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IS CRONJE SURROUNDED?

Persistent Rumors to That Effect are Now Current in London.

War Office Said to Have Received Satisfactory News.

Buller Drives the Enemy Across the Tugela River.

Boer Camps, Ammunition and Supplies and Some Prisoners Captured.

BOMBING BOER POSITION AT HLANGWAYA HILL—A YOUTHFUL BUGLER HONORED BY THE QUEEN—THE WEATHER INTENSELY HOT.

London, Feb. 20.—It is now three days since official news came from General Roberts, and such unofficial news as has been received in the meantime has been inconclusive and contradictory. The absence of definite information creates some nervousness, which is not allayed by persistent rumors that Cronje's army has been surrounded and captured. These rumors, though they could not be traced to a satisfactory source, held the attention of the members of the commons in the lobbies last evening. The representative of the Daily News ascribes to Wyndham, parliamentary secretary of the war office, admission that the government had extremely satisfactory news, but refused to divulge it, while the representative himself elicited from an anonymous cabinet member information that the war office had received a telegram which announced that Cronje was hopelessly surrounded. Nevertheless the war office at midnight announced that nothing had been received for publication, and none of the morning papers from their own sources is able to enlighten the public.

One of those unreliable continental Boer reports comes from Berlin in the shape of an assertion that the British on Sunday night were compelled to abandon the advance north of Molder river, partly because they feared an ambush and partly because the rain made the roads impassable for artillery.

DESPATCH FROM BULLER.

London, Feb. 19.—The war office has received the following despatch from Buller:

"Chieveley Camp, Feb. 19.—I yesterday moved around the enemy's flank. The Queen's Guards, who had bivouacked on the northern slope of Cingolo, crossed the nek, supported by the rest of the second brigade under Hildyard, assaulted and took the southern end of Monte Christo.

"The fourth brigade on the left or western slope and the Welsh fusiliers, supported by the rest of the sixth brigade, assaulted the eastern flank of the enemy's position, while the second brigade of cavalry on the extreme right watched the eastern slopes of Monte Christo and drove back those of the enemy who attempted to escape our artillery fire.

"Assaulted by heavy artillery fire on their front and flank and attacked on their flank and rear, the enemy made but slight resistance, and abandoning their strong positions were driven across the Tugela.

"I have taken several camps, a wagon load of ammunition, several wagons of stores and supplies and a few

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prisoners. The weather has been intensely hot and the ground traversed exceedingly difficult, but the energy and dash of the troops have been very pleasant to see. They have all done splendidly. The work of irregular cavalry, Queen's Guards, Scots fusiliers and rifle brigade was perhaps most noticeable, while the excellent practice of artillery and naval guns and the steadiness of gunners, under, at all times, very accurate fire, was remarkable. The accurate fire of the naval guns from Chieveley was of great assistance. Our casualties are not, I think, many."

BUGLER SEES THE QUEEN.

Bugler Dunn, the 15-year-old member of the First Royal Dublin Fusiliers, who was the first to cross the Tugela river, and who was shot in the right arm while sounding "advance," saw the queen at Osborne this morning. Her majesty presented him with a handsome silver mounted bugle, suitably inscribed. The queen gave the lad a motherly welcome, and expressed hopes that he would have a successful career in the army.

BOMBARDING.

Durban, Feb. 19.—The bombardment of the Boer position on Hlangwaya hill was continuous yesterday, and fighting is still proceeding at 6 this evening. It is said the British have captured one hundred prisoners.

JAPANESE WILL SERVE.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—Ex-Japanese soldiers, residents of British Columbia, today an offer to the minister of militia to raise a corps of one hundred men for service in South Africa.

DEBATE ON PORTO RICAN BILL BEGINS

Senators Give Opinions on Application of Constitution to Territories.

Washington, Feb. 19.—A resolution in the senate today calling on the commissioners of the District of Columbia for a report as to why the law of the last congress fixing the telephone prices in Washington, had not been carried out, started a lively discussion. In the course of which Tillman, of South Carolina, said that if the constitution applied to the District, it also applied to the territories recently acquired. Lindsay, of Kentucky, contended that the constitution extended to the states but not to the territories, while Vest, Missouri, and Hoar, Massachusetts, opposed this view. The resolution was adopted after an extended debate, and then the Hawaiian cable line was taken up and discussed until the session ended.

The week's debate on the Puerto Rican bill began in the house today. Chairman Payne, of the ways and means committee, opened the debate by pointing out that 25 per cent. of the Dingley tariff rates were imposed instead of providing free trade in order to meet necessary expenses of the insular government. Richardson, of Tennessee, spoke in opposition to the measure, his chief contention being that Puerto Rico was part of the United States, that the provisions of the constitution applied to the island and that to pass a law would be to violate the constitutional provisions that taxes shall be uniformly laid throughout the United States.

Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, contended that the term United States, as used in the constitution, applied to states and not to territories. Early in the session a line abolishing the use of one-eighth and one-eighth barrels in handling beer was passed.

An evening session was held devoted to private pension bills.

WAR ON SUGAR TRUST.

Richardson, democratic leader in the house, has begun a war on the sugar trust. Today he introduced a resolution, which, after pointing out that the trust was paying 12 per cent dividends, provided that the sugar manufactured by the American Sugar Refining company of New Jersey shall, after six months, be prohibited by the interstate commerce commission from being transported from one state to another, until the commission is satisfied that the sugars have not yielded a profit of more than 4 per cent.

THE HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY.

The Measure Will Lie Dormant in the House for a Time.

Washington, Feb. 19.—There is little or no prospect of favorable action of any sort at present by the senate with regard to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. The conviction having been formed on the senators that the popular opinion is that the treaty should be rejected, the treaty will be allowed to lie dormant for a time in the house. Some means of escape may be presented. Therefore at a meeting of the foreign relations committee Wednesday no attempt will be made to dispose of the treaty.

SERIES OF MORNING TALKS.

Kindergarten Work to be Explained Next Month.

The kindergarten associates met yesterday afternoon and reports were given from all the schools, showing good attendance at all of them. The financial report showed that \$47.50 was cleared by the Kettle drum recently given, but contributions are needed to continue the schools the rest of the year.

A series of morning talks will be given next month in the old library building to ladies by a celebrated kindergarten worker, showing the benefits of the kindergarten and how the child is changed by its excellent methods. The meetings will be free and dates will be announced later.

THE MUDDLE IN KENTUCKY

Attempted Reaffirmation That Goebel Died as Governor.

Marshall Declares He Will Preside in the Senate.

The Courts Will be Left to Decide the Governorship.

Trying to Smirch Taylor With Assassination of Goebel.

TODAY THE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE WILL TRY TO PASS THE REAFFIRMATION RESOLUTION. BECKHAM WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW THIS UP BY DEMANDING THE OFFICE UNTIL COURTS DECIDE.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 19.—Whether Taylor will continue to serve as governor of Kentucky now rests with the courts, owing to the action of the democratic legislators today. In the senate, Lieutenant Governor Marshall was ignored on the ground that recognition would be an admission that Goebel had not died as governor, and then a resolution was passed reaffirming the previous adoption of the contest committee's report.

The reaffirmation had no weight if the original act is valid, and if it was not valid, and needed reaffirmation, then Marshall was lieutenant governor and should have presided. In the house the democrats only had a majority of three, and the leaders were afraid to trust a reaffirmation resolution with so small a margin, so the house adjourned until tomorrow and urgent calls were made for more members.

The meeting of the senate was stormy, both President Pro Tem Carter and Lieutenant Governor Marshall attempting to preside. The republicans passed a motion to adjourn, the democrats not voting, and then Marshall vacated the chair and the republicans took no further part in the meeting. The democrats then went ahead and passed the reaffirmation resolution. The house will adopt the resolution tomorrow. It is not the intention of the democrats to have Beckham call on Taylor and demand his office, but will wait until the courts have reached a decision.

Marshall says he is going to preside over the senate tomorrow and the democrats threaten to put him out by force. It can be stated as a fact that the democrats intend to secure the prosecution of Governor Taylor as an accomplice to the murder of Goebel. The democrats charge that the executive building was full of mountaineers the day of the shooting; that one of them fired the shot and that Taylor protected him. Harlan Whitaker and James Sutton, suspected of connection with the murder, were brought here from Louisville today.

DECISION AGAINST THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Supreme Court Requires Them to Give Inter-Ocean Service.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—The Illinois supreme court handed down a decision at Springfield today in the appeal of the Inter-Ocean Publishing company against the Associated Press, reversing the decrees in the lower courts, and directing that the decree be entered restraining the Associated Press from suspending or expelling the Inter-Ocean or refusing to furnish it news.

The decision is important in that it renders invalid the clause in the Associated Press contracts forbidding clients from buying news from concerns declared to be antagonistic, such as the New York Sun and Laffan News Bureau. The Inter-Ocean was expelled

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from the Associated Press for using the Sun's service. The ground on which the court rendered the decision was that the Associated Press had devoted its property to the public use and that it must submit to be controlled by the public for the common good. The clause of the contract restricting the sources of news was an attempt at restriction upon trade which could never be looked upon with favor by the courts. The court also held that the law of the Associated Press, declaring that members should not deal with hostile corporations, was not required for corporate purposes and therefore void.

CLARK DIDN'T KNOW WHERE MONEY WENT

Admitted Contributing to Campaign Fund—Tracy's Testimony.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Senator Clark, of Montana, occupied the witness chair before the committee who is examining the charges against him, today. He was questioned closely as to his contributions to the state election in Montana and as to their disbursement. As to the former he frankly admitted that he had contributed about \$150,000, and said the manner in which the Daly people were running the state justified his action. But as to how the money had been disbursed, nothing could be learned by the committee from him, except that none had been used for bribery with his knowledge.

Dr. William Tracy, of Montana, was also examined. He told of his relations with Judge Hunt. He told the judge he could get \$50,000 if the Wellcome case was dismissed but the judge refused to consider it. He also told the judge he would like to see him get the money if he could do it decently, and that there were rumors of his being under Daly's influence which would insure Hunt's re-election.

Tracy said his actions were simply to test the judge's official integrity.

EWART CASE REFERRED.

Same Sub-Committee to Consider it Again.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The Ewart case was referred to the same sub-committee and action postponed for a week by the full committee today. Colonel Glenn made a strong statement in behalf of Ewart. W. A. H.

SENATOR PRITCHARD TO SPEAK AT NEWTON

Special to the Gazette. Washington, Feb. 18.—Senator Pritchard will speak at Newton, in Catawba county on the 28th. Court will be in session.

Thomas S. Rollins is here from Marshall.

President McKinley gave a dinner Saturday evening in honor of the newly appointed members of the Philippine commission. Senator Pritchard and Senator Butler were among the guests.

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NATIONAL POPULISTS

A Split at the Opening of the Committee Meeting in Lincoln.

Middle of the Road Leaders Oppose Butler.

If Bryan is Forced on Them They Will Vote With Republicans.

Two Factions in Separate Conference Last Night.

ULTIMATUM SENT BY MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROADERS BUT NOT ANSWERED BY THE BUTLER MEN. FIRST DIVISION OCCURRED OVER CONTESTED DELEGATES.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 19.—The populist national committee split in two minutes after being called to order this afternoon and both factions are holding separate meetings with ultimatums flying thick and fast. It came about through the arbitrary ruling of chairman Butler, who with Senator Allen, is leading the fight to deliver the party into the hands of Bryan. Parker, of Kentucky, the middle-of-the-road leader, asked who certain names were on the list. Butler replied that the contest committee would decide all questions in dispute, and named Allen, Weaver, of Iowa, whose seat was contested, and Tracy, of Texas, as such committee, and declared the meeting adjourned until 8 o'clock this evening. The Butler men walked out and the middle-of-the-roads at once organized by making Deaver, of Nebraska, chairman and adjourning until 7 this evening.

Then a majority of the committee held an open indignation meeting, at which Butler and Allen were denounced. At a meeting of the bolters this evening an ultimatum was prepared and submitted to the regulars, demanding that all contests be referred to a committee composed of two friends of Butler, two friends of Parker, the four to select the fifth, and that no one whose seat was contested should be allowed to vote.

Senator Butler's end of the committee did not send any reply to the ultimatum, so the middle-of-the-roads took a recess. Some sought to attend the meeting of the Butler men, but they were refused admittance. The middle-of-the-roads declared that there would be two national conventions unless Butler gave in. Parker said if Bryan's nomination was forced the populists of the south would vote with the republicans.

KNOCKED OUT BY SHARKEY.

Detroit, Feb. 19.—Tom Sharkey knocked out Jim Jeffords tonight in the second round. The blow that did the trick was a right hand whip following a left hook in the breakaway. Jeffords fell like a log and was counted out.

NOTICE.

I will sell today, the 20th of February, at auction at 12 o'clock in front of the court house, personal property belonging to the late Dr. E. C. Starnes; consisting of furniture, medical books, other books, one horse, two buggies, harness, surgical instruments, and other articles.

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