

LEADS ALL NORTH CAROLINA DAILIES IN NEWS AND CIRCULATION.

AN ARMORED TRAIN DESTROYED BY BOERS

FIFTEEN SOLDIERS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED.

A Battle Near Van Reenan's Pass is Reported Between the Boer Forces and Those of General Sir George Stewart White, the English Commander in Natal-- The Boers Attack Mafeking--Heavy Storms Will Prevent Operations on a Large Scale for the Next Few Days.

London, October 14.—An Edinburgh paper, The Scotsman, this morning asserts that a battle has taken place between General Sir George Stewart White, commanding the forces in Natal and the Boers, who entered Natal by way of Van Reenan's Pass.

The foregoing report is considered to be correct, as late last night the War Office had news of a British advance from Ladysmith and was hourly expecting further intelligence.

A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from its correspondent at Ladysmith, dated at noon on Friday, says: "A strong mobile column under General Sir George Stewart White, accompanied by General Sir Archibald Hunter, proceeded before daybreak this morning toward Action Homes for the purpose of reconnoitering.

According to dispatches from Ladysmith to the Standard and to the Daily Telegraph dated Thursday, heavy storms have begun and forage is scarce on the Veldt.

Therefore nothing is expected to happen for a few days, unless the Boers, who were reported to be advancing, should threaten the British line of defense drawn from Glencoe Junction to Ladysmith. In this case, according to the dispatches, no apprehension is felt as to the result. General White has twelve guns and the Boers eleven.

The Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent, telegraphing Friday evening says: "I learn on good authority that the Boers are attacking Mafeking. They are reported to have already suffered several repulses. It is generally admitted that Vryburg cannot stand a strong Boer attack."

According to the Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent, Mr. Schreiner, Premier of Cape Colony, will unreservedly support the Imperial Government. His previous reserve was dictated by a desire not to drive the extreme Dutch residents to excesses.

According to the same authority the railway department had early intimation of the intention of the Boers to destroy railway bridges over fourteen streams, and sent adequate forces to protect these points. The result was that the Boers postponed their attempt.

Ewart Grobler, member of the Volksraad for Philippolis, has been elected commandant general of the Free State forces. He is only 35 years of age, is well educated and was Free State delegate to the Chicago exhibition.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail further states that the Free State forces have completed all preparations for the destruction of the Bothulie bridge when that action becomes necessary.

ARMORED TRAIN DESTROYED. Cape Town, Oct. 13.—9:41 a. m.—A dispatch from Vryburg says that an armored train has been destroyed. It is feared that much loss of life will result. The news has been officially confirmed.

FIFTEEN TROOPS KILLED. London, Oct. 13.—The Evening News publishes the following dispatch from Cape Town: "An armored train has been destroyed South of Mafeking. Fifteen British troops were killed. The Boers shelled the wreckage after the train was derailed."

An official dispatch received at the Colonial Office says: "The armored train was destroyed near Kraipan Station while on the way to Mafeking with guns."

This disposes of the fear that many women and children were involved in the disaster. It is reported in Cape Town, though as yet the rumor is not confirmed, that a collision has taken place between trains bearing refugees near Victoria West, Cape Colony, nine persons being killed and many others injured.

The Boer forces with artillery, according to a dispatch just received from Standerton, broke camp at Sandspuit yesterday morning, moving in the direction of Natal.

The War Office has received the following dispatch from the general commanding the Cape forces: "Cape Town, Oct. 13.—1:40 p. m.: "An armored train from Mafeking, escorted by two seven-pounder guns sent from here to Mafeking was attacked last night near Kraipan. Apparently a rail had been removed. The train left the track,

the Boers fired into it with artillery for half an hour and captured it.

"Telegraphic communication with Mafeking is interrupted at Kraipan. The women and children have been sent to Cape Town. The guns referred to belonged to the Colony. They are light and of old pattern. We have no details as to casualties."

KAFFIRS FROM THE RAND. Lourenço, Marquez, Oct. 13.—Ten thousand Kaffirs from the Rand have been brought here by train and are now camped about six miles outside the town. Steamers are being chartered to take them to the Limpopo district.

AMERICAN ILL TREATED. Cape Town, Oct. 12.—(Delayed in transmission.)—No news of fighting has yet been received.

It is suggested that with a view of retaining the good will of the Basutos, the authorities shall not press for payment of the Hut Tax.

An American citizen has sworn to an affidavit before the American Consul here in which he states that he has been subjected by burghers of the Free State to great ill-treatment. His limbs bear marks showing the effects of the treatment he has received.

NO PLUNDERING PERMITTED. Pretoria, Oct. 12.—(Delayed in transmission.)—There is no further news from General Cronje's western command, Commandant General Joubert's command is now at Volksrust. Several Cape Colonists have been sworn in as burghers. The town is quiet. Postal communication with the surrounding colonies has been suspended, but that between the Transvaal and the Orange Free States is maintained.

The Minister of Mines reports that a satisfactory number of mines are being worked, and that the Government will keep the shafts of abandoned mines free of water in the interest of shareholders.

It is reported that forty-six cases of gold valued at 500,000 pounds sterling, which were discovered in different camps in Johannesburg, have been confiscated by the Government.

Commandant General Joubert has issued a circular on the chief danger in consequence of the report that some of the burghers had misbehaved themselves on their journey to the borders, plundering a number of stores. Such offenses, the commandant general says, will be severely punished.

"When we are unwillingly compelled to cross the boundary line of our country," says General Joubert, "let it not be thought that we are a band of robbers, and with that in view, remain as far as possible from private dwellings and from places where no enemy is stationed. When food or forage for the cattle is needed, let certain officers acquire such goods from the owner, and let a receipt be given with promise of recompense by the Government."

SEIZE THE RAILWAY. Glencoe, October 12.—(Evening, Delayed in Transmission.)—It is reported that the Boers have crossed the border at Ingogo; and that the Free State's Government has taken possession of the railway to Van Reenan and seized a Natal Government train.

BOER'S MOVE PUZZLES THEM. Cape Town, October 12.—(Evening, Delayed in Transmission.)—If a Vryburg telegram received here is correct, it is probable that the Boers are attempting a turning movement on Mafeking. Otherwise the presence of 3,000 Boers between Mafeking and Maribogo is incomprehensible. It is possible, however, that they have merely cut the telegraph wire and taken possession of the line.

KILLING ON THE SITUATION. London, October 13.—At Brighton this evening a public meeting was held under the auspices of the South African Association in support of the Government. The hall was crowded, over 3,000 persons being present, in consequence of the report that Rudyard Kipling would speak. The audience, before the addresses began, sang patriotic songs.

The chairman, Lord Talbot, at the outset read the following letter from Mr. Kipling: "I see the papers have generously credited me with the intention of speaking at your meeting, but as I pointed out when the association did me the honor to invite me, public speaking is entirely out of my way. I need not say I am entirely in sympathy with the object of the meeting and realize our country's obligation at this crisis to support Her Majesty's Government unreservedly. Their demand, I take it to be,

for equal rights for all white men from the Cape to the Zambesi; their aim the establishment of a republic instead of an oligarchy, and their vindication a new and regenerate Transvaal, governed under equal laws formed in open council by free men, neither corrupted nor coerced, representing every interest in the land. These things are good and desirable and I recognize that it is the duty of each one of us, according to his abilities to work toward their attainment.

"With every wish for the thorough success of the meeting, I am, Yours sincerely, (Signed) "RUDYARD KIPLING."

The audience greeted the reading of the letter with hearty cheers. CABINET TO SEND 1,000 TROOPS. Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 12.—At a meeting of the Cabinet a decision was reached to send 1,000 Canadian soldiers to South Africa as Canada's contribution to the British force now fighting the Boers. This is double the number of troops asked for by the Imperial Government.

TO PROTECT THE MINES. Berlin, Oct. 13.—The German Foreign Office informs the Associated Press that Germany would gladly co-operate in a courteous, though urgently worded request to the Transvaal Government to permit the creation of an international police force to protect the mines.

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAIMED. Bloemfontein, Oct. 12.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Martial law has been proclaimed and the courts are closed. A proclamation has been issued warning British subjects to leave the Orange Free State before 6 o'clock Saturday evening. Permits to remain may be obtained from the authorities and the proclamation calls upon the burghers to respect those who secure such permits.

President Steyn has made a strong appeal to the burghers to do their best to preserve the independence of the republic.

SEIZURE OF GOLD. London, Oct. 13.—Advices from Johannesburg report the commandeering by the Transvaal Government of another 25,000 ounces of gold.

DECLARE IT IS BRITISH GREED. Pretoria, October 13.—Via Lourenço Marquez, October 13.—An official manifesto has just been addressed to Afrikaners throughout South Africa, appealing to them to resist "the unjust demands of Great Britain," and accusing Lord Salisbury, Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Alfred Milner of treachery. It blames the Queen for condoning what it describes as Mr. Chamberlain's "criminal policy," and declares that "the clear desire and object of Great Britain are to deprive the Transvaal of independence on account of the gold mines of the Rand."

BOERS TO ASSAULT MAFEKING. London, October 13.—A dispatch from Paris late this afternoon says: "The Boers, with twelve guns, are preparing to assault Mafeking."

PUSHING THROUGH THE PASS. Ladysmith, October 13.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Confirmation has been received here that a force of burghers from the Orange Free State is advancing through Tintwa Pass. Seventy men of the border mounted rifles have been sent to support the cavalry outposts.

IN THE HANDS OF OUR CONSUL. Mr. McCrum Will Look After British Interests in the Transvaal.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The State Department was today notified of the withdrawal from Pretoria of Mr. Conyngham Greene, the British diplomatic agent to the South African Republic and the existence of a state of war between Great Britain and that Republic. Mr. McCrum, the American Consul at Pretoria, has accordingly been instructed to undertake the care of the British interests in that section during the war.

In the Orange Free State the United States is represented by Alfred Elliott, Consular agent at Bloemfontein. He is an Englishman, and therefore it is questionable whether or not he will remain at his post in his capacity as American agent. If he retires Mr. McCrum will probably select some American to take up the duties of Consular agent.

There is no present intention at the State Department to issue a proclamation of neutrality. It has come to be the custom to omit these proclamations, until some emergency arises calling for their issue, and such an emergency is not expected to arise in South Africa.

TRAIN HELD UP AND ROBBERED. The Express Car Dynamited—Five Masked Men in the Operation.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13.—The North-western limited train leaving Chicago at 10:30 o'clock tonight was held up not far from DeKalb, Ill., and robbed. It is not known whether the robbers secured any great amount of booty. The express car was dynamited. A special train containing a number of armed men and detectives left the Northwestern station in Chicago tonight bound for the scene of the robbery.

It is said there were five masked men engaged in the operation.

BANK ROBBERY, SCHELL CITY. The Town Watchman First Bound and Gagged, Then the Safe Dynamited.

St. Louis, Mo., October 13.—A special train from Nevada, Mo., says burglars entered the Farmers' Bank at Schell City, near there, last night, blew open the safe and secured \$3,500 in cash, with which they escaped. Previous to the bank robbery the town watchman was captured on the street by armed men and bound and gagged. The robbers left no clue.

THE JUBILEE OF THE DISCIPLES

Very Rapid Growth of the Young Denomination.

NOW NUMBERS A MILLION OVER 100,000 CONVERTS WERE ADDED THIS YEAR.

VERY ACTIVE IN EVANGELISTIC WORK

The Only Woman's Missionary Society that Both Raises and Distributes its Funds Without Authority of Men. Bible Chair for Colleges.

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 13.—The Christian Churches, or Disciples of Christ, began here today the jubilee of their organized missions. This denomination, which began 75 years ago under the leadership of Dr. Alexander Campbell and has had such distinguished adherents as President Garfield and Hon. Jeremiah S. Black, is now more than a million strong. They are not only an active denomination in evangelistic work. Over 100,000 converts were added during the present year.

This jubilee convention is represented by three missionary societies—the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, the American Christian Missionary Society and the Foreign Christian Missionary Society. It is in no sense a legislative body and never deals in trials. This year has been highly successful in missionary contributions, the total being over half a million dollars.

The feature will be the celebration of the Lord's Supper in Music Hall, Sunday afternoon, when five thousand communicants will partake. The Christian Woman's Board of Missions which began its sessions today, is the only woman's missionary society that both raises and distributes its funds without authority of men. One of its features is the maintenance of Bible chairs in connection with the State universities.

Mrs. O. A. Burgess, of Indianapolis, called the Woman's Board to order. The report of the secretary, Miss L. A. White, showed that over 100,000 dollars had been raised the past year for missions. The report of Mrs. Helen Moses on the Bible chair movement was loudly applauded. It is the purpose to establish such a chair for English Bible instruction at every State university. Prof. Coler, who occupied this chair at Ann Arbor, made an address.

The notable feature this afternoon of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions was the memorial services at the Richmond Street church, where the society was organized 25 years ago. Mrs. C. N. Peary of Indiana, who was the leader in the organization, gave a touching address of reminiscences. Miss Jennie R. Erret, of Ohio, daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Isaac Erret, read an address on "Leaves from Unwritten History." Many of the charter members were present. In the evening addresses were made by Mrs. Ida W. Harrison, of Kentucky; Mrs. N. E. Atkinson, of Indiana; Mrs. C. F. Lindsay, of Illinois, and Miss Mattie Burgess, a returned missionary from India.

A feature of the jubilee convention will be the communion services Sunday afternoon, provision for which has been made in three of the largest auditoriums of the city, and in which 10,000 persons are expected to participate. So large were the crowds today that two overflow meetings were held.

TERRORIZED BY MAD NEGRESS. Roams the Country Naked and Shoots Any One She Meets.

Brunswick, Ga., Oct. 13.—The section of Glynn county around Sapps still is being terrorized by a crazy negro woman, who, stark naked, roams the woods, shooting at anyone she sees. Already one man has fallen dead before a pistol shot, while two other negroes, her husband and brother, have been wounded by her bullets.

The woman's name is Mary Eason. A few days ago she became violently insane, stole the weapon with which she is now armed and a box of cartridges from her husband and was off to the swamp. She is reported to have been captured by a crowd of her own race, but the two men left in charge of her allowed her to escape. Persons go armed in the neighborhood and houses are guarded as protection for the women and children.

DECISION IN CARTER CASE. Judge Lacombe is Expected to Make it Next Week.

New York, Oct. 13.—General John W. Closs, Judge Advocate General of the Department of the East, as counsel for Captain R. K. Roberts, commandant of Governor's Island, today filed the final briefs for the respondent in the Carter habeas corpus proceedings. Abraham J. Rose, counsel for ex-Captain Carter has the privilege after looking over these briefs of filing his final brief with Judge Lacombe. This he will do tomorrow morning and Judge Lacombe is expected to make his decision in the case early next week.

THESE ROBBERS CATCH CAIN.

Two Killed and One Wounded and Arrested in a Bank Raid.

Sevierville, Tenn., October 13.—Three masked robbers entered the bank here this morning and attempted to rob the vault, containing considerable money. President William MacMahon threw his loose money into the safe and seized a gun. His first shot killed the leader of the robbers, William Thurmer. The assistant cashier, John Marshall, rushed out of a side door and shot two of the robbers' horses. Cal Derrick, one of the robbers, was arrested after being wounded. Will Derrick, the third robber got on a horse and rode a mile hotly pursued by a posse. On being surrounded by the men he fled into a barn where he committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. The men are supposed to have come from Knoxville on an early train.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON RETIRES. Relieved of Command North Atlantic Squadron by Farquhar.

Fortress Monroe, Va., October 13.—Rear Admiral Sampson retired from command of the North Atlantic Squadron this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. He left at 7 o'clock for New York. Admiral Farquhar, Admiral Sampson's successor, will take command at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THREATEN TO CLOSE SHOPS. Madrid, Oct. 13.—The merchants threaten to close their shops as a protest against excessive taxation. If the threat is carried out, martial law will be proclaimed, as serious disturbances would ensue.

TREASURE FROM THE SEA. THE DERELICT CARRIE A. LANE FLOATS ASHORE.

Windfall for Captain Scott and his Crew. The Battleship Texas Was Coming to Blow the Schooner Up.

Beaufort, N. C., Oct. 13.—(Special.)—The large three mast schooner Carrie A. Lane, lumber laden, from Appalachicola to Noank, Conn. drifted in shore of Brown's Inlet yesterday.

In the recent gale the vessel sprung a leak, her cargo shifted, and her mast was cut away by the crew, which finally abandoned her. They were rescued by the British steamer Rhodesia, on Sept. 23th, seventy miles east-south-east of Cape Fear. As soon as the schooner drifted in shore yesterday she was sighted, boarded and safely anchored three miles off Brown's Inlet by Capt. Scott's crew, who are some fishing on the beach. Only part of the deck load is gone. The cabin is burned; otherwise the cargo and hull of the vessel are good. They have wired for a tug and will tow her into harbor, the weather being fine.

The find is a valuable one, the fishing season being the poorest in years. Capt. Scott's crew are all poor men, and it's quite a windfall to them.

WRECKERS TO THE RESCUE. Wilmington, N. C., October 13.—Private advices from Beaufort, N. C., say that the abandoned schooner Carrie A. Lane, lumber laden, from Carrabelle for Noank, has drifted ashore of Brown's Inlet, eight miles west of Bogue Inlet. Wreckers from here have gone to her rescue.

TO BLOW THE SCHOONER UP. Norfolk, Va., October 13.—The second-class battleship Texas passed out of the Virginia Capes this afternoon at 5:10, en route to find and blow up the derelict Carrie Lane. Shipping men coming to this port report that the wreck is dangerous to navigation.

RACE STILL HANGS FIRE. Because of Almost Impenetrable Fog and no Wind.

New York, October 13.—There was no race today for the America's cup, the international racing trophy. For the third successive day set for a race between the Columbia and the Shamrock, and following three contests from which no race resulted owing to the failure of the yachts to sail the course within the time limit, there was so much fog and little wind that the committee declared the race off for the day. The attempt to race will be renewed tomorrow.

When the race was officially declared off at noon the fog was impenetrable beyond a radius of a hundred yards and the wind was scarcely four knots an hour.

KENNEY'S CASE NOLLE PROSED. Wilmington, Del., Oct. 13.—Judge Bradford in the United States District court today granted to District Attorney Bryne permission to enter a nolle prosequi in the case of United States Senator Richard R. Kenney, indicted for conspiring and aiding and abetting Wm. Boggs, defaulting paying teller of the First National bank of Dover, who robbed that institution of \$107,000.

ANDRADE AND CASTRO TO MEET. Caracas, Venezuela, October 13.—The armistice between the Government troops and the insurgents has been extended until Saturday.

It is asserted on reliable authority that President Andrade will meet the insurgent commander, General Cipriano Castro.

DEWEY MOVES AMID CHEERING THROGS

He Lays the Cornerstone of Dewey Hall.

UP IN GREEN MOUNTAINS

HE DEPARTS FOR BOSTON WITH A PARTY OF FRIENDS.

25,000 PEOPLE GREET HIM AT STATION

The City Was Lavishly Decorated. The Admiral Rode at the Head of a Column of 10,000 Veterans Through the Streets.

Northfield, Vt., October 13.—The little village of Northfield in the very heart of the Green Mountain State and the home of Norwich University, at which Admiral Dewey, as a cadet, was grounded in the principles of military training, today greeted the famous naval officer. The occasion was the laying of the cornerstone of Dewey Hall, a building made possible by voluntary contributions from prominent alumni of the University.

The exercises began with an introductory address by Commander Brown, president of the University, who introduced Colonel Henry O. Kent, of Lancaster, N. H., senior member of the Board of Trustees of the University, and a class-mate of the Admiral.

Colonel Kent delivered an address of welcome. Commander Brown also welcomed Admiral Dewey. The Admiral then stepped forward and laid the cornerstone. As he spread the mortar and the stone was lowered, he said:

"I now declare this stone duly and truly laid and according to my wish." After the Admiral had completed the laying of the cornerstone, Commander Brown introduced Chauncey M. Depew, United States Senator elect, of New York, the orator of the day, who spoke in his usual happy vein.

After the exercises there was a short reception and then the Admiral and the others of his party were escorted to his train which started immediately for Boston.

BOSTON GREET'S DEWEY. Boston, October 13.—Admiral Dewey and a small party of friends, including his son and Lieutenant Brumby, left Northfield, Vt., at 12:30 this afternoon, on a special train or two parlor cars.

At every station there was a cheering crowd and occasionally a Grand Army Post would be drawn up in line. Salutes were fired with torpedoes, or with rifles. At each station the train was slowed up so that the people could see the Admiral, who sat at the windows in the rear car.

Fully 25,000 people were crowded in and around the station, and in the rush to get a look at the hero, he was well nigh carried off his feet. He was met by Mayor Quincy and delegations representing the Home Market Club, the Chamber of Commerce and other municipal bodies. The Admiral rode at the head of a column of 10,000 war veterans through the city's principal downtown streets to the Hotel Touraine, which will be his home during his three days' stay.

All the streets were profusely decorated, and crowds lined the sidewalks. Red fire was burned lavishly. The Admiral after dinner witnessed a fine display of fireworks on Boston Common from his apartments in the hotel and retired soon afterward.

IMPRISONED WITHOUT BAIL. Fred Nye and Mrs. Neumister Behind Bars on the Charge of Murder.

Tavares, Fla., Oct. 13.—Mrs. Leonard Neumister and Fred W. Nye after a preliminary hearing on the charge of murdering Leonard Neumister have been imprisoned without bail for the crime.

Two years ago there came from Louisville, Ky., to Altoona, Lake county, Leonard Neumister and wife, and with them was a man named Fred W. Nye. Not long before this time Mr. Neumister had fallen heir to about fifty thousand dollars. About three weeks ago the man was missing, and Mrs. Neumister reported his absence to the neighbors. She told them that she had just found a letter, written by him and left in the house, saying that he intended to drown himself. The men then went to a deep lake a few rods from the house, and there found his lifeless body in the water. It was thought from the appearance of the writing, that the letter was not written by Mr. Neumister at all, but by some other person. This led to the belief that the old man had been murdered by his wife and Nye.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN CORAN. The Hague, Oct. 13.—Official dispatches from Batavia, capital of the Netherlands Indies, confirm the reports regarding the earthquake in the Island of Coran. It occurred on September 29th.

Not only the town of Amhei, on the southside of the island, was destroyed, but several other villages were wrecked. The official advices declare that no fewer than 4,000 people were killed and hundreds of others seriously injured.