

BOER LEADERS ARE DETERMINED

Steyn and Botha Defy Chamberlain's Proclamation.

WILL FIGHT TO LAST DITCH

Warfare Will Be Kept Up as Long as Allies Are Unwilling to Surrender—The British Army Is Becoming Jaded.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The barameter of South Africa fell when it was known that Steyn, DeWet, and Botha defied Mr. Chamberlain and had announced their determination to fight to the last ditch, says the London correspondent of the Tribune.

The proclamation of Lord Kitchener has not frightened the Boer leaders, for whom a menace of exile has no terrors when they do not believe it can be enforced. Military men here have not swayed from the conviction that the war will continue until Steyn and DeWet are captured.

The Transvaal leaders are bound in honor to keep up warfare as long as their allies south of the Vaal are unwilling to surrender. Proclamations only involve a waste of printer's ink, while Steyn and DeWet remain in the field. This is the judgment of practical men who understand the full force of the point of honor among the Dutch allies. Generals cannot abandon one another when a war which lasted nearly two years without a sign of treachery among the men in the commandos.

Lord Kitchener's comment on the surrender of a British force of sixty-eight men, after one soldier had been killed is that he is holding an inquiry. This points to the suspicion that the resistance offered by the British force was inadequate. Military men explain the difficulty of keeping jaded men up to their work when they know that to surrender to a superior force is followed by a speedy release after their deprivation of arms and ammunition.

Heavy work and incessant marching have rendered the British army stale. The same feeling of weariness is shown in England, where the yeomanry force recruited for special service is still 11,000 below the full quota, notwithstanding the strenuous exertions to strengthen it and the high pay offered for rough riders.

An article in the current number of the Fortnightly Review on the settlement in South Africa, derives special significance from the fact that the writer, Ivan Muller, knows more about Lord Milner's intentions than anybody else except Mr. Chamberlain. Lord Milner, it has been said, will land at Cape Town with the constitution for South Africa in his pocket, and the Fortnightly Review's article indicates what is probably the outline of the scheme.

Mr. Muller makes it clear that Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Milner have decided that British influence will be paramount in South Africa dominion parliament. He maintains that in any plan of confederation, it is of the highest importance that the senate should be the center of political power and have control of the federal funds and English senators should outnumber the Dutch by two to one. For the constitution of the upper chamber he favors the American precedent but in the first instance the senate would be nominated by the respective governors or the high commissioners.

ANARCHISTS ARE WATCHED.

Paris Police Taking Precautions in View of the Czar's Visit.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The secret police have commenced a special surveillance of anarchists in view of the czar's visit. After a meeting of the Bureau de Travail, they arrested August Spangh, on the ground that he is a dangerous Italian. He was charged with vagabondage.

His friends proved that he had means of subsistence and the magistrates had to release him but he was expelled from the country last night. He went to London. M. Goren, chief of the secret police, says that the anarchists groups are being closely watched.

The anarchists who arrived at Dunkirk at the time of the strike last year are under surveillance. All arrivals are being closely questioned.

BICYCLES IN WAR.

English Maneuvers Demonstrate Their Practical Value to the Army.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice, attracted considerable attention a year ago by his attempts to prove to the British officers that the bicycle was worth taking seriously in military maneuvers. He organized a big corps of bicycle volunteers for a test of his scheme, but their evolutions were not a great success at the first trial. Major-General Maurice, avers the London correspondent of the Press has just tried his plan again with a body of 1500 cyclists at Aldershot.

His success was so complete that many observers and even some of the professed military critics predict that the bicycle is to be the mounted infantryman of the future. At any rate it is

contended that these Aldershot maneuvers prove the wheel to be much too good for use only in dispatch bearing, scouting and reconnoitering as at present.

The 200 cyclists, carrying kit, rifle and ammunition, left Aldershot at 8 o'clock in the morning and reached Bagshot in perfect order, with intervals and space preserved, in better time than cavalry make on the same journey. They were inspected by the British officers and then marched and counter-marched, moved double quick, covering twelve miles in 24 minutes and put through all the evolutions that would have been required of them in actual warfare. The number of punctured tires was remarkably small and there was surprisingly little confusion.

BRITISH WARSHIPS TAKE ON AMMUNITION.

Unconfirmed Rumors Say They Have Been Ordered to Proceed to Peru.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 27.—H. M. S. Amphion yesterday loaded three slow loads of ammunition and the report was current last night, although no confirmation can be obtained, that she has been ordered to proceed to Panama, and the torpedo boat destroyers Virago and Sparrowhawk are to go with her.

The Virago's boilers have been taken apart and orders have been given for work night and day to hurry the repairs and have the destroyer ready to proceed.

EXTREMELY CRITICAL.

Returned American's View of Affairs in Colombia.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—N. M. McMillan, who represents a mercantile house in Chicago, was one of the passengers on the Allegheny, which has just arrived from Colon. He has been in Honduras, a city on the border of the Magdalena river, for several weeks.

"The situation in the interior of Colombia is extremely critical," said Mr. McMillan. "It was my intention to go to Bogota, the capital, and stay two weeks, but I feared I might be besieged in that city by the insurgents."

"Although it is extremely difficult to obtain news that is reliable, I understand that the mountains about the capital were in the hands of what they term the guerrilla bands. I left just in time, for our steamer was the last one sailing which was allowed to navigate on the Magdalena river."

MUNITIONS OF WAR.

New York Steamer Carried Large Contraband Cargo.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The Panama Steamship Company's steamer Oriaba sails today for Colon, carrying a large number of huge packing cases, which those who are well informed say contain munitions of war for the rebels in the department of Cauca, on the Pacific coast of Colombia.

On the arrival of the arms at Colon, it is said, they will be transhipped by railroad to Panama and sent thence by an English steamer to Buena Ventura, the seaport of Cauca.

MATIN GETS SARCASTIC.

Accuses United States of Interference in Colombian-Venezuelan Play.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The Matin says: "The curule will shortly rise on the Venezuelan-Colombian play. It promises to be interesting. The greater part of the play has, in fact, been provided by the United States."

"It is to be hoped that everything will pass off satisfactorily; that Barrump will keep his promise and not claim any author's fee after the show; and at the final scene there will not be a general fight among the spectators."

FRENCH DIPLOMAT LEAVES.

M. Constant, the Turkish Ambassador, Leaves Constantinople for Paris.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 27.—During the absence from his post of M. Constant, the French ambassador to Turkey who started for Paris, M. Bapin, councillor of the embassy, will act as chargé d'affaires.

WILL CARRY TEACHERS.

Transportation Will Be Provided for Passenger Traffic in Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—The transport Warren, which has arrived here from Seattle will be fitted up to carry several hundred school teachers to Manila. It is probable that the Warren will sail in about two weeks.

The steamer, which has been in port about two weeks, will sail September 12th for Manila, the Honolulu, and will return in Philippine waters. The steamer left Seattle August 23 for St. Michael. The Hancock is expected to reach port tomorrow or Thursday from Manila and Nagasaki.

STARVED WITH PLENTY.

Miser With Plethora Bank Accounts Dies From Lack of Food.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—An old man named Paddy Kearns, died yesterday in Tarrytown, literally of starvation and neglect. In the house in which he lived alone for more than 50 years, bank books showing deposits of \$1000 were found.

The old man is believed to have had a considerable amount of ready money and some jewelry hidden around the house. He came to this country from Ireland in 1849.

EXODUS FROM NOME

FROM 6000 TO 7000 READY TO COME BACK.

Murderous Attack by Armed Mob Over Mining Litigation Suit—One Man Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Officers of the steamer St. Paul bring the information that at least 6000 or 7000 persons intend to come back to the United States from Nome the present season, though it is doubtful whether the steamers now plying to Alaska will be able to bring such a number before navigation closes.

FATAL CLASH IN ALASKA.

Armed Mob Made Murderous Attack in Which One Man Was Shot.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Advices from Nome tell of a murderous attack made by an armed mob of 20 masked men at Glacier Creek, the outcome of litigation over mining claims. Richard O'Connor, one of the party attacked in camp, the occupants of which were forced to leave, was shot through the groin and was at death's door when the steamer St. Paul left Nome.

Warrants were issued for the arrest of the attacking party and were placed in the hands of deputies who were awaiting the result of O'Connor's wounds before making arrests.

THREE HAVE DIED.

Results of Experiments With Infected Mosquitoes in Havana.

HAVANA, Aug. 27.—Of the eight persons bitten by infected mosquitoes in connection with the experiments conducted by the yellow fever board during the last three weeks, three have died. Three others who took the fever are expected to recover. One has not developed the disease. The eighth person as yet has not developed yellow fever. Surgeon-Major Reed intends to continue the investigation.

Major Georges, chief sanitary officer, says the idea of the yellow fever board was to subject to mosquito infection as many as would volunteer. Sixteen persons had been bitten and all had recovered and the theory of the board was that if some one hundred or more more persons could have been bitten with similar results a report could have been published showing apparently how safe and easy it was to become immune.

After this had been published the entire population might have been immunized. So many cases gave mild results that the impression was created that the danger was not so great as it has turned out to be. Thus far during August there have been two deaths from yellow fever in Havana as compared with an average of more than fifty for the month of August during the previous eleven years. Major Georges regards the experiment in mosquito infection as of immense service to science.

The man who was bitten by an infected mosquito after inoculation with the serum of Dr. Caldas, the Brazilian expert, had developed what seemed to be symptoms of yellow fever. The yellow fever board calls the case a suspect.

ALL RELIGIONS TOLERATED.

Chinese Circular That Bears the Emblems of Insincerity.

PEKING, Aug. 27.—The first payment of interest on the indemnity will be due on July 1, 1902. Commercial relations, if heretofore suspended, will be discussed by representatives of all powers regardless of the amount of trade of each nation, as the payment of such power will be essential to any arrangement that is made.

Chou Fu, the provincial treasurer, has published throughout Chi Li province a circular letter ordering that all religions be tolerated by the Chinese who will be allowed to accept any religion. The letter says that there must be no discrimination or persecution by any sect, all alike observing the Chinese law except when it conflicts with the requirements of one's religion.

No advantage can be derived in lawsuits from one's religion, and there shall be no further interference except in cases of persecution.

REPUUDIATES BRYANISM.

Governor Tyler, of Virginia, Loyal to the Man but Not to His Principles.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Governor Tyler, of Virginia, who is in the city on his way south from Buffalo, where he was the central figure in the celebration of Virginia day, speaking on the attitude of the Democrats in his state towards Bryan, is quoted as saying that the Virginia Democracy was very loyal to Mr. Bryan, but as to the principles advocated by him in the last campaign, the people of Virginia felt that the prosperous times existing in the state should not be disturbed by advocating any change in policy.

FORTUNE IN TARGETS.

New Gun Will Do \$20,000 Worth of Destruction in Two Shots.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Big preparations are being made at the Brooklyn navy yard for the test of the new Cadmus gun, to take place at Sandy Hook

in September. Two immense targets, costing about \$15,000 each, are being constructed.

They are made to represent a section of the side of the battleship Iowa. The armor plate is backed by five inches of wood. Then comes two five-eighths-inch plates and the iron work of a ship's sides, with braces and angle iron work and inner sties. The total depth of the frame work is six feet. The supporters are of oak timber fifteen feet square.

A plate two and a half inches thick will cover the top to represent a deck. If what the invention of the gun hopes for is done, the new gun will be demolishing with its shots.

NOTED VICTIMIAN DEAD.

General Valdez P. Mead Succumbs to Consumption in Chicago.

General Valdez P. Mead, a veteran of the civil war and a friend of Grant, Logan and McClellan, died last night at his late residence in the city after a long illness.

Death was caused by consumption and for many months. General Mead had been practically helpless and forced to remain in his bed. General Mead was born in Raleigh, N. C., in 1829. In 1872 he was named by President Grant as one of the commissioners to investigate the condition of affairs on the Mexican border.



EDYTH TOZIER WEATHERED.

She is representing the Oregon State Press Association at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, and is becoming immensely popular, while making new friends for her native state. Mrs. Weathered is one of the best known newspaper women of Oregon, and has an enviable position among women writers of the country.

COLD STORAGE PLANT BURNED.

Explosion of Chemicals at Auburn, Plant in Chicago.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The cold storage plant of A. J. & C. Company at the Pennsylvania freight yard in Jersey City was completely destroyed by fire which broke out shortly after midnight this morning. The loss is estimated at \$50,000. The fire was caused by an explosion of chemicals used in the ice plant.

PRUNE MARKET.

Contract Between Two Big California Companies Has Been Rescinded.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—The Chronicle says that the California Prunes Company has rescinded its contract with the California Cured Fruit Association so far as the coming crop of prunes is concerned, though the remainder of last year's crop will be sold under the contract which has existed only the organization of the two companies.

PRO-AMERICAN POLICY.

Reorganization of Federal Party in Philippines and the New Leaders.

MANILA, Aug. 27.—The Federal party has been reorganized and Jose Albert, a noted native physician, elected president. The new directors are Frank Bourne, General Calles, Felipe Buesamin, Louis Yagor, Salvador Rosario and Miguel Valasco. The new board outlined a strong pro-American policy.

TWO MEN KILLED.

Result of a Fight for All Fight Among New Mexico Railroad Workers.

DEMING, N. M., Aug. 27.—A free-for-all fight among the graders on the Rio Grande railroad at Antelope, sixty miles west of here, resulted in the killing of two brothers named Hoffman, subcontractors, and the wounding of three other men, names unknown.

PREMIER SAGASTA DENIES.

Russia Has Not Asked for Coal Station on the Island of Minorca.

MADRID, Aug. 27.—Premier Sagasta denies the report that the Russian government has asked authority to establish a coal station at Port Mahon, island of Minorca.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—The steamer San Jose from Central America reports that at Acapulco it was said that another revolution for the purpose of overthrowing the government of Salvador was imminent, though no outbreak has as yet taken place.

A NOVEL LABOR SUIT

FORMER EMPLOYEE SUED FOR \$25,000 DAMAGES.

Charged With Spreading Dissatisfaction Among Workmen and Inciting Them to Strike.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—Suing a former employee for \$25,000 on the charge that he set at defiance among the other workmen and was thereby largely instrumental in causing a strike is the latest novelty in the labor troubles in and near Chicago.

The plaintiff in the suit is the W. J. Conkey Company, of Chicago, which seemed an innocent enough employer, until the efforts of the strikers a few days ago and the defendant is J. B. Russell, formerly with the Conkey Company as foreman.

This action was filed in the superior court. According to the counsel for the plaintiff Russell has been persistent in his agitation among the other workers which resulted in the strike now said to be embarrassing the company.

FLOUR MILL BURNED.

BUTTE, Aug. 27.—A special from Butte to the Inter-Mountain says the flour mill of Nelson, Sorey was destroyed by fire today. The mill was valued at \$50,000.

KING'S VISIT DENIED.

MADRID, Aug. 27.—The statement that King Alfonso, accompanied by General Weyler, will go to Rhone is wholly unfounded.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Aug. 27.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 56; Bismarck, 57.

TACOMA, Aug. 27.—Wheat, Bismarck, 55; club, 57.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Wheat, cash, 97 1/2.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—Wheat, September, opened 98 1/2, closed 99 1/2.

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