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cross the Free State frontier on any pre-text whatever. Two natives who crossed and looted an abandoned Boer farm are now in custody. Colonel Dalgety's position is strong and

attack. well chosen, but he is completely sur-rounded. The Boers have their backs against Boers are supposed to be in the vicinity, Basutoland, and if they can be be in the vicinity. oland, and if they stay much longer they will be hemmed in. The British op-erations are keenly watched from the neighboring heights. Shelling and sniping have been going on steadily during the last six days. Colonel Dalgety's guns are admirably served, and there is no waste of ammuni-tion. The Boers, when they see the elec-tric flash of the cordite, bolt into their holes or behind walls. So near are the Boers and the Basuto guards that they converse. The ambulances are close to the border, but the killed and wounded are not removed until nightfall in order to conceal the number of casualties. The Boers are fatigued, and their horses are

"Only some of our men are armed, but they will all be armed in the morning. I will resist ever attempt by the contractors to renew the work tomorrow with strange getty wired yesterday: "All well; enemy apparently slackening

State Troops Ordered Out.

NEW YORK, April 15.-General Roe re-

HOUSTON, Tex., April 15 .- Tuesday the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress will meet here in 11th annual session, and for the first time every state and territory men, and we will fight if necessary. west of the Mississippi River will be of-

Bregontan.

ficially represented. Many towns will also have representation, as will the National

KANSAS CITY: April 15 .- A Journal ecial from Wichita, Kan., says:

"A storm approaching a tornado in proportion, is reported in the vicinity west of Clearwater. Two deaths are reported, and four people are said to have been injured by overturned houses. Wires are down, and particulars are unobtainable at 10 o'clock tonight. At Putnam it is

reported several houses were blown down

was brought by passengers on the south-

bound Santa Fe passenger train that two

persons were killed, but it is impossible

night. The telephone and telegraph wires

were rendered useless by the wind, and

all attempts to reach Putnam, Newton

or affected points have proven of no avail.

northeast of Adams, on the Englewood branch of the Santa Fe Railroad, it is

reported that a strip of country five miles long was swept by a storm at 6 o'clock this evening, and several farmhouses,

barns and other buildings blown down, No casualties are reported from there." The fact that indefinite scraps of infor-

mation are all that can be secured gives

cause for alarm that the storm is much

more serious than is generally admitted.

From a small sottlement, several miles, west of Fremont, in Sumner County, it

is said all the houses were wrecked with

loss of life. This report cannot be sub-

The storm area, so far as can be learned, extends over about 10 counties near and

at the southern line of the state. The cyclonic disturbance seems to have fol-

lowed the trend of the Arkansas River.

Heavy Rain and Wind.

NEWTON, Kan., April 15.-This morn-ing over an inch of rain fell here, and between 5 and 7 this evening three inches of water fell, flooding the northeast part

nying the storm this evening, took a southeasterly course a mile and a haif southeast of here. It jumped a farm-

of the city. A "baby" tornado accor

stantiated.

"West of Clearwater, in the country

confirm this report at 10 o'clock to-

and four people seriously injured. Word

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"THRIFT IS A GOOD REVENUE." GREAT SAVING RESULTS FROM CLEAN-LINESS AND SAPOLIO

tired and footsore The Boers attacked fiercely the British northern position on Monday, April 9, but they were beaten back at daybreak. Nothing is known here of the casualties on either side.

The Wepener Casualties,

ALIWAL NORTH, April 14. - Colonel Grenfell wires that the casualties at Wepener include Quartermaster Williams Lieutenant Halford and Lieutenant Dun can and 15 men wounded.

Sir Godfrey Langdon, Resident Commissioner at Maseru, telegraphs that no shelling has been heard from the direction of Wepener today. A regiment of British infaniry and a

battery of artillery arrived Friday. General Brabant's headquarters and all the mounted troops have gone to Rouxville Free-Staters Resume Fighting.

The Northern Post asserts that the Rouxville district furnished 1000 recruits to the Boer force as a result of the invasion last week. hundred Boers forced the Royal Irish Rifles to evacuate Rouxville. The former Landrost, who had been acting for the British, offered to go to the front to prove himself a true Free-Stater, and al-most to a man the Free Staters who had taken the oath rejoined the Boers. Near-ly every one produced a Mauser. It is reported that there are 760 Boers at

Vepener Fourteen British sympathizers have been imprisoned. The Paymaster, with f1400, was cap-It is officially reported that the British

losses at Wepener in four days' fighting were 18 men killed and 132 wounded.

NO VISITORS WANTID. Source of Annoyance and Expense in

South Africa. LONDON, April 15. - Joseph Chamber-lain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has received the following dispatch from Sir Alfred Milner, British High Commissioner in South Africa:

"The number of visitors to South Africa "The number of visitors to South Africa is constantly increasing, and includes many, especially ladles, who seem to have no particular-call of duty or business. I am sure this would not be the case if it were realized at home that visitors who, in ordinary times, would be most wel-come, may, under existing conditions, be-come a serious source of inconvenience, interfering with the work of the military and civil offices, and putting a strain on our limited means of accommodation, which are urgently required for those who which are urgently required for those who have duties to perform here or who are

invalided at the front. "A considerable increase in the expense of living-at all times very high-is caused by this excessive influx of visitors, and by this excessive influx of visitors, and this is a hardship to persons of the lat-

ter class. After saying that there is no place less suitable for recreation than South Africa

ut an attack by them is impro

Miner Fell Into Boer Hands WARRENTON, April 15.-Frank Smith, well-known mine owner, fell into the ands of the Boers while driving from Barkley West toward the Frank Smith mine.

REDDERSBURG, April 15 -- Colonel Dal-

BIG DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Many New Towns Between Chicago and the Rocky Mountains.

CHICAGO, April 15 .- The Times-Herald norrow will say:

"Railroads using Chicago as their gate-way have taken up internal improvement plans for the territory between Chicago and the Rocky Mountains, which involve the expenditure of millions of dollars and an addition to present population, from immigration alone, of at least 200,000 new

people, within the next 18 months. The number of new towns that will appear on the maps of the West within the next year or those to which 500 to 600 new pop-ulation is to be added already number number 173. Before 1902 it is believed this number will exceed 200. Areas neglected in the past while trunk lines were building

are receiving the closest attention from railroad land commissioners and traffic managers. "The railroads undertaking the most important part of this work, a work to

which they have practically paid no at-tention since the Western land booms of 15 years ago, are: Atchison. Topeka & Santa Fe; Chicago & Northwestern; Chi-cago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; Northern Pacific; Chicago & Eastern Illinois; Illi-nois Central; Chicago, Buriington & Quincy.

New Passenger Agents' Association. CHICAGO, April 15.-General passenger agents of Western lines centering in Chicago have formed a new organization, which will undoubtedly have an important bearing upon the relations between the various dnes interestet. The organiza-tion is without a name. It has but one article, one by-law, which provides that the members shall meet six times a year and informally discuss every subject of interest in the several departments of the

The club grew out of one of the meetings of the Western Passenger Associa tion, when some one suggested that dif-ferences could be more easily settled if general passenger agents were more fa-miliar with the conditions and require-ments of other than their own road. The

organization does not aim at the acquisitien of any power or authority. Good fel-lowship, a better acquaintance and the betterment of passenger service in general is the unwritten motto.

Millionaire Wants His Name Changed CINCINNATI, April 15-Mores Fowler Chase, the young millionaire of La Fay-ette, Ind., suils for Europe next Wed-nesday, and his attorneys during his ab-sence will petition the court to change his name to Moses Fowler, the name of his grandfather, whose estate he inherited after the death of his mother. Chase's father recently arraigned the son for lu-nacy pending litigation over control of the estate

Death of Noted Horsetrainer.

CINCINNATI. April 15 .- John Hannigan, aged 63, one of the best-known horse trainers in the country, died at Mildale, Ky., tonight. He had charge of Chris Smith's stable, when it included Yo Tam-blen, and was in charge of stables for Ed Corrigan and others.

formal written demand from Sheriff Malloy, of Westchester County, this morning, to call out 500 troops to go immediately to the scene of the Italian laborers' strike at the Croton dam, and has decided to order out early tomorrow the Fourth separate company of Yonkers, the Eleventh separate company of Mount Vernon, Squadron A, of New York, and Troop C, of Brooklyn. The troops will number 160 infantry and 350 cavalry. General Roe thinks that these men will be sufficient to quell the strike.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE ENDED.

to Says General Manager Cannon, of the Southern Rallway.

WASHINGTON, April 15 .- Third Vice-President and General Manager Cannon, of the Southern Railway Company, tonight made the following statement concerning the strike: "The so-called strike, if it ever existed,

of the telegraph operators, might be con-sidered ended. Out of a total of some 1400 operators, less than 10 per cent left the service of the company, whose places have now been supplied, and there is absolutely no interruption in the telegraphic system from this cause, and passenger and freight trains are being conducted without any deiny.

ceived tonight from all superintendents of the line indicate a general desire for reinstatement of the operators who left the service, the citizens of some of the towns interceding for them. The company will prosecute in the courts any persons interfering with the conduct of its business. Several arrests have been made, and others will follow."

Tells a Different Story.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 15.—President Powell, of the telegraphers, tonight gave out a statement, in which he says: "The conditions tonight are entirely sat-isfactory to the men. Telegrams received by me from every division on the system indicate a feeling of unrest and dissatis-

indicate a feeling of unrest and dissatis-faction on the part of train and enginemetion on the part of train and engine-men on the system, as a result of the wreck on the Mobile division last night. "My action in declaring a boycot: against the Southern has brought a large

number of telegrams today from ticket and freight agents on every road of any consequence, from Maine to California,

for passenger trains, "I am preparing a letter to the business men and shippers of the South, asking public assistance and support in this strug-gle, and asking them to divert their busi-ness to other lines."

Cigarmakers Declare a Strike.

NEW YORK, April 15 .- Five thousand igarmakers who have been locked out have declared a strike, and say now that they will not return to work until a raise of \$2 to \$3 per week is made in their wages. It is understood that eight more manufacturers have decided to join the fight against those who sympathize with the striking employes of Krebs, Wertheim & Schaffer, and 3000 more men and women will be locked out tomorrow. They, too, will at once declare a strike.

Cigarmakers of Canada in Trouble MONTREAL, April 15.-Trouble between the cigar manufacturers and their em-

trade and comm of the region west of the Miesissippi River will be discussed fully, and the probable action on the question of the disposition of the Philip-pines will be one of much political as well as commercial interest. Able men are to discuss these matters. The programme in-cludes the following papers:

commercial bodies. Problems affecting the

Hon. George H. Maxwell, San Francis-Ann. George H. Maxweil, San Francis-co, "The Great West, Irrigation and Pop-ulation and Prosperity"; Hon. J. W. Springer, Denver, "The American States-man"; Hon. L. B. Bradford Prince, Santa Fe. N. M., "A Department of Mines and Mining: Statehood for Territories." Among the many speecnes set down

are these Hon. William A. Bates, Denver, "Policy and Measures for Shipping Restoration"; Hon. Elwood Meade, Cheyenne, Wyo., "Needs of Irrigation"; C. M. Heintz, Los Angeles, will discuss "Importance of Res-

The Colorado delegation will be the first to arrive and will come 50 strong and endeavor to capture the next congress.

COUSIN OF EUGENE FIELD.

Miss Mary Field French Dies at Amherst, Mass.

AMHERST, Mass., April 15,-Miss Mary Field French, aged 75 years, a cousin of the late Eugene Field, and for a number of years his guardian, died suddenly at her home today. Mr. Field was accustomed to visit Amherst frequently to see his cousin, of whom he was very fond. Her cousin, Roswell M. Field, of Chicago, a brother of Eugene, will attend her funeral tomorrow afternoon.

Found Dead in Bed.

house and took the roof off a barn. NEW YORK, April 15 .- Julius Koster Tornado's Work in Texas Town. a bricklayer, who had inherited \$300.09 from his brother's estate in Germany. DALLAS, Tex., April 15 .- A special to was found dead today, swinging from a the News from Royse, Tex., dated April rope in an empty water tank on the roof of his house. He had been ill, and the sudden change from poverty to riches

16, 2 A. M., says: "A tornado struck this place at midnight, and it is believed that several lives have been lost. Eight houses were wrecked, and at this hour the greatest excitement prevails.

"There had been an electric display early in the night, and ominous clouds had gathered in the northeast. There was, however, but little wind. A light breeze prevailed until about 15 minutes before the tornado. This came almost without warning.

"A man in a buggy was lifted from his seat and blown 100 yards. Telegraph and telephone lines were destroyed." Royse is 30 miles north of Dallas.

Transfer of Michigan Enterprise.

CLEVELAND, April 15 .- Several Chicago capitalists have just purchas d and took over all the interests of a number of weilknown Cleveland and New York parties including Secretary of State John Hay, and others, in the Munising Land Company and the Munising Railway Company, in Upper Michigan. One hundred thousand acres of hardwood land and 60 miles of railroad, in operation from Munising Bay to Little Lake, passed into Chicago hands by the transfer. A sum said to be in the vicinity of \$1,000,000 was paid over.

Insurers Getting Nervous.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15 .- The gamblers in reinsurance are getting very much afraid of the chances they have taken on the British ship Annie Thomas. She is new Easter gowns and millinery and to divert this money to the raising of the church debt. They kept their promise and today the amount of the debt-\$1600now out 260 days from Cardiff with a load of coal for Acapulco, and so little do the underwriters think of her chances of ever reaching port that they are offering 53 per cent to reinsure hull and cargo. was contributed to the Easter service.

CINCINNATI, April 15 .- The condition of Harry M. Weldon, sporting editor of the Enquirer, is very encouraging. His voice is coming back gradually, and gives every promise of being restored.

"Telegrams and telegraphic reports re-

affected his mind. Two Sick Statesmen.

TYLER, Tex., April 15 .- The condition of United States Senator Chilton, who has been sick for several days, shows no im-provement. Congressman Croker is a v ry sick man at his home at Beaumont. Both are down with la grippe

romising support. "General Manager Cannon, of the South-Editor Getting His Voice Again.

"General Manager Cannon, of the Suffi-ern, has wired a large telegraph college to send as many students as possible to take the strikers' places. "The freight blockade at the main di-

vision points of the road is growing daily. The company is unable to move this busi-ness, but the tracks are being kept clear

Wisconsin Pioneer Bend. MENDOTA, Wis, April 15.-John W. Owsley, Sr., one of the foremost ploneers of Western Wisconsin and South Dakola, died here today, aged 81 years.

-Ratirond President Dend. PHILADELPHIA, April 15.+Charles E. Smith, ex-president of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, died here today of paralysis, aged 79 years.

Paid Church Debt. CLEVELAND. April 15. - The women members of the East Madison-Avenue Presbyterian Church some time ago en-tered into an agreement to abstain from