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ENTRIES FOR GOLF TOURNAMENT CLOSE.

Magnolia Springs, Fla., Jan. 19.—The entries for the first of the series of three cornered professional tournaments given by the Florida West Coast Golf association have closed. Prominent professionals have been engaged by the southern clubs and judging by the large list of entries the tournaments will be very successful.

LOCKPORT GATES TO OPEN.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—The gates at Lockport are to be opened tomorrow to turn water into the Illinois valley from the great sanitary canal. For fifteen miles there the shores are perpendicular and a person falling overboard would have no show for safety. It has been urged that this be changed.

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WAY OPENED TO LADYSMITH

Lord Dundonald's Success Westward of Acton Homes Affords an Entrance.

General Warren Advancing Toward Skeitsdrift.

His Movement Thought by Many to be Most Important.

Rumored That Colenso Has Been Evacuated and Burned by Boers.

NO NEWS OF THE EVENTS OF YESTERDAY WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT—THE BOERS FIRE AT ALL POINTS SEEMS TO BE WEAK IN RESPONSE TO BRITISH GUNS

London, Jan. 20.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Spearman's camp in a despatch dated this morning says Lord Dundonald's success in occupying the kopje, after defeating the Boers westward of Actonhomes on the 17th, gives the British control of an easy entrance into Ladysmith and interrupts the enemy's communication with the Free State. The British guns continue to bombard the Boer lines and the enemy are replying feebly. General Warren is advancing steadily.

THE FEATURE OF ADVANCE.

London, Jan. 20.—Dundonald's successful skirmish westward of Actonhomes is the principal feature of Buller's advance. It is impossible to say whether the importance attached to it by the Telegraph's correspondent is justified. No other despatch, official or unofficial, claims so much for it.

Critics are inclined to regard Warren's march as the principal movement of the whole operation, but beyond the fact that he is still advancing, nothing is allowed to be known, and his route is merely a matter of conjecture. It is transparent, indeed, that more is omitted from the correspondent's despatches than is sent. Nothing regarding the things on January 19 have arrived.

COLENZO BURNED?

Spearman's Camp, Jan. 19, 7:25 p. m.—General Warren's flank movement continues slowly on the British right flank towards Skeitsdrift. There was very little firing today. It is rumored that Colenso village has been evacuated and burned by the Boers.

OUTLOOK FROM MT. ALICE. Spearman's Camp, Jan. 18, 6:40 p. m. (Delayed).—From the position seized by the British at Mount Alice, there is a magnificent view of the Tugela river. General Lyttleton's brigade occupies a hill called the "One Tree Hill."

Seven thousand eight hundred yards from Mount Alice there is a higher kopje, held by the Boers, covered with trenches. There are apparently two guns on this hill. On the British left there is a very high hill also held by the Boers. The British hold Swartzkop on the right. General Warren holds his position on the left.

There is only a desultory fire from the naval guns and the howitzers. Not a single shot has been drawn from the Boers. Warren and Lyttleton arrived at Mount Alice this morning. They found a captive balloon above One Tree Hill.

The Laifan correspondent noticed in the far distance the evidence of shell explosions. These had probably been fired from Ladysmith. The firing of British guns was heard in the same direction. The weather is good. Every one is anxious to engage the enemy, and strong hopes are entertained of a decisive victory and the relief of Ladysmith.

DUNDONALD IN ACTION.

London, Jan. 19.—General Buller telegraphed the war office from Spearman's Camp, under date of last evening as follows: "Lord Dundonald with a body of mounted troops came into action this afternoon with a force of Boers west of Actonhomes. After the fight he occupied several kopjes, which he is holding. Field Comet Heilbrun and twenty Boers were killed and fifteen prisoners were taken. Two British soldiers were killed and two wounded."

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CELEBRATION OF GEN. LEE'S BIRTHDAY

Appropriate Exercises to Honor the Great Chieftain.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 19.—Despatches from various cities and towns throughout the south show that the birthday of General Robert E. Lee was generally observed. In Columbia, S. C., the legislature held no session and a tablet to the color bearers of Gregg's brigade, all of whom were killed one afternoon, was unveiled in the state house.

Petersburg, Va., celebrated the day by a parade of the A. P. Hill veterans, a camp fire and banquet. Wilmington, N. C., suspended all business. There was a grand parade in which the veterans participated. At the opera house Junius Davis delivered an able address on the life of Lee. Later a lunch was served in the city hall to veterans and members of the military companies by Cape Fear chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy.

New York, Jan. 19.—Tonight the confederate veteran camp of New York held its tenth annual banquet in honor of the memory of General Robert E. Lee in the large dining hall at the Waldorf-Astoria. Toasts were responded to by John Temple Graves, of Georgia; Commissioner John W. Keller and Thomas Nelson Page, of Virginia. One of the features of the banquet was the presence of women seated at the tables and joining in the festivities and songs. One of the guests of honor was Mrs. Jefferson Davis. Mrs. Davis and party occupied a box. She was loudly cheered. Mr. Graves in closing his address said: "His life was like a benediction and his death like a sunset."

A letter from McKinley was read, in which he said the cordial feeling now existing among all the people of a reunited country was gratifying.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 19.—The Virginia society of Atlanta held its public exercises at the Grand opera house this afternoon. This being the anniversary of Lee's birthday, the great general was eulogized, and Major Peter J. Otey, member of congress from Virginia, was the chief speaker. Major Otey's address was on "The Confederate Veteran," and a large audience was present to hear the distinguished speaker. The Daughters of the Confederacy and the Confederate Veterans' association, together with other kindred organizations, were in attendance, and the celebration was on a large scale. At the close of the exercises an elaborate banquet was given.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 19.—For the first time in its history Macon observed the birthday of General Robert E. Lee. The school children were given a half holiday, and banks and public buildings were closed. Appropriate exercises were carried on during the day.

AGAINST THE L. & N.

Interstate Commerce Commission Decides Some Rates Were Unlawful.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The interstate commerce commission today announced its decision of the case of the Savannah bureau of freight and transportation and others against the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company and others. The carriers' rates on sugar and other commodities from New York to Chipley and various other stations in Florida, and rates on bacon and other commodities from Savannah to such stations in Florida are not found to be unlawful. The carriers' rate on uncompressed cotton from Chipley and other stations in Florida on the L. & N. railroad to Savannah was \$2.75 per bale at the time of the hearing when the complaint was filed, but subsequent to the hearing the rate was increased 55 cents, or to \$3.30 per bale. The rates to Mobile and New Orleans remain the same.

The commission holds that the rate of \$2.75 to Savannah was not unlawful, but that the whole advance of 55 cents per bale was unlawful, and that any higher rate on such cotton to Savannah than the former difference of 25 cents per bale above the rate in force from the same stations to New Orleans is in violation of the statute. The commission further rules that a carrier cannot fix a rate to a market which will give that market a monopoly of the product from the shipping district to the detriment of another market.

The commission finds that the L. &



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N. made certain local rates on rosin and turpentine from stations on the Pensacola and Atlantic division in Florida to Pensacola, Fla., and joins with connecting carriers in making through group rates from the same stations to Savannah. For its service to junction points the L. & N. exacts shares of the through joint rates to Savannah, which greatly exceed the purely local rates for like distances to Pensacola, while the shares accepted by the connecting carriers are reasonably low.

The commission decides that the shares of the L. & N. in the through rates to Savannah are unreasonable and unjust and operate to make the entire through rates unlawful in comparison with the rates to Pensacola. The decision also provides for an order requiring the L. & N. to cease from exacting the shares of the through rate to Savannah which are in excess of the local rates to Pensacola for like distances, but it is provided that on shipments of turpentine from some of the more easterly stations the L. & N. shall ask more than its local rate for like distances to Pensacola, and as to such shipments a differential is found proper.

The commission says this remedy will enable the L. & N. to increase its rates to Pensacola or, in conjunction with its connections, reduce the rates to Savannah, or to use both means in conforming to the adjustment required by the facts in the case.

SUBMARINE BOAT HOLLAND WILL NOT BE PURCHASED

Naval Construction Board Recommends Adversely on It

Washington, Jan. 19.—The question of recommending that the navy department purchase the submarine torpedo boat Holland was considered by the naval construction board today and it was decided by a vote of four to one that the recommendation should not be made. It is understood that the decision of the board was not based on any objection to the plans or the construction of the Holland's boat, but on the belief that such vessels are in the experimental stage and their usefulness for war is not fully demonstrated. The action is surprising in view of the favorable report of the Holland by the naval board of inspection and survey.

WARSHIPS IN ASIATIC WATERS MAY BE RECALLED

Many of Them Need Docking, Some Badly.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The question of recalling some of the large warships on the Asiatic station will be given immediate consideration on account of the discovery that the Oregon has not been docked for a year and four months. Naval regulations require that a ship shall be docked and cleaned every six months. Several other vessels in the Philippines have not been docked within the period required, and it is feared their bottoms are badly pitted.

BALL PLAYER KILLS HIMSELF

North Brookfield, Mass., Jan. 19.—Martin Bergen, a member of the Boston base ball team, murdered his wife and two children this morning and committed suicide near this place. It is believed that Bergen was insane.

TEXAS REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE.

Waco, Tex., Jan. 19.—Chairman Green has called the republican state committee together tomorrow to name the time and place for the next meeting of the convention, and either Galveston or Houston will secure it.

OSMAN DIGNA CAPTURED.

London, Jan. 19.—The Telegraph's Cairo correspondent reports the capture of Osman Digna near Tokar.

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OUR SYMPATHIES WITH THE BOERS

Declares Hale in the Senate Yesterday, Deprecating the War.

Senators Want to Know Government's Attitude.

Information Asked, "Unless Incompatible With Public Interest."

In the House, Pension Bill Taken Up and Passed.

BUT NOT UNTIL COMMISSIONER EVANS' ADMINISTRATION HAD BEEN ATTACKED—COMMISSIONER GIVEN POWER TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT OF FEES TO ATTORNEY OF RECORD IN CERTAIN CASES.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Transvaal was the dominant topic in the senate today. The matter came up in connection with Allen's resolution requesting information in regard to the attitude of the government towards the recognition of a representative from that South African republic, and there was a rather warm interchange of remarks between Allen and Spooner, over the latter's amendment to the resolution modifying it to the intent that the information requested be furnished by the president "if not incompatible with the public interests."

Allen charged Spooner with attempting to "strangle" his resolution, and Spooner intimated that Allen was a demagogue. The latter resented the assertion. He also took occasion to refute the assertion that the party he represented had gone to pieces, declaring that the populists were capable of claiming two and a half million votes.

HALE ON THE RESOLUTION.

Hale made a lengthy and somewhat interesting speech on the resolution. He said he could not believe that an accredited representative of the brave people of South Africa would be refused a hearing by the president, but if it was so the people should know it. He declared that the sympathies of the Americans throughout the land were with the Boers in their struggle and asserted that the war England was levying was the "most fell blow at human liberty that has been struck in the last century."

He quoted Balfour's speech asserting that the South African war had knit together every branch of the English-speaking people, and exclaimed with much vehemency: "I deny that the American people are in sympathy with the administration of Great Britain in this war to stamp out human liberty. I deny that the section of the English-speaking race that lives on this continent is to be dragged at the chariot wheels of war against the republics of South Africa." Hale expressed the belief that the queen of the English people was opposed to the war and declared that it was the result of the doings of a "sharp minister engaged with gold speculators."

The resolution with Spooner's amendment was adopted. A bill to fix the standard of value was taken up. Morgan made a speech in favor of free coinage, at the conclusion of which the senate adjourned.

PENSION BILL IN HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The consideration of the general pension bill for the year 1901, carrying a total of \$15,000,000, in the house today, gave an opportunity for the antagonist to Commissioner Evans' administration of the pension bureau to manifest itself. It appeared chiefly in a speech by Curtis, of Kansas, whose criticisms were partly endorsed by Smith, of Michigan. The commissioner found defenders among the Tennessee democrats, notably Simms and Gaines, and on the republican side in Ray, of New York, and Mahon, of Pennsylvania. The latter charged the responsibility for the agitation against the commissioner upon Washington influences which he characterized as pension sharks.

The result of the discussion was the passage of the bill without division, and with an amendment proposed by Mahon, giving the commissioner the power to withhold the payment of a fee from an attorney of record when he is satisfied the case was not prepared by him, or that he has not done his full duty to the claimant.

TRANSVAAL'S REPRESENTATIVE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN

And so Could Not be Recognized as Representative of Foreign Country.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The state department will answer Allen's resolution in regard to the attitude of the United States toward the representative of the Transvaal, by stating that General O'Beirne, who was accredited by this government as the Transvaal commissioner, was an American citizen, and as such could not be recognized as a representative of a foreign country.