

ATTACK N. C. ELECTION LAW.

Representatives Linney and White—Mr. Klutz's Reply—Butler to Speak in Boston—Pearson-Crawford.

(Special Star Telegram.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5.—When the Howland bill was up today Representative White introduced an amendment to strike out the section of the bill requiring voters to pay a poll tax and be able to read and write. He was supported by Representative Linney, who set up a long wall on the present North Carolina election laws and the proposed amendment.

Representative Klutz got the floor for a few moments in reply to the "Bull of the Brushes," and made Linney's argument look like minicame. But two Republicans supported the dark featured gentlemen's amendment, the result being practically a recognition of the proposed election law.

FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE AMBUSCADE.

Boers Captured 289 Prisoners—Battle Fought by Free Staters—Important British Papers Captured.

By Cable to the Morning Star. BRANDFORD, ORANGE FREE STATE, April 2.—Burghers who are returning here from the scene of the Sannaos Post Ambuscade (also referred to as Korse and Kora Spruit) furnish interesting details of the occurrence. It appears that when the first retreating British wagon entered the drift the ambuscaders shouted "Hands up!" removed the driver, and set the cart go through. This process was repeated several times, until the wagons arrived in a bunch, when the ruse was discovered and a disorderly flight followed. In one cart were two officers, to whom Commandant DeWet shouted "Hands up!" One of them obeyed, whereupon the other shot his horse dead, refused to surrender, and was immediately shot. The burghers lost three men killed and ten men wounded, including a field cornet. Among the wounded was the Dutch military attaché Nix, who received a bullet in the chest. Altogether, the Boers captured 289 prisoners throughout the day.

Fought by Free Staters.

The significance of the battle must not be underrated. It was fought by a force of Free Staters, on the flat plains and without shelter. The Free Staters are now desirous of marching on Bloemfontein and the Transvaalers are anxious to terminate the late success of their allies.

Captures of Great Importance.

Perhaps of great importance even than the victory was the capture of British secret papers, including maps and plans of 1897, 1898 and 1899, out lining elaborate schemes for the invasion of the Orange Free State and the Transvaal, and giving a plan for reaching Johannesburg from Mafeking along Dr. Jameson's route, but amended so as to avoid his mistakes.

RAILROAD TAX CASE.

Argument Made Before Judge Simonton. Another Hearing in Wilmington Postponed to April 24th.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. CHARLESTON, S. C., April 5.—In the railroad tax case from North Carolina arguments were made before Judge Simonton here today upon the questions certified by Judge Sheppard the standing master. Argument upon the question of compelling other corporations than railroad companies to produce their books before the master was postponed, the same to be submitted until the 24th instant.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Running Trains Over the New Line Between Cheraw and Columbia. By Telegram to the Morning Star. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 5.—The Seaboard Air Line is now running trains over the new route between Cheraw and Columbia. Passenger traffic will not commence until the 15th, but a freight service was put on to day and is now being operated. The Railroad Commission will formally inspect the line tomorrow. W. M. Sloan, ex minister Tuesday, was appointed local agent of the Seaboard.

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MATT QUAY'S CASE UP IN THE SENATE.

Senator Gallinger Made Argument Against Ex-Senator's Right to a Seat.

A NUMBER OF BILLS PASSED.

Alaskan Code Bill Taken Up—The House Proceedings—Hawaiian Government Bill Debated—Many Amendments Proposed.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—During today's brief open session of the Senate Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, presented an argument against the seating of Hon. M. S. Quay as a Senator from Pennsylvania. He devoted himself almost entirely to the constitutional phases of the question. Most of the day was spent in executive session.

The following bills were passed: To incorporate the National White Cross of America; to authorize the payment of travelling allowances to enlisted men of the regular and volunteer forces discharged by order of the Secretary of War, and stated by him as entitled to travel pay.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House did not finish the bill to provide territorial government for Hawaii to day. When the hour fixed for taking a vote, 4 o'clock, arrived, less than half the bill had been considered and so many amendments remained that it was agreed to continue the consideration of the bill under the five minute rule until it was finished.

JUDGE BROWN'S ACTION.

A Great Surprise to the Officials of the Department of Justice. By Telegram to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, April 5.—The action of Judge Brown, of the United States District Court at New York, in refusing a warrant for the removal of captured Boer prisoners to Cuba, has caused a great surprise to the officials of the Department of Justice. Attorney General Griggs spoke of the decision as unwarranted by the law, and said that under the existing laws of the United States could escape punishment except by chance they were apprehended in the district where the offence was committed.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

An Incident That Almost Precipitated the Threatened War. By Cable to the Morning Star. YAKOV UVER, B. C., April 5.—The war between his Russia and Japan are believed by Oriental papers to be drifting was almost precipitated by an incident which Japanese officials have vainly endeavored to suppress, as reported by ship's advice today.

BOERS INVESTING POSITIONS.

Reveal Immense Strength and Ingenious Construction—Unimportant Engagements Between the Outposts. Relief for Mafeking.

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THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Baggage and Mail Cars Burned—The Contents Were Saved. By Telegram to the Morning Star. SAVANNAH, GA., April 5.—South-bound passenger train No. 35 of the Southern Railway from New York to Jacksonville, bearing the mails, lost baggage and mail cars near Ridgland, S. C., early this morning.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Steamship Knight Bachelor cleared yesterday from New Orleans for Cape Town Africa, with 1,573 mules for the British army.

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SAYS HE IS A DEMOCRAT.

Admiral Dewey Talks to the Reporters Visits Philadelphia to Attend a Concert.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. PHILADELPHIA, April 5.—Admiral Dewey arrived here at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon and attended the second concert in aid of the families of the soldiers and sailors who have lost their lives in the Philippine campaign. This is Admiral Dewey's first visit to Philadelphia since his return from the Philippines.

ROBERTS' DELAY UNACCOUNTABLE.

Considerable Dissatisfaction in England at the Situation in South Africa.

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PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

Delegates to the National Convention Invited to Support Wm. J. Bryan for the Presidency.

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SITUATION AT BLOEMFONTEIN.

LONDON, April 5.—Detached bodies of Boer horse, numbering from five hundred to one thousand each, have appeared at several places to the south of Bloemfontein, on the Orange River threatening the railroad, but communication by rail and wire is not in the least affected.

AFFAIRS IN THE FREE STATE.

The situation in the Free State remains far from clear and is unsatisfactory to British observers. The sickening among the Boer prisoners at near Springfield, on the Orange River, five men died April 3-d. The prisoners who were on board the transport Mongolia have been transferred to the short camp. Unless the sickness abates, it is not likely that more prisoners will be sent to St. Helena.

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DR. JOHN MILTON WORTH.

Died at His Home in Asheboro—One of the Most Prominent Citizens.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 5.—A telegram received today from Asheboro, N. C., states that Dr. John Milton Worth died at his home in that town early this morning in the eighty-ninth year of his age.

MISS OLGA NETHERSOLE.

Verdict of Not Guilty—The Play of Sapho Will Be Resumed.

NEW YORK, April 5.—Miss Olga Nethersole and Hamilton Revelle, actors, Marcus R. Mayer, manager of Miss Nethersole, and Theodore Moss, manager of Wallace's Theatre, were found not guilty of maintaining a public nuisance in presenting the drama "Sapho." The charge to the jury by Judge Furman of the criminal branch of the Supreme Court was high and favorable to the defendants. It is announced that the interrupted season of the play in this city will be resumed.

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