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CAVALRY FOR SOUTH AFRICA

As a Result of the Abandonment of Spionkop by the British.

POSITION TOO HOT TO HOLD

Express Great Tears as to the Ultimate Fate of Ladysmith—Warren Criticized.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—Probably as an immediate effect of the receipt of news of the abandonment of Spionkop by the British force under General Warren, orders have been sent to Aldershot to have the Fourth cavalry division in readiness to embark for South Africa early in February.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—It is impossible at present to say whether the British suffered a reverse or the movement was dictated by strategic reasons. Obviously the position was useless unless guns could be planted on it, and, discovering this was impossible, Warren may have decided it was unsafe to hold the position any longer, or perhaps he is seeking a more profitable ascent elsewhere. Whatever may be the explanation of the abandonment of Spionkop by the British, it will doubtless have the same temporary moral effect as a reverse.

It appears to have been so entirely unexpected at the war office, that Buller's dispatch caused something in the nature of consternation. The lobbies were soon crowded and there was evidence on all sides that the news was keenly felt. The only official comment was apparently that "Warren's position was too hot to hold."

Nowhere, in spite of the general depression, is there the least sign of abatement in determination to carry the war to a successful issue.

Military circles made no effort to conceal their chagrin, expressing the gravest fears as to the ultimate fate of Ladysmith. Such authorities as Major-General Carrington, who is under orders for South Africa, and Lord Gifford, who won a Victoria cross while scouting for Lord Wolsley during the Zulul war, would not be surprised to hear of the capture of White's forces within a week.

Gifford, who knows the country like a book, could not understand how in the world Warren ever got to the top of Spionkop without ascertaining what positions commanded it. The pooriness of maps, it was pointed out, could hardly be an excuse for this, as there must be with Warren several scouts, to say nothing of officers who at one time or another have served at Ladysmith and whose mere hunting expeditions would have given them a knowledge of the country.

While Warren is not blamed for retreating under what is supposed to have been a heavy shell fire, he is severely criticized for occupying a position to which he could not bring up his artillery.

Philippine War is Roded.

New York, Jan. 26.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says: The war in the Philippines is over. No further surrender can be hoped for. The danger in the present situation is that a bloody feud may arise between the American army and the Filipinos. This danger can be greatly lessened by action by congress, which is now imperative, outlining the policy of the government in the Philippines. It is likely that many insurgents are still holding out for the very terms which congress will be willing to give.

The time is ripe for a conciliatory policy, allowing the Filipinos to have some say as to the nature of the government under which they will be obliged to live.

FOR DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Fish, Railway, Labor and Many Other Important Commissions and Bureaus May Be Under a New Cabinet Officer.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The question of establishing a department of the government to be known as the de-

partment of commerce, with a cabinet officer at its head, has been discussed at considerable length by the senate committee on commerce. The discussion was based upon a very complete report on the subject prepared by Senator Nelson.

It is proposed to include in the new department a bureau of manufactures, and to transfer from the treasury department the lifesaving, lighthouse, marine hospital and steamboat inspection service, the bureaus of navigation, immigration, statistics and coast and geodetic surveys; to transfer from the interior department the commission of railway, the census office and the geodetic survey and from the state department the bureau of foreign commerce. The department of labor and the fish commission are also placed under this supervision.

MAJORITY RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED

Closing Day of the Debate—Votes on the Two Propositions—Result Received With Cheers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The case of Brigham H. Roberts, the Mormon representative-elect from Utah, which has occupied so much of the attention of the house since the assembling of congress, was decided today by the adoption of a resolution to exclude him by a vote of 268 to 53. The exact language of the resolution was as follows:

"That under the facts and circumstances of the case, Brigham H. Roberts, representative-elect from the state of Utah, ought not to have or hold a seat in the house of representatives, and that the seat to which he was elected is hereby declared vacant."

The amendment to expel Roberts without seating him, offered by Lacey, was ruled out on a point of order, and the house only voted on the resolutions of the majority and minority of the committee. The latter—to seat and then expel Roberts—was defeated, 81 to 244. An analysis of this vote shows that 470 Republicans, 72 Democrats and two Populists voted against it, and 71 Democrats, six Republicans, two Populists and two silver Republicans for it.

Roberts was present throughout the day, and left the hall after the result of the last vote had been announced. As he did so, he gave out a statement justifying his retention of his plural wives, on the ground that his moral obligation was more binding upon his conscience than technical obedience to statutory laws.

Runaway Freight.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 25.—A freight train on the Central Railroad of New Jersey, coming down the Wilkesbarre mountain, this afternoon, ran away. At the foot of the mountain, near the Ashley siding, the cars left the track, and were piled high in a big wreck. There was dynamite in one of the cars, and it exploded with great force. The shock was felt for a distance of twenty miles. The windows in nearly every house in the town of Ashley were broken. Three men, all of them brakemen, were killed, two unknown men were fatally injured and several others were badly hurt. The dead are: Frank McLaughlin, of Manch Chunk, aged 27; Michael Bird, of Ashley, aged 22, and William Buckley, of this city, aged 28.

Big Price for Sheep.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Jan. 24.—One farmer of the Kings valley country refused this week \$5 per head for his entire flock of sheep. Several in that vicinity have refused \$3.50 per head. Probably the highest price paid for sheep in that vicinity this year has been paid by Frank Gilliam, who gave \$5.50 per head for fifty. Goats are also selling in this part of the country for \$5 per head. The farmers have just begun to find out how profitable stockraising is.

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Relief of Mafeking.

LORENCO MARQUES, Jan. 27.—It is reported on good Transvaal authority that Mafeking was relieved January 23.

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THE SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

Its Chances of Passing the House Are Slim.

JAMES J. HILL OPPOSES IT

Friends of the Measure Patching It Up to Make It Acceptable to a Majority.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—So strong is the opposition of the shipping subsidy bill in some quarters of the Republican party that a great many amendments will be made before it is reported to either house. The change of front of James J. Hill, who supported the bill in the last congress, but opposes it now, has set a great many advocates for the bill to thinking, because of Hill's influence in the Northwestern states. It will take only a few Republicans in the house to defeat the bill, and unless it is greatly modified, even its friends do not expect that it will pass.

The best judges of the situation in the senate say they are unable to determine what the vote is likely to be on the seating of Quay. It is interesting to note, however, that the opponents of seating are much more confident than they were a short time ago, while Quay advocates have begun to lose hope. There is a possibility of the case being called up some time next week, if the debate on the financial bill lags. It is quite probable that the case will be settled with only a very few speeches, the legal aspects of the case being well known, and the further fact being apparent that it is only Quay's personal pull that can overturn former precedents.

Democratic leaders, and especially the senators and representatives from the South, are hoping that Senator Pritchard and other Republicans will continue the discussion of the race question in the South, as they are already making the claim that protection of the negro votes will be made an issue by the Republicans. The Democrats of the South are aware there is no hope for themselves in the national fight, and each is trying to save himself on the bugaboo of negro control. Just what Pritchard's object is, is hard to say, although he is forcing a great many Populists to support him in North Carolina, but it is believed he will lose heavily in the white districts.

Waylaid and Killed.

LA CROSSE, Wash., Jan. 27.—At 7 o'clock last night Samuel R. Clemens shot and killed George Boland, the bullet striking the center of the nose and penetrating the skull. Clemens then mounted a horse and escaped. Officers have not obtained a trace of his whereabouts. Clemens is a farmer near here, and had a young daughter, who ran away from home a week ago. Last night, while she was on the way to a masquerade ball, in company with Geo. Boland and two others, Clemens waylaid them and shot without warning.

Phil D. Armour, Jr., Dead.

PASADENA, Cal., Jan. 27.—News has been received of the sudden death of Phil D. Armour, jr., at Montecito, near Santa Barbara. Until Thursday young Mr. Armour appeared to be in his usual health. He was ill twenty-four hours, and his death was due to congestion of the lungs. That was all the family here were informed about his untimely end. Armour left Pasadena the first of last week and had been at Montecito about ten days.

A special train was engaged to take relative and friends from Pasadena to Santa Barbara. On the advice of his physician, P. D. Armour, sr., father of the young man, did not go, his health being delicate. Mr. Armour is standing the shock well. His son was thirty-one years old. He left Chicago three weeks ago in excellent health and came to Pasadena with his party in his private car.

Run Over By a Street-Car.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 27.—Edgar Oswalt, a 6-year-old boy, was run over by a street-car this afternoon, and will without doubt die before morning. He was playing with another boy, and ran directly in front of the car, that was moving along slowly. Both of the boy's legs were horribly mangled, and the rear wheels of the car stopped on his body. A crowd soon collected and lifted the car so that the body could be removed.

No blame is attached to the motorman, as the passengers and several people on the sidewalk saw the accident and exonerated him from any lack of care.

WARREN'S DIVISION CRUSHED.

Ladysmith and Mafeking Prisons—The British Lose Seventeen Guns—Eight Hundred Killed.

The late war news says that a dispatch which comes from Berlin on good authority is to the effect that Warren's division was completely crushed. British casualties as yet unknown.

Reported casualties of Wednesday were in Lyttleton's brigade. Ladysmith and Mafeking are both prisons. The only difference is, the British are eating their own provisions, according to Dr. Leyds' statement.

A special in the Evening Telegram will say: British lost seventeen guns; 800 killed and 1500 wounded in Togo battle. London is thoroughly aroused. Excitement runs high.

Buller's flank movement failed and his army is retreating.

It is reported that Mafeking is relieved. But all is rumor in London.

BOERS POSTED AT REITFONTEIN

Meyer Surrounded Methuen's Infantry—Killing and Wounding Twenty-three.

LONDON, Jan. 28, 4:30 a. m.—The only news issued by the war office during the night was a dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated yesterday (Saturday), stating that the situation is unchanged, and that General French reports a reconnaissance of the enemy's position Thursday, when he found the Boers strongly posted at Reitfontein. The maps do not show any such place in the region of General French's operations, and it is probable that Reitfontein, ten miles north of Colesburg, is the place alluded to.

A special dispatch from Colesburg, dated Wednesday, January 24, says that Commandant Lucas Meyer's commando surprised and surrounded a strong body of General Methuen's infantry, killing and wounding twenty-three and capturing fifteen.

The absence of news from the front is causing public attention to turn to the approaching opening of parliament, and speculation as to how the government will meet the attacks on it with regard to the causes and conduct of the war, a forecast of which has already been given in the speeches of John Morley and others in the past week. The government's defense is perhaps foreshadowed by the speeches made at Birmingham last evening by Jesse Collins and J. Austin Chamberlain.

Spokane Doesn't Fumigate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The postoffice department has received reports from Spokane, Wash., showing that the order to fumigate mail leaving that place for British Columbia has not as yet been carried out. The reports are that neither the postmaster nor health officials there believe it necessary to disinfect the mails, because they think the smallpox scare to be unwarranted. The epidemic now in evidence there, they say, is chicken-pox. The postoffice department has, however, reiterated its instructions directing the postal officials there to disinfect the mails. The reports from Spokane state that Nelson B. C., is the only place that has declared quarantine against Spokane. Rossland, B. C., is willing to receive mail from Spokane without disinfection.

Large Pension to Salem Man.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Senator Simon has secured the allowance of a pension of \$72 a month for Levi P. Adams, of Salem, Or. This pension dates back to October 20, 1899. The senator had some difficulty in securing this allowance, because of its extent, and it is seldom that an allowance of \$72 a month is now secured, except by special act of congress, and if pending legislation goes through it will be impossible to secure this amount, even by special act.

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HOUSE FAVORS POPULAR VOTE

Amendment to Constitution Will Be Introduced This Session, But Cannot Pass the Senate.

TALKS OF ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN

It is Said to Be Only a Question of Time—Chinese Interests Jealously Guarded Against America, England and Germany.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 29.—The newspapers here are paying considerable attention to events in China. The Novosti expresses the opinion that the dynasty will last for a long time to come, but adds that "China will never be restored to her former condition, and the unavoidable work of partition will be accomplished peacefully, though perhaps in the distant future."

The Rossiya asserts that it was not necessary for Russia to take a hand in the coup d'etat, and adds: "A Russo-Japanese alliance is inevitable. It is only a question of time. In the meanwhile it is important that control of the naval and military forces of China does not fall into the hands of Americans, British or Germans."

The paper concludes: "We must keep on the alert and see how the new situation affects the interests of Western Europe, above all, those of England."

May Cause Trouble.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 29.—The deposition of Emperor Kwangsu creates great dissatisfaction among Chinese officials in the Yang-Tse valley, and merchants are considerably disturbed, fearing trouble. It is rumored that he will be reinstated in one year.

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