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FIERCE FIGHTING IN FREE STATE

Roberts Sends a Serious Casualty List with no Explanation.

British Invasion Being Seriously Contested.

Reports of Relief of Ladysmith are Premature.

All News of Buller's Campaign, However, is Favorable.

SUPPOSED THAT CRONJE HAS BEEN REINFORCED FROM THE SOUTH, BUT NO MEN HAVE YET REACHED HIM FROM NATAL.

London, Feb. 21.—The British idea that the Boers are demoralized and in a condition of panic has been dispelled by the publication of a serious casualty list from General Roberts, without any explanation how or where the loss occurred. Roberts' first despatch gave the impression that the Boers were in full retreat, making hardly any resistance, and aroused expectations that the next tidings would announce the surrender of Cronje's army. Now comes the news that nearly 50 British officers, including two prominent generals, have been killed or wounded, while the losses of the rank and file are not mentioned. There can be no doubt that the British invasion of the Orange Free State is being sharply contested, and that the federal forces are still fighting vigorously there. There has been no definite information concerning the progress of the Roberts-Kitchener campaign since Sunday, but it is reasonable to suppose that Cronje has now been reinforced by ten thousand men from the south. It is impossible that the Boers, who have been withdrawn from Natal can have yet reached either him or Bloemfontein, the capital of the Free State. The news of Buller's campaign is favorable as far as it goes, but the persistent report that Ladysmith had been relieved is premature. At midnight the war office announced it had received nothing for publication.

CRONJE'S VERSION.

Pretoria, Feb. 19.—A portion of an official report from Cronje, dated February 18, has been given out as follows: Yesterday morning while removing a laager near Scholtznek, we were attacked by the British. The fight lasted until 7:30 in the evening. Although on the whole the British were driven back, they each time renewed the attack.

The loss to the British must have been considerable. Thus far the Boers' loss has been eight killed, 12 wounded. This morning the British shelled us with cannon. Chief Commandant Ferreira's forces was too small to stop the cavalry from entering Kimberley.

MACDONALD WOUNDED.

London, Feb. 21.—It is reported that General Hector MacDonal, commander of the Highland brigade, was severely wounded yesterday. The latest news received about MacDonal and the Highlanders was that they were pursuing Cronje.

A private telegram received here from Berlin this afternoon declares that General Cronje is in a bad position, bearing out yesterday's Berlin rumor that Cronje was surrounded and that a time limit had been given him within which to surrender.

A despatch from Pretoria yesterday announces that Commandant Ferreira was killed February 19, adding that his death was believed to be the result of an accident.

The war office has received the following from Buller: "Cheveley Camp, Feb. 21.—The fifth division crossed the Tugela today by pontoon and drove back the enemy's rear guard, our naval 12 pounders silencing all the enemy's guns."

SEWALL DECLARES FOR EXPANSION

Says Democratic Party Should Make This a Plank in Platform.—Will Talk to Bryan.

New Orleans, Feb. 21.—Arthur Sewall, the vice presidential candidate of the campaign of 1896, left here last night for Washington, where he will confer with Bryan. Sewall hopes to cement Bryan to the policy of expansion. He says he believes that the nominee will be elected president on the expansion plank.

He declares that the democrats should readjust the Chicago platform by the insertion of a plank declaring for expansion and American ownership of the Philippines. He says he is out of politics and will never be a candidate again, but he will enthusiastically work for democratic success, if the platform is what it ought to be. He asserts that the American people will never consent to the pulling down of the flag anywhere.

JAPAN'S FIRST SIGHT OF FOREIGN ARMED TROOPS

Forty-Eighth Regiment Drills in Yokohama, Pleasing Them.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The state department received a despatch from Minister to Japan Buck in which he says that through the courtesy of Japan the Forty-eighth United States Infantry, colored, which arrived in Yokohama on January 11 from San Francisco, en route to Manila, was allowed to land, drill and parade on one of the public squares, much to the pleasure of the American citizens and people of Yokohama of other nationalities.

The minister adds that the execution of the march and the manual of arms was astonishingly good, and says he is informed that this is the first occasion that an armed body of foreigners has been allowed to land in Japan.

CAPTAIN EVANS HAS A NARROW ESCAPE

Milk Train Crashes Into the the Car He is Riding In.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Captain Evans, of the Battleship Iowa, and his two daughters narrowly escaped injury in a wreck on the Baltimore and Ohio road near Edgemore, Ind., today. The train in which they were passengers was compelled to stop because of a collision of a freight engine directly ahead. While the train stopped a milk train crashed into the rear. The car of which Captain Evans and his daughters were occupants was shattered. All of the passengers were badly shaken up and four of them were badly injured.

DISCUSSION ON PORTO RICAN TARIFF BILL

Time Next Week to be Devoted to It.—Two Night Sessions.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Owing to the demand for time in which to speak on the Porto Rican tariff bill, there will be daily sessions of the house for the rest of the week until 11 o'clock. Night sessions will be held on Thursday and Friday. No arrangement has been made for closing the debate, and there is a possibility that it may run into the next week. The speakers today were Mr. Ray of New York, and Mr. Long of Kansas, in support of the bill, and Mr. Bromwell of Ohio, and Mr. Henry, of Texas, against it. The absent republicans had been notified to be in their seats today.

HAWAII'S GOVERNMENT.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Today's session of the senate was mainly devoted to the consideration of a bill providing for a territorial form of government for Hawaii. An amendment offered by Mr. Platt, changing the provisions of the bill so as to vest the appointment of the judges of the Supreme and Circuit courts in the president instead of in the governor, as provided by the bill, caused much discussion, during which Mr. Tillman asked Mr. Morgan, who was speaking in opposition to the amendment, as to the number of voters in Hawaii. Mr. Wolcott interrupted and called Mr. Tillman's attention to the disparity of the population of South Carolina and the vote cast in 1898. This aroused Mr. Tillman, who demanded the floor to reply, but was unable to obtain it. Without any action on Mr. Platt's amendment, the senate adjourned.

LESLIE E. KEELEY DEAD

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.—Leslie E. Keeley, who made a million dollars out of the liquor habit cure, died of heart disease today. He was born in the state of New York 64 years ago. He moved to Dwight, Ill., and established the institution there which bears his name.

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CUBANS OBJECT TO BISHOP OF HAVANA

Want a Cuban Bishop.—Threaten to Sever Connections With Rome.

Havana, Feb. 21.—That the newly appointed bishop of Havana will arrive on Saturday has intensified the opposition to him. Numerous protests have been sent to the papers, and circulars denouncing his appointment have been scattered broadcast.

At a meeting of prominent Cubans last night resolutions were passed against his appointment, and a committee was appointed to protest to Governor General Wood, and to cable the pope and McKinley, explaining the Cuban attitude. Threats are made that unless a Cuban bishop be appointed, Cuba will sever her relationship with Rome and establish a church of her own. There is talk of organizing demonstrations against the bishop when he lands.

The Cubans have been so long accustomed to the union of the church and the state that they cannot see why Wood should not interfere. No demonstration against the bishop will be permitted.

The tobacco crop of Pinar del Rio is said to be a record-breaker, both in quantity and quality.

BRYAN IN JACKSONVILLE.

Jacksonville, Feb. 21.—Bryan arrived here this evening and was escorted to a hotel by a committee of the board of trade. After dinner he spoke to about two thousand persons from a stand in front of the hotel. He declared the silver issue was not dead. "God made man, man made money; man must be master," he declared "but the republicans and trusts make money the master." He proposed that the republicans be overwhelmingly defeated. Bryan made eight speeches coming from Tampa. He left tonight for Columbus, Ga.

BEAT BRITISH CHAMPION.

Bernard Nicholls Also Breaks Records on Florida Golf Links.

Bernard Nicholls, the expert of the Swannanoa Country club, has returned from Florida where he has been several weeks playing golf with professionals from all over the United States and England. His greatest game was played at Ormond Fla, last Tuesday with Harry Vardon, the British champion, which resulted in a victory for Nicholls by a score of 5 up and 4 to play.

This is the first time Vardon has been beaten in this country, although he had been up against some of the best professional talent, including the present champion of the United States, Willie Smith, whom he beat 3 up and 2 to play.

In the game with Nicholls Vardon was 4 up on the first 18 holes. Breaking all previous records for the course, the first 9 holes being made in 35 strokes and the 18 in 74. Nicholls came away with a rush in the next 18 holes, also breaking all records, even Vardon's, making them in 70, and beating Vardon 5 up and 4 to play.

He was carried off the links by an admiring crowd.

Mr. Nicholls will play Willie Smith, the champion of the United States, an exhibition game of golf here, in about three weeks.

SENATOR SULLIVAN ASSAULTS A CONDUCTOR

Dispute Over Berth, and a Suit for Damages May Result.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 21.—Senator Sullivan of Mississippi, assaulted Pullman Car Conductor Cole on the car en route to this city last night from Washington. The assault was the outcome of a dispute over a berth. The senator knocked Cole down. The occupants of the car stated that Sullivan was entirely to blame, whereupon he attempted to make an apology. Cole would not accept the apology, and now states that he will bring suit for \$5,000 damages. It was said that Sullivan was under the influence of drink.

SCHOONER DISABLED.

New York, Feb. 21.—The Morgan line steamer Winifred, Captain Langhorne, from New Orleans, rased in at Sandy Hook this morning, towing the three-masted schooner Henry R. Tilton, Captain Cobb, from Savannah, February 9. The indications are that the Winifred picked up the schooner in a disabled condition.

TRAIN DERAILED.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., Feb. 21.—Fourteen people were injured by the derailment of a passenger train at Curtis this afternoon during a blizzard.

CHOOSING CONVENTION CITY.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The democratic national committee will decide tomorrow on a convention city. Milwaukee and Kansas city are the only contestants. The sentiment of the committee is for Bryan and an early convention.

NOMINATION TO THE SENATE.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate today: War, volunteers—Brigadier General Harrison Grey Otis to be major general by brevet; colonels to be brigadier generals by brevet, Owen Summers, Harry C. Kessel, Wilder S. Metcalf; Captain J. F. Case to be major by brevet; Captain Luther B. Grady, Thirty-fifth infantry, to be surgeon with rank of major; First Lieutenant John A. Metzger, Fifth infantry, to be assistant surgeon with rank of captain.

KENTUCKY AGREEMENT

Injunction Cases to be Submitted to Judge Field Next Tuesday.

Both Parties Will Submit to Court's Decision.

Democratic Senators Refuse to Allow a Minister to Officiate.

Clergy of the City Send in a Unanimous Protest.

SENATORS RETURN AN EXPLANATION—A SUBSTITUTE BILL OFFERING A \$100,000 REWARD FOR THE CONVICTION OF GOEBEL'S ASSASSIN.

Frankfort, Feb. 21.—An agreement to try the Beckham and Taylor and Beckham and Marshall cases was reached by the attorneys of both sides today. The agreement provides for a trial of the cases before Circuit Judge Field at Louisville, the cases to be submitted Tuesday. Ten days are given for the introduction of evidence and the cases will be appealed to the court of appeals and may then be taken to the Supreme court on a writ of error. The case at Georgetown before Judge Cantrell is to be dismissed. There will be three cases—Taylor vs. Beckham, Marshall vs. Beckham, already filed, and Beckham vs. Taylor—on the agreed case. The democratic attorneys say the suit to be tried, under terms of agreement, is to be merely a suit for office, a personal action, and that under such an action, they claim, a case in which Supreme court would have jurisdiction could not arise. The terms of agreement provide for the speedy trial and submission of each party to the decision of the court. They say the case is to be tried within the next 20 days. The republicans claim the case must go to the Supreme court, and that they will there win it.

The only occurrence in the nature of conflict today was when Lieutenant Governor Marshall walked into the senate chamber during the session of the democratic members and demanded that his presence be recorded in the journal. No attention was paid to him and he walked out.

A new measure has been prepared, after a conference of the democrats, whereby a substitute for the bill now pending is to be offered providing \$100,000 for the conviction of the assassin of Goebel and appoints a commission to see that the expenditure of the fund is for the purpose appropriated by the resolutions. The house today appointed a board for Goebel memorial exercises.

President Carter of the senate did not recognize the minister whom Lieutenant Governor Marshall called on for prayer at the opening of the senate session and his name was not placed in the journal. A petition signed by all the ministers of Frankfort was sent to the legislature that they would in future refuse to officiate as chaplain. When this notice was received resolutions were adopted disclaiming any disrespect and inviting one of the ministers to attend, and open a session of the senate with prayer. President Carter explained that his recognition of the minister called by Marshall to speak would be tantamount to recognizing Marshall.

The Humane Society of Cleveland has captured a bear which for over a year has been supporting forty persons by its earnings. The animal belongs to a band of Gypsies, and drew \$15 a week by dancing and doing tricks at a theatre. Upon this sum the entire tribe subsisted.

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