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PEACE IN PROSPECT

Indications That Boer War Is Drawing to a Close.

KRUGER'S APPEAL TO SALISBURY

The Object of Buller's Move—Making Is Likely to Fall Unless Soon Relieved.

LONDON, March 11, 2:20 a. m.—In the absence of important news from the seat of war, speculation is rife regarding the probability of an early peace. President Kruger's appeal to Lord Salisbury for a cessation of hostilities, announced Friday, is taken as foreshadowing that the end will soon be in sight. The government's views are probably enunciated in the following semi-official statement issued last night:

"It is understood that the government does not consider that the time has yet come for any authoritative statement as to ultimate terms of peace, and no member of the cabinet has authorized any public statement on the subject. It is, of course, generally understood among all political parties in this country that so far as the South African Republics are concerned, the status quo ante bellum cannot remain unaltered after the close of hostilities. Their part in the system which involved a large measure of political and military independence will, of course, be materially modified as a result of the war, but the growing prospects of restored peace must be further advanced before Her Majesty's government can either finally formulate proposed terms of settlement or make any announcement of their plan."

Object of Buller's Move.
LONDON, March 10.—Spencer Wilkinson summarized the situation in South Africa, for the Associated Press, at midnight, as follows:

"The fighting reported near Heipmakar is probably only the result of a reconnaissance, and it seems to me to be premature to assume that any movement in large force is in progress in that direction. General Buller, as soon as communications are in order, will certainly do what he can in order to keep the Boer force in Natal engaged, and to prevent them all from being used to reinforce the army resisting Lord Roberts. I expect Lord Roberts to strike Bloemfontein in a day or two. As to Maleking, if it is not relieved very soon the place must fall. One, therefore, hopes a brigade would be sent up from Kimberley for its relief within a day or two of the evacuation of Magersfontein by the Boers. There has been time for such a column to reach Maleking by road, but there is no direct evidence of its existence, and the wish is father to the thought."

A Good Cough Medicine for Children
"I have no hesitancy in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says F. P. Moran, a well known and popular baker, of Petersburg, Va. "We have given it to our children when troubled with bad coughs, also whooping cough, and it has always given perfect satisfaction. It was recommended to me by a druggist as the best cough medicine for children as it contained no opium or other harmful drug." Sold by Blakeley & Houghton.

Grazing Land Bills Shelved.
WASHINGTON, March 10.—Upon motion of Representative Moody, the following resolution was offered by Mondell, of Wyoming, author of one of the bills proposing to lease and cede the public lands, at the special meeting of the committee on public lands today:
"Resolved, That in order to dispose of legislative suggestions, which at the present time the committee or the congress is not prepared to act upon, and to facilitate the consideration of other important

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matters before the committee, all bills having for their object the general leasing of public grazing lands be disposed of by laying the same upon the table." The action of the committee effectually tables all leasing propositions, as well as the plans proposed for ceding the public domain to the respective states, and practically forestalls any such legislation during this congress. Consequently, the leasing bills of Senator Foster and Representatives Mondell and Stephens are dead issues, so far as the present congress is concerned. This should dispel all anxiety over the anticipated danger consequent upon the withdrawing from settlement or the leasing of public grazing lands.

No Right to Ugliness.
The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at Blakeley & Houghton's drugstore.

Boer Peace Negotiations.
LONDON, March 11.—Several papers announce that the government Tuesday received five messages from President Kruger and President Steyn, in Dutch, asking upon what terms a cessation of hostilities could be brought about. The messages surprised and delighted the department concerned. While their tenor was understood, it was found necessary to summon persons thoroughly capable of accurately interpreting the messages, all of which were filed at Bloemfontein. The cabinet convened Wednesday to consider the messages, and it is believed an uncompromising reply was sent, which is known to have reached Bloemfontein by the same means as the Boer cablegrams reached the government. The nature of the reply was such as to lead to a further but gradual retirement of the Boer forces.

His Life Was Saved.
Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid fever, that ran into pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I could not even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it,

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Purpose of Kruger's Offer.
NEW YORK, March 10.—"President Kruger made his offer to cease hostilities in order that Great Britain may be responsible for the slaughter which is inevitably coming to her troops," said George Van Sicken, of counsel to the Boers in this country, today. "The Boers have given England a chance to retire after the recent successes, and Mr. Chamberlain's letting go the opportunity makes him responsible for the terrific carnage of the English soldiery which must inevitably ensue. The offer to cease hostilities was made in good faith, of course, but I have definite information that it had this double purpose."

Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism.
From the Vindicator, Rutherfordton, N. C.
The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

No Pension for Liliuokalani.
WASHINGTON, March 10.—While the Senate had the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill under consideration today, a lively debate was precipitated by an amendment proposed by Hoar, proposing to give ex Queen Liliuokalani \$20,000 and an annuity of \$10,000. The amendment was tabled finally without division. The pending bill was passed, with a few minor amendments. The remainder of the session was devoted to eulogies of the late M. L. Hayward.

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Kitchener at Victoria West.
CARNARVON, Cape Colony, March 10.—General Kitchener has arrived at Victoria West, to organize various columns for the purpose of suppressing the rebellion which is spreading in this district. Minor fighting has occurred in several directions.

A REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The Porto Rico Tariff Bill is Giving the Politicians Trouble.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A Republican caucus will most likely be called to organize the Republican members of the senate on a definite, cogent line of action and policy in regard to the Porto Rico bill and amendments. Senator Davis' amendment was a veritable bombshell in the usually quiet atmosphere which has prevailed in the senate chamber, but "sober second thought" convinces many of the Republican senators that it meets more happily the present exigencies than any other substitute that could be offered for the tariff on Porto Rico. The amendment extends the constitution to Porto Rico by act of congress, and thus harmonizes Republican principle. But it immediately invites Democratic opposition, which contends that the constitution already operates in Porto Rico. But the Porto Rican discussion is as yet in its infancy in the senate, and any amount of developments may now be expected. It is not unlikely that the Republican senators will agree on a plan such as suggested by Senator Davis. Another compromise suggested is to pass the pouso bill introduced by Representative Cannon authorizing the president to apply the \$2,000,000 collected from duties on Porto Rico, and thus tide over the present emergency in the island.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.
George W. Wait, of Gardner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one bottle of it and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

Killed Himself With Gas.
SEATTLE, March 9.—Harrie Brastow Thacher, a well known young man, committed suicide here today by wrapping a blanket around his head and drinking in gas through a tube which he attached to a gas jet in the room. The end of the tube was inserted under the blanket and thus the gas was prevented from escaping. Thacher is supposed to have been insane. He left a wife.

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Snow Slide Covered Five Men.
VANCOUVER, B. C., March 9.—At the Noble Five mine, a short distance from this town, there was a heavy snow slide today, five miners being overtaken and buried in the drifts. Two of the men were killed and the other three, when dug out of the snow, were found to have received serious injuries. The names of the dead are not known.

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