DESPERATE FIGHTING.

The Boers Are Contesting Every Foot of Lord Roberts' Advance.

says:-The idea that the Boers were killed and 61 wounded, but it is reasondemoralized and in a condition of Cronje has now been reinforced by ten panic has been dispelled by the pub- thousand men from the south. It is lication of a serious casualty list impossible that the Boers who were from, Gen. Lord Roberts without any explanation of how or where the losses were incurred. Gen. Roberts' prevlished by the War Office, gave the impression that the Boers were in full retreat, making hardly any resistthat the next tidings would announce the surrender of Commandant Cronje's army.

ent generals, have been killed or British of icers, including two prominwounded, while the losses of the rank but on Gen. Roberts' great dash at the and file are not mentioned. There can be no doubt that the British invasion

Roberts-Kitchener campaign since the news up to Saturday night.

A despatch from London, Thursday, Sunday, in which 19 Canadians were wi.hdrawn from Natal can have yet

reached either him or Bloemfontein, The news from Gen. Buller's campaign is favourable as far as It is goes, ious despatch, so far as it was pub- but the persistent report that Ladysmith hasbeen relieved proves to have been premature. The Tug. la riv. r was crossed for the fourth time by the Eritish yesterday, but the retirement of ance, and aroused the expectation the Boers from this point before the British, advance may possibly not indicate an intention to abandon the siege of Ladysmith and the possession of territory in Natal. In other words, Now comes the news that nearly 50 the crisis is not yet passed according to the information at present received, and all depends, not on Gen. Buller's campaign, which is now a side issue,

Free State capital. The War Office at midnight anof the Orange Free State is being nounced that it had received nothing sharply contested, and that the Fed- for publication, and no details have eral forces are still in vigorous fight- come from any of the English correspondents of the operations in the There has been no definite informa- Free State later than yesterday tion concerning the progress of the morning's descriptions, which brought

RIVALLED THAT OF PARIS.

The Siege of Kimberley Was Very Trying to the Inhabitants.

Kimberley are beginning to arrive. out so long. Numbers of people from Kimberley had been consumed and the horses at a distance. were starving. Those which died It is easy to realize that the correvoured by the Kaffirs.

their 100-pounder that the siege be- that they sang and danced in a decame worst. This gun had a range of brium of joy for half an hour before 8 miles, and it was placed at Kamfersdam, four miles distant. It pounded with segment and shrapnel shell

WOMEN AND CHILDREN

were killed in this ugly bombardment even those living in excavations. Those dinary artillery, but not against the 100-pounder.

Consequently most of the women and children, by Cecil Rhodes' order, were sent down into the mines and distributed along the various levels. Many saw the sun Friday for the first abitants of another world.

for the non-combatants. Mr. Rhodes tered the town Monday evening.

A despatch from London, Wednes- personally rendered invaluable help. day, says:-Accounts of the priva- Indeed, but for his encouragement and infectious good spirits it is doubttions of those who were besieged in ful whether the town would have held

A DELIRIUM OF JOY.

are now flocking to the Modder river A truly remarkable achievement was camp. The women and children are the manufacture of the 28-pounder gun | 43rd Battalion. Pte. Laird belonged weak from their sufferings during known as "Long Cecil." Its maker was an American named George Labram. the siege, which, according to the He was recently killed by a shell from Daily Chronicle's correspondent, riv- the Boers' big gue, which burst in his alled that of Paris. For sixty days room in the Grand hotel. 'Long Cecil' horseflesh was the daily diet of the was rifled, and it fired either shrapnel or common shells. It was simply ininhabitants of the town. All meat valuable in helping to keep the Boers

from starvation were seized and de- spondents do not exaggerate when thay say that Gen. French's arrival drew forth wild demonstrations and It was after the Boers brought up rejoicings from the inhabitants, and Gen. French entered the town near the Premier mine. The succour was not expected, the people not having even heard of the British advance:

A signaller saw the column on the move and recognized it as being Brit- buildings here, on account of the ish. The enemy's forces were melting deaths of Johnny Donegan and Wilaway, and Gen. French's cavalry were liam Manion, killed in Sunday's fight coming up extended along a front of burrows afforded security against or- ten miles. Mr. Rhodes rode out of the town, but went to the wrong flank, thus missing Gen. French as he enter-

time in weeks. They came to the sur- this, Gen. French marched north in the Among the Montreal casualties, pertace pale and weird, looking like in- direction of Dronfield, hoping to cap- haps the man best known among

Company did everything in its power and the first train from the south en- in Kingston, Ont. He marries Miss out the city, even on the consulate and if I am wounded and can do it, 200 lbs., the top price is 51-4c; light

From Disease and 1,700 Were Invalided

Of Whom 2,100 Are Dead, Nearly 600 Died Home.

A despatch from London says:- | CANADA'S SPLENDID SPIRIT The following report, giving the British losses in South Africa from the commencement of the war up to Feb. 17. has been issued by the War Office:

KILLED-1,671.
Officers 165
Men 1,512
DIED FROM DISEASE-576
Officers 13
Men
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED-13.
Officers 1
WOUNDED-5,401.
Officers 367
Men 5,034
MISSING-2,617.
Officers 17.
Men 2,416
INVALIDED HOME-1,682.
Officers 54
Men 1,628
Total loss 11,964

The Fusiliers who were captured at or missing after the battle of Nicholson's nek are not included in the above

The War Office also announces, in addition to the previou ly publish d statement of the losses at Paardeberg on Feb. 18, that a captain and three lieutenants were killed.

A French officer has invented an army bicycle, which can be folded in two and slung over the shoulder.

Lord Wolseley, Lord Roberts, and Sir Evelyn Wood have all written considerable for the press. Sir Redvers Buller has never written anything but despatches to the War Office, and ported perfect. shows his aversion to any other channels of publicity.

Should Serve to Impel Britain to Greater Exertions

A despatch from London, Friday, of Mr. Hector McQueen. says:-The morning papers allude to the thoughtfulness of Lord Roberts in sending a despatch- to the Earl of Minto, the Canadian Governor-Gener-

The military critic of the Times tor. urges the continuance of efforts to send more troops to South Africa, so as to be ready for the many difficulties that must be surmounted, even after Lord Roberts has succeeded against General Cronje. He adds:-"The splendid spirit shown in Can- bec in 1856 and has been living with of, the Boer army." ada, which has just received the first news of losses incurred in the service of the Empire, should serve to impel Great Grimsby, Lincolnshire, Eng., us to greater exertions."

DISTRESS BEING RELIEVED.

to Kimberley.

A despatch from London, says:-Friday, Feb. 23, 1.30 a.m.-The War Office has issued the following from Lord Roberts:-

"Paardeberg, Feb. 22 .- Methuen reports from Kimberley that supplies of food and forage are being pushed on as fast as possible.

"There will be enough coal to start the De Beers mines in ten days. By this means great misery will be alleviated. "Hospital arrangements there re-

"He hopes Prieska and the adjoinling country will soon be settled."

MOURNING FOR SONS.

Cities of the Deminion on Beceipt of the News of Battle.

Toronto, Feb. 22. - Not since the Northwest rebellion of 1885, has such a blow fallen upon the Dominion as that which flashed from South Africa yesterday. The expected has happened. The Canadians met the enemy in battle, and did not escape scathless. An Empire's victories are able to suppose that Commandant dearly purchased. The news, though unconfirmed, of the relief of Ladysmith, joyous as it was, paled into insignificance before the grim tidings that Canada's sons were among the slain in Sunday's engagement. The news was received in the city with universal expressions of sympathy. Many flags were flown at half-mast, and otherwise there was evidence that the sympathies of Torontonians were at the front.

Men From Toronto. The killed in "C" Company were: Ptes. J. H. Findlay, 35th Batt. and W. T. Manion, 10th Royal Grenadiers, The wounded in "C" Company were: Ptes, M. M. Stewart, Q. O. R.; J. F Ussher, Q.O.R.; James Kennedy, Q.O.R.; J. H. Sutton, 13th Battalion; T. L. Mc-Giverin, Q. O. R.; S. W. Ward, Q.O.R.; R. Mrs. Donegan is prostrated. H. McLaughlin, R.C.R.L., and M. Vander-

Besides these men, Torontonians are mournfully interested in the death of Pte Chas E. Jackson of Norway, who was a member of "D" Company, and in the fact that Capt, James C. Mason of the Royal Grenadlers, serving as a lieutenant with "B" Company, was wounded.

Ottawa's Dead and Wounded. wounded. There is mourning in at least two homes, and widespread is another member of the 7th, who sympathy is expressed for the bereaved ones. Pte. Zachariah Lewis, kill- the cleverest amateur baseball played, was 26. For three years he was ers in Ontario. a mounted policeman. He was a nephew of the Archbishop of On- 7th Fusiliers in order to secure a merly a member of the 43rd Battal- years of age. ion, and was a noted shot. He was

son of Rev. E. A. Macauley. Pte. W. G. Ritchie, is a son of the late Chief Justice Ritchie of the Supreme Court. He is 23 years of age. Pte. Charles P. Clark is a son of Clarke of the Dominion Police Department. Pte. Coleman, a printer by trade, is a former member of the to the R.C., Kingston, and was recruited there. Pte. Bradshaw came from the 16th Battalion, Prince Edward County. Pte. Gibson is a former member of the 15th Argygle Light Infantry. Pte. R. N. Thompson was an Irish medical student from Dublin University. He was connected with Dr. Jameson in his

famous raid. Pte. F. H. Wood, who is captured is a former member of F Company, 43rd Battalion. He is a nephew of ex-Ald. R. Stewart. He was a mem-

Perth Mourns Her Brave Dead. Perth, Ont., Feb. 22. - Flags are flying at half-mast from the Town Hall, fire stations and the county at Modder River, the former being native of Perth and the latter of Bathurst, adjoining the town. Sorrow in Montreal,

Montreal, Feb. 22. - It goes with-FRENCH'S HORSES NEARLY DEAD. out saying that the news of Sunday's ing come from British Columbia. On Friday the British horses were battle at Modder River, and the loss nearly dead from the effects of their of so many Canadians has created terrible march but notwithstanding sorrow in the commercial metropolis. Leden, daughter of former Quarter- of the United States. master-Sergeant Leden of the Royal Military College, Kingston, now living in Toronto. Mrs. Goodfellow is at present residing at Beauharnois with her only daughter.

Private C. Lester of "E" Company, 2nd Batt., R.R.C.I., was a former member of the 2nd Life Guards. There is no man of the name of Barrie in "E" Company. The name is supposed to be a mistake, for Private Cecil H. Barrie, son of Mr. George Barrie, merchant. Private Barrie never belonged to any volunteer corps before enlisting in the South African contingent.

The only Quebec member of the his country is Corporal Alexander McQueen, aged 22. He was the son The following are the details of

Montreal's wounded:

of York's R. C. Hussars was born in Montreal 22 years ago and is the son of Mr. James Thomas, contrac-

for twelve months in Montreal. ent living at Swindon, Eng.

his father, Mr. R. M. Shaw. Thomas A. Moore was born at and come to Canada when he was but 7 years old. He was private in

the Duke of York's Royal Canadian William McIver is a lawyer who figures, nor, of course, those sustained | Supplies and Forage Being Pushed on | took his degree at McGill last May, after having brilliantly passed his

> Pte. A. J. Turner of "E" Company, Montreal, was a Quebec man. Pte. A. Robertson, a member of "H" Company, is a Montrealer well-

> known in lacrosse circles here. Daniel McGill was born at Lanark, Scotland, 29 years ago. He had seen service in the Yukon. He received his military training at St. John's Military School under Major

W. Edmore. Gibson a Belleville Man. Belleville, Feb. 22. - Charles A. Gibson and F. Bradshaw, who were drawn by two horses, and capable of

teered from the 15th Battalion. Gibson is a Belleville man, whose parents live here. He served in the U. S. volunteers in the war with Spain. Bradshaw came here from Picton. He is a western man.

London Feels Bitter Reality. London, Ont., Feb. 22. - The bitter reality of war was borne in upon Londoners yesterday morning, when the first black-list was posted, showing the names of those who had given their lives for England. The newspaper offices were besieged all day with an anxious throng, which blocked the street, waiting for bulletins. From public buildings flags were flying gaily to celebrate the reported relief of Ladysmith, but on the streets the air was one of gloom. Two of the three "B" Company men who were killed were well-known Londoners, and among those reported wounded and missing were boys known and liked by everybody.

in London for years and was well known. Donegan's father is foreman of the C.P.R. Locomotive Department. His father is now seriously ill, and it is feared that the news of his son's death may hasten his end.

Robert Smith, killed, was 23 years old, and a member of the firm Smith Bros., manufacturers of papers and novelties.

of wounded was that of Sergt. Geo. Christmas dinner. Troth, and it's sor-B. Sippi, one of London's most popu- rowful I am whin I think of thim! Ottawa, Feb. 22. - The Ottawa of Dr. Sippi, bursar of the asylum, uncle." quota of the first contingent has lost and possessing a good position, he two men by death and several gave up all to fight for his country.

Private A. H. Wheatcroft joined the

was wounded. McLaren was one of

tario. Oliver Burns, killed, was for- place in the contingent. He was 23 ter roll of "B" Company. One

The following comprise the wound- them is a Londoner, a brother ed: Pte. Angus Macauley was the Policeman Harry Greene. The other is big guns, some of which must necesa member of the 25th Battalion. The Missing Men. Wm. G. Adams, reported missing, is

a son of Sergt.-Major Adams of the city police force. He was just 21 years of age, and one of the tallest men in the company, standing over W. J. Burns of London, is another

of the 26th Battalion. Corbold, who is said to have been captured, is not known here.

Winniper Excited. Winnipeg, Feb. 22. - Great excitement was caused throughout the city yesterday by receipt of the news from Modder River that the Canadian contingent, in an engagement under Gen. Colville, had seen the thickest of the fight, and that the casualties among them were serious, the killed and wounded including ber of the Capital Lacrosse team of well-known local men. The fact of Major Arnold being wounded spread throughout the city like wildfire, and the question as to the extent of his injuries was asked a hundred times. phone messages, while crowds always surrounded the bulletin boards and eagerly discussed the names. With the exception of Major Arnold, Sergt. Scott of Victoria, Pte. McKenzie of Portage la Prairie, Pte. Duncalfe and Pte. A. Maundrille, few of the others THE SAD STORY OF A BOUQUET. are known here, all the others hav-

Gloom in Victoria. Victoria, B.C., Feb. 22. - News of the loss of 40 per cent. of Victoria's volunteers in the first South African contingent cast a gloom over girl gave one of the Scottish men a Nevertheless, it was this residence harassed Kimberley, but he did not Good ellow of "E" Company. Ha the city yesterday. The Legislature dainty bouquet of flowers. Finding she ingly flat. was descended from an old English adjourned out of respect for the dead lived close to the station, he said: "I a heavy loss of life. The De Beers | The engineer repaired the railway, military family, and was brought up and flags were half-masted through shall keep this all through the war For prime hogs, scaling from 100 to

CRONJE'S CHANCES.

Destroyed.

Mr. Spenser Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation in the London Morning Post, says:-

"Lord Roberts, who was once an artillery officer, will take care that the artillery fire is properly concentrated. Prolonged shelling will compel the Boers either to hurl themselves at the contingent who has given up life for British infantry in the hope of forcing their way out or to surrender.

"The best chance for General Cronje would be to make a night attack, but the bayonet will serve the British at Arthur Percy Thomas of the Duke night as well as by day. There are, of course, in war all sorts of chances. A got more sense, you bet !" party of Boers from the north or the south might conceivably fall by surprise on some point of the investing G. P. Roberts was born at Ban- ring, and thus gain a chance to escape bury, Eng., in 1876, but has lived for the beleaguered Boers, but the probabilities are that General Cronje is a son of Charles Robarts, at pres- will be compelled to surrender, and ed the Ladysmith Lyre, and is pubthat thus at Paardeberg will be effect-Allan C. Shaw was born at Que ed the destruction of the first fraction

Gen. Roberts Says the Canadian Soldiers Displayed Great Bravery.

A despatch from Ottawa says:-His Excellency the Governor-General has received the following telegram from Field Marshal Lord Roberts:-

"Phardeberg, Orange [Free State, people how much we all here admire lows: conspicuous gallantry displayed by our Canadian comrades on this occasion. "ROBERTS."

A doctor with cavalry experience has invented a patent galloping hospital, wounded in Sunday's fight, volun- accommodating six wounded.

of the War.

A STORY FROM ARUNDEL.

An amusing incident occurred in connection with the British occupation of Arundel. The Boer adjutant at Arundel had gone out for a couple of days' hunting, and, returning highly elated, with a fine buck slung across his saddle, rode straight into the (wn, only to find our troops there and himself a prisoner.

PAT'S REGRET.

An "absent-minded beggar," while waiting to embark a few days ago, was John A. Donegan, killed, had lived interviewed by an onlooker. When asked was he not sad at the thought to possess a wife, so his interlocutor | it a bit." said: "Who are you leaving? Is it your parents, or your brothers and sisters?" "Lomanty, no! divil the refly lation have I in this world, barrin' an ould uncle. It's only a couple of fat The best known name on the list geese that were fattening up for my

THE BIG BOER GUNS.

It has been suggested in some quarters that the Boers may have to surrender through want of ammunition, but this is not probable, as they are reported to have started the war with over 250,000,000 rounds in store, most of which has been brought up by the Cape Railway Government. What is far more probable is that they will soon be handicapped by the want of sarily soon be put out of action by excessive firing. Up till now, however, the Boers have hit us harder with their infantry fire than with their artillery. This is proved by the fact that the majority of our wounded cases have not been serious ones. Many who were wounded at Belmont and Grapsan have returned to duty or are about to do so shortly."

A CAPTAIN'S BLUNDER.

Regiment, whose name had better be withheld pending inquiry, being severely wounded, ordered the wnite flag to be raised. Thereupon a towel was fastened to a stick and displayed. The Poers instantly stopped firing, and stood up. The officers of the Glouces-During the whole day the newspaper | ters, thinking that perhaps the flag offices have been deluged with tele- had been raised by the order of Colonel Carleton were uncertain, and, while some companies stopped firing others continued. The next moment both forces were inextricably mingled, and the surrender was complete."

A lady at Durban writes: "In see-

ing the troops off down here we do all we can to give them a happy sendoff-throw them flowers, cigarettes, fruits and cakes. The other week a here '-for the wounded are brought | lb. down here to the Spartan, the hospital ship. Well, she watched every Red | tions :-Cross train which came down, and one day, after the battle of Elandslaagte, when the train came down, she saw Looks As If His Army Will Be a bunch of very withered flowers feebly waved from one of the carriage windows. He had been badly wounded in his first engagement."

HER MAN WAS A CORPSER.

There are degrees of military pride and patriotism. Among the cheering Antipodean crowd giving the Australian contingent a send off there was a stout matron, wedged next to a mild little man. As the soldiers passed she suddenly cried: "There's my man!" and nudged her neighbour violently in the ribs. 'Indeed, ma'am," cried the gasping old man, "I'm sorry to hear-' "Don't you worry," she interrupted; 'E's orrite. 'E's a corpser. Harmy Med cal Corpse. 'E don't fight. 'E's

THE "LADYSMITH LYRE."

Part of a copy of the new paper published in Ladysmith has been reprinted by a contemporary. It is calllished to supply a long-felt want. "What you want in a besieged town," says the prospectus, "is news that you can absolutely rely on as false." Only one quarter column is reserved for True News, if any should "unavoid- Ontario. ably creep in." In the edition under notice this column is blank.

THE SOULDIERS POCKET BIBLE." In connection with the 40,000 copies

of the Psalter and Gospels which the British and Foreign Bible Society has distributed to the troops in South Africa, there is an interesting article by Feb. 22, 1900.—Canadian Regiment has the Rev. H. F. Moule, in this month's done admirable service since arrival Reporter, on "The Souldier's Pocket in South Africa. I deeply regret heavy Bible," produced in 1643, for Cromloss it suffered in the fighting on 18th well's Ironsides. A facsimile is shown inst., and beg you will assure the of the title-page, which begins as fol-

SOULDIERS. Pocket Bible:

Containing the most, if not all, those places contained in holy Scripture, which doe shew the qualifications of dread of possible contingencies will me to do." Then he trudged on by his inner man, that is a fit souldier never be at rest.-Johnson.

to fight the Lords Battels, both before the fight, in the fight, and after the

Which Scriptures are reduced to severeall heads, and fitly applyed to the Soudliers severall occasions, and so may supply the want of the whole Bible; which a Souldier cannot con-

veniently carry about him. And may bee also usefull for any Christian to meditate upon, now in tis miserable time of Warre. Imprimatur. Edm. Calamy.

A CLOSE SHAVE.

The enemy's new quick-firing machine guns make a most irritating noise, and seem to work on a pivot, landing shells at intervals of a few yards which explode one after another. The noise is like a double series of hard blows on an iron door. It is of this gun that a captain of one of the Guards' regiment with Lord Methuen's force writes: "I happened to be in the line of it just before dark, and they pumped six rounds at me. The first four pitched in a line about twenof leaving home, he replied: "Begorra, ty, ten and fifteen, and the fourth I am and I amn't. It's the thought four yards in front of me, and threw of them I lave behind that makes me dirt all over me, and the next two loth to sail." He looked too young just pitched behind me. I didn't like

THE CAREFUL BOER.

Whilst a group of gentlemen were discussing the situation in a London street, the conversation turned on spies and their treatment, and one of lar and best known young men, a son | An' nobody to eat them but the ould | the party, who has had a deal of South African experience, held that the Boer methods in this respect were superior present dangers or the horrid sight, to our own. To back up this argu- the boy's heart beat with tenderment, he quoted the following inci- ness toward the wounded, Instead it to him: "At the time of the Jame- himself after the battle, he was seen son Raid, a Dutchman named Marais, venturing his life for the good of his it Johannesburg, and obtained a per- body after another, collecting all the When returning to his home he was making a fire in the night to pro-

Toronto, Feb. 27 .- We had a dull Writing with reference to the af- market here to-day; all the slush and fair at Nicholson's Nek, a correspon- filth of the city had apparently been ent says: "I am told by one of the dumped in the Western cattle yards; survivors that the gallant colonel hop- the attendance of buyers was small, kindness in their hours of helplessed to finish with a bayonet charge and those who were here cleared out ness and expend all the ammunition, but as soon as possible. There was little suddenly a captain of the Gloucester trading, and a large portion of the cattle were left over for the regular market to-morrow, Wednesday.

All told 33 car loads of live stock came in, consisting of 1,100 hogs, 50 cattle, 250 sheep and lambs, and a few milkers and calves.

The cablegram this morning reporting cattle lower at both Liverpool and London tended to depress the export trade, and little was done at about the prices of last Tuesday.

Very little doing in the butcher market; prices are not quotably chang-

stockers, bulis, or milkers; and prices are not perceptibly changed. The prices for sheep and lambs are the same as on Tuesday; trade easy,

All round the market was exceed-Hogs are steady and unchanged.

Following is the range of quota-

Shippers, per cwt. . .\$ 425 \$ 500

Butcher, choice, do 870	4 20
Butcher, med., to good. 325	3 50
Butcher, inferior 275	3 00
Stockers, per cwt. 275	3 50
Sheep and Lambs.	
Sheep, per cwt 300	3 50
Lambs, per cwt 475	5 25
Bucks, per cwt 225	2 50
Milkers and Calves.	
Cows, each 25 00	50 00
Calves, each 200	10 00
Hogs.	
Choice hogs, per cwt 475	5 25
Light hogs, per cwt 400	4 62 1-
Heavy hogs, per cwt 400	4 62 1-
Sows 360	3 00
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Stags.	Omata

white, 65 to 66c, according to nearness to the mill. Western Ontario points; and 661-2 to 67c, east; goose wheat, east, 67c; Manitoba No. 1 hard, 79c, North Bay; and at 791-2c, g.i.t. Flour-Quiet. Outside millers offer

straight roller, in buyers' bags, middle freights, at \$2.65 per bbl; and export agents bid \$2,55. Special brands, in wood, for local account, sell around Millfeed-Scarce. Bran is quoted at

\$15.50 to \$16; and shorts at \$17 to \$18, at the mill door through Western Corn-Firm. No. 2, American, yellow, quoted at 42c, track, Toronto; and mixed at 41c; Canadian corn, scarce

and firmer at 4lc track, Toronto. Peas-Strong, and in good demand. Car lots, 62 to 62 1-2c, north and west; and 63 to 63 1-2e, east. Barley-Export demand keeps up well. Choice heavy maling barley is in excellent enquiry. Car lots of No.

2, middle freights, 421-2c; and east. at 431-2c; No. 1 is quoted at 44 to 45c,

Oats-Firm and active. White oats, north, and west, 27 1-2c; middle freights ,28c; and east, 28 1-2c. Buckwheat-Quiet. Offerings light.

He that worries himself with the

Car lots, outside, quoted at 49 to 50c.

Young Folks.

SORE POINTS.

The pencil heaved a weary sigh And murmured to the pen, 'I haven't felt so cut of sorts Since-oh, I don't know when

"The penknife treats me very ill, It cuts me in the street, And really is extremely sharp Whene'er we chance to meet.

"And when I broke the other day Beneath its bitter stroke; It said 'it didn't see the point,' Neither did I the joke!

"With many troubles I'm depressed My heart just feels like lead," The pen mopped up an inky tear-"I weep for you," it said.

AN ENGLISH BOY HERO.

While a boy bugler in England's Fifth Lancers has been rewarded for his pluck at the battle of Elandslaagte, there is one boy whose grit in England's Crimean War made him a name that has lasted even to this

This boy, whose name was Thomas Keep, went with the English army to the heights of Alma, preserving the most undaunted demeanor throughout the battle. Shot and shell fell about him like hail; but, notwithstanding the weariness of the day, dent, the victim of which had related of going into a tent to take care of living at Krugersdorp, wished to vis- comrades stepping carefully over one met from his Field Cornet to do so. broken muskets he could find, and accosted by Boer scouts, to whom he cure hot water. He made tea for handed his passport. They were, how- the sufferers, and saved the life of a ever, suspicious, and after blindfold- Sergeant and several of the private ing him they led him back to theirr soldiers who were lying nearly excamp, where the commandant heard hausted from want. At Balaklava, his story, and was satisfied of his again, he assisted the wounded. He bona-fides. But though they admit- did his duty by day and worked in ted he was one of themselves, they the trenches by night, taking but litagain blindfolded him, and led him for the rest. At Inkerman he was surtwo miles from the camp, when he rounded by Russians about 20 minwas permitted to mount his horse and utes, and, to use his own words, "thought it was all over with him. He received one shot, which passed through his coat and out at the leg of MARKETS, his trousers, but he was unhurt. He helped, with all the bravery of a man, his trousers, but he was unhurt. He to get in the wounded. He waited on the doctor when extracting the shot from the men, and on the men before and after, Some of the wounded say they would not have been alive now had it not been for this boy's unwearied watchfulness and

STEVENSON AND CHILDREN.

Edmund Gosse, an English writer, has a charming paper on Robert Louis Stevenson in his relations to children in a recent number of the Youth's Companion. Mr. Gosse is an especial admirer of "A Child's Garden of Verse," and has this to say about one of the notable little poems

contained in the volume. Everyone recollects and delights in The Land of Counterpane," which Wher I was sick and lay abed, I had two pillows at my head,

And all my tops beside me lay There was little doing with feeders, To keep me happy all the day. All this, we may say, is the imaginative experience of a sick child; but to the very close of Stevenson's life he was accustomed to make up adventures as he lay in bed very still, forbidden to speak or move, propped up on pillows, with the world of fancy

> He had related a great deal of the temperament of a child, and it wa his philosophy to encourage it. When his illness was more than common heavy upon him he used to contrib little amusements for himself. played on a flute, or he modelled little figures and groups in clay; but he could not always be doing this, and when his fingers were tired, he lay gazing down on the white world which covered him, and imagined that armies were marching over the hills of his knees or ships coming to anchor between the blanket and sheet. Toward the end of his life, he complained that he could not care any more about the Land of Counterpane, and to those who knew him best this seemed quite a serious sign of impaired vitality.

A TRUE HERO.

Sometimes it required more brav-Toronto, Feb. 27 .- Wheat - Quota- ery to do a little thing all alone ions are as follows:-Ontario red and than to do some great thing in company with others. Thus a soldier may be a hero on the field of bat-71c, low freights to New York; spring | tle, but lack the courage to stand up alone on a platform and make a

Ralph Waldo Emerson, in his essay on "Heroism," says that genuine heroism is persistence. As an illustration he tells how his little son Waldo on his way to school had to pass a house where lived a French family. The child heard the family talking their native language, which he couldnot understand, and that made him have a sort of superstitious fear of them. So Mr. Emerson used to walk to and from school with the little fel-

But one day he decided that the child was old enough to overcome his fear and pass the house of the French family by himself. He went to school with the lad and told him that he must return alone.

After school was dismissed Waldo walked manfully toward home until he had nearly reached the French house. Then he stopped, and, leaning Rye-Firm. Car lots, 51 west, and against the fence, began to whimper. Miss Elizabeth Hoar, a neighbor, saw him and went to the rescue. 'Come, Waldo, I am going your way and you

can walk with me," said she. The child looked up tearfully into her eyes a moment and then said in the most doleful voice: "I don't think that was what my father meant for himself.