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## HOW MAFEKING RELIEVED

### Fighting With the Besiegers Around the Town Began on May 13th.

### Mahon and Plummer Entered Five Days Later.

### The Boers Fled But Lost Many Killed and Captured.

### Mounted Infantry Advance From Kroonstad.

### ROBERTS STARTS SUPPLIES TO MAFEKING—DEWET READY TO SURRENDER—ANOTHER REPORT THAT KRUGER IS SUING FOR PEACE.

London, May 22.—There are as yet only a few accounts of Colonel Mahon's march to the relief of Mafeking and they are disjointed, but they show until the fighting of May 13 the progress of the column was uneventful. On that day a column of Boers, which had been keeping in touch with Mahon's command, attacked him. According to the British accounts the Boers were severely defeated, leaving eighteen dead on the field. Then Mahon made a wide detour and joined Plummer. The united force marched against the besiegers who finally fled, taking their guns but losing a number of prisoners and eighty killed.

It is stated that the Irish-American ambulance corps, who had joined the fighters, were almost annihilated. Mahon and Plummer entered the town May 18. There has been no confirmation of the Lorenzo Marques report that the besiegers were captured.

Information from other places in South Africa is most meagre. A despatch to the Telegraph from Kroonstad states that mounted infantry has gone forward, but it doesn't indicate a general advance has commenced. This will probably be hindered by trouble Buller is meeting in Natal.

### DEWET TO SURRENDER.

London, May 21.—A special despatch from Kroonstad says that General Dewet has sent word that he is prepared to surrender, conditionally, his entire commando.

### COL. BADEN-POWELL'S GALLANT FIGHT.

Cape Town, May 21.—It is officially announced that Mafeking was relieved May 17. General Barton telegraphed the news from Taung's to Sir Alfred Milner, the British high commissioner.

London, May 21.—A despatch received from Baden-Powell, dated May 13, says that before dawn May 13 a storming party of 250 strong, personally led by Eloff, rushed the pickets and Staat and Protectorate camp from the westward along the Maloppo valley, a strong musketry demonstration being made at the same time along the eastern front of our position. Our western posts closed in and stopped the Boer supports following, thus cutting off Eloff's retreat while the town defenses stopped his further advance. His force got divided in the darkness and a strong party was placed between them. Fighting continued all day long.

Soon after nightfall two parties surrendered and the other was driven out of the Staat under a heavy fire. Ten dead and nineteen wounded of the enemy were left behind and 108 prisoners were taken, including nine officers. Seventeen Frenchmen and many Germans were among the prisoners. Our losses were six men killed and two officers and nine men wounded.

### SUPPLIES FOR MAFEKING.

London, May 21.—The war office has received the following from Roberts: "Kroonstad, May 21.—Buller reports that his advance will be delayed for a few days on account of the way in which the railroad has been destroyed. Rundell reports that Ladybrand has been occupied. Hunter is pushing up the railway with supplies for Mafeking garrison and arranging a hospital train for the conveyance of sick and wounded to Kimberley. Methuen has

left Hoopstad to co-operate with this force."

A despatch from Kroonstad, dated Sunday, May 20, says a British convoy on the way to Lindley was attacked by Boers and obliged to halt. The result of the attack is not known, but it is evident the Boers facing the main British army are on the alert and aggressive.

### FORTIFYING JOHANNESBURG.

Lorenzo Marques, May 21.—The defense works of Johannesburg are progressing rapidly. Six guns brought from the front have been placed in a fort, while trenches and trenches intersected. Katzerand, near Mapriviersburg behind the race course.

### HAS KRUGER SUE FOR PEACE?

London, May 21.—Displayed in the most conspicuous style in the Daily Express is the following:

"We have the best reason for stating that in twenty-four hours a telegram has been received at the foreign office addressed personally to the prime minister from President Kruger proposing terms of peace.

"The exact terms of the message cannot be stated, but we believe it is couched in an exceedingly humble strain."

## BOER DELEGATES TALK WITH SECRETARY HAY

### Notified This Government Cannot Use Influence to Bring Peace.

Washington, May 21.—Secretary Hay this afternoon gave an unofficial audience to the Boer delegation. This meeting was arranged this morning without difficulty, in large part through the good offices of General Beane, who has been active in his efforts at the behalf of the delegates. Saturday last he submitted to the state department a statement of the grounds upon which the delegation should be received and was given such encouragement that the Boers themselves addressed the state department directly, sending a simple note requesting the privilege of appearing in person and talking with Secretary Hay. The secretary of state agreed to receive the delegates at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The apparent object of the mission on which the Boer delegates came to this country was unfolded as a mediator. Secretary Hay's answer was that their trip had been in vain as far as it concerned the hope that the American government would use its influence to bring peace. The delegates made an appeal to the United States to tender its services as a mediator. Secretary Hay's answer was a comprehensive statement of the circumstances surrounding the previous attempt of this government to end the hostilities and the reasons which forced it to decline reluctantly now to take the initiative.

The delegates did not present any credentials, and it is not believed they will cut off their freedom of speech through the assumption of diplomatic functions. It is probable they will devote the rest of their stay to holding mass meetings for the purpose of creating sympathy and raising money.

Tomorrow the envoys will be officially received by President McKinley. The Boer question came up in the senate late today when a resolution was presented for the admission of the Boer envoys to the privileges of the floor. Chairman Davis of the committee on foreign relations moved to lay it on the table, contending that to do so the resolution would be entirely irregular, especially as the envoys had not yet been officially recognized. After an extended debate the Davis motion prevailed, 36 to 21.

## MORO KIDNAPPING BAND RESIST OUR TROOPS

### Successfully Defend an Old Spanish Fort—Death From Bubonic Plague

Manila, May 21.—Major Brett, of the Thirty-first volunteers, reports that the First Infantry had a fight with Moros on the island of Mindanao. The band had kidnaped about thirty women and children, taking them to Pollok, and Major Brett with a small force went to the rescue. The Moros were in an old Spanish fort and defended it successfully. The Americans killed fifteen when near the fort, and after a vain attempt to dislodge the rebels retired. Major Brett reported the affair to General Kobbe, who sent Major McMahon with reinforcements, including two three-inch guns with instructions to give the Moros a sound thrashing.

The first death among the white residents of this city from bubonic plague occurred today. No fears are entertained of the plague spreading among the whites.

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## JOINT DISCUSSION WILL BE ARRANGED

### Chairman Holton Agrees to Chairman Butler's Request for a Combined Canvass.

Hon. A. E. Holton, Chairman Republican State Committee, Greensboro, N. C.

Immediately after the adjournment of the people's party state convention I addressed a letter to Hon. F. M. Simmons, chairman of the democratic state committee, challenging him and the candidates of his party to a joint discussion before the people on the issues of the present campaign. At that time your convention had not been held. Since then Chairman Simmons, on behalf of himself and all the other democratic candidates, has formally declined our challenge for a joint discussion. I write now to request a joint discussion with the candidates of your party. If you and the candidates of your party are favorable to this request, I will be glad to confer with you at the earliest day practicable to arrange a date for such joint canvass. Awaiting your reply, I am, yours respectfully,  
MARION BUTLER, Chairman.

Washington, May 16.

Hon. Marion Butler, chairman Peoples Party committee, Washington, D. C. Dear Sir: Replying to yours of 16th instant requesting a joint discussion between the republican and populist candidates.

The issues of the campaign are mainly involved in the proposed suffrage amendments submitted by the recent legislature and the election law enacted by that body. Both of these were endorsed by the recent democratic state convention, and by them made the leading issues of the campaign. They are fraught with such dangers to the liberties of the people and strike so vitally at our republican form of government, that all other questions dividing political parties in this state sink into such insignificance that a common effort should be made to enlighten the people and warn them of their threatened danger.

In my opinion the objections urged by your state convention against the suffrage amendments and your arrangement of the election law were so strong that no one who agrees with you or who believes "in equal rights to all and special privileges to none" (which as I understand is one of the cardinal principles of your party) can take issue with the republican organization in their avowed opposition to these measures.

The people in the state are so aroused against these measures, which are the results of the broken pledges of the democratic organization made in the campaign of 1898, that their attention cannot be drawn to national questions upon which the republican and populist parties are at variance.

Believing that it is the desire of your organization in the state to discuss all issues dispassionately and allow all men to vote and act as their consciences dictate, I would have no objection to a discussion with your candidates upon any public question about which we differ. Respectfully,  
A. E. HOLTON.

Chairman republican state executive committee. Greensboro, N. C., May 18.

## MISSISSIPPI DEMOCRATS IN OPEN DISRUPTION

### Chairman Miller Says Counties Do Not Demand Primary Election.

Jackson, Miss., May 21.—Chairman C. G. Miller of the democratic state executive committee has positively refused to call another meeting of the committee for the purpose of rescinding the call for a primary, in order to select national convention delegates, unless forced to do so by an appeal of a majority of the members. His reply to Governor Longino's letter, written Saturday night, is to this effect: "That ten of the seventy-five counties in the state have refused to hold the primary ordered by the committee. Six counties have ordered the primary. It seems that the party is in a state of open disruption and at present it is impossible to conjecture where the matter will end. The county executive committee of Lee county practically backs the party by issuing a public address urging that mass meetings be held in every county in the state on the 23d of June to select delegates to a state convention to be held in Jackson five days following."

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## KENTUCKY GOVERNORSHIP CASE IS DECIDED

### Beckham Wins in the Supreme Court, One Justice Dissenting.

Washington, May 21.—The Kentucky governorship case was today decided by the United States supreme court in the interest of Beckham, affirming the decision of the court of appeals of Kentucky.

The opinion was handed down by Chief Justice Fuller and the case was dismissed for want of jurisdiction. He said the court should be the last to overstep the bounds limiting its own jurisdiction and that the determination of cases of this character of contests for state offices must necessarily be settled by the political branch of the government. That branch had acted in the Kentucky case when the general assembly took jurisdiction. There was no appeal from the assembly's decision which was favorable to Goebel and Beckham, except to the tribunal of the people, which tribunal, the chief justice said, was always in session. He also said the case was purely a state case—that Kentucky was in full possession of its faculties as a member of the union and that there was no emergency at this time calling for interference.

"For more than one hundred years the constitution of Kentucky has provided that contested elections for governor and lieutenant governor shall be determined by the general assembly. In 1799, by a committee to be selected from both houses of the general assembly and framed and regulated in such manner as shall be directed by law," 1850, "By both houses of the general assembly according to such regulations as may be established by law."

The highest court in the state has often held and in the present case has again declared that under their constitutional provisions the power of the general assembly to determine the result is exclusive and that its decision is not open to judicial review. (Authorities quoted herein are by the court.) On the statute enacted for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the constitution since 1799 and many of the states have similar constitutional provisions and similar statutes. We do not understand this statute to be objected to as in any manner obnoxious to constitutional objection, but the plaintiff in error complains of the action of the general assembly under the statute under the judgment of the state courts declining to disturb that action."

The opinion of the Kentucky case was not unanimous, one of the justices dissenting.

## CHARLOTTE'S CELEBRATION.

### Asheville's Organization Arrived in Good Shape.

Special to the Gazette. Charlotte, N. C., May 21.—The town is filled with people. Confetti, red, white and blue bits of paper are flying everywhere. Five North Carolina companies and six South Carolina companies are here. The A. L. I. and the Blue Ridge Rifles made a better show than all the rest. The Asheville fire department arrived in good shape. The horses stood the journey well. The military parade occurs at 9:30 and the sham battle at 5 o'clock tomorrow. Firemen's day is on Wednesday.

## WOODWARD REFUSES TO RESIGN.

Atlanta, May 21.—Mayor Woodward sent a letter to the city council today saying he would not accede to the council's request that he resign. The request was made as a result of charges that the mayor's life was a disgrace to the city. It is not believed that there will be any further effort just now to oust the mayor.

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## THE TIME LIMIT OF PREACHERS

### Question of Its Removal Discussed at the Chicago Conference.

### Argument Against the Ancient Custom.

### Still Balloting for the Vacant Episcopacy.

### Parker and Warne Elected Missionary Bishops.

### DR. BERRY ANNOUNCES HIS WITHDRAWAL FROM THE BISHOPRIC CONTEST—ADDRESS ON THE GROWTH OF THE COLORED METHODIST CHURCH.

Chicago, May 21.—Debate on the report of the committee on itinerancy concerning the removal of the time limit on pastorates was resumed today in the Methodist general conference immediately after the taking of the thirteenth ballot for bishops. Previous to the balloting the conference, with only eight more working days before it and with a multiplicity of important subjects still unheard, voted to hold morning and afternoon sessions after next Wednesday until the conference closes.

Rev. Samuel P. Cadman of New York spoke in favor of the total abolition of the time limit. Leonard M. Bacon of the Baltimore conference followed with a strong plea for the minority report. "There are but three conferences in this whole Methodist Episcopal church that have come here and asked to have their time limit removed," said Mr. Bacon. "How long can Methodism stand out if you tear down all the bars?"

Thomas H. Murray of the Central Pennsylvania conference made an eloquent plea for the retention of the time limit.

The report of the tellers on the thirteenth ballot was then announced. The four leaders were: J. A. Berry, 296; J. W. Hamilton, 289; D. H. Moore, 237; U. B. Neely, 153. Necessary so choice, 429.

The conference then listened to a lengthy address by Rev. R. A. Carter, fraternal delegate from the colored Methodist Episcopal church of North America, who talked on the growth and prospects of Methodism among the colored people.

After the fourteenth ballot had been announced, which showed no election, Dr. Berry announced his withdrawal for the sake of harmony and to end the unfavorable comment the deadlock has caused in the church.

The vote for missionary bishops was then read as follows: E. W. Parker, 558; F. W. Warne, 490; necessary to a choice, 445. "The chair declares these two brethren duly elected," said Bishop Andrews. Amid tremendous applause the missionary bishops were elected to the conference.

## LOUISIANA'S NEW SENATORS WEAK ON THE PARTY'S CREED

### Foster is Shy on Silver and McEnery Leans to Protection

New Orleans, May 21.—The democratic legislative caucus, which is the same as the legislature, as every member of the body is a democrat, tonight nominated Senator McEnery to succeed himself in 1903 and Governor Foster to succeed Caffery in 1901. Foster confessed to the caucus that he was not bound on the 16 to 1 proposition, but would obey the wishes of the democracy on that point. McEnery made a similar confession on the tariff.

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