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ANGLO-RUSSIAN WAR IMMINENT

Russian Forces Entrenching in
Disputed Territory.

ENGLISH AWAITING ORDERS

Chaffee Instructed to Remove American Forces
to Manila—Germans Will Remain in
China Indefinitely—Deserters
Commit Depredations.

PEKIN, March 15.—The Russians at
Tien Tsin took possession of a railway
siding and armed sentries are now
guarding it.

General Barrow (second in command
of the British forces) hesitates to act,
apparently in the absence of General
Gaselee, feeling sure that bloodshed
would ensue. He had a long consultation
today with Sir Ernest Satow, the
British minister. The Russians are
jubilant.

The American military line has been
sold to a private company.

RUSSIANS ENTRENCHING.
LONDON, March 15.—A dispatch re-
ceived here from Tien Tsin by Reuters
Telegram Company, dated from that
city today at 3:20 p. m., says:

"The Russians are now entrenching
in the disputed territory. A company
of the Hong Kong regiment, with fixed
bayonets, is in front, while two com-
panies of the Madras Pioneers, under
command of Major Johnson, are held
in reserve.

"Both the Russians and British are
awaiting instructions from their govern-
ments."

AMERICANS TO WITHDRAW.
WASHINGTON, March 15.—A dis-
patch to Colonel Chaffee in Pekin today
is as follows:

"In reply to your telegram the secre-
tary of war directs you to complete
arrangements to call for Manila with
your command and staff officers by the
end of April, leaving as a legation
guard an infantry company composed
of 150 men having at least one year
to serve or those intending to re-en-
list, with a full complement of officers,
a medical officer, sufficient hospital
corps men and, if you think best, a
field officer especially qualified to com-
mand the guard.

"Retain and instruct an officer of the
quartermaster's department to proceed
to erect the necessary buildings for
the guard according to a plan and estimates
you approve. Supplies not required for
the legation guard are to be disposed
of in your best judgment. Of course
the serviceable supplies needed in the
Philippine islands will be sent to Man-
ila. The division of the Philippines
will furnish supplies for the legation
guard."

CORBIN.
It was said at the war department
that this closes up the Chinese ques-
tion so far as the war department is
concerned, as the protection of the le-
gation can in no sense be taken as
the occupation of Chinese territory and
the guard cannot be used for any other
purpose.

The transports Sumner and Indiana
will be sent to Taku to take the troops
in China to Manila. These troops con-
sist of the Ninth infantry, four troops
of the Sixth cavalry, and the light bat-
tery formerly commanded by Captain
Reilly.

PROMISES NOT WANTED.
BERLIN, March 15.—In reply to a
question as to how long the German
troops would remain in China, Count
Von Buelow today said:

"That will depend on China's fulfil-
ment of the police conditions which she
has accepted. But no longer will prom-
ises or the most cheering notes from
Li Hung Chang be of any avail. As
soon as we receive serious guarantees
for the payment of indemnities we shall
immediately withdraw our troops."

ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONTROVERSY.
TIEN Tsin, March 15.—The British
and Russians are disputing over the
limits of railway property in the Rus-
sian concession and the guards of the
two nations are in close proximity to
each other.

The British have been strongly re-

inforced and trouble is imminent un-
less the Russians retire.

DEPREDACTIONS BY DESERTERS.
PEKIN, March 15.—Eight Australians
have volunteered for railway service for
six months.

It is reported that a large band of
military deserters of different national-
ities are committing depredations be-
tween Pekin and Tien Tsin. A small
squad of Germans encountered the
band and were compelled to retire.
British cavalry have been sent to dis-
perse the marauders.

FIRE IN NEWSPAPER ROW.

Three Proof Readers Killed in Building
of Boston Daily Advertiser
and Record.

BOSTON, March 15.—Three lives sacri-
ficed, nearly a dozen men more or less
injured and many thousand dollars of
damage were the result of a fire in the
Daily Advertiser and Record seven-
story gray-front building in News-
paper Row tonight.

The dead are:
JAMES RICHARDSON, proof reader,
JUDSON CLAFF, proof reader,
WALTER LUCOMBE, proof reader.

How the fire started is not known,
but it was first seen in the press-room,
spreading to the elevator well and dart-
ing to the top so rapidly that before
the occupants on the two upper floors
were aware that the building was on
fire their rooms were filled with flames
and smoke. All had to run for their
lives and all but three succeeded in
gaining the roof of an adjoining build-
ing.

Managing Editor Underwood says it is
impossible to estimate the loss until the
actual damage to the presses is as-
certained.

ARMY MUST BE KEPT UP.

Twenty Thousand Fresh Troops Will Be
Sent to Manila From America
Before July 1st.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The officers
of the adjutant-general's and quar-
termaster's departments are directing
their attention to sending regular troops
to the Philippines to replace the volun-
teers brought home. The main object
of the officials is to prevent any material
decrease in General MacArthur's ar-
my of 35,000.

There are about 40,000 regular troops
in the Orient, including those in China.
In order to keep the strength up to
60,000 it will be necessary to provide
about 20,000 fresh troops from the United
States before July 1. The transports
Indiana, Meade and Pennsylvania
will leave San Francisco in a day
or two with battalions of the Tenth in-
fantry and Fifth cavalry, and also bat-
talions of five new regiments. Trans-
ports carrying 504 officers and 3550 men
are scheduled to leave San Francisco
by April 15.

DUEL TAKES PLACE TODAY.

Two Shots Will Be Exchanged at
Twenty-five Paces Between Count
de Castellane and M. de Rodays.

PARIS, March 15.—The seconds of
Count Boni de Castellane and M. de
Rodays met today and decided that the
duel is to take place tomorrow morn-
ing. Two shots will be exchanged at
twenty-five paces. M. Rivier, one of
M. de Rodays' seconds, who is com-
mander of the Figaro, in an interview
today, declared that the duel will be
absolutely private. He said:
"I shall not tolerate the presence of
a stranger. If otherwise I shall retire
from the field. In my opinion it is im-
proper to permit persons attracted by
unhealthy curiosity to be present at a
duel in which two men are staking their
lives."

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Body of the Late General Harrison Will
Lie in State in Capitol Building
Today.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 15.—The ar-
rangements at the Harrison home for
the lying in state tomorrow and the
funeral services Sunday were practi-
cally completed tonight. The body was
dressed late this afternoon and was
then removed to the front parlor, where
it will lie until taken to the state house
tomorrow.

JESSIE FOUND BONDS.

ELDORADO, Kas., March 15.—Jessie
Morrison, who killed Clara Wiley Castle,
today furnished \$5000 bond and she will
be released tomorrow.

DE WET SAID TO HAVE GONE MAD

He Has Repudiated Peace Nego-
tiations Now Going On.

FRENCH CONFER WITH BOERS

Dispatch From Kitchener Indicates Continuation
of Warfare—Lord Wolseley in
Defending Himself Is Annoy-
ing Government.

BLOEMFONTEIN, March 15.—Prison-
ers who have lately been released by
General De Wet say they think he is
a mad man. They claim that the ter-
rible fatigues he has un-
dergone have unbalanced his mind. He
rarely sleeps within the bounds of his
camp. He seeks rest outside with a
few trusted followers. His secrecy is
extreme. He absolutely imparts his
plans to no one.

General De Wet has repudiated the
peace negotiations which are going on.

TROOPS AVOID CAPE TOWN.

LONDON, March 15.—The war office,
acting on a dispatch from Cape Town,
will not land any more troops there
until the bubonic plague subsides. The
transports have been ordered to disem-
bark their troops at East London, Port
Elizabeth and elsewhere.

DISPATCH FROM KITCHENER.

LONDON, March 15.—A dispatch
from Lord Kitchener, issued this morn-
ing, is so studiously silent upon the
subject of the peace negotiations that
it leads to the conclusion that nothing
has been accomplished of a sufficiently
definite character to justify lending of-
ficial support to the view that the war
is over. Nor do General French's move-
ments indicate a cessation of hostil-
ties, although, possibly, as no date is
given, his captures were made previous
to the granting of an armistice.

FRANCO-BOER CONFERENCE.

THE HAGUE, March 15.—M. Henri
Rochefort and other Parisian pro-Boers
are here conferring with the supporters
of the South African Republic. They
will visit Mr. Kruger at Utrecht.

BOERS HAVE CUT WIRES.

CAPE TOWN, March 15.—The Boers
having cut the wires, telegraphic com-
munication between the eastern provin-
ces and Natal is interrupted.

WOLSELEY ON THE DEFENSIVE.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A dispatch
to the Tribune from London says:
Lord Wolseley's speech in the house
of lords will be his last word in the
conduct of the South African war, since
he will start next week on his mission
as a special ambassador to announce
the death of Queen Victoria.

When the Duke of Bedford was moved
to make critical remarks on the mili-
tary administration, Lord Wolseley took
part in the debate with the air of a
candid friend who was forced to say
something against his will. This de-
bate exposed him to an unexpected at-
tack from Lord Lansdowne, and Lord
Wolseley came out as some of the British
generals did from a Boer ambuscade.
He is now compelled in self-defence
to return to the subject and to reply
to Lord Lansdowne's charges. He has
been consulting Lord Salisbury and
other friends and may cause the govern-
ment much annoyance.

At the outbreak of the war the in-
telligence department was held respon-
sible for miscalculations regarding the
Boer resources, but the reports now in
print prove that it was not at fault.
Lords Wolseley and Lansdowne and
Mr. Chamberlain and the entire cabi-
net were caught in a Boer ambush and
should be held jointly responsible for
lack of judgment in underestimating
the magnitude of the military opera-
tions in South Africa. Neither Lord
Lansdowne nor Lord Wolseley wishes
to be the scapegoat.

ZINC COMPANY FAILURE.

At Meeting of Stockholders Reorganiza-
tion Will Be Advocated.

NEW YORK, March 15.—At a meet-
ing of the stockholders of the Interna-
tional Zinc Company tomorrow, it is
said, according to the Journal of Com-
merce, a reorganization of the company
will be advocated. The reason for the
appointment of a receiver last week,
which, it is alleged, was done at the
instigation of Judge J. A. Smith, rep-
resenting holders of \$7000 worth of
stock in Lansing, Mich., will be brought
out fully at the meeting.

The tangible assets are reported to be
the lease of twenty-five and a half
acres of the Bluewing property at Car-
terville, Mo., 110 acres of the Free
Coinage property, and 48 acres of the
Mayne property, south of Galena, Mo.
The property is said to have been ap-

praised at \$55,000. There is a mort-
gage of \$30,000 which leaves assets of
\$25,000.

W. Dugrey, a local stockholder, said
that through the agent of the U. S.
Express Company at Joplin, Mo., he
was informed that the Bluewing mine
alone was worth \$850 gross a week and
deducting \$400 for salaries and \$250 for
coal and powder, a net profit of \$200
would remain. But, he added that a
sheriff had seized the property because
the coal and powder bill had not been
paid.

HEAD-END COLLISION.

Two Men Killed and Three Injured on
Illinois Central.

PADUCAH, Ky., March 15.—A head-
end collision occurred today between
freight trains at Clay switch, 27 miles
below here on the Illinois Central. En-
gineer Joe Dickey, a new man,
and Edward Hamblett were killed. En-
gineer J. J. Bernechin, W. H. Hazle-
ton, an engineer learning the road, and
James B. Roberts, a colored brakeman,
were badly hurt.

MRS. NATION ARRESTED.

Crowd Which Gathered to Hear Her
Stopped Traffic in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, March 15.—Mrs. Car-
rie Nation, who has been visiting here
for two days, was arrested today for
obstructing the sidewalk but was re-
leased on her promise to take the train
for Topeka. Mrs. Nation stopped to
harangue a crowd which became so
large that traffic was stopped.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN.

Gold in United States Treasury Now
Amounts to \$482,913,023.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The gross
gold in the treasury yesterday amount-
ed to \$482,913,023 compared with \$416,
215,209 at the same period last year.
Yesterday's figures break all records.
The increase in the gold holdings of
the department during the year has
been \$66,697,814.

LAKE, WASHINGTON CANAL.

Government Engineers Will Today Call
for Bids for the Dredging.

SEATTLE, March 15.—The U. S. gov-
ernment engineers will tomorrow pub-
lish the first call for bids on the work
of dredging the Lake Washington ship
canal. This is the first step in the ac-
tual work of building the Lake Wash-
ington canal.

JOINT WRECKED.

All the Property of the Jointist Was
Destroyed.

KANSAS CITY, March 15.—Three
women followed by a hundred men com-
pletely demolished all of the property
of a jointist at Connor station, fifteen
miles west of Kansas City, Kan., to-
night.

NEWSPAPER MAN MADE JUDGE.

NEW ORLEANS, March 15.—Lamar
Quintero, a well-known lawyer of this
city, has been appointed a member of
the supreme bench in the Philippines
at a salary of \$7000. Quintero has long
been on the staff of the New Orleans
Picayune.

SALISBURY IS CYCLING.

LONDON, March 15.—Lord Salisbury,
that he may take exercise in London,
has obtained King Edward's permis-
sion to ride a bicycle in the grounds
of Buckingham palace, which he is do-
ing this week.

FAILURES FOR THE WEEK.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Dun's Re-
view tomorrow will say:
The failures for the week were 209
in the United States against 190 last
year and 33 in Canada against 23 last
year.

CARNEGIE GIVES MILLIONS MORE

Sixty-Five Branch Libraries for
New York City.

THEY WILL COST \$5,200,000

It Is Also Reported That He Will Give
Twenty-Five Millions for a Great
Technical School at Pitts-
burg.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Andrew
Carnegie, who since retiring as an ac-
tive figure in the steel world, has been
able to devote his time exclusively to
his other passion, the founding of li-
braries, has made his departure for Eu-
rope this spring memorable by the larg-
est offer that he ever advanced. If
New York will provide the sites and
maintenance he has promised to give
\$5,200,000 to establish sixty-five branch
libraries in this city.

The offer was made in a letter to Dr.
John S. Billings, director of the New
York library, last Thursday. The cor-
respondence in connection with the offer
was made public tonight. Carnegie's
letter to John S. Billings says:

"Our conference upon the needs of
the greater city of New York for
branch libraries to reach the masses
of people in every district has con-
vinced me of the wisdom of your plan.
"Sixty-five branches strike one at
first as a very large order, but as other
cities have found one necessary for
every 60,000 or 70,000 population, then
estimate the cost of these libraries at
\$80,000, being \$5,200,000 in all.

"If New York will furnish sites for
these branches for the benefit of the
masses of the people, as it has done
for the central library, and also agree
in a satisfactory form to provide for
their maintenance as built, I should
esteem it a rare privilege to be per-
mitted to furnish the money for the build-
ings,—\$5,200,000. Sixty-five libraries at
one stroke probably breaks the record,
but this is the day of big operations
and New York is soon to be the biggest
of cities."

TWENTY-FIVE MILLIONS MORE.

PITTSBURG, March 15.—The Dis-
patch says:

Intimate friends of Andrew Carnegie
say that it is the intention of the steel
master to give at least \$25,000,000 for
the erection of buildings and for the endow-
ment of the proposed technical school
of Pittsburgh. It is also declared by
those who have talked with Mr. Car-
negie that he intends to make his school
the finest of its kind in the world, and
that it will lend as much fame to Pitts-
burg on the theoretical side of the iron
and steelmaking as his famous works
have done in actual practice.

LIBRARY FOR ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, March 15.—Andrew Car-
negie has offered to donate \$100,000 for
building a new library in St. Louis.

LEGISLATURE HAS ADJOURNED.

OLYMPIA, March 15.—The legislature
adjourned sine die at 5 o'clock this
morning.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, March 15.—Wheat, Wal-
la, Walla 56½.

CHICAGO, March 15.—Wheat, May
opening, 75½@75½; closing, 76½.

LIVERPOOL, March 15.—Wheat, Ju-
ly, 6s. ¾d.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Silver, 60½.

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"Charles Carroll" - 10c
"General Good" - 5c

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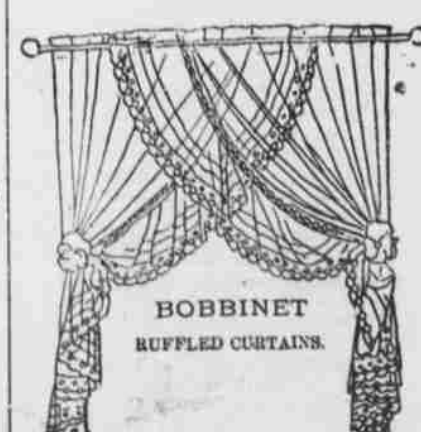
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