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CARTER BEHIND THE BARS. MILL BURNED AT LEWISTON

He Has a Cell and Will Be a Prison Bookkeeper. LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 27.—Obert M. Carter, late Captain, U. S. A., arrived at the Federal Prison here at 7:30 o'clock this evening, under guard of Lieutenant Thomas Baker, Fifteenth Infantry, a Corporal and three soldiers.

When the late army officer begins the monotonous grind of prison life tomorrow morning it will be as a prison bookkeeper, for he has been assigned to this task in the harness, broom, shoe-repairing and carpet-weaving shops, which are in the third story of the big east building.

Loss \$7000, and There Was No Insurance. LEWISTON, Idaho, April 28.—The plant of the Lewiston Sawmill Company was destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. The loss was \$7000; no insurance.

Time Extended Six Months. WASHINGTON, April 27.—The Senate in executive session today ratified the treaty with Spain, extending for six months the time in which Spanish residents of the Philippines may decide whether they will remain subjects of Spain or become citizens of the Philippines.

President Arrives at Washington. WASHINGTON, April 27.—President and Mrs. McKinley arrived in Washington at 8 A. M. from Canton.

GROWING IMPATIENT

English Murmurs Against Even Lord Roberts. BOTH IS AN ABLE GENERAL

Nothing of Particular Moment Accomplished by the Laboring British Forces in the Free State.

LONDON, April 28, 4:45 A. M.—In Commandant-General Louis Botha the Boers appear to have found a capable successor to Joubert. As the result of his insight and quick decision it may be assumed now that the retreating commandos have gotten safely away with the transport.

It is true that Lord Roberts' dispatch leaves much unsaid as to the whereabouts of other forces than those of General French and General Buller. Nothing is said about the troops of General Buller, Pule-Carew, Hart and Chermide, but the indications from Allwal North show that several small commandos are still hovering in the vicinity of Springfield, causing a certain amount of danger, and the advice from De Wet's Dorp, outlining the duties of General Chermide, justifies the conclusion that it will still be necessary to employ a considerable body of troops to keep the Free State clear of Boers.

The position is that the Boers who began their raid a month ago by compelling Colonel Broadwood to retire on Bloemfontein have now gotten safely away to the northward, practically without loss, but with the advantage of seven British guns, together with a hundred prisoners, captured.

Meanwhile the advance to Pretoria has not begun. Small wonder is it that muffled complaints and criticisms are beginning to be heard here and there against Lord Roberts. Two-thirds of his entire force has been employed in effecting this small satisfaction, and the probability is that the whole force must be again concentrated on Bloemfontein before the main advance begins. As things stand the British communications are likely to be repeated, it is evidently still a far cry to Pretoria.

The significance of General Hunter's division going to Kimberley, where mounted troops are also arriving daily, is now said to be a serious attempt to deal with the strong Boer forces on the Vaal River, now threatening to break through the then an endeavor to relieve Mafeking. It will be borne in mind that General Hunter paid a hurried visit to Lord Roberts at Bloemfontein. A company of British troops has just been completed at Bethulie, where hitherto railway trucks had been transferred over the wagon bridge. This will greatly facilitate getting stores up to Bloemfontein.

Mr. Poutney Bigelow, discussing the treatment of the South African rebels, says that the wisdom of the United States Government in not punishing the Confederates after the war of secession has borne good fruit, and he suggests that a similar result would be attained by a liberal policy in South Africa.

LOUIS ROBERTS' REPORT.

French Joined Hamilton and Both Turned on Dutch. LONDON, April 27, 11:15 P. M.—The War Office has issued a following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, Friday, April 27:

“General French reached Thabanchu this morning with cavalry. He met General Hamilton and General Smith-Dorrien's brigade there.

“The enemy were still holding the eastern outlet of the town, where General French and General Hamilton were proceeding to turn them out.

“General Rundle's division was eight miles south of Thabanchu last evening. “Additional casualties were reported: “Ian Hamilton and mounds of stores. Lieutenants Barry and Hill, wounded, both of Marshall's Horse, the former severely, the latter slightly.

“A patrol from Bethulie came across a body of the enemy on Smithfield road April 25. Private King, of the Prince Alfred Guards, was killed, and two of the Royal Scots Service Corps were taken prisoners.

“The Yeomanry Cavalry, under General Brabant, after reconnoitering as far as Wepener, returned to De Wet's Dorp this morning.

TOLD BY CORRESPONDENTS.

Little Chance of Punishing the Retreating Boers. LONDON, April 28.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Thursday, says:

“Most satisfactory progress has been made in the accumulation of the stores during the present week. Supplies are now presents a respectable appearance. The prospects of a general advance are more favorable.”

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Thursday, says:

“There appears to be little chance of inflicting effective punishment on the retreating Boers. Commandant Louis Botha, who arrived at De Wet's Dorp Monday, realized the situation and has ordered the immediate withdrawal of the Boers both from there and from Wepener.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing Thursday, says:

“The latest reports show that the Boers passed east of Thabanchu when going north. A prisoner reports that a commando which doubled back on the pursuing British is now making its way west in the direction of Leeuw Kop.”

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, under Thursday's date, says:

“The Boers who retreated from De Wet's Dorp kept well ahead of General French's cavalry. Unless the enemy should make a stand at Kroonstad, Lord Roberts will rapidly cross the Vaal River.”

Other Bloemfontein dispatches throw interesting points of light upon the situation. One special says that 700 wagons of a Boer heavy transport train have reached Kroonstad from the south. Only light wagons have been left behind. The Boers have organized a specially mounted corps for foraging and other work requiring special mobility. Another reports that before the Boers were driven from De Wet's Dorp about 2000 of them had been slowly retreating toward Ladybrand, where large supplies are stored, and immense corn fields are ready for harvesting.

The Ladysmith correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

“The Boers are preparing to spend the Winter in Natal. They are bringing their stock from the high veld into Natal for Winter grazing, and they are demanding that the Kaffirs pay the hut tax to them instead of the Natal Government. They also declare that unless the Kaffirs work for them (the Kaffirs) must remove south of Sunday's River.”

The Ladysmith correspondent of the Standard says:

“The strength of the Boers in the Big-

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THE ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE

Papers on Mission Work From Various Parts of the World.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Ex-Governor Northern, of Georgia, led the devotional exercises at today's session of the Ecumenical Conference at Carnegie Hall. Owing to absence, of Rev. H. N. Barnum, who was to have addressed the conference, G. B. Winton, of New Mexico, read a paper on “Self-Support of Missions.” Robert F. Spear, secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, read the paper prepared by Rev. H. G. Underwood, of Corea, on “The Object Lesson in the New Field.”

In the afternoon at the Church of the Strangers the general topic was “Missionary work in India.” At the Union Avenue Methodist Church the general subject was “Industrial Training.” The Training of Missionaries,” by Mrs. J. Fairley Daly, of Glasgow, was the only paper read at the Central Presbyterian Church.

The laymen's missionary meeting, which was held tonight, filled Carnegie Hall from the platform to the last row of the upper galleries. Hundreds were unable to get into the building. President Seth Low, of Columbia University, called the meeting to order, and made the opening address. Before the speakers entered upon the platform Ira D. Sankey presided the audience with several hymns. Hon. Samuel B. Campen, of Boston, president of the American Board of Foreign Missions, traced the growth of foreign missions in a general way.

Judge David Graham Barkley, of England, spoke of mission work in India. Hon. W. J. Northern, ex-Governor of Georgia, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention, discussed the relation of laymen to missions.

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SENATORS BY DIRECT VOTE

To Be an Issue at the Coming Fall Elections.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The election of Senators by direct vote of the people will be an issue in the coming National Presidential and Congressional campaign. The adoption by the House of a bill providing for the election of Senators at the polls, the same as Representatives, and the failure of the Senate committee on privileges and elections to report favor-

ably upon such a measure at this end of the Capitol will, of course, defeat the measure at this session.

The action taken by this committee indicates the feeling of the majority of the members of the United States Senate. Those who are in are not anxious to have such a bill as this enacted into law. There are a few members of the upper branch of Congress, who, if given an opportunity, would vote for the measure, but if it could be taken up in the open Senate it would doubtless be defeated by a big vote.

It was an easy matter for the members of the lower branch to support such a bill. Whether or not they favored its provisions is something, of course, not known. They saw an opportunity, at least, to put the members of the upper house in a pocket, so to speak. The measure, therefore, went through the lower house with a whirl. There are honest men in the House, however, and these gentlemen can see the necessity for the enactment of this kind of a bill, and they fully realize also that the voters of the country hold similar views.

In view of the fact that a Republican House passed the measure, supported by Democrats, and that it was smothered in committee in the Republican Senate, gives little opportunity for either party to make much campaign thunder out of it this year. The Republicans, however, are more likely to be criticized by the common voters than the Democrats.

There have been so many scandals within recent years over the selection of Senators by the Legislatures of several states that a radical reform seems necessary to avoid corruption in the future, and it is believed that reform can only be brought about by the enactment into law of a measure which provides that members of the upper house shall be elected at the polls, under the provisions which apply for the members of the lower branch of Congress. It is a well-known fact that bills of this kind have been frequently introduced in Congress for the past 25 years. Few of them have ever been reported favorably to either branch from the committee to which they were referred. The most favorable action thus far, is the passage, recently, of a bill of this kind by the House.

Among the scandals growing out of the Clark investigation are the claim set up by the enemies of Senator Hanna that he purchased his seat; little Delaware secured a succession of offices by electing himself to the Senate; the free use of money there, and, in the past, the trouble which the following states have had in securing full membership in the Senate, namely, Washington, Montana, Oregon, Utah, California and Pennsylvania.

The advocates for the election of Senators at the polls, of course, do not now anticipate favorable action on the part of Congress during the 56th session. They have some hopes, however, that the next Congress may be able to pass such a measure through both houses, and, if they are successful, the approval of the President, whoever he may be, is a certainty.

MURRAY FOR SENATOR

CHICAGO, April 27.—James Murray, of Butte, Mont., whose name has been mentioned as a probable successor, by gubernatorial appointment, of Senator Clark, in the event of the latter's being ousted by the Senate, passed through Chicago today on his way to Colorado from Washington. He said:

“I do not know that I would accept the appointment if it were tendered, and I am not prepared to say that I would not. I consider the honor of being appointed to an office doubtful, because appointments are made usually for the future political benefit of the appointee.”

A SWIFT RIDER MARRIED.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Jockey John Bullman, who heads the list of winning riders in California and Aqueduct, and Arnes Herbert, of California, were married today by Magistrate Poole at the Yorkville Court.

MAY AID OUR TRADE

Senator Simon's Work at the Treasury Department.

OREGON SUPPLIES FOR THE ARMY

Roosevelt to Be Governor Again and Long Probably to Be McKinley's Running Mate.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Senator Simon had a long interview with Assistant Secretary Melkielejohn today regarding exportation of goods from the Pacific Coast to the Philippines. The insular affairs of the United States are under the direction of Melkielejohn, and it was through this officer that the Senator desired to call the attention of the Administration to the fact that a reduction on many goods destined for the Philippines would be of great benefit to the Pacific Coast, and especially as applied to canned goods, including fruits and fish. Melkielejohn seemed very much interested in it, and said Senator Simon that he desired further data on the subject, so that he could properly present the matter to the Secretary of War, with a view to having a reduction in the duties which would be in the interest of the producers of the United States.

While he was there, the Senator was asked regarding the purchase of goods for the War Department in Oregon, and he took occasion to inform the Assistant Secretary that Oregon had not been properly treated. The merchants of Portland and the growers of the state offered to furnish the War Department with much of the supplies needed in the Philippines, yet the state had been uniformly discriminated against by the Quartermasters who had been in charge of the supplies purchased by the War Department for the troops in the Philippines.

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Representative Tongue has introduced a bill referring to the Court of Claims the claim of the Cathlamet band of Chinook Indians of Oregon, for the money in the Treasury, arising from sales of their lands ceded to the Government by an unratified treaty made in 1851.

SENATOR SIMON'S WORK AT THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Senator Simon today obtained an order from the War Department granting a sick leave to Henry Miller, of the Fourth Cavalry. Miller is an Oregon man, now at the Presidio. The sick leave will be followed by an honorable discharge from the service.

FIRST PENSION TO OREGON VOLUNTEER.

Representative Moody has secured a small pension for Jacob C. Bins, of The Dalles. Bins, through accident, lost the use of one leg when on route to Manila. This is the first pension to a member of the Second Oregon Volunteers.

EXAMINATIONS FOR REVENUE SERVICE.

On May 17, 18 and 19, the United States Civil Service Commission proposes to hold an examination throughout the country for the revenue cutters. The Commission has notified members of Congress that it has been difficult heretofore to secure a sufficient number of eligibles for this position.

It is stated that the position of cadet is one that might well be sought after by young men between the ages of 18 and 25. They must be at least 5 feet 2 inches in height, of good moral character and unmarried.

The examinations will be conducted throughout the United States, and the Commission has a board of examiners, and while it is not a requisite to eligibility, all applicants who have served at sea or as deck officers on sea-going vessels, should include their applications a certificate showing the service rendered and the satisfaction given to the masters of the vessels on which they served.

Successful applicants may be commissioned by the President as Lieutenants after two years' satisfactory service. The salary of cadet is \$500 per year, and one ration per day. There are in the revenue cutter service commissioned officers as follows:

Salary. Thirty-six captains..... \$2500 Thirty-six First Lieutenants..... 1800 Thirty-six Second Lieutenants..... 1300 Twelve Third Lieutenants..... 1200

As a result of the May examination it is expected that about five appointments will be made. The service of the examination is open to all citizens of the United States; but in order to be eligible for the examination the United States Civil Service Commission at this time must be notified by applicants of their names, and be examined, whereupon proper instructions will be forwarded to them.

POLITICS OF KANSAS.

The State of Kansas is now represented in Congress by one Republican Senator and seven Republican Representatives. Owing to the factional fight which is going on in the party in that state, it is possible that the state in the Senate will be lost to the Republicans, and also that some of the Republican Congressmen will be defeated. No principles are involved in this fight. It is clearly and wholly a question of spoils of office. It has been a contest between Senator Baker and some Representatives on one hand, and Cyrus Leland, the Republican National Committeeman and other Representatives on the other hand. The fight has grown so bitter that it has been necessary for different men to fight for their nominations in their own Congressional districts; the Leland men fighting those Congressmen who opposed the National Committeeman, and the Baker men those Congressmen who opposed the Senator. There have been several disagreements between Mr. Leland and Senator Baker on the matter of important appointments, and the Administration has attempted to steer the middle course by recognizing both factions. This recognition has not been sufficient to satisfy either of the factions which are now contending for supremacy in the state, and this may result in turning the state over to the fusionists.

DAILY TREASURY STATEMENT.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The treasury statement shows: Available cash balance..... \$16,204,523 Gold..... 75,423,701



MATT PARROTT, OF IOWA.

M. Parrott, who died at Waterloo, Ia., April 21, was elected president of the National Editorial Association at the recent meeting in New Orleans. He was born in New York and served in the army during the Civil War, and was prominent in state politics, having served as State Senator and Lieutenant-Governor.