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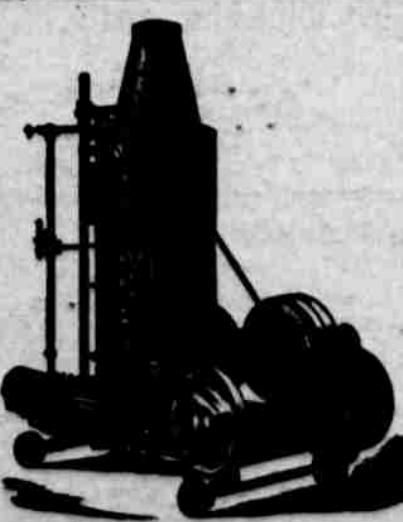
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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Cullied From the Telegraph Columns

Ex-Congressman David B. Culbertson, of Texas, is dead.

General Hamilton has captured Winburg, the Boer stronghold.

L. Marquis, a farmer residing seven miles northwest of Eugene, committed suicide.

Heavy rains in Iowa did much damage to property and caused large losses in livestock.

Lord Roberts has crossed the Vet river and the Boers are still in full retreat northward.

San Antonio, Texas, was struck by a terrific wind storm, doing damage to the amount of \$75,000.

W. C. Endicott, secretary of war in Cleveland's first administration, died at Boston, aged 78 years.

Scientists hope to make many new discoveries on the event of the sun's total eclipse on May 28.

General Harrison Gray Otis is booming Congressman Hepburn, of Iowa, for McKinley's running mate.

Aginaldo has joined his forces in North Luzon and has assembled considerable force in the mountains; General Young asks for reinforcements.

Senor Alberti, prominent in Cuban politics and editor of a newspaper, was shot and instantly killed by an unknown assassin at Gibara, province of Santiago de Cuba.

Pope Leo will make amends for his deposition of Archbishop Keane, who may be appointed to the position held by the late Archbishop Hennessy, of Dubuque, Iowa.

The output of oil in California has increased from 1,345,128 barrels in 1895, to 2,299,128 barrels in 1899. The state now ranks fourth among the states of the union in petroleum production.

Rev. Charles S. Morris, a colored Baptist missionary, recently returned from South Africa, was vigorously hissed when he championed the cause of England in a lecture before the West Side Y. M. C. A. of New York City. The counter-demonstrations became so pronounced that the lecturer abandoned the discussion of the merits of the contending nations.

Hi Sing, high priest of the Chinese Masonic order of this country, judge of Chinatown, was honored with an elaborate, even gorgeous funeral at Philadelphia. The distinguished priest spoke nine languages and added to his income by loaning money to his countrymen at a high rate of interest. Regarding talents Sing was the peer of any Chinaman in the country.

One hundred and nine victims of the Utah mine disaster were buried in one day at Scofield.

The Yale-Berkeley game at New Haven, Conn., resulted in a victory for the former team.

Burglars looted the safe of the First National Bank of East Brady, Pa., and secured \$10,000.

The parade in St. Louis in honor of Admiral Dewey was witnessed by half a million people.

The sundry civil bill was passed by the house. It carries slightly more than \$61,500,000.

Many buildings were demolished by a terrific gale that went through the town of Wilsonville, Neb.

Six hundred men employed in the zinc factory at La Salle, Ind., struck for an advance in wages.

The Standard Varnish works at Elm Park, Staten Island, were damaged by fire to the extent of \$200,000.

The British have crossed the Vaal river, pushing northward, and the relief of Mafeking is expected soon.

An effort is being made by government officials to secure an appropriation for the building and maintenance of schools for Alaska.

General MacArthur, in addition to his duties as commander, will exercise the authority of military governor of the Philippine Islands.

Fire which started in a livery stable at Petersburg, Ind., swept through the business portion of the town, leaving but three stores. Loss, \$90,000.

The war department issued an order relieving General Otis of the command of the division of the Philippines. The general has left Manila for the United States.

One-third of the houses in Garza, a town in Denton county, Texas, was destroyed by a tornado. No one was hurt, the people seeking refuge in stormhouses.

Lieutenant Gibbons, attached to the Brooklyn, in an expedition conducted by him in the south of Luzon, in the latter part of February, secured the release of 522 Spanish prisoners.

LATER NEWS.

Plague has broken out at Hong Kong.

Ira Williams, a logger, was drowned in the Necanicum river, near Astoria.

The government of the Orange Free State has been moved from Kronstadt to Heilbron.

Republicans of Illinois in convention assembled, endorsed the McKinley administration.

Two men and two boys were killed by the wrecking of a fruit train, near Rawlins, Wyo.

Excessive customs duties imposed by the military government are fast killing American trade in the Philippines.

The First and Second Irish Fusiliers sailed from Cape Town for Athlone, Ireland, to recuperate from their trying experiences in the field.

Captain Cushing, of the revenue cutter Ruah, which has sailed for the Arctic, will take a census of the inhabitants of the Alpeian islands.

President Powell, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, issued an order formally discontinuing the strike of the Southern railway telegraphers.

During a riot between strikers and workmen at the Buttonwood mine of the Parish Coal Company at Wilkesbarre, Pa., about 20 men were badly injured, the strikers dispersing the workmen.

The British iron ship Sierra Nevada, Captain Scott, from Liverpool, January 16, for Melbourne, Aus., was totally wrecked outside the harbor of the latter place. Five of her crew were saved, but 22 others, including the captain, perished.

One hundred and fifty-seven Japanese immigrants have landed in San Francisco, of which number 75 were admitted by certificates of landing signed by the United States immigration commissioner at Vancouver, B. C., and 82 on certificates from the commissioner at Seattle.

Franklin W. Fisk, D. D., whose resignation after 41 years incumbency of the office of president of the Chicago Theological seminary, takes effect at the close of the current year, has been elected professor emeritus of the chair of sacred rhetoric of the institution. The election is for life.

The secretary of the treasury has directed Collector Jackson, at San Francisco, to detail an inspector from the Chinese bureau to attend to the making out of papers for Chinese merchants domiciled in this country who are on the eve of departing for China with the intention of returning. They will have these papers on their return to this country to facilitate their landing.

Democrats will flood Oregon with pro-Boer campaign material.

The good government ticket won in the Grant's Pass, Ore., election.

Painters and paperhangers of Tacoma have won their strike for a shorter day.

Russians and Chinese clash in Manchuria, many being killed on both sides.

Admiral Dewey attended a reception by the colored people at Memphis, Tenn.

Astoria will offer a bounty for seal scalps in order to protect the salmon industry.

The steamer Tosa Maru has arrived at Seattle from Yokohama with 700 more Japs.

The bill for Alaskan lighthouses probably cannot be passed at this session of congress.

President McKinley sent birthday congratulations to the crown prince of Germany.

Two persons were burned to death by the destruction of the American hotel at Genesee, N. Y.

New York's naval reserve refused to accept the navy department's offer for a cruise and practice.

Charles F. Neely has been arrested for embezzling \$36,000 in the Cuban postoffice department.

Three Forest Grove people are thought to have perished in the sinking of the Dora B. in Alaskan waters.

Three Americans were killed and seven wounded in an engagement with rebels on the island of Panay.

Middle-of-the-road Populists at Sioux Falls will hold their convention in a big tent. Ignatius Donnelly is talked of for the presidency.

Martin Sievert, who killed one Christenson at Latuza Bay, Alaska, asked the miners there to hang him and was accommodated.

The chiefs of Tutuila, of the Samoan group, have formally ceded the island to the United States, and the American flag has been hoisted.

Representatives of the Field museum in Chicago will soon be in the Northwest for a three months' tour for the purpose of seeking curios among Oregon Indians.

Twenty-six hundred street-car men are on a strike in St. Louis, and every line in the city is compelled to suspend operation. The police are powerless.

ROBERTS' RAPID PROGRESS

His Army Has Reached the Zand River.

80 MILES FROM BLOEMFONTEIN

The Entire Boer Force Has Retired North of the River—Relief Columns Pushing on to Mafeking.

London, May 10.—Four thousand British cavalry watered their horses at Zand river, Monday, 25 miles beyond Smaldee, where Lord Roberts continues to date his dispatches. The scouts who have been searching the country for miles along the stream have found no Boers south of the river. The enemy are laagered in unknown force on the north bank. Thus the British advance guard is within 45 miles of Kronstadt.

The war office has issued the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Smaldee, May 8: "General Hutton, with mounted infantry, reconnoitered yesterday to the Zand river, and found the enemy in considerable force. General Broadwood's brigade of cavalry, with General Ian Hamilton's force, performed the same operation with much the same result.

"General Hunter reports that he occupied Fourteen Streams yesterday without opposition, owing in a great measure, to the able disposition made by General Paget on the left bank of the Vaal river at Warrenton, where his artillery fire rendered the enemy's position practically untenable. A six-inch gun was found most useful. As the Sixth and half of the Fifth brigades of infantry advanced under cover of the artillery, the enemy retired precipitately, abandoning their clothing, ammunition and personal effects."

The Free Staters, in the expectation that Kronstadt will speedily become untenable, are, according to information from Lourenco Marques, preparing to transfer their government to Heilbron, a little more than 50 miles northeast.

Correspondents at headquarters are now wiring freely concerning the incidents connected with the occupation of Smaldee. Some exasperation is expressed at the ease with which the Boers escaped with their transports before the very eyes of the British. For instance, when the British entered Smaldee, the Boer ox wagons coolly outpanped only five miles away, as if in contempt of the ability of the British to overtake them.

Smaldee is a village of only a score of dwellings, but it expanded in one night to a vast canvas city, and the glow of the campfires was like a scene in an iron smelting district. The city is likely to fade away in a day by the immediate progress of the infantry to Zand river.

The tidings from Mafeking are gloomier than ever. Everybody there has an empty stomach and a pinched face. The natives are no longer given porridge, and the whites now have nothing but a quart of that substance and a pound of horse sausage daily. Everything else eatable has gone. Insufficient food, wet trenches and cold nights are deadly to the health of the garrison. This information comes from reliable natives. Lady Sarah Wilson, under date of April 27, says: "The Boers now number 4,500, including young Eloff, President Kruger's grandson, who has sent for six more guns."

The Mafeking correspondent of the Times, who also emphasizes the extreme gravity of the situation, says: "It is impossible to ignore the fatal significance of Colonel Baden-Powell's reference to the hardships endured by the women and children, among whom many deaths have already occurred. The commissariat is holding a certain stock of foodstuffs in reserve for use in the direst extremity."

JAMAICA WANTS FREEDOM.

Delegation to Be Sent to England to Battle for It.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 10.—The latest development in the political deadlock here is the meeting of the elected members of the legislative council, which took place April 25. At this meeting of the people's representatives, a definite policy and line of conduct were decided upon. They agreed:

1.—To adhere to their resolved purpose to take no part in the deliberation of the legislative council until the four extra nominated members are withdrawn.

2.—To send a delegation to England to fight the battle of political freedom for Jamaica in the house of commons.

3.—In the event of failure, to offer themselves as candidates at the next general election, and, if returned, to persist in the policy they have adopted, that is, to refuse to take part in the work of the legislative council, and thus force Mr. Chamberlain's hand; in other words, to compel him to either carry out his threat to restore crown government pure and simple, or to withdraw the obnoxious four members from the legislative council and restore the status quo ante.

THE PEOPLES' PARTY.

Opening of the National Convention at Sioux Falls.

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 11.—The National convention of the People's party began business at 2:20 o'clock today, in the big tent wigwam on the top of the hill on the western side of the city of Sioux Falls. There have been larger crowds in attendance upon national conventions, and possibly there have been questions upon which more enthusiasm has been manifested, but there have been few similar events which have been marked by more evident sincerity of purpose or more pronounced decorum of behavior.

The big tent was arrayed in full dress attire for the reception and entertainment of its guests, and the structure proved in every way equal to the service required of it. The interior of the tent was made resplendent by a lavish display of the national colors. The platform was liberally decorated with the Stars and Stripes, and the uprights of the structure bore aloft excellent black and white portraits of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Bryan. The accommodations for delegates, for distinguished guests, for the press and for ordinary visitors proved exceptionally good, equal to those of most conventions held in buildings of more permanent character. A floor was laid over the space assigned to the delegates, and comfortable seats were assigned to all in attendance. The acoustic properties of the tent proved to be equal to those of most halls of equal size, and it is needless to say that the lighting and ventilating facilities were first-class. The weather was ideal in all respects.

There were probably 500 delegates in their seats, and surrounding them was a ring of alternates and visitors numbering 600 to 800. Seats had been provided for a much larger number, but the attendance did not appear meager, and it may be remarked that what was lost in attendance was compensated for in enthusiasm. From the arrival of the Minnesota delegation bearing Bryan and Towne banners there were outbursts of applause on every convenient opening and upon the least provocation. The day was devoted to speech making, little business being accomplished.

Explosion Near Ketchikan.

Ketchikan, Alaska, May 8.—Mr. Hunt came up from Dall Head, Saturday evening, bringing the news of a terrible explosion of dynamite. The steamer B. P. Elmore was immediately dispatched with Drs. Story and Hopkins to care for the wounded, and to bring them here for treatment. The victims were: Ole Sordahl, who suffered a compound fracture of his leg, and serious internal injuries; another man, whose name was not learned, who, to use the doctor's expression, "is shot all to pieces," and has a very poor chance for his life; two others badly shaken up and bruised. Mr. Sordahl refuses to have his leg amputated, though it is frightfully lacerated and splintered, and may cause his death.

Stock for Employees.

Minneapolis, May 11.—The Great Northern Railroad, in accordance with its promise, has placed 10,000 shares of its stock on sale at par for its employees. The shares are to be handled by a new company, the Great Northern Employees' Investment Association, Ltd., managed by officials of the road. Employees purchasing stock will become members. No employee receiving \$3,000 a year or over may buy stock, and none may hold more than \$5,000 worth. Service of three years or more is requisite for purchasing employees. As the stock is worth \$155 a share, this action means a gift of over \$500,000 to its employees. There will be distributed in dividends on the stock \$70,000 a year.

Wardner Investigation Closed.

Washington, May 11.—The Coeur d'Alene investigation was brought to a close today when Frederick C. Robertson made the final argument for those making the charges. He took occasion, in his address, to make a fervent plea for organized labor, and in particular for the unions, which he contended, were being oppressed and discriminated against in the mining region. The committee will not take up the subject with a view to determining upon a report to the house until the military academy bill is disposed of.

Collision at Sea.

Astoria, Or., May 11.—The British ship Argus, Captain Hunter, in ballast, from Port Los Angeles, to Portland, arrived at the quarantine station today, having on board 15 of the crew and four passengers of the Hawaiian bark Iolani, Captain C. C. McClure, sugar laden, bound from Hilo to San Francisco, which was sunk off the coast near San Francisco on the night of May 3-4, in a collision with the Argus, the Iolani being a total loss.

The Plague Is at Hong Kong.

Washington, May 10.—The United States consul-general at Hong Kong cabled today that the plague has broken out at that port.

The lumber town of Corbett, Pa., population 500, was destroyed by a forest fire. Only five buildings are left standing. Two were killed and many seriously burned.

The old settlers of Adams county, Wash., will have a reunion at Ritzville June 7.