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MAFEKING IS NEXT

Relief is Confidently Expected to Come Soon.

OTHERWISE ALL IS SATISFACTORY

Boer Deserters Surrender Guns to the British—Important Movements Are Looked For in Natal.

LONDON, March 18, 4:30 A. M.—The news from South Africa today is entirely satisfactory to the British public. The relief of Mafeking is not yet announced, but it is already accomplished by Colonel Plumer's advance. Lady Charles Bantick, at Cape Town, has received a telegram from her husband in Mafeking, dated March 12, saying that he expected to join her shortly.

CELEBRATED IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Queen's Message to Irishmen on St. Patrick's Day—Kipling's Poem.

CAPE TOWN, March 18.—St. Patrick's day was celebrated with extraordinary enthusiasm throughout South Africa. In a message to Irishmen of Cape Town, the Queen said:

"I have always felt confident that the spirit, courage and allegiance which have distinguished the Irish soldiers in the face of the most trying conditions will be brethren in the Colony in support of the authority of my Government."

Boer Deserters Take Guns to the British at Belmont.

LONDON, March 18.—The War Office has the following dispatch from Field Marshal Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, Sunday, March 18:

"The Guards' Brigade returned yesterday from the Orange River. Several burghers have laid down their arms to General Pole-Carew at Edenburg and elsewhere."

Summary of the Situation.

LONDON, March 18.—Spencer Wilkinson in the Morning Post says:

"Probably Mafeking will be relieved by the approach of Colonel Plumer before Lord Methuen, who seems engaged in the work of clearing the country north of Kimberley, can arrive. The pacification of the Free State is progressing satisfactorily. Ultimately, there will arise, probably among the Transvaal Boers, a strong peace party, who will point to the condition of affairs in the Orange River valley as evidence that in the British province of Pretoria life may be tolerable. It must not be too readily assumed that Lord Roberts will continue his advance by a direct line to Johannesburg and Pretoria. There are other routes with advantages that may be worthy of consideration."

Boers Hold Two Positions.

Have Mounted Guns, and Are Digging Extensive Trenches.

LONDON, March 18.—A dispatch to the Times from Ladysmith, dated Sunday, March 18, says:

"Our advanced camp is on Sunday River, two miles north of Eland's Laagte. The Boers hold two positions on the Elandsberg range, about 18 miles north. The strongest is on the Newcastle road, where several guns have already been mounted and where they are digging extensive trenches. The second position, which is on the Dundee road, is not so strong."

The Federal Losses.

PRETORIA, Friday, March 18.—The Chief of the Intelligence Department, Meibohm, announces that the Federal losses prior to the relief of Kimberley were: Killed, 87; wounded, 219; accidents, sickness and other disabling causes, he asserts, brings the total to 451.

Treasure-House of Mexico.

Such is Said to Be the State of Cuernavaca—Development Work.

CITY OF MEXICO, March 18.—Returning mine experts say that profusion of prospects of every sort of material in the State of Cuernavaca warrants naming that state the treasure-house of the republic. It is no longer a question as to whether oil in quantities can be had in Mexico, for this has been demonstrated satisfactorily in three different states of the republic. Transportation is now the vital question in this connection. The company now engaged in exploiting Vera Cruz fields has gotten about 50 tons of machinery on the ground, and has developed the property quite sufficiently to be sure of deposits there. Experts sent to fully test the tobacco fields are giving satisfactory reports, and the only drawback to the immediate operation is the transportation question. The best deposits discovered are in the State of Cuernavaca, and after railway facilities now under construction, the company will be enabled to commence the development work on a large scale.

BIG STRIKE ORDERED

Manufacturers and Machinists Fail to Reach Agreement.

WILL AFFECT 100,000 WORKMEN

Will Extend Throughout the United States and May Reach Other Countries—Begins at Once.

CHICAGO, March 18.—After the conference between representatives of the International Association of Machinists and the Administrative Council of the National Metal Trades Association, ended at 10:20 this morning, President James O'Connell, of the union, declared that strikes would be called immediately in all parts of the country if the strike was presented to the manufacturers. Such strikes will involve 100,000 men and cause to be shut down for an indefinite period plants having an aggregate capacity of millions of dollars. Chicago labor troubles are responsible for the disagreement, which in effect precipitates the general machinists' strike. Were it not for the fact that leaders of the Machinists' Union refused to call off strikes that now exist in parts of the country, the strike would be called by the manufacturers and leaders. It is believed, however, that there is an amicable agreement and arbitration would have been permanently established between the National Metal Trades Association and the International Association of Machinists.

Organizer of Prisoner Industries.

DETROIT, March 18.—Capt. Joseph Nicholson, for 21 years warden of the Detroit House of Correction, died today. He was widely distinguished as an organizer and manager of prison industries.

Death of Distinguished Jurist.

ABBEVILLE, S. C., March 18.—Walter L. Miller, the distinguished jurist, died today. Many of Mr. Miller's papers have been copied in leading law journals of Europe and the United States.

Secretary of Navy Denies the Published Report—Everything Easy.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—In official and diplomatic circles here a denial is being given to the serious reports that have been published regarding the dispatch of additional warships and United States soldiers to China, and that news of the naval force in the Philippines, as reported by the Secretary of the War Department, made public at the time through the Associated Press, in directing Admiral Watson, who is in command of the naval force in the Philippines, to send a warship to the port of Taku, at the mouth of the Pe Ho river. This was done as a result of the representations made to the State Department by Minister Conger, who reported that the Chinese had been made upon the American missions in Shantung by the "Boxers," a powerful and numerous anti-foreign league of Chinese.

Waiting to Hear From Chicago.

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Bishop Potter's Visit.

Was to Extend Episcopal Church to New Possessions.

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"My trip to Honolulu and the Philippines had for its object the extension of the influence of the Protestant Episcopal Church in those islands. My observations convince me that the Protestant Episcopal Church should be extended in both Hawaii and the Philippines, and it is now the clear duty of the Church to send people to see that the Christian religion is firmly established among the inhabitants of those islands."

Philippines to Be Harmed.

MANILA, March 19, 9:40 A. M.—A military commission at Bayamban has sentenced to be hanged, on March 20, two natives, who have been guilty of murdering their countrymen.

Havana Carnival Tapering Off.

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Some of the American ladies say they are completely worn out with the continuous round of gaiety. St. Patrick's day was celebrated by a great variety of entertainments, particularly by a dinner given to 14 persons by General O'Brien, the guests being the principal members of American and Cuban society.

TROUBLE IN MANILA

Insurgents There and in Hong Kong Are Active.

INTERCOURSE WITH MABINI STOPPED

Philippines Are Gaining Confidence in Americans and Becoming Friendly—Some Cases of Treachery.

MANILA, March 18, 9:30 P. M.—General Otis considers Manila the most troublesome center in the situation today. The insurgent junta here in conjunction with the Hong Kong is growing active. The military authorities have been forced to put a stop to Mabini's intercourse with the public. The local and foreign press considers his contact with the junta to be a source of danger to the Philippines, and prejudicial to American control.

Largest Woman Dead.

KOKOMO, Ind., March 18.—Mrs. Lida Greger, the largest woman in Indiana, died suddenly at her home near here today, falling from her chair while playing dominoes. She weighed about 500 pounds, and was 32 years old.

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