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BRITISH FORCES AT KIMBERLEY

The City Will Probably be Delivered Very Soon.

THE WHEREABOUTS OF CRONJE'S FORCES IS UNKNOWN

Boers Leaving Magerfontein to Reinforce Other Places --French's Arrival Greeted With Cheers

By Associated Press in the Journal London, Feb. 16.—While there is tremendous satisfaction and jubilation at Lord Roberts' and General French's success, those best suited to judge are inclined to the opinion that the news had better be regarded as assuring, rather than as accomplishing the relief of Kimberley.

Kimberley can scarcely be termed relieved until it is feasible to take provisions through. The rapidity of French's march indicates that he is unable to do this.

The remarkable feature of Roberts' scenic cablegram is that it dated Jacobsdal which was Cronje's advance base of supplies, yet there is no word explaining the British commanders' presence there.

Had Roberts inflicted a decisive defeat upon the Boers it is believed he would have mentioned it.

However, French's entry into Kimberley had been effected, and doubtless brings joy to the hearts of those who have been shut up in the city.

What has happened to Cronje and the whereabouts of his forces puzzles the experts.

A dispatch from Cape Town, dated the 14th, says:

The Boers are leaving Magerfontein to reinforce other positions. Between 7,000 and 10,000 men remain here. Roberts' wide turning movement in Jacobsdal, may have cut off these troops from Bloemfontein, but there is a parallel Boer column, trying to cut off the British from De Aar, and it is apparently meeting with some success.

The news of French's entry into Kimberley was received on stock exchange here with rousing cheers. There is no further word from Buller, and nothing startling is expected to occur in Natal in the immediate future.

SOME NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

London, Feb. 16.—A telegram from Portsmouth says the admiralty inquiries have resulted in the assurance that 47 additional battleships, cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers could forthwith hoist the pennant. The admiralty has ordered the ships in fleet reserve at Portsmouth to be fully crewed and ready for sea.

ROBERTS WINS ANOTHER FIGHT

Riet River, Feb. 16 (Wednesday).—General French, with a cavalry division and a strong artillery detachment, left Sunday morning for Rambah, where

the whole division concentrated the next day. He made a rapid march to Riet river, where a party of Boers contested his passage at Dekil and Waterfalls Drifts. French drove the Boers away and crossed the river.

Yesterday (Tuesday) the column continued to march to Klip and Rondav Drifts on the Modder river, where a short engagement ensued, French shelling vigorously and forcing a passage. The Boers retired, leaving five laagers in the hands of the British, besides a great quantity of cattle and 2,000 sheep. The rapidity of French's march and the overwhelming nature of his force enabled him to thoroughly outwit and surprise the Boers. The British casualties were slight.

CONDITIONS AT LADYSMITH.

By Associated Press in the Journal London, Feb. 16.—A correspondent of the Associated Press at Ladysmith, from which place he escaped February 10, says:

"Every one capable of shouldering a rifle is confident in our ability to hold the town against any force the Boers are capable of putting in the field, but the continued use of horse and mule flesh is getting somewhat monotonous, although the health of the camp is better than could be expected.

"Enteric fever and dysentery are abating. The scarcity of vegetables is very trying to the troops, and they are luxuriating beyond the means of the majority.

Telegrams for Kimberley. New York, Feb. 16.—The Commercial Cable Company sent out the following notice:

"Telegrams can now be accepted for Kimberley, South Africa."

BRITISH GAINS AT JACOBSDAL.

Outside Jacobsdal, in Orange Free State, Thursday.—Jacobsdal is now in possession of the British. Yesterday a small cavalry patrol entered the place and found it full of wounded, including several British from Rensburg.

The place was occupied by only a small force, which fell back before the patrol.

Early this morning a large force of Boers from Colesburg, with ten guns attacked a convoy of 200 wagons at Riet river, but a strong reinforcement was sent hence, and it is hoped will bring in the whole convoy in safety. French today moved rapidly in the direction of Kimberley. The Boers have left Alexander's Fountain which the British occupy.

ADVANCE ON BLOEMFONTEIN.

London, Feb. 16.—As General Cronje's communications with Bloemfontein have been cut, England would like to hear that he elects to give battle among

LITTLE TELEGRAMS.

Rev. Francis M. Bincock, a pioneer of Presbyterianism in the west, died at Los Angeles yesterday.

The Russian government will place on sale in this country \$10,000,000 railway bonds soon.

A Card. Mrs. I. E. Bennet desires to thank her neighbors and friends for their kindness and assistance during her late bereavement.

FRUIT CROP NOT HURT The Cold Snap Will Not Perceptibly Damage the Prospects. The past two nights the mercury has dropped from 10 to 15 degrees below freezing, and some fears are expressed

as to the possibility of fruit trees being injured. The best informed claim that so far no damage has been done, and that the frosts will probably be a benefit if nothing worse shows up. It is moderating this afternoon. No damage to the plum trees so far.

More Citizens. Henry H. Miering, a native of Prussia; John A. Ditter, Germany; Herman S. Gile, Canada; Axel Haagensoen, Norway; have been admitted to citizenship.

CITY HALL INSURANCE Will Be Divided Among 25 Agents, Each Gets Part of the \$16,000. Recorder Judah this morning turned over to Chairman Griswold of the Ways and Means Committee, a list of the insurance companies doing business in this city, as shown by the records of his office.

This is to enable Chairman Griswold to distribute the insurance on the city hall equally among all the agents in accordance with the instructions of the council. The list comprises 26 names, as follows: E. F. Parkhurst, Miss A. McCulloch, Ed N. Eds, W. A. Moore, C. A. Park, J. M. Payne, J. G. Wright, G. M. Reeler Agency, C. D. Gabrielson, G. I. Stahl & Co., Boise & Barker, H. S. Gile & Co., C. M. Lockwood, Thomas, Watt & Co., P. H. Sroat, Gilbert Brothers, John Moir, Frank Davey, A. W. Prescott, Benj. Irving, Eugene Willis, C. F. Martin, H. B. Thielson, J. W. Cox, J. W. Roland, Bosworth Brothers.

The amount of the insurance to be placed is \$16,000, and Recorder Judah has chosen down the relative fractions until he has figured out that each agent will get \$615.385. This will give the city \$16,000.01 on the building, but the premium on the odd cent won't cost

THE POPLIST CENTRAL COMMITTEE Marion County Organization in Session Today With Small Attendance.

The Populist central committee for Marion county is in session this afternoon in the police court at the city hall. Comparatively few of the committee-men were on hand when the meeting was called to order by Chairman Weeks at half past one o'clock. The prevailing cold weather was cited as the reason of this, and there is no doubt that there are many cases of "cold feet" among the populists when they view the situation of their party organization in this country.

There is a great difference of opinion among the populists on the question of fusion, though there is not much indication that fusion will be a living issue so far as county affairs are concerned.

Previous to the meeting today the committeemen claimed that nothing of great importance would be done today; that another adjourned meeting would be held later.

The latest report from the meeting was that R. R. Ryan was trying to find out what became of the woman suffrage resolution which he put through at the meeting of the committee a month ago, but which fails to show up on the records.

KENSBERG EVACUATED

ARCADE, Feb. 14. (Wednesday).—General Clements withdrew from Rensburg during the night, his rear guard arriving at Arcade early this morning. The Boers promptly followed, reoccupying their old position on the Taisbosch hills, when they have been shelling the British cavalry patrols, but ineffectually. The British guns returned the fire, making fairly accurate practice.

Kimberley Freed. LONDON, Feb. 16.—The war office announces that General French reached Kimberley Thursday evening.

Following is Lord Roberts' message to the war office: "Jacobsdal, Feb. 16.—French, with a force of artillery, cavalry and mounted infantry, reached Kimberley this (Thursday) evening.

SOLDIERS MURDERED

Three Massachusetts Boys are Victims of Filipinos

By Associated Press in the Journal. Boston, Feb. 16.—A dispatch to the Globe from Ilo Ilo says: "Three Massachusetts soldiers of the Twenty-sixth regiment, Dennis Hayes, Wm. Dugan and Michael Tracey, who remained behind the column at Baliuag last November, were captured by the insurgents and cruelly tortured and murdered in the public plaza at Baliuag."

MOLINEUX SENTENCED

He Says the "Yellow Journals" Set a Price On His Head

By Associated Press in the Journal. New York, Feb. 16.—Roland B. Molineux was today sentenced to die during the week of March 20th, for the murder of Mrs. Adams. He made a statement, asserting that he had not been fairly convicted, and that the "yellow journals" had put a price upon his head.

THE POPLIST CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Nothing exciting in Judge Burnett's Department Today.

The case of Amos Strong vs. Westcott & Irwin was concluded Thursday afternoon and the jury brought in a sealed verdict at 8 p. m. The suit was for \$170 alleged to be due, of which claim the defendants acknowledged \$10. The verdict of the jury when opened this morning was found to be for \$20, in favor of the plaintiff, which also throws the costs on the defendant.

The case of S. B. Ormsby vs. Geo. Howe, appealed from justice court was concluded this forenoon. When the evidence was all in, respondents counsel moved for a non-suit, which was granted. There were two of these cases, in which S. B. Ormsby was plaintiff and George Howe and Percy Brown, respectively, were defendants. Each was awarded a few dollars' worth of hay, and each was decided in favor of defendant, by Justice of the Peace Johnson, and plaintiff then appealed them to circuit court. It is said that the costs amount to about \$300.

The case of W. T. Jenks, plaintiff, vs. O. C. and L. L. Reeves, defendants, an action for money has been settled out of court.

PERSONALS Misses Shelton and Brown, give their piano and violin recital Wednesday evening, February 21, at the Congregational church. Tickets 15c. At Will's Music store.

Mrs. N. H. Looney and daughter returned home today, after taking in the Susan B. Anthony banquet.

Mrs. G. I. Stahl, of the reform school, was a banqueter last evening.

J. P. Rogers was a business visitor at Turner to day.

F. Friedman was in Gervais on business today.

PHILIPPINE POLICY

Resolution of the Senate Calls Forth Criticism.

A STABLE GOVERNMENT FOR PUERTO RICO ASKED FOR

The Matter Will Be Taken Up When Hawaiian Bill is Disposed Of

By Associated Press in the Journal. Bacon's resolution declining the policy of the United States towards the Philippines was laid before the senate, and McEnery spoke thereon. He declared that it would have been well if Dewey had sailed away from Manila after the famous victory and left the Filipinos and Spaniards to fight out their differences.

PORTO RICO GOVERNMENT By Associated Press in the Journal. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Republican caucus of the senate today decided to take up the bill providing a government for Puerto Rico after the disposal of the Hawaiian bill.

A CURRENCY CONFERENCE

By Associated Press in the Journal. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—When Mr. Bennett, secretary of the senate, announced the passage of the currency bill by the senate, Overstreet asked unanimous consent that she senate amendments be disagreed to, and that the house agree to a conference. It was ordered.

KENTUCKY IN STATU QUO.

By Associated Press in the Journal. FRANKFORT, Feb. 16.—Nothing was done in the case of Beckham against Taylor and Marshall, before Judge Cantrell today, at Georgetown. Everything is laid over until next Wednesday.

EXTRA PAY VOTED DOWN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The senate committee on military affairs has decided to report adversely the bill introduced by Senator Turner, giving travel pay and commutation of subsistence to the officers and soldiers of the volunteer army who served in the Philippines beyond the termination of the Spanish war, and afterward were transported to the United States and mustered out in this country. The committee was informed that about \$7,000,000 would be required to make the payments provided for by the bill.

NO ALLIANCE IS ADMITTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The statement of Earl Rosebery that in December overtures were made to the United States for alliance is not substantiated here. Officials of the administration are at a loss to understand the report, and express the opinion that some mistake has occurred.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Lord Rosebery's statement in parliament yesterday that last December the British government made successful overtures to the United States and Germany for an alliance caused the greatest surprise among the state department officials, and they do not hesitate privately to assert absolute ignorance of any overtures of the kind described. Officials here intimate that Lord Rosebery is not in a position to speak by card as to what took place in matters as important as this.

FOUR OF THEM

Petty Burglaries in Three Different Parts of the City. The business of petty burglary seems to be flourishing in this city just at present. Four places were broken into last night, but no great amount of plunder was secured.

The Epley grocery store on East State street was entered by breaking out a large light from a window. Some pennies were taken from the till, but nothing else has been missed.

The Crystal Ice Works across the street from Epley's was also broken into in the same way and the same kind of a haul was made.

Jack West's butcher shop in Yew Park was entered, but nothing of value was lost. Happy Jack says his beef was too tough for them.

Not to be partial to any particular line of business the night prowlers also made a raid on the blacksmith shop on Liberty street in North Salem. Here some tools were taken, a brace and bit, some chisels and a large knife.

The number of holes and transients around town lately is responsible for the prevalence of this description of sneak thievery. It is a safe prophecy that our police force will make a haul among these gentry ere long that act as a wet blanket on their industry.

TEACHING IMMORALITY.

A Word About the Popaganda of the Mormons in Our City. A few ignorant men have been running through the streets of Salem for some time, calling at every house in the city. They represent the Mormon community, that unchristian organization of polygamists. But nevertheless they call themselves "Ministers of the Gospel" and members of "The Church of Jesus Christ." That is a fraud, a fraud as big as there ever was. The respect of the Bible of the Christians does not teach the had doctrines of the Mormons, and Jesus Christ, He whom the whole Christian world confesses, does not confess Himself to the disciples of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. Nobody who is really informed about Mormonism would give the Christian name to the followers of that religious humbug. Well, Mormons claim to be misrepresented, but that is laughable. History proves that. Only ignorant people could deny historical facts. The reputation of Mormons has been bad in the whole civilized world ever since 1830, when they organized themselves, until today, when Brigham H. Roberts, the polygamist, could not become a member of the congress of our beloved country. The religious system of Mormonism is just like a "crazy quilt," because it contains a collection of contradictory doctrines of Mohammedanism, Persian Dualism, Buddhism, Polytheism and Materialism. That is a little of everything and not much of anything—at least nothing of Christianity.

It is an insult to every moral person, especially to every honorable lady, to have Mormon apostles try to conduct a propaganda in a civilized and Christian city like Salem.

Blessed be the day when the Mormons shake off from their feet the dust of our city!

ADOLPH ERBE, Evangelical Lutheran Pastor.

SALEM COOKING SCHOOL.

Programs of This Institution for Saturday This Week. At 9:30 a. m. Misses class to which 40 girls over 12 are invited. Miss Morry will superintend and the girls do the work. This class will be entertaining and beneficial to the girls. Admission 25c.

At 2 p. m. will be the last of the regular course of lessons. Admission to this 50c.

At 7 p. m. there will be a special lesson to which all are invited. This lesson will be in the form of a luncheon which will be prepared in the class by the ladies under the direction of Miss Morry, who will then serve it and give instruction in general serving. Each lady will please bring a soup plate, a salad plate, a silver cup, a fork, a spoon and teaspoon. Admission 25c.

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WHEAT MARKET.

SALE OF WHEAT. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.—Cash 101 1/2. CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—May 98 1/2, Cash 71 1/2.