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## ANOTHER SUICIDE ATTEMPTED.

## By George W. Justice-This Time in Marietta, Ga.

A Marietta, Ga., despatch of January 1 to the Atlanta Journal says:

"George W. Justice, who made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide here recently by swallowing an overdose of laudanum, made another attempt to take his life Saturday night by hanging himself.

"Justice came here from Selma, Ala. some time during the summer for the purpose of regaining his health, but after remaining here a month or so, decided to locate here and practice law. About a month ago he came into the store of Mr. E. H. Northcutt one even ing after banking hours and presented a draft on his brother for \$10 drawn through the Battery Park bank. Asheville, N. C., and obtained the money on it. The draft when presented was turned down, and returned with information that.no such party lived there. Mr. Northcutt had Justice arrested after the authorities had located him in Atlanta, on the charge of cheating and swindling, and he has been in jail here for about a week. "He was confined to a cell with another prisoner and last night after his cellmate had gone to sleep, Justice tied a towel around his neck and to the cell overhead and jumped into space. His struggling aroused his fellowprisoner, who took in the situation at a glance and he hurriedly relieved Justice by breaking the towel-rope from which he was dangling. The jailer as notified and soon had Justice posnessed of his normal faculties. "Justice is a man about fifty years of age and it is said has a family living somewhere in Alabama, and he claims that he has relatives living near Asheville, N. C. He will be held to answer the offense of being a common cheat and swindler at the January term of Cobb superior court."

prise on the British by attacking them guns, some of which were evidently those General Gatacre lost at, Storm- that the Berlin foreign office has promberg. General French's despatch does ised to interpose on behalf of the prisnot detail his movements later than 2 oners is disregarded here. In official p. m. January 1, and the final issue of circles assurance amounts to conviction the movement is unknown. Nothing that the officer in command of the reliable has been received confirming South African station would not have the rumored occupation of Colesburg. GUNS NOT DISABLED.

Rensburg, Jan. 2 .- It was discovered this morning that the Boers ; had returned during the night and reoccupied the positions from Which General French drove them. Their quick firing guns, which it was believed, had is clearly proved against the Bundesbeen disabled yesterday, reopened today, shelling the British cavalry with considerable accuracy, though the shells did not explode and were ineffective. The British hold all positions they took yesterday.

DOUGLAS OCCUPIED.

Modder River, Jan. 2 .- Colonel Pilther has occupied Douglas without opposition.

LATEST FROM COLESBURG. Pretoria, Jan. 1.-The British in great force attacked Assistant Commandant Schoeman's command in the Coesburg district Sunday night. They tried to take the position by storm, but were repulsed. They repeated the attack in the morning, but were again compelled to retreat. The Boers are still holding the position.

GENERAL FENCH REPORTS.

London, Jan. 2 .- The success of General French's column is at length confirmed officially. The war office this afternoon issued a despatch from Cape Town, dated Monday, January 1, as follows:

"French reports today from Colenso by heliograph as follows: 'Leaving at Rensburg, holding the enemy in front of half of the first Suffolks and a section of the Royal horse artillery, I started thence at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of December 31, taking five squadrons of cavalry, half of the Second Berks, eighty mounted infantry and ten guns. I halted for four hours at Maidor farm and this morning occupied a kopje overlooking and west-

ward of Colesburg. "The enemy's outposts were taken completely by surprise. At daylight we shelled the laager and enfiladed the right of the enemy's position. Artillery fire in reply was very hot from a 15pounder using royal laboratory ammunition and other guns. We silenced the guns of the enemy's right flank, demonstrating with cavalry and guns to the north of Colesburg towards the junction where a strong laager of the enemy was holding the hill and the position southeast of Colesburg. As far as the junction our position cuts the line of retreat via road and bridge. " Some thousands of Boers with two guns are reported as retiring towards Norval's Point. All of Remingston's scouts proceeded toward Achtorland yesterday morning. Slight casualties,

proper lookout at last is being kept next day with their supposed crippled GERMANY NOT LIKELY TO ACT. The statement in the German papers

Special to the Gazette. Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 2 .- In response to a call issued by Chairman Holton the state republican executive taken the extreme measure of arresting committee met here today for the pur-

and detaining the Bundesrath unless pose of deciding a time and place for he had incontrovertible evidence that it had attempted to land contraband of holding the next republican state conwar or putative combatants. vention. The committee decided to In diplomatic circles here it is not hold the convention in Raleigh on May believed that the German government second. will make any formal protest if a case The attendance at the committee meeting was very large. Among the rath in the prize court at Durban. prominent republicans present were Se stor Pritenant Congressman Lin-MAREKING IN A SORRY PLIGHT. The latest despatches clearly point, ney Major James M. Moody and ex-

to the fact that Mafeking is in a sorry Sheriff Jones, of Wake. plight. The little garrison evidently Your correspondent talked with al is becoming desperate, for the last sorthe members' of the committee and tie was a serious one, suggesting, as it they all gave very encouraging reports did, the consciousness of being in a as to the opposition to the amendment hopeless position. It is barely possible in their respective districts.

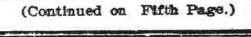
that Colonel Baden-Powell may hold out until relief comes, unless a Rhodesia force sooner comes to his succor. CHAIRMAN JONES

EFFECT OF THE FLOODS. The beginning of the heavy rains on the western border and in Natal must seriously affect military operations. The rising of the Tugela river operates in favor of the British. If Buller attempts a flank movement to the westward the barrier which the swollen river offers to southward movements by the enemy will be found an advantage. On the other hand, however, the heavy rains render the movement of large forces difficult, while the renewal of the grass on the veldt, as a result of the rainfall, benefits both sides, and especially the defenders of Ladysmith and Kimberley, where forage is scarce.

The burghers apparently intend using their intrenched position at Inhlawe man would be satisfactory but for his as a base of operations against Chieveley, endeavoring to worry General Bul-Elliott Danforth is Bryan's personal ler by a frontal attack, which probably will fail, and which, even if successful, would not affect the situation of Ladysmith.

STRENGTH.

General Buller now has 27,000 men and sixty-one guns without counting the naval pieces. He is still handicapped by want of cavalry, yet it is thought that he meditates an early move, in the hope of fighting a successful battle before the 'arrival of Lord Roberts. The mere suspicion that such



GENERAL BULLER'S PRESENT Washington, Jan. 2 .- Secretary Hay

cabled instructions to Ambassador Choate at London today to inform England that the United States regarded the seizure of American flour at Delagoa bay by a British cruiser illegui, and that in claiming indemnity for the seizure this government regarded its MING position as being sustained by law and facts. This direct demand for redress was made as a result of a communica-

today the water of the collateral chan-The Place is Raleigh-State Commitnel was against the sluice gates and only a few inches of timber remained to be removed before the canal would

tee Meet.

SENDS CURT REFUSAL

Will Not Attend Nebraska Banquet in

Bryan's Honor.

Lincoln ,Neb., Jan. 2.-Chairman

Iones, of the national democratic com-

to be present at the Nebraska traveling

Bryan will be the guest of honor.

Local democrats say it is because of a

story that Bryan has indicated that a

change in the chairmanship would be

the selection of an eastern man. Gor-

views on money. It is believed that

be in actual operation. When the water began to back up against the sliuce gates the timbers were knocked away and the first water from the Chicago river ran into the canal. Engineers of the sanitary district cut the channel to carry 300, 300 cubic feet of water a minute, but today the water was allowed to flow into the canal at the rate of only 50,000 cubic feet a minute. The effect of turning 300,000 cubic feet of water a minute into the empty canal would be like the bursting of a reservoir and would tear away every bridge over the canal and wreck the controlling works at Lockport. Therefore the water will be turned in gradually. Probably a week will elapse before the canal is full of water and is carrying away the sewage that now flows into the Chicago river.

An occasion that might have been malde one of the most memorable in the eventful history of Chicago was suffered to pass by unimproved because the trustees of the sanitary district were intent only on their one great aim, the opening of the canal. Aside from the trustees and engineers of the board there were less than a dozen spectators present.

## BLACKBURN NOMINATED.

mittee wired today a curt declination Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 2.-Blackburn was nominated by acclamation by the men's banquet on Friday, at which democratic caucus tonight for senator to succeed Lindsay. Blackburn received eighty votes, only two democrats refusing to participate. The feature of the caucus was a speech by satisfactory to him. Bryan is expected Goebel, who paid a high tribute to home tomorrow. Many democrats favor Blackburn. Backburn in a speech of acceptance expressed gratitude.

## THE JAMESTOWN IN COLLISION

Norfolk, Jan. 2 .- The steamshin Jamesicwn, of the Old Dominion line, bound from New York for Norfolk with fifty passengers aboard, collided of government for the island of Porto with the British tramp steamer Glenvech off Lambert's Point today, damag. ing her to the extent of \$15,000. The Glenvech was bound from Sabine Pars for Bremen via Norfolk.

moment. "ON THE SQUARE." Agency **"ROCKBROOK FARM" CREAMERY BUTTER.** 

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cerning intended reforms. Among the topics discussed were the plans for election and the basis of franchise. General Wood had no definite suffrage plan to offer. A suggestion that suffrage be granted only to those able to read and write and owning \$250 worth of property, or those who were in the insurgent army prior to August, evoked no opposition. All voters will have to be twenty-one years old. Visitors expressed full faith in the government's policy. General Masso lunched with General Wood today. Conferences of the visiting politicians will last all the week.

Diario de la Marina charges that there is a great quantity of American gold coin in circulation here. Cattle near Havana are dying, ten daily. from a dis se known as ticks. Some allege ine disease was introduced from Texas.

ALL BUT ONE PERISHED.

Fa'e of the Crew of a Schooner on the New Foundland Coast.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 2.-A fearful gale has been raging on the coast the past week. The schooner Puritan was caught in a hurricane on Friday night and dashed against the rocks on Cabot island and completely wrecked. Her crew of nine perished with the exception of one, who succeeded in reaching a jutting pinnacle of rock, where he remained until noon Saturday, when the keeper of the lighthouse rescued him.

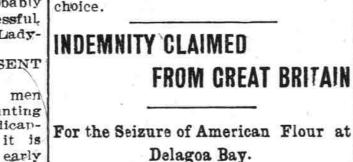
THE SENATE PROGRAM

Washington, Jan. 2.-In congress Thursday the currency bill will be taken up for consideration in the senate and have the right of way until disposed of. Nearly everyboldy on both sides of the chamber wants to make a speech and the flow of oratory will be continuous until perhaps February 1. The second bill on the republican program will be that now in preparation by Senator Foraker providing a for:n Rico, and it may be reported and taken up for consideration before the currency bill is out of the way, for there are likely to be intervals when no one is prepared to speak on the latter measure. The next measure on the program is the subsidy bill for American shipping, and that will be pressed to a passage at the earliest possible

#### DEBT STATEMENT SHOWS DECREASE

Washington, Jan. 2 .- The debt statement, issued today, shows a decrease for December of \$5,791,824. For the first half of the current fiscal year there was a surplus of \$21,026,934 in the receipts over the disbursements the receipts being \$284,793,494, and the expenditures \$263,766,560.

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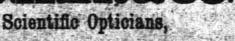
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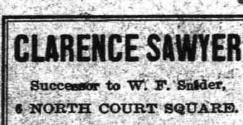
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New York, Jan. 2.-Today President Johnson, of the American baseball league announced that his organization had voted to break away from the National league and the protection of the national agreement and will try to organize clubs at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago, St. Louis, Detroit and Miwaukee.

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN HAWAII.

San Francisco, Jan. 2.-The steamer Australia arrived today from Honolula. It was reported before her departure from Honolulu that three more cases of bubonic plague had been discovered in Chinatown, despite drastic measures to stamp it out.

## TRAIN STRIKES BUCKBOARD.

Shamokin, Pa., Jan. 2,-A buckboard containing four men was struck by a train on a crossing of the Pennsylvania road, near Montandon, this afternoon. Three of the men were instantly killed. The fourth escaped by jump-