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The controversy which may be said sponsible for the conduct of the negowith considerable feeling.

forming a clear judgment of the Issue us. which is to be decided, the more they have come round to the view that the government, if they have erred, have erred on the side of patience, and that so far from being wanton provokers of unnecessary war, the criticisms that have hoped with too firm a hope, and if possible, this great controversy might have been decided without blood-

We have had war forced upon us because we desired to see established that state of things under which glone peace is possible in South Africa, a state of things not only inconsistent with personal and political freedom, but which is intimately bound up with those great causes, and, indeed, primarily depends upon them. I know not. I will frankly add I do not much care, what judgment be passed in this matter upon us by those who perhaps have not the opportunity, and perhaps have not the inclination, to judge us as a nation fairly.

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ment I think the fewer words the bet-ter, provided always that these words are free from ambiguity or reserve. In sulting the colleagues with whom I am through to the end. in the habit of acting, but I should not be doing my duty if I did not state my

views with clearness and frankness. The Transvaal government rest their ease upon what they allege to be an un- I regard this war with feelings of warrantable and unlawful intervention horror. My dread is not based upon on the part of Great Britain in their the mere realization of the sorrows, internal concerns. I confess that to the sufferings, and the cruekles which and the controversy is of a most are necessarily attendant upon war:

stone in 1881 was, in the then circum- The difficulties of the war will be

year from had to worse, has under- racial enmity and anger which it will mined that unanimity of feesing, that take generations to overcome, position in South Africa depends.

cided by the arbitrament of force, but no place, as far as I know, in the pro- into harmony, the more the public has known of what gram of policy of any responsible poli-

> "WE NEED NOT BE ASHAMED." William Broderick, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

We are now about to send forth the desired with too effective a desire that, for the purpose of the campaign in the lice? And if the natural effects ensue, Seaside 9:6 a.m. arison in which there has been a great ten years, or in fifteen years hence, be All trains make close connections at extension of territory and of influence called upon to encounter? on the part of various powers in proxclash of interests.

The reason we have been forced into done all we possibly could by svery of war as soon as possible. means in our power to priserve the peace. Recollect that not for months, but for past years, the government of the Transvaul has preserved against our protests antiquated and inequitable within its own borders. Transvaal itself has been turned into seemed inexhaustible have had this solution pressed upon them, now that the peace of the whole of South Africa. During the whole of that time war, with all its consequences, all its nothing has been wanting on our part something especially fine to loss of life, all its destruction of prop- as the stronger power in the way of the anade saits will do well to rememcan say that we have never asked for that there was little disposition to C. A. building. anything but justice. We have never meet us, and although preparations for Not only does be keep a strictly firstdesired anything but freedom, that all actual conflict were proceeding apace. class cutter for men's wear, but also we have longed for is the equality under the Transvaal Republic towards few days that our patience has been all can rest assured of getting not only men of our race and of our speech mistaken for pusilanimity. This coun- good work, but the best of materials, which we freely and equally give to try would not long remain great if it as Mr. Royer is an expert on woolen men of Dutch race and Dutch speech is not strong enough to protect the cloths. in the neighboring colonies, and that treaty rights, the convention rights, if they think it worth while to imperil and the engagements made on behalf of TICKETS their future in order to refuse these the queen's subjects in various parts rights to men of our race and of our of the globe. The least we can give they give to mea's suits, rank these them and not upon this country, and citizens of no mean country is the prowe can at all events feel that what- tection to which they are entitled. and successful issue, the sacrifices Transvaal, has been the object of our

I trust that as we have been moderate in negotiations so we shall show Like what is man, but like a sprouting that true wisdom which alone can settionably the result of this campaign, which is to begin today or tomorrow.

Among the thistles and the tares of life.

And then to see it streement to begin today or tomorrow. must be, if the government is to do its

what I say it must be understood that It is not with a light heart that they I speak only for myself. I have had take up the challeage that has been no opportunity since the new phase thrown down, but now that it has been of the situation has developed, of con- forced upon them, they will see it

> " AY THE HAND OF WAR" Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Member of Parliament,

my mind the controversy is of a most are necessarily scholastic character, for it cannot be I look to the peculiar circumstances U. B. SCOTT, President. too clearly understood what the word of South Africa and to the social and

the suzerainty rights imposes no defi- must bring in its train. There will be alte obligations. For my part, I have the usual vicissitudes of a campaign always thought the retrocession of the There will be ultimately the success malified independence of the South attending at all events the larger bat-African republic made by Mr. Glad- talions, if not the better battalions.

stances of South Africa, and in view great, but we know that the courage of any circumstances which at that and the endurance of our soldiers will time could have been reasonably con- overcome these difficulties. The two templated as likely to arise, a magnani- republics will be conquered. That is mous and polite act; but Mr. Gladstone their share in the result of the war. obtained conclusive assurance that the They must consider for themselves how British minority would have equal far they will be benefitted by it. But rights and privileges with the burgher what is our share in the results of the war? We shall remain the victors, it does not consider that promise was deliber-war? We shall remain the victors, it does not consider that any viewious time. The largely increased traffic to ducted in this manner will have raised.

It is impossible to ignore that the and will leave behind it, not only in the transportation, and in consideration of ately made. It has never been carried is true, but a war undertaken and contalk of things which has existed in the territories of the republics, but this the railroads are establishing a Transvant and allowed to go year by throughout the whole of South Africa,

co-operation upon which our imperial who has had any responsibility in South African affairs has found the The issue raised by the Transvaal cardinal principle of good government government is simply, has Great Brit- to lie in the maintenance of the best ain the paramount power in South feeling between the Dutch and the to have begun on the morrow of the Africa? Has Great Britain the right to English elements in the population. duli conceit, and with an absolute signing of the convention of last, has secure for her subjects in the Trans- The Dutch in the colonies-and this want of sympathy or affection. It is now reached the stage when an appeal vani the same equality of treatment seems to be sometimes forgotten in the the intensest rendering of vulgarity, is made to arms. I know not what as is voluntarily accorded to Dutch articles that one reads in the newspaother people may feel, but I confess and English alike in every other part pers-are every whit as much our felthat to me, as a member of the gov- of South Africa? The issue so raised low subjects as the English colonists. ernment, as one of those directly re- is an issue which we cannot shirk. The present prime minister at the which we are bound to take up. I Cape, who, although not a Dutchman tlations which have now terminated, dissosociate myself, however, entirely himself, is in power by virtue of Dutch I regard this unhappy close of them from those, if such there be, who hall support, is as much a minister of the this war, this deplocable, this lament- queen as Lord Salisbury himself. It There was a time when doubts were able war, as a means to an ulterior is by consulting and concillating our expressed as to the conduct of the de- end--the subordination of the Boers Dutch fellow-subjects that stable ortalls of the negotiations, and when and the annexation of the Dutch red der and content can next be maintainthere was not the clear conviction public. Such an intention has been em- ed. It is by tetting it be seen that which now exists as to the true merits phatically and repeatedly repudiated neither race shall have an advantage of the case which now has to be de- by her majesty's government. It finds over the other that they can be brought How will this policy be applicable

we have done and what we have aimed tician in this country. To adopt that, when a race war, such as this one, at, the longer their opportunity has to coquet with it. to connive at it. shall have taken place? Our Dutch Leave. been for studying the methods of the would be to justify a hundredfold the follow-subjects in Cape Colony have some and property maintained their loyalty unimpaired. Too p. m. for Astoria and inter- 9:00 p.m. mediate points. government of Pretoria, the greater charges of Pharaisaism and hypocrisy maintained their loyalty unimpaired, opportunities given them of really which are being freely leveled against and have exhibited in many forms and on many occasions their close friendalty will bear the strain of a war in which the whole force of the empirewhich is their empire as much as ours. and to the strength of which they conwhich has ever left the British Isles come and extinguish the Dutch repub-Transvaal, That is the more remarks- how small will our difficulties of past Passengers may return on any ble when we consider that in the course years appear in comparison with those of the last twenty-four months both in which, not we, perhaps, but those who Asis and in Africa many cases have come after us, shall, in five years, in ot Fiavel and Hammond via Warren-

> imity to ourselves under circumstances ditions, which surely ought to give At Portland with all trains leaving I merely briefly indicate these conwhich, with less able guidanc, might strength to the appeal in which every Union depothave rendered possible some perious thoughtful man and every really patri- At Asteria with I. R. & N. Co.'s boa these expeditions is that this country whelming responsibility of government. THROUGH TICKE has an empire which has a frontier all whether it be in London or in Cape ever the habitable globe. We have Town, or in Pretoria, to stay the hand

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THEY CUT TO FIT.

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ourselves in the end to be possessed of That grows and ripens but to cast its

which is to begin today or tomorrow. Or like the clouds that wander with the must be, if the government is to do its breeze duty, one which shall secure perma- And pass unnoticed from a life of ease?

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