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LONDON IS RELIEVED.

The War News Has Revived Society and the World Is Gay Again.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The fierce fighting that has made the week memorable in the history of Great Britain has, in spite of the heavy casualties that accompanied it, acted as an exhilarating tonic on the nation. It is almost with cheerfulness that the people of Great Britain are taking their punishment for now there is something to show for it in pleasing contrast to the weeks of waiting and suspense that scarcely ever passed without largely adding to the death toll and never seemed to bring Great Britain's forces nearer to the goal. Hand in hand with the relief of Kimberley and the daily expected relief of Ladysmith has come the relief of London. With the fate of those beleaguered places of their minds, with the national honor free once more to take its chance on a fair fight field, London has evolved itself from the depressing gloom that for months overhung it. There is now talk of balls, dinners and entertainments; there are brighter looks in the faces of the passing crowds that throng the streets, and even the women have seemed to have brought out grayer gowns. There is to be something of a season, after all, and "Little Bobs" is the hero of the hour, even at this stage of the war, which can scarcely be considered much more than initial from the British point of view. He would be granted every honor in the people's power to give, if only public opinion and gratitude became operative. Above every other man and every other circumstance he stands out from those grim happenings in South Africa clothed in the halo of victory. Loudly he is hailed as giving the living lie to those who said that the pluck and brains that made Great Britain victorious in the Crimea, in India, and in Afghanistan, had passed away from her. The circumstances of his hurried departure, when he subordinated the greatest personal sorrow to the needs of the country, his feats on the battlefields of old, his tremendous personal magnetism and his surpassing kindness and simplicity are all brought into rapid review by means of conversation or the newspapers before the average Englishman until it is small wonder that the hero of Kandahar has reached that pinnacle where his country would deny him nothing.

General Kitchener's automatic way of doing things and his hardness of head have been so much paraded before the public since he first achieved greatness, that he has lost much of his popularity, and while he possesses the national confidence to an almost unequalled extent, it is patent that the nation as a whole would rather that the opportunities fell to "Bobs" than to his iron-willed chief of staff.

A curious instance of the utter lack of system that prevails in the British war office occurred this week. Immediately after the queen's proclamation, appealing to the patriotism of her old soldiers and asking them to enlist un-

der the government's new plan to strengthen the army, was published, there flocked to headquarters large numbers of men who were anxious to answer the queen's request. They were all turned away because the war office has not yet issued any detailed instructions regarding the acceptance of such offers, and had not formulated any specific plan for putting into action the general proposals adopted by parliament. The criticism current is that either the queen's letter was premature or that the war office was dilatory. The letter is generally accepted as correct and not without bitter comment.

The death of Mr. Joseph Cowen, the coal mine owner, member of parliament and proprietor of the Newcastle Chronicle, has removed one of the most remarkable figures in English life and one of the most extraordinary men in Europe. His whole life and personality teemed with vivid contrasts. He was a millionaire, yet dressed in slouchy clothes, and as brilliant an orator as ever held the house of commons in breathless attention. Yet he was of small stature and awkward gait, and he spoke with a Northumberland burr. A supporter of Lord Beaconsfield in his schemes for imperial expansion, yet he was the friend of every conspirator from Moscow to Madrid, and financed revolutions from his own pocket as readily as other millionaires buy steam yachts. At the risk of his life and through battalions of spies, he carried instructions to agents in Italy from that arch-conspirator Mazzini. It was at Mr. Cowen's house that Orsini, who threw a bomb at the carriage of Napoleon III, and was guillotined for so doing, spent weeks prior to the perpetration of the deed. With such an intensely democratic tendency, Mr. Cowen was naturally a home-ruler, yet, none were more potent or often quoted in articles furnished in favor of the present war than the sentences penned by Mr. Cowen shortly before his death, when he declared that Great Britain was fighting to "prevent men of British blood from being treated as Helots." Many years ago he retired from active politics, owing to his independent ideas, devoting his attention to his paper, the Newcastle Chronicle, and wielding as much influence in the north country as he did when men pointed to him in the house of commons as the next prime minister. He lived as a recluse, yet directed his brick-making business until it had become one of the most profitable in the country.

THE PAPER TRUST.

Congress to Be Called Upon by Newspaper Publishers for Relief.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The American Newspaper Publishers' Association, comprising most of the large newspapers of the United States, for the past three days in convention at the Waldorf-Astoria in this city, gave thorough consideration to the sudden increase in the price of white paper and the reasons therefor. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted and a committee of the newspaper proprietors will personally present the same to congress within the next few days:

"Whereas, the price of printing paper used by newspapers in the United States has been arbitrarily increased in price from sixty to one hundred per cent, without reason or warrant to be found in the condition of the industry itself, and

"Whereas, it is the common belief that this increase is due to the workings of a trust, therefore, be it

"Resolved, that the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, representing in this case not only its own members, but the 22,000 newspapers of the United States, calls upon congress to make inquiry, by means of a special committee, into the conditions above described, to the end that suitable legislation may be provided to remedy this condition of affairs in the interest of the best source of public information provided for the people, to-wit: the newspaper press, whose interests the founders of the republic held in the highest regard.

"The attention of congress is directed to five bills now pending in the hands of the ways and means committee, not necessarily to aid the passage of any of them specifically, but as evidence of a great demand for some form of remedial legislation to which the inquiry we request would be preliminary. We believe that the entire agitation against trusts presents no more concrete example than this, and your petitioners, relying upon the desire of congress to legislate in the interests of the people, believe you will accept the opportunity to make this inquiry in the spirit in which it is demanded.

"The newspaper, it is fair to state, unlike most other forms of industry, sells at a fixed price and has no means of putting the increased cost on to the consumer. In many instances it means

the complete confiscation of profits and in many others creates an actual loss.

"The apparently sincere desire of all parties to deal with the trust question removes this inquiry from the charge of partisanship and makes it what it is intended to be, an inquiry in the public interest."

The following officers were re-elected:

S. H. Kaufman, Washington Star, president.

M. A. McKee, Cincinnati Post, vice-president.

W. C. Bryant, Brooklyn Times, secretary.

Edward P. Call, New York Evening Post, treasurer.

Executive Committee—W. L. McLean, Philadelphia Bulletin; C. M. Palmer, Cleveland; A. McCormack, Chicago Times-Herald; F. E. Whiting, Boston Herald; C. W. Knapp, St. Louis Republic; Charles H. Taylor, Boston Globe; and Joseph T. Nevin, Pittsburg Leader.

THE TRANSPORT SERVICE.

Extensive Repairs Will Be Made to the Meade and Logan.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—It has been stated on apparently reliable authority that extensive repairs must be made on the transports Meade and Logan before they are again ready for sea. The estimates made by the board of survey, it is understood, fix the cost of repairing each vessel at \$100,000.

The Hancock, upon which more than \$250,000 was expended when she was last in port, returns here in fine trim and will be ready for sea again after a week in port. The Indiana and Thomas are already in good shape and will soon leave on their return trips.

ANOTHER ROAD ACQUIRED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—C. P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific, said last night that the Carson & Colorado railroad had been acquired by the Southern Pacific, but that no fixed policy for the future operation of the road had been decided upon. The Carson & Colorado is 230 miles long and runs between Mound House, Nevada, and Keeler, Cal., with a junction of seven miles to Candelaria, Nev. The road, it is said, will be extended south to Mojave and north to some point on the Central Pacific.

A BLACKSMITH KILLED.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Feb. 24.—Morris Eke, a blacksmith, who came here from Caldwell, Tex., was struck by a runaway horse and instantly killed. He leaves a wife and several children.

Boss Sense and Nonsense

A Public Expression of Private Opinion.

The new baseball association in the East dies and revives with almost as great a regularity as Buller crosses and recrosses the Tugela.

General French is English, and not a few of the fighters in his command are Scots and Irishmen. This is probably the first time such a combination has ever worked harmoniously.

An Oregon paper, in reply to a correspondent, says it "cannot spare space to print 'The Vampire.' This is probably the silliest of all the proposals that Kipling's admirers have been called upon to swallow.

Mr. Donnelly's proposition for a new party presents awful possibilities. Suppose the new party should elect Mr. Donnelly president and the mid-roaders elect him vice-president, wouldn't that be a snap, though?

Penney says Bryan killed free silver by the free use of his jaw. He also says that there was only one man who ever succeeded in killing his enemies by the use of his jaw. The question is, remarks an exchange, what killed Penney?

As soon as New York can raise \$52,600 more of the \$1,000,000 needed for the perpetuation of the Dewey monument in marble the interest may be let. If Dewey were a younger man he might live to see nearly half of the necessary sum raised.

When Governor Geer was asked by a newspaper man the other day if the report of his approaching marriage was true, he replied that the English were having about as difficult a time to whip the Dutch as they did when they fought us. When Carnegie was asked to explain the charges made by Frick he replied that he had broken his golf record. What we wish to know now is, did Governor Geer take his pointer from Carnegie or did Carnegie get a pointer from Governor Geer?

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571 Commercial St., Astoria.

A NOTED JUDGE SAVED BY PERUNA

Had Catarrh Nine Years—All Doctors Failed.



HON. GEORGE KERSTEN, OF CHICAGO.

Hon. Geo. Kersten, a well-known Justice of the Peace of Chicago, says: "I was afflicted with catarrh for nine years. My catarrh was located chiefly in my head. I tried many remedies without avail. I applied to several doctors, but they were not able to cure me. I learned of the remedy, Peruna, through the daily newspapers. After taking the remedy for 18 weeks I was entirely cured. I consider my cure permanent, as it has been two and a half years since I was cured."

The Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Peruna. He keeps it continually in the house. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman he says: "I have had occasion to use your Peruna medicine in my family for colds, and it proved to be an excellent remedy. I have not had occasion to use it for other ailments."

Yours very truly, W. M. Lord. Peruna is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Letters of congratulation and commendation, testifying to the merits of Peruna as a catarrh remedy are pouring in from every State in the Union.

Dr. Hartman is receiving hundreds of such letters daily. All classes write these letters, from the highest to the lowest. Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-nigh universal; almost omnipresent. Peruna is the only absolute safeguard known. A cold is the beginning of catarrh. To prevent colds, to cure colds, is to cheat catarrh out of its victims. Peruna not only cures catarrh, but prevents it.

Fortune breaks us of many faults which reason cannot. THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET IMPROVEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the city of Astoria proposes and intends to establish the grade of Thirty-eighth street in said city from the south line of Duane street to the south line of Harrison avenue so that said grade when established will be at the following described elevations above the base of grades for said city as established by ordinance, to-wit:

At the south line of Duane street 32 feet. At the north line of Franklin avenue and also the south line of Franklin avenue, 34 feet. At the north line and also the south line of Grand avenue 43.2 feet. At the north line and also the south line of Duane street 43.2 feet. Said street to be of the same elevation throughout the width thereof at any and every point thereof, the said street crossings in said portion of said street to be level and the grade between crossings to be on a straight slope or incline.

This notice is published for ten days in pursuance to an order or resolution of the common council of the city of Astoria, adopted on the 19th day of February, 1900. Within ten days from the final publication of this notice the owners of three-fourths of the property adjacent to such portion of said street may make and file with the auditor and police judge a written remonstrance against the proposed grade and thereupon the same shall not be further proceeded in or made.

Date of first publication February 23, 1900. H. E. NELSON, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria.

FRANKLIN AVENUE IMPROVEMENT NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the common council of the City of Astoria, to improve all that portion of Franklin avenue in that part of the town (now city) of Astoria, Clatsop county, State of Oregon, laid out and recorded by J. M. Shiveley, lying between the east line of Thirty-first street on the west, and the following described line on the east, to-wit: Commencing at the southeast corner of block number one hundred and forty-nine (149), in said Shiveley's Astoria, and running thence southeasterly and parallel with the east line of said block 149 to a point where said line so run would intersect the north line of Franklin avenue in Adair's Astoria if extended westerly into Shiveley's Astoria, and running thence easterly in a straight line to a point where the north line of Franklin avenue in Adair's Astoria intersects the east line of the said J. M. Shiveley's Donation Land Claim, to the full width thereof, and on the established grade thereof. Said improvement is to be made by piling and plank to the width of 36 feet along the north line of said portion of said street throughout the extent thereof, and the construction of side-walks and a gutter on the south side of said portion of said street, and a hand-rail on the north side of the street from the point of Thirty-first street to a point 160 feet east thereof, and as to that portion of said street improved by piling and plank the same shall consist of 21 cents of piling fifteen feet apart with four piles on the beam and 12 feet between centers, the beams to be sway braced. That the piling and cap and graded portion of the street is to be laid with stringers and covered with plank throughout the width thereof, the covering plank to be 4x12 inches. The construction, in matter of detail, except as otherwise stated, to be in accordance with the specifications thereof filed with the auditor and police judge of said city by the city surveyor of said city. That the costs and expenses of said improvement will be defrayed by special assessment upon the lots, lands and premises benefited by said improvement contained within a special assessment district to be assessed for said improvement which said district is hereby defined, to-wit: Beginning on the east line of Thirty-first street at the southwest corner of lot six (6) in block number one (1) in Shiveley's Astoria, Clatsop county, State of Oregon, and running thence northeasterly through the center of said block one (1) to the east boundary line of said block one (1), thence north along the east boundary line of block one (1) and one hundred and fifty (150) to the northeast corner of lot six (6) in block one hundred and fifty (150), thence southeasterly to the northeast corner of lot twelve (12) in block one hundred and forty-nine (149), thence northwesterly along the east line of block one hundred and forty-nine (149) to the northeast corner thereof, thence southeasterly along the north line of said block to the northwest corner thereof, thence southeasterly along the east line of said Thirty-first street to the place of beginning, all in the town

(now city) of Astoria, Clatsop county, State of Oregon, and laid out and recorded by J. M. Shiveley, and containing the following parcels and lots, to-wit: Lots numbered from 1 to 6, both inclusive in block number 1, lots numbered 5 and 6 in block number 18, and lots numbered from 1 to 12, both inclusive in block number 149. If a remonstrance against such improvement or repair, signed by the residents of the city, owning more than one-half of the property in the district in which the special assessment is to be levied, shall be filed with the auditor and police judge of said city by the time of the next regular meeting of the council following the final publication of this notice, no such improvement or work shall be ordered, except by the vote of two-thirds of all the members of the council.

This notice is published for eight successive and consecutive days in pursuance to a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of Astoria, on Monday, the 19th day of February, 1900, directing the same. Date of first publication, February 21, 1900. H. E. NELSON, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria.

Women Wanted.

Sixty-seven women wanted suffering from irregular, painful or stoppage of periods; leucorrhoea (whites), and all complicated diseases pertaining to changes of life, cured by old Dr. Kessler, corner Second and Yamhill streets, Portland. Three hundred and fifteen women called last month. Consultation free and private rooms for ladies. If can't call, write, enclosing 10-cent stamps. Hundreds treated at home by his new system of home treatment.

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We claim, and we will prove to every one, that we have the best and most up-to-date laundry on the Coast. A trial order will convince the most particular. If you want neat, prompt work, try the CITY STEAM LAUNDRY, 522 Franklin Avenue, R. SCHIMPFERMAN, Prop.

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There is nothing finer than a piece of silverware or cut glass. I have a complete assortment of the latest productions at reasonable prices. H. EKSTROM, The Jeweler, 440 Commercial Street.

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The Bond Street Fish Market is better than ever prepared to supply fresh and salt fish of all kinds. Goods delivered to any part of the city and satisfaction guaranteed. BOND STREET FISH MARKET, 417 Bond Street.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

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OF ASTORIA.

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at

the close of business, Feb-

ruary 13, 1900.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....\$210,395 31

Overdrafts, secured and unse-

cured.....154 47

U. S. Bonds to secure circula-

tion.....12,500 00

Stocks, securities, etc.....980 00

Premiums on U. S. Bonds.....99,500 04

Real estate.....9,407 44

Due from National Banks (not

reserve agents).....4,861 01

Due from state banks and

bankers.....24,850 03

Due from approved reserve

agents.....120,836 91

Checks and other cash items.....860 54

Notes of other National banks.....95 00

Nickels and cents.....99 10

Legal money reserve in

bank, viz:

Specie.....\$100,601 00

Legal-tender notes.....99 00 100 700 00

Redemption fund with U. S.

treasurer, 5 per cent. circula-

tion.....562 50

Total.....\$508,791 35

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.....\$50,000 00

Surplus fund.....25,000 00

Undivided profits, less ex-

penses and taxes paid.....27,432 76

National bank notes out-

standing.....4,500 00

Due to state banks and bank-

ers.....1,245 22

Individual depos-

its subject to

check.....\$407,823 47