the trials and tempta tions of our business men, and it

offer some curative pre-criptions.

In the first place, I have to remar that a great many of our business men feel ruinous trials and tempta tions coming to them from small dimited capital in business. It is everywhere understood that it takes no three or four times as much to do ous ness well, as once it did. Once,

A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS were turned into good, the mer nowould be his own store sweep, own salesman, his own bookkeep r would manage all the affairs he and everything would be net pr Wonderful changes have come; c exorbitant store rents, heavy of the demand made upon our co olal men; and when they have themselves in such with small capital, they have times been tempted to bungagasist th rocks of moral and Tinancal desirue tion. This temptation of limited peaps tal has ruined me in two ways. Some times they have shrunk down or de the temptation. They have yield it is battle before the first shot was true At the first hardygun they surrender ed. Their knees knocked together the fall of the auditioner's hamme They blanched at the They did not understand that theney such a thing as heroiam in mercha dize, and that there are Waterlook the counter, and that a man ca fight no braver battle with the swor than he can with the yardstick souls melted in them because sugar were up when they winted to lay and down when they wanted to be

and unsaleable goods were on the rir and bed debts in their ledger The gloom of their countenances oversha dowed even their dry goods and gre ceries. Despondency, coming from I in ited capital blasted them. Other have felt it in a different was the have said: Here I have been tride ing along. I have been trying to. honest all these years. I find it is no use. Now it is make or break. The small craft that could have single the stream, is put out beyond till light-house, on the great sea of space dollars from friends who dare not be fuse him, and he goes tartering entilarge scale. He reisons in this way "Perhaps I will succeed, and if don't I will be no worse off then too now, for a hundred thousand of l'are taken from nothing, nothing remain Stocks are the die with which he gambles. He lought for a few do lars vast tracts of western land. Some man at the East, living on a fat home stead, meets this gambler of for une and is persuaded to trade off his es tate here, for lots in a Western esty with large avenues, and costy pul aces and lake steamer's smoking at the wharves, and rail trains coming, down with lightning speed from every direct tion. There it is all on per I l'he city has never been built, nor the railroads

constructed, but everything points that way, and the thing will be done as sure as you live. Well, the man goes on, stopping at no fraud of outrage IN HIS SILEN NO HOUR AGE de dashes past, while the honest link ourer looks up, and wipes the sweat from his brow, and says: I wonder where that man gpt all his money. After a while the bubble burs s. Creditors rush in. The law clutches, but finds nothing in its grasp. The men who were swindled say: I don't know how I could have ever been deceived by that man;" and the pictorials, in handsome wool-cuts, set forth the hero who in ten years had genius enough to fail for 150,000 dollars! And that is the process by which many have been tempted, through limitation of capital to truck the process of the capital to truck the capital the capital to truck the capital t tal to rush into loans that they could not meet, and into laboring his from which they could not be extricuted. I would not want to chain honest enterprise. I would not want to block up any of the avenues for lionest accum-