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THE ALLEGED BRITISH REVERSES

Boers Report That They Have Killed, Wounded and Captured 1500.

REPORT IS NOT YET CONFIRMED

Battle Is Said to Have Taken Place North of Bloemfontein, Near Meerkartfontein. South of Brandfort, the Boers Killing and Wounding 600 and Capturing 800 or 900 and Twelve Wagons.

New York, April 11.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: The seventh month of the war in South Africa opens with reports from Boer sources of another British disaster. If the news can be trusted, a terrible reverse has been inflicted upon the British arms. According to an official announcement in Pretoria, telegraphed by the News correspondent, a battle fought south of Brandfort in which the British suffered a loss of 600 killed and wounded, in addition to 800 captured by the Boers.

This intelligence is amply confirmed by the Mail's correspondent on the Boer side, who reports from Brandfort that General Dewet on Saturday defeated the British for the third time within a week, the scene of this last engagement being Meerkartfontein.

No confirmation has been received from British sources of the reverse and it would be advisable not at once to give to statements of British losses their face value.

Not Mentioned By Roberts.

LONDON, April 11.—Lord Roberts wires to the war office from Bloemfontein, under date of April 10, as follows:

"The enemy have been very active during the past few days. One commando is now on the north bank of the Orange River, not far from Aliwal North, while another is attacking Wepener. The garrison there is holding out bravely and inflicting serious loss on the Boers. Major Spring, of the Cape Mounted Rifles, was killed. No other casualties have been reported as yet. The troops are being moved up rapidly. A patrol of seven men of the Seven Dragoons, under Lieutenant Letherby, who have been reported missing since April 7, have returned safely."

As the foregoing dispatch does not mention the alleged British reverses on Saturday at Meerkartfontein, the Boer telegrams are not credited at the war office.

Georgia Populists.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 10.—Two hundred delegates of the Populist organization of Georgia met at the state capitol here today for the nomination of a state ticket and the election of fifty-four delegates to the National convention in Cincinnati. Chairman W. L. Peek said "Marion Butler, of North Carolina, was the 'chief of all traitors,' and the Democratic party had adopted the platform of the Populists, except that the former was opposed to a 'free ballot and a fair count.'" Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, also addressed the convention. At the conclusion of his address the convention unanimously indorsed him for the head of the National Populist ticket, and Ignatius Donnelly for Vice-President.

Baker's Mining Congress.

BAKER CITY, April 11.—At the meeting of the chamber of commerce tonight the committee in charge reported in favor of raising \$1000 for the purpose of entertaining the visitors to the Mining Congress, to be held here in June. The Industrial Agent of the O. R. & N., R. C. Judson, is co-operating with the chamber, and it is proposed to make the meeting the best one of the kind ever held on the coast. The visitors will be given excursions to Sumpter and

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Resolutions were also passed making the representatives of local newspapers and authorized representatives of the leading journals of Portland members of the chamber with the privileges of the new club rooms. Ladies of the families of members of the commerce will also be admitted to the rooms on stated days, and members have been given the privilege of letting visiting friends at the club.

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Decided Against Clark.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The senate committee on privileges and elections today decided by a unanimous vote to recommend an option resolution declaring that Honorable W. A. Clark, of Montana, is not entitled to occupy his seat as Senator from Montana. The decision was reached after a two hour's sitting, at which all members of the committee were present except one. The absentee was Senator Caffery, and he wired his vote in opposition to Clark.

New patent painters' and paper hangers' suits at the New York Cash Store.

Dewey Has Not Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Admiral Dewey said tonight that the report published in a New York afternoon newspaper to the effect that he intended to withdraw his candidacy for the Presidency was all a mistake, and that he had never given any one whatever any such information.

The New York story was to the effect that his brother-in-law, John R. McLean, was responsible for this latest move, and that within forty-eight hours Dewey had been in consultation with Democratic leaders' and others antagonistic to President McKinley, and the opinions they expressed, together with the unfavorable views voiced by the newspaper, decided him to withdraw from the contest.

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PUERTO RICAN TARIFF BILL

Comes Up in the House and Causes Exciting Discussion.

FIGHT AGAINST THE SPECIAL ORDER

It is Adopted; However, by a Vote of 158 to 142—Senatorial Speeches on Both Sides of the House.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The closing struggle over the Puerto Rican tariff bill today in the house attracted great crowds to the galleries. As soon as the reading of the journal was concluded, Dalzell presented a special order under which the house was to operate today. Richardson, the minority leader, called attention to the fact that the rule would permit the house to vote only upon a single proposition. He further asserted that it was never the intention of the Republicans of the house in the first instance to enact any such measure, and drew a salvo of applause from his Democratic colleagues by characterizing the president in the language of ex-Speaker Reed as "the emperor of expediency." He also recalled the statement in a local newspaper that a Republican member of the house had said that in return for the passage of the bill a large contribution was to be made to the Republican campaign fund. Babcock, chairman of the Republican congressional campaign committee, challenged anyone to name a Republican responsible for the charge that the Republican campaign committee had received or was to receive a money consideration for the Puerto Rican tariff bill. Pierce tried to interrupt Babcock, but the latter waved him aside.

"He withdraws the challenge," shouted a voice on the Democratic side, amid a howl of derision.

Grosvenor followed with a speech that kept his side in almost continued applause. He said it was a glorious thing to witness the anxiety of the Democratic party and the mugwump press, lest the Republican party should destroy itself.

Dalzell concluded the debate on the rule. He recalled the rule brought in when the Democrats concurred in the senate amendments to the Wilson tariff bill, evoking frequent applause. "Scribes, Pharisees and hypocrites," he denominated the Democrats for prating on a change of base by the Republicans. The rule was adopted, 158 to 148.

The Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The final vote, unofficial, on the Puerto Rico bill was 163 to 153.

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