

# THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT INTENSELY IN EARNEST

## Appropriation of \$5,000,000 Will Be Made for Prosecution of War.

### PRESS DISPATCHES RIGIDLY CENSORED

#### General Belief that Several Heavy Engagements Have Taken Place and the Particulars are Suppressed--Natives Rising Against Boers.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—A despatch to the Tribune from London says: The great heartiness of temper in parliament was unmistakable. The time had come for controversial politics. The war office must have all the money requisite, and the least said about negotiations the better all round for everybody was the prevailing sentiment. The commonsense seemed entirely to be earnest.

Censorship over press despatches is already so rigorous that little news comes through. This seems necessary since it is suspected that Mr. Leyds has arranged for a system of secret despatches by which the British military movements may be telegraphed back to South Africa for the benefit of the Transvaal government.

The silence respecting the British maneuvers contrast oddly with the frankness with which the details of the Boer advance through the various passes into Natal have been filtered out. All special despatches of the London press are delayed and bear marks of a rough-shod revision. The war correspondents evidently will be located up until there is a big battle to describe with a flourish of trumpets. Sir Redvers Buller is reported to have advised the utmost possible reticence of the press despatches before he sailed. A vagueness oscillating between utter vacancy and minute circumstantial reports that are not officially confirmed is the order of the day.

At the same time the general impression is reassuring regarding Natal. The Free State's inhabitants seem to have retired precipitately on the approach of General White's flying column. The threatened attack on Glenos is believed to be a mere feint in the hope of weakening the Ladysmith garrison.

Experts say that General White quite comprehends this and trusts that an attack on Ladysmith may be delivered as soon as possible. Meanwhile the women and children have been taken beyond the possible reach of war.

From Bechuanaland, reports of Colonel Baden-Powell's engagement with the Boers grows definite. It is stated that a sortie at Mafeking resulted in a repulse of the Boers, 300 of them being killed and that the British loss was small. Confirmatory reports from Transvaal refugees at Lorenzo Marques and recent arrivals at Cape Town support these figures with a curious similarity, but at a late hour last night the war office had heard nothing.

The same remark applies to the reported sharp skirmish near Kimberley between the Lancashire regiment and the Boers who lost five killed and many wounded while the British troops were unscathed.

At Hopetown, a company of engineers made a sally from Kimberley and blew up the railroad bridge seventy miles south. They were covered by a fire from an armored train while destroying the structure, a stop deemed necessary for strategic reasons.

The most important item of war news today is that the Basutos have arisen against the Free State. Should the Zulus follow their example the position of the republic would undoubtedly be considerably weakened.

Evidently severe fighting has taken place at Mafeking and Vryburg, but the latest despatches do not confirm the truth of the rumor that 300 Boers were killed although the Pretoria advices admit the reported losses and chronicle no success on the part of the attacking force.

Enquiries at the war office elicit no information. It, however, should not be forgotten that telegrams from South Africa are subject just now to a strict censorship.

The British parliament will be invited to provide for an expenditure of £1,000,000 for the prosecution of the war. There is no intention of imposing fresh taxation but a supplementary army estimate will be presented by the government for an additional number of men and a further amount will be required in the year 1900, to meet deficiencies in the votes specified.

### THE REBELLION IN VENEZUELA

#### SERIOUS EMBARGO ON EXPORTS

##### United States Warship Detroit Prevents Bombardment of One of the Most Important Towns

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—The officers of the U. S. S. Detroit, which has just arrived here from Puerto Cabello and La Guayra, tell about the rebellion in the South American republic.

When the Philadelphia was in the harbor of Puerto Cabello on October 4 and 5, the officers say the insurgents were swarming over the hills back of the town, and took possession of it.

The fort was held by government troops, who threatened to fire on the town to drive out the rebels. The cruiser Detroit was lying in the harbor close to the American consulate, and the crews forbade the bombardment of the town.

"If you open fire on the town I shall proceed to shell your works," was the message he sent to the commandant, according to the officers of the Philadelphia. "In order to emphasize the message, the guns of the Detroit were trained on the Venezuelan fortifications.

That night an envoy from President Andrade was sent from Caracas to Puerto Cabello, where he had a conference with General Castro. There was a story at Puerto Cabello that President Andrade had offered to leave Venezuela if permitted to sell all the property he had and take the proceeds from the country with him. Castro would not agree to these terms.

Chief Officer Crockett of the Philadelphia says the insurrection is holding up thousands of bags of coffee, which cannot be transported to the seashore, and all the ships are leaving port light.

### PRESIDENT EZETA IS DISCOVERED

#### HE VISITS EL PASO, TEXAS

##### Enroute to City of Mexico to Free His People by Selling them Out.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—A special to the Record from El Paso, Texas, says: General Esteva, ex-president of San Salvador, and an exile from that country, who disappeared mysteriously from his home in Oakland, Calif., where he had lived for three years, came to El Paso Saturday last, and has left over the Mexican Central railway for the City of Mexico in company with J. H. Holmes and C. E. Greene. Holmes is of the sturdy hotel of the City of Mexico and Greene is the city attorney of Pasadena, Calif.

General Esteva divulged his identity to an official of the Mexican Central road at Juarez, Mexico. The ex-president said he had become tired of his banishment from his native country, and preferred to die in an attempt to free his people from tyranny than remain in exile for life.

General Esteva said he and his party would confer with the Mexican executive on the subject of a revolution in San Salvador for the overthrow of the present administration.

It is understood that General Esteva will offer to turn over San Salvador to the republic of Mexico in return for the financial aid of the Mexican government to his venture.

### CASUALTIES REPORTED BY OTIS

#### Detailed List of Killed and Wounded in the Recent Engagements.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—General Otis has reported to the war department the following casualties:

#### KILLED.

Thirty-seventh infantry, near Multatupa, October 12, company A, Leslie Berry, Joseph T. Morissette, Joseph M. Baker.

#### WOUNDED.

Fourth infantry, at Inua, October 1, company F, Frank O. Stevens, foot, slight; October 4, company C, Corporal Ralph C. Haxton, hand and leg, severe; company A, Henry Faulkner, hand, slight; company F, Frank B. Conklin, leg and knee, severe.

Ninth infantry, at Angono, October 11, company C, Corporal John W. Lancaster, foot, slight; company F, Christopher F. White, side and chest, slight; company A, E. Scoupsberg, leg, moderate; company L, Frank Short, forearm, slight; John F. McGraw, arm, slight; October 11, Leslie Chisann, arm, severe.

Seventeenth infantry, October 11, company D, Corporal William C. Rowell, arm, slight.

Thirty-seventh infantry, near Multatupa, October 12, Andrew S. Gurnett, thigh, moderate.

Hospital corps, Joseph C. Shashire, thigh, moderate.

Sixth infantry, at Labuan, island of Negros, October 11, company A, Sergeant George C. Stevens, arm, severe; Elmer F. Alfred, thigh, slight; company B, Harry Campbell, thigh, moderate.

### THE MOVEMENT WAS MISJUDGED

#### OTIS MADE NO MISTAKE

##### His Campaign South of Manila Was to Scatter the Forces of the Insurgents.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: The authorities have generally deprecated the action of General Otis in directing the movement of General Schwan to the south of Manila and General Lawton to the north, when it is very well understood that the climatic conditions are not such as to permit satisfactory campaigning.

It is apparent from Otis' official despatches that he never had any serious intention of directing the occupation of territory south of Manila, though it was the understanding of the officials that such occupation would occur in the important towns captured in the north.

The purpose of the movement under the command of General Schwan, as explained by General Otis, was to disintegrate the insurgent forces and destroy their stores. The blockade of the ports under the control of the insurgents is said to be in accordance with the instructions given by the president.

Reports received from Rear Admiral Watson show that both rice and hemp have appreciated in value more than 50 per cent.

Surgeon General Stribery says that so far as he is informed the hospital accommodations are large enough. In any event, he has sent ample medical supplies and medical attendance to the Philippines for the needs of the troops, as well as for their prospective needs in the coming campaign.

### SAN SALVADOR NEWS.

#### Work on the Railroad Resumed—Large Coffee Crop This Year.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Advice from the Herald's correspondent in Salvador state that an English corporation is actively resuming work on the railway to the capital, via Nejapa, with a large

force. It is calculated that the work will be completed April 1 next.

The coffee crops promise to be abundant. Peace prevails throughout the country. President Daguado's administration is gaining public sympathy and popularity.

A permanent ministry has been appointed, as follows: Dr. Fidel Novia, minister of the interior and treasury.

Dr. Jose P. Trigueros, minister of justice and public instruction.

Dr. Ruben Rivera, minister of public works and in charge of foreign relations.

### FRESH FOOD FOR TEREDOS.

DAULATH, Oct. 18.—The Great Northern road has lately bought 21,000,000 feet of fir timber in Washington, nearly all of it for the road's proposed dock at Alloway bay. Nearly half this enormous order has been bought in the past 10 days.

### WILL NOT SELL OUT.

#### Germany Proposes to Maintain Her Rights in Samoan Islands.

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—The Deutsche Nachrichten, referring to the Samoan matter, says:

"In order to make us forget Samoa, England would have to offer us very extensive compensation, of which Zaribar, for instance, could form only a portion."

The National Zeitung says it learns that the negotiations with the United States give prospect of an agreement for the abolition of the tri-dominion. The United States, the Zeitung adds, will probably be satisfied with Pango-Pango.

Both papers indicate that Baron Von Bunsow, minister of foreign affairs, has advised the colonial council as to the advisability of ceding Germany's interest in Samoa to England in exchange for territorial expansion elsewhere, but has expressed his own decided opinion that Germany's position there must be maintained as the only course approved by the German public.

### FINE OPENING.

The North Pacific Dental College, whose advertisement appears in another column, opened its doors October 5, with 12 students on its roster. The college is well equipped with every facility to graduate students in all the latest knowledge of dentistry. A. R. Baker, D.D.S., is demonstrator in charge, and is well qualified to instruct all students who attend this college.

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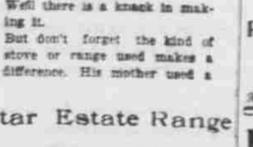
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