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## 18 MILES FROM JOHANNESBURG

### Enemy Fortify Positions But Retire Before Lord Roberts.

### Farmers Surrender Arms and Horses.

### Rendle Occupies Senekal—Defenses of Pretoria Strengthened.

### Only Twelve Out Six Thousand Want to Stop Fighting.

RUMOR THAT KRUGER AND STEYN ARE PREPARING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY—SEVERAL GENERALS ADVISING SURRENDER—RAILWAY REPAIRED TO NEW CASTLE.

London, May 29.—Nothing is known of Lord Roberts' rapid advance toward the Rand except what is contained in his despatch. News from Orange Free State is extremely limited. Buller has not yet commenced the anticipated move around Laing's Nek. The railway has been repaired to New Castle. The Boers threw half a dozen shells to the left of the British position at Ingogo from a gun on Pogwani Hill but did not damage. There has been a great deal of sniping by outposts but no actual engagement.

Evidence accumulates that the Boers are in strong force in the vicinity of New Castle. They hold Nullors and Botha's passes. All manner of gossip concerning the attitude of the Transvaal government and the burghers themselves, continues to emanate from Lorenzo Marques. Some correspondents represent Kruger and Steyn as preparing to flee from the country. Botha and other generals are advising surrender. The burghers are most willing to accept the inevitable. The Daily Mail's correspondents say the state of demoralization in the Transvaal is remarkable. Panic and confusion prevail everywhere. Kruger has all arrangements made for immediate flight, presumably to Holland.

ONLY 18 MILES YET.

London, May 28.—Lord Roberts cables the following:

"Klip River, May 28.—We marched twenty miles today and are now eighteen miles from Johannesburg. The enemy had prepared several positions where they intended to oppose us, but abandoned them one after another as we neared them. We pursued them so hard they only had time to get their five guns into the train and leave this station as some of the West Australian mounted infantry dashed into it. French's and Hamilton's forces are apparently engaged with the enemy about ten miles on our left, as firing has been heard since noon.

"Farmers near our line of advance are surrendering their arms and horses.  
"Rendle occupied Senekal May 24. No report of what occurred has reached me yet."  
GETTING READY FOR ATTACK.

Pretoria, May 28.—The work of adding to and strengthening the defenses of the capital is proceeding with tremendous speed. Your correspondent is convinced that an appalling destruction of property on the Rand has been decided upon if the fighting approaches that part of the republic.  
General Schalk, a burgher, in an address to the Free Staters on Heilbron road yesterday, said all the burghers who wished to surrender could do so. Of the 8000 present only twelve stepped out and signified their desire to stop fighting. Guerrilla warfare on a large scale is imminent in the Free State. Startling events are looked for daily.

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## MACHINE METHODS BECOMING MORE EVIDENT

### Democrats Begin With Primaries to Boss Legislation.

Gazette Bureau,  
Raleigh, May, 28.

In all ages when an organized body of a few men have determined to run the great masses of the people there has been much trouble in the land. And whenever such measures have been adopted it has been a death knell to the country or state in which it was perpetrated. It becomes more apparent daily to even a casual observer that the democratic machine is determined by all means to elect a machine legislature. This is seen from the fights that are going on in all their primaries and conventions throughout the state. They held their primaries in Wilson county Saturday evening, May 26, and had a very hard fight among themselves. It is said that in some instances bloodshed was narrowly averted.

It will be remembered that only a few days have passed since the great pugilistic encounter among the delegates in the court house in Wilson over the nomination for state senator, resulting in adjournment without a nomination. They are now trying it over again. The trouble there as in almost every county is the machine is trying to put out men who will obey the mandates of the bosses. Once they are able to nominate and elect this class of men the North Carolina oligarchy will be perpetual.

General Julian S. Carr said in his speech at Bines creek academy the other day that "oligarchy was always worse than anarchy."

The crowds get smaller at every democratic speaking. Messrs. Gilmer and Toon addressed an audience of thirty-seven democrats, two populists and one man whose political affiliations are unknown at Ormonsville, Green county, Tuesday, May 22. This speaking was in a thickly settled community and was well advertised, but there were not many who cared to hear them, and those who did hear them went out of curiosity more than anything else. It is said many of the democrats present went away declaring they were disgusted with this democratic cavalcade that is going about over the state trying to fit the people.

Again at Ayden, in Pitt county, these same gentlemen dispensed their amendment sophistry to a crowd of fifty county people who received it with very little appreciation, the majority of whom were democrats and who declared after hearing these speeches they would never vote for a measure the exponents of which could not put up a better argument.

The amendments are very pronounced in their statements that no democrats who are bold enough to say in the east. Hon. C. M. Bernard is in receipt of a letter from an eastern county stating that there are forty-eight democrats opposed to the amendment in one township in that county and twenty-two in another. Whenever a republican, no matter how remote he may be politically, expresses his views favorably for the amendment he is lauded to the skies and it is then that he first becomes a respectable man in the eyes of these disfranchisers. If on the other hand the republicans were to publish the names of the democrats who are bold enough to say they are opposed to this measure the columns of every republican paper would be filled every issue.

General Carr said further in his speech at Bines Creek last week that the "success of the nation depends upon the absolute rule of the people," that the minds of the masses were far superior to that of any one man or class of men. Now how does this compare with the Simmons idea of things? These two gentlemen are both candidates for the United States senate.

Major H. F. Brown and Colonel John D. Grimmsley went to Wilson yesterday and spent the day.

Mr. L. C. Owen, of Hertford county, was in the city yesterday.

Collector E. C. Duncan went home Sunday.

The Jolly Pathfinders will hold the boards at the Academy of Music this week. W. A. S.

## ENCOURAGE BOER EMIGRATION SOUTH

### Experts Say They Would be Suitable Citizens for United States

New York, May 28.—Influences are at work to encourage any Boers who may desire to leave South Africa to come to this country and settle in the southern states. Some railroad men are taking an interest in this movement. John N. Sharp, treasurer of the Seaboard Air Line, says that he believes in the practicability of the project. He says: "Boer immigration to the south should be encouraged, for that our lands need such population admits of no discussion. The Boers are suitable immigrants for the United States since they are accustomed to dealing with inferior races and understand irrigation of lands such as we have in the southern section."

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## DEMOCRATS AGAINST IT

### An Anti-Amendment Man Renominated in Brunswick County.

### After He Had Declared Opposition to the Measure.

### Majority of the Convention Was With Dr McNeill,

### Buncombe County Democrat Declares Against Ring Rule.

### W. R. MANEY SCORES HIS PARTY LEADERS FOR THEIR DISFRANCHISING SCHEME—A DEMOCRAT AT ARDEN PULLS OUT.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Supply, N. C., May 25.—County democratic convention met at Lockwood's folly bridge, Brunswick county, on the 23rd, inst. Mr. Aycock, a brother of the democratic nominee for governor, addressed the convention favorable to the constitutional amendment. Hon. George Rountree, in his usual able and eloquent manner, then introduced Hon. Locke Craig, who made quite a long speech in favor of the amendment. Dr. D. B. McNeill, one of the few democratic members of the legislature of 1899, who carried out his pledges to the voters of his county, and the legislature opposed the constitutional amendment, and the Simmons election law, was given a few moments to explain his conduct in the said legislature.

Dr. McNeill said that he had been abused by a portion of his party for three acts in legislature of '99, viz.:

1st. Opposing the constitutional amendment.

2nd. Opposing the election law.

3rd. Failure to appoint two additional commissioners for Brunswick county.

The doctor gave as his reasons for voting against the constitutional amendment that the party machine promised not to do anything to disfranchise any man, and he so promised the people who elected him, and in voting against the amendment he simply carried out his promises to his people. He failed to state why he opposed the election law, supposing I presume that it was an admitted fact that it was a corrupt measure. As to his failure to have the legislature elect two additional commissioners (the ones elected were fusionists) for Brunswick county his reason was that the voters of his county had elected their commissioners, who were good white men, and he could not burden the tax payers of his county with unnecessary expense.

Dr. D. R. McNeill declared that he was still opposed to the constitutional amendment, and in the face of his open declaration against his party's platform he was renominated for representative over two other democrats, who were strong amendment men.

The doctor received 20 and 3-8 votes (necessary for choice 19 1-3.)

Some of the candidates for other positions on the ticket withdrew their names saying that they would not run on a ticket with McNeill, as he had and was still favoring "republican measures." Northwest township and a portion of Smithville township then withdrew from the convention, refusing to take any further action because of McNeill's renomination.

Two other nominees on the democratic ticket are anti-amendment men.

In the convention later on, in the confusion and amidst many votes not counted, the following resolutions were declared adopted: That "his convention express its approval of the democratic platform, including the constitutional amendment, and demand that the nominees of this convention

support the pending constitutional amendment.

Thus ended the amendment convention with their ticket headed by an anti-amendment man, who told the bosses that he was opposed to the amendment, AND A MAJORITY OF THE CONVENTION ENDORSED HIM. The ring democrats are mad and howling. Brunswick will give a majority to the fusion candidates and against the constitutional amendment, and for that spotless man of the people Specer B. Adams for governor.

### "BRUNSWICK."

### A DISSATISFIED DEMOCRAT.

Editor of the Gazette. "Easier were it to hurl the rooted mountain from its base Than to force the yoke of slavery upon men Determined to be free."

As you know, May 19 was set for the meeting of the democratic primaries in Buncombe county to elect delegates to the county convention which met in Asheville, May 26. The hour set for the meeting of the primary at Barnardville was 2 p. m. At that hour a large crowd met, but was surprised to find that a few democrats, led by Dr. Jay and Rev. Joe Hyder, a very distinguished Methodist preacher of this section, had held the primary nearly an hour before the time appointed for the meeting and elected delegates, thereby thwarting the will of a majority of the democrats of upper Big Ivy and a large number in the lower ward. Those honest democrats who had been denied the right to participate in the naming of delegates, feeling that it was a trick to defeat the will of the people, held another primary and elected a new set of delegates, but at the convention the delegates elected by the legal primary were denied a seat. It was at once seen that they did not belong to the right crowd to receive recognition.

When I say "crowd" I mean there is a ring composed of office holders, broken down politicians, pettifogging lawyers, who dictate the policy of the democratic party in Buncombe county to the total disregard of the wishes of the common people, the bone and sinew of our country. I am sorry to say, but feel forced to do so, that this seems to be a part of a plan of the democratic party to disfranchise the voters.

When this became apparent I, with my friends, walked out of the convention determined to vote against a party trammelled and constituted as this party is and call on all men everywhere to join us in putting down a party steered to oppression and fraud by the misery and want it has wrought. I want it distinctly understood that I am a democrat and believe in democracy, but not in the party that controls this county and state, characterized as it is by greed and avarice.

The effort on the part of the democratic party to disfranchise the citizens of North Carolina is enough to condemn it to everlasting infamy. I desire to be instrumental in putting down this crowd of political cutthroats. It has already disfranchised a large number of citizens of Big Ivy township, setting at naught the principle that a majority should rule. Knowing that my attempts to defeat the common enemy would be futile, I ask that all friends join with the strongest party possible to defeat this unworthy gang.

"The greatest glory of a free people is to transmit their freedom to their children."

W. R. MANEY,  
Democrat, N. C., May 28, 1900.

### AN ARDEN DEMOCRAT QUILTS

Arden, N. C., May 28.—At the recent democratic convention here Joseph H. Pressley arose in the meeting and declared his opposition to the disfranchising scheme of the party leaders. He said that hereafter he was a republican.

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### Period of Totality About a Minute and a Half.

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### The Swift Waning of Light Preceding Eclipse Was Striking.

### LIGHT SHINING THROUGH FOLIAGE APPEARED IN CRESCENTS INSTEAD OF CIRCLES AS IS USUAL—MANY PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN.

Special to the Gazette.  
Strother, S. C., May 28.—Several parties of ladies and gentlemen from Union, S. C., and Spartanburg, S. C., viewed the total eclipse of the sun from Red Hill, about a mile from the depot here, today. Among them was Mr. Scaife of Union, who was making observations of the moon's refraction bands to report to the United States government.

The moon was first observed at 7:35 a. m. (through smoked glass) entering on the sun at what might be called the upper right hand portion. This continued gradually and until the sun was probably half eclipsed there was no perceptible difference in its light. After that the light began to fade and take on a yellowish hue until the point of totality was reached. The totality lasted only a very short time, probably less than minute and a half. It was never entirely dark—very similar to early dawn in summer, before the sun has risen but when it is light enough to easily distinguish objects close at hand. This brightness was probably due to the fact that the belt of totality was narrow—about fifty-four miles—and the light was therefore reflected from the atmosphere outside the belt of totality.

An interesting matter of observation was that the sunlight shining through foliage onto the ground, which usually appears in circles, appeared, as the sun became more and more hidden, in crescents, resembling the shape of that part of the sun which was still visible. After the totality had passed and the light increased these crescents appeared again, only turned in the opposite direction. During the totality several stars were visible, and a bright effluence shone out from behind the moon, reaching apparently as far as Mercury on one side and the same distance on the opposite side.

The most striking feature, perhaps, was not the totality, but the waning light which preceded the totality and the swiftness of the waning.

The weather was unusually fine, being about perfect for observations of this kind.

This is the first total eclipse of the sun visible in the United States east of the Mississippi for about twenty years. There will not be another full 1918. There will be then a total eclipse of the sun, the belt of totality extending from Oregon to Florida.

## YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE GAMES.

At Pittsburg—	RHE
Pittsburg.....	14 12 1
New York.....	0 3 1
Batteries: Chesboro and Zimmer; Doherty and Bowerman.	
At Chicago—	RHE
Chicago.....	7 11 7
Brooklyn.....	12 14 0
Batteries: Garvin and Chance; Kennedy and McGuire.	
At St. Louis—	RHE
St. Louis.....	4 7 6
Philadelphia.....	11 15 1
Batteries: Powell and Buelow; Piatt and Douglass.	

## At Cincinnati—Rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.  
At Chicago—Game postponed.  
At Milwaukee—Minneapolis, 5; Milwaukee, 3.  
At Buffalo—Buffalo, 4; Cleveland, 2.  
At Indianapolis—Rain.

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