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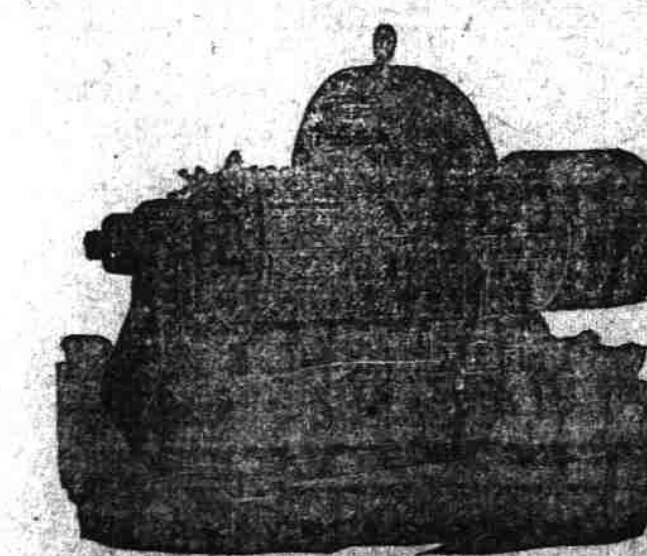
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## PROBLEMS OF THE BOER WAR

Critical Situation in Africa  
Causes English Govern-  
ment Gravest Anxiety.

Upon its Developments De-  
pends Policy of Several  
Powers on Great Questions

### THE WIDESPREAD SEDITION IN CAPE COLONY

BOERS STILL CROSSING ORANGE  
RIVER AND MOVING SOUTH-  
WARD—MARTIAL LAW PRO-  
CLAIMED IN SEVERAL DIS-  
TRICTS.

London, Jan. 5.—The critical situation in South Africa is by far the most important subject in the world's attention, for upon its development depends the policy of several powers in regard to China and other international questions. This fact is so seriously felt by the English government that it causes it the gravest anxiety. The sacrifice of British interest in order parts of the world, which would undoubtedly be forced upon the country by rival powers, especially Russia, if England's military arm is crippled in another twelve months, is too great to be contemplated. Moreover it is impossible to expect the British public to tolerate an indefinite prolongation of the ruinous and rewardless war.

The government is still free of public pressure, because the majority of the English people are being systematically and completely deceived in regard to the grave crisis at the cape. The inexorable facts are coming in, however, by mail and messengers, and the government realizing the inevitable effect of the true facts on public opinion, both in England and in the world at large, is wisely moderating its whole South African policy. It is ready to grant substantial concessions to stop the war and there will be no more talk about "unconditional surrender." That demand has been definitely abandoned.

The rank and file of the British troops are disgusted with the present style of warfare. The Boers can maintain the present operations indefinitely in the vast country where they range almost at will despite an army twice their size. They care nothing about the British occupation of their towns, and therein the war differs from all modern contests. The widespread sedition in Cape Colony is quite unrealized by the British public, but there is no doubt it constitutes an almost hopeless situation for the British. It is vigorously established that only a vast expenditure of men and treasure in addition to sacrifices already made can crush out all resistance in South Africa.

BOERS REAPPEARING  
London, Jan. 5.—Gen. Kitchener reports to the war office under date of Pretoria, January 4, as follows:  
"The Boers have reappeared along the railway in the neighborhood of Rhenoster, but it is doubtful if De Wet is with them. With regard to the situation in Cape Colony, the western command seems to have broken up into small parties. Another small body crossed the Orange river west of Albiu North yesterday."

PIRATES STILL FAIR OFF.  
London, Jan. 5.—The peace overtures at Pretoria are not regarded very hopefully in government or financial circles. "So long as the Boers take prisoners and we only capture cartridges," said one well acquainted with the opinions of the war office, "there is small likelihood of peace coming through the Burghers at Pretoria or any other place."

Gen. Kitchener is not going to take command the British troops in India. The work ahead of him in South Africa is expected to occupy all his energy for many months to come. Gen. Sir Arthur Palmer, the acting commander-in-chief in India, will probably shortly be confirmed to that command, unless Lord Roberts interferes, which is not likely. There is much talk in the papers and elsewhere of Lord Roberts insisting on

full privileges as commander in chief of the forces, "but according to Lord Wolseley, but it is learned that he has done nothing of the kind. He accepted office on the same terms as his predecessor, though the personal relations existing between him and the government officials assure greater co-operation than was possible with Lord Wolseley. The work of reorganizing the war office will be left almost solely to Lord Roberts. The adjutant general, Gen. Sir Evelyn Wood, who is personally responsible for the recent action regarding Major General Sir Henry Colville, who was asked to resign but refused to do so, as a result of the Yeomanry surgeon at Lindley surrendering in May, is likely to be one of the first to go. It is thought he will do so with honor. More troops are to be sent out to South Africa. The present plans are to dispatch infantry. This the most capable officers in the service devoutly hope Lord Roberts will frustrate, substituting cavalry, which is so much needed.

Cape Town, Jan. 5.—An emergency meeting of the cabinet was convened at noon today after a long consultation between the British high commissioner, Sir Alfred Milner, and the premier, Sir J. Gordon Spragg. An important announcement is expected.

Capetown, Jan. 5.—An extraordinary copy of the government Gazette has been issued proclaiming martial law in the districts of Frazenburg, Prince Albert, Ceres and Sutherland.

### GOEBEL MURDER CASE.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 5.—The January term of the Franklin circuit court, at which the case of ex-convict Frank Goebel, ex-Secretary of State Finley, W. H. Cullen and others charged with complicity in the murder of William Goebel would be called, will convene Monday. The probability is that these cases will not be tried at this term, however, and chief interest will be as to whether any additional contestants in connection with the assassination will be returned.

Robert Noaks, upon whose testimony, corroborated by Cullen and Wharton Golden mainly, ex-Secretary of State Caleb Powers was convicted, and given a life sentence, is supposed to have left the country. He is under bond to appear as a witness next week and his bondsmen are looking for him in various parts of the United States and Canada. Noaks is said to have made a statement, before leaving Kentucky, admitting perjury on his part, but his friends deny this. On the same day the court of appeals will re-organize with Judge Crear (republican), on the bench, and action on the Powers case is expected some time this month.

### PROCTOR AMENDMENTS TO

#### ARMY BILL APPROVED

Washington, Jan. 5.—The senate committee on military affairs today agreed to report favorably the amendment to the army reorganization bill suggested yesterday by Senator Proctor, regarding staff positions. The committee decided at the same time to make adverse reports upon all other amendments. The amendments upon which adverse action was taken include those suggested by Senators Hearst, Bacon, and McPherson, all of them making radical changes in the character of the bill.

### CENTER OF POPULATION

#### HAS MOVED WESTWARD

Washington, Jan. 5.—The census bureau today issued the following:  
The center of population is in the following position: Latitude, 39 degrees 9 minutes 36 seconds; longitude, 85 degrees 45 minutes 54 seconds.  
In ten years the center of population has moved westward 16 hours 1 minute, about 14 miles, and southward 2 hours 20 minutes, or about 3 miles. It now rests in Southern Indiana, at a point about seven miles southeast of the city of Columbus.

### CAR SHOP AT BRISTOL BURNED.

Bristol, Tenn., Jan. 5.—The car shops of the Virginia and Southwestern railroad, just north of the city, were burned to the ground, together with contents, this morning. One locomotive and one passenger coach were also destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

### AWARDED \$5,000

Federal Court Jury Gives Mrs. Sprague Damages to That Amount.

At a late hour last evening the federal court jury returned a verdict in the case of Sprague against the Southern railway awarding the defendant \$5,000 damages. The case, in which Mrs. Sprague asked for \$10,000 damages for injuries sustained near Marion in 1897, while riding on a freight train, has been on trial since the court met, Thursday. The taking of evidence was concluded Friday and argument by G. F. Bason and J. D. Murphy, for the defendant, and M. Silver, for the plaintiff, was heard. Judge Merrimon closed for the plaintiff yesterday morning, and at one o'clock Judge Boyd concluded a clear and masterly charge, and gave the case to the jury.

The usual motion for a new trial was made, which motion will be heard later.

### CHILDREN'S DAY.

Special Attractions For Little Ones at Riverside Saturday.

Next Saturday will be Children's Day at Riverside Park. Colonel Horton will place free tickets of admission in the hands of the children of the schools in the city.  
He has arranged a lively card of sports for this special occasion. There is to be a game of basket ball between the A. L. 1. and Blue Ridge Rifle teams, captained respectively by Melvin Brown and Paul Bernicker. There will also be a harness race, rabbit coursing, a greasy pig race and a bicycle race.  
The winning team in the basket ball game will receive a silver loving cup.

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## JUDGE FURCHES APPOINTED

To Succeed Chief Justice  
Faircloth on the Supreme  
Court Bench.

Believed That Either Cook  
or Robinson Will be Nam-  
ed Associate Justice.

### MAY OPEN A PLACE FOR BAYLUS CADE

GATHER FOR THE SESSION  
WHAT OPENS TUESDAY—W. E.  
MOORE LIKELY TO BE SPEAK-  
ER.

Special to the Gazette.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—Judge D. M. Furches was today appointed chief justice of the supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Faircloth. It is believed that either Charles A. Cook or Judge W. S. Robinson will be appointed associate justice in Judge Furches' place.

In case Judge Robinson is appointed, Baylus Cade, the governor's private secretary, may be appointed in Robinson's place on the superior court bench.

The case of perjury against Senator Franks of Swain county, will be withdrawn. The senator has paid the bond and has affidavits to show he is worth several thousand dollars above his homestead exemptions.

Representative Hall of Cumberland, and several other members of the general assembly arrived today. Others will come tomorrow. It is thought there will be an array of office seekers on hand at the opening of the assembly. It is believed Walter E. Moore of Jackson, will be elected speaker. Most of the other officers who served in 1899 will be re-elected.

### THE VENEZUELAN TROUBLE.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The government is anxiously waiting news from Venezuela in regard to the situation over the asphalt deposits. No assurances have been received that the Venezuelan authorities intend to comply with the desire of the United States that no attempt be made to dispossess the New York and Bermuda company of its head-quarters in the asphalt lake region until the controversy is adjusted judicially.

### IGNATIUS DONNELLY'S FUNERAL.

St. Paul, Jan. 5.—The funeral of Ignatius Donnelly was held this afternoon from the home of his son, S. J. Donnelly. The services were brief and simple. Interment was made at Calvary. A death mask was taken yesterday.

Something nice for little folks. Buy the baby a go cart from Mrs. L. A. Johnson. A new and handsome line just received.

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### CUBA'S CONSTITUTION.

Published Draft of Project That Will  
Probably be Adopted

Havana, Jan. 5.—The discussion today prints extracts of the final project which will be adopted by the constitutional convention in regard to Cuba. Among other things it declares that Cuba is a southern state, defines conditions which constitute citizenship, explains the rights of foreigners, provides for a legislative body that shall consist of a house and senate and sets forth the qualifications necessary to be eligible for the presidency.

It is claimed this project is very simple to what will be finally adopted as the constitution. Under the provisions of the project Gomez is eligible for the presidency, inasmuch as one clause states the president must be native born or have served in the revolution for ten years.

### ARRAIGNMENT BY LINNEY OF DEMOCRATIC METHODS

He Scores the Machine in North Caro-  
lina For Its Dishonest Treatment  
of the Suffrage.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Congressman Linney's speeches are invariably described as "characteristic" by correspondents and this characterization will apply with special propriety to the remarks made by Judge Linney today while the apportionment bill was under consideration. The speech was replete with beautiful wit, eloquence and forceful reasoning. A large body of members including such members as Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, and Chairman Payne, of the ways and means committee, gave rapt attention to every word uttered, and Judge Linney was interrupted a number of times by democrats, including Small, of North Carolina, and every one of them came to grief.

Judge Linney spoke of nullification by the democratic legislature of North Carolina of the writ of mandamus and said the world held three great mysteries, one was the grave of Moses, another the grave of a certain king of Huns who had been murdered, and the third mystery was the grave of Linney murdered by the North Carolina democracy in perpetrating their frauds. They seemed to use a kind of legend in order to perpetrating oil, unknown to mankind generally, and he asked the democrats to explain the methods by which they got their majority in Halifax and New Hanover counties.

Judge Linney told the story of a certain dog that under certain treatment to increase his speed ran three hundred miles ahead of the fox, and said that dog reminded him of the North Carolina election law. Under certain conditions it has been made to run three hundred miles south of justice and two hundred and fifty miles nearer hell than any other institution had ever approached.

Judge Linney favored the Olmstead resolution to investigate the political condition in certain states.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The session of the house today was devoted to a continuation of the discussion on the apportionment bill. Speeches by Mr. Littlefield, replying with considerable bitterness to what he characterized as Mr. Hopkins' assault upon the state of Maine in his speech yesterday, and by Mr. Linney making a terrific arraignment of the democratic machine and its methods in North Carolina, were the principal features. The debate is likely to continue over Monday and Tuesday.

### YESTERDAY'S SENATE SESSION.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The greater portion of today's session of the senate was devoted to the consideration of the army reorganization bill. The discussion was tame and devoid of interest. A number of amendments were offered, but only the amendments of the committee in charge of the bill, which were not objected to, and amendments to fix component parts of army rank were adopted. The bill then went over. After a brief executive session the senate reopened its doors and passed a number of unimportant bills and adjourned.

### New Way to Win Votes.

During his second successful campaign on the Republican ticket for governor of Michigan, the late John J. Bagley spoke one evening at Kalamazoo. He was a good business man, but a poor public speaker. At the beginning of his remarks on this occasion he alluded frankly to his lack of oratorical gifts. After he had finished a man pushed forward, grasped his hand warmly and said: "Governor, I have been a lifelong Democrat, but at the coming election I shall vote for you."

"Thank you," replied the governor, much gratified. "May I ask the particular reason for your change?"

"Because you are the first speaker on either side in this campaign that I have heard tell the truth. You said when you began that you couldn't make much of a speech, and by jinks, you can't!"—Harper's Magazine.

### A NIGHT OF TERROR.

When threatened by pneumonia or any other lung trouble, prompt relief is necessary, as it is dangerous to delay. We would suggest that One Minute Cough Cure be taken as soon as indications of having taken cold are noticed. It cures quickly and its early use prevents consumption. Dr. T. C. Smith.

This season there is a large death rate among children from croup and lung troubles. Prompt action will save the little ones from these terrible diseases. We know of nothing so certain to give instant relief as One Minute Cough Cure. It can also be relied upon in grippe and all throat and lung troubles of adults. Pleasant to take. Dr. T. C. Smith.

## SORRY SHE ANSWERED YES

Empress Dowager Trying to  
Avoid Signature of the  
Powers' Note.

Objects to the Razing of the  
Taku Forts and to Foreign  
Military Posts.

### REMINDED BY HER ENVOYS THAT SHE CONSENTED

CHING AND CHANG IN A HURRY  
TO HAVE IT OVER WITH—THEY  
ARE EXPECTED TO SIGN THE  
CONDITIONS TODAY—A RUSSIAN-CHINESE TREATY.

Peking, Jan. 5.—The empress dowager is dissatisfied with the note of the powers preliminary to settlement of the details of peace and is flooding the Chinese commissioners with telegrams requesting them not to sign the note until it is modified. She objects to razing the Taku forts and the establishment of permanent foreign military posts between Peking and the sea and to the legation guards at Peking. She is also opposed to the section prohibiting further importation of arms in China.

It appears that after the empress had accepted the terms proposed by the powers, Chang Chih Tung memorialized the empress advising her not to agree to the demands and pointed out that the demands of the powers were aimed wholly at subjugating China to their will.

Yesterday the Chinese commissioners replied to the empress denouncing Chang Chih Tung and said his objections should have been made before they had notified the ministers that the terms proposed in the preliminary note were accepted. They also reminded the empress that she had already accepted the terms of the powers. No reply has been received.

Prince Ching called on Minister Conger today and showed by questions that he and his colleague, Li Hung Chang, are anxious to speedily close up the peace negotiations. Conger informed Ching that the demands of the powers would be presented tomorrow (Sunday) and the Chinese commissioners would be expected to sign them.

The Laffan Bureau correspondent received advice from official sources that Russia had arranged to sign a treaty with China at St. Petersburg. The Chinese minister at St. Petersburg will conduct the negotiations. This probably means that Russia will withdraw from the concert of the powers so far as China is concerned as soon as the demands contained in the preliminary note of the ministers is complied with.

### NEW OFFICERS.

Elects Last Evening at Annual Ban-  
quet of Asheville Club.

The Asheville Club's annual banquet and election of officers took place last evening. There was an abundance of good things to eat on hand, and the occasion was a most pleasant one, as the annual gatherings of the club always are.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, John A. Campbell.  
Vice-president, R. S. Smith.  
Secretary-treasurer, Thad Clayton.  
Executive committee, W. W. West, Lawrence P. McLeod, W. R. Patterson, W. J. Fitzgerald.

The executive committee was authorized to look out for new quarters for the club, and report to an adjourned meeting.

The spread was an elegant one. There were about 100 members and guests present.

Uncle George's Rheumatism Cure.  
I met an old negro, George by name, and after the usual salutation the old negro said his health had improved since I had last seen him. Said I:  
"Uncle George, how did you get rid of your rheumatism?"

The old man replied: "Well, boss, I'll tell you jes zactly how I cured it. I heard a fellow say if you find a place whar a hog rubbed and ef you rub dar and squeel like a hog your rheumatism would leave you. So I went and rubbed whar a hog rubbed and squeeled same as a hog, and boss, I ain't had no rheumatism since."—Nashville Banner.

### NOTICE.

Of Proposed Amendments to the Charter of the Town of Victoria.  
Mayor's Office, Victoria, Dec. 8, 1900.  
Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next session of the General Assembly of North Carolina to amend the charter of the town of Victoria.

SAMUEL P. McDEVITT,  
Mayor.

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