

Christian Soldiers.

Judge Pitman says of the Boers: Faith in God and love of country! It is these that make the Boer a superb fighter.

The Boers ask only freedom. They have not interfered with England. They have said to her only, "Let us alone. That is all we ask."

It must be taken into consideration that the Boers have everything at stake. To fail means the end of hope for them.

While the Boers are religious, they firmly believe in the truth of the old maxim that "God helps him who helps himself."

The administration organs say that we would have abundant warnings of any attack on the canal and could muster our fleet there to resist it.

"We are now leaving the fruitful land of our birth, in which we have suffered enormous losses and continued vexation, and are about to enter a strange and dangerous territory."

It seems that there is something in the silence and solitude that brings man nearer to God. The Boers, watching their flocks by night and in the day traveling over the lonely veldts, speak of God almost with familiarity.

During his visit to the United States Gen. Joubert said to me: "When the worst comes to the worst we shall be ready. We will fight to the last ditch, to the last gun, to the last man."

At a great gathering of the Boers in Pretoria in 1890 each took a solemn oath to shed his last drop of blood for his country. The stones were then cast in a heap and above the pile was erected the Paardekraal monument.

The Boers love God and home. They believe that the promises made to the Israelites of old will be fulfilled for them. They believe that their God will deliver them.

I cannot believe that the great nations of the earth will stand aside and let these righteous people be crushed by the invader. Surely some nation will mediate. That is the only remedy.

The fire-insurance companies doing business in New York State, according to the report of the Superintendent, netted a loss of \$5,070,121 65 last year. That is to say, their expenses and the losses paid by them amounted to above five million dollars more than the premiums they received.—Ex.

Why does not Mr. Carnegie try one of his library donations on Mr. "Frick" and keep him quiet?

General Otis is homesick and will return to America. The country has been sick of Otis for some time.

If there is not to be American control of the canal, there should be no canal. Congress has no power to appropriate the people's money towards an enterprise which will benefit Europe as much if not more, than this country, should the canal be kept neutral in time of war.

The new Philippine commission is about to inform the natives that the President intends to give them the fullest free self government as soon as they are capable of it. The commission should add that congress has decided that they have no rights which the United States is bound to respect.

It may be questioned whether we can ever fortify Porto Rico under the terms of the new Hay-Pauncefote treaty of sovereignty. The treaty says: "No fortifications shall be erected commanding the canal or the waters adjacent."

Representative McCall (rep., Mass.) says that if Congress is not bound by the constitution in dealing with the territories, it can "pass ex post facto laws, bills of attainder and do all other acts prohibited by the constitution, and the people of Porto Rico are merely subjects without legal rights and can only enjoy their lives and property by the grace of congress."

Representative Sibley of Pennsylvania has announced that his seat can be considered constructively on the republican side of the chamber. When it is recalled that he was elected with the understanding that he was a free silver, anti-expansion democrat, suspicion as to his motive in flipping cannot be avoided.

The old time policy of the United States is self government. For a time it was asserted that we took the Philippines and other islands in order to teach them self government.

The truth is that the British tactics are antiquated. Every other nation in the world long ago recognized the fact that it is impossible to charge magazine and rapid fire guns in solid formation, and every other nation has for a long time practiced attack in skirmish formation.

Here are some things Lincoln said that are to the point now: No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent. I say this is the leading principle of the sheet-anchor of American republicanism.

When the white man governs himself, that is self-government; but when he governs himself and also governs another man, that is more than self-government, that is despotism.

Our reliance is in the love of liberty which God has planted in us. Our defense is in the spirit which prizes liberty as the heritage of all men in all lands everywhere.

Attorney General Griggs says, "It is hard to understand why the presence of our flag anywhere on the face of the globe should give offense to some Americans."

All depends upon how the flag goes and why it goes. The presence of our flag in Nicaragua under the filibuster Walker, and its presence in Cuba with the ill-fated Virginius expedition, certainly gave offense to nearly all Americans.

On the other hand the presence of our flag in Cuba as the symbol and guarantee of freedom and independence to Cuba is a glorious sight. Like-wise in Porto Rico, where it was welcomed by the inhabitants, it gives no offense to any. But where it means conquest, subjugation and a rule of force over an unconsenting people—his case is different.—World

TELEGRAPHIC

Ladysmith Relieved. LONDON, Feb. 21.—Queen Victoria authorizes statement that Ladysmith has been relieved.

Battle Expected. CAPE TOWN, Feb. 21.—Boers are hard pressed. The public are awaiting report of a decisive battle.

Probably Not. NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: A report is current in diplomatic circles in this city that Dr. Leyds had for his sole purpose in going to Germany the establishment of a German protectorate over the Boer republic.

National Committee Meeting. LINCOLN, Feb. 19.—A split and a walk-out followed a turbulent meeting of the populist national committee tonight. The anti-fusion leaders, after having a number of their number turned down by the credentials committee, organized a bolt and formed a new committee.

Register now. Don't wait. Everybody should register and vote. The recent very successful dairy meeting in Albany has stimulated discussion of the subject in the papers generally. The Oregonian particularly has presented the subject in a manner that must have a good effect.

Under the head "Y. M. C. A. Work" an Oregon City paper gives an account of a red hot game of indoor base ball.

Census Supervisor Winn says the more applications for census supervisor the better. It gives a bigger field to select competent men.

The average height of the Boers according to a man who has seen them is 6 feet 3 inches. They are evidently big enough to take care of themselves.

President Kruger has telegraphed to a German friend: "No uneasiness. General operations in the west fully planned." It may be well to wait awhile before raising the rooster.

The great Molinoux trial in New York city has been figured down to a fine point. It took 57 days and there were 2,014,750 words of testimony uttered. The estimated cost of the trial is \$175,000.

We may not have an opera house, but there is going to be something to attend nearly every night this winter. There is bound to be some way in which to spend our money if only in ten cent blocks.

A London paper said before the outbreak of the South African war: "There is a pile of five billions of gold in the Transvaal; on that pile sit 20,000 Boers armed with Mauser rifles; they refuse to let us take that pile of gold without paying them for the privilege; that pile of gold we are going to have; we are not going to pay the Boers for it, and if they will not let us have it, we are going to fight them for it. That is the issue in a nutshell."

The Albany Democrat tells its readers that "a far-fetched rumor is that Aguinaldo is now in Europe. It doesn't seem to make much difference the bushwhacking goes on. It would be a good thing if the whole crowd of Filipinos were at the north pole."

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Inflammatory Rheumatism.—"Two attacks of the grip left me with inflammatory rheumatism. Am 30 years old, but Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me and I can climb stairs and walk anywhere." J. L. LORLAND, 375 Fargo Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Cronje Surrounded.

LONDON, Feb. 20, 3:44 A. M.—A member of the cabinet told H. W. Lucy tonight that the war office had received a telegram announcing that Gen. Cronje was hopelessly surrounded. Mr. Wyndham was beamed with anxious members of the house, but would only reply that the government's news was extremely satisfactory.

Big Battle Expected. LONDON, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Lourenco Marques, dated Monday says: According to advices from Pretoria, the Boers are expecting a big battle on the Tugela. They claim that 70 of the Wilhelms were killed at Colosberg, and that 30 wagons with forage and provisions were captured, but no ammunition.

Big Suit. ASTORIA, Feb. 19.—The largest damage suit in the history of the county was filed in the circuit court this afternoon, by John Pentillo, against the Clatsop Mill Company to recover \$20,114. January 24, 1900, while the plaintiff was operating a saw in the defendant's mill, he met with an accident which caused him to lose an arm. This, it is alleged, was occasioned through the negligence of the defendant in not keeping its machinery in good order.

A Presidential Trip. WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—If the president goes to San Francisco, as there is some intimation that he will do during the coming summer, he will probably go further north and visit Oregon and Washington. His Pacific coast trip depends entirely upon an early adjournment of congress.

Cronje's Escape. LONDON, Feb. 19, 4:50 A. M.—It is now amply confirmed that General Cronje escaped. Every detail received, however, proves how admirable Lord Roberts' plans were conceived and were succeeding. But for the unexpected delay at Dekliff drift, which was almost impossible for wagons, the whole Boer force would have been surrounded.

Peculiar Politics. WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The statement of the president's position relative to the insular possessions may have some effect upon congressional action on the Ricker-Kican bill, but unless there are more defections from the republicans than seem now to be apparent the prospects of the bill passing are very good. It is not so much the fear of free trade with Puerto Rico as the principle involved.

A Panic. LONDON, Feb. 18.—An exciting scene took place at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, this afternoon. Two large elephants belonging to the circus ran amok, killed their keepers and gored another man. There was a terrible panic in the audience attending the concert in the place. One animal was captured after great damage to property.

Buller's Work. CHELSEY, Sunday, Feb. 18.—General Buller has established his headquarters on Huser hill. Heavy artillery firing was maintained at intervals by both sides from Wednesday until Friday. The British stoutly pushed the advance, and their infantry occupied entrenched new positions in front of Huser hill, with slight loss.

Big Snow Storm. NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Yesterday's snow storm caused little inconvenience in this city. Indeed the snowfall, which amounted to seven inches in depth, was a blessing to the unemployed, giving work to thousands of men in clearing the streets and sidewalks.

Burglar Arrested. JUNCTION CITY, Or., Feb. 18.—Through some clever detective work, Enoch Nott was arrested here today by Constable Miller, charged with the burglary committed some time ago in the stores of Pollock & Warner and C. F. Hulbert. They recovered a portion of the stolen property, which he had buried south of town. Other developments are expected.

CARD OF THANKS.—Mrs. B. W. Cundiff and daughter desire to express their sincere thanks for the many acts of kindness and sympathy during the long illness of their husband and father and after his death.

SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINN COUNTY. B. M. Myers, plaintiff vs Susan Boles, S. L. Durando and George O. Thompson, defendants.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, You and each of you are hereby notified to appear in the above entitled court to answer the complaint of plaintiff filed in this cause against you, on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, which period of time is six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, said first date of publication is January 19th, 1900, and the last day of publication is March 2nd, 1900.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, the undersigned has this day been appointed by the County Court of Linn County, Or., administratrix of the estate of Robert A. Irvine, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are required to present the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned at her residence in Albany, Or., within six months from the date hereof.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO all persons interested that the undersigned executor of the last will of Rebecca Smith, deceased, has filed his final account in the matter of the estate of said deceased, in the county court of Linn County, Oregon, and that said court has set Monday the 5th day of March, 1900, at the hour of One o'clock p. m. of said day for the hearing of all objections to said account and the final settlement of the same. Therefore all persons having any objections to said final account are hereby notified to file the same on or before said 5th day of March, 1900.

W. W. WATSON & L. L. SWANN, Attorneys for plaintiff.

A Way Suggested.

LEBANON, Or., Feb. 20, 1900. TO THE EDITOR: In your issue of the 5th inst. is a "call" signed by J. J. Whitney, D. M. Jones, C. F. Culyer, and C. C. Hogue, addressed to "every voter in the county who is in favor of a reform in the present methods of party politics and office."

Now, Mr. Editor, I would like to know what these gentlemen mean. The "present methods" of party politics is for a political party to issue a call for primary meetings at which all the voters who endorse the principles of that party, may attend and elect delegates to the county convention to nominate county officers.

Now, these gentlemen propose to reform these "methods" by organizing a new party to be known as the "reform" or "union party. This fact appears from the resolutions adopted at a meeting held in Albany on the 16th inst. This call is intended to be addressed to democrats, populists, and silver republicans who are to be urged to go into this new party. Now, the question arises: How much better would the "party methods" of this new party be than the "methods" of the democrats or the populists, seeing that this new party is to be made up of democrats and populists. It is very evident that there is some hidden purpose in this move not yet disclosed by these gentlemen. What that motive is will doubtless be brought to light further on.

Now, Mr. Editor, the writer of this article is earnestly in favor of union of the democratic, populist and silver republican forces in this county on one county ticket. There is but one way in which this union can be secured. The democratic and populist conventions should be called to meet on the same day and at the same place. Then the two conventions can appoint conference committees to arrange a county ticket, part of which will be named by the democratic convention and the remainder to be named by the populist convention, the whole ticket to be endorsed by both conventions.

No one has any authority to act in the matter of securing the union of the two parties on a common county ticket other than in the county conventions of the two parties, and these gentlemen who held the meeting at the court house can do nothing in the matter unless it may be to confuse and thus make the desired union more difficult to secure. It is evident that the gentlemen have in view the disorganization of both the democratic and populist parties in the county. It is proper to say that the voice of at least nine out of every ten democrats in the county will be unalterably opposed to this scheme, and I think I might safely say the same is true of the populists.

It is safe to say that nine out of every ten democrats in the county are in favor of a political, honorable union of the two parties on a county ticket, but the democrats will never consent to give up their organization. The plan adopted two years ago was successful in view of the fact that the affairs of the county have been so satisfactorily managed by the officers thus nominated and elected. If the two conventions agree upon one ticket and a fair degree of harmony prevails the ticket thus nominated will be elected by majorities from 600 to 800. Let all democrats and all populists be sure to attend their primary meetings and see to it that sound, sensible delegates only are elected and an abundant victory will be secured in June. Do not be led astray by "calls" for a new party for such a move at this time is inevitably doomed to miserable failure. Let every democrat bear in mind that J. J. Whitney cannot speak for the democrats in this matter for he is not a democrat but a "unionist" so far as this movement is concerned.

PIONEER DEMOCRAT. LONDON, Feb. 20.—Cecil Rhodes is reported jubilant Kimberly relief. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The Battleship Karsage was placed in commission today. LONDON, Feb. 19.—The situation in the Transvaal is practically unchanged. No sensational news has been received. DURBAN, Feb. 19.—Bombardment of the Boers at Kiangawa hill continues. One hundred Boers have been captured. WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Senator Simon today introduced a bill appropriating \$250,000 for a mint at Portland. SANTANDER, Spain, Feb. 19.—Gales are causing many shipping disasters, several men have been drowned. Two coasting ships have floundered, eight vessels are missing. QUEBEC, Feb. 19.—Edwin Mayo, famous "puddin" head actor found dead.

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Oakville.

Valentine's day was duly observed here even Prof. Nagle was remembered with a few nice pictures. Our people are not waxened up politically yet, but there is several candidates for nomination here, some in all parties, and we have good men.

We expect to go to Tallman soon and see W. W. Crawford with regard to the construction of a "barbed wire telephone" from his place to Oakville. Our people are anxious to be connected with some other important town by a telephone line.

The fruit trees are all right yet and we feel hopeful that the worst is over. Mr. Smith has commenced planting garden. Jim Smith has gone to Monroe to work on a bridge near that place.

Mrs. Ellis and Miss Mabel Smith of Salem were here last Friday visiting Grandpa Smith, who is dangerously ill. The choir exercises of the school will be next Wednesday, but the school will give a literary entertainment on Tuesday evening, the 28th. An oyster supper after the entertainment.

Miss Zula Winn has returned from a several months visit in California and will have charge of the office work of the W. F. business here during the census taking period.

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SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINN COUNTY. Department No. 7. Anna F. Williams, plaintiff, vs Milton E. Williams, defendant. To Milton E. Williams, the above named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled court now on file with the clerk of said court on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, to-wit: Friday, March, 30, 1900; and you are notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as hereby required, the plaintiff herein will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: That the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved, that plaintiff be restored to her maiden name, Anna Farrell, and for such other and further relief as may seem meet.

The above summons is published by order of Hon Geo D Barton, County Judge of Linn county, Oregon, which said order is dated February 12, 1900, the date of the first publication of said summons is Friday February 16, 1900, and the time prescribed in the order for publication is six weeks. KELLY & CURT, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINN COUNTY, FOR DEPARTMENT No. 2. O P Coshov, plaintiff, vs Frank Mansfield and George Mansfield, defendants. To George Mansfield, one of the above named defendants:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby notified and required to appear in the above entitled court in said suit and answer the complaint of the plaintiff on file therein on or before Monday, the 2nd day of April, 1900, that being the date prescribed in the order for the publication of this summons upon you, and on which you are required to appear and answer the complaint herein, and you are further notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as herein required the plaintiff, for want thereof, will take a decree and judgment against you for the relief demanded in his complaint, to-wit: For a decree of the above entitled court declaring the plaintiff to be the owner in fee simple of the following described property, to-wit:

The N E 1/4 of Section 6, in Township 16, South of Range 3 West of the Williams Meridian, in Linn County, Oregon, and containing 160 acres, more or less; and, further decreeing that the defendants above named have no estate or interest whatever in or to the said lands or premises or to any part thereof, and that the said defendants and each of them and any persons holding by, through or under them be forever enjoined and debarred from asserting any claim whatever in or to the said lands or any part thereof adverse to this plaintiff, and for the cost incurred in this suit to be taxed.

This summons is served upon you by publication in the STATES RIGHTS DEMOCRAT by order of the Hon Geo D Barton, county judge of Linn County, Oregon, made and done at Albany, Oregon, on the 9th day of February, 1900. The date of the first publication of this summons is said newspaper is Friday the 16th day of February, 1900. WATSON & SWANN, Attorneys for plaintiff.

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