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## GENERAL LAWTON WAS KILLED

While in Front of His Troops at San Mateo.

## BULLET STRUCK HIS BREAST

Insurgent Troops He Encountered Were Commanded By a Rebel Named Geronimo, Whose Indian Name-sake the Brave Lawton Gave a Famous Chase in the Southwest.

MANILA, Dec. 19.—General Henry Lawton has been shot and killed at San Mateo. He was standing in front of his troops, was shot in the breast and died immediately. Lawton started from Manila last night with cavalry, under Captain Lockett, and battalions of the Twentieth and Twenty-seventh infantry, under Lieutenant-Colonel Sargent, for the purpose of capturing San Mateo. Geronimo was said to have 300 insurgents. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, appointed to the army from Indiana.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Up to 2 o'clock this afternoon, the war department has received no word of Lawton's death except that conveyed in the Associated Press dispatch which was given immediately to the war officials. The president's first intimation of the loss of this brave officer was also given him by Associated Press. The dispatch was sent to the White House while the cabinet meeting was in progress, and was received with expressions of sorrow and regret.

It was learned at the war department that instructions had been received last night from the president to prepare Lawton's commission as brigadier-general in the regular army to fill one of the existing vacancies, and the adjutant-general's clerk was at work on the commission when the information of Lawton's death was conveyed to the department.

Lawton was a native of Indiana, and won his commission in the army by signal gallantry during the civil war.

### 'Twas a Close Call.

SHERWOOD, Or., Dec. 19.—The Baptist church building at Middleton narrowly escaped destruction by fire Sunday evening at the close of church service. The janitor in trying to extinguish the light of a lamp jarred it loose from its fastenings and it fell to the floor, when a portion of the contents ran out and took fire, causing a great panic among the congregation.

The coolness and presence of mind of Rev. Brock, the pastor, D. B. Harrington and H. H. Eymann saved the loss of the building and possibly life. They carried the lamp to the outside, extinguishing the flames from the burning oil on the floor by smothering with clothing and the liberal use of water.

### Another Boston Bank Quits.

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Dillway & Starr, bankers and brokers, of this city, have assigned. The assets and liabilities have not yet been computed. The firm is one of the most prominent of the kind in the city, and is composed of Charles W. Dillway, George H. Flint and A. W. Lawrence. The firm, it is understood, with two other houses, carried a large quantity of mining stocks. The embarrassment of the Globe National bank and the subsequent flurry in the stock market is said to be the reason for the assignment, as the firm was a heavy loser.

### Colored Politician Dead.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—John W. E. Thomas, one of the best-known colored lawyers in this city, and the first colored man to be elected to the legislature of Illinois, died last night at his residence in this city. Besides being regarded as the wealthiest colored person in Chicago, Mr. Thomas has been for years a character of considerable local renown.

### Immigration From The East.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 19.—The first of the immigration promised from the Rock Island territory arrived today from Iowa. It is destined for Southeastern Washington or this part of Oregon. These are J. S. Cox, wife and daughter, and his two sons, and their wives, of Linnville, Ia. Mr. Cox came as the advance guard of a colony of 25 or 30

families, who are waiting in Linnville, and will be governed by the report which Mr. Cox will send back to them. He will locate temporarily in some town, probably Walla Walla, and look into the resources of the Inland Empire, later selecting a permanent location.

Thus far the majority who have come from the East and Middle West within the past year or two have settled in Washington. This will probably be true during the coming season, if present indications are to be relied upon. People in the East appear to know more about Washington than about Oregon, and naturally go there when seeking homes in the West.

## LAWTON'S REMAINS AT MANILA

Arrangements Made For the Funeral of the Dead Soldier.

MANILA, Dec. 20, 8 p. m.—Major-General Lawton's body was brought from San Mateo to Manila this afternoon, his staff and a squadron of cavalry acting as escort. It was found necessary to bridge the river. The funeral will take place from his late residence here, a mansion formerly occupied by a Spanish general. The body has been placed temporarily in a vault in El Pao cemetery, where many of the American soldiers have been interred, and a guard of honor will be maintained. When Mrs. Lawton and her four children shall have completed their arrangements for returning to the United States the remains will be taken on a transport, with an escort of officers, for final interment, as is thought possible here, in Arlington cemetery.

### Wid of the Wound.

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 19.—Edward Meyer, of Laurel, six miles south of here, died early this morning, from a revolver shot in the head. Young Meyer was helping his brother, Louis, butcher hogs, and both were in the pen. Louis had just shot a hog, not killing it, when the enraged beast made a dash at him. His foot slipped and he fell against a partition. In the struggle to get away the revolver was discharged, the bullet entering the brother's head near the top and center of the skull. Louis is about 23 years of age, while the deceased was about 20.

### Gold Carrying Some Quartz.

SUMMIT, Or., Dec. 28.—Reports of a tremendously rich strike in the lower levels of the Bonanza mine have gained currency in this camp within the past few days. A workman brought the news Saturday that away down in the lowest workings of the mine, a six-inch streak of almost pure gold was struck. The miner qualified this astounding statement by admitting that the streak carried a little quartz.

A party of Philadelphia stockholders to the Bonanza Company recently visited the mine. It is understood that they recommended an enlargement of the 40-stamp mill to 100 stamps. The present output is \$400,000 a month. If the ore quantities continued, an enlargement of the mill to the capacity contemplated would mean the increase of output in gold to \$1,000,000 per month.

### Sol Smith Russell's Condition.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Sol Smith Russell, who collapsed last night in the second act of "The Hon. John Grigsby," is confined to his apartments at the Virginia, and no one is allowed to see him but his wife. According to Mrs. Russell, the actor is suffering from nervous prostration and mental collapse, due to overwork.

### Committed to the Asylum.

FOSBIL, Or., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Sarah Merwin, a sister of the well known Carroll brothers, of Wheeler county, was yesterday adjudged insane and committed to the state asylum.

### Hawaii's Sugar Crop.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Reports received from this season's sugar crop in the Hawaiian islands gives the total product as 282,807 tons, which is one of the largest in years.

### Unconstitutional.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 19.—The Illinois supreme court has held the anti-department store law, passed by the last legislature, to be unconstitutional.

### Marquis of Queensbury Ill.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Marquis of Queensbury, who was found yesterday in bed at the Raleigh Club yesterday, is in a critical condition.

## BULLER RECOVERS THE GUNS

That He Had to Abandon at Battle of Tugela.

## THEY DID NOT CROSS THE RIVER

Britishers Made Recovery at Midnight Saturday—Irish Sympathize With The Boers.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A special dispatch from Durban, Natal, dated Saturday, says it is rumored that General Buller called for volunteers to recover the abandoned guns, and that a party issued from camp after midnight and brought in the guns, which were uninjured.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The last news from Mafeking, dated the 6th, has just been received. It says a desultory bombardment was continued and that sharpshooters were engaged in a smart duel morning and evening. The dispatch also describes a novel method of sending messages adopted by some Boer on December 4. A five-pounder shell fired into the town that day did not explode. It was opened and found to contain a letter as follows: "Dear Powell: (Colonel Baden-Powell). Excuse the iron messenger. No other means of communication. Please tell Mrs.—that mother and the family are all well. Don't drink all the whisky; leave some for us when we get in."

A revised list of British casualties at the battle of Colenso show 137 non-commissioned officers and men were killed.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—It still seems doubtful whether the guns that General Buller abandoned at Colenso are in the possession of the Boers. According to a dispatch to the Associated Press from Durban, sent off on the evening of the battle, and which has just been received here, the guns remained where they were left by the British troops, and were covered by heavy guns of Hildyard's brigade, occupying an entrenched position. The dispatch adds that the Boers had thus far not attempted to cross the river and capture the guns, while advice to the Associated Press from Pretoria under the same date says that an official Boer dispatch reports that two guns, thirteen wagons and a quantity of ammunition were captured, besides 208 prisoners. Further accounts of Tugela river battle emphasize the ignorance of the British intelligence department in regard to the disposition of the Boers' forces. The British were not aware that the Boers were entrenched along the series of low lying hills immediately northward of Colenso bridge until the staggering fire compelled them to retreat, when the attack seemed about to succeed. The Boers were also in greater numbers than anticipated.

### Irish Are in Sympathy With Boers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—"So far as I have been able to observe, the Irishmen in the different parts of this country are in entire sympathy with the Boers in the war with England. This sympathy they have chosen—and I think the movement will not go farther than this—to manifest, by passing resolutions and providing money for the equipment for hospital, ambulance and surgical department."

This is the statement of John T. Keating, president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and conspicuous among the Irish-Americans in this city and elsewhere. The action taken by the local order in Chicago and that of St. Louis has not ended the movement in this matter. The united societies of this city have determined to hold a mass meeting on January 5, at which time there will be speech-making and a general expression of the feelings of the Irishmen of Chicago toward the people of the Transvaal.

### Pay of Letter Carriers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator McBride has reintroduced his bill to regulate the salaries of letter carriers, which provided that after June 30, 1900, the pay of letter carriers in cities of more than 75,000 population for the first year of service shall be \$600, the second year \$500, the third \$400 and the fourth and thereafter \$320. In the case of cities of

free delivery, whose population is less than 75,000, the same rates shall hold good for the first three years, but the limit of salary is \$1000 instead of \$1200.

### Oregon Is Invited.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 19.—William Buchanan, manager of the Pan-American exposition, to be held in Buffalo, N. Y., has invited the state of Oregon to participate in the exposition. The exposition will be held from May 1 to Nov. 1, 1901. The manager desires an exhibit of Oregon products.

### Calves Bring \$15 Per Head.

LAKEVIEW, Or., Dec. 19.—W. H. McCall and others of Silver Lake, in this county, have just sold all the calves they had to spare to William Connelly, at \$15 per head. This is \$2 per head more than was ever paid for calves in this county before.

## PORTAGE RAILWAY QUESTION

Engineer's Recommendation for Improvement at The Dalles—May Block All Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Oregon delegation has got to meet a recommendation of General Wilson, chief of engineers, favoring a portage railroad at the Dalles. Captain Harts makes the recommendation, which is endorsed by his chief. While this may not block all legislation looking to an improvement at the Dalles, the fear is expressed that such may be the result.

The delegation favors a boat railway. Both Senator McBride and Representative Moody so expressed themselves today. Moody said a canal would be acceptable, but it would take too long to construct. With a right of way secured for the boat railway, and a favorable report by the board of engineers, the delegation is of the opinion that it is the only satisfactory improvement that can be made. Captain Harts' course, it is said, had led people to believe that a boat railway is impossible and a portage railway the only thing feasible. But the government hesitates about building such a road, because it means the beginning of government ownership of railroads, and also because those who have investigated the matter say it will not afford any relief. Breaking bulk on the river steamers is wholly impracticable, says the Oregon men. The recommendation of the engineers may prevent anything from being done.

### May Meet in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The Call says that D. J. Tobin, a well-known sporting man of this city, has offered \$50,000 in behalf of a syndicate to secure the Jeffries-Corbett fight for this city, has secured an option of sixty days in which to make a satisfactory deposit. If the contest occurs here it may be held by daylight, in the open air.

### Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised 'Electric Bitters'; and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed, at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store.

### No Funds for Starving Alaskans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The secretary of the treasury has notified the interior department that appropriations relating to Alaska, under control of the treasury, are specific that they cannot be applied for the relief of the Alaskan natives on Kodiak island, who are reported to be in destitute conditions.

### Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Blakeley & Houghton's drug store.

## MOVED BACK FIVE MILES

Buller Is Expecting an Attack On the Railroad.

## GUNS TURNED AGAINST HIM

Reports of Their Recapture Without Foundation — Fears Regarding Ladysmith.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Herald from Chiveley camp, dated December 17, says: General Buller's army moved back five miles today, the march beginning at 1 1/2 o'clock this morning, two brigades going to Frere in order to defeat a possible attempt on the part of the Boers to execute a flank movement to destroy the railroad on the British rear.

### Buller's Guns Are Turned Against Him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: Little credence is placed in the report that the guns lost by the British were not captured by the Boers. Had the story been true, General Buller must have referred to it. Sir Redvers' artillery cannot now muster much more than thirty guns, while the captured British weapons have no doubt been mounted in the Boer lines and can be used, since the ammunition wagons seem to have been lost with them.

### Garrison Short of Ammunition.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The chief cause of uneasiness which brings back the shadow to English faces is a suspicion that the Ladysmith garrison is short of ammunition and incapable of a prolonged defense. The war office does not admit that Ladysmith is in serious danger or short of ammunition, but the censorship somehow has allowed these alarming reports to reach England. The censor, it is apparent, sometimes falls asleep, or is dragged by too candid and too inquisitive friends.

### Boers Will Welcome Offer of Mediation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the World from Brussels says: Herr Holborn, in charge of the Transvaal agency here, asked today what truth is in the report that President Kruger is ready to sign a treaty of peace if Great Britain will ask for no further privileges for the Uitlanders, and will pay what the war has cost the Boers, answered: "No such proposals have been formulated yet. A contingency inviting proposals of peace would be welcome under certain conditions. If any government desires to mediate, the South African republic will treat."

## CAUGHT IN A BLIZZARD

Two Men Had Perilous Trip on Lake County Prairies.

LAKEVIEW, Or., Dec. 16.—Dr. W. Kingston Vance and Dr. Hayman, two specialists from San Francisco, who have been traveling through this section, started from the Warner country, forty miles from here, yesterday morning with a two-horse hack to come to Lakeview through a blinding snow storm and three feet of snow. About noon they lost their way in the mountains, and the horses, not used to wading belly deep in the snow, gave out. They took the horses from the hack and floundered in the snow for a while on horseback, when the animals became completely fagged out and had to be abandoned. The men continued their journey on foot, wading through the snow up to their waists.

As night came on they found some wood and started a fire. This brought relief. A rancher, by the name of Lynch, saw the fire and went to it and guided them to his cabin, a few miles away. A messenger was sent to Lakeview, and between midnight and day they were landed here on a sled by a driver who knows the country.

### John L. Sullivan Is Broke.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—John L. Sullivan, who is being sued by a liquor firm

for \$1600 for goods purchased, testified in court today that he was without money or property. Afterward he stated that his earnings in the professional career had exceeded \$100,000,000, and that he made \$400,000 in the winter of 1883-4. He said: "I have been a good fellow, and I am broke. If any one I knew needed money and asked me for it, he got it."

## INVESTIGATING FREIGHT RATES

Interstate Commission Is Looking Into Proposed Advances.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Heating was begun today by the interstate commerce commission in the matter of the changes in freight classification and freight rates by carriers using classification. Many complaints have been filed with the commission, alleging that discriminating changes in freight classification have been agreed upon to take effect January first next. To determine this question a hearing was held today.

Chairman Gill, of the "official classification committee," was the first witness. He maintained the proposed advances were due to the increased cost of railroad plants and maintenance, and that advances had been applied to classes of freight that could well pay them. He intimated that for some reason still further advances probably would have to be made.

### A SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

Twenty-five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.

The first indication of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to the disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

### Cold Weather at Prineville.

PRINEVILLE, Dec. 20.—The weather is cool and crisp here now, the thermometer registering about 15 degrees above zero in the mornings. A thin layer of snow lays on the higher hills, but very little feeding has been done as yet.

Stockmen here are constantly in receipt of letters asking for prices on stock, both cattle and sheep. However, our people think this is too early to set prices for spring delivery, and prefer to wait for later market developments.

### A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard st., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the throat, chest or lungs. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

### College Building Burned.

AKRON, Dec. 20.—The main building of the Baente college, including all the laboratories, library, men's and women's dormitories, was burned to the ground tonight. The loss is fully \$100,000, with \$65,000 insurance.

### That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton, druggists.

All persons wishing to take children, either boys or girls, for legal adoption or on indenture, should write to W. T. Gardner, superintendent of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon, at Portland, who can procure for them desirable children of all ages. All applications must be filed in advance.