

The Dalles Chronicle.

MORE VAGUE WAR RUMORS

General French Said to Have Captured Eight Hundred Boers.

PARTICULARS WERE NOT MENTIONED

Dispatch From Gaberones Disposes of Story That Mafeking Has Been Relieved—Little to Confirm or Discredit the Rumor That Buller Has Again Crossed the Tugela.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—There is no official news from General Buller's headquarters, and the only information which has reached London in any way supporting the reports that he has recrossed the Tugela is found in the Associated Press dispatches announcing Lord Dundonald's reconnoissance, which is taken to indicate a prelude to renewed activity. As the dispatch is three days old, and Lord Dundonald found no difficulty in crossing the river, it is not impossible that General Buller may have moved in the interim, and public anxiety is again concentrated on the Upper Tugela.

Dispatches from elsewhere in South Africa merely tell of desultory shell fire and the movements of patrols, though Cape Town mentions a rumor that General French has captured 800 Boers, where and how not being announced.

LOURENCO MARQUES, Feb. 2.—A dispatch from Gaberones, dated January 23, describing a reconnoissance of some of Colonel Plumer's forces around the Boer laager southward seems to dispose of the story that Mafeking has been relieved. On that date the Rhodesians captured two Transvaal laagers and drove off the Boer outpost before returning to Gaberones.

ROBERTS WANTS 90,000 ADDITIONAL MEN. LONDON, Feb. 2.—Sensational rumors are current that the militia ballot act will be put in force February 14, and that General Roberts, commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, has cabled for 90,000 additional men, sending 50,000 militia and volunteers and 40,000 reserves.

It is also said the volunteers will mobilize forthwith. It is even asserted today that the cabinet has especially dealt with these matters. The militia ballot act makes every unmarried man between 19 and 30 years of age liable to service for five years.

It Was a Family Row.

HILLSBORO, Or., Feb. 2.—W. B. McLin, a native of this country, who was shot January 18 by his brother-in-law, Walter Thompson, formerly of Cornelius, three miles west of here, is recovering from his wound. The Mountain Echo, of Boulder Creek, Cal., where the shooting occurred, says that the trouble arose from going to a dance in defiance of her husband's wishes. He followed her and her friends and threatened her and her sister's husband so that a peace warrant was sworn out against him, but it was not served. McLin the next day went back to his brother-in-law's house, where all had been staying, when the brother-in-law, Thompson, met him in the front yard and shot him through the neck without a word. Thompson is now in jail in default of bonds.

Cold Weather in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Two deaths were caused by the cold weather in Chicago in the past twenty-four hours, and many persons suffered from frost bites of varying severity. Hundreds of homeless men were cared for by the police. The mercury at 6 a. m. yesterday and at 6:30 a. m. today touched at below zero, the lowest point this winter in Chicago. The forecast today promises some relief. After carrying his wife and two children from his burning cottage early today, Herbert Fletcher was overcome by smoke and flames, and fell near the doorway and died before assistance could reach him. The weather was bitter cold and his wife and children were clad only in their night garments. Fletcher had rushed back into the burning building to save sufficient clothing when overcome.

Stock Held to Eat Damaged Grain.

MONROE, Or., Feb. 1.—Hogs and cattle are extremely scarce just now in this

vicinity. One dealer was out for two days, and succeeded in securing nothing, although he offered 4 1/2 cents per pound for hogs on foot, either fat or poor, and as good a price for cattle. It is said that spoiled grain is the cause of this condition, every rancher wishing to hold his stock until his bad grain is fed out.

The cold snap put a stop to the winter blooming of several kinds of wild flowers. The buds which were about to burst into flowers were frozen at the base, so that they died. The frost was not heavy enough to affect the grain.

Warm Clothes for British Soldiers.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Owing to the discovery that cotton khaki is insufficient protection for troops sleeping on the South African plains, the government is starting to reequip the forces in the field with woolen khaki, and has already ordered 95,000 suits in Glasgow alone.

ARE SPARRING FOR POINTS

Democrats Trying to Enjoin Taylor From Acting as Governor.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 2.—Senator Goebel passed a comfortable night, and was somewhat better this morning.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—After the cabinet meeting the following statement was made: "The president and cabinet decide that no case has yet arisen to justify the intervention of the national government in Kentucky, and has so informed the governor."

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 2.—Governor Taylor this morning ordered that nobody be admitted to the grounds of the capitol under any circumstances. Passes which heretofore have entitled holders to go through the lines were taken up when presented. The object of the new order is to prevent any civilian from serving any legal papers upon him. It is the intention of the Democrats to secure an injunction restraining Taylor from interfering in any way with the meetings of the legislature and enjoining him and Lieutenant-Governor Marshall from exercising the functions of state officers.

The Democratic plan is to make a formal demand for admission to the legislative halls in the statehouse everyday. As on yesterday, they will be denied admission by the militia, all of which, with the exception of two companies from Barboursville, will remain here. These two companies have been ordered to London for the meeting of the legislature there next Tuesday. Taylor gives no intimation of abrogating this proclamation calling for the legislature to assemble at London. He is making arrangements for the session there. Many Republicans went home last night and this morning, all intending to go to London Monday.

Another Politician Assassinated.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Feb. 2.—It is reported here that William Wright, ex-member of the Kentucky legislature and a prominent Democrat, was assassinated at Boones-Fork. No particulars are available.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

Head Was Cut Off.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 3.—John Hackerty, an Englishman, was killed above Hilgard at 6:30 this morning by the No. 1 train. His head was severed from his body and the trunk was horribly mangled. He was identified by a letter written by his brother, S. Hackerty from Nelson, B. C., to John Hackerty, Leadville, Colo. Hackerty was in La Grande last evening, and was evidently beating his way to Pendleton.

L. T. Travis, agent Southern R. R., Selma, Ga., writes: "I can not say too much in praise of One Minute Cough Cure. In my case it worked like a charm." The only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles.

Roberts Arrested.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Feb. 3.—Brigham H. Roberts arrived here this afternoon, and was driven from the depot to the office of his attorney, J. H. Moyle. While in the office he was arrested for unlawful cohabitation with Dr. Maggie Shipp. He was released on his own recognizance to appear Monday morning next for a preliminary hearing.

BOERS LOST 100 MEN

Orange State Forces at Stormberg Almost Surrounded.

RUMORS BODE EVIL FOR BOERS

Buller Has Probably Resumed Fighting—Reports That Besieging Force is Leaving Ladysmith Are Renewed.

STREKSPRUIT, Jan. 29.—Commandant Olivier, of the Orange Free State, in a speech to the Boers at Ladysmith, said that his men were almost surrounded at Stormberg and, unless recruits were forthcoming, he would be compelled to abandon the position.

It is admitted that in the recent fight at Ladysmith the Boers lost 1100 killed and 600 wounded.

Many colonists who fought at Stormberg have gone back to their farms and refuse to return to active service, though threatened with death. Among those are some conspicuous burghers.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—A dispatch from Ladysmith, undated, via Spearman's Camp, February 2, says:

Native deserters report the following field cornets killed in last week's fighting: Lombard, of Waterburg; Grobelair, of Bremerdorp; Opperman, Pretoria; Daniel Erasmus, of Magaliesberg, and one Free State cornet. The British artillery broke seven Boer guns. The casualties were approximately 1000, though this information is not confirmed officially.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—A dispatch to a London paper from Pietermaritzburg says: The appearance of the flying column of scouts in Zululand has created some uneasiness among the Boers over the border. A number of Boers have been hurriedly withdrawn from Ladysmith and Dundee to Vryheid to protect that place and oppose any British advance. The Boer force there is about 1000 strong with three guns.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The war office is silent as regards Buller, but there is every reason to believe he is continuing his movement upon Ladysmith. Those who are in a position to know confirm his reported recrossing of the Tugela river, and believe he was engaged yesterday. The message from Ladysmith Thursday, saying the Boer forces were leaving again and that the besieging force was considerably diminished, tends to confirm this.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts has notified the war office that forty Highlanders who were previously reported killed at Magersfontein are prisoners at Pretoria.

Plundered Seaside Cottages.

NEWPORT, Or., Feb. 2.—Several summer cottages, belonging to people living elsewhere, have recently been broken into and looted. Persons living at Yaquina city were suspected. This afternoon a search warrant was sworn out and the premises of John Hass were searched. Much stolen property was found and identified. Hass was placed under arrest, charged with burglary. He was brought down here by the sheriff, given a hearing before Justice C. R. Eisworth, admitted his guilt, waived examination and was bound over to the July term of circuit court. His bond was fixed at \$500, in default of which he was committed to jail.

Another person implicated escaped. It is expected he will be captured.

CALIFORNIA HAS CHOSEN A SENATOR

Dan Barqs, "the Man From Mexico," Is Now a Sore-Head.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3.—The Examiner this morning prints a statement over the signature of D. M. Burns, in which he formally withdraws his name from consideration as a candidate for the office of the United States senator. This insures the election of Thomas B. Bard, the Republican caucus nominee. After thanking the members of the legislature who have supported him, he

reviews the incidents of the senatorial contest, and the proceedings of the caucuses held yesterday, stating that the action of the meeting of his opponents which harmonized on Bard, virtually controlled the action of the full caucus, and abridged the right of individual members to vote as they pleased. He states that a hearing was refused a committee of his supporters, but without comment states that he is a loyal Republican, and submits the matter to the party for consideration.

Buried on Home Soil.

SALEM, Feb. 5.—The remains of Corporal Hal G. Hibbard were buried at Warren cemetery yesterday with military honors. The casket bearing all that was mortal of company K's greatest hero reached this city yesterday morning and was taken in charge by the volunteers and students of Willamette university, who escorted it to the grave. Brief services were held, Rev. G. W. Grannis delivering a very eloquent and touching address. After the remains had been buried a salute was fired over the grave, in accordance with military custom.

The services were attended by a large crowd of friends of the deceased. All the members of the family were present except the father, who was too ill to make the trip, a distance of twelve miles.

ENGLAND'S BIGGEST ARMY

Over 200,000 British Soldiers to Fight the Boers.

LONDON, Feb. 2, 4:30 a. m.—Mr. Wyndham's remarkable declaration in the house of commons that Great Britain will have in a fortnight 180,000 regulars in South Africa, 7000 Canadians and Australians, and 20,000 South African volunteers, is received with wonderment. Of this total of 213,000 troops, with 452 guns, all are now there with the exception of 18,000 that are afloat. Beyond comparison this is the largest force Great Britain has ever put into the field. At the end of the Crimean war she had scraped together 80,000. Wellington, at Waterloo, had 25,000. Mr. Wyndham's speech was the strongest defense the government has yet put forward as to what has been done and is being done.

The general tone of the morning papers is that his figures will astonish the country. Roughly speaking, only 80,000 men are at the front. Ten thousand others have been lost, and 10,000 are shut up at Ladysmith. Excluding these there are 70,000 troops who have not yet been in action, in addition to those at sea.

Why so many effectives have not yet been engaged is explained by the lack of land transportation and the organization of supplies, to which Lord Roberts is devoting his experience and Lord Kitchener his genius for details. It seems as though the weight of these masses must destroy the equilibrium which now holds the British forces stationary wherever they are in contact with the Boer army.

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.

To Take Advantage of Complications.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 5.—The campaign in favor of taking advantage of present complications in South Africa to secure Russian ports on the Indian ocean and Mediterranean is being pushed with vigor. The newspapers openly advocate profiting by Great Britain's difficulty to realize the scheme upon which depends the ultimate prosperity of Russia and which Great Britain has always frustrated.

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WM. GOEBEL IS DEAD

Assassin's Bullet Ended His Life at 6:45 Saturday Evening.

SCENES IN DEATH CHAMBER

A Brother and Sister Were Present—Another Brother Arrived a Few Minutes Too Late.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 3.—The bullet fired by an unknown assassin last Tuesday morning ended the life of William Goebel at 6:45 this evening. The only persons present at the deathbed were Mr. Goebel's sister, Mrs. Brawnecker, and his brother, Arthur Goebel, of Cincinnati, who have been in constant attendance at Mr. Goebel's bedside, and Dr. McCormack. Justus Goebel, a brother, who has been hurrying from Arizona as fast as steam would carry in a vain hope of reaching his dying brother in time for some token of recognition, arrived forty minutes too late.

Oxygen was frequently administered to the dying man during the afternoon in an effort to keep him alive until his brother's arrival, but in vain, for by the cruel irony of fate, the train on which Justus Goebel was traveling to Frankfort was delayed several hours from various causes, and when Mr. Goebel finally reached here it was only to learn that his brother was dead.

Among bitter partisans of both parties deep grief is manifested, and already a movement has been started to erect a fitting monument for Mr. Goebel's memory on the spot in the statehouse grounds where he was shot.

No arrangements have as yet been made for the funeral. Plunged in grief and locked in the death chamber of their brother, Arthur and Justus Goebel and Mrs. Brawnecker have given no intimation of their wishes, and no arrangements will be made until tomorrow. It is understood that a request will be made on behalf of the citizens of Frankfort that Mr. Goebel's last resting place be in the cemetery here, where lie buried Daniel Boone and Vice-President Johnson.

GENERAL KOBBE WHIPS INSURGENTS

Killed Ten and Captured Five Guns and Their Men.

MANILA, Feb. 3.—General Kobbe has occupied the islands of Samar and Leyte, in the fight at Catabogan, ten insurgents were killed and the Americans captured five cannon with their artillerymen.

Otis Reports Cebu Affair.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The following from Otis has been received at the war department:

"Manila, Feb. 3.—Kobbe reports from Cebu that insurgents endeavored to burn Calbayoc and Catabogan without success, except slight destruction of the last town. When the fire was put out by the troops from this point Kobbe drove the insurgents, under General Lukban, into the mountains, capturing a large arsenal, powder-house, Lukban's baggage and money and all his artillery. Insurgent loss in killed, 10; no casualties.

"Kobbe captured thirty pieces of artillery, a good many rifles, stores and ammunition. There are large quantities of hemp at the points seized, and thirty merchant vessels are engaged in transporting the same to Cebu and Manila."

A Thousand Fongues

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 Care—"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.

Reward of \$1000 Offered. FRANKLIN, Ky., Feb. 4.—L. B. Finn, county attorney, has offered personally a reward of \$1000 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who made the attempt on the life of William Goebel, or of any one who had any connection with the crime.

Catarrah Cannot be Cured with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrah is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrah Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrah Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrah. Send for testimonials, free.

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SENT PLUNDER TO PORTLAND

Frank Fisher Arrested at Walla Walla for Robbery Committed at Spokane.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 5.—Saturday Frank Fisher was taken to Spokane, where he will be compelled to answer to the charge of robbery.

Several days ago Fisher was arrested in this city for drunkenness. Upon his person were found three express company receipts which bore the name of George Strong. After he had sobered up he was questioned concerning the receipts. He said that he had forwarded three packages from Spokane to George Strong, at Portland, and that the packages contained quantities of ore and clothing. The man admitted that his name was Frank Hastings. His statement aroused Marshal Kauffman's suspicions, and accordingly Chief of Police McLaughlin, of Portland, was communicated with and advised to obtain and open them. The packages were found to contain "quantities of ore," consisting of several pieces of valuable jewelry and a set of burglar's tools. Further investigation proved that the jewelry compared almost exactly with the list of goods stolen from Merriam's jewelry store in Spokane. The authorities at Spokane were notified of Fisher's arrest, and upon immediate instructions received from them the man was held in custody until the case further developed.

A Convincing Answer.

"I hobbled into Mr. Blackmon's drug store one evening," says Wesley Nelson, of Hamilton, Ga., "and he asked me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism, with which I had suffered for a long time. I told him I had no faith in any medicine as they all failed. He said: 'Well if Chamberlain's Pain Balm does not help you, you need not pay for it.' I took a bottle of it home and used it according to directions and in one week I was cured, and I have not since been troubled with rheumatism." Sold by Blakeley & Houghton.

Wheat Goes Up.

SALEM, Feb. 5.—The Salem Flouring Mills Company has advanced the price of wheat 2 cents, and now quotes it at 42 cents. This is still ten cents below the quotations at Portland.

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