

The News and Observer.

LEADS ALL NORTH CAROLINA DAILIES IN NEWS AND CIRCULATION.

IT IS SAID THAT WHITE IS CUT OFF

The Boers Are Masters of Pietermaritzburg.

THEY SEIZE COLENSBURG

ALL OF WHICH LONDON SAYS IS BASELESS.

WHITE SAID TO BE HOLDING HIS OWN

Six Thousand Boers Investing Kimberley, News of Boer Victory Will Probably Cause

the Dutch of Bechuana and Griqualand to Rse.

Paris, Nov. 2.—The Havas Agency, this evening, published the following extraordinary dispatch which the agency says was received through its correspondent at Brussels.

"Cape Town: The news of the Boers' two victories around Ladysmith has created considerable excitement among the Afrikaners who do not conceal their joy. Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner, is much perturbed at their attitude. General White, in these two engagements, lost about 250 men killed, wounded and prisoners. The second victory was won by the Free Staters, commanded by Lucas Meyer, who seized Colenso, thus cutting off the retreat of General White who is wounded. The investment of Ladysmith is complete and the Boers are masters of Pietermaritzburg and the Durban Railway.

"News has reached General White that Mafeking is closely besieged and that the Boers have successfully repulsed the sorties. The surrender of Mafeking is expected.

"It is also confirmed that the Free Staters have seized Colenso."

THE STATEMENTS BASELESS.

London, Nov. 2.—The Secretary of the War Office, who was shown the Cape Town dispatch of the Havas Agency, said the statements made were utterly baseless. Brussels, where the Havas dispatch originated, is the headquarters of Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal, and it is thought the Cape Town dispatch may be an exaggerated Boer version of the recent fighting.

WHITE HOLDING HIS OWN.

London, Nov. 2.—The War Office has received a telegram, dispatched from Ladysmith at 9:25 this morning, saying that General White was well and holding his position.

An official telegram reporting the condition of the wounded at Kimberley says that Colonel Kekewich, the British commander there, has learned from various sources that the Boer losses on the occasion of the late sortie of the British troops from Kimberley, were very heavy.

The newspapers here continue to express keen pleasure at the sympathy of the United States. The St. James Gazette says:

"Few more graceful examples could be imagined of the courteous spirit of American sympathy with this country, which has been so often evident of late, than the project of the American ladies' hospital ship, which will probably be fitted out with many of those American nurses whose services were so highly valued during the Cuban War. This is the first example of a hospital ship provided by a nation which is at peace for another during the stress of war, and the widespread and generous responses to its appeal from both sides of the Atlantic show how warmly the merciful idea is accepted by the citizens in both countries."

PRISONERS AT PRETORIA.

London, Nov. 2.—A special dispatch from Ladysmith says twenty British dead and one hundred wounded have been counted on the scene of Monday's disaster, while 870 prisoners were sent to Pretoria.

INVESTMENT OF KIMBERLEY.

Hopetown, Cape Colony, November 2.—Magistrate Harnsworth has arrived from Klippan and reports that there are six thousand Boers around Kimberley and that all the roads are strictly patrolled. He says he passed close enough to Kimberley to see the searchlights and was informed that the defenders of Kimberley were satisfied they could hold out but were wearied with the inactivity and hoped that a relieving force would soon arrive.

Stories of Boer victory have spread rapidly along the western border and Magistrate Harnsworth estimates that over half the Dutch residents of Bechuana and Griqualand will join the Boers after the declaration of annexation.

MANY FUSILIERS CAPTURED.

London, November 2.—Another list of casualties at Dundee was issued by the War Office today. It gives eighty-two non-commissioned officers and men of the Dublin Fusiliers missing, indicating that the Boers captured as many fusiliers as they did hussars.

THE BOERS INVADE ZULULAND.

Pietermaritzburg, November 2.—It is reported that the Boers are occupying parts of Zululand and that they have taken Pomeroy, fifty miles from Greytown.

ARTILLERY DUEL CONTINUES.

London, November 2.—The War Office

this afternoon issued the following dispatch:

"Chief of staff, Ladysmith, to War Secretary:
"Ladysmith, November 2.—Lieutenant Egerton, H. M. S. Powerful, dangerously wounded this morning by a shell, left knee and right foot. Life not in danger at present."
It was inferred from this dispatch that the artillery duel between the Boers and British continues, as Lieutenant Egerton was a gunnery lieutenant, with the big naval guns.

ASK LIST'S OF PRISONERS.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The British Government has now asked that the Boer Government permit Mr. Macrum, the United States Consul at Pretoria, to transmit once each week a list of the British prisoners in Pretoria with a statement of their condition.

ORANGE RIVER AT FULL FLOOD.

Cape Town, Oct. 31.—(Delayed in transmission.)—It is asserted that 3,000 Boers have collected at Bethulie Bridge, under field cornet Dutoit. The Orange River is now in full flood, and Orange is reported to be impassible.

A DISPATCH NOT GIVEN OUT.

London, Nov. 2.—The War Office has received a long dispatch from Ladysmith, timed 10:30 this morning, the contents of which have not yet developed. It is thought possible it may contain a list of the casualties resulting from the disaster of Monday.

COMMUNICATION CUT OFF.

London, Nov. 2.—10:15 p. m.—The War Office has just informed the Associated Press that a dispatch has been received from the Governor of Natal, Sir Walter Francis Hely-Hutchinson, announcing that communication with Ladysmith has been interrupted since half past two this afternoon.

This is not regarded by the War Office however, as in any wise confirming the rumor of a complete investment of Ladysmith or of the capture of Colenso.

RENEWED BOMBARDMENT.

London, November 2.—Special dispatches from Ladysmith, dated Tuesday, give further details regarding the renewal of the bombardment. The Boers, having re-occupied their old positions, mounted big guns. Their firing was accurate but almost harmless.

BIGGEST BREAK KNOWN

FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS OF TOBACCO SOLD AT WILSON.

There Were Forty or Fifty Loads That Could Not Be Placed on the Floors.

Wilson, N. C., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—The tobacco market broke the record here today, it was the biggest break the town has ever had, a conservative estimate of the tobacco sold is four hundred thousand pounds. The average price paid at different houses was from six and a half to seven and a half cents.

For the first time in the history of the market double sales have been blocked. From forty to fifty loads could not get on the floors, besides the amount sold, and from the way it is coming in this evening the sales tomorrow will be almost as large as today. The sale stopped at the Banner House this evening with ten rows unsold. Wilson is a buying town.

HERMANN PARK OPENED.

Goldsboro, N. C., November 2.—(Special.)—Yesterday was a gala day for Goldsboro. Four thousand people assembled to witness the presentation of the beautiful and costly pavilion at Hermann Park to the city of Goldsboro. A few years ago two of Goldsboro's liberal and public-spirited citizens, Messrs. Henry and Solomon Weil gave to the city a nice tract of land, situated on the suburb, just north of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage, admirably suited for a park.

Not content with this act of their generosity, they improved and beautified the grounds, had a magnificent pavilion erected, and yesterday it was presented. Headed by the splendid band of the opera company, who played here last night, a long parade consisting of the members of the Goldsboro Rifles, fire companies, graded school children and fraternal organizations marched to the park, where a vast concourse had already assembled. Mr. Henry Weil presented the pavilion. Mayor Jos E. Peterson accepted it, while Mrs. W. R. Hallowell, president of the Woman's Club, and Mr. Jos. E. Robinson, editor of the Argus, also made strong and impressive speeches. The singing by the graded school children was greatly enjoyed.

The board of trustees of the Odd Fellows Home met Tuesday, and elected Mrs. Bertha Davis, the present seamstress, matron, and Miss Ellen Barber, of Raleigh, seamstress.

Mr. J. J. Street, vice-president and general manager of the Goldsboro Lumber Company, at Dover, has sold his interest in the plant for \$35,000 to Mr. W. A. Winsatt, of Washington, who is president of the concern. Mr. Street will give all his time to religion, he being a firm believer in and a strong advocate of the "Holiness" movement.

Schooner in Distress.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 2.—The schooner Island City, from South Ambria for Wilmington, put in here today in distress, having shifted her cargo in the recent hurricane and sustained other slight damage.

STORIES OF DEATH AND DISASTER

The Carrie A. Lane's Struggle With Stormy Seas.

THREE OF CREW DROWNED

THE DERELICT TOWED INTO NORFOLK HARBOR.

THE ROGER A. MOORE IS WRECKED

The Ida Lawrence Towed into Southport in Dis- tress. The Annie T. Bailey Water-logged and Abandoned. The Crew Reach Charleston on the Seminole.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 2.—The derelict Carrie A. Lane of Bath, Maine, from Beaufort, N. C., to Noank, Conn., has arrived here in town of the tug Edgar F. Luckenbach, which left Beaufort with the schooner on last Sunday. On Monday the tug encountered stormy weather which developed into a hurricane that night, which washed the derelict, putting out the fire in the donkey boiler, which ran the pumps. The seas which washed the decks of the schooner drowned three of her crew—Harry Kayton, of Pictou, Nova Scotia; Frank McCover, of Bruns- wick, relative of the owners of the tug Luck- enbach. The remaining two of the crew survived the night.

Owing to the gale the tug could render the crew of the Lane no assistance, but on Tuesday morning the survivors were taken off and arrived here today.

Kayton became wedged on the deck of the schooner and was mashed. He was drowned like a rat in a trap. His body was buried here this afternoon.

Just a month ago the three masted schooner Carrie A. Lane, which sailed from Apalachicola for Noank, Conn., on September 19th, with a load of lumber met with a severe hurricane in the Gulf stream, off the Carolina Coast, and was wrecked, her crew, consisting of Captain J. Frank Skofield, whose wife was with him, and eight men, being picked up by the British steamer Rhodessa and brought to Norfolk. The Lane, after drifting about in the ocean for some time, a dangerous derelict to navigation, was picked up and saved by wrecking crews, who received liberal remuneration from the vessel's owner, Mr. Arthur Sewall, of Maine. Mr. Sewall went to Beaufort last week and arrangements were made with the Luckenbach's to tow the schooner to Noank, for the discharge of the lumber now in her hold. It was while this contract was being carried out that the Lane, for the second time in a month, became water-logged at sea.

After being temporarily repaired the Lane will go to Bath, Maine, for a complete overhaul.

SAVED BY THE SEMINOLE.

Charleston, S. C., November 2.—Captain Outton, of the water-logged and abandoned schooner Annie T. Bailey, who with his crew, came to Charleston today on the steamer Seminole, reports: "Left Ferdinanda for Washington October 18th, lumber laden. Had continuous gales and high seas. Vessel labored and struck. On the 29th off Cape Roman struck by severe hurricane, experienced tremendous seas and vessel sprung a leak. Pumped steadily, but water gained and vessel became water-logged. Wind changed and we scudded before the gale. On the first about four miles northeast of Frying Pan was taken in tow by steamer Seminole. Towed until vessel became unmanageable. All hands then went on board the Seminole.

"The position of the wreck was, about twelve miles south by southwest of Frying Pan Lightship. I tried to get vessel in toward land to anchor when anchors and chains were lost.

"The Captain speaks in the highest terms of Captain Bense and officers of the Seminole.

THE ROGER MOORE WRECKED.

Wilmington, N. C., November 2.—Advices to the owner here are that the three-masted schooner Roger Moore, light, from Boston to Brunswick, went ashore during Tuesday's storm near Kimbuck Life Station, below Kitty Hawk on the North Carolina coast. Captain Dix telegraphs total loss.

"The British steamship Mombay put in at Southport for coal this morning. The British steamship Emma from New Orleans, towed into Southport the schooner Ida Lawrence in distress. The Lawrence has eight feet of water in her hold and rigging carried away.

THE STEAMER NEUSE.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 2.—The Norfolk and Southern Railway Freight and Passenger steamer Neuse, which went ashore near the mouth of Pamlico Sound during the West Indian hurricane and was towed to Bell Haven tomorrow evening or Sunday morning. It was necessary to dredge a channel 1,400 feet in length, leading to deep water. This channel was partially filled with sand during the late storm, and as this is removed the Neuse is pulled along. The steamer will be brought to Norfolk for repairs.

OTHER DAMAGED CRAFT.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 2.—The schooner Emma F. Angell, Captain Tripp, of Fall River, from Boston to Baltimore, arrived here this morning in a leaking condition, having encountered Monday night's storm.

The schooner Lizzie Babcock, Captain

Bowen, of Point Somers, N. J., put in here today for repairs, having lost her sails, main anchor and thirty fathoms of chain and sustained other damages in the storm.

The American steamer France, with the schooner Stella B. Kaplan, minus her rudder, arrived in Hampton Roads this afternoon.

The schooner Volunteer, while lying at anchor near Cape Charles during the storm Tuesday morning parted her anchor and was picked up at sea by the steamer Brusseret and towed back to Cape Charles. The Captain and crew of the volunteer were ashore when the vessel drifted out to sea.

Hobart Has a Good Day.

Paterson, N. J., November 2.—Vice-President Hobart spent a comfortable day. He fell off with a natural sleep at 9:30. His pulse was quite strong at that time.

Mr. Hobart dropped off to sleep at 10 o'clock. Dr. Newton arrived at the house for the night shortly afterward and did not wake him. In speaking of the enliveners at the house, Mr. Hobart tonight told one of the attendants to "treat all my friends well."

"Nov. 3.—2 a. m.—No apparent change is noted in the condition of Vice-President Hobart. Shortly after one o'clock this (Friday) morning Hobart Tuttle said that he was sleeping quietly.

Funds for the Schley Home.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Active measures for raising funds to purchase a home for Rear Admiral Schley were taken at a meeting of the Advisory Committee having the matter in charge here tonight. District Commissioner Ross was selected as permanent chairman of the fund committee and a committee to devise ways and means to best attain the objects sought for was appointed. Many offers to contribute already have been received by those interested in the matter.

To Prevent a Lynching.

Petersburg, Va., November 2.—Junius Robinson, the negro who killed W. M. Jolly, in Dinwiddie county last Tuesday, was brought to this city today to avoid lynching. Excitement among the whites in the county is intense.

THEY FIGHT TONIGHT

JEFFRIES AND SHARKEY, FOR WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Queer Stories About Jim's Sickness Laughed at.

Interest in the Fight is Now at Fever Heat.

New York, Nov. 2.—Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey will fight tomorrow night in the arena of the Coney Island Sporting Club for the heavyweight pugilistic championship of the world. Although Jeffries, as the champion and the bigger man, is the favorite of sporting men, many strange stories have been told of him since he went to England and since his return. Billy Delaney, of San Francisco, who trained Corbett for his successful venture against Sullivan, said today:

"My man Jeffries will be heard from to good advantage tomorrow night. I told you five months ago before he met Fitzsimmons that it was a sure thing for him. Now take my advice, don't worry about all those stories which you hear of Jim's sickness. He's all right, and he'll win sure."

Sharkey was never in better condition. He has trained faithfully and in every sense of the word has lived up to the instructions given him by his manager. A comparison between his condition and that of Jeffries could scarcely be drawn. Both are fit. Each has trained assiduously. Notwithstanding rumors to the effect that Jeffries is in an unfit condition, he seems to be fit to fight for his and a dozen men's lives and as for Sharkey, to use the vernacular "there is nothing doing" if he needs any improvement to win the championship.

A prominent man up town who is in the habit of holding a great many bets, said tonight:

"There seems to be a lack of sporting blood so far as bets go, on tomorrow's fight. Interest seems at fever heat and yet men will not wager their money. Queer reports in the respective training quarters of the fighters as to their inability to put up a good argument seems to have had a deterrent effect in the betting market. To my mind both men are in the best possible condition. The most conservative and well informed patrons of the ring agree with me that the contestants will have a hard battle for eight rounds, and if it lasts longer it will be a question of the man with the stamina to win out."

HIS LIABILITIES \$5,000,000.

Levi Doty Seeks Relief Under National Bank Ruptcy Act.

Chicago, November 2.—Liabilities amounting almost to \$5,000,000, are scheduled in a petition filed in the United States District Court today by Levi R. Doty, a capitalist, who seeks relief under the national bankruptcy act. The petitioner is President of the National Fuel Company and the Lehigh Coal and Coke Company. His scheduled assets aggregate over \$400,000, consisting principally of capital stock. The heavy liabilities result from the failure in 1893 of several large coal companies in which Mr. Doty was interested. Much of the indebtedness results from the responsibility which Mr. Doty took on himself by endorsing notes for other persons. The creditors are not secured, except by the notes which they hold.

SOUTHERN COTTON SPINNERS MEET

Adopt Resolutions Offered by Mr. D. A. Tompkins.

THE CHINESE EMPIRE

IT SHOULD BE PRESERVED IN ITS INTEGRITY.

OPEN DOOR SHOULD BE MAINTAINED

Active Prosecution of the Philippine War to a Conclusion Urged. All Measures Should be Directed Toward Protecting Our Oriental Trade.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 2.—At a meet- ing of the Southern Cotton Spinners As- sociation in this city today, between 50 and 60 mills were represented, the fol- lowing preamble and resolutions, offered by D. A. Tompkins and seconded by R. B. Miller, were unanimously adopted.

"Whereas, the increasing manufacturing interests of the United States from nine billion dollars value in 1890 to twenty billion (estimated) in 1900, makes it plain that our domestic markets can no longer take all our manufactured products, and

"Whereas, the Southern cotton manufacturing interests alone have increased from the product in 1890, of one and one half million spindles to five million (estimated) in 1900, and the development of trade for our surplus American made cotton goods has been largely in China and other Oriental countries. Therefore, be it,

"Resolved, That we urge upon the President of the United States and our Senators and Representatives in Congress, the following measures:

"1. The preservation of the integrity of the Chinese Empire, of all our treaty rights with that Empire, and the maintenance of an open door policy in China with the commerce of all nations.

"2. Vigorous prosecution of the Philippine War to a conclusion and the restoration of order in that territory by our Government.

"3. Construction without delay, of an isthmian ship canal.

"Construction of a cable from the Pacific coast to Hawaii, Japan, China, the Philippines and other Oriental points.

"Resolved, That we consider that a large degree of the importance of the last three items lies in the value of those measures in accomplishing the first item and in protecting our trade in China and other Eastern countries.

"Resolved, That we recommend if it be necessary, co-operation of our Government with the Governments of England and Japan to preserve and protect a common trade interest and treaty rights for unrestricted commerce in China and other Eastern countries.

"Resolved, That we recommend to Congress such revision of our navigation laws as will foster the development of our merchant marine service to an extent to handle our expanding foreign commerce.

"Resolved, That we recommend to Congress such increase in our navy as will make it fully adequate to protect our commerce in all seas and in all parts of the world.

"Resolved, That printed copies of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States and to our Senators and Representatives in Congress and to the press."

THE S. A. L'S NEW LINK.

J. Skelton Williams Pleased With the Progress Made.

Columbia, S. C., November 2.—Mr. John Skelton Williams, President of the Seaboard Air Line, was in this city today examining the construction of the new line to connect the Florida Central and Peninsular with the Seaboard's main line. He is pleased with the progress made and is confident that the eighty miles of new road will be completed January 1st when the Seaboard's purchase of the Florida Central and Peninsular becomes of effect and that the Seaboard's trains will be run without delay.

NOT AGAINST THE ARCHBISHOP.

Funston's Royal Welcome by the Citizens of Topeka.

Topeka, Kansas, November 2.—Returning warriors never received a more royal welcome home than that accorded today to the soldiers to "Kansas' famous fighting Twentieth," on its arrival from San Francisco. General Frederick Funston came in for the lion's share of attention shown to the officers and the "little hero of Manila" was literally taken off his feet by his admirers in their eagerness to display their regard for him.

So many thousand people were on the platform and the railroad tracks that the train had to fairly crawl into the depot. Whistles screeched, cannon boomed, dozens of bands played and the cheers were almost deafening.

It was after 4 o'clock when the parade to the city began.

At the State House Chief Justice Doster, in a brief speech, introduced

K. Hudson, who on behalf of the State of Kansas, presented the \$1,000 sword to General Fun-

ston said he predicted that in one of his visits to the island of Luzon in the future, he would be permitted to wear as quiet as Massachusetts. "I never see Manila," said he, "and unless I am disabled, I will not return until the war is over."

The day closed with the most magnificent display of fireworks ever given in the State's history.

General Funston said in regard to the reported suit for libel against Archbishop Ireland, that he does not intend bringing such action, but that he would push the suit against the San Francisco Monitor.

Croker Demands to Be Heard.

New York, November 2.—The plan of the Mazet Investigation Committee to adjourn this afternoon until after the appearance of Richard Croker, who made the demand to the committee that he be permitted to give further testimony, Chairman Mazet decided to have an extra session tomorrow, so that the Tammany Chief might take the stand.

The sudden change of front on the part of members of the committee was due to Mr. Croker's appearance at the session and to the statement credited to him before he left Tammany Hall in which he challenged Assemblyman Mazet to go on the stand before the Mazet Investigation Committee and swear to what he is alleged to have said about Mr. Croker's trying to sell Amsterdam stock to the Consolidated Gas Company in exchange for Democratic support of the Astoria Gas Bill.

Statue For Winnie Davis' Grave.

New York, November 2.—George Julian Volhey, the sculptor, arrived from Europe today, bringing the heroic statue of Grief, which is to be placed over the grave of Miss Winnie Davis, the Daughter of Jefferson Davis. The statue will be shipped to Richmond and will be unveiled there on November 9th.

FIRE AT PROXIMITY MILL

LOSS BETWEEN \$1,000 AND \$1,500. EX-TINGUISHED WITH DIFFICULTY.

Crushed Stone Offered Free for Macadamizing Purposes by Public Spirited Citizens.

Negro Badly Cut in a Fight.

Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—A dangerous fire occurred at Proximity Manufacturing Company's mill last night. The fire was first discovered under the floor of the upper room about five o'clock yesterday afternoon, but was, as it was thought, put out. However, flames broke out again about seven o'clock in the same place and it was under a heavy floor it was almost impossible to locate and it was close on to ten o'clock before the mill hands had it under control. The damage to stock and machinery will probably reach \$1,000 or \$1,500. The damage to the mill which this mill is constructed having very thick fire walls and heavy double tinned doors kept the fire from spreading. Otherwise the loss would have been very heavy.

Mr. Carson Cone offers the Commissioners of Guilford to furnish free of cost sufficient crushed stone to macadamize about one mile of the public road—leading from the end of Summit Avenue, which is probably the finest piece of avenue in the State, out northeast from Greensboro. In addition to this other parties have offered to haul the stone free of cost so that the county will simply have to put it down, which will be done with our convicts. Another macadamized road is soon to be built from Greensboro to Pomona, about two miles from the city.

John Colharte, a colored employe at the Empire Steel and Iron plant had a fight last night and come out with nine cuts from a knife, one of the cuts narrowly missing the jugular vein. After the man's wounds were dressed he seemed to be getting along all right.

ORDER FOR 400 FREIGHT CARS.

Consolidation of the G. and A. F. C. and P. and S. A. L. January 1.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 2.—The Georgia and Alabama Railroad today gave an order for the immediate construction of 400 new freight cars to meet the demands of increased traffic. Two or three months ago an order of similar size was given by the same company.

President John Skelton Williams is authority for the statement that the consolidation of the Georgia and Alabama, the Florida Central and Peninsula and the Seaboard Air Line will be effected on or about January 1st and that E. St. John, now of the Seaboard, will be general manager of the consolidated system.

Southern Depot Burning.

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 2.—Tonight a brief report was received from Thomasville, Ala., saying fire there tonight had destroyed Boyle's store and several adjacent houses. The operator wired that the Southern Railway depot was burning and that he had to abandon his post.

Dixon Gets the Decision.

New York, November 2.—Dixon gets decision over Curley at end 25th round.