

ROBERTS' CASE IN THE HOUSE.

Most Scathing Excoriation of Mormons and Their Practices Ever Delivered.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE.

Debate on the Census Report—The Sulu Treaty Discussed—Customs Affairs in Cuba and the Philippines—The Seizure of Flour.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 24.—Routine business occupied the attention of the Senate to-day in a brief session.

The resolution offered yesterday by Senator Pettigrew, South Dakota, calling upon the President for information regarding the treaty entered into with the Sultan of Sulu was passed.

Senator Pettigrew had made an attack upon the administration for entering into an agreement which he said authorized the President to...

Senator Allen offered a resolution calling upon the Secretary of War for all information and correspondence relating to the administration of customs affairs in Puerto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines since the war with Spain.

Senator Pettigrew, South Dakota, offered a resolution declaring that the United States government would not recognize the right of any nation to declare a blockade of any territory or products as such, and that any such seizure would be an act unfriendly to the United States.

The resolution was passed and a speech in its support. He said that slavery in its worst form existed in the islands under the treaty...

Senator Spooner, Wisconsin, asked Senator Pettigrew if he meant to hold the President responsible for the slavery clause in the Sulu treaty.

"I will read from the message of the President to Congress. The President says: 'I have confirmed said agreement, subject to the ratification of the Senate with the reservation which has directed shall be communicated to the Sultan of Sulu that this agreement is not to be deemed in any way to authorize or justify the imposition of the United States to the existence of slavery in the Sulu archipelago.'

Senator Pettigrew replied that there was no assurance that the President's statement would ever reach the Sultan. He declared it was simply a case of double-dealing and nothing else.

At the conclusion of the address of Senator Pettigrew, Senator Lodge, Massachusetts, said that the resolution was covered by one previously adopted there was no objection to its passage.

Senator Carter, Montana, chairman of the Census committee, made a partial report on the census, moving that the Senate restrict the director of the census to the collection of statistics of the deaf, dumb and blind.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, moved that the Senate restrict the director of the census to the collection of statistics of the deaf, dumb and blind.

"I say that the people of this country expect us to turn him back," said Mr. Landis in conclusion. "I protest against his coming to this country on behalf of the constituency that has read the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. I protest on behalf of the American mother and her child, and the American father and his children, against the entrance of this man into our country."

Mr. Lacey, Iowa, argued in behalf of the resolution, and the resolution was passed.

Mr. Wilson, Idaho, challenged one of the statements made against the Mormon people. He said he represented thirty thousand Mormons, who in good citizenship equalled any other constituency and they had lived up to their promise.

The House then adjourned.

SENATOR VANDERBILT AND ROCKEFELLER.

Said to Be Acquiring Valuable Property in Virginia and North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 24.—A representative of the Vanderbilt and Rockefeller interests in this section taking options on valuable land. One tract situated on the Eastern branch of the Elizabeth river has been optioned for \$100,000, and another on Broad Creek for \$100,000.

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dent to-night that they would be adopted when the House votes tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. Roberts, a polygamist, suggested that "we are not separating wife from husband," as polygamy has never been legal in Utah, but being illegal under the common law of England.

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Mrs. Mary R. Rubright, Hamburg, Pa., writes:

"Three years ago the doctors said I had nervous prostration. I was barely able to stand when I commenced taking Paine's Celery Compound.

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"I have since used Paine's Celery Compound for neuralgia and sick headache and always found instant relief."

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CURRENT COMMENT. SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—To judge from the enthusiasm of the various representatives of foreign countries at the consular dinner on Saturday, that the bombardment at the Tugela River was probably the most frightful ever witnessed on land."

—When the war with Spain broke out Congress hastened to place \$100,000,000 in the hands of the President to carry it on, and the people acquiesced. They acquiesced also in the imposition of a war tax of \$100,000,000 or more a year, which still continues and they regard the payment of \$200,000,000 for the Philippines as a mere bagatelle; but when they are asked to pay a few millions each for important waterways and other internal improvements, a mighty protest arises at once; while such a thing as pensioning public faithful servants in civil life is looked upon as reprehensible extravagance. The moral points itself.—Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.

—Salisbury Index: A mad dog cut a wide swath in Dixonville Monday afternoon. He bit a colored child and was shot at but escaped. The dog belonged to a negro man living in Dixonville and was bitten some time ago by a supposed mad dog.

—Blissville from Nerve: Was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25c. Sold by R. R. Barry, drugist.

MOVEMENT OF BULLER'S FORCES.

Boers Position at Spion Kop Too Strong to Be Assaulted by the Infantry.

ALL SORTS OF CONJECTURES.

Expected That Reinforcements are Being Forwarded to Buller—That a Few Days Waiting May Enable Him to Break the Deadlock.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, January 25, 4.15 A. M.—The following papers went to press with conjectures and forecasts of all sorts, striving to guess out something from Spion Kop.

Spion Kop is the highest part of a rocky plateau. Eastward for about eight miles are the Boer positions along the Tugela. Northward from Spion Kop the plateau runs gradually up to a great spur of the Drakensberg.

General Buller's infantry, to reach the summit of Spion Kop, must cross a natural glacis three quarters of a mile wide and climb 500 feet up a steep slope.

It is here, it seems to know, not even the War Office, what Lord Roberts has done with his large reinforcements. Six thousand troops awaited his arrival at Cape Town and since then six thousand others have reached there. Military critics are all hoping that a good share of these 12,000 have gone to help General Buller, and they argue that they were less than those of the Boers.

There are nineteen thousand troops at sea and this heavy weight on the British side is expected to destroy the equilibrium now existing on every field of operations.

The British losses up to date in killed, wounded and missing, according to General Buller's last list, total, are 8,216 men.

Warren's Operations.

LONDON, January 25.—The Daily Telegraph publishes the following from Spearman's camp, dated Tuesday, January 23, 9.30 P. M.

"On Monday Sir Charles Warren's forces cannonaded and (nearly) the Boer position west of Spion Kop, near the Acton Homes road. A lyddite battery co-operated with the other batteries and Maxims. Certainly the fire was effective, causing the enemy serious losses. The Boers, however, clung desperately to their works, from which they are only being very slowly driven. To-day the enemy fired their guns often, using also the captured fifteen-pounders with shrapnel. Our casualties to-day were less even than those of yesterday.

"Fighting began about 6 o'clock in the morning and continued until dusk, but there has been nothing like a general advance. The Boers have been assisted from Folligiers Drift in shell- ing the Boer positions."

The Fighting on Tuesday.

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Tuesday, January 23, 9.30 P. M.—The British field artillery and howitzers shelled the enemy posted on the crest of the ridge this morning.

The infantry, under excellent cover, kept up an effective rifle fire. The Boers resigned a kopje, of which the British infantry took possession. When retiring the enemy threw themselves behind a stone wall on the slope of the kopje, which they held for hours.

The afternoon they are across the ravine. The British artillery poured shrapnel and lyddite into them and the infantry took the stone wall. The British casualty list was small.

LONDON, Jan. 25. A dispatch to the Times from Spearman's Camp, dated Tuesday, 9 P. M., says: "The Boers to-day had more guns and are prepared to fight almost interminably. The enemy entrenched their ridge, which stretches in an almost unbroken line from the Drakensberg many miles eastward.

"Firing continued throughout the day. We did not advance any further, but we threw up entrenchments during the night, from behind which the musketry duel continued from exactly the same position yesterday."

From Boer Sources.

LONDON, January 24.—It is generally recognized that the Boer position, if ever taken, can only be captured at a tremendous cost.

A dispatch from Pretoria, dated Tuesday, says: "The British replaced their wearied soldiers by fresh ones. The Boer casualties to date are one man killed and two slightly wounded. Our men are in excellent spirit. There has been a large slaughter of the British. General Botha is now in some command. The Boer position has been seen elsewhere."

The same dispatch, apparently referring to the situation at Colenso, says: "One of the large Boer Maxims was temporarily disordered, but was soon repaired."

"The British northern camp is in confusion. People are observing, taking aim and firing in all directions."

The Cape Town correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "The Boers are preparing to seize the British ridge, and the invasion of the republic territory as the signal for a violent peace agitation. They will accompany their army by a large force of men, which they are unable to restrain the Dutch colonists from rising."

Situation at Kimberley.

KIMBERLEY, Tuesday, January 23.—The bombardments have ceased, but the Boers are perpetually engaged in sniping. "Long Cecil" is doing excellent work. Cecil Rhodes has personally fired several shells from the gun.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 23. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 50 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 50 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROBIN—Market firm at \$1.20 per barrel for strained and \$1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at \$1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady at \$1.60 per barrel for hard, \$2.90 for dip and — for virgin.

RECEIPTS. Spirits turpentine..... 47 Rosin..... 272 Tar..... 478 Crude turpentine..... 35

Receipts same day last year—36 casks spirits turpentine, 1,209 bbls rosin, 717 bbls tar, 9 bbls crude turpentine.

MARKET FIRM ON A BASIS OF 7 1/2 CENTS PER POUND FOR MIDDLING. Quotations: Ordinary..... 6 1/16 cts. #D Good ordinary..... 6 1/16 " " Low middling..... 6 1/16 " " Middling..... 7 " " Good middling..... 7 1/2 " " Same day last year middling 5 1/2 cts. Receipts—672 bales; same day last year, 445.

COUNTRY PRODUCE. PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 62 1/2 cts. Extra prime, 67 1/2 cts. per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 75c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c. CORN—Firm, 52 to 53 1/2 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@1.10; upland, 65c@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, \$2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, \$4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, \$5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at \$3.50 to 9.00 per M.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 18. Holiday—No quotations.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 20. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 51 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 50 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROBIN—Market firm at \$1.20 per barrel for strained and \$1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at \$1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady at \$1.60 per barrel for hard, \$2.90 for dip and — for virgin.

RECEIPTS. Spirits turpentine..... 61 Rosin..... 659 Tar..... 473 Crude turpentine..... 100

Receipts same day last year—36 casks spirits turpentine, 446 bbls rosin, 194 bbls tar, 5 bbls crude turpentine.

MARKET FIRM ON A BASIS OF 7 1/2 CENTS PER POUND FOR MIDDLING. Quotations: Ordinary..... 6 1/16 cts. #D Good ordinary..... 6 1/16 " " Low middling..... 6 1/16 " " Middling..... 7 " " Good middling..... 7 1/2 " " Same day last year middling 5 1/2 cts. Receipts—824 bales; same day last year, 516.

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TAR—Market steady at \$1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at \$1.60 per barrel for hard, \$2.90 for dip and — for virgin.

RECEIPTS. Spirits turpentine..... 38 Rosin..... 303 Tar..... 378 Crude turpentine..... 61

Receipts same day last year—48 casks spirits turpentine, 703 bbls rosin, 523 bbls tar, 9 bbls crude turpentine.

MARKET FIRM ON A BASIS OF 7 1/2 CENTS PER POUND FOR MIDDLING. Quotations: Ordinary..... 6 1/16 cts. #D Good ordinary..... 6 1/16 " " Low middling..... 6 1/16 " " Middling..... 7 " " Good middling..... 7 1/2 " " Same day last year middling 5 1/2 cts. Receipts—1,002 bales; same day last year, 269.

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