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#### IN SOUTH AFRICA.

into entrenchments. Gen. Gatacre's other man .- Telegram. army has been shot to pieces at Stormberg. Buller, who is somewhere between Pietermaritzberg and Ladysmith, is personally directing the movement for the relief of that town and General White's besieged forces.

Four lines of railway run from the coast of Sout's Africa into the interior. One runs from Cape Town, a second from Port Elizabeth cn Algoa bay, and a third from Durban These all start in the British possessions of Cape Colony and Natal, and the three British columns have been advancing along them. The fourth railway starts from Delagoa bay, in Portuguese East Africa, and is not available for the British forces.

The British forces under Methuen and Gatacre having been blocked in their attempted advance along two of the three available lines of communication with the interior, it becomes of tremendous importance that Buller drive an opening along the third line into Ladysmith. But be most do more. He must, in addition to his task of relieving Ladysmith, inflict a crushing defeat on the Boer forces, else England will be in a bad plight in South Africa for many months to come. Ladysmith is at the junction of the two branches of railway, one running north and northeast to Johannesburg and retoria, and the other running west to a trunk line traversing the Orange Free State from north to south, and continuing into the Transvasl. The former, after leaving Ladysmith, enters the Transvaal through Laing's Nek, near Majuba hill, the scene of the British repulse in 1881, The latter enters the Orange Free State through Van Reenan's pass. Unless the Boers confronting Buller's army are subjected to a crushing defeat, they will readily fall back on these the advance of the British forces into the Transvasl and the Orange Free

It is possible that the outcome of Buller's plan of campaign will prove that the results justified the severe losses suffered by Methuen and Gatacre. Buller may have directed these generals to engage the Boer forces before these generals and conor possibly in the expectation that a Evening Telegram. determined onslaught by Methuen and Gatacre would force the Boers and the Orange Free State.

#### MURDERER ROSSER.

was a soldier and partly because the projects,-Salem Statesman, San Francisco courts are instruments

and transferred to New York, and being duly inflamed with liquor and possessed of the notion that he was not amenable to the law, he shot and mortally wounded another victim, again without reasonable excuse. The defense will be that he was temporarily insane. If he gets clear this time, and kills a third man, the law would be doing him an injustice to punish him, for it will have twice said to him, in effect: "Get drunk England, in her hour of sorrow, and kill; stay and spare not; you are centers all hope on General Sir Red. a soldier, an officer, and are above vers Buller, who commands all the the law; it won't punish you." The British forces in South Africa, and San Francisco court and jury that let directs the attempted advance of this murderer go scot free are really three armies. The army under Gen. the murderers of the New York eral Methuen has suffered withering victim. If they had done their plain losses at Modder river, and baving duty by the murderer, he would been fought to a standstill, is going have been where he could kill no

#### LOSSES IN WARS.

With forces estimated at 60,000 men the British armies have lost in killed, wounded and missing over the East End, filed a petition with the 7000, or 13 per cent. of the total, county clerk asking that Carl Cutting, says the Review. In all battles and an incorrigible youth, be committed to operations in Cuba during the Span. the state reform school. ish-American war the Americans Senator Foster, insures the parents of Had the e been an a, they might be Americans were the attacking forces. his sentence would be mitigated. These losses were sustained by A report was current this morning armies aggregating 30,000 men, but that a man had been killed on the road the operations included half a dozen this side of Arlington; but all endeavors larceny, was found guilty of that charge battles under conditions as trying as have proven fatile, so we conclude it those which the British now endure. was but a romor.

During the civil war there were The two little steamers, Elmore and terrible slaughters, but few which Pearl, came up the river yesterday Mays, departed last Saturday for Hay charges or the battle of Tugela river. which it was feared might be ice bound should severe weather overtake it. They In two days at Gettysburg the Union returned this morning. armies lost in killed, wounded and Portland theater-goers are looking lightful hospitality of the hosts and our. Such walks are those on Court missing 23,001 men, but the percent- forward to hearing Miss Biair, a talented hostess made every moment one of un- street above the bluff. In no part of age of loss, compared with the men actress, in Frances Hodgson Burnett's alloyed pleasure. The party was com- the city can worse walks he found than engaged, was not as high as in South "Lady of Quality" next week. The posed of Mr and Mrs. Robt. Mays, Jr., on that street, when they should, if any-African battles. At Antietam 12,- play may be all right; but if it is, in our Mrs. Mande Mitchell and son, Jack, thing, be the best, considering the num-400 men were unable to answer to book. roll call in the Union armies, out of Wong Quong, the First National Bank win, Mesers. Sam Nutting and Max school, over ten times that number, but that robber, who is now being tried at Walla Lueddemann.—Antelope Herald.

armies have suffered in the South T. Dovell. Wasco county may yet feel with vagrancy, and in lieu of his \$2 will seems to feel that winter has tarried a Africa campaign would be sufficient Celestial; that is, if Walla Walla fails in is not a complete stranger here, having kick coming. Last night was the coldest to make a nation less dogged suspend sending him up. the British had the better position. was almost gone by afternoon. The His is the old old story of opportunities it was 25. The barometer ludicates They have been compelled to storm temperature may reach the zero mark by neglected and lack of ambition until he snow, but the new weather prophet still heights which would hold back men morning, as predicted, but it dosen't hid is now a common tramp, a disgrace not fair to at present, while the thermometer only to himself, but to all connected were there no hostile forces con- is now at 37, and has been no lower than with him. fronting them. Not once, b.t a the freezing mark today. We believe On complaint of his step-father, J. H. score of times have the indomitable Pague is rather going back on his pre- Matthews, Carl Cutting was this mornsoldiers of Methuen, Gatacre and diction, for today's report says nothing ing committed to the charge of the state Buller pushed forward under a about zero and simply predicts snow. reform school at Salem, and will be withering fire and have responded as a beautiful appearance this morning, boy of about 14 years, who has proven eagerly and willingly to the last com with the housetops and trees covered himself a truant, untruthful, dishonest. mand as to the first.

two passes and impede indefinitely wounded and missing have brought its weight. If kodak fiends were out him, and therefore deem it for his future sorrow to half the homes of England, number of splendid views. But grandest subject to more strict surveillance. but they have not absted one jot the of all were the mountains south of the Just as the first boat whistle tooted determination to conquer.

## "IT IS IMPORTANT.

manship of the committee on irriga-Lewis' bouse, on Third street, evidently they lit out up the road leading from tion and reclamation of arid lands, decided that they would commit suicide the dock. They had, however, calcuabout which subject he probably rather than be cut down by man's hand. lated without the beautiful muddy forces before them at all hazards, knows as little, and in which he takes They therefore toppled over with a crash roads, and by the time they reached the with a view to preventing the Boers as little interest, as any that the this afternoon, and completely block- top of the grade had expended enough from detaching portions of their senate will consider. However, he aded the si lewalk for a time. They have steam to run two or three laundries and is a man who can soon gain all long time, bent over with age; but This afternoon M. T. Notan received centrating them around Ladyswith, the information necessary .- Portland nevertheless their shade will be greatly a telegram from Congressman M. A.

to hurry reinforcements in that di- lamette valley, considered in a large, yet two of the best of musical mittee, and also is chairman of the irrection, and thus make possible the provincial spirit. But it is important heard them were greatly pleased. The ber of the committee on public lands, speedy relief of Ladysmith, and an for Eastern Oregon, and what benefits ladies worked bard and were deserving also mines and mining and expendieasier advance into the Transvaal one part of the state is helpful to all of a much larger crowd; but inclement tures of interior department. Oregon other parts and to the commonwealth weather and duties preparatory to is receiving liberal recognition, which is other parts and to the commonwealth as a whole. The irrigation and ends, the British could hope to gain reclamation of arid lands is a live might be said to have been successful, bank on, and is perhaps the most fickle. command of the net work of rail- subject, and the government is taking at least in a measure; for those who number in the bunch. If you want it roads in the Transvaal and the a deep interest in it, and giving attended were such as contribute largely to be late, it's early; if you want it to be on time, it's off. So say two of our Orange Free State, and could ad-valuable assistance to private enter feel that their labors were not in vainvance at will or Pretoris, Johannes- prise in making experiments and burg. Bloemfontein or Kimberley. suggesting plans. The government past week and it is sincerely hoped that They bustled into the Umatilla House a They would encounter severe re- has lately rendered effective help in it has come to stay; and the large quan- short time after it ought to be due. sistance, but they would be in a the matter of storage reservoirs, titles of goods which were stored here asked no questions but proceeded to position to make feints first in one which is one of the most beneficial waiting for the roads to improve, may wait for No. 1. They ebatted about, direction and then another, and by torms of irrigation—as it will hold be having camps. The weather has been the better looking of the two was intendkeeping the Boers guessing, would back the water and prevent floods in mild and pleasant, however, enow on ing to visit schools in the neighboring compel them to scatter their forces, winter, and release it in the dry the roofs of houses melding during the district, while the younger and more Some months ago a Tennessee and transforming the whole face of soldier named Rosser inexcusably the country. In extent of territory, with, except the annoyance of digging was cuts enough to keep num. Finally killed a man in a bar-room brawl in nearly half of Oregon needs the help out lumber from great snow banks. - about the bewitching hour of 6:30, one San Francisco. Partly because he of congress in promoting irrigation Sumpter Miner.

of injustice and wrong, he was noquitted, on no reasonable theory of barn paints manufactured by James E.

Clarke & raig have a full and complete line of house, carriage, wagon and wouch for the trath of the statement "No. 1." With that reculiar twinkle in 
that one stags turned over four times bethis eye, Judd said, "You'll have to wait

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#### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Saburday's Daily.

The desperadoes, Brown and Wilson, will be given a hearing in Justice Bayard's court Monday.

Words are wind; seeing is believing. Thursday by Senator Simon and Representative Moody.

According to Patricio McNeal, of the Umatilla House: "This is -Irish fighting for the British and being licked by the Dutch."

This morning John H. Matthews, of days.

lost only 1691 men in killed, Sergeant Damptoffer, who was to be charged with playing "postoffice." wounded and missing, although the shot for assaulting Filipino women, that

to find anything definite concerning it

exceed in intensity the Modder river bringing with them Donovan's scow, Creek, where for two days they were the city, and a dangerous one at that;

opinion it must differ widely from the Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lucddsmann and ber of children who are compelled to

early enough they must have obtained a benefit to place him where he will b

Schator Simon is given the chair- them falling under the woodman's ax, this washee washee all the time and

This is a very important com- Although the att-ndance at the 18th, which says that Tongue has been mittee. It is not so for the Wil- Lotheran bazzar on neither evening was appointed on the river and harbor com-

defense whatever. Set at liberty Patton, of Milwankee, Wieconsin. fore reaching its destination, but such till tomorrow then. No. 1 left several

almost to the hubs, which necessitates question, "How about No. 1?" digging them out. Instead of sgain filling in the immense holes thus made. The facts are, prices are selling our hig tricts. It is also much colder than in ing a pitfall into which the unsuspecting Book & Music Co. driver who follows in the wake finds his wheels plunged. It produces anything a larger line of holiday goods than ever but a pleasant sensation.

Gifford's Mt. Hood pictures makes a hit wherever they go, and the greatest Dufur, taught by Miss Mabel O'Brien, difficulty now is whether it will be possible to supply the Christmas demand, as so many are sending them to friends in the East. When Harry Lons. dale left for his home in Columbia, Mo., he carried, along with a number of other views of Oregon scenery, a large Mt. Hood picture. He had been home but a day or two, when he sent an order to M. Z. Donnell for two of the same views Oregon was represented at the com- for friends there who had been captimemorative ceremonies at Mt. Vernon vated with it. Thus not only the pictures are becoming famous, but Ore gon as well through the splendid advertisement thus given.

J. C. Baldwin has been confined to his home by sickness for the past few

It looks as if Christmas trees might be more numerous this year from the number which have been brought in today.

The latest postoffice heard from is

Wong Quong, whose case has been robbery here nine years ago, and who has been tried in Walla Walla for grand on Saturday, so that he will at least suffer for a minor offense, whether Wasco county prosecutes or not.

A happy crowd, chaperoned by Babe tree for the poor. royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. but when the snows of winter cover it Frank Sommerville and Mr. Edwards. to an extent, concealing the pitial from It was a merry house party, and the deson, Hillman, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Good- walk over them daily going to and from

with snow and the telephone wires a incorrigible and vicious, so that his The increasing lists of dead, succession of white lines, bending under parents find they are unable to control

city, the whole effect being just such as forth this morning the borses attached is found in paintings of winter scenes. to the laundry delivery wagon came to Seeing the neighboring trees all about the conclusion that they were tired of

Moody, dated Washington, December programs were rendered and all who rigation of lands. Mr. Moody is a mem-

season, keeping the water in navig- warmer hours of the day and freezing stylish was about to make a record of able rivers from becoming too low- into thousand of frieles on the eaves as proceedings in another section of the of them informed Mr. Fish that they The "rocky road to Dublin" isn't in were to be present at lodge exercises at it with the muddy chuck hole roads Hood River that evening. Being asked Clarke & Falk have a full and com- throughout the interior. We cannot what train they would take, he replied

is the report. This terrible condition hours ago." The door wasn't opened small boy has hied himself to the small is the report. This terrible condition were wide, but they managed to get out, ponds near the city, with skates in hand, is said to be due in a great measure to very wide, but they managed to get out, ponds near the city, with skates in hand, the fact that many freight teams mire and next time will ask the old, old and several visitors from the country

the teamster proceeds on his way, leave line of holiday goods for us. Jacobsen

Winter finds what summer concealsat the Jacobsen Book & Music Co. The school in District No. 30, near

closed a very successful term last Friday. Though a small school, the pupils contributed 19 toward the library fund. The annual election of Wasco lodge No. 15, A. F. & A. M., took place last

night, with the following result: M. Z. Donnell, W. M.; Frank Chrisman, S.W.; home of Martin Jaksha and had a gen-Victor Marden, J. W.; O. D. Donne, eral good time. She says there are Sec'y; George A. Liebe, Treas. The leading officers chosen are the youngest that have ever filled the chairs since the organization of the lodge.

who were captured by Deputy Dell at the rehool house, Howell a week ago, were arraigned in Justice Bayard's court yesterday after- were present at the home of Geo. Ruch noon charged with larceny. They waived Jr., last evening, when the question of examination and were bound over in welcoming the eixteen members of the the sum of \$500 each to appear at the state university gies club to our city of February term of court. 'Tis not likely the 28th was thoroughly discussed, and any bonds will be forthcoming, and so it was decided to give them a reception they will be guests of John Fitz Gerald either on the evening previous to the until that time.

like Christmas is so near at hand, but An executive committee composet of Sanday school workers are aware of the Misses G. Sampson, L. Boon and L. fact and are busy making preparations. Liebe, was appointed, which is sufficient mentioned in connection with the bank On Saturday night the Christian Sunday proof that a hearty welcome will be school will have a Christmas chimney, given the students. About sixty of the On Monday at 6 o'clock the Episcopalian leading ladies of the city were chosen at pupils have a tree, and later in the patronesses, and their names sent to evening the Methodist and Congrega- the manager of the club. Not only will tional schools each celebrate with trees; they receive a greeting from the alumniwhile the Salvation Army will have a but all will be glad to welcome such

A bad sidewalk is always a disgrace to pedestrians, it becomes doubly danger-

It would probably be the proper thing was the bloodiest battle of the war. Walla for grand larceny, having stolen a This morning the marshal arrested today to remark that "now is the winter The terrible losses the British \$200 diamond, is defended by Atty. W. Oakley Harkins, a young man charged of our discontent." But most everyone like taking a hand in prosecuting the spend the day in the city jail. Harkins sufficient time so that we really have no been afrequent visitor in former years, of the season. The thermometer got operations. In no engagement have Four inches of snow fell last night, but when his uncle was in business here, down to 22 degrees, while at noon today

have come in in sleds, which shows that the snow most be deeper in their disthe city.

From Mrs. R. I. Young, who has just returned from a week's visit at her old home in the Fairfield district, we learn that society is lively in that neighborhood. Having been absent for over a year she greatly enjoyed meeting her old friends. Among other things the st. tended a farewell party given in honor of Miss Cheadle at the home of W. A. Campbell. There were about forigeight present, and an oyster supper was enjoyed. On the evening of the 15th about forty neighbors gathered at the about six feet of enow on the ground when she left. They have a spleadit Sanday school at Fairfield under the superintendency of Harry Hichards, and Brown and Wilson, the desperadors last Sunday Rev. R. Warner presched

A good representation of the sinusi concert or at its close Thursday evening. Some may feel that it doesn't seem the time depending upon their arrive. worthy young men to our city.

#### The Modern Muther

Has found that her little obes are inproved more by the pleasant Sympil Figs, when in need of the lax stive effet of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is matufactured by the California Fig Syrm

#### Stray Nutice.

Came to my place on Five Mile, short two weeks ago, a buckskin saddle hors. branded with an narlock on right bip and an M on right shoulder. Said horn has been on the range near my place for the past two years. Owner can have same by proving property and juying

FRANK D. JOSES, The Daller, Oregon.

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