## WILL ADVANCE ON PRETORIA

Railroad Lines from Cape Town to Bloemfontein Are Now Open.

## Lord Roberts Will Proclaim the Orange Free State British Territory---Cecil Rhodes Criticizes the Government.

LONDON, March 17—(Saturday, Schalkberger has also returned, and the burghers are going home by huntion to the Cape intact. Lord Roberts will, in a very few days, be in a position to begin the abvance on Pretoria. His deep political intuition, combined with his bold strategy, is having the result desired in the Southern sections of the war office under date of today. "Green." desired in the Southern sections of the Orange Free State, which are rapidly calming down. Maieking is now the only point of anxiety, and as it is known that a force has left Kimberley, its relife may be announced before the control of the section of the section of the war office, under date of today: "General Clements crossed the Orange rivers of the way bridge at Norvals Point have commenced, and it will shortly be ready-

In the lobbies of parnament, last evening, it was rumored that Lord Roberts is about to issue a proclamation. announcing that the former system of government in the Orange Free State is abolished, and promising Free Staters, who immediately surrender, due consideration. It is understood that all continental powers, with one exception, uncompromisingly refused to intervene. The exception was Russia, whose reply was couched in less firm language, al-though, like others, she declined to in-teriere. It is said that the Pope was also appealed to, but that he declined to do anything beyond writing a letter to the queen, appealing to her to stop further effusion of blood.

The possibility of the destruction of Tohannesburg is still discussed here, but it is expected that the French and German shareholders would offer a strong protest. The latest advices re-specting the surrender of Bloemiontein show that the approach of the British caused a stampede. The Boers got the bulk of their wagons and artillery stores away. Lord Roberts comments upon the earlier operations of the war in the London Gazette, and his absolute silence respecting Lord Methuen's dispatch are regarded as very signifi-

The Daily Mail published an interview, this morning, with Cecil Rhodes, secured by Julian Ralph, in the course of which, complaining of the bungling of the home authorities, he said: "There have only been 30,000 Boers in the field altogether, and the foreign mercenaries were only about 15,000. The number of Boers has been exaggerated in or-

der to explain British reverses."

The Daily Mail has the following dispatch from Lourenco Marquez: Entrenching is proceeding on the Vaal river at Vereinig. Late arrivals from Pretoria say, the Boers themselves now has returned to his farm.

its relife may be announced before graphs his arrival at Springtontein, so ficiency of the relieving column is heightened by the fact that it is partly composed of regular.

My proclamation is already having excellent effect. Several hundred burgsurrender their arms and return to their occupations. The resident commissioner of Basutoland reports, that 800 Boers lately arrived from Bloemfontein, and that a further contingent from Aliwal North was only waiting to know the terms of my proclamation to surrender. They had refused to attend the council at Kroonstadt, to which President Steyn had summoned them."

> SAILED FOR HOME. first-class cruiser Powerful, with the naval brigade, which has been operating against the Boers in South Africa, has sailed for England.

CROSSED THE RIVER. Vanzyl, March 16 .- The bridge over the Orange river here has been com- A pleted. The British forces have cross-

ed tonight, and they are bivouacing on Free State soil. KRUGER WAS LATE. Bethulie, March 16.-General Gat-

acre, on arriving here, found all the Boers has fled, the Dutch having trekked on hearing of the occupation of Bloemfontein. It is understood that President Kruger two days ago annexed the Orange Free State to the South African Republic. CANADIANS SAIL.

horse regiment, and 100 recruits to fill vacancies in the First Canada contingent in South Africa, embarked today. COMPLETELY COLLAPSED.

Halifax, March 16 .- The Strathcona

Bloemfontein, March 16.-It is safe admit their cause hopeless. General to say that the Boers have completely Lucas Meyer refuses to fight again, and collapsed in the Free State, south of

## TOOK IT ALL BACK W. C. T. U. rooms.

THEIR FORMER ACTION.

Fusion Element Is Again in Control-County Convention for April 6th-Apportionment of Delegates.

(From Daily, March 17th.)

The fusion element of the populist party had an inning at the adjourned meeting of the Marion county populist central committee held in this city yesterday.

The meeting rescinded the action tak en at a meeting of the committee held a month ago at which there was only a small representation of the committee present. At the former meeting resolutions were adopted affirming the Chicago and Cincinnati-platforms and declaring against fusion in any form. The middle of the roaders had control of that meeting but neglected their only opportunity to secure control of the county organization by not removing Chairman G: W. Weeks and Secretary J. M. Payne, who are more liberal in their political convictions than the middle of the roaders.

The meeting yesterday was convened in the city powe court room by Chair-man Weeks at 11 o'clock. Roll-call disclosed a good representation of the committee and the further fact that the fusion element was in control. The following named committee men

M. H. Speer, Aumsville.
I. H. Keyes, Englewood.
G. W. Weeks, Howell. Nathan Morris, Marion. White, Monitor. Payne, Salem No. f. Ryan, North Salem. R. Burford, South Salem. W. D. Matthews, Prespect. Robinson, Turner, M. Blinston, Yew Park. Albert Light, Sidney, L. W. Guiss, Woodburn. A. Meyers, East Salem. Grant Matlock, Garfield.

Of the committeemen represented the middle of the roaders were in the minority, being represented by only three members, viz: G. W. Vedder, R. R. Ryan and S. R. Burford, who, however participated in the deliberations of the

The following resolution, which in effect rescinds the former action of the committee, was offered by Prof. T. C. Jory and adopted:

Resolved, first-That the question of fusion and all other questions which was taken. now divide our party leaders be refer-red to the enrolled members of the party for final settlement. Resolved, second-That no fusion

proposed by party leaders, committees or conventions be binding on the party until ratified by a majority vote of the enrolled members interested."

The remainder of the morning ses-

sion was given up to a general discussion relative to the best interests of the party and how the best results could be vulgarity in others than the mind de-

The afternoon session was held in the Macdonald.

Upon motion it was decided to hold the primaries on Saturday March 31st. W. Jory, I. L. Robertson and R. R. Ryan were constituted a committee MARION COUNTY POPULISTS RESCIND to make the apportionment of delegates to the county convention and also to select the date for holding the same. The committee submitted the following

> "To the chairman and members of the Marion County Peoples Party Cen-

tral Committee, Gentlemen: "Your committee appointed to apportion delegates from the several precincts to the county convention of the people's party for Marion county, beg the delegates by the people of Neweave to report that we have decided to apportion the said delegates as follows, to-wit: One delegate at large and one for each ten votes or fraction of one-half or more, cast for T. C. Jury for surveyor at the election of 1898 and on this apportionment the several precincts are entitled to representation as follows:

Aumsville.... ... ... ...

Aurora... Breitenbush..... Brooks Butteville.... Champoeg..... Garneid Gervais. Horeb Howell Hubbard. Jefferson. Macleay. Marion.... Mehama..... Monitor.... Prospect.... 10 Salem No. I...... 6 Salem No. 2.
Salem No. 3.
Salem No. 4.
East Salem South Salem.... .... ... ... Silver Falls..... North Silverton..... South Silverton...... St. Paul.... 6 Stayton.... 10 Sublimity ... ... .... Woodburn..... 12

Total ..... 241 "Your committee would further reommend that the county convention he held at Salem on Friday, April 6th.

Yew Park .... 7

The report was adopted and after considerable discussion adjournment

The Holt-Vedder faction, or middle of the roaders, of the People's party of Marion county will hold a county convention in this city next Saturday, when it is expected a full county ticket will

so the common mind sees far more The delegates gathered about the al- -Lowell.

MANY a dutiful daughter pays in pain for her mother's ignorance or perhaps neglect, The mother suffered and she thinks her daughter

must suffer also. This is true only to a limited extent. No excessive pain is healthy. Every mother should inform herself for her own sake and especially INDULGENT **MOTHERS** 

for the sake of her daughter. Write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for her advice about all matters concerning the ills of the feminine

Many a young girl's beauty is wasted by unnecessary pain at time of menstruation, and many indulgent mothers with mistaken kindness permit their daughters to grow careless about physical health. MISS CARRIE M. LAMB, Big Beaver, Mich., writes: "DEAR

Mrs. Pinkham-A year ago I suffered from profuse and irregular menstruation and leucorrhœa. My appetite was variable, stomach sour and bowels were not regular, and was subject to pains like colic during menstruation. I wrote you and began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and used two packages of Sanative Wash. You can't imagine my relief. My courses are natural and general health improved." MRS. NANNIE ADKINS,

La Due, Mo., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-I feel it my duty to tell you of the good your Vegetable Compound has done my daughter. She suffered untold agony at time of menstruation before taking your medicine; but the Compound has

EPWORTH LEAGUE DISTRICT CONVEN-

TION BELD AT NEWBERG.

Large Delegation from the Salem

Chapter Was in Attendance-Was

Profitable Conference.

convention was held at Newberg on

March 2-4, and proved a very interest-

ing and profitable conference of Chris-

tion workers. On Sunday evening at

the delegates from the Salem chapter

gave their reports of the convention.

The full program for Sunday evening

will be published in Sunday's States-

About twenty-five of the sixty or

seventy delegates representing the dif-

enthusiasm, the convention was one

of the best ever held in the district.

From the first the meetings were char-

acterized by the spirit which permeated

the whole convention-that of the Ep-

worth League motto, "Look up, lift

Perhaps to no one is so much credit

due for the excellnt arrangement and

great sucess of the whole convention

as to Miss Annie D. Atwood, of Salem,

the efficient district president, whose

careful planning and forethought, as

well as the help which she was contin-

ually rendering during the convention,

served to make it a time long to be re-

membered by all those who were in

berg, the convention opened with the

roll call of chapters, followed by sev-

eral papers. Rev. G. W. Grannis gave

a short address on the "Twentieth Century Thank Offering" and "Wil-

lamette University." After a quartet,

Daniels, president of the Portland dis-

trict, gave a remarkably fine address on "Comrades of the Silent Hour." Miss

Lillian Roblin sang with much expres-

Friday evening, Miss Echo James,

of Salem, recited that beautiful poem,

"The Starless Crown." This was fol-

lowed by an address on the "Social

Mission of the Epworth League," by

by Rev. R. A. Atkins, of Oregon City,

and another on "Christiantiy According

Friday's session

Much

to Christ," by Rev. Atchison, of Grace

closed with a trio sang by Misses Rob-

lin and Atwood, and Mr. Belknap, all

Saturday's morning's service was de-

voted chiefly to the reading of a num-

ber of excellent papers on League work, one of the most interesting of

which was that given by Miss Carrie Royal, of South Salem, on "From Bar-

barism to Christianity-the Alaskan

Indians." The afternoon was devoted

to the work of the Juniors and a very

interesting and profitable service it

proved to be. Miss Erma Clark read

an excellent paper on "The Church of

The evening was devoted to an evan-

gelistic service, led by Rev. C. T. Mc-Pherson, of Junction City, who gave

a pointed and spirited sermon from

interest was shown in the service, and

Sunday's services opened with a

'Quiet Hour," followed by an inspiring

love feast, in which a large number

participated. The pulpit of the Meth-odist church was filled by Rev. D. A.

Watters, the presiding eider, that of the Friend's church by Prof. Albert

Sweetzer, of Forest Grove, and that or

the Baptist church by Prof. William P.

Drew, of Salem. The services of Sun-

service, Prof. A. R . Sweetzer, of Forest

the theme "Christ, the Way."

no doubt much good was done.

the Future-the Children of Today."

cherch, Portland.

sion, "In the Secret of His Presence.

'There's a Place of Refuge," T. S. Mc-

After a hearty welcome extended to

relieved the pain, given her a better color, and she feels stronger, and has improved every way. I am very grateful to you for the benefit she has received. It is a great medicine for young girls."

WORKERS tar and, after an impressive consecration service the convention adjourned to meet next year at Stayton. FRANCES E. CORNELIUS.

SCRAP IRON SOLD.-An agent of the Albany Iron Works was in the city yesterday and will superintend the shipment to Albany of the scrap iron that has been taken from the ruins of the Salem Flouring Mills plant, the Albany company having purchased the same. It is estimated that there are between sixty and seventy tons of iron The Salem district Epworth League in the mill ruins.

> A PROPHECY BY A BRITISH BARD ON BRITISH DYNASTIES.

the First Methodist church of this city, The below was copied from an old scrapbook made in the year 1844: Verification of an ancient proverb The following prophecy is said to have been delivered by a British bard in the time of William the Norman, and preserved by some of the monkish annalists, viz: That no more than three monarchs in direct succession should ever again reign over ard Oil Company, for a violation of Six hundred papers were received ferent chapters of the district were these kingdoms without some violent from Salem. For spiritual power and interruption. 1. William the Norman.

> 3. Henry the First Interrupted by the usurpation of Ste-1. Henry the Second.

William Rufus.

2. Edward the First. Edward the Second. Interrupted by the abdication and murder of Edward the Second. 1. Edward the Third.

2. Richard the Second.

Interrupted by the disposition of that 1. Henry the Fourth. Henry the Fifth.

Henry the Sixth. Interrupted by the restoration of the House of York. 1. Edward the Fourth.

Edward the Fifth. 3. Richard the Third. Interrupted by the usurpation of Henry Richmond.

1. Henry the Seventh. Henry the Eighth. 3. Edward the Sixth Interrupted by the election of Lady Jane Grey.

2. Elizabeth. called in to assume the crown.

1. James the First. 2.7 Charles the First. Interrupted by the despotism of that monarch, and the establishment of another form of government in the person of Oliver Cromwell.

I. Charles the Second.

2. James the Second. king and the election of a foreigner. 1. William the Third. 2. Anne.

Interrupted by the parliamentary appointment of a foreigner.

1. George the First. George the Second.

Regent. George the Fourth. William the Fourth.

3. Victoria the First.

Whom may God bless! But what

to be the next interruption?-Liverpool Courier. WATTERSON TALKS.

He Does Not Apprehend Serious Trouble in Kentucky. New York, March 16.-Henry Wat

terson, of Louisville, does not think there will be any serious trouble in Kentucky. "Matters arising out of the guber-

national contest and the assassination of Mr. Goebel," he said, in an interview, "are in the courts, and there they will be adjudicated. I don't believe there will be any bloodshed. In my day evening were opened by a paper there will be any bloodshed. In my entitled "The Spiritual Department," of the democrats, and I believe that by the writer, which was followed by all Kentuckians will respectfully abide an address by the district president, all Kentuckians will respectfully abide After a short intermission and song by the decision of the courts.

"So far as the results of what may God," followed by an inspiring address by Prof. W. P. Drew, on "The Christian's Relation to His God." Miss Lillian Roblin then sang in an earnest and touching way. "My God, My Father, While I Stray."

Blessed are the horny hands of toil!

With the intriper of Mr. Goebel are tric power to the bridge cars cut off the current, and a general blockade was the result. The fall of snow in New Jersey was heavier than in the city. Trains were delayed by the storm and mails were several hours behind in their delivery.

For Puerto Rico Passed the Senate Yesterday.

THE PRESIDENT HAS THE RIGHT

To Expend Millions in the Island for Publie Purposes-For a Better National Guard.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- After a debate at times spirited, extending Texas, Oklahoma, and Indian Terriover parts of two days, the senate today passed the Puerto Rican relief appropriation bill. As passed, the measure carries \$2,095,000, the president being authorized to use that sum "for public education, public works and other governmental and public purposes" in Puerto Rico. Allen, populist of Nebraska, offered an amendment to the bill, declaring that the constitution extends over Puerto Rico, by its own force, but it was lost by a decisive vote of 36 to 17. Jones, democrat of Arkansas, withdrew the free trade amendment offered by him, and that proposition therefore did not reach a vote. Other efforts to amend the bill were fruitless. The vote was as fol-

Yeas—Allison, Baker, Bard, Bever-idge, Carter, Davis, Deboe, Elkins, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster, Gallinger, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Hawley, Kcan, Lindsay, Lodge, McBride, McComas, McCumber, McMillan, Penrose, Per-kins, Pritchard, Quarles, Ross, Sewel, Shoup, Simon, Spooner, Thurston, Warren, Wellington, Wetmore—36.
Nays—Alicn, Bacon, Bate, Berry,
Butler, Chilton, Clark (Mont.), Clay,
Cockrell, Culberson, Harris, Kenney,
McLaurin, Morgan, Rawlins, Tillman, Turley-17.

FAVOR THE MILITIA.

Washington, March 16.-The house committee on military affairs today directed a favorable report on the bill increasing the appropriation for the national guard and military of the country from \$400,000 to \$2,000,000.

NEED THE TROOPS.

Washington, March 16 .- Before the committee on military affairs, this afternoon, Attorney Forney said the present condition in the Coeur d'Alene district required the continued presence of military forces, although peace and quiet were being rapidly restored.

AFTER A TRUST.

Washington, March 16.- Representative Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, today introduced a resolution in the house, directing the attorneylgeneraof the United States to direct the several district attorneys of the United What man or woman of whom you the Sherman anti-trust law. The resolution, which was brought about by a The answers of the children, who were declaration of a \$20,000,000 dividend yesterday, by a company, says the price that the boys exhibited touches of of kerosene was increased 3 cents a humor, while the girls took the affair gallon, during the period of time of the declaration of the dividend, and is. therefore, a tax on every home in the

## GEN. JOE WHEELER.

WILL CLAIM HIS SEAT IN THE LOWER HOUSE.

Believes Congress Will Recognize Him. as a Representative From the State of Alabama.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- General Joe Wheeler said today that, as soon as his resignation from the army had been accepted by the president, be intended to make an issue as to his right to a seat in the house of representatives from Alabama. He will present himself at the bar of the house and ask to be sworn in. As he understood the rules, the speaker will have no option, but must submit the matter to the house. General Wheeler was con-A foreign king (James of Scotland) fident the decision would be in his favor.

WAITING FOR TROKER.

New York Democrats Must Have The Boss at Home.

Interrupted by the abdication of the Richard Croker, now nursing an injured leg in London, will not return happy." Another says: "A man, of course. He just has to get up and he ocratic leaders have about decided to finds the fire lighted and breakfast delay holding the state convention, ready; he goes to work and when he which is to elect four delegates-at-large comes home, tea is ready; then he does to the national convention, until the nothing but smoke his pipe and go out last week in that month or the first week and do what he likes."
in June. The state committee, which Say still others: "I would wish o 3. George the Third. in June. The state committee, which Interrupted by the unfortunate inca- will fix a time and place for holding the pacity of that sovereign and a parlia-mentary appointment for exercising this city some time in April. By that head." "I wish to be Patti, because the sovereignty in the person of Prince time it is believed the exact time of Mr. Croker's return will be known.

Tammany seems to have made few arrangements for the approaching na- be.

THE BRITISH LOAN.

New York, March 16 .- J. P. Morgan today announced the closing of the British war loan. The amount of applications received here was about \$50,000,000.

SNOW AND SLEET.

New York Is Suffering From Blizzard—Traffic Paralyzed.

New York, March 16.-Nine inches of sleet and snow cover the streets of New York today, and 4000 men are battling with it in Manhattan, 3000 more being at work in Brooklyn: Traffic has been partially paralyzed in some sections of the city since early morning. During the early hours Brooklyn bridge traffic was practically blocked. Grove, gave an eloquent address on iollow the arrests of the men charged Sleet on the third rail supplying electhe subject, "The Scientific Search after with the murder of Mr. Goebel are tric power to the bridge cars cut off

No fatalities from the cold are report- New York.

ed in the city, but the station houses and charitable institutions were crowded with homeless.

AGAINST RAILROADS.

Attorney General of Nebraska Brings

a Big Suit.

Lincoln, Neb., March 16.-Attorney General Smythe today began a suit against three Nebraska railroad companies, for damages aggregating \$670,oco. The suits are against the Union Pacific, the Missouri Pacific, and the Rock Island, for alleged violation of the Nebraska maximum rate law. The action is remarkable in view of the fact that the supreme court of the United States held that the Nebraska rate law was unconstitutional. Attorney General Smythe contends the supreme court has not passed upon the merits of the law as a whole.

HEAVY SNOW STORM

tory Are Suffering.

Dallas, Tex., March 16 .- The heaviest snow storm in many years set in today, and is now falling over Northern Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory. Many places report six inches of snow, and much suffering to live stock is expected.

BUILDING RAILROADS.

Chicago, March 16.—The Railroad Age says: More miles of new railroad were built in the United States last year than any since 1890. There is every indication that the present year will witness greater activity. In the aggregate there are nearly 59,000 miles miles of projected road.

CHARTERS IN DEMAND.

Washington, March 16 .- Two hundred applications for charters for national banks in small towns, under the new act, have already been received by the treasury department.

THE WEEK'S FAILURES.

New York, March 16 .- Dun's Review of Trade will say tomorrow: Failures for the week have been 198 in the United States against 189 last year, and twenty-three in Canada against thirty last year.

TO ESCORT BRYAN.

Olympia ,March 16.—A number of state officials will go to Walla Walla to meet W. J. Bryan and will accompany him through the state.

CHILDREN'S IDEALS.

An account of an interesting experiment recently conducted among several hundred children is given in the National Review. Two questions were propounded to some five or six hun-dred school children for answers, which were productive of odd results.

These were the questions: "Which These were the questions: would you rather be when you grow up, a man or a woman, and why?

and looked over by the questioner. eleven to thirteen years old, showed seriously. Also, the girls exhibited more unselfishness than the boys.

"I wish to be a woman because they have much more sense than men," writes one. "A woman, because they are braver than men; they can do things quickly. Men are clumsy; be-sides, men drink," writes another. "A woman, because women just do things while men are talking," writes a third, These strong-minded-damsels form only about three and one-half per cent of

the whole.

"I would rather be a man," writes an ardent maiden of twelve, "because I could be a soldier and help my country. A man has many chances of being great, and women haven't. A man can work and keep his wife, but a woman cannot work for a man. Her wages-would not be enough." This writer wants to be a Slfakespeare. "A man," writes another, "because he is brave and can fight and explore and gun land for his country." This small maiden wants to be a Nelson. "I would rather be a man, because a non is more useful and respectable than a w man, especially when a warm takes to drink; then she makes home miserat le

Many urge that a man's lot is easier. One says: "I would rather be a men because he has no worry preving on his mind, such as women have. The only woman I would care to be is New York, March 16 .- The Tribune the green, because she is writed on, says: Owing to the probability that everything is brought to her, she never has dishes to wash, and she ought to be

be a poet or painter, and do nice work, she has a great gift of song." "Mrs. Hemans, because she was a writer of poetry, and that is what I wan to be." "Mrs. Prowning, because she tional convention. Everything is waiting for Richard Croker's instructions. 1: ci up to the present time." "Jane Taylor, because she wrote poems well. One she did is called "Meddlesome Matty." "Ellen Terry, so as to act nice plays." "Ellen Terry, because she plays before the queen and is rich, and I want to be rich."—Philadelphia

LOCAL and CLIMATIC

Times.

Nothing but a local remedy or change of limate will cure-CATARRH The specific is

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once, opens and COLD IN HEAD Allays inflammation. Heals and protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. No Mercury. No injurious drug. Regular Size, 50 cents; Pamily size, \$1.00 at

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