

FIGHTING HIS WAY.

Third Day of Battle Between Buller's Forces and the Boers.

215 BRITISH ARE WOUNDED

In Warren's Division Alone—Boers Thought to be Trying to Lead the British into a Trap—British Forces are Fighting Hard, but Making Progress.

By Telegraph to the News.
SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Jan. 22.—Buller's forces are still shelling the Boer positions. His advance is made with the greatest care, every move being justified by report made of the Boer position after a balloon ascent.

Yesterday's fight was a stubborn contest over a front six miles long and was continued from dawn till dark. The British are slowly gaining ground.

There has been constant musketry fighting in the northwest. The British gained a position the Boers were holding, but rocky ground is beyond. The fight is going on in front and on both flanks, covering every side and range of territory.

At 10 o'clock Sunday the Dublin regiment carried a strong position with the bayonet.

NOTHING DECISIVE ACCOMPLISHED.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Nothing has been received thus far today to indicate that any conclusive result has been reached by the British forces in the region of the Upper Tugela. All that can be said is that the British seem doggedly advancing in the face of equally stubborn resistance.

At the close of yesterday's fighting the Boers had merely evacuated the first line of defence to take another semi-circular position a short distance in the rear, recalling the old Banger case, whereby the Boers have previously managed to entice British into fatal traps.

TO CUT THE BOERS IN TWO.

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Jan. 22.—Gen. Warren's object is to cut the enemy in two by the advance of Hildyard's men. We kept under cover until within half a mile of the enemy.

236 BRITISH WOUNDED.

PETERMARITZBURG, Jan. 22.—Gen. Warren fought all day Sunday near Colenso. Two hundred and ninety five British were wounded.

200 WOUNDED ARRIVE.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The transport "Canada" has arrived at Southampton from South Africa with two hundred wounded British soldiers.

FOR BENEFIT OF BOERS.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—At the annual banquet of the Alsace-Lorraine society last night, a subscription was raised for the benefit of the Boers.

TO DISCUSS THREE ISSUES.

Bryan Says He is Tired of Having Men Pick Out One Issue.

By Telegraph to the News.
NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—William J. Bryan arrived this morning and took quarters at the Hoffman House. To a press representative he said he would in every speech discuss the three important topics of imperialism, corporations and trusts and silver.

"I am tired of having one man pick out a single subject for me to discuss," he added.

METHODIST MISSIONARIES GO TO MANILA.

By Telegraph to the News.
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—The Methodist church is about to begin active missionary work in the Philippines under the supervision of Bishop Thoburn. The first missionaries will be sent to Manila. Miss Wisner, Miss Cody and Dr. Norton, of Ohio, and Miss Monts, of Michigan, will sail for China Wednesday, accompanied by Miss E. Anderson, who is going to do missionary work in Malaysia.

72,000 MEMBERS' OUT.

By Telegraph to the News.
VIENNA, Jan. 22.—The strike of colliers is general throughout Northern Bohemia. Seventy-two thousand men are out.

SPEAKING OF PANTS.

The Southern Pants Factory has recently put in fourteen new machines. Mr. W. R. Foreman, manager of the company, left Saturday night for New York.

Mr. W. R. Tallafiero, of the Charlotte Trouser Factory, who has been on his annual spring trip to New York, returned this morning.

Mr. Paul Chatham, of the Piedmont Pants Company, left this morning with his wife for Mississippi, to be absent about some weeks.

The pants factories are all busy with their spring work. Business prospects are good with all.

INVITATIONS MANY.

Several Circles of Society to Have Pleasures This Month—Mrs. Church's and Miss Spencer's Guests.

Conspicuous among the many beautiful entertainments that have been noted this season will be the evening at Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Church's tonight. The Sans Souci and Miss Josephine Parker are the guests of honor. Mrs. Church, with her usual cleverness and originality has provided some delightful forms of amusement for her guests, these not to be told until tonight. After the games, a lunch sumptuous and elegant, will be served. The list of invited guests reads as follows:

Mr. Will E. Parker, Miss Fay Griffith; Dr. Chas. Bland, Miss Adele Hutchison; Mr. W. E. Foreman, Miss Grace King; Mr. J. M. Van Ness, Miss Lucy McAden; Mr. J. H. Van Ness, Miss May Oates; Mr. C. E. Frick, Miss Ella McAden; Mr. J. S. Cochran, Miss Julia Alexander; Mr. Wm. Hart, Miss Fan McAden; Mr. Frank Hart, Miss Addie B. Barron; Mr. Springs Steel, Miss Sadie Jones; Mr. Earl Pegram, Miss Edie Clarkson; Mr. Harry Saunders, Miss Violet Alexander; Mr. J. H. Barney, Miss Selene Hutchison; Mr. Alfred Brown, Miss Anna L. Hutchison; Mr. Adlai Osborne, Miss Hallie Lucas; Mr. Willoughby Chambers, Miss Julia Mason; Mr. Hamilton Wilson, Miss Missie McAden; Mr. Nesbit Latta, Miss Leona Ryder; Mr. Ralph Van Landingham, Miss Tomlinson; Mr. W. R. Robertson, Miss Ethel Holt; Mr. Chas. Davis, Miss Nellie Tate; Mr. David Clark, Miss Goodwin; Mr. Lee Watson, Miss Weller; Mr. Joe Tull, Miss Edie Clarkson; Mr. Faird; Mr. J. W. Wadsworth, Miss Mary Mayer; Dr. Capeheart, Miss Julia Robertson; Mr. Lottie Humphrey, Miss Bessie Robertson; Mr. Frank Jones, Miss Lena Heath; Maj. R. E. Davidson, Miss Lockhart; Mr. J. H. Ham, Miss DeRosset; Mr. Martin Lyon, Miss Nan Dowd; Mr. James Levi, Miss Anne Parks Hutchison; Mr. Henry McAden, Miss Alice Jones; Mr. George Stephens, Miss Sophie Myers; Mr. Jno. Wilber Jenkins, Miss Winnie Barron; Mr. Claude Brown, Miss Laura Hammond; Mr. Gregg, Miss Hattie Hammond; Mr. J. H. Craighill, Miss Lizzie Scott; Mr. I. B. Avery, Miss Adelle Brenizer; Mr. S. J. Smith, Miss Mary A. Nash; Mr. David S. Yates, Miss Bettie Nash; Mr. Geo. Wadsworth, Miss Johnnie Bason; Mr. Walter Scott, Miss Fan Burwell; Dr. and Mrs. S. O. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Keenan; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harris; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Alexander; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brannon; Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Thompson; Mr. H. C. Dresser, Miss Alice Holland; Prof. McCoy, Miss Linebach; Mr. Brown, Miss Hirschinger; Mr. D. H. McCullough, Miss Edna Hirschinger; Mr. W. C. White, Miss Wyatt; Mr. Sam Hawkins, Miss Fickling; Mr. Lewis Burwell, Miss Porter; Misses Sadie Young and Grace Cochran; Messrs. Chase Brenizer, G. L. Van Echop, D. J. Craig, A. M. Shaw, and L. R. Robertson.

Miss Hope Spencer's party tomorrow afternoon will be one of the most unique and pleasant social affairs of the week. She entertains in honor of her guest, Miss Ruth Lawrence, of Danville, Ill. The guests will be: Misses Johnnie Bason, Lena and Ada Heath, Norma Van Landingham, Saida Baruch, Grace King, Fan, Ella and Midge McAden, Elizabeth, Sadie and Pearl Clarkson, Hallie Lucas, Faye Griffith, Julia Robertson, Violet Alexander, Anna Locke Hutchison, Grace Cochran, Hattie Brenizer, Maggie Ward, Dora Sater, Mamie and Adria Christyberg, Nan Dowd, Wheeler, Lottie Gray, Mary Mayer, Eva Sumner; Mrs. R. M. Brannon and Mrs. A. S. Duffy.

It is rumored that a beautiful Greensboro girl and a gentleman from Burlington—both well known here—are to be married in March.

The Scrovis meets tomorrow afternoon with Miss Lizzie Lawrence.

The new spring gloves have large pearl buttons. There is nothing specially new in shades.

Miss Jessie Spencer, who is to be married to Mr. J. A. Bell Wednesday morning, entertains the ushers tomorrow night.

Miss Harriet Orr will be five years old Thursday. She is to have a birthday party.

Miss Dora Sater gives an elaborate supper at the Manufacturers' Club tonight.

Her guests will be: Misses Willie Hill, Rebekah Chambers, Margaret Ward, Edith Adams, Faye Ross, Hattie Orr, Ala Heath, Mina Ray, Ethel Stone, Pearl Clarkson, and Mrs. Graham Weddington, chaperone.

MR. SPRATT TO MARRY.

Mr. Charles A. Spratt, city and county surveyor, is to be married on the 30th to Miss Annie Query, of Mallard Creek. Mr. Spratt is one of Mecklenburg's best men.

Misses Minnie Cranford, of Davidson, and Allie Howell, of Georgia, who have been at Mr. C. M. Creswell's, have returned home.

SUPERIOR COURT. \$30,000 IN AN HOUR.

January Term Convened This Morning; Judge Allen Presiding.

WHITAKER CASE ON TRIAL

Judge Confirms the Sentence of the Mayor, and Mr. Whitaker Appeals to the Supreme Court. Number of Civil Cases to be Tried This Week.

Superior Court convened this morning, Judge Oliver H. Allen, of Kinston, presiding. The jury was impanelled as follows:

W. A. McGinn, H. H. Kimbrell, S. B. Smith, Jr., J. R. Cochran, W. E. McCall, J. W. S. Taylor, J. C. Gorman, J. F. McBeard, S. R. Grier, J. S. Watkins, R. E. McDonald and A. S. Kirk.

The first case on the docket was Delia May Nicholson vs. Wade Nicholson, for divorce. Judgment divorce absolute for plaintiff. The plaintiff was represented by Mr. T. C. Guthrie.

The next case was that of Mrs. Creshaw vs. her husband for divorce. Judgment, divorce absolute. The plaintiff was represented by Messrs. McCall & Nixon.

The case of A. W. Whitaker, for assault on J. W. Keeran, an appeal, was next heard. The defendant pleaded former conviction. The jury, under the instructions of His Honor Judge Allen, rendered a verdict of guilty. The evidence in the case was that after Whitaker had assaulted Mr. Keeran he ran to Esquire C. L. Hunter and submitted; that Mr. Keeran was not present at the trial; that neither Mr. Whitaker nor the witness, which Mr. Whitaker took with him were sworn; that no warrant was issued by Esquire Hunter. The evidence further was that a warrant had been duly issued by Mayor McCall and properly served, and that the defendant, Whitaker, had appeared at the mayor's court, pled guilty and had been sentenced by the mayor to one month's imprisonment in the county jail. The evidence further disclosed the fact that it was not until the evidence was all in before the mayor and the case had been heard that Mr. Whitaker had produced a receipt from Esquire Hunter for costs and fine in the justice's court, whereupon His Honor ruled that the plea for former conviction would not lie; that the proceedings before Esquire Hunter was no trial in contemplation of law and could serve as no defense to this action. His Honor further ruled that where the plea of guilty is entered the only defense that could avail a defendant there would be the unconstitutionality of the law or the jurisdiction of the court. Judge Allen, in passing sentence, said: "This manner of attack upon the public highway is a serious offense. If the defendant had used a deadly weapon he would be guilty of a felony. This case is in the nature of a secret assault. There are cases in our courts where defendants have been imprisoned in the penitentiary for two and three years for secret assaults. Neither our law nor our ideas of right tolerate secret assaults. There seems to be no lawful excuse for this assault. Mr. Keeran, in the discharge of his duty to his client, had the right to comment on the witness's past history. The law does not tolerate a man being attacked for discharging his duty, whether he be a doctor, preacher, lawyer or private citizen. If this were permitted, lawyers and clients alike would be deterred from the court house. Every witness with a vulnerable record may expect to be exposed before a jury. In cases where the offense is aggravated as in this, it is seldom we find justices who discharge their duties fully by imposing penalties commensurate with the offense committed. I can see no reason why the judgment of the mayor in this case should not stand. My judgment, therefore, is that Whitaker be imprisoned in the county jail for thirty days."

The defendant appealed to the Supreme Court, through his counsel, Mr. F. R. McNinch. The State was represented by Messrs. J. L. Webb and F. I. Osborne.

Defendant gave bond in the sum of \$100 and was released.

The afternoon session was taken up with the case of C. L. Landie and wife vs. the Western Union Telegraph Co.

The amount involved is about \$2,000.

A PHILIPPINE TROUBLE.

St. John Gumm, who is visiting his sister, Mrs. Charles McKnight and Mrs. E. V. Finlayson, is suffering very much with his feet. He contracted some kind of disease while in the Philippines, where he had to stand in water often for ten hours at a time. The trouble is under the nail of the toes. He is suffering a great deal and is unable to get out.

Miss Laura Wadsworth went to Spartanburg, S. C., Saturday morning to spend a week or so.

The Large Amount Raised by the Presbyterians of Charlotte Yesterday.

A LARGE MASS MEETING.

Addresses by Dr. J. R. Howerton, Dr. J. W. Stagg and Mr. Geo. Wilson—Mr. D. W. Oates Read Report of Committee Asking \$50,000 for the College.

The Presbyterians of Charlotte have been discussing for some time plans looking toward the rebuilding and re-equipping of the Presbyterian College for Women in this city. They proposed, as stated last week in the News, raising \$40,000 or \$50,000 for this purpose. The matter was brought before the members of the four Presbyterian churches yesterday morning, in a mass meeting at the Second Presbyterian church. The large edifice was packed with possibly the most representative body of churchmen of any one denomination that could be assembled in any city between New York and New Orleans—a body worthy of the church they represented and of the cause to which they were to respond.

On the platform sat the Presbyterian pastors of the city and Rev. Dr. J. R. Shearer, president of Davidson College. After prayers by Revs. Drs. Shearer and Howerton, Dr. Howerton said:

"We are met together this morning for the worship of God, and if any of you are here with the impression that we are met for the transaction of secular business, let your minds be disabused of that idea. If we had met in the interest of foreign missions this morning no one would, I think, have said that we were met for secular business, and surely the cause of Christian education is as much a part of the Church as missions. I cannot make myself fully understood in the little time I have to speak this morning, but I do want to make one thing thoroughly understood, and that is, that what I shall say here is in favor of Christian education is not opposed to civil and State education. The Presbyterian Church has always stood for education. In the early days the Presbyterian Church stood for parochial schools. Christian education, as we understand it, is closely connected with home schools; and if there were more teaching in the homes of our church there would not be so much need of emphasizing the subject of Christian education. At its last session our general assembly took a forward step in the interest of Christian education. Civil and secular schools have, as their chief object, the training of men and women for citizenship, and hence they do not have the time to give the Bible the attention which it should have. I heard a gentleman say the other day that he would rather have his daughter in the school in whose interest we meet today, because the Bible and Christianity are so emphasized in this school. We are in a crisis in this town. Such times of crises often come. Charlotte has always been known as a Presbyterian town, but it will not always be so known if it does not control the educational interests of the town. We must rally to the cause of education as a Church in this city, or in a large degree lose our influence as a Church in this community."

It was decided to ask for B. and L. stock, the interest to be provided; so this proposition is made to the people.

"The committee appointed some time ago in the interest of the college made their report through the chairman, Mr. D. W. Oates. He announced that the sum of \$50,000 would be asked for in order to put this school upon the footing desired, this subscription to be given in stock in the Building & Loan Association with six years' maturity, or to be paid in cash subscriptions by those who desire."

After Dr. Howerton has finished, on motion of Mr. D. W. Oates, Mr. George E. Wilson was called to the chair, to moderate the business meeting. Mr. Wm. Anderson acted as secretary.

Mr. Wilson stated the object of the meeting and made a strong business man's appeal to the Presbyterians.

He spoke of the lack of mechanical equipment of the college and urged the people to respond to the call for \$50,000 in order that this lack might be supplied. Rev. Dr. J. W. Stagg followed. Dr. Howerton had presented the religious side of the question. Dr. Stagg discussed the matter as concerning Presbyterians. He said that was the history of the church. After the siege of Leyden, the Dutch Calvinists were asked what they wanted and they replied, "A University." "That," said the speaker, "is church then a university." The speaker next spoke of the importance of the education of woman. "A woman," said

he, "can bring a man up to a higher level, but a man can not bring a woman up. As our women are, so are our homes. Charlotte, as the centre of Presbyterian, of all places in the South, should be the centre of education. The refugees to Geneva during the wars which tore Europe, saw the influence of Calvinism, and going back to their homes disseminated that knowledge, and shed that influence. Girls coming from the West to Charlotte to school should be so impressed with the influences of Presbyterianism, that when they go back to their homes they should look toward the establishment of that faith."

The next point that Dr. Stagg emphasized was "stewardship." What are you doing with your money—your inheritance that God has given you?" he asked. This point was elaborated with telling results, as will be seen below.

The result of the meeting was that \$30,000 was subscribed, with the remainder easily in sight. Several subscriptions were received today. Five persons—Dr. I. W. Faison and Messrs. D. W. Oates, George N. Adams, P. M. Brown and Wm. Anderson—took ten shares of stock. Numbers of persons took five shares. The details have not been arranged yet. Some are in favor of building around the old building; others of razing it to the ground. It is thought the latter will be decided upon. The raising of such a sum of money by one denomination, in a town of this size, in one hour, is unprecedented. It speaks volumes for the people of the Presbyterian church, and for the community.

The college, the News learns, is to be re-built right away.

The college was bought four years ago by Mecklenburg and Concord Presbyteries from Rev. W. R. Atkinson, for \$10,000. Improvements to the amount of \$5,000 have been added. The property is now valued by real estate men at \$30,000. When the new college is built it will represent a value of \$80,000 or \$90,000.

SECRET MARRIAGE REVEALED

Mr. Marvin Neighbors and Miss Hayden Married Yesterday.

Sometime ago Squire Bailes told the News he had married a Charlotte couple who were keeping their marriage a secret. This occasioned a good deal of conjecture at the time.

It has just leaked out that it was Mr. S. Marvin Neighbors and Miss C. Evelyn Hayden, who were secretly married by the Squire in South Carolina on Christmas eve last.

Mr. Neighbors is originally from Spartanburg, S. C., but has been with the Charlotte branch of the Virginia Life Insurance Co. for a year, and has many friends here. He has recently been transferred to Winston.

The bride is from Boston, Mass., and has been here for five months, spending the winter in the South for the benefit of her health.

She boarded at Mrs. Lucy Neathers' and is much liked by all who know her.

Mr. Neighbors has claimed his bride and they have gone to Winston to live.

The News wishes the young couple a long and happy life in the married state, which was entered upon so romantically.

THE GRAHAM-OATES NUPTIALS.

The marriage tomorrow night of Dr. Wm. A. Graham and Miss Bonnie Oates will be an event of supreme interest in social circles. Miss Berta Oates, sister of the bride-elect, is to be maid of honor; and Mr. Norfleet Webb, of Hillsboro, first cousin of the groom, will be best man. The ushers will be: Messrs. Joseph Maclean, John B. Oates, W. W. Watt, David Clark, J. L. Cox, W. H. Twitty, W. A. Graham, of Lincolnton, and J. L. Prior, of Atlanta.

The ceremony takes place at 8:30, in the Second Presbyterian church, Rev. J. W. Stagg, D. D., officiating.

The News is asked to say that any who have lost their cards of admission can get others on application.

SUNDAY MARRIAGE.

Yesterday afternoon Rev. L. R. Pruett was called on by a good looking couple, whose business he soon divined and whose name he soon learned. Miss Gertie Lingle was the bride-to-be, and Mr. J. H. Keeter, the groom. At 4:30 Mr. Pruett was saying the words that made them man and wife. Mr. Keeter is a well-known railroad man. He and his bride have many friends and the best wishes of them all follow them. They will live in Charlotte.

LICENSED TO PREACH.

Mr. Wm. Walters, a member of Twelfth Street Baptist church, who has been studying for the ministry of the Baptist Church, was licensed to preach last night at Olivet Baptist church. He leaves at once for Winston to finish his theological studies. Mr. Walters is a young man who has the gifts to be of much use in the Church.

The proceeds of the concert of the St. Cecilia Society will go to the Humane Society.

"A woman," said

"LADY OF SHALOTT"

The Story to Be Interpreted by the St. Cecilia Society Tomorrow Night.

TENNYSON'S MAJESTIC VERSE

A Gifted Lady of the City Tells the Poem in Prose for the Benefit of Those Who Will Hear the Music-Weird Verse to be Interpreted.

The enjoyment of vocal music to the general public depends very largely on hearing the words or knowing the story interpreted. The musician listens for harmony rather than words, the ordinary listener for words rather than harmony.

Knowing that the cantata, "The Lady of Shalott," Tennyson's mystic poem, which is to be interpreted tomorrow night by the St. Cecilia Society, of this city, would be very much more enjoyed by the knowing of the story, its time and setting, the kindly services of one of the most gifted women in the city were enlisted in the telling, and the St. Cecilia as well as the public is her debtor:

"THE LADY OF SHALOTT."

(This prettily told and deeply pathetic little story is not without the element of mystery, that enters into much the great author has written; nor does he ever go into detail, often wearisome, but leaves much for the reader to infer, thus keeping up interest. The time is the medieval world of romance, in which he was no less at home, than in the tangled skein of modern life.)

Around the enchanted island of Shalott, there flows a river whose sides were bordered with rich fields of blooming rye and barley. Along the willow-wedged banks, heavy barges are moved by slow noises, and on the stream silken-sailed shallops glide noiselessly down to "many towered Camelot."

"Four gray walls and four gray towers, a space of flowers, with masses of lilies embower the silent island where dwells the lovely Lady of Shalott." Only the earliest reapers, and those latest wending their way homeward, through the moonlight, hear the sweet, plaintive voice on song, or catch a vision of the mysterious being, and then exclaim, "Tis the fairy Lady of Shalott." There, day and night, she weaves a magic web of gayest colours; because, in the silence of the night a voice has said that should she turn to look towards Camelot, "a curse shall be upon her." What it is she knows not, but thus urged, steadily, ceaselessly, her fingers fly through the intricate meshes. A mirror hangs before her all the year, on which is reflected every passer-by, and is at once woven into the curious web. Sometimes 'tis only some surly village man, or red-cloaked market girls; some gay damsel or dashing knight; no matter whom nor what, the moving panorama is at once transfixed into the magic fabric.

One summer's day, "half sick of shadows," she glances at the mirror, and in the dazzling sun, "there flamed the brazen graves of bold Sir Lancelot."

On his shield, a red cross knight, kneeled to a lady beside remote Shalott. "Right merrily he rode to Camelot, with silver shield, with bugle and lance;" and in the blue, unclouded weather, even his saddle shone like burnished gold. He sang—she listened to notes simple, but familiar. "She left her web—she left her loom; she saw the water-lilies bloom; she saw the helmet and the plume." She looked, alas! towards Camelot! The web flew out; the mirror cracked from side to side! "The curse is on me!" cried the Lady of Shalott.

Soon the east wind was blowing; the blue heavens were darkened; the river moaning. Down to its bank she came. She found a boat and on its prow, she saw, "The Lady of Shalott." Then down the widening stream, with loosened oars, the boat moved on. At first she lay like one in a trance. Then, eyes set like, she sang—chanted loudly, slowly, till her blood was frozen; but the darkened eyes were fixed on towered Camelot. Under towers and balconies, the boat, with its sad freight, floated on. "From market and high houses, from lighted palaces, the people came and gazed and wondered. The sound of revelry was hushed, and "gay knights crossed themselves for fear." But Sir Lancelot said:

"She has a lovely face; God, in mercy, lend her grace. The Lady of Shalott."

MR. WARDLAW.

(Mr. Joseph G. Wardlaw who was last week elected secretary of the Alpha Minn, and who is to come to Charlotte to live, is a cousin of Mrs. George E. Wilson, and one of the finest young men the Palmetto State can claim. Mr. Wardlaw will not come to Charlotte as a stranger. He is already pleasantly known here.