

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

The Boers have 40,000 fighting men left.

President Kruger does not expect any aid from the powers.

The Boers have blown up the bridges north of Bloemfontein and are retreating to the north.

Central American governments are opposed to the Davis amendment to the Hay-Panncote treaty.

Senator Davis, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations and in charge of the French reciprocity treaty, said that notwithstanding the purpose to extend the time for the exchange of ratifications, he proposes to do all he can to obtain ratification during the present session.

Elizabeth T. Struble, editor of the Nautilus, a Christian science newspaper, at Sioux Falls, S. D., pleaded guilty in the federal court to sending obscene literature through the mails, and was fined \$200. Mrs. Struble refused to pay the fine and was taken to jail.

The differential freight rate of 10 per cent on the Canadian Pacific between the East and San Francisco is abolished. This is the outcome of a meeting held in Chicago, at which agents of the American lines threatened to secure legislation debaring the Canadian Pacific from participating in traffic originating in the United States if the differential were continued.

Much concern is being shown by the German government in the threat made by Montague White that the Boers will destroy Johannesburg to prevent it being made the base of the British operations against Pretoria. The Berlin authorities will strongly oppose such action, because of the damage which will be done to the property owned by Germans.

Great excitement prevails in San Jacinto, as it has been discovered that part of the San Jacinto mountain has slipped into a subterranean cavern. A territory covering 60 acres, at an elevation of 4,000 feet, was dislodged by the recent earthquake, and has slipped 150 feet lower than it had previously stood for centuries. The face of the new valley is thickly traversed with fissures and cracks.

The German government contemplates another expeditionary force to the interior of Shan Tung, where most of the American missions are located. The German governor at Kiau Chou has standing instructions to take such measures for the protection, not only of German missionaries and other interests in Shan Tung province as may seem necessary, but of American missionaries as well.

Julia Arthur has retired from the stage.

St. Patrick's day was enthusiastically celebrated throughout Cape Town.

Hetty Green's daughter is said to be engaged to a poor Spanish nobleman.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railway system has been sold at auction.

Andrew Bolter, one of the noted entomologists in America, is dead in Chicago.

Two boys, aged 9 and 3 years, were burned to death in their own house near Alfred, N. Y.

British industries are badly in need of cash. The money market is head over ears in debt.

Nine persons were injured in New York by the dropping of a coal chute upon an elevated train.

General Hernandez, leader of the Venezuela revolution, is making progress against the government.

Two thousand Boer women in Pretoria have been armed to aid in the defense of the Transvaal capital.

United States supreme court rendered a decision upholding the Texas courts in their war against the trusts.

During a row in a saloon at Cour d'Alene, Idaho, two negroes were shot, one fatally and the other seriously.

Puerto Rico's distress is growing worse. Governor General Davis cabled that 500 tons of provisions will be needed weekly.

The French line freighter Pauliac is missing. She carried a cargo valued at \$3,000,000 and has not been heard from for over a month.

To prevent friction with the sultan of the Sulu archipelago, measures have been taken by the American authorities in the Philippines for the adjudication of any questions that may arise which cannot be disposed of by provisions of the treaty which he and General Bates entered into several months ago.

Diplomats in Constantinople believe Russia aims at commercial protectorate of northern Asia Minor.

The American Political League, a new organization, will hold a national convention in Boston July 4.

Congressmen and senators have 15,000,000 packages of seeds to distribute among their rural constituents.

Nearly all the progressive railroads are abandoning wooden cars and adopting the steel built structures.

LATER NEWS.

Boers are retiring from Kroonstad. Lord Roberts has not yet advanced from Bloemfontein.

The Puerto Rican appropriation bill was signed by President McKinley.

Several Cleveland, O., concerns have granted the demands of the striking machinists.

Rear-Admiral A. H. McCormick retired as commandant of the Washington navy yard.

The Norwegian schooner Friton has been wrecked at Dunkirk, Ireland, and 10 of her crew drowned.

Bob Fitzsimmons and Kid McCoy have been matched to fight July 4, 25 rounds at catch weights.

Two murderers at Emporia, Va., were lynched after the militia that had protected them were withdrawn.

Fifty thousand laborers on the island of Puerto Rico are without work, and whole families have died from starvation.

The Philippine commission will be taken to Manila on the transport Hancock, and will sail from San Francisco on April 15.

One man was killed and five injured by a cave-in at Whitehall, on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, 10 miles south of Pittsburg, Pa.

The Alaska mail service is meeting with great success. Mail was recently transmitted from Circle City to Washington in 30 days.

Work has begun on New York city's underground railway, which will involve the expenditure of \$36,000,000, and will give employment to 10,000 men.

Wharton Golden, in his testimony at the trial of Secretary of State Caleb Powers, of Kentucky, said, "John Powers told me they had two negroes to kill Goebel."

Eben S. Boyce, of Tacoma, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. He brutally shot his wife February 10, while she was acting as cashier in a restaurant.

The government of Austria-Hungary has replied to the South African appeal for mediation in the war that it was only possible to take such a step when both belligerents desired it.

Through the breaking down of the first floor in a factory building in New York city, which was totally destroyed by fire, three firemen were killed and two injured. Property loss \$50,000.

The court of inquiry convened by Rear-Admiral Watson, at Manila, to investigate the loss of the cruiser Charleston, excoriated the officers and men from responsibility for the loss of the ship.

Machinists of Cleveland, O., have been ordered out.

Booneville, Iowa, is being terrorized by striking miners.

General Kitchener has occupied Prieska, in Cape Colony.

The crown princess of Austria and Count Louvay were married at Vienna.

Cubans are clamoring against the continuance of Manager Sbarretti in the bishopric.

The Boers at Alwal North are still holding a position in the big hills on the Free State side.

J. F. Allen, of New Orleans, has bought 1,000,000 Paris exposition tickets as a speculation.

The will of Philip D. Armour, Jr., was proved and admitted to probate. The estate is valued at \$8,000,000.

John F. Norton, a Northern Pacific switchman, was run over in the yards at Tacoma, Wash., and died a few hours later.

The slayer of Goebel is said to be a mulatto, who is now supposed to be in hiding in the wilds of one of the mountain counties.

At Buda Pest, Hungary, 24 peasants were drowned by the capsizing of a boat, in which they were crossing the Danube during a gale.

Lieutenant Seaton Schroeder, present secretary of the naval inspection board, has been selected to succeed Captain Leary as governor of Guam.

Osman Pasha, the hero of Plerna, is dead. In 1878 he defeated the finest troops of the czar in three pitched battles, which cost Russia over 30,000 men.

Eight ladies of the sultan's palace at Constantinople have been sent into exile for machinations in connection with the sultan's fugitive brother-in-law, Mahmud Pasha.

The city council of Astoria, Or., passed an ordinance authorizing the chief of police to pay a bounty of 5 cents each for all rats caught or killed within the city limits within the next 30 days.

The house committee on foreign affairs has decided to investigate the allegation made by Charles E. Macrum, consul at Pretoria, relative to the opening of his official mail by the British authorities.

Sir William Van Horn, former president of the Canadian Pacific railway, is interested in a project for the consolidation of all the railways in Cuba. For the development of this project Sir William has \$25,000,000 at his disposal.

An Iowa concern is making iron wagons wholly of steel.

Electrical power can be transmitted with profit 80 miles and used as steam is used.

Of the 25 men who have filled the governor's chair in Indiana, Gov. Mount is the only one living.

Pennsylvania factory inspectors report 2,238 accidents last year, three-fourths of which were due to carelessness.

NO PEACE OVERTURES

Salisbury and Kruger Notes Related to Prisoners.

NOW FIGHTING AT WARRENTON

British Scouts Encounter a Hot Fire—No News From Natal—Defenses of Pretoria.

London, March 24.—It has been learned that no new peace overtures have been made to Lord Salisbury, nor are any expected at present by Great Britain. The telegraphic correspondence has been confined to the treatment of British prisoners, Lord Salisbury holding the presidents of the South African republics responsible. The question of the safety of Johannesburg and the gold mines there has not been raised.

It seems certain that Mafeking's only chance lies in relief by the column supposed to be advancing from the south, or in the possibility that Colonel Baden-Powell is still strong enough to attempt a sortie with a view of capturing the Boer guns at a time when Commandant Snyman has withdrawn his men to oppose Colonel Plumer's advance.

Nothing has developed regarding General Buller's intentions, but it seems hard to believe that he is again embarking General Warren's division. It is reported from Lourenco Marques that Pretoria is prepared to stand a siege of two years, and that the Boer women, frantic at the reverses to the Boer arms, are entreating to be allowed to shoot the British officers imprisoned at Pretoria. It is also announced from the Transvaal capital that the Italian government has declined to intervene.

Fighting at Warrenton.

Kimberley, March 24.—There was a smart artillery duel near Warrenton yesterday morning. A battery under Major Blewitt, supported by the Kimberley Light Horse, located the Boers, who employed four guns, two of which used cordite, but ineffectively. The British battery replied with effect, and silenced the Boer fire. The Boers sent two shells near the railway station, which was not damaged.

A scouting party got too close to the bank of the river, and encountered a hot fire. The men were unable to get away, and it was impossible to relieve them without loss, the party being obliged to wait for darkness in order to escape. The party retired with only one wounded.

This morning brisk firing was resumed at Warrenton, about 6:30, but it has now slackened up.

A detachment of Fusiliers has arrived.

Two Vryburg inhabitants, who have been imprisoned by the Boers, were sent into Warrenton under a white flag, after being taken from laager to laager around the district. They say that the big gun from Kimberley has been taken through Christiansburg to Pretoria. There are women and children in nearly every laager. Trains now run within eight miles of Warrenton.

TO PREVENT NIGHT ATTACKS.

Savy Department Wants an Illuminating Projectile.

New York, March 24.—Considerable interest is taken by naval officials here and at Washington in the efforts which inventors are making to construct a shell containing a chemical compound which, when it strikes the surrounding atmosphere, during the war with Spain, Rear-Admiral O'Neill, chief of ordnance, expressed his willingness to try inventions of this character.

A shell containing calcium chloride was submitted a few weeks ago and has just been fired at the Indian Head proving grounds. Lieutenant Strauss, in charge of the proving grounds, has reported to Admiral O'Neill that the projectile is too cumbersome and too light, turning over and over in its flight, though when it struck the water it burned with an excellent light. Such a projectile would be extremely valuable in time of war, as a warship equipped with several of this type would be able to discharge them at an enemy's torpedo boat, for instance, and by the light thus produced would be able to destroy the attacking vessel.

Loud Bill Shelved.

Washington, March 24.—After a spirited discussion extending over three days, the Loud bill, relating to second-class mail matter, was recommitted by the house today to the committee on postoffices. The majority in favor of the motion to recommit was so decisive that it is regarded as unlikely that the measure will appear again during the present congress. Loud said, after the vote was announced, that this was the third time and out, so far as he was concerned. The vote on the motion was 148 to 96, with 16 present and not voting.

Recruits for Manila.

New York, March 24.—More than 1,000 cavalry, infantry and artillery recruits will leave Fort Schuyler and Fort Slocum tomorrow for Brooklyn, where they will board the transport Sumner, which will sail Saturday for the Philippines.

New York, March 24.—The threat of the Western leaders of organized labor to tie up machine shops throughout the country unless the nine-hour day is granted to all employees, has carried such weight with local members of the National Metal Trades Association as to cause them to take immediate steps toward organization. The national organization is only partially formed, but when completed will include the machine manufacturers of this city and adjacent towns.

EXPLOSION OF COLLOIDION.

Wrecked Two Buildings in Philadelphia—One Life Lost.

Philadelphia, March 24.—One person was killed and four injured by a terrible explosion of colloidion in the photographic supply establishment of Thomas M. McCollin & Co., on South Eleventh street, today. The dead man is Herman Weiss, aged 19. The more seriously injured are: George W. Nicholas, August Hauser, Daniel Reed, a fireman, and John A. Granton.

The building was almost entirely wrecked, and the adjoining structure, occupied by V. Clad & Sons manufacturers of hotel ranges and kitchen supplies, was also badly damaged by the force of the explosion. There were over 100 persons in the Clad building when the explosion occurred on the sixth floor of the McCollin building. The force of the explosion blew out the north wall of the building, and the heavy mass crashed through the roof of the Clad building, which was only four stories in height.

Weiss and Hauser, who were working on the upper floor of the Clad building, were crushed under the falling debris. Nicholas and Granton were burned by the explosion, and were taken from the McCollin building by firemen. While firemen were working in the McCollin building, the third floor gave way, and in this crash fireman Daniel Reed had his leg broken.

The property loss is about \$75,000. Fire, which followed the explosion, did considerable additional damage.

A REVOLTING CRIME.

Young Woman Burned to Death by Four Men in South Carolina.

Wadesboro, S. C., March 24.—Particulars were received today of a revolting crime committed in Chesterfield county a few days ago. Cassie Boone, a young woman, was enticed from her home by four white men, carried to the woods near by and assaulted with knives. The woman was gashed with knives in the fleshy part of her body, the cuts being from four to 12 inches in length. The coal oil was poured over her and she was set on fire and released in the woods, to run screaming until she fell dying. When found a small braid around the forehead was the only shred of clothing left on her body.

Cassie Boone was 20 years old, the daughter of George Boone, a farmer. She was one-quarter Indian. Her reputation, it is said, was not good. Last Sunday evening she left her home with Sam Woodward to visit Vinee Melton. She left there later in the evening with Tom Steed and James Jackson, presumably to return to her father's house. Nothing more was heard of her till she was seen Monday night running through the woods.

Ross Jackson, John Jackson, Abi Kirby and Jim Yerner, reported that they heard the screaming, and, collecting a crowd, went into the woods and found the girl. Some one threw an overcoat over the charred and dying woman, and then summoned help. When a doctor arrived she was dead.

TREATY RATIFIED.

Relating to the Disposition of Estates of Those Who Die Abroad.

Washington, March 24.—The senate today in executive session ratified the treaty between the United States and Great Britain relative to the estates of citizens of one country who die in the territory of the other, which has been under consideration for the past few days. There was no debate today, but several additions were accepted. Article 2 was amended so as to provide for the extension of the provisions of the agreement to dependencies of the United States, "only upon direction of the lawmaking power of the United States," thus relieving the treaty of the criticism that it conferred too great power upon the president. Article 5 was amended so as to make it apply only to the right of disposing of property. As drafted, the treaty conferred upon the subjects of Great Britain and upon those of the United States in Great Britain "the same right in acquiring possession or disposing of property" as is possessed by the citizens of the country itself; the words "acquiring" and "possessing" were stricken out. As amended, the treaty was ratified by an almost unanimous vote.

Held Up a Train.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 24.—A "lone" robber, wearing a false face, with a huge black moustache painted on the mask, held up the southbound Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs train, four miles south of Hamburg, Ia., at 1:30 o'clock this morning. The train was in charge of Conductor Billy McGee. Flagman Moore was first accosted by the robber at the rear end of the train. Using Moore as a shield, the robber went through the sleeper and chair car, getting \$200 in cash and a gold watch. He pulled the bell cord and when the train slowed down jumped off and escaped in the darkness. The robbery was reported to the Burlington general office here from Langdon, the first station south of Hamburg.

Bounty on Robbers' Bodies.

Kansas City, March 24.—R. J. McFarland, chief of the Kansas City police department, has hung up a bounty for the bodies of all highway robbers killed in the city while in the act of committing robberies or directly thereafter. The price the chief offers to give for the body of each highwayman, the money to be paid out of his salary, is \$25. The reward is open to members of the force as well as any citizen.

SEA GOLD DREDGING

Secretary Root's Reply to the Senate's Resolution.

MERELY PERMITS GRANTED

No Law to Prevent Prospecting Under Water if Navigation is Not Obstructed.

Washington, March 26.—Secretary Root today transferred to the senate his reply to the resolution requesting information on the war department's practice of granting permits for gold dredging off the Alaskan coast. He states that no concessions or grants to excavate the gold-bearing bed of the sea at or in the vicinity of Cape Nome or in other Alaskan waters have been made by the secretary of war or any other official of the war department, but that permits have been given under the navigation act of March 3, 1899, to excavate or dredge for gold at points where there can be no hindrance to navigation. He states that prospectors must secure such permits to avoid liability to heavy fines under the act. The secretary adds:

"As this statute was designed solely for the protection of navigation, it has been the practice of the war department to grant permits to persons desiring to excavate for any purpose when the work is not such as unjustly to affect navigation, and is otherwise lawful. Permits thus granted are not exclusive; they do not preclude any number of similar permits applicable to the same territory; they are not grants or concessions, and they confer no rights whatever, except immunity from prosecution under the statute.

"As there seems to be no legal reason why all citizens of the United States should not have the same opportunity to prospect for gold and acquiring rights under the mining laws upon land and under water as they have upon land under water, the department determined, as a general policy in the exercise of the discretion vested in the chief of engineers and secretary of war by this statute, to relieve all citizens applying from the obstacle interposed by this statute as long as their proposed operations do not, in fact, interfere with navigation. All applications made under this statute have accordingly, so far as it has been possible to dispose of them, received favorable attention. No application of this description has been denied. Upon two, permits have been granted. Upon a third, papers had been prepared and were awaiting the secretary of war's signature at the time of the passage of your resolution. Three others were approved by the chief of engineers, and were in the hands of the judge-advocate for the preparation of the necessary papers. Eleven others are still in the office of the chief of engineers in process of examination upon the question whether they interfere with navigation. Four more, just received, are in the office of the secretary of war, and will today be sent to the chief of engineers. Unless otherwise directed by congress, the secretary of war will deem it his duty in the exercise of his discretion vested in him by law, to grant permits in all of these cases and upon all other similar applications by citizens of the United States; provided that the proposed work does not affect navigation."

A Negro's Six Victims.

Raleigh, N. C., March 24.—A negro, Tom Jones, commonly known in the county as "Preacher Jones," this morning murdered Ella Jones and her oldest daughter. Ida, with an ax, and then set fire to the beds in which lay the bodies of his victims and four sleeping children, ranging in years from a babe one month old to the largest boy, who was not more than 5. The four children were burned to death. The crime was committed at Garner's, a little town five miles east of here. The murderer, according to the story of the little 7-year-old Laura Jones, who escaped with her younger sister, deliberately struck the mother four times and then made two cuts into the body of the oldest child. He then fired the house.

When the people heard the story of the murder, they went to Jones' house to arrest him. They found that his clothes still bore stains of fresh blood, and that his hands were covered with blood.

Ice Gorge Floods a Town.

Monroe, Mich., March 26.—Owing to an ice gorge a large portion of the Third ward of this city is under four feet of water, and the current of the Raisin river is running down Front street on the south and Elm avenue on the north. Great damage has already been done. The city authorities have decided to dynamite the ice gorge.

Factory Elevator Fell.

New York, March 24.—One of the elevators in the seven-story factory building at 247 Center street broke its cable today and fell seven stories, injuring three of its occupants internally. The injured are: John Pododa, 17 years old, the elevator boy; Bernard Katzung and Anton Schroeder, of Brooklyn.

Adopted by the Senate.

Washington, March 26.—The senate today adopted the conference report on the Puerto Rican tariff bill by a vote of 35 to 15, practically a strictly party expression. No Democrat voted for the report, but Stewart, Silver, of Nevada, voted with the Republicans. The time of discussion was consumed mostly by Tillman, who made a fierce attack on the measure, and accused the Republican senators and the Republican party of indirection, hypocrisy and "dirty work."

BAD NEWS FROM MANILA.

Rebels Capture Quantities of Guns and Ammunition.

San Francisco, March 26.—The steamer Hong Kong Maru brings from Hong Kong news of a surprising state of affairs existing in the Philippines. The correspondent of a Hong Kong paper sent the following uncensored letter to his journal:

"Manila, Feb. 13.—It is a strange state of affairs that exist in the Philippines today. Improvement is visible in nearly every quarter. Civil governments are rapidly being established in every town of importance, and garrison and patrols are in process of extension wherever Americans hold territory, and yet it is an undeniable fact that since January 1, the insurgents have captured a number of rifles and quantities of ammunition from the Americans, almost equalling the sum total of American captures from the insurgents.

"Besides this, the casualty rate for the last two weeks will come very close to being heavier than at any other period of the insurrection, with the exception of the time of the outbreak and the fortnight beginning with March 25, 1899. These are hard facts to swallow, and somewhat alarming into the bargain.

"The threatened guerrilla warfare that was heard of on every side seems to be a stern reality, and parties of 50 or smaller numbers are ambushed and "jumped" day after day. Supply trains, small escorts and scouting parties are the special objects of attack, and the country seems to be full of small, roving bands, waiting at every convenient cover until the prey is caught.

"In one or two instances heavy patrols have quickly avenged the raids by setting out immediately and hunting down and killing as many of the marauders as possible. These lessons have not been forgotten, and in the immediate districts there have been no repetitions of the trouble.

"The authorities are giving the question considerable attention, and every effort will be made to insure the public safety, for on this depends the future of the country. England's policy in India is frequently discussed, and her swift and severe punishments are looked upon as model pacemakers. The arms were probably captured from commissary trains."

GREAT STEEL FIGHT ENDED.

Carnegie and Frick Settle Their Differences—Reorganization.

Pittsburg, March 26.—The differences between H. C. Frick and Andrew Carnegie have been settled. The parties interested have agreed upon a plan of reorganization, the new concern to be incorporated under the laws of New Jersey.

The Carnegie Steel Plant, Ltd., becomes a stock company with a capital of \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000, the famous "ironclad agreement" is wiped out, all litigation between the partners in the Carnegie Company is dropped, and H. C. Frick, the ex-president of the company, virtually secures all he has contended for.

These facts are embodied in an authorized statement issued tonight by the company.

As the capital of the Carnegie Company, Ltd., is \$25,000,000, under the proposed plan of reorganization, each partner will hold either eight or ten times the amount in the corporation. As Mr. Frick holds 6 per cent of the company stock in the Carnegie Steel Company, he will receive in stock of the new concern, \$12,000,000 if it is capitalized at \$200,000,000; \$15,000,000 if the figure is put up to \$250,000,000. His contention in his suit was that his stock was worth at least \$15,000,000, and he sued to recover the difference between that and the amount offered him when he was invited under the "ironclad" provisions to resign.

The Prinz Heinrich.

Berlin, March 24.—The German cruiser launched today at Kiel received the name Prinz Heinrich and was christened by Princess Henry, of Prussia. She is belt-armored, with plate 100 millimeters thick at the water line. She has an indicated horsepower of 15,000, and triple expansion engines, and is capable of making 20 1/2 knots an hour. She carries two 24-centimeter guns in two revolving turrets, six 15-centimeter guns in casemates, four 15-centimeter guns in revolving turrets and numerous smaller guns, with four torpedo tubes. Her displacement is 8,800 tons.

To Witness an Eclipse.

San Francisco, March 24.—William H. Crocker has offered to defray the expense of sending out a party from the Lick Observatory to observe the total eclipse of the sun on May 28. A complete outfit of instruments will be definitely chosen, but it will probably be Barneville, a small town near Atlanta, Ga.

Sawmill Boiler Exploded.

Munice, Ind., March 26.—The James Nickum sawmill, six miles southwest of here, was destroyed by a fearful boiler explosion this evening. Three men are dead, one will die and three others were injured. The dead are Thomas Sullivan, Clifford Van Buskirk and Marion Carey. Lon Van Buskirk, the engineer, had his skull crushed in and both arms broken.

Murdered by Moonshiners.

Raleigh, N. C., March 26.—Governor Russell is officially informed that last night four masked men went to the home of George Rittel, a negro, near Carthage, and attempted to hang him, but he broke away. He was caught, however, horribly mutilated and hanged and shot. His murderers are believed to be moonshiners.

He who lights the candle at both ends, may expect soon to burn his fingers.

MANY FROM EUROPE

Marked Increase of Immigration in Past Year.

ONE-FOURTH ARE ITALIANS