

ARE IN FORCE

Boers South of Lord Roberts' Army in Free State.

DISCONCERT BRITISH ARMY MEN

Fighting Continues in South Africa—The Troops Sent to Relieve Wepener Find the Enemy.

LONDON, April 24.—(Tuesday, 5 a. m.)—A strong body of reinforcements, which Lord Roberts sent to assist in the relief of Wepener and to endeavor to envelop and cut off the Boers from retreating northward, furnishes a further evidence that the Boers are assembled in much larger force around Wepener than had hitherto been supposed, and as the Times in an editorial, this morning, remarks, whatever may be the difficulties of the roads and rains, the Boers always appear to have guns, and sometimes big ones, where they want them.

A Boer dispatch, dated Thabanchu, April 20th, says that a fresh supply of cannon and ammunition has reached General Dewet at Jammersburg Drift. It also asserts that one of Coldalgety's guns has been smashed. Karifontein, mentioned in Lord Roberts' message to the war office, is fifteen miles southeast of Bloemfontein. Leuwkop is two miles further south.

Apparently the British captured Paarde Kraal Sunday night. The Boers evacuated Leuwkop during the night, removing the guns, and the British occupied the kop the next morning.

ROBERTS' REPORT.

London, April 23.—The war office late this afternoon issued the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 23d, 2:30 p. m.: "Yesterday I despatched the Eleventh division, under General Pole-Carew, and the brigades of cavalry under General French, from this point, to assist Karifontein without much opposition. The casualties reported are: Welsh regiment, one private killed; Captain Prothero Mortley, mortally wounded, and seven men wounded, Yorkshire, eight wounded. Eighth Hussars, one killed and one wounded. Seventh Dragoons, Lieutenant Jenkins and ten men missing. Royal artillery, two wounded. Captain Rotten, Royal artillery, broke an arm by a fall. General Pole-Carew's mounted infantry seized Leuwkop, a high hill a few miles north of their last night's position. The enemy evacuated hurriedly, leaving some rifles and ammunition. General Rundle reports twenty-five men of the First Worcesters as missing. Fifty-three were sent with Wood to an outpost after dark, and only eighteen returned. Their numbers and names will be reported today, as well as the four wounded yesterday."

NOT RECEIVED.

London, April 23.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times says: "The Boer peace commissioners will not be received, either at Vienna, Berlin, St. Petersburg or Rome."

SHARP FIGHTING.

Maseru, April 23.—Fighting began early this morning at Bushman's Kop. The colonial division under General Brabant advanced cautiously, followed and supported by General Hart's infantry brigade. It was found that the Boers had evacuated their positions on Bushman's Kop during the night. A running fight has been proceeding

throughout the day, the British advancing and the Boers losing ground. General Brabant is moving in a North-easterly direction, keeping Basutoland close on his right flank. Thousands of Basutos are watching the operations. Our casualties so far, are twenty-five wounded. The British are bivouacking tonight, according to the last report, eight miles from Wepener, and the Boers, who are besieging Colonel Dalgety, appear to be preparing to retire. A stubborn fight is believed to have occurred in the direction of Dewetsdorp. Wepener, however, is already practically relieved by the withdrawal of a large portion of the besiegers.

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Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions, Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Dr. STONE, druggist.

FLOODS IN THE SOUTH.

HEAVY RAINS IN THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY.

Do Enormous Damage and Menace the Lives of Inhabitants in the River Towns.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23.—The rains continue throughout the flood districts of the South, and the danger to lives and property is becoming more grave. It was thought Saturday the crisis was passed, but in many localities, the rain is falling again with increased violence. It was estimated, last Saturday, that \$3,000,000 worth of private property had already been destroyed, but is now thought probable that this damage will be heavily increased. Mail and telegraphic communication has been destroyed between the smaller towns in Mississippi and Alabama. Many farmhouses have been swept away, their occupants barely escaping with their lives, and the drowning of family of seven negroes is reported from Jackson, Mississippi.

The flood district is roughly bounded by a line, drawn from Mobile up to Tombigbee, to the center of the state of Alabama, thence West through Jackson, Mississippi, to the Mississippi river. Around Columbia, Mississippi, every railroad and wagon bridge is reported washed away, and the first crops are total loss. Thousands of people in the small water-bound towns of Mississippi are reported on the brink of starvation.

A MINE SOLD.

Lewiston, Ida., April 23.—Charles Sweeney, a Spokane capitalist, today became the owner of the Big Buffalo mine in the Buffalo-Hump district. The sale today embraces the Ber, Ristley, the Young and the Robbins interests, representing one-half of the mine, for \$125,000 cash. Sweeney had previously secured the other interests, for which he paid about \$75,000.

Cold Steel or Death.

There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation. It was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c at DR. STONE'S drug stores.

CONTRACT LABORERS.

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.

ARE PREPARED FOR WORK.

DELEGATES OF THE WASHINGTON REPUBLICANS.

To the National Convention Have Organized for Business—The Oppose Immigration of Japs.

TACOMA, Wash., April 23.—The state delegates to the National Republican Convention, with the exception of F. C. Hayfield, met at Hotel Tacoma, this afternoon, and completed their organization. E. C. Neufelder, of Seattle, was elected chairman, and Senator G. H. Baker was named as National committee man; Dr. L. M. Sims, credentials committee; H. S. Connor, order of business committee; Levi Ankeny, notification to the President and Vice-President.

A resolution introduced by Mr. Ankeny, favoring the establishment and maintenance of a strong merchant marine, was adopted. General Ashton offered a resolution which views with disfavor the excessive influx of Japanese immigrants, now entering the United States, and pledged the members of the delegation to use their united and individual efforts, at the Republican National Convention, for the purpose of having inserted in the platform a plank, which will prohibit any class of immigration which may prove a menace to American labor.

TO HEAL NEW YORK'S PATIENTS BY MUSIC.

Medical treatment by sound vibrations is to be introduced within a few weeks in many of the hospitals of this city as a regular method for the cure of patients. A staff of prominent physicians will direct the movement and skilled musicians will be employed to execute the work.

One of the promoters of the society said yesterday that the movement would follow closely the lines adopted a few

years ago by a London society of the same name.

Dr. Peterson said "Sound vibrations in music certainly act in a marked way upon certain forms of disease. For example, cases of insomnia, no matter how severe, are invariably relieved. Music also acts with surprising effect upon mild forms of insanity, particularly in that form known as melancholia.

"We all know how lively music dispels despondency, and every soldier will testify to the inspiring influence of music in war. This, scientifically considered, means that sound vibrations act directly upon the nerves.

"A lively melody touches excitomotor nerves, increasing the vitality of the hearer. Melancholy music, on the other hand acts upon the inhibitory nerves, decreasing vitality and engendering mental depression. There is a nutshell you have the science of sound vibration as applied to medical treatment.

"I regard music not as a curative, but as a remedial agent. Its scientific application will assist medicine—not take its place."—New York World.

A Monster Devil Fish

Destroying its victim, is a type of Constipation. The power of this murderous malady is left on organs and nerves and muscles and brain. There's no health till it's overcome. But Dr. King's New Life Pills are a safe and certain cure. Best in the world for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Only 25 cents at DR. STONE'S drug stores.

FRUIT GROWERS' MEETING.

The Fruit Growers of Marion county, will hold an adjourned meeting in Salem, on Saturday, April 28th, for the purpose of perfecting an organization subordinate to, and to work in conformity with, the Cured Fruit Association of the Pacific Northwest, and also to further the interests of said association. Every prune grower is urged to be present, as matters of vital importance to the industry will be discussed. Time and place of meeting will be announced later.

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VESSEL BLEW UP.

Constantinople, April 23.—News been received from Beyrut, Syria, to the effect that the Turkish torpedo boat, Schaa'yil blew up in that harbor April 22d, resulting in the loss of twenty-three lives.

WENT TO CANTON.

Washington, April 23.—President and Mrs. McKinley left here tonight for a visit of several days at Canton.

A DUKE'S DEMISE.

London, April 24.—George Douglas Campbell, Duke of Argyll, died this morning.

At Bed Time

I take a pleasant herb drink, the next morning I feel bright and my complexion is better. My doctor says it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. It is made from herbs and is prepared as easily as tea. It is called Lane's Medicine. All druggists sell it at 25c. and 50c. Lane's Family Medicines moves the bowels each day. If you cannot get it, send for a free sample. Address, Orator F. Woodward, Le Roy, N. Y. 5.

HANGED HIMSELF.

Fritz Bergman, a patient at the asylum, hanged himself at 6 o'clock Sunday morning. He was found in a few minutes, and cut down, and efforts were made to save his life, but they were futile. He was from Clarkamas county, aged 30 years, and was committed in 1893. Frank Nickerson, a trusty, ran away yesterday, and several attendants are out searching for him.

HIS HAND CRUSHED.

Will Hayden, who is employed in a logging camp on the Luckiamute, met with an unfortunate mishap on Sunday while working with the donkey engine in the mill. His right hand became entangled in the cable and before he could extricate the member it had been very badly crushed, necessitating the amputation of the third finger and the trimming up of two other fingers on the same hand.

SPECIAL RESERVE.

Om Government Whisker is recommended by A. P. O'Brien, M. D., Captain and Surgeon; also Wm. D. McCarty, M. D., U. S. Army; furthermore, by the Board of Health of San Francisco, as the purest unadulterated for invalids, convalescents and family use. Sold exclusively by J. P. Rogers, in Salem. dw 11.

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I have been young and am now old, and have not yet known an untruthful man to come to a good end.—Auerbach.

CASE OF QUAY

Debate on Seating Him Began in the Senate Yesterday.

ULTIMATE RESULT IS IN DOUBT

The Idaho Strike Investigation Is Slowly Nearing Its End—Sinclair Tells of His Experiences.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The two days' debate on the right of Hon. M. S. Quay, to a seat as Senator from Pennsylvania, was begun almost immediately after the Senate convened today. Until today the debate has been desultory in character. Tomorrow at 4 p. m., under the special order, the case is to be disposed of. The direct vote upon the proposition to seat Quay may not be taken immediately after the close of the debate. Chandler has a motion pending to seat Quay, but it is held by the Senate parliamentarians that every subsidiary motion will take precedence over Chandler's motion. These include motions to indefinitely postpone, to postpone to a definite date, to commit to the committee, and to amend. How the Senate will vote on any of them is a matter of speculation. In support of Quay's right to a seat, speeches were delivered today by Chandler, Republican of New Hampshire; Kenny, Democrat of Delaware; and Penrose, Republican, of Pennsylvania; Platt, Republican of Connecticut; and Quarles, Republican, of Wisconsin, delivered speeches in opposition to Quay.

In discussing Quay's right to a seat in the Senate, Platt, Republican, of Connecticut, said: "I am sorry that any Senator should make a charge against sixteen Senators, that they voted against a Senator because of personal reasons, and not on constitutional grounds. That charge is one which reflects a greater dishonor upon the Senate than any that ever has been made. I do not believe it. No enemy of the Senate could say it seems to me, that the votes of sixteen Senators were cast against Corbett because he was a supporter of the gold standard."

Platt maintained there was practically no difference between the Quay case and the Corbett case, and the decision in the Corbett case ought to be regarded as sacred as was the judgment of the Constitutional court.

WILL END SOON.

Washington, April 23.—At the Cour d'Alene investigation today, the hope was expressed that the investigation would be brought to a close within the next ten days or two weeks. It has now proceeded nearly two months. Bartlett Sinclair, who, as the representative of Governor Steunenberg, was in chief authority in the Cour d'Alene, testified today that he did not seek the task assigned him by the Governor, as he knew, the man who undertook it risked his life. He said he had been in entire sympathy with labor movements, and while in New York had supported Henry George in his campaign for mayor. The witness said, Governor Steunenberg instructed him to be wary and to take no action against the labor organizations, as such, but to direct his efforts to preventing disorder and riot. There were two distinct and recognized elements, he said, "the dynamites" and the "law and order" element, and the neutral class outside of these two counted for nothing. It was impossible, he said, to set in operation the courts or local offices. Accordingly, on his recommendation, Governor Steunenberg declared martial law.

General Merriam furnished a military guard, and the warehouse known as "bull pen" was temporarily used for the detention of prisoners. The witness said, General Merriam was quite solicitous as to the welfare of the prisoners, visiting them frequently, and that on his request he (Sinclair) had another prison built. He said the other United States officers and soldiers showed the same kindly feeling to the prisoners, so much so that there was some criticism of the fraternizing of soldiers and prisoners. The permanent prison, he said, was as good as any in the country.

FOR THEIR RELIEF

GOV. GEER ON INDIAN WAR VETERANS' PENSIONS.

He Urges President McKinley and Speaker Henderson to Aid Passing the Needed Legislation.

Gov. T. T. Geer yesterday wrote to President Wm. McKinley and to Speaker Henderson, of the lower House of Congress, urging them to exert their efforts in behalf of the Indian War Veterans' pension bill. The governor, in his letters, said that the old veterans, 1200 strong, were justly entitled to the pensions for which they had waited so long, and that if the bill granting them, should pass at this time, it would be but a tardy act of justice. He recites how these men, in the early days of Oregon, when the National Government was unable to give adequate protection to the settlers, risked their lives in the interest of the state and that, at that time, no other resource was available; that all of them are now old and, unless they are speedily given the relief asked for, none will be left to enjoy it. It is hoped that this appeal of Governor Geer to the President and Speaker Henderson will materially aid Oregon's Congressional election, and will result in speedy action by Congress

to the end that the old war-worn and time-tried heroes of the Indian wars of the early days in the Northwest, will soon receive thatittance which the Government should have allowed them a quarter of a century ago.

Danger of Ocean Wrecks.

It is stated that the Atlantic Ocean contains many wrecked vessels which drift higher and higher, and as their positions change with the winds and tides, they are a constant menace to ocean traffic. Because of the great expense they are not destroyed until they have inflicted actual damage. How like this is the action of many persons, who wait until they are ill before treating such dangerous symptoms as indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, liver or kidney troubles. Don't allow them to menace your health. Hostetter's stomach Bitters will clear the system of all impurities, making the blood rich and the nerves strong. It cures all stomach disorders, and is an unequalled spring medicine. See that a Private Revenue Stamp covers the neck of the bottle.

PRESERVED THE SURVEYOR'S STAKES.

There is a humorous side to the foreign troubles in China. The chief engineers of the railway that is being built through Shaung-tung province by the Germans complained to a taotai, or local governor, that the people pulled up and carried off the stakes that his surveyors had driven into the ground to guide the construction gangs in grading the right-of-way, so that he had been compelled to do the work over three or four times. The taotai promised that the mischief should stop, and said that he would give the matter his personal attention. The surveyors went over the line again and marked it out carefully with wooden pegs. When they came back, a few weeks later they were disgusted to find that every one of the markers for miles had disappeared. The chief engineer in the heat of his wrath rushed to the taotai to make complaint, and the latter, with a smile that was child-like and bland, attempted to soothe him, saying:

"The stakes are all right, every one of them; I had my men go out and take them all up and keep them safely until you returned, and I have got them tied up in bundles for you."—Chicago Record.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctor said she could not live till morning" writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at DR. STONE'S drug stores.

IN THE ORCHARDS

DAMAGE TO ITALIAN PRUNES NOT VERY EXTENSIVE.

Many Fruit Growers Expect a Good Yield—No Further Danger is Now Anticipated.

The condition of the orchards, and especially of the Italian prune trees, has been the source of great anxiety throughout this section of the Willamette valley for the past ten days, during which reports have been received from various growers of fruit trees, that damage had resulted from frosts or rains, and so great was this damage said to be that great fears were expressed that no Italian prunes would this year be produced in the valley.

Close inspection throughout the orchards immediately surrounding Salem, however, has tended to reassure many orchardists, and the belief is now rapidly gaining ground, amounting almost to conviction, that the loss will be but nominal; at any rate, it will not be as widespread as was at first supposed, the damage being only in a few isolated cases, and many orchards are not at all affected.

In speaking of the conditions of the orchards in the Rosedale district, Daniel Webster of that place, in a letter to the Statesman, written yesterday after a thorough inspection of orchards in that vicinity, says:

"Fruit in this vicinity has not suffered very severely so far. Occasionally an orchard is found that has been injured considerably, while others seem all right. The prune growers of the Rosedale district are neither blue nor discouraged, but are anticipating a heavy crop of prunes."

Similar reports come from various directions, many of them from gentlemen who, a week ago, expressed the fear that the Italian prunes had been killed, and would yield no crop this season. H. A. Kurtz, of this city, visited his prune orchard north of Salem Sunday, and made a close inspection of his trees. He found a few Italian prune trees on which the blossoms on the topmost branches had been damaged, but in no case was it found that a single tree had lost its entire

load of blossoms, and he declared positively, that the loss would be but trifling. Similar reports are coming in from other sections, although in a few cases, even now, it is claimed that the blossoms of entire orchards have been killed, one case of this kind being reported from near Silverton.

WILL GRAZE SHEEP

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND TO PASTURE ON THE RESERVE.

Instructions Received by Supt. S. B. Ormsby, that Pasturage Privileges Will Be Granted This Year.

Captain S. B. Ormsby, superintendent of the Cascade Range forest reserve, is in receipt of a letter of instructions from Hon. Binger Herman, commissioner of the general land office at Washington, D. C., which notifies Mr. Ormsby regarding the grazing of sheep on the forest reserves. The letter follows:

"Under Department regulations, approved April 4, 1900, the Secretary of the Interior has authorized the pasturing of 200,000 head of sheep within the Cascade Range reserve, south of White River; the sheep to enter the reserve not earlier than June 15th. Cattle and horses may also graze in the reserve as heretofore, except that applications will be required. All applicants for the privilege of grazing sheep or other live stock in the reserve shall agree, in their applications, that they will hereafter pay on demand, such a reasonable price per head as the Secretary of the Interior may hereafter require; and for failure to make such payment, when called upon to do so, the permit will be revoked and the animals removed from the reserve.

"Permits, when issued, will cover a specified grazing period, so that the period must be stated in the applications. The sheep-grazing forms, with such changes as are necessary, to cover cattle or horse grazing conditions, may be used for cattle and horses."

SETTING TIRES.

The Old Way of Shrinking Them On and the Modern Way of Pressing Them.

The old way of putting a tire on a wheel was to shrink it on. The tire was made just a trifle smaller than the wheel, and then heated, with the result of expanding it slightly. When thus heated it was crowded down over the rim of the wheel, and then cooled with water to keep it from burning the wheel and also to contract it; cooling, it was shrunk on to bind the wheel tightly. The modern way of putting a tire on a wheel is with a hydraulic tire-setting press. By this method the tire is made just a trifle larger than the wheel, so that it will go over the rim freely. The bed of this press, upon which the wheel lies horizontally, with an opening at the center for the hub, is composed of eighteen sections, radiating from the center and in shape like the spokes between the spokes of a wheel. The outer end of each section is turned upward, the turned-up ends making a continuous flange, or collar, all around the bed of the press. Each one of the sections has under it a hydraulic cylinder, and the sections are all arranged to work to a common center. In use the wheel is laid on the press with the cold tire around it, within that turned-up collar, or flange, around the edge. When the press is set in operation the collar or flange is irresistibly contracted. When it comes in contact with the tire around the wheel, it does not contract against it, but keeps on contracting just the same, now contracting the tire as well, and setting it upon the wheel, the pressure being continued until the wheel itself has been brought to the requisite degree of dishing.

USE OF TOBACCO.

A writer on customs mentions an old French lady, who, 50 years ago, said that women "had come down from their pedestal since they let men smoke in their presence." I doubt if French women ever really occupied any pedestal at all; if they did, it was a pedestal of gilt papier mache. But smoking has had vicissitudes. Before Beau Nash's day, say 1750, men smoked in the assembly-rooms at Bath. Nash put down this practice (which I do not defend), and about 1772 we find Johnson declaring, as an unquestionable fact, that smoking has gone out of vogue. No doubt there have been other revolutions in the annals of tobacco; now fashionable the weed has been, now "low," but its amiable flame has never been extinguished. By the way, when smoking was "out," in Dr. Johnson's day, snuff was "in," so that there was no real improvement in manners.—Longman's.

ANGER IS THE MOTHER OF CRUELTY; CRUELTY IS THE MOTHER OF CRIME.—N. O. PICAYUNE.

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