

## 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 head-  
quarters, and the only information  
which has reached London in any way  
supporting the reports that he has re-  
crossed the Tugela is found in the Asso-  
ciated 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 diffi-  
culty in crossing the river, it is not im-  
possible that General Buller may have  
moved in the interim, and public anx-  
iety 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 Gen-  
eral French has captured 800 Boers,  
where and how not being announced.

LOURENCO MARQUES, Feb. 2.—A dis-  
patch 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 re-  
lieved. 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. Mc-  
Lin, 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 shoot-  
ing occurred, says that the trouble arose  
from the fact that Mrs. McLin insisted  
on 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 vary-  
ing 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 child-  
ren from his burning cottage early to-  
day, 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 burn-  
ing building to save sufficient clothing  
when overcome.

### Stock Held to Eat Damaged Grain.

MONROE, Or., Feb. 1.—Hogs and cat-  
tle 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 condi-  
tion, 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 in-  
to 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 dis-  
covery that cotton khaki is insufficient  
protection for troops sleeping on the  
South African plains, the government  
is starting to re-equip 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 de-  
cide that no case has yet arisen to  
justify the intervention of the national  
government in Kentucky, and has so in-  
formed 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 se-  
cure 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 leg-  
islative halls in the statehouse everyday.  
As on yesterday, they will be denied ad-  
mission by the militia, all of which, with  
the exception of two companies from  
Barbourville, 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 proclama-  
tion 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 re-  
ported 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 im-  
proved 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 man-  
ufactured by the California Fig Syrup  
Co. only.

### Head Was Cut Off.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 3.—John Hack-  
erty, 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. Hack-  
erty from Nelson, B. C., to John Hack-  
erty, Leadville, Colo. Hackerty was in  
La Grande last evening, and was evi-  
dently 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 Storm-  
berg Almost Surrounded.

## RUMORS BODE EVIL FOR BOERS

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

STERKSPRUIT, 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 Storm-  
berg 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 fight-  
ing: 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 Ladys-  
mith and Dundee to Vryheid to protect  
that place and oppose any British ad-  
vance. The Boer force there is about  
1000 strong with three guns.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The war office is si-  
lent 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 re-  
ported recrossing of the Tugela river, and  
believe he was engaged yesterday. The  
message from Ladysmith Thursday, say-  
ing the Boer forces were leaving again  
and that the besieging force was con-  
siderably diminished, tends to confirm  
this.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts has noti-  
fied 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 sum-  
mer cottages, belonging to people living  
elsewhere, have recently been broken  
into and looted. Persons living at  
Yaquina city were suspected. This after-  
noon 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 Exam-  
iner 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 caucus  
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 com-  
mittee of his supporters, but without  
comment states that he is a loyal Rep-  
ublican, 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 War-  
ren 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 ser-  
vices were held, Rev. G. W. Grannis de-  
livering 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 ex-  
cept the father, who was too ill to make  
the trip, a distance of twelve miles.

## ENGLAND'S BIG- GEST 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 wonder-  
ment. 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. Well-  
ington, 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 coun-  
try. 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 de-  
voting 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 grow-  
ing weaker day by day. Three physi-  
cians 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 cam-  
paign 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 ad-  
vocate profiting by Great Britain's diffi-  
culty to realize the scheme upon which  
depends the ultimate prosperity of  
Russia and which Great Britain has al-  
ways frustrated.

### Your Face

Shows the state of your feelings and the  
state of your health as well. Impure  
blood makes itself apparent in a pale  
and sallow complexion, Pimples and  
Skin Eruptions. If you are feeling  
weak and worn out and do not have a  
healthy appearance you should try  
Acker's Blood Elixir. It cures all blood  
diseases where cheap Sarsaparillas and  
so called purifiers fail; knowing this we  
sell every bottle on a positive guarantee.  
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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 Tues-  
day 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 in-  
dication of their wishes, and no arrange-  
ments 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 Catbalogan, ten  
insurgents were killed and the Ameri-  
cans 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  
Calbayog and Catbalogan without suc-  
cess, 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 trans-  
porting the same to Cebu and Manila."

### A Thousand Fongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie  
E. Springer, of 1125 Howard st., Phil-  
adelphia, 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 re-  
moved 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 con-  
viction of the person or persons who  
made the attempt on the life of William  
Goebel, or of any one who had any con-  
nection 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 inter-  
nal 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.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo O.  
Sold by druggists, price 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best. 12

## SENT PLUNDER TO PORTLAND

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

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 5.—Sat-  
urday Frank Fisher was taken to Spo-  
kane, 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 com-  
pany receipts which bore the name of  
George Strong. After he had sobered up  
he was questioned concerning the re-  
ceipts. He said that he had forwarded  
three packages from Spokane to George  
Strong, at Portland, and that the pack-  
ages contained quantities of ore and  
clothing. The man admitted that his  
name was Frank Hastings. His state-  
ment aroused Marshal Kauffman's sus-  
picious, and accordingly Chief of Police  
McLaughlin, of Portland, was com-  
municated 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 authori-  
ties 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 rheu-  
matism, with which I had suffered for a  
long time. I told him I had no faith in  
any medicines 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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