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LORD ROBERTS HURT. Thrown From a Horse and Received Serious Injuries.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The Evening Standard, in a special edition this evening, says: "Just as we are going to press, the news has reached London that Lord Roberts has been thrown from his horse and received serious injuries."

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The following letter was today made public by its author: "New York, Nov. 21.—John W. Keller, President of the Democratic Club—Dear Sir: On my return to the city I find that during my absence and without authority from me, my name was inscribed upon a banner or ribbon attached to a basket of flowers sent by the board of governors of the Democratic Club to Richard Croker on his departure for Europe."

LONDON, Nov. 21.—Lord Roberts' accident occurred Sunday last, while he was riding. His horse fell with him and he was shaken and bruised, but no limbs were broken. As he has since sent dispatches to the War Office, it is believed that he is performing his usual duties especially as he has not mentioned the accident. A dispatch to the Standard says: "Lord Roberts' bodyguard removed him to the Government House, Johannesburg. He was badly shaken and bruised, but it is expected he will be able to take the field again in the course of a few days."

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—The Vossische Zeitung points out the dangers of permitting Boers to trek into German Southwest Africa, since they are unmanageable and incapable of accepting orderly conditions. Giving a word of warning, it says: "The Boers would seek to hold the ground, thus forming a state within a state. The German colonial authorities should remember that it would be generations before the Boers forgot that they once possessed an independent political existence."

DELAGONA BY RAILWAY AWARD PAID. LONDON, Nov. 21.—The Delagona Bay Railway award was paid today. The Americans received their share through the Belgians.

SWEEP BY STORM

Devastation Wrought by Tornado in South. THREE STATES SUFFERED

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Crowds Gathered to Welcome Kruger Were Disappointed. CRUISER MAKING SLOW PROGRESS

The France Imperils the Success of the Demonstration at Marselles Today.

MARSEILLES, Nov. 21.—A blunder in the calculation in the time the Gelderland would require between Port Said and Marseilles resulted in the sailing out today of the intended demonstration, and imperiled the success of the reception of President Kruger tomorrow. The French reception committee did not take into consideration the gale that is sweeping the Mediterranean and the low speed of the Gelderland, but allowed all their arrangements to stand. The Boer delegates waited expectantly at their hotel from early morning until the afternoon for the arrival of the cruiser. For several hours the carriage intended for Mr. Kruger remained at the entrance to the hotel, the horses, which were decorated with rosettes of Boer colors, pawing the ground impatiently until the equipage was dismissed. Various delegations and societies that had assembled at the landing stage remained there through heavy showers until they realized, in the non-signalling of the Gelderland, that their presence was futile. Then they disbanded.

The France was unfortunate, because the thousands among today's concourse will shrink from the possibility of losing another morning tomorrow. Today's concourse were for the greater part shopkeepers and workmen, who lost money by attending the gathering, and who are not likely to repeat the experiment. Bad weather and the element of uncertainty as to the time of Mr. Kruger's landing kept many thousands even today from the route. Thirty thousand would be a generous estimate of the crowd which was massed thickly at several points, while only sparse assemblies were to be seen elsewhere.

The French and the Boer delegates were all intensely disappointed, especially as up to a late hour no word had been received of the Gelderland's entry into the harbor, although it is fully expected to arrive well anchored before daybreak tomorrow. No importance is attached to the report of an injury to her machinery, the theory being that she is going slowly in consequence of the heavy weather, which is chiefly responsible for the delay.

An amusing statement appeared in a local paper this afternoon, in which an admirer remarked upon the effect that the delay was due to the capture of the Gelderland on the high seas by a British squadron, or to deliberate damage to her machinery. These statements only provoked the laughter of those who read it.

The Boer commission has issued a statement that the programme today will be cancelled tomorrow. The attitude of today's concourse, while unanimously favorable to Mr. Kruger and the Boers, was nevertheless quite free from anything offensive to the British, which tended to enhance the absurdity of a noisy demonstration along the principal boulevards this evening by a score of anti-British youth, whose efforts led to no disorder whatever.

Arrival of the Gelderland. MARSEILLES, Nov. 21, 8:30 A. M.—The steamer Gelderland, with ex-President Kruger on board, is entering the harbor.

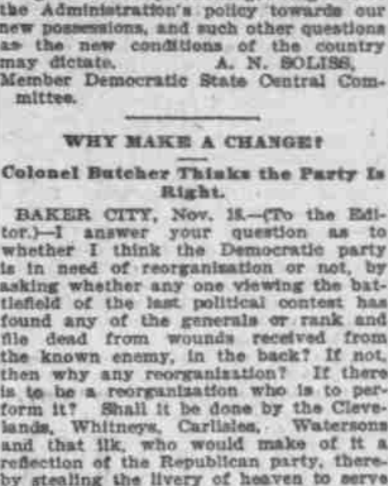
THE DEATH ROLL. John Sherman's Brother. DES MOINES, Nov. 21.—Lampson P. Sherman, brother of the late Senator John Sherman of Ohio, died here tonight, aged 67. He had lived in Des Moines since 1848.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS. Domestic. Seventy-five lives were lost in the tornado in the South. Page 1. Colorado Springs was visited by a cyclone. Page 2. The National Irrigation Congress opened in Chicago. Page 2. Federal Government. The State Department has not demanded the disclosure of the identity of foreign spies. Page 2. Negotiations are under way for a reciprocity treaty with Russia. Page 2. The ways and means committee decides to reduce the war tax \$20,000,000. Page 2. Philippines. MacArthur is pushing the campaign against the Filipinos. Page 2. Reinforcements are being sent to the several provinces. Page 2. Manila customs warehouses are congested. Page 2. China. A difference of opinion has brought the Chinese negotiations to a standstill. Page 2. Li Hung Chang wants the punishment of officials reduced. Page 2. The Dowager Empress desires to return to Peking. Page 2. Foreign. Kruger arrived at Marseilles this morning. Page 1. Lord Roberts was hurt by a fall from a horse. Page 2. The czar's condition is better. Page 2. Pacific Coast. Oregon Democrats discuss party reorganization. Page 1. Another snow storm is sweeping over British Columbia. Page 2. The legal fight over the Salem light plant may prove of benefit to the State of Oregon. Page 2. Commercial and Marine. American securities in big demand in the foreign market. Page 1. Wool prices affected by Eastern failures. Page 1. Steamer Kvarven coming with a coal cargo. Page 2. Numerous marine disasters. Page 16. New president for Pacific Mail. Page 16. Local. Senator Simon discusses measures to come before the coming session of Congress. Page 10. County Judges and Assessors recommend creation of State Board of Equalization and other changes in taxation laws. Page 2. Two street-car companies petition Council for permission to extend their lines. Page 1.

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should follow as near as practicable, the lines of the campaign of 1896, incorporating our own questions growing out of the Administration's policy towards our new possessions, and such other questions as the new conditions of the country may dictate. N. BOLLES, Member Democratic State Central Committee.