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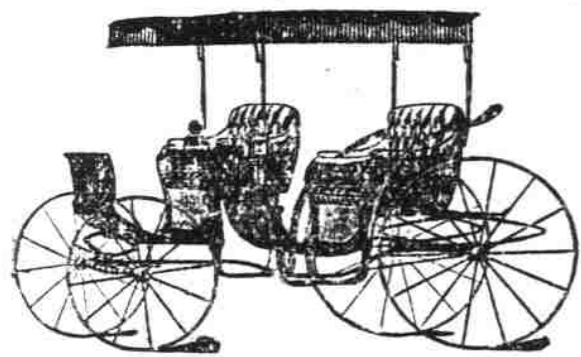
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ROBERTS STILL HAS SOME HARD PROBLEMS BEFORE HIM

May be Forced to Reconquer Orange Free State.

Official Report of the Occupation of Pretoria.

British Troops Met With an Enthusiastic Reception.

A THREE DAYS' ARMISTICE IS AGREED UPON AT LAING'S NEK—THE BRITISH HAVE EVACUATED ETRECHT—ROBERTS TO REST AT PRETORIA.

London, June 6.—It is generally expected that General Roberts will halt at Pretoria awhile before attempting to capture or disperse the Boers still in arms. Judging from the present indications this task will be fully as difficult as the well wishers of the burghers predicted.

There is no definite intimation of the whereabouts of Botha and the commands which opposed the British advance upon the capital. Besides his forces there are General Dewet's. In addition to these, according to a Maseru telegram, there are 6,000 Boers at Witteberg and in the neighborhood of Bethlehem. They are reported to have been twice routed during the past week but renewed predictions of their capture have not been fulfilled. Furthermore the burghers under General Steyn threaten considerable trouble. It is again suggested that General Roberts may find it necessary to return south personally to direct the forces in the Orange Free State. The Boers still occupy Majuba Hill, Laing's Nek and the Pogwani range as far east as Angelbrecht pass. Their position is strong, but they are greatly depressed.

PRETORIA OCCUPIED.

London, June 6.—Lord Roberts has telegraphed the war office the following:

"Pretoria, June 6.—The occupation was most satisfactory and the British flag was hoisted on top of the government buildings.
"The troops met with a more enthusiastic reception than was anticipated. The third battalion of the Grenadier guards was lined on the square when the march took place. Owing to their having been on duty at some distance around the town, very few of the cavalry and infantry were able to take part in the ceremony. Several officers who had been prisoners were among the onlookers."
A special despatch from Lorenzo Marques, dated Tuesday, says: "General Buller and Christian Botha met at Laing's Nek at Buller's request, when a three days' armistice was agreed upon."

JUNE 14 MADE HOLIDAY IN HAWAII

The Day the Territorial Act Goes Into Effect.

Chicago, June 6.—A special from Honolulu, via San Francisco, says plans for the inauguration of Governor Dole and the territorial government are well under way. June 14, the day when the territorial act goes into effect, has been declared a holiday. It is expected that hundreds of people will be here from other islands. The annual Kamehameha day races in Honolulu take place Monday, June 11, and these always attract a large number of people. The steamship com-

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panies are arranging excursions from almost every port in the islands. The commission of Henry E. Cooper, secretary of the territory, will be read and he will be sworn in. Following this Governor and Mrs. Dole and Secretary and Mrs. Cooper will give a reception to the public in the hall of the house of representatives, in the old throne room where King Kalakaua and later Liliuokalani used to hold court. A convention of sugar planters and other employers of labor in all parts of the island has been called to meet in Honolulu July 4, to consider labor supply. With the end of imported contract labor together with the apparent probability that there will be legislation against the further immigration of Japanese into all parts of the United States, the planters have been led to look elsewhere for a labor supply. One proposition that will be brought before the convention is to import laborers from Porto Rico. It is argued that Porto Rico is now a part of the United States, so there will be no legal impediments to importations from there. It is thought that Porto Ricans are accustomed to sugar cultivation and that the devastating hurricane of a few months ago has created a surplus of labor there which can be utilized here. The planters have already commissioned S. T. Alexander, of Oakland, to go to Porto Rico and investigate the subject.

WAS AGUINALDO KILLED?

The Captured Papers Reach Manila—Troops Active.

Manila, June 6.—The papers which Major March recently captured near Banguet, and which it was reported seemed to show that the insurgent officer to whom they belonged, and who was shot, was Aguinaldo, reached Manila today. They will be examined carefully to be determined whether they contain satisfactory evidence that the officer was Aguinaldo. They certainly show that the rebel leader was in the neighborhood up to the end of February.

The American troops are extremely active everywhere and many skirmishes are reported daily. Constant captures of arms are reported. Members of the Philippine commission are busy settling their houses.

MAJOR MARCH RETURNS.

Manila, June 6.—A dispatch from Candon, dated June 4, says Major P. C. March's men of the Thirty-third regiment, returned to Candon that day by jority of the men are ready for the steamer from Aparri. A majority of the men are ready for the hospital. The officers accompanying Major March were Capt. Henry L. Jenkinson and Edward Davis, Lieut. Carroll Power and Frank L. Case.

"DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN" ACTS INDEPENDENTLY

Will Recognize Only Authority of the United States.

Chicago, Ill., June 6.—"Judge" Niles, of the "District of Lake Michigan," and Captain Streeter, the founder of the district, have announced they will not recognize the jurisdiction of any civil order or criminal court of Illinois. They will do business only with President McKinley or the United States supreme court. "Chief Justice" Niles, who is in jail, addressed a long letter today to the president, asking him to order the release of himself and companions and arguing the justness of the contention that the county of Cook has no jurisdiction over the territory along the lake shore.

\$25,000 TO INDIA FAMINE SUFFERERS

Five Millions of People Now Receiving Relief.

London, June 6.—The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship company has donated \$25,000 to the Indian famine fund. The viceroy, Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, telegraphs that cholera continues in many of the Bombay districts. The condition of the people there is deplorable, as a number of large works are deserted. The Bombay government has authorized the opening of scattered village works, but it is reported that the situation is very difficult to deal with. Elsewhere the relief measures are sufficient generally in British India and are improving in the native states. About 5,770,000 people are now receiving relief.

CONVENTION CALLED OFF

New York, June 6.—The convention of the Chicago platform democrats called for today is off. The Chicago platform men last night expressed themselves as satisfied with the result of the state convention and claimed a victory for the principles for which they stand.

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SITUATION VERY GRAVE

The Eyes of the World Directed Upon Boxer-Ridden China.

Talk of Transferring Government to European Power.

Japan Alleged to Have Protested Against Russian Aggression.

American Naval Force in China to be Strengthened.

SOLDIERS FIGHT A DESPERATE BATTLE WITH BOXERS NEAR PEKIN—MANY KILLED ON BOTH SIDES—CATHOLIC MISSIONS PILLAGED.

Washington, June 6.—Officials of the government and members of the diplomatic body regard the situation in China so serious that the transfer of authority in the empire to European powers is regarded as likely to happen unless the "boxers" are quickly suppressed. A prominent diplomat said today that no credence should be placed in the press despatches from Shanghai that Japan had protested against the landing of a large Russian force in China and had ordered the mobilization of her fleet.

At the Japanese legation it was said no information confirmatory of the Shanghai despatch had been received.

FRAUGHT WITH DANGER.

Berlin, June 6.—The German foreign office here considers the reconre between the "boxers" and Russians an event probably fraught with the greatest danger. News has also reached here that several men and Catholic missionaries in the province of Shan Tung have been pillaged by mobs supposed to have been incited by the "boxer" agitation.

TROUBLE BETWEEN NATIONS.

Shanghai, June 6.—In consequence of the representations of Japanese, the landing of a large Russian force to Taku is alleged to have been stopped. It is believed here that should Russia persist in sending a preponderant military force to the front a collision with Japan will inevitably result.

WON'T ACCEPT AID.

Shanghai, June 6.—The Russian minister at Pekin, M. de Giers, has made another attempt to induce the Chinese foreign office to formally request Russian assistance to restore order, but the offer has not yet been accepted. Violent dissensions are reported to exist between the Chinese commander in chief of the force, Jung-tu, and Prince Ching Tu Au, who, in accordance with the wishes of the dowager empress, is strongly supporting the cause of the boxers. The mobs who murdered the English missionaries, Robinson and Norman, mutilated and disemboweled the bodies. The station at Yan-Tin, three miles from Pekin, has been burned.

APPROACHING TIEN TSIN.

London, June 6.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Tien Tsin dated June 4, says: "The situation is very serious. The boxers are approaching Tien Tsin on all sides."

ALARMING REPORTS.

Shanghai, June 6.—Alarming reports are current here of the hurried completion of the mobilization of the Japanese fleet.

BRIDGES BURNED.

Tien Tsin, June 6.—Trains cannot get through to Pekin, on account of the burning of bridges.

NAVY REINFORCED.

Washington, June 6.—Bad news continues to come from Minister C...

and the American naval force in the Pei Ho river has been ordered to be reinforced. The minister cabled today that the situation was worse at Pekin and this statement, taken in connection with Admiral Kempff's alarming cablegram of yesterday announcing that an engagement had begun, decided the state department to strengthen the naval forces nearest the scene of trouble.

Accordingly a cablegram was sent to Admiral Remey at Manila, directing him to dispatch at once to Admiral Kempff's command the gunboat Helena, or if the craft is not at Manila and ready for immediate service then some craft of correspondingly light draft and power. The purpose is to place at Admiral Kempff's disposal an efficient warship capable of ascending the Pei Ho river as far up as Tien Tsin.

Admiral Kempff's flagship, the Newark, drawing 23 feet of water, cannot ascend the river safely beyond the Taku forts near the entrance, but the little Helena, drawing only 11 feet, can safely ascend to Tien Tsin, forty miles above. She was specifically designed for service in these Chinese rivers, and so is likely to prove much more effective than any other of the foreign warships which can pass the Taku forts and reach Tien Tsin. She carries a battery particularly adapted to dealing with such half-organized mobs as the "boxers." Besides her eight 4-inch rapid-fire guns she carries four 6-pounder rapid fires, four 1-pounder rapid-fires, two Coits and one 3-inch rapid-fire field gun. She is commanded by Commander Swinburne and her complement is ten officers and 166 men. In view of the service ahead of her, it is expected that Admiral Remey will add to this one or two companies of marines.

It is gathered from Admiral Kempff's advices that the "boxers" are about to attack Tien Tsin so that the Helena will be a particularly welcome addition to the foreign fleet in that part of China. If she leaves Manila today she should reach Taku next Sunday night or Monday morning. Secretary Hay cabled Minister Conger at Pekin in authorization to call for reinforcements from Admiral Kempff and to make such disposition of his naval forces as he deemed proper to protect the American legation and consulates and American interests generally.

The administration is still determined that the United States government shall continue on its independent course respecting the Chinese situation, though willing to go as far as possible to aid in the restoration of peace and order in China. Therefore Admiral Kempff has not been instructed to join the other naval commanders on the Pei Ho river in concerted action.

ORDERS TO BATTLESHIPS.

Philadelphia, June 6.—Under orders from the navy department the battleships Massachusetts and Indiana, at the League Island navy yard, are being prepared for sea. The orders give no clew as to what service the vessels may be called into, the notice to Commandant Casey being simply to get the ships ready and despatch them as soon as possible to Hampton Roads, where they are to await further orders. The warships were this morning plotted out of the reserve basin around to the Delaware river front, where preparations for departure were finished. Both vessels were practically able to go to sea when orders came, having been thoroughly overhauled at the Brooklyn navy yard before their arrival here. The two vessels are loaded with enough coal to make a trip across the Atlantic and they contain large supplies of ammunition. There are 120 men in the reserve crew of each ship, the balance of the complement of 405 sailors and eighty marines being distributed among various naval stations after the vessels reached here from Brooklyn.

THE EWART CASE.

Washington, June 6.—The failure of the senate to confirm the nomination of Judge Ewart, of North Carolina, settles this well known case. Judge Ewart's commission will expire with this session of congress and he will not again be nominated.

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CONGRESS STILL IN SESSION

The Two Houses Unable to Complete Their Work Last Night.

Still Dead Locked on Naval Appropriation Bill.

House Refuses to Endorse the Work of Its Conferees.

A Day of Wearisome Delay After all Night Session.

RECESS TAKEN UNTIL THIS MORNING—SUNDRY CIVIL BILL COMPLETED EXCEPT AS TO THE ITEM RELATING TO NEVADA CLAIMS.

Washington, June 6.—Congress this morning entered upon the last day of the present session. Members of both branches looked tired and wan as they reassembled after the arduous work of yesterday, the house meeting at 8 o'clock and the senate at 10.

While the sessions lasted practically all night the exciting scenes and incidents of former days were missing. The senate held a short executive session at 11:30, after which the conference reports on the sundry civil appropriation bill, the naval academy and the general deficiency bills were presented and adopted.

The sundry civil bill was complete in agreement except in one item relating to the Nevada claims. The naval conferees deadlocked on the armor plate provision. There was complete agreement on the deficiency bill. The military academy bill was passed and sent to the president.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning the senate went into executive session, after which a recess was taken until 10 o'clock. The house during the early hours of the morning was without a quorum until 3:30 o'clock. A recess was taken until 8 o'clock this morning.

A handful of members were present when the house reassembled after a recess of a few hours. The conference report on the general deficiency bill, showing complete agreement, was presented and agreed to. Mr. Cannon announced the contest over the sundry civil bill concluded, only one item being in controversy.

The joint resolution expressing gratification over the statue of Lafayette at Paris passed.

Among the items killed was one for a revenue cutter on St. Mary's river. Seven hours after the close of last night's session the senate reconvened to prepare for final adjournment. Only a score of senators were present, but the chamber rapidly filled. The naval and sundry civil appropriation bill remained in conference, all the others having been agreed to. The usual routine of business of the senate was practically abandoned. Only two or three new bills were presented.

Recess was taken to await presentation of the conference report. When the senate reconvened Mr. Allison reported the house conference resolution providing for final adjournment at 3 p. m. today. It was permitted temporarily to lie on the table.

Mr. Hale presented the conference report on the naval appropriation bill. It was a disagreement on all questions that has been in dispute for three or four days.

NIGHT SESSION.

Both houses of congress recessed late tonight until tomorrow without being able to agree on the naval appropriation bill. Penrose's amendment authorizing the secretary of the navy to secure the best quality of armor by contract for

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