

THE MAFEKING MAIL

SPECIAL SIEGE SLIP.

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No. 69

Friday, February 9th, 1900.

120th Day of Siege.

The Mafeking Mail.

FRIDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1900.

LATEST NEWS.

The following news, dated the 22nd January, is to hand to-day—

Kimberley is still unrelieved. The 7th Division is now landing at Capetown, and it is also reported that the 8th Division is expected to arrive shortly.

Contingents from Canada, India and Australia are on the sea.

General Sir Redvers Buller crossed the Tugela on January 27th, Sir Charles Warren being on the left, and making a wide turning movement.

General French has surrounded Colesberg. General Gatacre is at Molteno, and Lord Methuen at Modder River.

The Boers suffered a severe repulse at Ladysmith on 6th January, which apparently has knocked all the spirit out of them.

The following resolution was passed by the Borough Council of Kimberley on the 10th January—

"That this Council begs to express its profound admiration for the splendid defence of the town of Mafeking, and its deep sympathy with the sufferings and privations caused to the inhabitants by prolonged Siege. And the Council hopes and prays for the speedy relief of Mafeking."

Mafeking Garrison.

GENERAL ORDERS

By Colonel R. S. S. Baden-Powell, Commanding Frontier Force.

MAFEKING, 8TH FEBRUARY, 1900.

Sergeant-Major Taylor, with a few men of the Colonial Contingent, completed on Tuesday night the blowing-up of the enemy's sniping place in the Brickfields. The explosion created alarm among the Boers in the advanced entrenchment, and a number of them hastily cleared out into the supporting trench under heavy fire from our men. These got away without casualty, having performed a very creditable piece of work.

*Appointments (Baker and Butcher).—*Mr. Elitson is appointed A.S.C. Butcher and Baker from the 7th instant. Salary: 30s. per diem.

Mr. Park, Assistant Issuer and Stock Bookkeeper. Salary: 10s. per diem.

Two Native Boy Assistants, each £1 per week.

Mr. Spiers and Mr. Hunkin are appointed Millers to the Imperial Authorities. Salaries respectively 30s. per diem, to date from the 6th instant.

*Promotion (Correction).—*General Order No. 4 of 6th February, 1900, Corporal Abrams, promotion to rank of Sergeant is antedated to the 5th inst.

Increase of Establishment.—General Order No. 6, of the 7th instant, is amended as follows:—The establishment of the Stadt Watchmen to be 100.

Bread.—It is notified that, from this day's date no bread will be supplied to

persons who have not registered their names with Captain Ryan, D.A.A.G. (B).

Oatmeal Ration.—The issue of Oatmeal will cease from to-day.

By order,
E. H. CECIL, Major,
Chief Staff Officer.

NOTICE.

THE following Shops will be open for Foodstuffs, etc., on Sunday, the 11th instant:—

Dixon's, Dall's, E. Solomon's

C. M. RYAN, Capt,
D.A.A.G.

Mafeking, 9th Feb., 1900.

DIXON'S STORE

Will be open on SUNDAY for Cash Transactions only.

Tenders.

TENDERS are hereby invited by the Imperial Government for the conveyance and delivery of water per ox or mule teams, from and to such wells and places as may from time to time be pointed out within the Defences of Mafeking.

Tenders will state price per tank of 400 gallons.

First delivery of water to be made on the night of the 13th February.

It will be distinctly understood that ox or mule rations cannot be given to Contractor.

Sealed Tenders, marked "Water Transport," to be handed in to the office of the Chief Staff Officer, not later than 10 a.m., on the 10th of February.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

BIRTH.

AT Kimberley, on the 16th January, the Wife of Sergt.-Major E. O. BUTLER, B.S.A.P., of a Son.

AUCTION SALE.

The undersigned, duly instructed, will sell by Public Auction, on

Sunday Next,

At 10-30 a.m.,

A quantity of Ladies and Mens Boots and Shoes,

Mens Underwear,

Trousers, Jackets, Shirts,

And many other articles too numerous to mention,

Also a lot of New and Second hand Novels.

Don't fail to receive Bargains.

Aldred & Ross,

Auctioneers & Sworn Appraisers.

With the sanction of the Col. Commanding

CYCLE SPORTS

will be held at the

RECREATION GROUND,

— ON —

Sunday, February 11th,

Commencing at 2-30 p.m.

Lady Sarah Wilson has kindly consented to distribute the prizes, which comprise: Watches; a Clock; a most handsome hand-painted "Watteau" Fan; Silver Glove Buttoner; Candlestick Mirror; Silver mounted Pipes; Amber Cigarette Holders; Cigarette Cases, &c.

Referee: H. H. Major Gould-Adams.

Judges: Major Godley; Capt. Cowan
Inspector Marsh.

Handicappers: Lieut. Colonel Walford
Inspector Browne

Starter: C. G. H. Bell, Esq., C.C. & R.M.

Clerk of Course } To be appointed on
Lap Scorer } the Ground.

The Totalisator

Will be upon the Grounds.

Under charge of Sergt. Major Merry.

PROGRAMME:

	Start
1. One Mile Siege Championship	2-40
2. Team Race of One Mile	3-0
Four members of: The Prot. Regiment, the B.S.A. Police, the Cape Police, the Bechuanaland Rifles, and the Town Guard.	
3. Half Mile Bicycle Race in Fancy Costume	3-20
One Prize for Winner, and one prize for best Fancy Dress.	
4. Half Mile Ladies Race	3-40
5. Three Lap Race	4-0
Walk a lap. Ride a lap. Run a lap.	
6. One Mile Bicycle Handicap	4-40

POST ENTRIES.

Bicycles will be provided for those who have not their own. Lots being drawn for them.

The distribution of Prizes will take place directly after the last race.

By the kind permission of Capt. Cowan the Band of the Bechuanaland Rifles will play during the intervals.

Book Early for the

Concert.

Plans rapidly filling up.

Only a few Reserved Seats left.

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