

A BIG FORCE

Of British Troops Is Pursuing Both's Boer Army

FREE STATERS TO GIVE BATTLE

President Steyn Will Engage the Forces of Brabant and Ruddle—Men Compelled to Serve

LONDON, May 11.—Members of the House of Commons were freely betting in the lobbies last evening, that Lord Roberts would be in Pretoria in two months. From 15,000 to 20,000 is the highest estimate of the Boers under command of General Botha, who is said to have forty-six guns. Lord Roberts is pressing hard after this force with 35,000 men and 140 guns, and 20,000 more men are easily available. The correspondents are confined in their narratives to events two or three days old, so far as Lord Roberts is concerned. President Steyn, with 10,000 men, is reported to have been east of Thabanchu yesterday (Thursday) noon and a battle was then imminent. The advance troops of Generals Ruddle and Brabant were being fired on.

During a concert for the relief of the sufferers from the Begbie works explosion, given Saturday evening at Pretoria, in the Gaiety theatre, the doors were suddenly closed and every man in the audience was commanded. All the horses were taken from the conveyances outside.

COLORADO AND UTAH

SELECT DELEGATES TO REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

McKinley's Administration Endorsed—Many Former Silver Men Participated in the Deliberations.

DENVER, Colo., May 10.—The state Republican convention today elected delegates to the National Convention and endorsed McKinley's administration. The resolutions say: "We commend in terms of unqualified praise the attitude of our junior Senator, Edward O. Wolcott, upon all questions affecting the commercial, industrial and financial welfare of our country. Our confidence in him has never been betrayed and we uphold and sustain him in his every official act."

No other mention was made of the financial question. Many of the delegates in today's convention were former Republicans, who, four years ago, affiliated with the Silver Republicans and supported Bryan.

FROM UTAH

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 10.—The state Republican convention today elected delegates to the National Convention. The delegates are instructed to vote for the re-nomination of McKinley. The platform favors gold and silver as money of the Republic.

FIGHTING IN LUZON.

Colored Scouts and Insurgents in a Sharp Engagement.

Manila, May 11.—A force of 500 insurgents attacked twenty-five scouts of the Forty-eighth regiment near San Juanito, province of Pangasinan, on Monday, but were routed by the scouts; ten of their number being killed. The Americans lost two killed.

On April 26th, the rebels burned and sacked the town of Trocan, near Bulacan, murdering the natives who were friendly to the Americans, and two Spaniards. The Americans killed thirty-seven insurgents. On the same date Major Andrews, with two companies of troops, attacked General Moron's stronghold near Ormoc. Leyte Island. Mojica had a brass cannon and plenty of ammunition, but after three hours' fighting, the insurgents fled. Their loss is not known. The Americans lost two killed and eleven wounded. They destroyed the enemy's rifles, powder and stores.

COMING TO OREGON.

Mgr. Martinelli Will Be in Portland in a Few Days.

Washington, May 10.—The new auditor of the Papal legation, Rev. Dr. Francis Marchetti, arrived in this city from Rome today. Archbishop Martinelli and Rev. Dr. Rooker, secretary of the legation, left Washington today for Portland, Oregon. Mgr. Martinelli stated that he is going West to fulfill a promise, made by him to the new archbishop of Oregon, Dr. Alex. Christie, who desires to receive the pallium or badge of rank, direct from his hands.

CHANGE IN ASSESSMENT ROLLS

County Assessor J. W. Hobart Will Change the Method Listing Property in Marion County.

County Assessor J. W. Hobart is pushing the work of listing the property in Marion county for purposes of taxation, and is making excellent progress. A dozen deputies are in the field, covering every section in Marion county, and in some cases they have nearly finished.

Mr. Hobart will soon begin his arrangements for preparing the rolls, and in that he will make a decided change from the custom followed in the past, when all property was listed according

to the names of the taxpayers, these being arranged alphabetically, and all property owned by a taxpayer on March 1st was grouped under his name. Mr. Hobart proposes to have an assessment roll consisting of three volumes. In one volume will be listed all the acreage property in the county, arranged numerically according to section, township and range, irrespective of ownership, although in each case ownership will be shown. The second volume will contain all town and city property, also arranged numerically. The third volume will be arranged alphabetically, and will contain all personal property.

Under this proposed arrangement, taxpayers will be enabled to settle the taxes due on different pieces of property owned by them, without paying the whole of the tax at one time. It will be a great advantage to purchasers of property which has been assessed to former owners; the purchaser being thus enabled to pay taxes on his own property, without being compelled to also pay on the realty and personal property owned by his grantor, as is the case now and has been in the past.

Exposure to a sudden climatic change produces cold in the head and catarrh is apt to follow. Provided with Ely's Cream Balm you are armed against Nasal Catarrh. Price 50 cents at Druggists, or Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York, will mail it. The Balm cures without pain. Does not irritate or cause sneezing. It spreads itself over an irritated and angry surface, relieving immediately the painful inflammation, cleanses and cures. Cream Balm quickly cures the cold.

RECEIVED SAD NEWS

R. L. Harris Informed of the Sudden Death of His Father—Left for Tillamook County.

R. L. Harris, foreman of the Statesman Job Office, received the sad intelligence at 10 o'clock last night, that his father, Edward B. Harris, had died suddenly at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, at his home in the Salmon river mountains, in Tillamook county, thirty miles beyond Willamina from which place the message was sent. Mr. Harris left at midnight for Willamina, where he expected to meet his brother at 5 o'clock this morning, and together they will journey to the parental home to be present when the last sad rites are performed over their deceased parent.

Mr. Harris was very much shocked by the receipt of the intelligence, as he was not aware that his father was ill, although he had been failing for several years, and had suffered a slight stroke of paralysis last fall. He has the sympathy of a large circle of warm friends in this city in his hour of sorrow and bereavement. The deceased was a man who had seen much of this world. Born in New York state on September 3, 1827, he early emigrated, going westward, and has ever lived the life of a pioneer. He lived successively in Illinois, Kansas, California and Oregon. He was a Mexican war veteran, having been with Scott's victorious army during the conflict with Mexico, and he went through the gold excitement in California. During the operation of the transcontinental rail, he served for a time as one of the riders in that famous corps, riding between Forts Laramie and Hall, where he achieved distinction. He located in Oregon in 1889 after a most active career.

Deceased leaves an aged widow, three sons and two daughters to mourn his demise. The remains will probably be given sepulchre near the family home in Tillamook county tomorrow.

A BRAKEMAN KILLED

THROWN UNDER A MOVING TRAIN NEAR ALBANY.

Ground to Pieces by the Wheels of a Freight Last Evening—Leaves a Considerable Family.

ALBANY, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—William Beeson, a brakeman on the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, was accidentally killed this evening by falling from a moving freight train. He was braking on the westbound train, due here at 5:45 p. m., and when a few miles from here, for some unknown cause, the train made a sudden stop, and Mr. Beeson was thrown between the cars and instantly killed. His body was ground to pieces, and both legs were cut off. An inquest has not been held.

Deceased leaves a wife and four children, one son being in Fresno, California. He is a member of the Order of Railway Conductors. Beeson had been employed by the C. & P. Co. for about a year and was a favorite among the employes.

TO THE ASYLUM.—Mrs. Dougherty, matron of the city jail in Portland, came up last night, having in charge Lena Lawrence, aged 16, committed to the asylum from Multnomah county. In sanity is hereditary in the girl's case. A woman giving her name as Ida May Vinger, was brought up yesterday by Sheriff J. J. Cooke, from Oregon City. She was found in a farmer's barn near Milwaukie, and could give no account of herself.

Shake Into Your Shoes 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.

General Funston is described as really a patient, amiable man, with nothing sanguinary about him except his style of fighting.

Flatulence is cured by BEE-CHAM'S PILLS.

TWO TICKETS

Bryan and Towne Named by the Fusion Populists

EXCITING TIMES IN SIOUX FALLS

Barker and Donnelly the Standard Bearers of the Middle-of-the-Roaders in Cincinnati.

SIOUX FALLS, S. Da., May 11.—The National Populist Convention concluded its session at 1 o'clock this (Friday) morning and adjourned sine die after nominating Hon. W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, for President, and Hon. Charles A. Towne, of Minnesota, for Vice President. The nomination of Towne was only accomplished after a struggle of several hours duration, in which an effort was made to have the question of nomination of a Vice Presidential candidate referred to committee to confer at National Conventions at Kansas City. A motion to this effect was defeated by a vote of 268 to 492. Both candidates were nominated by acclamation, but before the result was reached, various candidates were placed in nomination and their names successively withdrawn. Both nominations were accomplished amid scenes of the greatest enthusiasm.

A WILD SCENE.

SIOUX FALLS, S. Da., May 10.—During the discussion this evening, of a plan of a selecting Vice Presidential nominee, an incident occurred which threw the convention into an uproar and which, for a few moments, threatened to result in a free fight. Chairman Thomas F. Patterson announced that he had a package of letters for the South Dakota delegation. It was found on a chair and was possibly lost by some member of the delegation. Former Congressman John F. Kelly, of South Dakota, who had been clamoring for recognition all day, at once advanced and, with his voice shaking with anger, said:

"The South Dakota delegation is glad to receive this recognition from the chair for it is the only recognition it has received from you. You are a miserable bunco-steerer. You came into this convention with professions of good faith. You are not fit to preside over a Populist convention, and you never will again."

In an instant there was an uproar and cries of "Put him out" were heard. "I rise to a point of order," shouted Kelly. "I stand on my rights and you cannot bunco me out of them!"

Then turning toward the wildly shouting delegates he yelled: "I defy you. I defy you to put me out!" Pale with passion, he again turned toward Chairman Patterson and, pointing his finger at him, cried: "You, sir, are trying to gratify a petty spite, originating in today's conference."

"Amid cries of 'Put him out,' 'Shut up,' and 'Shame on you,' Kelly returned to his delegation, every member of which was standing on his feet. Finally the excited delegates quieted down somewhat for a moment. The chair desires to make an explanation," said Chairman Patterson. "I have honestly endeavored to let the convention hear from both sides in succession."

"I deny that as a falsehood," broke in Kelly, and again the convention became a perfect pandemonium. Several excited delegates stripped off their coats, ready for business, while a gray-bearded but brawny delegate ran toward Kelly. He was, however, stopped before he reached him.

BARKER AND DONNELLY.

Cincinnati, O., May 10.—For President Vice President—Ignatius Donnelly, of Minnesota. This is the ticket placed in the field today by what is commonly known as the Middle-of-the-Road Populist party, but which, according to the leaders of the movement, is the one and only People's party.

THE COMMITTEE.

Cincinnati, O., May 10.—The new National committee, selected by the Middle-of-the-Road Populists, includes the following: Idaho, Johannes Hanson; Oregon, S. K. Holt, J. L. Hill and J. E. Luce; Washington, C. E. Parker, E. T. Aiken and E. L. Oliver.

The National committee met tonight and organized as follows: Chairman, J. O. A. Parker, Louisville; Secretary, J. E. McBride, Grand Rapids; Treasurer, Milton Park, Dallas. Among the members of the National executive committee is J. K. Sears, of Oregon. It was decided to establish National headquarters in Chicago, at as early a date as practicable.

OFFICERS FOR MILITIA

G. O. Yoran, of Eugene, Colonel of Fourth Regiment—J. M. Poorman, Woodburn, Lieutenant Colonel.

PORTLAND, May 10.—The election of officers in the re-organized Oregon National Guard was held tonight with the following result: Third Regiment, Portland—Colonel, Edward Everett; lieutenant colonel, R. G. Jubitz; major, F. S. Kelly; Major, G. C. Von Egloffstein. Fourth Regiment in Willamette valley—colonel, G. O. Yoran, of Eugene; lieutenant colonel, J. M. Poorman, of Woodburn; major, J. L. May, of Ashland; major, R. H. Leabo, of Salem.

Separate battalion in Eastern Oregon—major, F. L. Mead.

FOR FAMINE SUFFERERS.

New York, May 10.—The steamer

Quito sailed today for Bombay, with 200,000 bushels of corn for the famine district.

GLASGOW'S PROFITABLE STREET RAILWAYS.

Some interesting figures have been published, showing the growth of the Glasgow tramway undertaking since it was taken over by the corporation. It is only five years and a half since the town council acquired the tramways and during that period the weekly drawings have risen from \$10,000 to between \$40,000 and \$45,000. In the first year of the corporation management the tramways carried 60,000,000 passengers. Last year they carried 110,000,000 passengers; or, in other words, they carried the whole population of Glasgow three times every week.

TO MAKE PROVISION

OREGON'S NATIONAL GUARD WILL BE ENTERTAINED HERE

Committee Appointed from Salem Chamber of Commerce to Arrange Various Details

The annual encampment of the Oregon National Guard, which had been conditionally secured for Salem, to be held at the state fair grounds, July 7-15, inclusive, is now positively assured. Every detail of the few requirements asked by Adjutant General C. U. Gantenbein for the comfort and convenience of the guardsmen, has been arranged for.

The board of directors of the Salem Chamber of Commerce yesterday held a meeting, when the proposition placed before that body by Adjutant General Gantenbein, relative to providing for the encampment, came up for discussion, a committee, consisting of W. G. Westcott, J. F. Hughes, F. W. Steufler, F. P. Falkington, and J. L. Lambirth, was appointed to solicit funds with which to provide what may be required to comfortably and regularly install the guardsmen in their temporary white-tented city.

Among the requirements that will have to be provided are: Free water, fuel, electric lights, flag pole, lumber for floors, hospital tents, headquarters tents and sinks, straw for soldiers' beds, scavenger service, etc. Secretary Thielsen yesterday wrote Adjutant General Gantenbein that the local Chamber of Commerce anticipated no difficulty in meeting all requirements and that the guard-men could consider that all arrangements incident to the coming encampment had been provided for.

SHE POINTED A GUN

A White Woman and a Colored Girl Engaged in a Scrap in Which the Caucasian Presents a Revolver.

A wordy scrap occurred in the neighborhood of Holmes hop yard, in this county on Wednesday afternoon. At least it is presumed it was a wordy combat for two women were engaged in the trouble which terminated in one producing a revolver.

The participants were Mrs. Minnie Ringwald and Josie Romer (colored). After a very heated altercation, the true character of which has not yet been ascertained, the Ringwald woman is alleged to have produced a revolver and caused her dusky-skinned antagonist to decamp. At any rate the case will be aired in the justice court.

Mrs. Ringwald was yesterday arrested by Constable D. C. Minto on a warrant charging her with "pointing a firearm (revolver) at another person." The case has been set for trial at 2 p. m. on Wednesday, the 16th inst.

Commodore Dewey Was Made Rear Admiral Two Years Ago Today.

BIFF, BANG, SNAP

Everything will move off today with a snap. We expect a busy day and will be prepared for it.

Suit Sale

They go like hot cakes at the special prices now quoted. Come today, sure, and you'll get plums.

Corset Sale Tomorrow

Our famous Welsley Corset. We ask you to compare it with 75c values shown by others. Our price

42c Saturday Only

Tonight..

At 6:30 o'clock, we will give the WORLD away. Try and come down and see how we do it. Bring your coupons, and if you happen to have the lucky one, you can ride home.

Two Fine Wheels

Given away tonight at our store.

Jos. Meyers & Sons

SALEM'S GREATEST STORE

You've Been Paying your neighbors' debts for years

Did you ever think of it that way? If you trade with a merchant doing a credit business, that's just what you do. He has unavoidable losses from bad accounts, but can't afford to stand the loss himself so adds an extra profit on the goods you buy.

The New York Racket

Does a strictly spot cash business and marks profits down to the lowest possible notch. That's why we sell honest goods at lower prices than other merchants can afford to sell at. We want you to come and examine our goods and prices. We know you will decide to join the great throng of customers who have found our store to be just what we represent it.

NEW YORK RACKET

Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store

A MAN SHOD

In a pair of our \$3.50 Shoes is well shod

His shoes will give him comfort and will answer every demand of hard service. Can we disturb you just a second; to examine our shoes, you ought to get a good look at them, they are great.

Lacy's SHOE STORE

94 STATE STREET

and Mrs. Ringwald has furnished bonds for her appearance.

WHAT ONE WOMAN THINKS.

The man who thinks he knows everything has the most to learn in life.

Neatness in woman is one of the most attractive qualities to a man.

One of the hardest things to forgive in this world is the success of your equal.

One of the most refreshing sights is the husband and wife who are still lovers.

To more than one young couple matrimonial ties become a very knotty problem.

Lots of women dress shabbily in the morning because no one will be around to see.

A wise woman never takes the world into her confidence about her troubles or her family affairs.

When you are tempted to complain of your lot in life, visit a hospital full of crippled children.

Imagination is that faculty which enables us to believe that the things we want and can't have are a great deal better off without.

FORCE OF HABIT.

The young woman who had called on the Rev. Dr. Fourthly in his study was in some degree of mind, relates the Chicago Tribune.

"I know this is not a confessional, doctor," she said, "but I want to tell you of one of my troubles. I am a stenographer and typewriter and when I attend service in your church I always find myself unconsciously taking down your prayers in shorthand. That, it seems to me, shows a shocking lack of devotional spirit, but I don't seem to be able to help it. Does it appear to you to be sinful, and if so what ought I to do to break myself of it?"

"My dear young friend," said the good pastor, "so long as there is nothing intentional in your apparent irreverence if you are really striving to fix your mind upon the service, I should say—what are you doing, if I may ask?"

"I beg your pardon, doctor, I was taking down your remarks in shorthand without knowing it."

THE WHEEL TAX.—Four hundred and twelve bicycle tags had been issued by Sheriff F. W. Durbin up to the hours of closing the office last evening, when the number should be at least 200 more. There are only six more days within which to register, when the bicycle tax will become delinquent. The sheriff proposes to push the collection of the tax to the utmost, as the money to be derived from it will be needed to improve the bicycle paths, and build new ones throughout the county. Wheelmen should not hang back, but should promptly pay the tax, fixed by law, and thus avoid the necessity of having the collection enforced.