

HEAVY OF BOER WAR

All England Hoping for the End of It.

BITTERNESS OF THE DEBTS

Prominent Americans in European Peculiarities of Russia's New Foreign Minister.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—This can hardly be said to have been a lively week in England, for obituaries and funerals have taken the largest space in newspapers.

The Boers sniped a train at Brunkburst yesterday, on the line between Pretoria and Middelburg. Two of its occupants were killed.

England is overflowing with prominent Americans, who dominated Crows and are to be expected to be in the lead.

Count Lamorini, the czar's new foreign minister, is reputed among diplomatic negotiators as being one of the easiest, yet one of the most difficult, men to deal with.

Baron Russell of Killowen, whose death, as the result of an operation, occurred yesterday, was one of the most engaging and lovable personalities in England's public life.

While most persons are complaining that the price of grain is going up, the Royal Academicians are dismayed by the low prices their works are bringing.

While people in the United States are enduring severe heat waves, the weather in London is going to be extraordinarily cold.

Forest Fire in Michigan. BAY CITY, Mich., Aug. 11.—Fire is sweeping over the northern country.

Nelson Defeated McEachern. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 11.—John Nelson, of Chicago, today defeated Archie McEachern, of Canada.

Plague Situation at Manila. WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Marine Hospital Service advices from Manila, July 27, received, state that the number of plague cases in Manila is steadily increasing.

Panston Will Stay. LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Aug. 11.—A letter was received today by D. R. Anthony, Jr., from General Panston.

Bonneville Excursion Train. The special Sunday excursion train to Bonneville is discontinued.

The "American colony," as the fleet of white yachts flying the Stars and Stripes at Cowes is called, alone saved the historic racing week from being a dismal failure.

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WITNESSES TESTIFY HE WAS NOT ILL THE DAY OF THE MURDER.

Prosecution Will Conclude Its Testimony in Rebuttal Monday—Jury Goes to Frankfurt Tuesday.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Aug. 11.—The prosecution in the Caleb B. Powers trial did not conclude its testimony in rebuttal this afternoon, but will do so Monday.

Remains of Hugo Robbers. GOOGLAND, Kan., Aug. 11.—The charred remains of the Union Pacific robbers, who yesterday escaped the bullets of the posse, were found in the ruins of the house burned over his head.

Boodle Cases in Chicago. CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Formal charges of incompetency, neglect of duty and unlawful and dishonest collusion with contractors on the part of the members of the Municipal Board of Improvements were filed with the Civil Service Commission today.

MAYOR BOYD FOR M'KINLEY. Noted Nebraska Business Man and Lender Reputates Bryan.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 11.—James E. Boyd, the only Democratic Governor Nebraska ever had, is radically opposed to several of the proposals of the Bryan administration.

Orders for First Infantry. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—Battery O, Seventh Artillery, arrived here today from Fort Riley, Kan., en route to China.

FACTS ABOUT PRESIDENTS. Interesting Data Concerning Men Who Have Held the Office.

THE BIRTHPLACES OF PRESIDENTS. The birthplaces of our Presidents are divided among the states as follows:

THE OHIO EXPRESS ROBBERY. All Efforts to Capture the Bandits in Difficulties Have Failed.

Punishing the Ashantes. BAKWAI, Aug. 11.—A column of 300 men was sent to punish the Ashantes from Kumassi, having reinforced and re-entrained the fort for two months.

Other Victims of the Ashantes. Other victims of the Ashantes are going out and it is believed that the punishment inflicted will not soon be forgotten.

Japan's Reproof of the Kaiser. CHICAGO Chronicle. About the severest criticism of Emperor William's recent visit to China in the last week comes from Japan.

None Died Out of Country. None of our Presidents has died out of the country, though Tyler died at Richmond while Virginia considered herself out of the Union.

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After all, there is no reason, says the New York World, why we shouldn't have quicker mails. What is the matter with the cannon-ball post? The muzzle velocity of a cannon-ball will be better than 1000 feet a second. A great cannon will throw a shell about 1000 feet a second, which means a railroad train, pneumatic tube, carrier pigeon, or even any conceivable speed of an airship.

There's nothing new in the idea, either, though the cannon-ball post has been more often used in the past. Peruna was sent to the Boers a Christmas card in 1895 in a 50-pounder on the morning of December 25 last. Not to be outdone in politeness, the Boers on New Year's eve fired two plugged Palliser shells into the British camp. On one was inscribed the compliments of the season. The other carried the long English salutation, accompanied by a Boer-facetiously ironical letter of greeting. It was perhaps the most deadly missile ever fired.

During the long siege of Mafeking many messages were fired into and out of the beleaguered town. Toward the end of the siege many of the shells fired by the Boers were marked "With the compliments of Cecil Rhodes." Similarly, during the Franco-Prussian War, the Germans bombarded Strasbourg with shells from the "Marking Gun." "To Berlin" having been the cry of the French at the outbreak of the war.

Later, during the investment of Paris, hundreds of shells filled with letters were fired from the city. Many were captured by the Germans, some went astray and were lost, but some were picked up by the French and reached those for whom they were intended. One was unearthed not long since in a wood near Vincennes. It contained some 200 letters, the dates upon which showed that the shells containing them had been fired during the early days of the siege.

The earliest recorded instance of the use of the letter-filled bomb was at the siege of Tournay, when the garrison hit upon this expedient for opening communication with the outside world. It was owing to one of their aerial postoffices, filled with plans and dispatches, falling short, and thereby coming into the hands of the British, that the discovery was made of the position of that subterranean store of gunpowder afterward known as the great mine.

A portion of the camp was found to be within the danger zone, and was removed to a safer locality. The Dutch, however, refused to take warning, believing the whole affair to be a ruse of the enemy. The result was that over 400 of them were blown to pieces in the explosion which took place early in the morning of the following day.

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