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INVESTIGATION OF HAZING OF BOOZ

Books, Periodicals, Macazines &o.

by Cadet's Father.

WAS NOT HIT NEAR HEART

Nor Was He Interfered With on Account His Religious Belief or Tendencies -His Classmates Considered

Him a Coward.

taking testimony at Bristol Pa., yesterday, arrived at the military academy today and continued its investigation of the charges of Ill-treatment made

resigned in September or October, 1898, were summoned to the court.

Four of the sixty cadets of the second class were examined and all of them | contracts were in violation of the laws who knew Boog declared that his stand- of the United States, the state of Illiing with his classmates was not very high as they looked upon him as a coward. The story of his fight with Kellar in 1898 was told by Cadet O. N. Tyler, who seconded Booz.

All denied that Booz had been inter- law of the state of Missouri. fered with on account of his religious belief or tendencies.

Cadet O. N. Tyler said: "I was present at the fight," "Was there a knock-out blow deliv-

"Yes, sir. Booz was hit in the region of the stomach and when he was on the ground he said the wind was knocked

out of him." "Was there any blow delivered in the region of the heart?"

"No. sir." "Was it a fair fight?" "Yes, sir, it was."

Were there any marks on Booz afer it was over?"

"Yes, sir. He had a black eye and a cut over the left eye." The witness said he had never been

if given in the mess hall. He never saw it given to Booz.

PRINCE OF WALES CENSURED.

Dr. Parker Attacks Gambling Habits of the British Aristocracy.

LONDON, Dec. 18.-Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, pastor of the City Temple, who of the London Sun, in today's issue of the paper, under the heading, "Betting and Gambling Forecasts," tilts at ers of foreign governments if they can capture. The Boer plans were splenthe Prince of Wales and Lord Roseberry as follows:

"Woe to any country in which the and ceases. heirs to the throne and prime ministers favor the race course, as it exists among us today. If princes are guilty, it is a poor consolation for us to rebuke peasants. If the premier can blaspheme he has no right to rebuke ribaldry upon the street. I would rather have as premier a man of solid character than one of brilliant mind addicted to habits that may have the effect of a pestilence upon the rising generation."

BIDS FOR MEN-OF-WAR.

Board of Naval Construction Has Decided to Accept Bids of Union Iron Works for Two Vesseln.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18,-The board of naval construction, considering the bids for the construction of battleships and cruisers, has settled these points: One of the big armored cruisers shall go to Cramps, one to Newport News and one to the Union Iron Works in California. One battleship shall go to Fore River Engine Works, at Quincy.

This leaves seven ships to be dis posed of, and while in view of the fact One cruiser and one battleship to on her maiden cruise

Cramps, making three for them; one cruiser and one battleship to Newport News, making three for them; one cruiser and one battleship to the Union Iron Works, making three for them and one buttleship to Bath Iron Works. There is still a possibility that Moran Bros., of Scattle, may get the battle-Classmates Refute Charges Made ship stated for the Union Iron Works or General MacDonald Reported to the Bath Iron Works.

ASSOCIATED PRESS WON.

That It Is Not a Monopoly,

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.-The supreme day handed down an oninion in the case of the Star Publishing Company vs. The Associated Press of Illinois, de ciding the case unanimously in favor of

The Associated Press. The Star Company was engaged in publishing an evening newspaper in Ft. WEST POINT, N. Y. Dec. 18 .- The Louis known as The Star, and it military court of inquiry, which began brought suit for a writ of mandamus to require The Associated Press to serve it with an evening news report,

The Associated Press answered that while it was in form a corporation it by the parents of former Cadet Oscar was escentially a co-operative society L. Booze, who died recently at his home based upon an agreement between its members to gather and furnish news to Sixty-eight members of the class of each other; that it was not engaged in 1902, to which Booze belonged until he newsgathering as a commercial enterprise and that it carried on its business without any effort at profit making. It denied that its so-called executive

> nois or the state of Missouri. The opinion sustains The Associated Press at every point. It holds that The Associated Press is not a monopoly and that it does not violate the anti-trust

> > CLAIMS AGAINST CUBA.

Many Will Be Presented When American Control of the Island Is Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-The state ernment cannot intervene in favor of to London. Porto Rico in the matter of her claim against Cuba for \$2,500,000,

The Spanish government raised a ioan to this amount for the Porto Ricans to help prosecute military operations in Cuba, basing the loan upon the revenues of the latter island, In substance the decision of the United fices of these men in the service of States government is to the effect that, their country. leaving aside the question of equity in this case, to sanction the collection of this claim against Cuba would now be to open the door to numberless other claims which would exhaust the financial resources of the island,

It is known to the authorities that most of the claims sought to be included in the treaty of peace at Paris but resolutely excluded by the United States commissioners are not regarded by the has assumed for a week the editorship claimants as dead by any means but are simply held in abeyance to be presented and enforced by the full powbe evoked by the claimants as soon as the United States' control of the isl-

NOT LIBERTY BUT LICENSE.

New Zealander Denies Men Should Be Allowed to Strike When They Please.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.-The conference the American Federation of Labor and in his body. Hugh H. Lusk, ex-member of the parllament of New Zealand.

The venerable New Zealander expressed displeasure at a declaration night. The labor leader asserted that tions retain the privilege of striking loss. when they pleased, or merely because they pleased. "That is not liberty," cried Lusk, "it is license,"

PUT INTO MARSHFIELD.

Whaling Steamer Fearless in After a Two Years' Cruise.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 .- Advices that another meeting of the board is to to the Merchants' Exchange state that diction with absolute accuracy, indica- Marshfield, Oregon, today for coal and average Englishman's enjoyment of at Union bay. tions are that they will be distributed provisions. The Fearless was built in Christmas festivities. Norway and has been out two years

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK

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TWO BOEK FORCES RAID CAPE COLONY

Be Forcing Them Back.

Supreme Court of Missouri Decided BRITISH OFFICERS RESIGN

court of Missouri, at Jefferson City, to- They Are Anxious to Return to Civil Life-Thanksgiving Services at St. Paul's Are Deferred Till the War Is Over.

> LONDON, Dec. 18 .- "The Boers have raided Cape Colony at two separate beriey. The other, supposed to be by his order." Herzeg's commando, crossed the Orange river between Odendaalstroom and Bethulle, northwest of Burghersdorp,

its objective apparently being Cradock. They Will Proceed to the United States road construction in the West. The "General MacDonald is engaging the invaders, who have guns, twenty miles west of Burghersdorp. The latest news is that they are being slowly forced reception is being prepared for them.

THANKSGIVING POSTPONED. LONDON, Dec. 18 .- The contemplated Thanksgiving service in St. Paul's cathedral in connection with the return of Lord Roberts from South Africa has been abundoned owing, as the government announces, "to its being considered desirable to defer the general thanksgiving until the close or operations in South Africa."

The program now is for Lord Roberts to debark in the Solent to visit the queen at Osborne house, January 2, department has rendered an opinion to to reembark and to finally land at ters. the effect that the United States gov- Southampton, coming from that point

OFFICIALS WANT TO QUIT.

LONDON, Dec. 18 .- The government requests employers who have kept open situations for the yeomanry, colonials and volunteers to continue their pa-

tions are gazetted tonight-lawyers, physicians and business men who have urgently represented that their affairs are going to ruin.

representations, has let them off.

CLEMENTS BARELY ESCAPES. gedacht indicate that General Clements' didly laid. If the main British column had tarried a little longer, there would dauntedly, yelling and waving their its breadstuffs and food supplies, arms. Their rushes were only stemmed by artillery.

After the British retreat the Boers could be heard by the retiring British. All accounts indicate a heavy Boer

ANOTHER POER VICTORY. made by Gompers in his address last Colouy, west of Aliwai North, on Sat- present, while only three state sena-

> UNCONFIRMED RUMORS. NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- A disputch to

the Tribune from London says: night that General Knox inflicted a crushing defeat on the Boer comman does and that the Boer force had been utterly routed on the Orange river.

REPORT ON CANAL QUESTION.

enator Morgan Thinks That if England Did Not Like the Hepburn Bill a Protest Would Have Been Made.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-Senator Morgan, chairman of the senate committee on inter-oceanic canals, to which the isthmian canal commission today connection with the protocols of agreements with Costa Rica and Nicara-

have a direct bearing on what is known be requested from the company.

"That bill." says the report, "le a

declaration of pelicy of the United States for a canal under the control this government." The report says: "The passage of the Hepburn bill by

in almost unanimous vote in the house Great Britain if that government considers that any right of hers is in conflict with that measure. If the passage of that measure through the senate calls for any such a protest then WILL HAVE AN AIR LINE will be an appropriate time for its consideration and for taking measures to answer it. Until then we can never

Britain may choose to make. "The senate engaged in negotiations with Great Britain which may or may not result in an agreement, and cannot afford to refuse to consider a bill so important to the country as the Hepburn bill merely to await the pleasure of one-third of that body. The senate as a part of the treaty-making the Tribune from Cheyenne, Wyo., points 100 miles distant," says the Cape power has no more just right to sus- says: Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, pend legislation on this subject than "One commando advanced upon Phij. the president, who is the other part of lippstown between Colesberg and Kim- that power, has to suspend legislation Collins the contract for a cut-off

VOLUNTEERS RETURNING.

in Practically the Same Order in Which They Went Out.

MANILA, Dec. 18.-The volunteer the Philippine Islands. They will be Chicago to the Pacific coast, via Sait replaced by regulars provided by the Lake. army bill. The thirty-seventh volunteer regiment, which is to begin the nomeward movement by embarking on New Year's day, was brought from Laguna de Bay district and will start on the transport Sheridan.

Officers of regular army holding commissions in volunteer regiments will be retained in the Philippines and volunteer officers on special duty will be relieved only on authority of headquar-

Volunteers desiring to leave the service and remain in the Philippines will be allowed to do so. Enlisted natives will be discharged.

newed insurgent activity. WHEAT TO BE SHUT OUT.

ing of operations will result in re-

Germany's Agrarians Now Want to Shut Out Breadstuffs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-The Agrar-The war office, on account of these lan party in Germany, having successfully brought about a law at the last session of the reichstag prohibiting, in effect the importation of American JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 17 .- Details canned meats, is now using its powof the defeat of the British, at Nooit- erful influence to increase heavily the import duties on all grains entering the entire force had a narrow escape from empire, notably on wheat, reports United States Consul Dietrich at Bremen to the state department.

The aim of the Agrarians, according

SLIM ATTENDANCE.

held a prayer meeting. Their hymns Cold Shoulder Given Governor Pin- Membership on New York Stock Exgree's Banquet.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 18.-Governor on arbitration and conciliation was en- | Colonel Legg exhibited splendid brav- Pingree's banquet, which was announc- price of stock exchange seats have been livened during the day by a debate ery. He shot five Boers with his re- cd in honor of the members of the smashed, \$56,500 having been paid for a between Samuel Gompers, president of volver before he fell with three bullets state legislature, justices of the su-membership. This compares with \$13,the state, was given in the hall of the \$47,500 the old high record made a few house of representatives.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 18.-The Boers None of the justices of the supreme who crossed the Orange river into Cape | court or railroad officials invited were urday, encountered the Cape Rifles tors and forty-six representatives at- San Francisco Captain Was Forcibiy he wanted to see the labor organiza- and Brabant's force, who retired with tended. Not one of the state officialselect accepted Governor Pingree's invitation to be present.

CAUSE OF THE WRECK.

Passage,

latest news of the foundering of the ship at Golovin bay while en route At the war office no confirmation steamer Alpha with the loss of nine to Alaska. could be obtained of these reports. lives indicates that the cause of the News of a decisive British success at disaster was primarily the taking of an be held it is not possible to make a pre- the whaling steamer Fearless put into this time would add considerably to the unusual course into the coaling station

Encountering a fierce southwest gate while steaming up the stream, the capas the inside passage and kept on the by Governor Dix, is dead. inside of Denman Island,

STRIKE WAS A MISTAKE,

Telegraphers Want Nothing Now but to Be Reinstated.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- According to a statement issued tonight by J. M. Barr, submitted a partial report thereon in vice-president of the Santa Fe railroad company, a committee composed of different railroad trainmen's organizations gua relating to the proposed canal who have taken up the grievances of which were submitted recently to the the striking telegraphers consider the strike a mistake and at tomorrow's In the course of the report it is said conference, to be held here with officials that the statements of the Walker com- of the Santa Fe, nothing but the retiremission and the protocols referred to ment of the non-union telegraphers will

UNION PACIFIC AWARDS CONTRACT

must have called for a protest from \$6,000,000 for Cutoff From Echo. Wyoming, to Salt Lake.

know the grounds of objections Great Reported to Have Formed a Deal With the Recently Incorporated Los Angeles. and Salt Lake Railroad Company.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 18 .- A special to

The Union Pacific Railroad Company oday awarded to Kilpatrick Bros. and .nrough Echo canyon from Echo, Wyo., to Salt Lake, a distance of forty miles, The contract price, \$6,000,000, is one of the largest in the history of rail-

contractors have four years in which to omplete the work. It is said that the Union Pacific has formed a deal with the recently incorback to the Orange river, where a warm regiments will proceed to the United porated Los Angeles and Salt Lake States to be mustered out in practical- Railroad Company which will give ly the same order as they arrived in them practically an air line from

PANAMA CANAL ROUTE.

olombian Government Explains Its Attitude in Regard to Concessions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says:

Senor Martinez Silvein, the Colombian ninister of foreign affairs, cables from Bogota this statement of Colombia's attitude on the construction of an isthmian canal:

"The Colombian government will do everything within its power to facilitate and hasten the opening of a canal It is believed that the temporary de- by the Panama route, whether it is pletion of many posts and the check- effected by the actual company holding the concessions which expire in 1906 or by whomsoever may represent their

"The government will make reservations only to preserve national society Numerous volunteer officers' resigna- Having Excluded American Meats sit by way of the canal for all nations and to give assurance that free transhall be fully guaranteed,

> "The Colombian minister to Washington will leave soon to attend to this matter."

> CENTENNIAL OVERDUE Considerable Anxiety at San Francisco Over Non-Appearance of Seattle Steamer.

SAN PRANCISCO, Dec. 18.-Considerable anxiety is expressed in shipping circles as to the fate of the steamer Centennial, now overdue at this port have been a complete success for the to the consul, is to make Germany en-Boers, who exposed themselves un- tirely independent of all countries for be disabled or that the recent storm compelled her to put to sea.

ALL RECORDS SMASHED.

change Sold for \$50,500.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- Records in the preme court and railroad officials of 500, the lowest record made in 1892, and weeks ago,

NORDBERG WANTS DAMAGES.

Ejected From His Ship by the Owners.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 .- E. M. Nordberg, formerly master of the American schooner Carrie and Annie, has Russors were current in London last Captain of the Alpha Chose the Inside filed a suit in the U.S. district court to recover \$499 alleged to be due for wages and damages. The damages consist in VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 18 .- The libellant being forcibly ejected from the

COMMUNIST SCHWAB DEAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- Justus H. Schwab, the communist who was sent to the penitentiary for his alleged partain decided to take what is known in January, 1874, and who was pardoned

STEAMER OVERDUE.

VICTORIA, B., C., Dec. 18 .- The steamer Royalist is out thirty-one days from Moji, Japan, with sugar for British Columbia. Even with the stormy weather she should be here by now.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Dec. 18.-Wheat, Walla

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Wheat, May, 105%; cash, 96%. CHICAGO. Dec. 18.—Wheat, May, opening, 7846973%; closing, 72%.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.— Wheat