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## SPIONKOP OCCUPIED

### British Achieve Their First Notable Victory in Natal.

### General Buller Reports That the Casualties Were Heavy.

### Doubtful if They Can Hold the Captured Position.

### They Are Subjected to "an Annoying Fire" From the Boers.

### Ladysmith Sustaining Severe Bombardment.

London, Jan. 25.—General Buller sent the following despatch to the war office under date, Spearman's Camp, January 25, 10 a. m.:

"General Warren occupied Spionkop last night, surprising a small garrison, who fled. The position was held by us all day yesterday, though we were heavily attacked especially with a very annoying shell fire.

"I fear our casualties are considerable.

"I regret to inform you General Wood Gate was dangerously wounded.

"General Warren is of the opinion that he has rendered the enemy's position untenable.

"Our men acted splendidly."

### TUESDAY'S FIGHTING.

Spearman's Camp, Jan. 23, 9:30 P. M.—The battle continued today. Infantry fire was concentrated at the crest of the hill near the center, the Boers holding the corresponding crest in the valley. It is virtually an artillery bombardment, the Boers replying occasionally, moving their guns when they were located by the British, but seldom firing more than three shots from one place.

The casualties yesterday included Captain Raitt, of the Queen's Own, killed, and Captain Warden and two lieutenants severely wounded. Captain Nyall, of the Yorkshires, was killed and Lieutenant Barlow severely wounded.

At 2 o'clock the Boers raised the white flag on the summit of a high hill, but both sides continued firing.

On the 20th Major Childie, with the South African Horse, climbed a very steep hill. Private Tobin got up to the summit ten minutes before the rest and began waving his hat, thus drawing the enemy's fire. Dundonald reinforced Major Childie. The Boers continued shelling and Childie was killed and four men wounded.

Childie had a strong presentiment he was to be killed, and asked his brother officers to put the following words on his grave: "Is it well with Childie? It is well." This was done and Dundonald read the funeral service.

Dundonald says the Colt guns proved very effective and the Boers will not face this fire.

The honors of the engagement at Acton Homes were with the Imperial Light horse, Natal carabineers and sixty men of the mounted rifles.

### LADYSMITH BOMBARDED.

Spearman's Camp, Jan. 24, 10 A. M.—There was a heavy bombardment at Ladysmith this morning.

Warren's flank movement continues.

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The Boers did some lively sniping and shelling this morning, but the casualties were not heavy.

### INTENSE RELIEF IN ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 26.—Nothing can yet be added to the brief news of Warren's success, which brought intense relief to England. The best informed recognize the possibility that the British may be unable to retain what they have so hardly won in view of the "very annoying shell fire" mentioned in Buller's despatch, and the hill may have to be retaken, but assuming the position is permanently held and the Boers driven from the remainder of the plateau dominated by Spionkop there is no illusion respecting the gravity of the task involved in covering the twelve or fifteen miles separating the hill and the Boer lines outside of Ladysmith.

There is complete ignorance here as to the ability of the Boers to obtain reinforcements and as to whether they have prepared a second line of defence.

The critics continue to bid the public to prepare for a long casualty list, they attaching the fullest significance to Buller's intimation. It is not improbable that the scarcity of news from the front is partly owing to the light telegraph, which at present is the only means of communication.

## THE HOUSE EXCLUDES ROBERTS OF UTAH

### The House of Representatives Votes Him Out, 268 to 50. What He Says.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The house excluded Roberts this evening, at the close of a three days' debate, by a vote of 268 to 50. The resolution reported by the minority declaring Roberts entitled to be sworn and then expelled was defeated by a vote of 31 to 244.

The debate preceding the vote was engaged in by Messrs. Sims, Johnston, Adams and De Armond, in support of the minority resolution, and by Messrs. Brokus, Tolbert, Roy, Freer, Moody Grosvenor, Morris and Lenham in support of it. As the hour approached for taking the vote the galleries filled. As the clerk began calling the names, Roberts, who had been sitting on the democratic side, left the house and did not hear the word.

Among those who voted to exclude Roberts were Terry, Thayer and Thomas, of North Carolina.

### ROBERTS THINKS THE MATTER IS NOT SETTLED.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Roberts tonight refused to discuss his exclusion. He charged the newspapers with stirring up sentiment against him and declared that falsehoods had been resorted to without end. He said he did not feel that the matter was settled by the action of the house and expressed a belief that the state of Utah would take the matter to the supreme court.

## BRYAN'S RECEPTION AT HARRISBURG

### Talks to a Big Crowd on the Familiar Topics.

Harrisburg, Jan. 25.—Bryan received the hospitality of the democracy of Pennsylvania today. He was heartily welcomed. Bryan made two speeches, one to the democratic state committee and the other this evening in a large hall. The state committee pledged the vote of the entire state to Bryan and that the state convention which meets on April 5 would sound in unmistakable tones the slogan of the democratic host for battle this year.

Bryan's speech tonight was heard by a great crowd. He discussed for two hours the issues which he regards as paramount in the pending contest. He predicted that the democrats of Pennsylvania would largely increase their vote this year because of these issues. He denounced the currency bill, trusts, and "imperialism," and expressed sympathy for the Boers.

## THE NATIONAL POPULISTS.

### Senator Butler Issues a Call for Committee Meeting.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Senator Butler, of North Carolina, chairman of the national committee of the people's party will issue a call today for a meeting of the committee. The date of the meeting will be between February 15 and February 20 and the place will be Lincoln. Many populists favor holding the national convention some time in May or June. Bryan may be nominated by acclamation before the meetings of the democratic convention.

## TO CHECK ANTI-BRITISH FEELING

Washington, Jan. 25.—Advisers have received here that the eminent English bimetallicist Morison Frewen has sailed for America for the purpose, it is said, of counteracting as far as possible the growing sentiment of hostility toward England as a result of the Transvaal war. Frewen has a wide acquaintance and his friends predict he will be able to offset in a measure the unfriendly feeling manifested toward England by the public and in congress.

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## WARLIKE IN KENTUCKY

### Five Hundred Armed Men Make a Day's Visit at Frankfort.

### Their object Was to "to See Justice Done."

### A Respectful Petition Sent to the Legislature.

### The "Citizen Soldiers" Hold a Meeting at Night and Return Home.

### THEY FIRE A VOLLEY AS THE TRAIN PULLS OUT OF FRANKFORT—ALL BUT LADIES EXCLUDED FROM THE LEGISLATIVE GALLERIES.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 25.—A special train bearing more than 1,000 men carrying Winchesters arrived here this morning. The men hailed from the counties of Bell, Allen, Knox, Harlan, Whitley, Metcalf and Edmondson. Frankfort is overflowing with visitors, but none except those arriving today carry arms.

Governor Taylor stated that the men were not soldiers and disclaimed any knowledge of the identity or purpose of the armed visitors. Adjutant General Collier says he had no knowledge that the men were coming. Many of the visitors are members of the state guard.

The total number arriving on the special train cannot be stated exactly. The train had seventeen cars. Secretary of State Finley addressed the visitors from the steps of the state house. He said the object of the gathering was to see justice done. A committee was appointed to draft resolutions. Stephen Sharp, of Lexington, was chosen chairman and will make an address.

The committee on resolutions prepared an address to the legislature in which the rights of liberty and free expression of opinion and remonstrance were emphasized. The address was in the nature of an appeal for rights. It was in part:

"We petition them, our proxies, in the general assembly, to heed that there is peril hovering over all those things so dear to us and them, and that calmness and prudence and wisdom need to be invoked in order that truth and justice may prevail, and we exercise our right of remonstrance against their suffering themselves to be led into the temptation of partisan pride in the crisis which is on us. We beseech them to remember that their own just powers were loaned by us at the polls, and that among these was the jurisdiction to decide judicially and by due process of law and not otherwise what was then our expressed will, not their political preference."

The address concludes: "We beg of them that they receive from the hands of our messengers and consider and do not spurn or despise this, our earnest address of petition and remonstrance, and that they by their considerate action protect, preserve and promote the safety and welfare, and above all the honor of Kentucky committed to their keeping."

When the lower house of the legislature met today a resolution was adopted excluding all but ladies from the chamber and galleries.

A rumor is in circulation, but is persistently denied that Judge Cantrell, of the local circuit court, has summoned all the democratic deputy sheriffs of the state to come to Frankfort.

### RETURN TO THEIR HOMES.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 25.—The special train bringing about five hundred citizen soldiers, who came here today with the intention to be present when the Goebellies will attempt to force action on the contested seats in the house tomorrow, returned on a special train to their homes tonight. The train left at nine o'clock and there is but a small detachment left. As the train pulled out the men fired a volley as a parting salute. The meeting of citizen soldiers was held tonight, just before they left in which stirring speeches were made declaring

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they would remain at Frankfort as long as necessary to prevent Taylor's unseating and pledging their support when it was necessary to return.

## HONOLULU PANIC-STRICKEN OVER BUBONIC PLAGUE

### Thirty-Eight Deaths Have Occurred From the Disease.

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—The steamship Miowera arrived today with news that thirty-eight deaths from bubonic plague occurred at Honolulu. The city is panic-stricken. Armed mobs, organized from vigilance committees, were preventing the landing of inter-island steamers until the board of health took the matter in its hands. Thirty-four hundred Japanese have been quarantined.

## MONEY MADE POOR HEADWAY

### Read Chadburn's Letter Which Was Obtained in the Last Campaign at the Pistol's Point.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Senator Money spoke against the Pritchard resolution today and was frequently interrupted by Senator Pritchard, who easily exposed the fallacies of his argument. Mr. Money read the last Chadburn letter, which spoke of negro domination in Wilmington. Mr. Pritchard replied by reading the first Chadburn letter, and said he had information that the last letter was written at the point of a pistol.

## A TILT IN THE SENATE.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The southern negro was a prominent topic of discussion in the senate today and Messrs. Money and Chandler indulged in rather a sharp interchange of views on the subject. The tilt came while Money was addressing the senate in opposition to the resolution declaring the proposed North Carolina constitutional amendment restricting suffrage unconstitutional. Mr. Chandler with some warmth and in an excited manner charged the southern senators with reopening the whole southern question on the slightest occasion. Mr. Money hotly denied this and declared the responsibility rested with Senator Pritchard, who had introduced the resolution.

At the conclusion of Mr. Money's speech Mr. Chandler declared Senator Morgan had slandered the north in his recent speech on the subject in which he (Morgan) attributed the civil war to the work of so-called reformers and ambitious politicians who designed placing the negro on a political and social footing with the whites. Mr. Pettus here interrupted, asking Mr. Chandler, with some severity, if it would not be more decent to wait until Mr. Morgan was present. Mr. Chandler retorted that he would wait, but gave notice that the north would not allow such statements as that of Mr. Morgan's to go unanswered.

The passage of the urgent deficiency bill and the receipt of a communication from the president in regard to the recognition of the Transvaal agent and a brief discussion of the currency bill were about the only other proceedings of interest. The senate adjourned until Monday.

## BEST PLATED SPOONS, FORKS AND KNIVES.

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## "ON THE SQUARE."

### From the Brevard News of January 12th.

On the first page of the Asheville Daily Gazette a advertisement has been running for several weeks which very conspicuously announces "Agency Rockbrook Farm Creamery Butter." We have sampled the butter made at Rockbrook Farm, and must say that we would willingly pay Asheville prices for it, so superior is it to the butter with which Brevard residents are supplied. We sincerely hope someone will take the agency for Rockbrook Farm Creamery Butter in Brevard next summer.

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## MARCHING SOUTHWARD

### General Schwan Captures San Diego Routing 500 Insurgents.

### Sixty-Seven Filipinos Killed In Battle.

### Cavalry Force the Enemy Out of Well Fortified Majajjay.

### Two Thousand Retreat Without Making a Fight.

### FILIPINOS IN PROVINCE OF LAGUNA DE BAY IN FEAR LEST THE AMERICANS WILL NOT GARRISON THE CAPTURED TOWNS.

Manila, Jan. 25.—General Schwan captured San Diego Sunday, routing 500 insurgents and killing 67. Schwan's casualties were one killed and fourteen wounded.

The southern advance of the Americans caused a concentration of 2,000 insurgents at Majajjay. On Thursday Schwan occupied the heights north of the town but an impassable ravine separated the forces and a reconnaissance failed to discover any ford. The Thirtieth and Thirty-ninth infantry volunteered to attempt a charge, but Schwan refused to allow it.

Mulford's battalion of the Thirtieth then made a detour through the forest and crossed a ravine and the cavalry occupied a commanding position. Meanwhile Colonel Hayes' cavalry coming up the Takabas road forced the insurgents to retreat eastward without making a fight.

Majajjay was magnificently fortified with ravines, trenches and wire entanglements.

The white flag has not been seen in the province of Laguna de Bay. The inhabitants are afraid the Americans will abandon the captured towns as was done after Lawton's expedition last year and the insurgents will reoccupy them.

## AUDITOR HUNTER'S RETURN.

### To Stand Trial at Atlanta for Embezzlement.

New York, Jan. 25.—Thomas K. Hunter, the former auditor of the Atlanta and West Point railroad who was recently arrested in Morocco is due today on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. Unless there is an unforeseen delay Hunter will arrive in Atlanta, Ga., on the 27th, and to face a jury within twenty-four hours on the charge of embezzlement. He is in charge of an agent of the United States government, appointed by President McKinley, to bring him back from Africa, where he was found by detectives after several weeks' search. W. P. Hill, a well known Atlanta attorney sent to Morocco to identify Hunter, also accompanies the prisoner. When Hunter was arrested in Morocco it was thought that possibly he could not be brought back, this government having no extradition treaty with Morocco. President McKinley made a request of the sultan for the delivery of the fugitive. This was granted as a matter of courtesy by the Moroccan government and an agent was appointed by the president to go after Hunter. Colonel Hill accompanied the special agent and identified Hunter. Hunter disappeared from the city about the first of last November. He had been for many years the auditor of the Atlanta and West Point railroad and was a well known and popular citizen. An investigation of his books showed an alleged shortage of many thousands of dollars.

## HOUSE MAIL REGISTRATION.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The post office department has extended the house-to-house letter registration to Charlotte, N. C.

## FREIGHT WRECK AT BILTMORE.

### Caused by a Broken Flange.—Four Cars Badly Damaged.

Section 3 of freight train No. 74 was wrecked yesterday morning at about 4 o'clock near Biltmore station. The freight was east bound and was going at a rapid rate when a flange on one of the wheels of the cars broke, and sent the cars off the track, wrecking four of them completely.

There were five box cars in the section and the flagman was standing on the fifth, which was the only one that escaped without damage.

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