

BAD EFFECTS

Boer Victory Near Bloemfontein Is Very Serious.

FREE STATE FARMERS UNPROTECTED

From the Ravages of Their Former Comrades-In-Arms—Important Developments Expected.

LONDON, April 4.—(Wednesday, 6.40.)—No news has yet been received of the expected battle between General French and the Boers. There is now but a remote prospect of the re-capture of the guns. This, however, is regarded as quite trifling compared with the present effects of the disaster. As the Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times remarks, Commandant Olivier's strategy, in re-occupying Ladybrand and Thaba Chu, was bold—even brilliant. Most of his force is composed of Free State farmers, and the advantage gained by them will have a most disturbing effect on the minds of the Free State population.

The impossibility of effecting a complete protection for the moment, to all farmers in South and Southeast sections of the Free State is recognized at Bloemfontein. The men who surrendered under the proclamation of Lord Roberts are now being punished for reliance they placed in the ability of the British to protect them.

It is announced from Springfontein, that the censorship has again curtailed dispatches. Therefore important developments must be impending. There is little news from other points. Making was still besieged on March 20th, and there are rumors that General Buller is preparing to advance.

NOT CREDITED.
Washington, April 3.—War department officials do not believe the story, that comes from South Africa, to the effect that Captain Carl Reichmann, of the Seventeenth infantry, was one of the leaders of the Boers at the last fight between the Boers and the English at the Bloemfontein water works.

FOR ST. HELENA.
Cape Town, April 3.—General Cronje and 1000 Boer prisoners sailed for St. Helena today.

VICTORIA IN IRELAND.
Dublin, April 4.—(Wednesday, 12.30 a. m.)—In spite of the rain that was falling, the arrival of Queen Victoria, in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert off Kingstown, was the occasion for much enthusiasm. Although all political conditions are represented in Kingstown, there was no attempt at a counter demonstration. In fact, the evening's fire works, singing and cheering were not marred by any hostile note.

GEN. BATES' WORK.
Peaceful Occupation of Several Towns in Mindanao.

Manila, April 3.—General Bates has peacefully occupied Surigao, Cagayan, Iligan and Misamis, in the island of Mindanao. The insurgent atrocities in Cagayan and Camarines provinces continue. Spaniards, Chinamen and natives have been murdered.

Washington, April 3.—The war department has authorized General Otis to enlist competent Filipino musicians in the regimental bands.

CANAL COMMISSION.
Returns from Central America and Will Make Its Report.

New York, April 3.—The canal commissioners, Rear-Admiral Walker, Samuel Pasco, Colonel Ernest and Emery H. Johnson, arrived today from Central America. Rear-Admiral Walker said:

"We have completed our portion of the work of investigating the possibilities of both the Panama and Nicaragua routes. We have spent three months in the bushes, and have collected a great mass of data which we will put into shape for our report to be handed in to the president next December.

HEAVY RAINS.
Melbourne, April 3.—Good rains have fallen in most of the districts in Victoria and New South Wales, and the outlook for wheat is now generally more favorable than it has been for years past.

IN BRYAN'S HOME.
Omaha, Neb., April 3.—Cities throughout Nebraska held elections today. Lincoln, the home of W. J. Bryan, gives the largest Republican majority for years, and makes a clean sweep of the local ticket. South Omaha, for the first time in its history, elects a Republican mayor.

WILL FUSE.
Albany, Or., April 3.—The Democratic and Populist county conventions meet here tomorrow, and they will nominate a fusion ticket.

A WOMAN MURDERED.
While Attempting to Shield Her Husband from an Assassin.

Butte, Mont., April 3.—Mrs. Fay Creech, a native of Frankfort, Ky., and the wife of Joseph Creech, a saloon-keeper, lost her life this morning while trying to protect her husband from the bullet of a would-be assassin. Mrs. Creech got between her husband and the assassin, when the latter shot, the bullet striking the woman in the breast. She died in a few moments. Edward Allison was arrested for the crime, but escaped from jail.

FAME'S PATHWAY.
General Funston writes that war seems to be agreeing with him, since in spite of constant violent exercises he is steadily gaining flesh.

President Faunce of Brown university is delivering a course of lectures in Johns Hopkins university on "The Use and Abuse of the Bible."

Queen Victoria has more living descendants than any other monarch in Europe. She has seven surviving children, 32 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

M. Leon Jancey of the Odeon theater, Paris, who has spent several winters in New York, has recently been appointed professor of diction and lyric declamation at the Opera Comique.

La Tosca, the great Indian cobra at the Philadelphia zoo, has been under close scientific observation for 22 months past, during all of which time the reptile has not tasted a morsel of food.

Ysaye, the violinist, had a hard struggle for existence before fame came to him. He is sometimes accused by his friends of being avaricious, at which he says: "I have wanted more than I shall ever make."

A VOTE TAKEN

Senate Passes the Puerto Rican Tariff Measure.

REPUBLICANS SUPPORT THE BILL

With a Few of Their Number Voting Against It—Free Trade Depends on the Island's Desire.

BRYAN ON THE SOUND.

LARGE CROWDS GREET HIM IN WASHINGTON CITIES.

He Is Almost Worn Out with the Canvass of That State—In Oregon Today.

TACOMA, Wash., April 3.—Bryan made three speeches today—one at Olympia in the morning, and two here. In the afternoon he addressed 8,000 people in the new Wigwam, and in the evening the building, with a capacity of 10,000, was taxed.

Colonel Bryan is almost worn out by his recent canvass of the state. When seen at the conclusion of his speech tonight he could hardly articulate.

He left tonight for Oregon, speaking tomorrow at McMinnville, Hillsboro, and Portland. "Three days in California, after the Oregon visit, will end the coast tour."

CHANGED HIS MIND.

Admiral Dewey Says He Is Willing to Be President.

New York, April 4.—A special to the World from Washington says: Admiral Dewey, authorized the World to announce to the American people that, after mature reflection and in response to earnest entreaties from all parts of the country, his former decision, not under any circumstances to run for the presidency, is rescinded. Admiral Dewey said:

"If the American people want me for this high office, I shall be only too willing to serve them."

DIED AT HIS POST

Consul General Gowey, at Yokohama, Passed Away.

WAS APPOINTED THREE YEARS AGO

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OLYMPIA, Wash., April 3.—

The Olympia relatives of Consul-General Gowey, at Yokohama, have been notified of the death of that gentleman in Yokohama, March 12th from the effects of a tumor. Gowey was appointed consul-general to Yokohama by President McKinley, and has been in Japan three years. He was one of the best known politicians and financiers in the state. He was president and manager of the First National Bank of Olympia, for many years.

SOME ONE'S DARLING.

But Her Endearments Failed to Please the Cranky Bachelor.

A cranky bachelor was in the balcony at a vaudeville performance the other afternoon. In the seat on his left was a nice little four-year-old girl, in charge of an old aproned mammy. The little girl was sucking a stick of peppermint candy when the cranky bachelor took his seat beside her, but she abandoned her attentions to the candy to size up her just-arrived seat-mate. She seemed to like the cut of his jib, for after a careful inspection of a minute or so she put the business end of the stick of peppermint within two inches of his face and flirtatiously invited him with her eyes to take a nibble. He smiled a grim smile of declination, and studied the stage curtain. Then the little girl rose to a standing position on her seat and planted both her sticky hands against the bachelor's crabbled countenance in a cordial endeavor to induce him to join her in her candy revel. The bachelor stood it for quite awhile, until it appeared as if the little girl's hands were going to become permanently glued to his face.

"Little one," said he to the child, gently but firmly removing her tiny hands, that appeared to be pasted to his phiz, "you are a cute young one, and you're no doubt gladdening a sue happy home. Consequently, I don't want you to ruin your young life by getting stuck on me." And, while the bachelor occupied himself in removing the stickiness from his face with his spotted pocket-handkerchief, the woman in all the seats around said out loud: "He's just as mean as he can be, ain't he?"—Washington Post.

JAPAN'S DEVELOPMENT.

Japan today has 2,500 miles of railway, 11,720 miles of land telegraphs, 387 of submarine, and 1,114 telegraph offices. Telephonic communication is supplied profusely in the cities, and in the common use of electric light the country is declared to be ahead of England, while the light electric railways are penetrating the mountainous regions.—New York Evening Post.

Ez fer war, I call it murder—
Ther you hev it plain and flat;
I don't want to go no furder
Than my Testament fer that.

—Lowell, "The Bigelow Papers."
And gentle dullness ever loves a joke.
—Pope.

The path of a good woman is indeed strewn with flowers, but they rise behind her steps, not before them.—Ruskin.

A book is a friend that never deceives.—Fontanelle.

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HOW THEY VOTED.

Washington, April 3.—This was a notable day in the senate. It brought to a close the sharpest and most prolonged debate upon any measure since those discussed during the memorable "war congress" two years ago. At 4 o'clock this afternoon the voting began upon the Puerto Rican tariff and civil government bill, and the pending amendments, and less than an hour later the measure, about which there has been so much contention in and out of congress, was passed by a majority of nine, the final vote being 40 to 31. Only one committee amendment was adopted.

The particularly notable speeches of the day were delivered by Mason, Republican of Illinois, in opposition to the measure, and by Foraker, Republican of Ohio, who replied to a brief speech by Wellington, Republican of Maryland. It was the Ohio senator's desire to clear up any misunderstanding or misinformation concerning the bill.

Just before the senate adjourned a sensational episode occurred in which Wolcott, Republican of Colorado, accused Lodge, Republican of Massachusetts, of uttering that which was "unqualifiedly false. The difficulty arose over the effort, made by Lodge, to have the Spooner bill made unfinished business. This involved the displacement of the Quay case, and the Pennsylvania made things exceedingly lively for a half-hour.

The detailed vote on the Puerto Rican bill was as follows: Yeas—Allison, Baker, Bard, Carter, Clark (Wyo.), Cullom, Deboe, Depew, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster, Frye, Galinger, Gear, Hanna, Hansborough, Hawley, Jones (Nev.), Kean, Kyle, Lodge, McBride, McCombs, McMillan, Penrose, Perkins, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Pritchard, Quarles, Ross, Scott, Sewell, Shoop, Spooner, Stewart, Thurston, Wetmore, Wolcott—46.

Nays—Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Clark (Mont.), Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Davis (Republican), Harris, Heitfield, Jones (Ark.), Kenny, Lindsay, McLaurin, Martin, Mason (Republican), Money, Morgan, Nelson (Republican), Pettus, Proctor (Republican), Simon (Republican), Sullivan, Tallierney, Teller, Tillman, Turley, Vest, Wellington (Republican)—31.

Pairs were announced as follows, those first mentioned being opposed to the bill: Caffery-Burrows, Chilton-Erkens, Rawlins-Hanna, Hoar-McEnery, Mallory-Hale, Turner-Warren, Pettigrew-Aldrich, Butler-McCumber. Beveridge was the only absentee who was not paired. He has a regular pair with Clark (Mont.), and that senator announced that, if present, Beveridge would vote for the amendment.

I've wandered east, I've wandered west,
I've bourn a weary lot;
But in my wanderings far or near
Ye never were forgot.

The youth that first burst frae this heart
Still travels on its way,
And channel deeper as it rins,
The love o' her's young day.

—William Motherwell, "Jeannie Morrison."

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MEN AND BEASTS.

The Former Much Inferior to the Latter in Various Respects.

A horse has four legs and can run a mile three times as fast as a man; yet a man, in the long run, can wear down the quadruped. A good sized lion will weigh about 450 pounds—three times the weight of a man—and a man can't carry his own weight with ease; a lion, however, will easily carry off a bullock weighing over 1,000 pounds, and break its neck with a single blow of its paw. A grizzly bear weighing only 300 pounds has been seen to carry an 800 pound steer for over a mile up a rocky mountain side, and two polar bears have been watched upsetting a rock weighing half a ton, which was frozen tightly to the ground. Large apes exert incredible strength. It took eight men to hold an orang less than five feet high which had escaped from his cage on a French steamer.

"With all his inventive genius man can move a train at a speed of sixty miles an hour, yet a swallow can fly 80, the duck 100, the gray crow 100, and the swift 150 miles an hour. A man can jump just over six feet, or half what a red deer can do. The charism and springbok can both attain greater heights, and the black jaguar will reach a branch fifteen feet from the ground. Then we are reminded that if a man could run as rapidly as a small jumping spider he could spring a quarter of a mile without trouble, and run at the rate of twenty-four miles a minute.—New York Home Journal.

stories and tabulated the various ways in which lovers behave in popping the question. Briefly stated, in one hundred cases where the proposal was accepted no less than sixty-seven gentlemen kissed the lady and began "all of a sudden." Eighty-one declared they could not live without her, while seventy-two held the girl's hand, and thirty-six took her in their arms. Twenty-six lovers sat down to put the question, four adjured about with their handkerchiefs—which three others ward required to wipe away the tears of joy; three stood on one foot, and the same number "reclined on the grass;" only four thought it necessary to "go down on both knees, but twice as many knelt on one. In thirty-two cases kissing took place. Only four kissed the girl on the cheek, but ten kissed her face on the cheek. Three kissed her eyes, two her hands, one the top of her head, one her nose (by mistake), and one her shawl.

The behavior of the women is equally interesting. Eighty-seven knew something was coming and sank into the gentlemen's arms, sixty-eight cushioned their heads against his manly bosom, while twelve preferred his shoulder. One sank back into a chair, no less than eleven clasped their arms around his neck. The eyes of seventy-two were full of love, seven had eyes moist and limpid, and the optics of two were dry. Forty-eight wept aloud and six shed silent tears of joy.

Twenty-seven fumbled with their gloves, fan and flowers, twelve bugged their faces in their hands and one struggled not to be kissed. On the other hand, six girls kissed the man first. Nine rushed from the room to tell somebody and five giggled by hysterically. Only three were pale and agitated, but eighteen were flushed. Three told their lovers "to ask papa," and one ac-

tually sneezed (shades of Venus) and one (a widow), said: "Yes, but don't be silly."—Philadelphia Times.

Two-thirds of the world's sugar is now produced from beets. Prior to 1871-72 the world's production of beet sugar had reached a million tons; in the present crop year it is, according to latest estimates, 2,000,000 tons, while the cane sugar crop which in 1871-72 was 1,500,000 tons is in the present year 2,000,000 tons. Thus cane sugar production has scarcely doubled during the period under consideration, while that from beets has more than quintupled. Meantime the price has fallen more than one half, the average cost in foreign countries of all sugar imported into the United States in the fiscal year of 1872 being 5.37 cents per pound, and in 1899 2.39 cents per pound. These facts are interesting in view of the consideration of matters by congress relating to the sugar-producing islands which have recently come into closer relations with the United States. The sugar-producing area of the world has in less than half a century been shifted from the tropics northward and the farmer of the temperate zone has shown his ability not only to compete with the low-priced labor of the tropics, but in doing so to reduce by one-half the cost of the article produced.—Scientific American.

Coarse kindness is at least better than coarse anger; and in all private quarrels the duller nature is triumphant by reason of its dullness.—George Eliot.

But of all burdens that a man can bear, Worst is a fool's talk to bear and hear.—Spenser.

Power is ever stealing from the many to the few.—Wendell Phillips.

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