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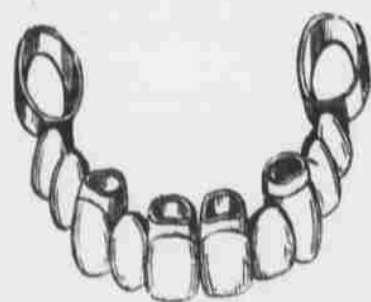
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WAR BETWEEN BOERS AND BRITISH IS IN PROGRESS

Transvaal Troops Begin Steady and Aggressive Advance.

ALL TELEGRAPH LINES CUT

Important Strategic Positions Are in Their Possession.

RAILROAD LINES AND STATIONS SEIZED

English Representative Has Taken Formal Leave of The Dutch Government and Returned to Ladysmith—British Troops Preparing for an Attack Which May Come at Any Time—Military Censorship Has Been Established.

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 13.—War was declared yesterday. The formal declaration occurred at 10 o'clock this morning.

VRYBURG, Cape Colony, Oct. 13.—A body of Boers have cut the border fence, advanced to the railway and cut the telegraph wires.

Two thousand Boers are now occupying the railroad line.

BOERS SEIZE ALBERTINA.

Great Excitement at Ladysmith and Troops are in Readiness to Act.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—When the cabinet meets at noon today it is evident the Boer advance will be in full swing.

Judging from present appearances the Boers are preparing for a simultaneous invasion at five separate points. Therefore it is almost impossible to guess the plan of campaign.

A dispatch from Durban, dated

Thursday morning, at 8 o'clock, announces that the Boers have seized Albertina station and demanded the keys, which were delivered to them by the station master, who reached Ladysmith on a trolley car. The excitement at Ladysmith is increasing and troops are ready to act at a moment's notice.

It is now definitely known that the British government sent no final proposals to Pretoria. The Transvaal's ultimatum forestalled that intention. So far as the news received thus far shows no shot has yet been fired. The evacuated district lies between Pretoria and Charlestown. There is no abatement in the anti-English feeling on the continent.

The Times Berlin correspondent declares that the German nation as a whole is unfriendly to England and that there would be rejoicing on all sides if England should suffer disaster or damage.

AN ATTACK HOURLY EXPECTED.

KIMBERLEY, Oct. 12.—Authorities of Mafeking are hourly expecting attack, in which event wires between Mafeking and Kimberley will be cut and information entirely shut off. The latest information regarding the number of burghers assembled along the Kimberley border is that it does not exceed 2500. The Boers have only four field guns. A successful attack upon Kimberley is therefore considered impossible.

AGENT GREENE WITHDRAWS.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 12.—News has been received here that the British diplomatic agent in the Transvaal, Mr. Conyngham Greene, paid his formal farewell visits to Kruger and high Boer officials at Pretoria last evening. In the Cape house of assembly today Premier Schreiner made an impassioned appeal to the country and press to preserve peace.

TELEGRAPH NEWS CUT OFF.

Boers are Negotiating With African Tribes for Assistance.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—The Free State burghers, according to a private message just received, have crossed Orange

river into Cape Colony and have occupied Philippstown. Their object, it is supposed, is to cut the railway at Deon Junction, which is considered an important strategic point. According to a dispatch from Cape Town, it is asserted there that the Boers have arranged with Chief Linche, a prominent chief of the northwestern border, to take up arms against Great Britain.

A dispatch from Mafeking, under today's date, says Colonel Baden Powell has just sent a strong British force from Mafeking toward the border with field guns and ambulances, presumably with a view of occupying advantageous defensive high ground.

Dispatches from Durban confirm the report that the Free State authorities seized a Natal train leaving Ladysmith yesterday morning for Harrysmith. They also stopped a train due to leave Harrysmith in the afternoon.

All rolling stock has been ordered out of reach of seizure. It is understood telegraphic communication with the Transvaal ceased punctually at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

ALLEN LINE SHIPS CHARTERED.

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 12.—The Cabinet met at noon to consider the question of furnishing troops for the Transvaal. The Allen line has chartered to the government four of its best steamers.

CENSORSHIP ESTABLISHED.

All Telegrams to and From Natal Must be Vised.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The Commercial Cable Company has issued the following notice:

We are advised that the Natal administration announces that a military censorship has been established over all messages to and from Natal.

Messages in code will not be accepted without the production of a code for verification.

MEDITATION NOT ASKED.

This Country Can Interfere Only on Request From One of the Parties.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—The state department today issued a statement regarding petitions sent the president regarding mediation in the Transvaal difficulties. The statement says that while the president sincerely hoped hostilities might be averted, there is nothing in the rules of international usage to justify an offer of mediation, without intimation for one of the parties to the dispute. The efforts of this government shall be to see that American interests do not suffer unnecessary injury.

BOERS OCCUPY LAING'S NECK.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—A special from Ladysmith says: The Boers occupied Laing's Neck the moment the ultimatum expired. They are now pouring into Natal, and Ingogo Heights have been occupied.

RESERVES CALLED OUT.

DURBAN, Oct. 12.—The Imperial reserves in Natal have been called out. Everybody has left Charlestown. The Fifth dragons arrived this morning from India, landed immediately and at once proceeded to the front.

KOMATI BRIDGE MINED.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Oct. 12.—Information has reached here that the Boers have mined three pliers of the bridge at Komati port, on the Komati river.

ENGLAND'S REPLY.

Refuses to Discuss the Boers Ultimatum.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Following is the text of the British reply to the Boer ultimatum:

Chamberlain to Milner, high commissioner, sent 10:45 p. m., Oct. 10:

"Her Majesty's government has received with great regret the preemptory demands of the South African republic, conveyed in your telegram of October 9.

"You will inform the government of the South African republic in reply that

the conditions demanded by the government of the South Africa republic are such as Her Majesty's government deems it impossible to discuss."

IN OLD VERMONT.

The Hero of Manila Bay Again Lionized.

MONTPELIER, Oct. 12.—The state of Vermont gave her welcome to Admiral Dewey today with a parade and a reception at the state house. Over 30,000 visitors joined with the hero and the townsmen in the celebration.

Admiral Dewey spent the night on board the sleeping car Geneva and he and his car and railroad yard were picketed by national guardsmen. The parade was completed at four o'clock and when quietness had been restored, Governor Smith, turning to Admiral Dewey, extended to him the welcome of the state of Vermont, at the same time presenting him a medal which the state had enacted should be given him as a memorial. Then the mayor offered him the welcome of the city and the formal exercises were at an end.

The admiral was escorted back to his car after a short reception at the state house.

ORDERING CHICAGO BEEF.

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—The British soldiers will eat American corned beef in the Transvaal. Orders for something like 1,000,000 pounds were received in Chicago today.

BLANKET OF FOG AND NO WIND

THE FIFTH TRIAL A FIZZLE

The Shamrock and Columbia are Not Discouraged and Will Try Again Today.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—A blanket of fog over the course and the utter absence of wind caused the fifth successive fizzle when another attempt was made today to sail the first of the Columbia-Shamrock races for the international trophy. The yachts will try again tomorrow.

The repeated failures have had a most discouraging effect on the general public and there was a great falling off in the number of excursion boats as well as number of their passengers when the fleet gathered around Sandy Hook lightship today at the time set for the start. The heavy fog made navigation not only exceedingly difficult, but very dangerous.

Mr. Iselin's interview in this morning's papers protesting against the savage criticism of the Columbia which has been liberally indulged in by some newspapers and appealing for support for the Yankee yacht and her crew until the series is completed, evidently touched a patriotic chord, for on the way back every excursion steamer in the fleet sailed alongside and saluted, while the passengers gave the white-beauty three rousing cheers and a tiger.

The repeated fukes off Sandy Hook have led to some agitation for a change of the course to Newport, where there is usually a breeze, or to Marblehead, off the Massachusetts coast, where no difficulty would be experienced in getting plenty of wind, but it is hardly likely that any change will now be made.

The regatta committee argues that this sort of weather cannot last at this time of the year.

NO RACE PROBABLE TODAY.

At 2 O'clock This Morning There Was Still a Thick Fog and no Wind.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Sandy Hook at 2 a. m. reports a thick fog and no wind. The prospects of a race today is not good.

THE EXPEDITION IS RETURNING

General Schwan's Soldiers Abandon Towns They Have Captured.

THEY MET MANY SURPRISES

The Advancing Troops Were Generally Attacked From Unexpected Points.

MANILA, Oct. 12.—General Schwan's expedition having accomplished its object, his troops are all returning to their former positions, abandoning the towns taken.

General Schwan is enroute from Perze de Marinas to Imus, with the infantry, while the artillery and cavalry and all the mule teams are retracing their route from Malabon to Bacoor, with the signal corps removing wires.

The movement of the United States troops was a fine display of American generalship and energy. The whole country is an immense swamp and the Filipinos never expected the Americans could or would attempt to invade it during the wet season. Moreover the line of march furnished a succession of surprises, the advancing troops being generally attacked from unexpected attacked points.

Marines while reconnoitering about the scene of Sunday's encounter find that it stretches have been already reoccupied although the enemy manifested more than their usual willingness to retreat before the Americans. Bands have appeared along the shore road between Bacoor and Rosario and troops returning by that route expect another fight at Rosario.

At Malabon, the Americans corralled two or three hundred natives supposed to be fighting men. Few of them were caught with arms in their hands, but a large number were found in hiding dressed in khaki, like the American uniform. A majority of them were in the grab of amigos, but they are suspected of shooting at troops from houses, a growing habit, which flourished through out the advance whenever small parties of Americans strayed from the main body.

All prisoners with the exception of those caught red handed will be released as, owing to the fact that the insurgents have so many more men than guns, the keeping of prisoners is a useless expense unless the policy of reconcentration which General Weyer pursued is to be adopted.

In conversation with an Associated Press representative, a leading merchant of Rosario remarked: "They will all be engaged in their old business as soon as released."

When asked where the army had gone, the merchant replied: "A majority of them are here. They simply hide their guns when the see a superior force approaching."

Transportation of supplies from Rosario to Malabon seemed to be impossible. Wagons had to be repeatedly unloaded and reloaded while being dragged through the mire.

General Schwan is marching back without the teams, all loads of baggage being shipped from Bacoor by canoes and the wagons going empty.

MANILA, Oct. 12.—General Young, with two battalions of the Twenty-fourth infantry, nine troops of the Fourth cavalry and the scouts of the Thirty-seventh infantry left Santa Ana this morning and occupied Arayat, after a skirmish lasting half an hour.

The enemy, estimated at 300 men, retreated toward Magalan, the swampy

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