

ARE A WORK

British Will Try to Hear off Boer Raiders in Free State.

NATAL FARMS DESERTED BY MEN

Women and Children Alone Found by Lord Chesham's Force—Horses Arrive in Africa.

LONDON, April 14.—Saturday, 4:15 a. m.—The forward movement of the Boers is checked, says Lord Roberts. This is taken to mean not by fighting, but by a disposition to head off their advance, and bar their way to vulnerable points in the line of the British communications.

Relief is on the way to Weepers. The Boers in Natal appear incapable of developing an aggressive movement at Elands Laagte. Lord Methuen is at Zwartkopsfontein, twelve miles east of Boshoff, and is leading small swift columns through the adjacent country.

An editorial note in the Daily News avers that Mafeking is in a very bad way, and that the hope of relief is far off, as no force is advancing from the south. The war office announces that 2000 horses will arrive at Cape Town this week. It is understood that the animals are not fit for work until about ten days after the voyage.

The war office has called on the reserve companies of several infantry battalions, which will be sent to South Africa forthwith.

London, April 14.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post telegraphing Thursday, says: "The enemy have evidently determined to adopt entirely new tactics. Two columns are known to be moving to the south of Bloemfontein. They are relying on Cape carts for transportation, and are carrying scarcely any baggage and only sufficient food to meet immediate requirements of the convoy, with ox transports following at a secure distance. The Boer columns are thus enabled to move almost as quickly as the cavalry. It is reported there are 6000 Boers to the south of Dewetsburg. Lord Roberts has appointed the Duke of Marlborough assistant military secretary at the headquarters."

London, April 14.—The Daily Mail publishes the following dispatch, dated Friday April 14th, from Laurence Marquis: "The Boers are manufacturing shells, especially Vickers-Maxims, in large quantities at the Belgie foundry, Johannesburg. The actual Boer losses to the end of March, including prisoners, are estimated at 12,000. At present there are several thousand Boers in Natal, and 25,000 in the Free State."

The war office has received the following from General Roberts: "Bloemfontein, April 13, 1:30 p. m.—The enemy's movements south have been checked. Weepers is still surrounded, but the little garrison is holding out well. The troops are being moved to their assistance. The health of the troops is good and the climate perfect."

Bloemfontein, April 13.—Accounts received here of the fighting of troops under Colonel Dalgety at Weepers, show the Boers attacked them vigorously, but were repulsed with great loss. The Boers were apparently repulsed at the attack and it is said here they are returning northwards.

London, April 14.—The Times has the following from Johannesburg, dated April 13th: "Col. Dalgety's force has been surrounded by some thousands of Boers with eight guns, two Long Toms and two Maxims, since Monday morning. They have gallantly withstood the heavy attacks on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. We are confident of being able to repulse any attack."

THE CLARK CASE.

A FIGHT TO BE MADE IN THE FEDERAL SENATE. In the Interest of the Senator from Montana—His Friends Still Remain Loyal.

BUTTE, Mont., April 14.—A special

BEECHAM'S PILLS advertisement with detailed text and logo.

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grounded ship and nearly three score people that were aboard of her. The Clyde line steamship New York, which arrived tonight, brought the story of the wreck. The New York saved all except four.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

To Take Charge of the Submarine Boat Holland.

Washington, April 13.—Now that the Holland submarine boat has become a naval vessel, under the terms of the contract, the government must proceed, within a reasonable time, to provide a commander and crew for her. Notwithstanding the element of danger supposed to be involved, there is no lack of applicants for the first command from junior naval officers. The disposition is to refrain from ordering any one to the post, but to give it to a volunteer.

NOT KNOWN HERE.

San Francisco, April 13.—A young woman giving the name of Helen Gray, attempted to commit suicide in Golden Gate Park this morning by taking poison. Her screams attracted the attention of a policeman, who arrived in time to have her removed to a hospital, where her life will doubtless be saved. She gave her residence as Salem, but would vouchsafe no reason for her act.

FROM ICEFIELDS.

St. Johns, Nfld., April 13.—The sealing steamer Terra Novella, with 37,000 seals, and the Walrus, with 12,000 seals, returned from the icefields today.

APRIL.

The name April is supposed to be derived from apricot, to open, because the birds open themselves at this period. Charlemagne, in his new calendar, called it grass month, the name still given to it by the Dutch (grasmaand).

In a work entitled "The Twelve Months," published in 1669, April is described with a glow of language that recalls the Shakespearean era. The youth of the country make ready for the morris dance, and the merry milkmaid supplies them with ribbons. Her glove has been given her. The little fishes lie nibbling at the bait, and the porpoise plays in the pride of the tide. The shepherds, certain in the pines of Arcadia with pleasant roundelay. The aged feel a kind of youth and youth a kind of oldness, and the youthful cheeks are red as a cherry. The lark and the lark look up at the dawn of the day. The sheep's eye in the lamb's hand tells him and truth make the true lover's knot. It were a world to set down the work of this month; for it is heaven's blessing and the earth's comfort. It is the messenger of many pleasures, the country's progress, and the farmer's profit; the laborer's harvest and the beggar's pilgrimage. In some there is much to be spoken of it, but to speak of it, I hold it in all that I can see in it, the jewel of time and the joy of nature.

President McKinley takes on the whole admirably for the month of producing month. It even asserts that: A Cold April. The barn will fill. The rain is welcomed. An April flood. Carries away the frog and his brood. April flowers. Make May flowers. Nor is there any harm in wind. When April blows his horn, 'Tis good for both lay and corn. Shakespeare was born and died in April, and it was a favorite month with the poet. Oh how this spring of love resembles the sweetest story of an April day. He sings and, When proud-prod April, dressed in all his trim, Hath put a spirit of youth in every-thing, And again, Men are April when they woo, December when they wed; maids are May when they are maids, but the sky declines when they are wives. The girl who is born in April is fortunate in having the diamond for her birth stone.

April, diamond, innocence; Less April ebb'd thee through the years, With her own repentant tears, Take thou the diamond for sure defense Of prayer and innocence.—Philadelphia Times.

Southern Senators are almost proverbially long lived and attention is called to the fact that Senator Vest of Missouri is nearly 70 years old. Senator Cookerill of the same state 66; Senator Morgan of Alabama, 76; Senator Bacon of Georgia, 61; Senator Bate, 75 (probably), and Senator Ransom of Alabama, 70. Ex-Senator Reason of North Carolina, now 72 years old, raised on his estate, near Weldon, more than one thousand hogs of various breeds. Ransom, like most of the Tar Heel statesmen, was born within its boundaries. He was attorney-general of North Carolina nearly half a century.

WILL USE HIM.

Minneapolis, April 13.—The Journal says: "United States Consul General John Goodnow, of Shanghai, China, is coming home next August, and it is guessed that his aid will be enlisted in the republican campaign. Few Americans abroad have been in a position to obtain so thorough a grasp of the situation in the Philippines as Goodnow, and the administration will likely make use of him."

A SPECIAL MESSENGER.

San Francisco, April 13.—A special messenger has arrived from Washington, with documents containing President McKinley's instructions to the Philippine commissioners.

ACTOR BREAKS DOWN.

Stopped in the Middle of an Act—Unable to Continue. Sioux City, Idaho, April 13.—Melbourne MacDowell broke down in the third act of "Edora" tonight, the curtain was rung down and the play ended. While in the midst of his lines in the third act, MacDowell hesitated and stopped. He paid no attention to the prompter, nor to Miss Blanche Walsh, but came down the stage and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, Miss Walsh called him back and the curtain was rung down. The management says MacDowell is nervous, and was physically unable to proceed."

LEFT HIS SHIP.

Captain of a French Steamer Abandons His Charge. New York, April 13.—At the bottom of the sea, outside of the Santo Domingo harbor, the wreck of the French steamer Georges Courbe lies in a mass of more than two weeks. Enveloped in a mass of her wreckage are the bodies of her crew, two passengers and two sailors. Her captain, Francisco Carben, is alive, but no one knows his whereabouts. He is said to have deserted his

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HOUSE DRESSES AND WRAPPERS—From 50 cents to \$2.50, made of calico, lawns, and percales, with separate waists and skirts. Silks, Ribbons, Chantelaine Bags, Corsets, Belts, Umbrellas.

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ago, and was major general in the Confederate army, being one of those who surrendered at Appomattox. The closing of his civic, military and political career, however, was in no respect distinguished. He was succeeded in the United States Senate by Marion Butler.

THE BROOM SPREADS DISEASE.

Just now being generally recognized as one of the worst conveyors of the germs of disease, Dr. Max Girdansky finds the broom to be one of the most active agents in sending them into air, where it is diffused by whatever breeze may be blowing there. The housewife digs the dust out of her carpets and sweeps it out of the quiet corners where it has accumulated, wearing an old dress and covers her head while she leaves her lungs exposed, then shakes her rug in the yard, and the street-sweeper transfers the dust she has charge of to the atmosphere where we can breathe our fill of contamination from day to day. Therefore the author holds the broom, far from serving any hygienic purpose, is the cause of the maintenance of organic dust in the atmosphere in the large cities of the world, and as such is the most important cause of the existence and spread of tuberculosis. Further, the carpet is pronounced "an unhygienic article, serving as a fine breeding ground for vegetable parasites, necessitating the use of the broom and the duster, and thereby becoming a reason for the existence of organic dust." As the only proper and safe way of procuring the cleanliness of the floors and the streets of our large cities, Dr. Girdansky advises the free use of water in the shape of showers, or with sprinkling wagens, hose, nozzles, etc., and that all floors and floor coverings of the house and the street be so constructed as to facilitate the free use of water in these ways.

ALLEGED CURE FOR CANCER.

Young Physician May have Made a Great Discovery. Another alleged cure for cancer has been submitted to the judgment of Chicago physicians and of the Chicago public next week. If its success up to the present time has been what is claimed for it, it may well be considered a great discovery. The discovery of this cure by Dr. Isaac B. Ennis, a young physician of Martinton, a small town on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad, exactly eight miles south of Chicago, and six miles north of Watseka. Dr. Ennis was in Chicago yesterday. In the introduction of his remedy he is associated with Dr. Phil Gagnon, a dentist and Dr. J. J. Prentiss, an oculist. The representations of Dr. Ennis concerning his remedy have little to be desired. It consists, says he, of an external application of a semi-solid medicinal compound, composed of well known articles of the materia medica, which appear to have a remarkable affinity for cancerous matter. It is not excessively painful, but has the effect of loosening the cancer from the surrounding tissues, so that it drops off entire. The most wonderful thing about it is that its effect is produced in from seven to ten days. After that the usual time is required for the wound to heal. Dr. Ennis says he has cured twenty-four cancers and that he has never failed in any instance except where the knife has been used. His theory is that a surgical operation and the resulting inflammation causes the growth to stop rapidly and deeply that in some cases his remedy will not reach it. He is unwilling therefore to take any patients who have undergone surgical operations. Of any others he has no patients. This discovery was the result of practice and experiment in hospital work.

SEE THE PRATT ELECTRIC BELT

The Pratt Electric Appliance Co., of San Jose, Cal., and Portland, Oregon, have opened a permanent office in Salem, Oregon, in Room 22 Fifth-Edge block, over postoffice, and invite all sufferers from Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Paralysis, and Kidney, Stomach, and Back troubles, Deafness and all weakness or lack of nerve force and vigor to call and examine our appliances. They are an improvement over all others. We also give electric treatments for the above complaints both with Galvanic and Faradic currents free. Call before it is too late. We will make no charges for calls in the city, but will call upon you and show you our goods and allow you to test their merits free. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. A. A. PRATT, Inventor and Manager. WE ALSO REPAIR OLD BELTS

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A celebrated veterinary surgeon declares that nine out of ten of our worst horses are only worn out in feet or in legs, because of some bad disease, and that all but a fraction of that number owe their premature age and incapacity to our system of shoeing—namely to bad shoeing, but to the iron or steel shoe.

HOLDING HANDS.

"They sat and held hands all the evening." "How silly!" "Oh, I don't know. You have to in whilst."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

VENETIAN CANALS.

A steamboat company is placing its little vessels on the canals of Venice, and the gondolas, which were one of the charms of the city to travelers, are destined to disappear unless a law may be reserved to gratify the curiosity of tourists.

FINE PRINTING, STATESMAN JOB OFFICE.

FREED OF AN ACHING MOLAR.

Walter Smith Adopted a Novel Way of Pulling It. Birmingham, April 7.—Walter Smith of Birmingham has no use for dentists. For several days he had been suffering from an ever-increasing toothache. In vain he tried to extract the molar with pinners and a string. Then his anger rose, and when his wife laughingly taunted him with not having a particle of sand, he resolved upon desperate measures. Procuring a yard of stove-pipe wire, he fastened one end of it firmly around the deeply rooted tooth in such a manner that it could not pull loose and the other end he wired around a ramrod. Then, taking down his shotgun, he placed an extra charge of powder in the barrel, rammed the rod home, and, stepping to the door, he cocked the gun and pointed it skyward and opened his mouth. There was a loud explosion and tooth and ramrod sailed upward. Smith has not since been troubled with toothache.—St. Louis Republic.

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Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures painful, smarting, nervous feet and ingrowing nails, and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired aching feet. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. Fine printing, Statesman Job Office.

CATARRH: FORERUNNER OF CONSUMPTION.

Few realize what a deep-seated, obstinate disease Catarrh is, regarding it as a simple inflammation of the nose and throat, little or no attention is given it. But, however insignificant it may seem at first, it is serious and far-reaching in its results. The foul secretions entering the circulation poison the entire system. The stomach, kidneys—in fact all the organs—feel the effect of this catarrhal poison, and when the lungs are reached its progress is rapid and destructive, and finally ends in consumption. It frequently happens that the senses of hearing and smell are in part or entirely lost, the soft bones of the nose eaten into and destroyed, causing intense suffering and greatly disfiguring the face. While sprays, washes and salves may give temporary relief, no permanent benefit can be expected from such treatment.

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Mrs. Josephine Polhill, of Due West, S. C., writes: "I had Catarrh, which became so deep-seated that I was entirely deaf in one ear, and all inside of my nose, including parts of the throat, sloughed off. When the disease had gone this far the physician gave me up as incurable. I determined to try S. S. S. as a last resort, and began to improve at once. It seemed to get at the seat of the disease, and after a few weeks' treatment I was entirely cured, and for more than seven years have had no sign of the disease."

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