# THE END NEAR

### The Transvaalers and Free Staters Have Separated

#### KROONSTADT IN ROBERTS' HANDS

The Federals Bewildered by the British Advances-Their Smokeless Powder Exhausted.

LONDON, May 13 .- (Sunday, 4:30) a. m.) - The situation at the seat of war teen feet, his best throw being 144 reet in South Africa is as satisfactory, from 21/2 inches. the British view point, as the most sangunine friend could have hoped a week ago. The occuration of Kroonstadt practically places the whole Orange Free State in British possession. It is evident, from Lord Roberts' last dispatch, that disentigration has commenc-

The Free Staters are scattering to their homes, while the Transvaalers have gone northward, declining to fight longer in the Orange Free State. What little resistance the former still are likely to make, seems to be centering at Lindley, whither President Steyn has transferred his seat of government. It is evident that that strategy of Lord Roberts and the rapidity of his advance have bewildered and disheartened the Box's. as their resistance since the British reached Zand river has been slight. The only point where they seriously attempted to check the advance seems to have been on the British bank, where they defended, with some vigor, two kopies which eventually were carried by the East Lancashires and Sussexes, the East Lancashires and Sussexes, the Boers finally retreating, leaving a group of gunners dead on top of one of the

The only point in the Free State, where the Boers seem in any force except at Lord Roberts' front, is on the outheast, where Generals Rundle, Campbell and Brabant are holding them in check, west of Ficksburg and Lady? brand, and are gradually pushing them back as well as effectually defeating all their efforts to break through and threaten Lord Roberts' communica-

Pretoria advices, via Lourenco Mari ques, state that the Boers' supply of smokeless powder sickhausted, and that all attempts to manufacture a fresh supply have been unsuccessful.

#### STEYN FLED.

London, May 12 .- President Steyn f'ed last evening, after vainly endeavoring to persuade the Burghers to conuse of them and then deserting. Many of the Free Staters have gone to their Kroonstadt, says:

The procession entering the town was headed by my bodyguard, all of whom foreign officers came the North Somer set Imperial Yeomanry, followed Pole-Carew's division, consisting of the Guards and the Eighteenth naval brigade, the Eighty-third, the Eighty-fourth and the Eighty-fifth batteries, two five inch guns, manned by the Royal Artil-lery company and the Twelith engineers, Yield of Italian Prunes Will Equal About The first of the force encamped around the town. Before leaving Kroonstadt President Steyn issued a proclamation, making Lindley the seat of government of the Free State. Generals Botha and Dewet accompanied the Transvaalers.'

### THEIR LAST CARD.

London, May 12.-The Boers seem to be on the eve of playing their last card, and according to many keen observers plate for a moment that Mr. Fischer the harvest is very unsatisfactory. and his companions will achieve sucwar in the Transvaal will be ended.

Most estimates concur in the agreeing that hostilities will have ceased by fune, when President Kruger learns' that the last country appealed to, namehelp, and that he has no alternative in victoriously sweeping into his territory, but to sue for peace. What Great Britain's answer to that request will be was unmistakably defined by Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, at Birmingham, yesterday, when he declared that the Boer republics must become crown colonies whose initial stage of organization will be controlled fruit by the military administration.

By agreeing to these terms President Kruger must, of course, give up all for which he has been fighting. But, on the other hand, now that the terms have generally are largely a failure. been so emphatically annunciated, they must either be granted or England wil stand defeated. The latter alternative. however, does not enter England's category of possibilities. Her people are firmly convinced that Lord Roberts will steadily advance, perhaps with delays and losses of dare-devil units, and, possibly, without inflicting a crush-mg defeat until he occupies the Transvaal. His forward progress, they believe, will be stopped only when President Kruger, learning of the failure of Fischer's mission, asks for peace.

### AN AMERICAN POSTOFFICE.

Washington, May 12 .- The first letter mailed at the United States postoffice at the Paris Exposition was addressed to President McKinley by Commissioner General Peck. A complete postoffice under the direction of the Postmaster General of the United States, is now in full operation in the National Pavilion. Established in this building is located, in addition to the postoffice, an official bureau of information for the benefit of all American people, also an American Chamber of Commerce organized in

WAS OVERWORKED.

today. gave himself up. When questioned he said:

"I did it. Why the white signal remained in place I do not know, but it was there and the train went through as usual. I was asleep or dozing, and why, I cannot say, except that I feel myself overworked; but I am ready to stand the censure and take what comes to me. I have no excuse to offer."

#### HARVARD ATHLETES.

Defeat Yale by Many Points-A Won-derful Record Made.

Cambridge, Mass., May 12.-The Harvard athletes upheld well the position of their college today, in the dual games with Yale. winning so easily that the final result stood 621/2 against Yale's 41 /2 points. Boal broke the record in hammer throwing by four-

#### THE YUKON OPEN.

Victoria, B. C., May 12.—The steam-er Amur arrived this afternoon from Skagway. She brings the news that the Yukon river opened at Dawson on the morning of May 8th, and steamers are now running regularly from Lake Lebarge through,

#### TWO TOWNS OCCUPIED.

Manila. May 13 .- The town of Hilongos and Maasin, in Leyte, have been occupied by the troops of the Fortyhird regiment. The enemy opposed the landing of the troops and their losses were heavy. There were three Amercan casualties.

#### STRIKERS ARE ENJOINED

SWEEPING ORDER MADE BY A FEDERAL JUDGE.

KANSAS CITY, May 12 .- The fedcral authorities found aileged cause to interfering, this evening, in the street car strike, inaugurated this morning, by the union employes of the Metropolitar Street Railway Co. Judge William C. Hook, of Leavenworth, sitting in Kansas City, issued, from the United States district court tonight, an injunction that s more absolute and sweeping in its erms than any injunction ever before ecured in this district in a contention etween labor and capital.

The injunction is made absolute for a week, the matter being set for hearing Saturday next, and if its restrictions shall be observed by the strikers, th. Metropolitan Company has its fight won, for the strikers' hands are tied in even days, and in the meantime the Metropolitan Company can go about a reorganization of its disrupted forces The injunction restrains twenty-four time opposition. The Transvaalers persons, whose names are given, and all said they could no longer fight on others, from in any manner, directly or Orange Free State soil, and made off indirectly, stopping or interfering with the running of cars on the lines of the production of hops by restricting the A LETTER FROM HON. THOS. for the Vaal river. The Free Staters the running of cars on the lines of the production of hops by restricting the accused the Transvaalers of having made. Metropolitan Company; and enjoins acreage, and to take general charge of them from harassing, assaulting or in any manner interfering with any perhomes. Lord Roberts, in telegraphing son who may be in the employ of the the war office, regarding his entry into company, as he goes to or from his work.

### were Colonials, and after my staff and WILL BE GOOD CROP

DESPITE THE GLOOMY OUTLOOK WILL BE PLENTY OF FRUIT

One Quarter of the Average Crop -Other Varieties

(From Daily Statesman, May 13.) While there will not be by any means a full crop of fruit in the Willamette valley this year as a consequence of the late frosts and unseasonable rains, there

will be no such failure as that of last in England it is being played, not in year which was unquestionably the most South Airica but in the United States, disastrous ever experienced by Oregon's through the medium of the Boer dele- fruit growers. As a rule, orchardists gates who sailed for New York from become unnecessarily alarmed and make Kotterdam last week. As the bulk of the extent of the damage done and the the British opinion does not contem- prospective yield and the result is that be carried out successfully if growers were not included in that law, I have

"The time has come when growers cess, it is only natural that serious are enabled to make a fair estimate rethought is not confidently devoted to a garding the prospect for the Italian prognostication of the date when the prune crop remarked an extensive and conservative grower, yesterday after noon. "While in some localities the earlier estimate as set forth by Statesman, have proved to be better than expected, still if considered from ly, the United States, will afford no the standpoint of the state at large or as a commercial proposition, it is believed the face of the overwhelming force now today by those in a position to know that from 1/4 to 1-3 of a normal crop of Italian prunes would cover the situation, The Red Hills south of Salem in and about Liberty and Rosedale seem to have been specially favored, in many cases 34 of a crop being now in sight, However, in these sections there are many orchards which show little or no

> "The reports from Dallas, the Red Hills, of Polk county, the Waldo Hills, Scotts Mills, and Silverton all indicate more or less fruit while the bottom lands

The Petite variety, also, in places, it showing a disposition to drop heavily, though so far not seriously as there has been such an abundance of blossoms that if 1/2 of the fruit dropped there would still be plenty left.

"In many localities the frost killed the pears outright. It is not, however, there Oregon will experience a fruit famine this year. We have a vast acreage now in full bearing of nearly all the varieties of fruit that can be grown successfully in this climate and through conditions vary widely and many depressing reports are only too true, still, there is no variety of fruit entirely wiped out, and as the harvest season draws near, there is no doubt but that the aggregate yield of the fruit products harvested will be worthy the industry. Even though the Italian prunes make

but 1/4 of a crop, this means a large amount of fruit when cured and collected for the markets. "Cherries and apples are also dropping off to some extent but there will

still be a good crop of those fruits." JAPANESE TOY FROG.

Made Out of Paper.

The little folks in Japan make some

Lamtell Tower, the operator of the is more interesting than the frog man-Baltimore & Ohio Railway, who caused ulactured out of green paper. First cut Baltimore & Ohio Railway, who caused ufactured out of green paper. First cat a wreck which resulted in seven deaths a piece of paper into a square much larger than you expect the frog to be. Draw lines from the corners of the square and from the middle of the sides. First fold the paper along the diagonal lines, then turn it over on Murder and Suicide Follow a Monthe other side and fold it along the lines from the sides. It will then form a kind of box which can be pressed together along the folds in the shape of an unequal diamond. Now seizing the paper below the ends of the cones, A FOOTBALL PLAYERS AWFUL DEED fold it backward so as to have two more regular equal points. When this has been done to each of the eight cones the result will be a perfect diamond in the centre. Then each one of the cones Shot a Man and Wife, Killing the must be folded again so as to get all the points around the centre. Care must be taken to get the points as even and equal as possible.

To finish the frog turn the upper points out so that they spread and form the forelegs, and the lower points so that they form the hind legs. When it is finished a fine thread may be attached to the irog's body, and by careful jerks it almost seems to leap around on the floor or table. The paper used should be stiff enough to re-Do not be discouraged if the first frog you make is lame, for then it is certain that the points have not been folded evenly.

## SALES OF A WEEK

HOP GROWERS ASSOCIATION SOLD 760 BALES.

California Growers Take Preliminary Steps Toward Regulating the Question of Over-Production.

(From Daily Statesman, May 13.) Manager James Winstanley, of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association, yesterday reported that during the past week the association had made the sale of 760 bales of hops, at prices that were satisfactory to the schedule of quotations fixed by the association.

California hop growers have taken preliminary steps towards effecting an organization that is to be made in all the production to the legitimate de-Sacramento held a meeting last Saturday and a marked copy of the Record-Union, of Sacramento, of Sunday, the 6th inst., and containing an account of the meeting, was yesterday received by the managers of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association. In part the account was as follows:

"The meeting of the hop growers called for yesterday at Cavanaugh's Hall, though fairly well attended, was not as large as had been desired. The meeting was called for the purpose of formulating a plan for the organization of an association that will regulate the the industry, not only in this state, but in all the hop-growing states of the Union,

"A general discussion was had as to Plain Statement of the Condition of the advantages of forming an association to regulate the production and prices of hops, and nearly all present took occasion to express their views. Everyone favored the idea.

Letters from a large number of Oregon growers to Mr. Brewer-the originator of the proposition-were read and the writers all heartily approved his idea.

'Mr. Brewer said that all that could be done this year would be for the California growers to soon come together, organize an association and get it into working order. The growers in other states could then take it up and soon all could have associations working in harmony.

'The hop growers have it in their power, said Mr. Brewer, 'to so regulate the production as to cause hops to bring a reasonable and paying price in the market. It is simply a question of demand and supply. We know what the demand is-to cut down our acreage and regulate the supply accordingwill only get together and agree what

"The following resolution was adopted by manimous vote of the meeting: "Resolved, that it is the sense of the hop growers now assembled in convention at Sacramento, May 5, 1900, that an association be formed by the hop growers of California, to co-operate with the growers of other states, to the end that the hop-growing industry, may be fostered and improved.

'Respired, that we are ready and willing to abide by the rules and regulations of an association to be hereafter formed, which will have for its main purpose the reduction of the surplus of

ops produced in the United States.' "After some further discussion it was decided to call a convention of the hop growers of the state for the purpose considering this and other matters interest to those engaged in that in-

"The next meeting will be held in Cavanaugh's Hall on Wednesday, May 16th, for the purpose of organization. "Also speaking of the meeting, one of the prominent hop growers of Sacramento said: 'The need of organiza-

tion in the hop growing industry is too well known to admit of discussion. It is a well known fact that in prosperfrom these reports to be inferred that our seasons there is an overplus of hops, many individuals become heavy fosers. All hop growers have at some time or tlers in other localities, and to perform other experienced this, and in conse- duties that the government ought to quence we are all more than willing to have performed, and which is shameoin in fostering any legitimate scheme lessly neglected. that will assure us against this loss,

> just prior to the picking season. If the justice of the bill. They would be fruhschoppen for them in Bucharest. this amount exceeds the demand, the ready, I think, to report it and pass it Executive Committee will visit each if it was believed that the bill could a yard and will cut out such a percentage fairly be passed at the present session. of the acreage of each grower for non- Democratic hostility two years ago picking as will leave simply a sufficiency to meet the demand.

"'All the growers in the state will be treated alike, and every grower will An Amusing Device That May Be be expected to sign our agreement and abide by our rules in this respect."

Philadelphia, Pa., May 12.-Frank very interesting paper toys, and none Fine printing. Statesman Job Office.

tana Divorce Case

Former and Seriously Wounding the Latter in Butte.

BUTTE, Mont., May 12.-Charles Paustien, aged about 30 years, a blacksmith helper and a football player and a well-known athlete, this afternoon shot and killed Alexander Tate, manager of tain the folds as given to it, but not so ly wounded Mrs. Alexander Tate, and tice these veterans have suffered years any recognition when the badges are brittle as to break under the handling, when the police went to find him, he and years ago. They were abandoned given out, the use of the words "\$100,was lying dead in his room, with a mitted suicide.

Paustien was married to his wife at Vancouver three years ago. She sued for a divorce on the ground of cruelty. This afternoon the decree was granted. Within a few hours Paustien armed himself with a revolver and started for the home of the Tates. The Tates had been in town, and when they drove to their home in their buggy, Paustien was waiting for them. As they alighted. Paustien walked up to them and exclaiming "You are responsible for the separation of me and my wife," began Southern Pacific to Build a firing. The first shot struck Tate in the forehead and he fell dead. He show Mrs. Tate twice, and thinking he had killed her, started away. He was found dead in his room in the Steele block.

LOCAL MEN WON.

Washington School Books to Be Pub lished at Home.

Seattle, Wash., May 12.-The figh betwen local and Eastern publishers as to which should supply the text of the hop growing districts of this books for Washington, has resulted in country for the purpose of restricting a victory for the former and the union men. The State Board of Education mand. The growers of the vicinity of adjourned this afternoon, at Olympia. after awarding the contract for the bulk of the books to the Westland Publishing Co., of this state.

The latter have secured enough work to keep them running on full time from now on to the opening of the school year in September. The series of readers go to Eastern men, as they are to be brought out by union labor.

H. TONGUE.

the Measure Which Should be Made a Law for the Benefit of the Veterans in this Section of the United States.

Following is a letter written to a Douglas county man, and published in the current issue of the Roseburg timber from Oregon to Old and New Plaindealer:

Washington, D. C., May 2, 1900.-Isaac V. Mossman, Esq., Roseburg, Oregon.-My Dear Sir: Yours of the 15th inst. has just been received. Permit me to state briefly the present situation of the Indian war pension bill. You will perhaps remember that in country upon the completion of the 1893. the original law was passed road, most of the timber land now being which this present bill seeks to amend. That law provided for granting a pension to the veterans of the Black Hawk war, Seminole war, and several other a site for a mill on the bay. Other It is a simple proposition and can Indian wars. Why the Oregon wars not been able to ascertain. At the last Salem direct connection with a deep-Congress Senator McBride introduced water harbor, with the construction of one in the House, to amend the laws fill up the gap between this city and of 1892, so as to grant the same pen- Derry, in Polk county-in fact, with

ate, as it had done in the previous Congress, but met with decided oppospeaker. When I began to look into the matter and came to Congress it was any real merit in it. All seemed road. to labor under the impression that the Indian wars of Oregon were something PECULIAR AND PERTINENT. like those of a later day, small neighborhood affairs, lasting but a few days, and that they were in defence of large valuable farms, which the gov- lages on the banks. The first boat ernment had given to the early settlers already on the way. without money and without price. One made. I have succeeded in convincing the speaker of the House, or rather both speakers, and the members of the committee, that the bill has real merit. The markets are flooded and stead of defending their own homes. went hundreds of miles to defend set-

was so marked that the Democrats refused to give unanimous consent for any other subject, nor is it usual to burg Chronicle-Telegraph. refuse such request to any member of

would make it extremely odious. The was neglecting its opportunities and question now is whether there is any deserved to lose it."-Washington Star. way to prevent such a catastrophe. am hoping to be able to procure the consent of both sides of the House, class of amendments. That cannot be ing such a result. What the outcome will be it is impossible for me to definitely say. The nearness of the elecmake the Democrats extremely anxextremely obnoxious through the character of the amendments that may be

attached to it. I am thoroughly convinced of the a butchering concern here, and serious of delay is a continuation of the injus- which will deprive them probably of when the police went to find him, he and years ago. They were abandoned given out, the use of the words "\$100.to the mercy of the savage in the early ooo giraranteed" in gold and silver letpistol wound in his head, having com- days of Oregon, and the injustice ought ters. to be condoned.

Assuring you that I shall do everything in my power to secure the passage of the bill at the very earliest moment. I am.

Truly and sincerely yours, THOS. H. TONGUE.

# ROAD TO THE SEA

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Wonderful Resources of That Section to be Developed-Low Pass Through Coast Rauge

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.-If is stated that a communication has been ent to the Chamber of Commerce of Portland to the effect that the Southern Pacific wilf build a branch line 35 miles ong between Sheridan, on the Shasia route, and Tillamook, provided proper inducements, such as free rights of way. are given the company:

The above, is indicated in a dispatch rom San Francisco. The proposed ne is more than thirty-five miles long. would run through the Grand Ronde lley and through the pass in the Coast Range mountains a little to the nor. if the wagon road, at a point where the elevation is not more than 600 feet above sea level. It is likely that there would be no necessity of tunneling, or, if any ti unels were required, they would be short ones. The line would then pass down the Nestucea river to within ten to a dozen miles of the ocean. Turning north it would pursue a course almost direct to Tillamook City, over a country nearly level. It would open up a very rich farming and dairying country and it would place in reach of the mar kets billions of icet of timbers-some of the very finest scanding timber in America-consisting of fir, spruce, hem cek and cedar. Probably the fines body of spruce on the coast is tributary

to Tillamook bay. The Southern I'. cific has been hauling a vast amount of Mexico, Southern California, Nevada, Texas, and the other timberless regions Roseburg. through which its lines run. Its branch Tillamook would give it the haul" on a body of timber that it wil take many years to saw up, though, no doubt, large mills will go into that owned by the lumber syndicates of Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. One of these syndicates owns about 40, ooo acres of fine timber besides having

syndicates own still larger tracts. The building of this road would give a bill in the Senate, and I introduced only about nine miles of railroad to sions to the survivors of the Indian three deep-water harbors, because the wars of Oregon and Washington, and line would probably not stop long at some other wars throughout the Unit- Tillamook bay but would be extended ed States, as was given to the surviv- to Nehalem and Astoria, the former only ors of the Indian wars named in the about ten miles from Tillamook bay, law of 1892. The bill passed the Sen- and the latter about fifty miles. It will béhoove Portlant people, as well those of the whole Willamette valley, sition in the House at the hands of the to assist in every possible way in the consummation of this enterprise, for most of the trade of the rich Tillamook country now goes to San Francisco by seemed impossible to convince Speaker boat. It is already a rich field for trade Reed, or the members of the committee and its commerce would be increased a having charge of the bill, that there hundred-fold by the construction of the

Steamboats are to be put on the Dead sea for traffic between the vil-

Smuggled tobacco confiscated by the marked advantage, at least, has been British custom authorities was formerly burned in the huge furnace known as the queen's pipe, but for some years past this has not been done. Instead, the tobacco is sent to the criminal lu-That these Indian war veterans, in natic asylums for the benefit of the inmates.

German stadents are returning to the mediaeval notion of wandering about the world. The modern Goliards, however, are personally conducted and Address. SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (Inc.) Chicago know beforehand precisely what their (SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. are to I have further convinced them that journeys will cost them. Last year "We know there is a market but instead of the government giving to the they visited Italy; this spring 1500 of for so many pounds of hops and we early settlers of Oregon valuable farms, them will go to Constantinople and propose to keep our organization in that the early settlers of Oregon gave to Asia Minor. On the way they will formed as to the number of bales of that state to the government and to fraternize with the Roumanian univerhops each producer has on his vines the Flag. They are satisfied now with sity students, who are preparing a big

### CHUNKS.

"How do you suppose Mr. Quay felt when he heard the result of the vote in me to address the House on this bill the Senate? asked the observant boardbefore the committee had reported. I er. "I suppose he felt put out," rehave not had such a request refused on plied the cross-eyed boarder.-Pitts-

come before the House, there would be an effort to attach to it important and serious amendments that would are going to get out of that island I'm either force the deleat of the bill, or more convinced than ever that Spain

The Committee of Arrangements of the Republican National Convention and if the bill is reported, and brought has determined upon the issuance-as up for action, it will not be attacked soon as the guarantee fund, still short, by any attempts to load it with this is subscribed-of 9,000 badges to be worn on June 19th and done unless Democrats consent to it as days by persons entitled, as delegates well as Republicans. I am doing ev- or alternates, to admission to the conerything I can looking towards secur- vention. The form and character of ornamentation of these badges will probably be left to the determination of the Republican National Committee tion, and especially the nearness of the a plan which meets with less favor election in Oregon, will, it is feared, than might otherwise be expected from some of the ardent Philadelphians ious to take such a course as will de-feat the bill, or will make its passage bellishment for the convention badges a bird's eye view of Schuylkill river with a view of Independence Hall in the distance. Other Philadelphians incline to support as more desirable a justice of this bill, and am extremely bird's use view of the Delaware from anxious that it should pass. It ought Camden, while some jocose persons to have passed years ago. Every hour have suggested, in a spirit of levity

> The long disputed boundary guestion between Tennessee and Virginia, which has been going on for minety years and is ascribed by some persons to the reluctant of some Virginiaus to continue in Tennessee and by others to the insistence of these Virginians now in Tennessee to be incorporated in Virginia, has reached the United States Supreme Court and on behalf of Tennessee, Attorney-General Pickle, has filed a brief. The controversy turns on the interpretation of the survey in 1801.

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