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## FAST MAIL WRECKED

On Atlanta and West Point Road Near Opelika, Alabama.

Train Was Running 50 Miles an Hour.

Baggage Car, Mail Car and Day Coaches Derailed.

Trains With Physicians Rushed to the Spot.

REPORTED THAT MANY ARE KILLED OR INJURED—ALL TRAFFIC AT A STANDSTILL. WASHINGTON SLEEPER NOT THROWN FROM TRACK.

Atlanta, March 26.—The fast mail on the Atlanta and West Point railway, which left Atlanta for Montgomery and New Orleans at 5 o'clock this morning was wrecked between West Point and Opelika, Ala. Express Messenger Oslin was killed and Baggage Master Bunt badly injured. The baggage car, mail car and two day coaches were thrown from the track. The Washington sleeper was not derailed.

### PHYSICIANS SENT TO THE SCENE

Opelika, March 26.—An engine carrying special physicians left here for the scene of the wreck of the fast mail. It is reported that a number of persons are dead and injured. The train at the time of the accident was running at the rate of fifty miles an hour. All traffic on the road is at a standstill.

Montgomery, March 26.—A special train with surgeons was sent from here this morning to the scene of the wreck on the Atlanta and West Point railway near West Point.

### KEARSARGE READY FOR SEA TRIAL

Newport News, March 26.—The battleship Kearsarge started on her naval career today. Shortly after 4 o'clock she left the yard and proceeded to Old Point Comfort, where the battleship will have her sea trials April 3 and 4. After this she will go to Boston to be present at the Bunker Hill celebration. From there she will go to France according to the present understanding. Rear Admiral Fauquier will raise his flag over the Kearsarge next month.

### WHEELER WON'T RESIGN.

Washington, March 26.—As a result of the several conferences between the secretary of war and General Wheeler, the latter has withdrawn his resignation from volunteer army and has been placed on waiting orders. Under this arrangement Wheeler remains in the service of the United States until the war department takes definite action in regard to the general's future.

### HOBSON PLAYS BASEBALL.

Washington, March 23.—Naval Constructor Richmond Pearson Hobson, of the United States navy, who sank the Merrimac in the harbor of Santiago, Cuba, and who is now superintending work on American warships at Hong Kong, has been playing baseball over there, assisted by and in opposition to sundry American blue jackets and marines. The game was a great success and Rounsville Wildman, United States consul at Hong Kong, was so much impressed with the interest taken in it by the English people that he made it the text for a long report to the state department, telling of the marked friendship for the United States which had been displayed in many ways from the Hong Kong British since the beginning of the Spanish-American war.—New York Sun.

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## REPORTS CONFIRM USE OF PROHIBITED BULLETS

British Secretary of State For War Says This of Boers.

London, March 26.—Replying to a question in the house of commons, Wyndham, secretary of state for war, stated that there was no doubt from the reports of Lord Roberts and others that explosive and expansive bullets had been used by the Boers. Many such bullets have been found in the neighborhood of the positions evacuated by the burghers.

The reports have been confirmed from Bloemfontein that while Lieutenant Colonel Coddington, of the Coldstream Guards; Lieutenant Colonel Grabbe, of the Grenadier Guards; Captain Lygon, regimental adjutant and a guide from Rapanstown were riding near Bishop's Glen, they were fired upon by the Boers. Lygon was killed and all the others wounded.

### THE HALT AT BLOEMFONTEIN.

London, March 26.—The following despatch from Bloemfontein, dated Sunday, is published today:

"The conditions existing in the occupied territory render imperative a somewhat prolonged halt at Bloemfontein. It is necessary that the effect of the proclamation have time to make itself felt. It is declared that damage and annoyance to the line of communication may be apprehended until the territory behind the advancing forces is rendered absolutely secure. The accuracy of this view is proved by the fact, the enemy is breaking up into isolated groups such as that which attacked the Guards' officers Friday.

"The adjustment of financial and municipal matters in the Free State is now chiefly occupying the attention of the governor and his legal and financial advisers. The military regime is being conducted with great smoothness, but recent investigations show that caution must be exercised in dealing with persons apparently loyal."

This summary is a probably accurate explanation of the frequent appearance and disappearance of Boers and insurgents, upon which reports are so conflicting and which so puzzle the British military critics.

General Methuen appears to be awaiting transportation, and, with Colonel Plumer's forces on half rations, there now seems little likelihood of the immediate relief of Mafeking, though neither from this quarter nor from Lord Roberts or General Buller is there any direct news today.

The government buildings at Cape Town narrowly escaped destruction by fire last night. The state papers, after being much damaged, were removed.

A Lorenzo Marques special says the Transvaal authorities are recruiting actively, and large numbers of French, Dutch and Belgian volunteers are constantly passing through that place to join the Boer forces.

### NOT CHEERFUL BUT BESIDGED.

London, March 26.—The Daily Mail publishes the following from Maréchal, dated Wednesday, March 14:

"We are still being heavily shelled. There have been several casualties. Skirmishing continues in the trenches. The native food question is becoming a difficulty. The Boers have broken the arrangement to respect the Sabbath by not firing and have seized the opportunity to extend their trenches."

### STRONG BOER FORCE MOVING

London, March 26.—The Times has the following from Rouxville, dated Saturday:

"Commandant Olivier, with a strong force and fifteen guns is moving north of Ladybrand. A large Boer convoy has been seen from Basutoland proceeding towards Clocolan. General French may intercept it."

### BRITISH INVADE TRANSVAAL.

London, March 26.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Kimberley, dated March 25, says: "Despatches brought in here report that a force of British cavalry has entered the Transvaal and penetrated to a point eighteen miles north of Christiania. The British forces at Fourteen Streams are being strengthened. A movement northward is expected soon."

### KIPLING'S MUSE.

London, March 26.—A Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing Saturday says that Rudyard Kipling, who is hard at work assisting to edit the newspaper, "Friend," conducted by the war correspondents, has contributed to it the following lines on the death at Ladysmith of G. W. Stevens, the famous representative of the Daily Mail:

Through war and pestilence, red siege and fire,  
Silent and self-contained he drew his breath.  
Brave not for show of courage, his desire  
Through as he saw it, even to the death.

### ON A SPECIAL MISSION.

London, March 26.—In circles here, in touch with the Boer rulers, it is declared that the three delegates who left Lorenzo Marques on the German steamer March 13 are bound on a special mission from President Kruger to President McKinley. The Boer element here is very mysterious about the mission, but it is hinted that great things are expected from it.

### ADVANCE IN WAGES.

Altoona, Pa., March 26.—The Altoona Coal and Coke company, Henrietta Mining company and Frugality Coal company, all of this city, have notified the miners of a general advance in wages of twenty per cent.

## WILL UNCLE SAM TAKE A HAND?

Kentuckians Trying to Get Federal Authorities to Intervene.

May Come in an Order From Secretary Root.

Commanding Beckham to Return Arms and Disband Troops.

State Closes the Evidence in the Case Against Powers.

### DEFENSE HAS NOT ANNOUNCED

WHETHER POWERS WILL GO ON STAND IN HIS OWN BEHALF. WITNESSES BROUGHT TO DISPROVE GOLDEN'S TESTIMONY.

Frankfort, March 26.—Taylor arrived here this morning after two days in Louisville. He went directly to his office in the executive building. He refused to be interviewed about the testimony of Golden, in which his name was mentioned in connection with the conspiracy. Although Taylor strenuously denies it, he is making supreme efforts for federal interference in Kentucky affairs.

A letter received from Senator Deboe today, said by Wednesday there would be a big change in the attitude of the federal authorities. Federal interference will come in the shape of an order from Secretary Root to Governor Beckham to return all militia arms belonging to the United States government to the arsenal at Frankfort and to disband his army.

The Goebel assassination conspiracy cases were to have been taken up this morning before Judge Moore. The star witness, Golden, did not appear. It was announced that he was ill.

Golden's confession is causing intense bitterness toward him by republican leaders. They have brought witnesses to disprove his evidence.

### DEBOE DOES NOT KNOW.

Washington, March 26.—Senator Deboe was seen at the capitol this afternoon in regard to the statement that federal action would likely be taken in Kentucky affairs. He said there was no truth in the report so far as he knew.

### COMBS SEES PRESIDENT.

Washington, March 26.—Leslie Combs, a prominent republican leader of Kentucky, talked with President McKinley fifteen minutes about the situation in his state. Kentuckians of both parties say the situation does not improve and is fast leading to a crisis. The president personally has little to say at these conferences. He listens to what is said to him, and is glad to get all the information possible, as the state of affairs may arise which will necessitate action by him.

### STATE CLOSSES.

Frankfort, March 26.—The state closed its side in the case against former Secretary of State Powers, after the conclusion of the evidence given by Golden. The defence did not state when Powers will go on the stand in his own defense. The evidence given was in the nature of a corroboration of the confession Saturday.

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## STANDARD OIL COMPANY DRIVEN FROM TEXAS

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Austin Tex., March 26.—Judge Clark, attorney of the Waters Pierce Oil company, was here today and consulted Attorney General Smith as to the effect of the recent decision of the Supreme court. The company cannot do business in Texas under the anti-trust law of that state. The Waters Pierce Oil company is the southern branch of the Standard Oil company and controls most of the producing wells in the Corsicana oil field. Under the decision of the Supreme court it will be forced to close down the extensive business in that district and wholly withdraw handling the product throughout the state. It is probable that independent companies will immediately organize to further develop the Corsicana field and supply the state with oil.

### GOVERNOR STONE DIES.

Holly Springs, March 26.—Hon. J. M. Stone, for ten years governor of Mississippi, died this morning after a short illness.

### AT BINGHAM.

A New Pitcher—Morning German Well Attended.

Mr. Cunningham has arrived from Danville to pitch for the Bingham baseball team. He attended Bingham three years ago, and will take a special course this year. He has a reputation as being one of the best pitchers in the south. He will return to Danville in a few days for a catcher.

The morning german given by the cadets yesterday morning was very pleasant. Among those who participated in the dancing were: The Misses Acheson, the Misses Wier, Miss Hamilton, Miss Blanche Ridgely, Miss Campbell, Miss Daisy Branch, Miss Penland, Miss Sawyer, Miss Adams, Miss Woolen, Miss Polly, Miss Babeock, Captain Duncan and Captain D'Alemberte. H. Lieutenants Hale, Morrow, Miller, Daniels, Sergeants Harris, Mallon, Corporals Hewitt, Shemwell, Privates Buckner, Grizzard, Pope, J. J. Brown, Taylor, L. Kennedy, Sturgis, Price, Ward.

The cadets are drilling out of doors with guns every day. The baseball teams are hard at work practicing. The tour of England, which is now being arranged for the Automobile club of Great Britain and Ireland will be one of the interesting events of the year. The automobiles entering the competition are to cover a route of 1,000 miles, laid out from London to Edinburgh and back, passing through a number of the larger cities, i. e. each of which the vehicles will be put on exhibition for one day. This event will be preceded by the automobile exposition which will be held under the patronage of the club in Agricultural hall, London, April 14-21. It will probably be followed by an exhibition of the vehicles which have taken part in the 1,000 miles tour, from May 12-19.

### WOOD'S SEEDS AT GRANT'S.

Wood's onion sets at Grant's.  
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Wood's Flower Seeds at Grant's.  
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Washington, March 26.—Senator Davis, of Minnesota, introduced in the senate today a substitute for the Porto Rican tariff bill, which provides for free trade between the United States and Porto Rico and extends the internal revenue laws with amendments over the islands. The act is declared provisional, not to continue longer than March 1, 1902. It is as follows:

Section 1. Porto Rico is hereby made an internal revenue district. The laws of the United States providing for internal revenue taxation and collections not locally inapplicable are hereby extended to and shall remain in force in Porto Rico, excepting as herein otherwise provided for the term stated in this act. The president by and with the advice and consent of the senate shall appoint a collector of internal revenue for said district.

Section 2. Excepting as herein otherwise provided, 15 per cent. of all internal revenue taxes imposed by the laws of the United States shall be collected in said district. No stamp taxes imposed by said laws upon written or printed documents shall be collected in said district.

Section 3. The amount of all taxes so collected, less the necessary expenses of collection, are hereby appropriated and placed at the disposal of the president to be expended under his direction for the government of Porto Rico now existing and hereafter to be established, and for public education, public works and other governmental and public purposes therein.

Section 4. Upon tobacco not grown in Porto Rico and upon all manufactures thereof and upon rum or other distilled spirits, produced from substances not grown in Porto Rico the full tax provided by the internal revenue laws of the United States shall be collected. Upon tobacco grown in Porto Rico and manufactures thereof and upon rum and on other spirits distilled or made from sugar cane or other agricultural products grown in Porto Rico or from the product of sugar cane or other agricultural product, said tax of 15 per cent shall be imposed the same as upon other subjects of internal taxation.

Section 5. The president, whenever he shall be satisfied that local self-government has been established in Porto Rico adequate to raise and collect taxes by its own legislation, shall have power from time to time by proclamation to decrease said per centum of taxation, or wholly abolish the same.

Section 6. No duties on imports or exports shall after the passage of this act be levied or collected on any articles imported from the United States into Porto Rico or from Porto Rico into the United States.

In the senate Mr. Hanna, of Ohio, chairman of the republican national committee, rose to a question of personal privilege. He directed attention to an article printed in a Washington paper.

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