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VICTORY AND FLIGHT.

British Take a Point But Were Unable to Hold on, Owing to Boers Hot Fight.

ALL DEPENDS ON ROBERTS.

Preparations to Move From Modder River Seem to Have Been Completed—Boers Are Extending Their Attacks Along the British Lines.

By Telegraph to the News.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—A dispatch from Rensburg, dated yesterday morning, gave much cause for congratulations. The dispatch states that the Boers who had occupied Bastard's Neck and Hobkirks Saturday, had been driven out of these positions by the English artillery and were in full flight, the British having occupied both places. A later dispatch from Rensburg, however, dated last night, says:

"It seems that the Boers, according to the British reports, returned and attacked the English and drove in the outposts. The British made a left-flank, but were unable to re-occupy Bastard's Neck and Hobkirks. The British retired in haste to Maeder's Farm. The fighting was severe and there were a number of casualties. No details of the losses have been received.

TO MOVE FROM MODDER RIVER.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—A cessation of war news from South Africa is taken to indicate that the British preparations to move from Modder River have been completed, and that important events can be anticipated for the next few days. Interest centres almost wholly upon Lord Roberts, especially since Gen. Buller's report and withdrawal from Vaal-Kranz came for the first time, through Roberts, showing that all different operations over a wide field will, hereafter, be more completely co-ordinated.

It is now known that the military attaches have gone to join Roberts at Modder River. Another move indicating an advance. The absence of Gen. French from Rensburg district, seems to have given the Boers an opportunity for renewed activity. They have apparently begun extended attacks on the British lines, meeting with minor successes which have considerable moral effect on the border colonists.

BRITISH FEELING MORE HOPEFUL.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The feeling is more hopeful in consequence of the widespread belief that Roberts and Kitchener have now a firm grip on the helm and that, whatever happens, the campaign will be waged on careful, comprehensive plans, in which all the forces will co-operate.

Both sides seem collecting themselves for an attack. The left horn of the Boer army is creeping through Zululand, threatening the British right at Chievely. General Joubert is reported with six thousand men endeavoring to attack Buller.

Boer aggressiveness has been developed and has been repulsed at Rensburg, while from the most important point of the campaign, Modder River, news has been received of ceaseless activity and redoubled vigilance.

These reports create hopefulness in Great Britain rather than anxiety, for the impression prevails that the Boer aggressiveness will give the British troops their long-yearned-for opportunity and will tend greatly to assist the broad plan of campaign which Roberts may be expected to set in motion soon at Modder River.

STARVING THE ENGLISH.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Mafeking via Gaberones, dated February 2nd, says: "The situation is unchanged. Col. Baden Powell has received a communication from Lord Roberts, promising that relief will be sent in a few weeks. The garrison is as game as ever. The Boers have expressed their intention of starving us out."

JUMPS TO DEATH.

Congressman Chickering Commits Suicide in New York.

By Telegraph to the News.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Congressman Chickering, of Lewis county, New York, leaped from the fourth story of the Grand Union Hotel in this city today. He died before the arrival of the ambulance. He was suffering from rheumatism and was very despondent.

REALTY.

Mr. George Etheredge bought a house in Seversville yesterday from Mr. C. H. Duls, trustee. It don't be long 'till "me and George" will own all of Seversville.

EN ROUTE TO RALEIGH.

Bryan and His Party Enthusiastically Received at Henderson To-Day.

Special Telegram to the News.

HENDERSON, N. C., February 13.—The Bryan special reached Henderson at 2 o'clock. It was met by a committee of Democrats from all parts of the State. Several thousand people gave him a rousing reception.

Ex-Senator Jarvis introduced him as the best known and best loved living American.

After some preliminary remarks Mr. Bryan discussed Republican policies of taxation, money power, trusts and imperialism. He said the time had arrived when no factor could afford to be a Republican. They had amended the commandment to read: "Thou shalt not deal on a small scale."

In dealing with the Philippines, he said they had repeated the Declaration of Independence for the almighty dollar. He said he would not spill the blood of one American boy for the dollar of trade.

The speech was enthusiastically received. After dinner the Bryan train proceeded to Raleigh. Stops will be made at Wake Forest and other places. Weather is fine and the crowd is large.

Two speeches will be made in Raleigh this afternoon and tonight. Democrats are delighted with the reception Bryan is receiving.

W. C. DOWD.

MR. J. A. YOUNG DEAD.

Passed Away This Morning in Corinth, Miss.

Miss Lelia Young received a telegram about noon announcing the death at Corinth, Miss., this morning at 10 o'clock, of her brother, Mr. J. Alphonse Young. Miss Young was not surprised, as she received a telegram yesterday afternoon which prepared her for the sad news. Neither message gave any particulars. Mr. Young had gone to Corinth to attend the marriage of his oldest son, Tate, and was unable to leave. He had been in bad health for a year and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Emmie Young Jones.

Deceased was the oldest son of the late Gen. John A. Young, of this city. He was born and reared here, and made Charlotte his home up to ten or fifteen years ago, when he went elsewhere to engage in business. Mr. Young was in the hotel business the greater part of his life. He made an exceptionally fine clerk, for he was a man of pleasant address; cordial, suave manners; always polite and agreeable and always bright and cheerful. He had a smile and a joke for everyone, and friends many. He was whole-souled and hearty; kind-hearted and clever. Everyone knew "Phonse" Young, and everyone liked him. He married early in life Miss Laura Tate, of Morganton, who died a number of years ago, and who is buried in Morganton. There were five children: Emmie, Mary, Phonse, Jr., Herbert and Tate—all of whom are married. He leaves besides these two sisters: Miss Lelia Young and Mrs. Addie Young Marsh, of Fayetteville, and two brothers, Mr. John G. Young, of Winston, and Mr. E. F. Young, of this city.

VALENTINE PARTY.

Cupid Sends Out Cards for Tonight.

Tomorrow is St. Valentine's Day. The News is reminded of this by the following invitation received this morning:

"St. Valentine desires to meet you at the hall of the Daughters of Liberty, No. 33 East Trade street, Tuesday evening, February 13th, 1900. We trust you will accept his invitation, and that your heart may not be punctured beyond all repair by any stray dart from Cupid's bow. No admittance without a Valentine. Hours 8:30 to 11."

BRYAN TO VISIT COLUMBIA.

Hon. William J. Bryan has accepted an invitation to visit Columbia. He will be in that city Thursday of this week and will address the general assembly now in session. Considerable preparations are now in progress in South Carolina's capitol for the reception of the Democratic leader.

MR. SPRINGS ILL.

Mr. Holland Springs was taken suddenly ill while at dinner today, at the Arlington Hotel, and fainted before he left the dining room. A doctor was summoned and later Mr. Springs was about himself again. The illness, it was thought, resulted from an overdose of quinine.

BIG VESSEL WRECKED.

By Telegraph to the News.
NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The Big ship "County of Edinburgh" was wrecked off the Jersey coast last night during a dense fog. Twenty of her crew were taken off this morning. The ship is considered impaired.

BIG JUMP IN COTTON.

Future Market Takes a Turn and Goes Up Twenty Points Today.

RISE EQUALS \$1 A BALE.

Liverpool Closed Very Much Higher and the General Impression is That the Bears Have Been Routed—O'Neill's Estimate Knocked Out.

By Telegraph to the News.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Cotton took a big jump today, options opening 20 points, or a dollar a bale higher. Such a market has not been witnessed since 1896. The fact that the advance occurred with the prevailing prices above 8 cents, indicates that the bears have been fully routed. It also signifies that Liverpool is not making prices this year on O'Neill's estimate and that the crop shortage is conceded by every one. The local speculative market was very active, as well as excited. After the opening, prices reacted somewhat.

The News of the big jump in cotton was not unexpected in Charlotte. The local buyers have been anticipating a sharp advance for several days. While they expected this they were not prepared to see such an unusual jump. Charlotte cotton men, from the first, took but little stock in Mr. O'Neill's large estimate. They have, from the opening of the season, been in possession of indisputable facts relative to the shortness of the crop. Everything pointed to this and sooner or later they realized that the English mills would also have to come to a realization of this.

NUPTIAL MASS.

Miss Annie Martin and Mr. Joseph Monahan Wed Tomorrow.

Miss Annie Martin and Mr. Joseph G. Monahan are to be married tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock at St. Peter's Catholic church, Rev. Father Francis officiating. Nuptial high mass will be said. Messrs. James Cunningham and Phillip Gallagher will act as ushers. There will be no other attendants. The bride will be given away by her brother, Mr. John Martin, who is an engineer on the S. A. L. Her parents are in Ireland. Tomorrow night a reception will be held at the residence, No. 819 North Church street, from 8 to 11 o'clock. The bride is a most attractive and estimable young woman. She has a number of admirers and friends. The groom is well known in the city. He is esteemed as worthy of the pretty bride he is to win. Mr. and Mrs. Monahan will continue to reside here.

NEW COLORED CHURCHES.

The colored people of Charlotte are to be commended for the handsome churches which they have. Several new ones have been built in the past few years—churches costing from \$4,000 to \$6,000—and another is to be built. The Congregational church, of which Rev. Haines is pastor, has raised \$2,300 toward the erection of a new edifice. The church will cost about \$6,000.

SOCIAL.

The Chafing Dish Club will be entertained tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock by Miss Edna Hirsinger.

The Misses Nash, of North Church street, last night issued invitations to an "evening," this evening, in honor of Miss Jenkins, Miss DeRossett and Miss Andrews.

Miss Daisy Griffith, who is visiting in Chester, S. C., is to be given a dance tonight by the young men of the town. She returns home tomorrow night.

CHURCH NEWS.

There were seven accessions to Westminster Presbyterian church Sunday. The new chandelier, which has been delayed so long, has at last arrived, and will be hung in the centre of the church before Sunday night, to give light unto all. This will make the interior complete. The work at Westminster is going steadily and satisfactorily on.

THE DATE SUITED HIM.

Mayor McCall yesterday received a telegram from Hon. C. B. Aycock accepting the invitation to speak here next Monday night. The news went to the people of the county last night in the Times-Democrat. They will all be here. The arrangements for the speaking will be made later. It will either be held in the city hall or court house.

Mrs. Fannie Holt Scott, of Graham, arrived here last night to visit Misses F. and J. Scott.

MR. R. D. WHITLEY DEAD.

Passed Away This Morning at 6 O'Clock—Was One of the Most Prominent Men in the County.

Mr. Robert D. Whitley, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of the county, died this morning at 6 o'clock, at his home, in Long Creek. Mr. Whitley was 82 years of age. He was born and reared in Long Creek, and his name was associated, through all the years of his long and useful life, with the prominent affairs of that section. He was a man of fine sense, integrity and strength of character. He was universally looked up to and his advice and opinion was sought by the people of the West on all subjects. He several times represented the county in the Legislature and was always a prominent factor in the politics of the western part of the county.

Deceased was stricken with paralysis some months ago. Thursday he was taken worse, having had grippe. This morning death set him free. He was pre-eminently a good man—a religious man. He was a member of the Episcopal church, and the main strength of the little church at Bristow. Bishop Cheshire often visited him, no longer than about a month ago passing through here on his way to see Mr. Whitley. Deceased was twice married and had by his two wives, twelve children. His second wife and six of his children survive him. He was one of the most prominent, as well as one of the oldest, Masons in the State, and will be buried with Masonic honors. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. Mr. Parkman, rector at St. Mark's, Bristow.

MID-WINTER MUSIC.

Concert at Elizabeth College Tonight—The Composers and Interpreters.

The mid-session students' concert at the Elizabeth College will be held tonight, commencing at 8 o'clock. The programme consists of 17 numbers, including selections from German, Canadian, Bach, Meyer-Helmund, Mozart, Schira, Liszt, Hove Tempie, Raff, Gurlitt, Gounod-Eddy, Jakobowski, Gabriel, Godard, Moszkowski, Weber, Scotson and Clarke. Those to take part are: Misses Ella Jowitz Rebecca Nurnberger, Emma W. Harris, Mstislav Chrietberg, Annie Hurken, Jean Davis, Hilda Gehrker, Dora Koenig, Hallman Watkins, R. Peters, Lucy Holton, Katherine Seagle and Mamie Lang. The orchestra will consist of: First violins—Mrs. Fisher and Miss Koenig. Second violins—Miss Ruth McLinn and Miss Irene Allison. Organ—Miss Seagle. Pianists—Misses Annie Belle Wise, Maggie Crowell, Mae Muller, Sophie Puckhaber, Willie Metzger and Ellie Grier. Cellos—Miss Jane Van Etten and Mr. Fritz. Contra bass—Mr. Fisher. Tympanum—Miss Nurnberger.

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"I call your attention tonight," said the preacher, "to John 3:7: 'Marvel not that I said unto you, ye must be born again.' The word 'again' does not carry with it the idea of a repetition. It carries with it the idea of the origin of a new birth. 'Ye must be born again'—born from above. I want to talk about the 'new birth' tonight. I am going to make a sweeping assertion: You may belong to any Church or creed; you may take the sacrament every Sunday; you may even preach the Gospel, or go as a missionary, and yet if you are not 'born again' you will land in a solemn hall, I know this is the truth. How do I know it? Because Christ says so. Then don't you see that the 'new birth' is the pivot on which heaven and earth turn, as far as you and I are concerned? I want to say plain, simple things tonight. I want to ask and answer three questions:

"First, What is the 'new birth'?"

"Second, Why should I be born again?"

"Third, How can I be born again?"

"First: 'What is the new birth?'—Ephesians 2:10—I am speaking now to saved men: 'For ye are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works.' 'Create'—now catch that idea. 2nd Cor. 5:17—'Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature.' 'New creature'—literally a new creation. Let us get a Bible conception of what regeneration is: It is a new creation; a new creation in Christ Jesus. God created your body, and God has laid His creative hand on your soul and made that soul a new creature in Christ. No one can create but God. The 'newbirth' then is pre-eminently and exclusively God's work. Don't you see how a man can join the Church and God have nothing to do with it? The question is not to what Church you belong; what creed do you profess, but the question is: 'Has God laid His creative hand on your soul?' I don't care if you belong to the college of the apostles and have not been born again, you are on the way to hell.

"I go a step further. John 3:6: 'That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit, is spirit.' And in 2nd Peter 1:4, we are told that we 'are made partakers of the divine nature.' There is a direct analogy between the physical and spir-

itual birth. How did you get the first birth? By a physical, a first-Adam birth; by physical parents. Then how can you get the spiritual birth? From God, your spiritual Father. I don't care what your creed is. You can go to hell with any creed, but has your nature ever been regenerated?"

"Incarnation and regeneration are the complements of each other. What is incarnation? It is God in the person of Christ, being made kin to human nature by being born of a virgin. What is regeneration? It is the process of incarnation turned around: It is human nature being made kin to God's nature by being born of a divine family.

"There is a pet phrase in the pulpit of today: 'The universal fatherhood of God.' It is a universal lie. God is the universal creator—maker of all men. We are told in Gal. 3:26—'For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.'"

"I go further: 'A new heart will I give you.' What does that mean? It don't mean the old human heart rubbed up, scrubbed and varnished, but it means the imparting of a new life: 'I will give you the new birth in Jesus.' Hence we can say in Gal. 2:20: 'I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God.' Regeneration is a new creation; a new birth; a new life. The crucial point in the history of every man and woman is regeneration. In every truly regenerated man there are two natures: The first-Adam nature, which is always sinning; the regenerated second-Adam nature, which is the new created nature. There is a continual conflict in every Christian's life between the two. If the first dominates, you are what Paul calls 'carnally-minded'; if the second dominate, you are what Paul called 'spiritually-minded.'"

"THE NEW BIRTH."

The Evangelist Tells the Sinner "Ye Must Be Born Again" If You Would See God.

THREE PERTINENT QUESTIONS

Regeneration a New Creation in Christ Jesus—It is Pre-eminently and Exclusively God's Work—Three Things Necessary to the New Birth.

The song service, under Prof. Curry, is an inspiring introduction to the services, ever. The choir is faithful and earnest, and the songs of Zion as sung are an inspiration. Last night was "a wild night," but it did not deter anyone from being at his or her place in choir, pulpit or pew. Every place was full, and half of the annex. The people—Christians and un-saved—cannot afford to miss one sermon of the great preacher who is here. He has special messages for the people and they press eagerly forward to hear them. Mr. Pearson said last night, in regard to the meeting Sunday night: "I am accustomed to speaking to large audiences, but I never saw a finer set of men than filled this room last night. I love to preach the Gospel to anyone, but especially to men, for I feel that they need it more. And now on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday night we have the same arrangement as last night. The men will have this floor entirely, the women the gallery and the annex. God bless the women. I feel a great interest in them, but the majority of them are already church members, while the men are not. Last night the men came to church because they were assured of seats. In the after-meeting tonight I will ask that no one remain in the galleries. We want just two classes to remain in the after-meeting: seekers and workers. We are not here to make Presbyterians or Methodists or Baptists, but Christians. My sermons this week will not be as long as they were last week, when I was preaching to Christians. I will preach 30 minutes and then have the after-meeting. As there are many who would prefer talking to the pastors quietly in their homes, instead of in the after-meeting, I will announce that the following pastors will be ready to talk with anyone every day from 3 to 4 o'clock: Dr. Stagg, at Second church parlor; Dr. Howerton, at his study in the manse; Dr. Barron, at his home; Mr. Siler, at his study in the church; Dr. Chrietberg, in his parlor at home."

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