

BOERS CONTESTING EVERY INCH

British Relief Force Is Slowly Reaching Its Objective Point However, Driving the Boers Southward—Great Battles Will Probably Occur at Both Places.

BOER CAMP, Thabanchu, O. F. S., April 22—Fighting continues day and night at Jammersburg Drift. The English entrenchments have been so full of rain that the men have been obliged every now and then to clamber to the banks, only to be shot down. The Boers were so drenched on Saturday that they were unable to sleep, so they started a debate on the subject of the good to be derived from virtue and courage. The discussion lasted most of the night, shells fired at intervals interrupting the speakers.

LONDON, April 23.—General Rundle is apparently advancing slowly toward Wepener, every step being contested by the Boers.

From the republican side there is a good deal of interesting news today. A Thabanchu dispatch, dated Friday, April 20 reports the arrival there of Commandants Dewit and Villers, and an attack upon 3000 British under General Gatacre. The latter of course is a misstatement, and it is probable General Rundle is meant. The British, it is added, occupied some kopjes, but their left wing was driven back. The Boer loss was one killed and five wounded.

From Brandfort comes the news that on Saturday, April 21, a British patrol of ten men ventured near that place, and suffered the loss of one man killed and two men captured, including a Free Stater, who was leading the party.

A Pretoria dispatch dated April 21 says the latest official news was that fighting was proceeding within an hour's ride of Dewit's Drift, with no results. The Transvaal Government, it is added, has asked Lord Roberts to be allowed to send a clergyman to St. Helens, and also a neutral consul to watch the interests of the British at Pretoria.

A proclamation has issued, prohibiting the working of the mines on Sundays and inflicting punishment on managers paying over £1 a month to natives.

From Ladysmith today comes a dispatch saying that all is quiet and the Boer guns are silent.

There is nothing further from Bloemfontein to indicate the progress of the preparations of the main advance.

At Cape Town a government contractor named Bam has been arrested for harboring three escaped Boer prisoners, dressed as clergymen.

Boer Defenses.

NEW YORK, April 23.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: There was last night the usual Sunday medley of ominous rumors and confused conjectures from the theater of war, with a heavy budget of mail correspondence on minor incidents of the period of masterly inactivity. The most serious news was the evidence from Boer sources that formidable preparations have been made to resist the advance of General Roberts' army. The Boers are vaguely reported to have mounted sixty-nine guns at Kronstad, and to have constructed a circuit of defenses eight miles long around Pretoria.

It is a foregone conclusion that Pretoria will be vigorously defended, but the experts are not prepared to accept evidence from a Boer source that Kronstad has been strongly fortified. Kronstad offers strong advantages for defense, but General Roberts, with his vastly superior force, can turn the position by either flank and compel its evacuation, with a good chance of inflicting a decisive defeat, which will greatly impair the Boer resources for repelling an attack upon Pretoria.

The Boers are reported as mustering every man capable of carrying a rifle and as taking their ambulance corps into the fighting line. They are alleged to have from 8000 to 10,000 men in the district between Dewit's Drift and Wepener, where heavy fighting is reported Friday and Saturday. They are also described

as occupying a line ten miles long in Upper Natal and as shelling the British positions at Eland's Laagte on Saturday with unabated spirit. The motive of this activity is not clear, but it is surmised that the Boers are anxious to prevent the transfer of British forces from Natal to Bloemfontein and Boshof, which apparently is still in progress.

The Boers have also been active in front of General Methuen and at Fourteen Streams. Making remains under investment.

The war office was silent at midnight, and the results of Rundle's advance toward Wepener were not announced, although there was little reason to doubt that there had been serious fighting Saturday. There were details of General Methuen's convoy fight near Boshof, but these did not materially alter previous account.

Boers Moving Southward.

WAKKERSTROOM, Sunday, April 22, Evening.—After yesterday's shelling it was expected that the Boers would open again, but Colonel Brabazon, with the Yeomanry, made a thorough scout to the left. The Boers endeavored to turn the British right wing, but the movement was detected by the Yeomanry and Mounted Infantry, and the guns opened fire and drove them off, greatly extending the position. None of the Boer guns was in action. There was no British casualties. Many of the Boers are moving southward.

Japanese Coolies.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Information has reached Washington to the effect that the Japanese government itself, and without waiting a request from the United States, is about to take steps to restrict the immigration of Japanese coolies to the United States. It is asserted that the figures relative to this immigration have been magnified and that, as a matter of fact, there are now not more than about 15,000 or 16,000 Japanese within the limits of the United States, outside of Hawaii. It is said that such immigration as has lately occurred has resulted entirely from the competition of the two great Japanese immigration societies; that the laborers have been practically brought here under the delusion that there were untold opportunities for work at great wages. The Japanese government is interested in protecting its people from the hardships resulting from such impositions, and that is the reason it intends to establish restrictions upon the outward flow.

Two More Swarms Coming.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 23.—The steamer Braemar arrived at quarantine today with 1056 Japanese immigrants, while the Empress of China, due tomorrow, has 600 more, all or almost all being bound for United States ports under contract.

Want Bryan to Have Sense.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.—Two Indiana Democrats—Morse, of the Indianapolis Journal, and Shanklin, of the National committee—have gone to Texas to consult with Bryan, the object being, according to Eastern Democrats to secure a modification of the Chicago platform, in the interests of giving the Eastern Democracy a chance to get back. Morse was a Cleveland office-holder, and Shanklin tried to be. The former is a heart Gold Democrat, and the other would be if he had been given an office. Their efforts with Bryan are not likely to accomplish very much, because Bryan committed himself to the Chicago platform at the recent Nebraska convention.

Caught a Dreadful Cold.

Marion Kooke, manager for T. M. Thompson, a large importer of fine millinery at 1658 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, says: "During the late severe weather I caught a dreadful cold which kept me awake at night and made me unfit to attend my work during the day. One of my milliners was taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a severe cold at that time, which seemed to relieve her so quickly that I bought some for myself. It acted like magic and I began to improve at once. I am now entirely well and feel very pleased to acknowledge its merits." For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

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OVATION TO GEO. J. BARRETT

Granite Much Gratiified at His Nomination for Joint Representative.

GRANITE, April 23.—The announcement that the Hon. George J. Barrett had received the nomination at the hands of the Republican convention, at Portland, for joint representative from Grant, Gilliam, Wasco, Wheeler and Sherman counties, was received with the greatest satisfaction in Granite. Although occupied most of the time at the May Queen and Yellowstone mines, Mr. Barrett claims Granite as his home. It is here that every man, regardless of political affiliations, is Mr. Barrett's friend.

His popularity was demonstrated in no uncertain way upon the night of his return from Portland. The whole town went wild with jubilation, and it is doubtful whether a more royal reception has ever been tendered any man in the state. At the meeting held in the school house in his honor, J. N. Ditmare, a life-long Democrat, presided, and pledged the nominee his heartiest support. Other Democrats also swore allegiance, knowing Mr. Barrett to be a friend of the miner and that he will not forget the interests of the mining industry if elected.

That Mr. Barrett will be elected by a handsome majority there is not a shadow of a doubt, for no more popular man is to be found anywhere in this section of the state. He is a native of Fremont, Neb., and 39 years of age. He has been operating in this district the past five years, at present being engaged in the development of the Yellowstone mine, on Olive Creek, while he is also secretary of the May Queen Company. He will leave shortly for Fremont, his former home, where he will take unto himself a new mining partner. After spending a few weeks on his honeymoon, in California, he will return to Granite to make this city his permanent home.

Campaign Speaking.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—President McKinley will not deliver many campaign speeches this year. His principal addresses will be delivered in the larger cities included in his itinerary during his visit to the Pacific coast. Despite the arduous duties which have devolved upon the president during the last four years, including the conduct of the war with Spain and more lately the Puerto Rican fight, he is in the best of health and ready to meet the exigencies of the forthcoming campaign with the firm faith that he has followed the highest dictates of duty in administering the affairs of the government. Much speculation is indulged in as to the manner in which Bryan will conduct his campaign. For that matter, there is more curiosity to know what Dewey will do, as he is not a brilliant figure on the stump, and his vocabulary is marked by the terseness which distinguishes an "old sea dog." Advance statements relative to Bryan are to the effect that he will not repeat his extraordinary performances of racing across the continent and talking, but will confine himself to set speeches in larger cities. Another invasion into the "enemy's country," or the eastern states, is also in prospect.

Puerto Rican Money.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Two expert accountants and financiers will leave for Puerto Rico this week to convert the money and circulation medium now employed in the island into American coin. The Spanish peso is to make way for the American dollar, with Liberty engraved on one side. There are at present 5,000,000 pesos in circulation in Puerto Rico, which is equivalent to \$3,000,000 United States money. The pesos will all be redeemed and sent here to be recoined into American money. The sum of \$500,000 in minor coin, silver certificates and gold will be shipped to the island shortly to introduce the change in the coinage system.

Tunnel Under East River.

NEW YORK, April 23.—A franchise hearing, whereby the New York Brook-

lyn and Jersey City Transportation Company is to build a tunnel connecting New York and Brooklyn and to operate an electric or compressed air, is being had here today. Most comprehensive is the tunnel company's project. It proposes to begin its underground road at a point under West street in Manhattan, near Cortlandt street, and run thence under West and Liberty streets, Maiden Lane, to and under East river to the Plaza, Brooklyn. There the company hopes to connect with cars operated by the New York and Brooklyn Union Transportation Company.

The promoter of the enterprise is George Wilson. He retains 586 of the 1000 shares of capital stock. The capital of the corporation is \$60,000. The tunnels for which franchises have been asked would cost millions.

Change in Railroad Time Card.

The following change in time card will take effect on the O. R. & N. Co. Sunday, April 22, 1900:

Train No. 2, Chicago-Portland special for Chicago and all points east via Huntington, will leave The Dalles at 12:35 p. m. This is a through train and will stop over only at Biggs, Grants, Arlington, Heppner Junction, Umatilla and important stations east thereof. Dalles passengers should take train No. 2 for Heppner. Train No. 6 leaves Dalles at 10:10 p. m. for Washington division points, all points east via Spokane and Great Northern; also all points between The Dalles and Huntington and all points east via Huntington also carries through tourist sleepers to Kansas City.

Train No. 1 leaves Dalles at 12:35 p. m.; stops only at Hood River, Bonneville, Multnomah Falls, Bridal Veil and Troutdale. Train No. 3 leaves Dalles at 4:05 a. m. for all points west of Dalles.

Freight trains will not carry passengers except those holding special permits form 208. a21 5t

Welland Canal Wreckers.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The result of the inquiry, so far as it has gone into the attempt to wreck the Welland Canal locks by the use of dynamite, was laid before the state department today in a special telegraphic report from United States Consular agent Brush, at Clifton, a town opposite Niagara Falls, on the Canadian side of the boundary. The report completely exonerates the Buffalo grainhandlers from all connection with the crime, and strongly intimates that the attempt was the working out of a regularly organized conspiracy among certain persons in the United States said to be affiliated with the Irish secret associations.

Quay Men Frightened.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The Quay men are more scared tonight than they have been at any time during the contest. Aldrich is away unpaired, and it is believed Hanna has taken the same position. If Quay is defeated, it will be due to these two senators, assisted by Hale. Many senators believe the utterances of Senator Platt today, that to seat Quay on personal grounds will bring down a great deal of condemnation upon the senate and its consistency. In his speech today Platt said: "To seat Quay, who was paired, and thus made his vote count against Corbett, would merit the most severe condemnation that has ever been hurled at the senate."

P. W. Knowles is now proprietor of the Fifteen-Mile House and stables a Dufur, where he is prepared to accommodate the traveling public in first class style. Good table, good rooms, good beds and the best of care for man and beast at reasonable rates. m24-1mw

The Nicaragua Canal Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—In the house today unanimous consent was given to set aside May 1st and 2nd for consideration of the Nicaragua canal bill.

For Sale.

40-acre tract, 3 1/2 miles from The Dalles, 4 room house, barn, all fenced, orchard of 300 trees, running water, good range for cattle adjacent, 10 acres bottom land fine for berries or garden. Price reasonable, terms easy. Call at this office. m21-dw1mo

Mules for sale.

One span of mules, 5 years old, for sale. Weight, each about 1000 pounds. For particulars address

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We invite the attention of Dalles ladies to the most extensive display of Fine Shirt Waists ever gathered under one roof—for any one season's selling. The variety alone is ample in itself to inspire one to comment; but it remains for the minute details in the style, fit and finish of each individual garment, to convince those interested that no other store in town is quite the equal of this one, when it comes to Shirt Waists.

We are willing you should judge us by the following—for better values than these there are none.



Light-weight percale Shirt Waists; large assortment of styles and colorings; stripes and checks and figures.

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Good quality percale Shirt Waists; checks, stripes and figures, and plain colors; made with the new round yoke—front and back; also with yoke of white all over lace. Price,

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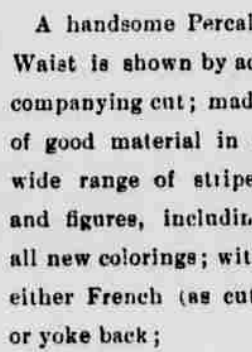


The White Waists promise to be the leading style for the coming summer season.

Look to us for the best styles. Here's one:

White Lawn Shirt Waist, front trimmed with two rows embroidery insertion; French back, laundered cuffs;

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A handsome Percale Waist is shown by accompanying cut; made of good material in a wide range of stripes and figures, including all new colorings; with either French (as cut) or yoke back;

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Fine Corded Dimity Waist, white ground with irregular stripings in pink, light and dark blue and red; French back, full bias front;

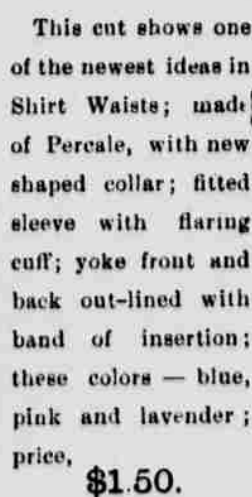
\$1.25.

Similar, with fancy stripes and dots,

\$1.50.

Fine Corded Dimity, white ground, plaits down front so arranged that the stripes alternate; yoke back; all colors;

\$1.50.



This cut shows one of the newest ideas in Shirt Waists; made of Percale, with new shaped collar; fitted sleeve with flaring cuff; yoke front and back out-lined with band of insertion; these colors—blue, pink and lavender; price,

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