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NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR MANY READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week in a Condensed Form.

Lord Roberts has left the Cape for England.

Holland refuses to intervene in the Boer war.

Senator Clay spoke against the ship subsidy bill.

French troops have ceased looting Chinese observatories.

Li Hung Chang claims to have absolute power to negotiate.

Chaffee protested to Von Waldersee against German looting.

The debate on the war tax reduction bill began in the house.

The house of commons voted £16,000,000 to carry on the Boer war.

The Hay-Panama treaty was again considered in executive session.

A congressional committee was appointed to investigate the Boer looting.

The Philippine commission gave merchants a hearing on the tariff bill.

A \$50,000 irrigation ditch will be constructed at once in Morse valley, Washington.

Oregon delegation decides upon continuing contract for Columbia river improvement.

State Superintendent Ackerman recommends that Oregon schools observe John Marshall day.

The matter of developing Lower Nehalem coal is said to have been considered in New York.

In his annual report, Fish Commissioner Reel says value of fish output for Oregon is over \$3,000,000.

A number of persons suspected of plotting to murder Lord Roberts during his visit to Cape Colony recently abandoned their schemes on learning that they were shadowed.

Outlawry in Kwang Si and Kwang Tung is increasing. The officials appear to be losing their hold of the situation and are powerless to restore order. Pirating on the West river is increasing.

Owing to a lack of proper facilities in the way of telegraph, caused by the strike, a serious collision occurred on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, in which several persons were probably fatally injured.

Hay may resign if the canal treaty is amended.

Lord Roberts was given an ovation at Cape Town.

The United States wants Chiriqui for a coaling station.

There is little change in the Santa Fe strike situation.

Charles A. Towne was sworn in as senator from Minnesota.

The house passed the legislative, executive and judicial bill.

The tension between Holland and Portugal is increasing.

Benjamin Wise was held at Salem, Or., for arson at Silverton.

A house Republican caucus decided to stand by the war tax bill.

The sultan of Turkey dined officers of the battleship Kentucky.

Yon Balow explained why Emperor William would not receive Kruger.

Erection of poles and wires for another lighting system began in Salem, Or.

Four men were killed by an explosion in the Union Pacific tunnel at Aspen.

Attacks on Salisbury and Chamberlain were made in the British house of commons.

Only \$600,000 can be obtained from this session of congress for the Columbia jetty.

The Oregon supreme court upholds the street improvement section of the Portland city charter.

The Idaho supreme court decides that patented mining property is to be regarded the same as other realty for purposes of taxation.

The Austrian corvette Donau has arrived at Lima, Peru, bringing Bela Hakoveggy, commissioner of the Austrian government, who is visiting the consulates of South America.

A special from Shanghai announces that Li Hung Chang's Manchurian secretary, Yoko, has been arrested by order of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, on the charge of communicating with the Boers.

LATER NEWS.

The war revenue bill has been passed by the house.

Railway telegraphers threaten to boycott the Santa Fe.

Lord Kitchener has called for all available English troops.

England has awakened to the new seriousness in South Africa.

Colonel Tallock's expedition failed to find the Chinese treasure.

At Rockport, Ind., two negroes, who had murdered a white man were lynched.

The German training ship Gneisenau foundered near Gibraltar and 100 were drowned.

A large Boer force is said to be approaching Peking with the intention of attacking it.

The senate cannot consider the army and appropriation bills until after the holidays.

John Addison Porter, McKinley's former private secretary, died at his home in Putnam, Conn.

The British admiralty is arranging to hold a great fair in 1905, in commemoration of the Lewis and Clark expedition to the Pacific coast 100 years ago.

As a result of a mysterious poisoning case at the Forsyth mines, near Marietta, Ohio, four persons are dead, four dying and two others seriously ill.

Five unknown men who asked the marshal of Brighton, Ill., for shelter, in the calaboose, locked him up and then broke into a bank and two stores.

Telephoning without wires was successfully accomplished by transmitting the voice across the Mississippi river, at Minneapolis, a distance of over 1,000 feet.

The building occupied by the construction department at the Norfolk navy yard, was destroyed by fire. It contained all the important papers, models and plans of the construction department.

Advices from Rio de Janeiro report that the American troops have been northward and westward for several days and that detachments of the Sixth, Eighth and Twenty-sixth regiments have been active near their stations.

The insurgents' losses during the last 10 days there have been five killed, seven wounded and 40 taken prisoners. The Americans have lost two killed and three wounded. Large numbers of the natives, however, are swearing allegiance to the United States.

The powers have agreed to the joint note.

The Japanese gave Admiral Beardslee a reception.

Chicago police will prevent the Gans-McGovern fight.

Santa Fe strikers wish their differences arbitrated.

Five persons were killed in a train wreck in Montana.

Fire in Pekin destroyed the quarters of a number of officers.

Kitchener reports a running fight between Dewet and Knox.

Gompers will be re-elected president of the Federation of Labor.

The Santa Fe repudiates its relations with the telegraphers' union.

The American fleet in North China waters is reduced to two vessels.

The Irish Nationalist convention declared for the abolition of landlordism.

Washington's centennial anniversary was celebrated with imposing ceremonies.

Full particulars have been received of the typhoon which swept the coast of China, causing a heavy loss to life and shipping.

There are more than 40 cases of smallpox in St. George's hospital, Kansas City. Only one death from the disease has occurred.

The city election at Astoria, resulted in a sweeping victory for the Citizens' ticket, every candidate being elected by large majorities.

The dock laborers at Callao, Peru, have gone on a strike, and all work has been stopped. As yet there has been no breach of the peace.

Joseph Benoit, a stage carpenter at the Grand Opera house, Salem, Or., fell from a scaffold, breaking several ribs and bruising his face and body badly. The accident was caused by the breaking of a board upon which he was standing.

The Lakoview and Ager stage was robbed about two miles from Lakeview, Or. A lone highwayman accomplished the job. No passengers were aboard of the stage. Two mail sacks were rifled and a considerable amount of registered mail taken. Officers are now working on the case.

The will of the late Senator Davis, who died November 27, was filed for probate by Mrs. Anna M. Davis, the widow. The will, made during the senator's last illness, leaves all his estate to Mrs. Davis. The estate is valued at \$25,000 in personal and \$40,000 in real property.

Prairie chickens are said to be more abundant in western Kansas than for years.

During the past five years the state of Pennsylvania has purchased more than 100,000 acres of land to be issued as a forestry reservation.

Former Ambassador to Italy W. F. Draper has been decorated with the order of St. Maurice and Castel by the king of Italy, for services during his embassy to Rome.

WILL VISIT EUROPE

Steyn Is Going North to Help Oom Paul.

GENERAL BOTHA MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Schalkenberger Sworn In as Acting State President—Rumor in London of a Serious Defeat to British Arms.

New York, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Amsterdam says:

The following proclamation by General Louis Botha has been received:

"Whereas, I have been informed that the enemy circulates all sorts of wrong and lying reports among the burghers about the government and myself, our officers and officials are charged to communicate the following information to the general public:

The executive council, after consulting the president of the Orange Free State, has decided in the interests of our cause to give leave of absence to our state president, with orders to go immediately to Europe in order to assist our deputation there in the work they have before them. Vice-President Schalkenberger has been sworn in, according to law, and is now acting as state president. He is now assisted by the state secretary, two members of the executive council, Lucas Meyer and myself, and other officials, in short our government exists in the same way as before and is now in my immediate neighborhood and in direct communication with me.

"Let the blood of our brave dead always by a strong voice induce every burgher to fight for liberty. We have nothing left to lose, but everything to win. The government is most firmly decided to continue the struggle. I am convinced the burghers will applaud this decision and act accordingly until the end. Burghers are warned against the fine words used by the enemy to deceive them and to make them put down their arms, because, according to the proclamation of Roberts, they will all be transported to St. Helena or Ceylon as prisoners of war. Our cause, however, precarious, is not hopeless if every burgher only does his duty. The Lord is sure to give a blessed end in his own time and in his own way."

Robbed the Mail Car.

Postal Clerk on the Cotton Belt Railroad Line Was Nearly Killed.

Texarkana, Ark., Dec. 15.—A bold robbery on the Cotton Belt railroad occurred today at Bassett, Tex., 30 miles south of Texarkana, on the train coming north, in which Postal Clerk John H. Dennis was almost killed and mail pouches in the car rifled of their contents. The amount stolen is not known. As the train left the Bassett water tank at 6 A. M., the express and mail cars were separated from the train, but the train crew soon had them coupled again. In the run from there to Texarkana, the coaches were uncoupled twice in a very mysterious manner. Upon the arrival of the train here the United States transfer clerk went to the door of the mail car and knocked for the postal clerk to open it. No response was given. Officials then forced an entrance and were astonished to find Clerk Dennis stretched upon the floor, apparently dead. A hurried examination showed that the registered pouches had been ripped open and robbed of their contents, the most valuable of which was the Wayne-Memphis pouch, containing a large number of valuable packages. A physician was sent for and attended upon Clerk Dennis, who was alive but unconscious. An ugly wound on the top of his head told the story. Two hours after he was taken to the hospital he revived enough to give the details of the robbery.

Just as the train parted at Bassett, Dennis went into the vestibule of the mail car to stir up the fire. When he opened the vestibule door he saw two men standing by the stove. One of them dealt him a terrible blow over the head with a heavy fire shovel. The first blow felled him and he was then quickly beaten into a senseless condition. Word reached here at noon that two suspects had been arrested at Naples, near the scene of the robbery, but none of the stolen packages was found.

American Arrested in Cape Colony.

London, Dec. 15.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail reports the arrest at Worcester, Cape Colony, of Harold Darrington, alleged to be an American, on a charge of fomenting an Afrikaner rebellion. "The arrest," says the dispatch, "has made a great sensation, and startling disclosures are promised."

Held Up a Box Office.

St. Louis City, Ia., Dec. 15.—During the performance of "Shore Acres" in the Grand Opera house in this city tonight, two masked men entered the box office, assaulted, beat and shot the treasurer, Harley S. Rounds, and escaped without getting a cash.

Rumor of British Defeat.

London, Dec. 15.—The Daily Express publishes a rumor of a serious disaster to the British arms. According to this report, the Boers attacked the camp of General Clements, in the Harberton district, capturing the camp, killing a number of British officers, and taking prisoners all the British troops, including four companies of the Northumberland fusiliers. The story is not confirmed in any quarter, and is not generally believed.

DEWET EVADES KNOX.

General Kitchener Reports a Running Fight With the Boers.

London, Dec. 17.—Lord Kitchener cables the war office from Pretoria under date of December 13 that General Knox reports from Helvetia that he is engaged in a running fight with General Dewet, and that the enemy is moving towards Reddersburg, where there is a column ready to co-operate with the other British forces. Lord Kitchener in another dispatch reports that Boers attacked the post near Harberton. The British casualties were three killed, five wounded and 18 taken prisoners. The captured men have since been released. The Boers raised the Riverton road station December 11. They are being followed up.

General Kitchener's message indicates that Dewet has again evaded Knox. After the latter had foiled the Boer general at Coonassie drift, the Boers seem to have doubled back, crossed the Caledon river elsewhere, and turned thence north-west—in the direction of Reddersburg, the memorable scene of the British disaster in April, when Dewet captured the British Rifles.

Tragedies on Shipboard.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—The British ship Crown of Scotland, which arrived today, 130 days from Penarth, Cardiff, had three tragic entries in her log. November 24 John Warrington stabbed P. C. Haglund, his shipmate, while the latter was asleep in his bunk. Leaving his sheath-knife in his victim's breast, the murderer ran up on deck, jumped overboard and was drowned, despite efforts to reach him with a lifeboat. No one on board of the ship knows of the motive. The second tragedy occurred August 1. Salvator Servis fell from the foreyard, struck the deck and fractured his thigh and received internal injuries which caused his death.

Correcting an Extradition Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A treaty has been concluded between the United States and Great Britain amendatory of the existing extradition treaty and intended to correct certain imperfections in that instrument, developed by recent experiences. The changes do not materially affect the scope or principles of the existing treaty, the chief item in the list being provisions classifying as a crime subject to extradition the obtaining of money under false pretenses. At present the treaty makes extraditable the reception of money obtained under false pretenses and omits the principal in the crime, constituting a manifest absurdity. To correct this the amendment is made.

Grounding of the Garonne.

Seattle, Dec. 17.—Liners have been grounded in this city announcing the grounding of the United States transport Garonne on the northern coast of Luzon, she struck twice, being rescued both times by the Yorktown. The second time the Yorktown's cable caught in the Garonne's wheel, causing a further delay of 12 hours. The letters also tell about a hard march of the American troops under General Hallett. The line of march was over steep mountains for a distance of 45 miles, taking in all six days. At the conclusion, 165 men were under medical treatment for several days.

Search for Hidden Gold.

Pekin, Dec. 17.—A few days ago the British troops were notified of the existence of a large amount of treasure 20 miles northwest of here. Colonel Tallock and 100 men left today to investigate the truth of the report. Colonel Tallock requested, however, that 50 extra men be detailed. It is believed that a large amount of gold and valuables were buried at that point by persons connected with the mutiny. The search for the treasure is being pushed with vigor. The information regarding the treasure was received from a former court official.

Trial Trip of the Alabama.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—The United States battleship Alabama sailed today from League Island navy yard for New York, where she will await further orders. She will make a trial trip on the run, which will begin as soon as she passes out to sea. After the sea trial is completed the vessel's course will be shaped further out to sea to avoid shipping, as all her guns and turrets are to be tested. If the report is satisfactory, it is probable that the battleship will be ordered to Hampton Roads to join the North Atlantic squadron.

Anti-Foreign Plot in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong, Dec. 17.—The city was placarded today with statements inciting the people and the members of the secret societies to unite and rise during the month of January and drive out all the foreigners. Crowds gathered about the placards, but no actual outbreak is reported.

Wisconsin's Vote.

Madison, Wisconsin, Dec. 17.—The total vote of Wisconsin, as officially canvassed, was 425,112. McKinley's plurality was 106,581. LaFollette, Republican, for governor, has a plurality of 103,745.

Oxford Beats Cambridge.

London, Dec. 17.—The annual Rugby football match between Oxford and Cambridge took place today at the Queen's club. A magnificent game was won by Oxford by two goals to a goal and a try. There was a large and fashionable attendance.

Nordenkjold's Expedition.

Christiania, Dec. 17.—The Antarctic expedition, headed by Dr. Otto Nordenkjold, will leave in August.

A BRITISH DISASTER

Clements' Force Defeated by Boers Under Deleary.

WERE HEAVY LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES

English Forced to Abandon Their Position—General French With Reinforcements Has Gone to the Rescue.

London, Dec. 17.—Lord Kitchener reports that after severe fighting at Noitgedacht, General Clements' force were compelled to retire by Commandant Deleary, with a force of 2,500 men. Five British officers were killed. The other casualties were not reported. Lord Kitchener's official dispatch to the war office is as follows:

"Pretoria, Dec. 15.—Clements' force at Noitgedacht, on the Magalies' Berg, was attacked at dawn today by Deleary, reinforced by Meyer's commando from Warmbath, making a force estimated at 2,500. Though the first attack was repulsed, the Boers managed to get to the top of the Magalies' Berg, which was held by four companies of the Northumberland fusiliers, and were thus able to command Clements' camp. He retired on Hekepoort, and took up a position on a hill in the center of the valley.

"The casualties have not been completely reported, but the fighting was very severe, and I deeply regret that Colonel Logge, of the Twentieth Hussars, and Captains McLean, Murdoch and Atkinson were killed."

Lord Kitchener also reports that the Boers made an attack and were repulsed at Lydenburg, and that General Lemmer was killed. Attacks upon Bethlehem and Vrede were also repulsed, the Boers losing 10 killed and 14 wounded. Vryheid was attacked December 11. Shipping continued when the message was dispatched.

The scenes at the war office today recall those witnessed in the early stages of the war. A constant stream of excited people filled the lobbies, all seeking details of the disaster. The absence of the names of any of the officers of the Northumberland fusiliers in General Kitchener's dispatch leads to the supposition that the four companies of the fusiliers mentioned are in the hands of the Boers. The war office officials evidently expect a heavy casualty list, but they are hopeful from the fact that the dispatch does not mention the capture of the Northumberlandians that such a great catastrophe has been escaped.

Orders were issued at Aldershot, Malta and other military centers to dispatch all the available mounted infantry to South Africa.

It is reported that General Knox, co-operating with the British column at Reddersburg, has stopped General Dewet, and that a battle is proceeding. The report adds that many of General Dewet's followers have been captured.

The scene of the fight is ominously close to Pretoria. Noitgedacht is only 22 miles northwest of Pretoria.

English Loss Heavy.

London, Dec. 17.—Lord Kitchener reports that 18 officers and 555 men are missing from General Clements' force. They consist of four companies of the Northumberland fusiliers. Judging from the message those were captured by the Boers. Clements' casualties December 15 amounted to five officers and nine men killed and many apparently wounded.

French Goes to the Rescue.

Johannesburg, Dec. 17.—The battle still continues within a few miles from Krugersdorp. General Clements has asked for reinforcements, and mounted men under General French have already gone. There have been many casualties on both sides. It is estimated that the Boers number 2,500.

Montana Town Shaken.

Guthrie, Mont., Dec. 17.—The inhabitants of the town of Cashion were awakened this morning by a peculiar wave-like motion and trembling of the earth. Many of them rushed into the streets, so badly were they frightened. No damage was done.

Increase in Wages.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 17.—Commencing January 1, the Calumet & Hecla Mining Company will increase the wages of its 4,000 employees 2 1/2 per cent. Last March the company raised the wages of its employees 10 per cent.

Paddy Ryan Dead.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Paddy Ryan, at one time champion pugilist of the world, who was defeated by John L. Sullivan, in their famous fight in Mississippi some years ago, died at his home in Glens Falls, N. Y., this afternoon.

Earthquake in Missouri.

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 17.—An earthquake shock lasting nearly a minute was experienced in this city at 7:45 o'clock this morning. The motion was from north to south, and of a quivering nature.

No Lives Were Lost.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—One of the severest storms which has ever visited San Francisco broke over the city at an early hour this morning and continued until noon in fitful gusts, rain and wind sweeping over the city with unusual violence, and being accompanied by thunder and lightning, a rather unusual occurrence in this part of the country. At one time rain fell in such torrents that many thought a cloudburst was imminent.

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