REPULSED.

They Fought Rundle and His Support Hard at Thaba N'Chun.

SIEGE

At Mafeking-Big Gun Removed of Ladysmith. Given the Star of the Royal Victorian Order.

By Telegraph to the News. LONDON, May 1.—General Roberts Bradshaw. as follows:"Bloemfontein, Monday, April 30.—The Boers persishe had the assistance of Gordon's and Dickson's brigades of cavalry, under from the adjacent hills.'

QUIET AT MAFEKING.

LONDON, May 1.—A Mafeking dispatch says under date of the 22nd: "Everything is absolutely quiet. The Boers have removed the big gun and we are unable to locate it, but it has probably been taken south to Kiaspan to wait the approach of relieving column from Kimberly. It is difficult, for us to realize that we are undergoing a siege. Scarcely a shot has been fired today.

The War Office knows nothing about the expedition under Hunter reported about to start from Kimberly for the relief of Mafeking.

GEN. WHITE DECORATED. LONDON, May 1.-At Windsor today the Queen conferred the star of the Royal Victorian Order on General White, who was commander of the Ladysmith garrison during the seige of that town.

ART PALACE OPENED.

Fine American Section-Whistler Has the Honors.

By Telegraph to the News, PARIS, May 1.—President Loubet inaugurated the art palace of the exthe foreign artists James McNeill Whistler and the German artist, Lebach have the honors. Sergeant may possibly come next, and other Americans like Thayer, Brush and Abbey, little known here before, give first impression of dash and great technical brilliancy, but are criticized for the emphasis and lack of depth in thought and sentiment.

The American section is admitted by all to be among the most striking of the entire art exhibition.

N. Y. STRIKE SPREADS.

Officials are Trying to Arrange a Compromise.

By Telegraph to the News. NEW YORK, May 1 .- Superintendent Waitt, of the New York Central, did not go to Buffalo last night, as promised, but sent Assistant Superintendent Brazier, who will confer with the striking mechanics in hopes of ending the controversy by mutual concessions. In the med time the strike is spreading.

Twelve hundred freight handlers on all roads terminating at Buffalo went on a sympathetic strike last night. This has seriously crippled traffic. SECTION MEN STRIKE.

WINSTED, Conn., May 1.-All section men on the New York Central, New England and Poughkeepsie, the "Bridge Route," struck today.

PHILIPPINES.

By Telegraph to the News. MANILA, May 1.—The new criminal code will become operative on the 15th. The privilege of the right of habeas corpus will then be vested in individuals. Under the old Spanish law, they were granted, but the matter was left in the discretion of the judge. In this way there was a loop-hole for the abuse of the right.

PRUSSIA AGREES TO COMPROMISE By Telegraph to the News. BERLIN, May 1.—It is officially stated that the Prussian government has agreed to a compromise on the meat inspection bill.

AMERICANS REFUSED.

By Telegraph to the News. YOKOHOMA, May 1.-A dispatch from Seoul says the Corean government has refused to grant three sep-arate American requests for mining concessions.

ALASKAN BILL PASSED. By Telegraph to the News. WASHINGTON, May 1.- The Alaskan civil government bill passed the Senate today.

TELEPHONE MEN.

Meeting of the Independent Association Here To-Day.

The Independent Telephone Association of the Carolinas met today at 12:30 at the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. W. B. Moore, of Yorkville, S. C., president of the association presided, and Mr. John C. Mills, of Rutherfordton, secretary, was at the table. The RELAXED following exchanges were represented: Insert at turned rule telephone.

J. A. Helvin, Charlotte; W. B. Moore, Yorkville, S. C.; S. L. Meacham, oFrt Mill, S. C.; J. T. Thomasson, Lancas--Force Gone to Meet Relief

Column-Gen. White, the Hero

of Ladysmith. Given the Star J. E. Pryor, Rock Hill, S. C.; A. C. Shuford, Newton; S. C. Rankin, Mooresville; D. M. C. Hunter, Stanley Creek; T. C. Guthrie, Charlotte; E. C.

The first business taken up was the ratifying of the by-laws formulated at etntly attaced Thaba N'Chu Saturday Gastonia on the 13th of March. The and Sunday, but the position held by constitution had been previously Rundle's division was very strong, and adopted. This over, the association adjourned for dinner, resuming its session at 2:30. The afternoon was spent French, and Smith-Derrien's mounted in a discussion of the best methods infantry under Hamilton. The Boers and ways to connect up the Carolinas, made a daring attempt to cut off the especially the Piedmont section. The British convoy, which got on broken reports from the various excannges ground between Thaba N'Chu and lines was most encouraging. The Dewet's Dorp. The enemy opened fire lines are running in pleasant places, new exchanges are being opened and the business increased to a wonderfui

> The association extended the use of its lines to the cotton spinners association while in session here on the 10th and 11th.

BEST IN THE SERVICE.

Cetective McManus Knows Counterfeit Biil.

Mr. William J. McManus, who, as previously noted, was sent here by the United States Secret Service to open an office, being transferred from the office in Philadelphia, is one of the finest operatives connected with the service. He has figured prominently in many counterfeiting cases notably the Ingram and Newitt case where the lawyers tried to bribe him w.ch \$1,000. resulting in placing them in the penitentiary. The Ingram and Newitt case was the famous Jacobs-Taylor-Bredel-Kending - Bruns-Downing case-counterfeiting of \$100 notes and revenue stamps. Detective me Manus detected the best counterfeit bill that has ever been passed. He receives the highest salary of any operative in the service, Mr. McManus se-Service through Russell Sage during the corner of a large office table, threw Cleveland's administration in 1886.

ORPHANAGE BOARD.

Managers of Thompson Orphanage in Session.

The board of managers of the Thompson Orphanage met today at the orphanage. Those present were: Bish. op Cheshire, Rev. Dr. Murdock, of Salisbury; Dr. James Carmichael, of Wilmington; Wm. A. Smith, of Ansonville; J. G. Shannonhouse, Charlotte. Rev. W. J. Smith, superintendent and treasurer of the orphanage, was also

The board met at 10 o'clock and Mr. Smith made his report, which was audited by Mr. J. S. Myers, of the auditing committee. A recess was then taken, during which confirmation service was had, six of the children being confirmed. Dinner followed the service. The board then reconvened and is in session as the News goes to press. The terms of Mr. Shannonhouse and Dr. Murdock expire at this meeting. Their successors will be named at the convention to follow soon.

The old officers of the board were re-elected this afternoon.

ANOTHER EXCITING STORY DONE

FOR. By Telegraph to the News.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Senator Lodge said today in an interview that NEW CRIMINAL CODE FOR THE the story about Henry White and H. H. Rogers heing connected with the purchase of the Danish West Indies is rubbish. He says White's visit to this country has nothing to do with the islands; Rogers is not to get a commission, and Germany is not now trying ted that the invitation being made alto get the islands.

MENT.

LONDON, May 1.—The Archbishop ident should desire to actompany him By Telegraph to the News. of Canterbury today gave his judgment on the right to reserve the sacrament, He decided that the Church of England could not allow a reservation in any form. The Archbishop of York concurred in this decision.

ARMY OFFICERS HOLD THEIR PLACES.

By Telegraph to the News. SAN JUAN, DE PORTO RICO, May 1.—The inauguration of Charles Herbut Allen, the American civil governor of Porto Rico, took place today. The ceremony was very impressive. The present army officers will temporarily continue in office.

—Pev. Dr. Barron goes to Wingate happy accord. The President then several nights ago, there have been 15 turned to Senator Pritchard and insplications for membership in Meck-terrogated him: "Senator will you go?" lenburg Lodge No. 8.

COMMITTEE RETURNS

They Did Not Bring the Presicent but the Belief That He Will Come on the 20th

IN THE WHITE HOUSE DOORS.

The Committee was Received by bellef. He expressed himself as being The President in His Executive Office-Senator Morgan May Come on 'the - Mayor McCall's Remarks.

The committee of citizens from Charlotte that visited Washington to invite President McKinley to visit the city returned this morning in a happy mood and confident that the trip was successful in every respect, and delighted with the treatment accorded them by Senator Pritchard, Col. Boyd and Congressman Bellamy, each doing everything he could to further the purpose of the committee's visit to Washington.

The committee reached Washington via the Southern Railway on their special car, "Nagayo," at 6:42 o'clock a. m., Monday, and immediately took up headquarters at the EbbittHouse, where a private parlor was engaged to receive Senator Pritchard, Col. Boyd and Congressman Bellamy to arrange the procedure of presenting the invitation

o President McKiniey. Mayor McCall was the unanimous choice of the committee to deliver the address to Presdent McKnley and the handsome invitation was placed in the custody of Secretary Hiss to present to President McKinley at the conclusion of Mayor McCall's address. Chaperon. ed by Senator Pritchard, Col. Boyd and ingressman Bellamy, the committee left the parlor of the Ebbitt House at 9:45 a. m., and were promptly at the White House and received by the private secretary of the President. Mr. Cortelyou, at the appointed hour.

President Wittkowsky, of the Chamber of Commerce, was first introduced to President McKinley. He in turn introduced Mayor McCall and the other members of the committee to the President, as they entered the executive room, where the cabinet meetings are held. The committee encircled the President and captured him as it were, but his ease of manner and suave style at once put the committee "at home" with him. The President, standing at one leg over the table and listened with apparent interest and happy expression of countenance to the wellnounded and cordial sentences that were fluently dropped from Mayor Me-Call's lips, telling the President of the non-partisan spirit in which the invitation was being extended to him and promising a rousing North Carolina welcome should the President visit

Charlotte. Mayor McCall said: Mr. President: I have the honor of having been commissioned as the offi cial head of the city of Charlotte, together with these other gentlemen, to come to the city of Washington to extend to your excellency and to Mrs. McKinley a cordial invitation to come ticipate in the exercises during the celebration of an event in American history of which the people of Mecklenburg, especially, are justly proud. It was in the great old Mecklenburg where, on the 20th of May, 1775, the pent-up fires of liberty first broke forth from the hearts of our patriotic ancestors and culminated in the draftirg of the first formal Declaration of Independence of the British Crown. And, sir, it is in commemoration of this great fact in the history of American independence and liberty that we respectfully invite your excellency, as the chief executive of this mighty Republic, to join us. And now, Mr. President, we sincerely trust that you will come, and we will greet you with a hearty North Carolina reception."

Mayor McCall said further that instead of making a lengthy speech, he would respectfully call the Piesident's attention to the handsome Mvitation. which was delivered to him by Secretary George B. Hiss, of the Chamber of Commerce. The mayor further stamost entirely of cotton was symbolical of the product and principal manufac-TO RESERVATION OF THE SACRA- turing industry of the State. He also stated to the President that Mrs. Mcon the trip were included in the invi-

tation. Senator Pritchard, Col. Boyd and Congressman Bellamy supplemented the committee's invitation by urging the President to visit Charlotte, as they knew the people of North Carolina, ir-respective of party, would give him a warm welcome. President Wittkowsky, of the Chamber of Commerce, said to the President "that he had the honor to entertain a sample of the Presidential family." The President smiled, happily nodded his head and said: "Abner?" And Mr. Wittkowsky added, "and now we wish to entertain the President himself." in which sentiment the members of the committee were in

Senator Pritchard said: "I will if you go, Mr. President." The President then addressed Col.

Boyd and said: "Of course you will go. Boyd?" to which Col. Boyd said: "Yes, Mr. President, I will be in the party." The President was in most excellent good humor and carried on a running conversation with the members of the committee; asked questions about the programme and showed deep concern lest his visit to Charlotte might be construed to mean a political junketing trip. Each member of the commit- MR. BLYTHE CHARTERS CAR. smallpox, Dr. Strong pronounced the es re-assured the President that the nyitation was entirely non-partisan. oming from people of every political favorably impressed by the invitation and would be glad to go to Charlotte, and that he would look over his list of engagements and try to arrange to come on the date the committee had fixed. He promised to give the committee an early reply and this will probably be received the latter part of

the present week. The President made a good impression upon the committee, and they all agree in saying that he gave them a courteous hearing and respectful attention, and they are confident that he will accept the invitation and come to

Charlotte. The President gave the party a hearty handshake and pleasant farewell. Upon invitation of Col. Boyd the committee visited the Department of Justice. Col. Boyd being assistant U. S. Attorney General, has an office in the Department of Justice building. In this office he made the committee welwhen the committee was leaving requested each member to leave an autograph card with him as a souvenir of their visit. This request was complied

The committee then visited the U.S. Senate, and Mr. George B. Hiss, in his practical and pointed way, extended an invitation to Senator Morgan, in behalf of the Southern Cotton Spinners' Association, to visit Charlotte during the convention of that body and deliver an address upon the industries of the South and the Nicaragua Canal. Mr. Hiss so impressed Senator Morgan by the manner in which he delivered the invitation that Senator Morgan responded by saying this "was the greatest honor he had ever had conferred upon him," and if his time was not occupied with the Nicarauga bill, now pending in the Senate, that he would certainly come.

As General Joe Wheeler was not in Washington, the committee did not see him. The committee closed out their days' programme with an elegant din ner at the Raleigh and came home this morning feeling satisfied with themselves and the balance of mankind. The Washington papers gave liberal mention of the committee's visit to that city and express the opinion that President McKinley will visit Charlotte during the 20th of May celebration.

NOTE. Honor to whom honor is due: The unique invitation carried by the committee to Washington was designed by Mr. George B. Hiss. Senator Pritchard said it was the most unique thing in the way of an invitation that the President had ever received.

CHURCH.

News of Interest to Pulpit and Pew.

Sharon churches-old Sharon and Carmel-have voted their pastor, Rev. G. T. Thompson, a month's vato Charlotte as our guests and to par- cation. Mr. Thompson will be absent during the month of June. He and his wife will spend the time visiting in Kentucky and Georgia. The pulpits of Sharon will be supplied from Sunday to Sunday.

The stewarts of Calvary church will meet at the parsonage tonight at 8 o'c'ock Important business calls for a

full atterdance. Rev. S. R. Belk, of Elberton, Ga., 18 in the city stopping with his brother, Rev. G. W. Belk, of Graham Street church. Mr. Belk is on his way nonfrom the Ecumenical conference. He will preach at Graham street church tomorrow night.

Rev. Dr. Howerton has returned from New York. He will talk tomorrow night, at prayer meeting, on the Ecumenical conference.

MISTAKE IN THE DATE. There was a missing erstanding as to the date of the meeting of the Home Mission Committee of Mecklenburg Presbytery. Rev. Messrs. Thompson, Little and Cathey, were here today thinking that the meeting was the first Tuesday in the month. They learned after reaching here that it is to be the first Tuesday after the first Sunday. Messrs. hompson, Little and Cathey came particularly to attend a meeting, of the committee on Elders and Deacons Institutes, which is to follow the Home Mission committee meeting. Mr. Cathey is chairman of this com-

SECRET SERVICE. June in the Masons' month. The grand chapter and guard commandery will meet here that month. The meeting will bring many of the most prom-inent men of the State to Charlotte.

Charlotte Lodge, No. 88, I. O. O. F is to institute a lodge in Monrop.

Odd Fellowship is growing in Charlotte. Since the anniversary exercise

PRIVATE CAR

Members of Southern Cotton Spinners Association to Come in Style

The Party Will Live In Their Private Car at the Station Programme for the Convention Banquet Ends All.

The Northern members of the Southern Cotton Spinners Association will come to Charlotte to attend the annual convention in the private Pullman car "Hazlemere." The car has been chartered by Mr. Richard Blythe, of Philadelphia, for himself and a party of 18 other prominent cotton mill men of Philadelphia and New England. The party will occupy the car during their stay in Charlotte, and will be parked at a convenient place in the Southern passenger yard.

PROGRAMME.

The meeting will last two days, beginning on the morning of the 10th. come, talked over Tar Heel jokes, and concluding with the banquet on the night of the 11th. The following is a Dr. McManaway and Miss Pharr forecast of the programme:

FIRST DAY-MEETING 10 A. M. Address of Dr. J. H. McAden, presi-

Election of members.

Address-"Foreign Markets merican Cotton Goods and the Way to Develop Them"-Theo. C. Search, on the evening of the 9th at 9 p. m. president National Manufacturers' As- | Rev. J. E. McManaway, of Greer's, S. ociation, U. S. A., Philadelphia, Pa.

Discussion by members. ny"-D. A. Tompkins, of The D. A. Tompkins Co., Charlotte, N. C. Discussion by members.

Afternoon: Business meeting: report of secretary and treasurer; report of Special committees; new business;

EVENING. Address-"Electric Power Transmision"-Sidney B. Paine, chief engineer General, Electric Co., Boston, Mass.

election of officers; adjournment.

Discussion by members.

Address—"Improvement in American Cotton Machinery"-George Otis Dra-

Discussion by members. SECOND DAY-MORNING.

Address The Production of Finer Cotton Goods by American Manufactarers"-Arthur H. Lowe, ex-President New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association, Fitchburg, Mass. Discussion by members.

Address-"Fine Cotton Manufacturing in'the South"—Arnold B. Sanford, president and manager American Cotton Yarn Exchange, Boston, Mass.

Discussion by members. Address-"Sale of Cotton Yarns"-Leonard Paulson, of Buckingham & Paulson, Yarn Commission Merchants, New York City. Discussion by mem-

EVENING.

Address of welcome, president. Address-"Development of American hipping"-R. H. Edmonds, editor Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. J. H. Craighill gives an organ recital at Salem, at the academy, tonight. He will be assisted by Miss Emma Leinbach, vocal teacher at the Presbyterian College. Mr., Craighill and Miss Leinbach went to Salem this morning. Mr. Craighill returns tomorrow morning. Wednesday morning he will go to Spartanburg to enjoy the festival.

Mrs. F. P. Smith begins her engage nent as soprano at the Second Presbyterian church, June 1st.

Dr. Charles R. Fisher, musical direc tor at Elizabeth College, is to return to the college next year. He and his wife will spend the summer abroad, returning to America in the early fall. Elizabeth College is indeed to be congratulated upon again securing Dr. Fisher. As an instructor and artist he has few superiors in the South.

DR. ALDERMAN RETURNS. morning from New Orleans. He stopped here for the day, and leaves tonight for Chapel Hill. Dr. Alderman a year or more. She had been seriouswas royally treated in New Orleans. He ly ill for weeks, and her death was recalls as one of his chief pleasures, noth a surprise. She sank rapidly yes. the meeting with Dr. Palmer. Dr. Pal- terday, passing away toward nightmer is over 80, but his mind is still fall. Mrs. Foard was 55 years of age. strong and vigorous. Dr. Alderman She was the daughter of William was greatly impressed with New Or- Clark, and was born and reared in this leans as a city.

MR. VAN HORN TO SPEAK. Y. M. C. A. tonight, will be conducted by Mr. O. B. Van Horn, general secre-tary of the Asheville association. His topic will be "Hindrances to Christian Work." All young men are invited and are assured of a profitable meeting.

The service will begin at 8 o'clock.

-A sprained ankle prevented Mr. T. C. Guthrle from attending the Lawyers' picule today.

SMALLPOX IN DEWESE.

Dr. Sam Knox Has the Disease-Epidemic Feared.

Dr. Strong, the county physician, was called yesterday to Caldwell station to see Mr. Samuel knox, a priminent citizen of that section, who had an eruptive disease, thought to be disease smallpox as soon as he saw Mr. Knox. He was in the twelfth day of discrete smallpox. During the time of his sickness all of his neighbors have called to see him, and great fears are now felt that there will be an epidemic of the diesease in the Dewese as Forecast at Present-The section. Mr. Knex contracted the disease from a negro man who he had emplayed on his place who had an erruption now known to be smallpox. Other cases are under suspicion in the settlement near Mr. Knox.

Dr. Strong spent yesterday at Caldwell vaccinating and visited several suspects, but which have not as yet developed the disease. The negroes in that community have had eruptions for past month or more which was not diagnosed as smallpox. Mr. Knox's physician had never seen a case of smallpox thought it was smallpox. A vigorous policy of vaccination is a solution needed in that section now.

INTERESTING SOCIAL EVENT.

to Marry.

A marriage which will interest a large circle of friends here and elsewhere will be that of Dr. C. G. McManfor away and Miss Josephine Pharr, of this y. The marriage is to take place C., brother of the groom-elect, is to perform the ceremony, at the residence Address-"Steam Power; Its Econo- of the bride's mother, Mrs. Martha Means Pharr. The bride will be given away by her uncle, Dr. Theo. Pharr, of Harrisburg. Miss Gertrude Pharr will be maid of honor.

Dr. McManaway is one of the most successful physicians in the city. He committee on Ways and Means; report | and his fiancee both have scores of of committee on Finance; report of friends, and their marriage will be a social event of interest. They will live at 306 East Sixth street.

APPRECIATION OF MR. WILLIAMS. Yesterday evening when Mr. John F. Williams, who has been associated with Mr. J. Hirshinger for 15 years in the manufacturing of pants quit the Dixie Pants Co., to accept a position per, secretary of Draper Co., Hopedale, with the Williams-Shelton Co., a pleasing incident marked his leaving. The employes of the company prasented him with a handsome testimonial of their esteem. Accompaning the gift was this inscription on a card: "Mr. Williams: Please except this little gift as an acknowledgement and token of your kindness to the employes of the Dixie Pants Company. May God

bless you in all your undertakings." Mr. Williams and charge of the manufacturing / department of the

NEWBERRY COMING.

The Team Preferred Charlotte to Any Other Place.

Chief Campbell today received a letter from Mr. Thos. S. Stewart, Jr., Captain Running Team Excelsion. Newberry S. C.: "Thanks for Charlotte News. We like Charleston, have rereived numerous invitations, but without a single desenting vote have decided to visit your city. So look out for us, for we are coming for a good time and all the prizes in hand we contest.'

SOCIAL. The reception at Col. Jones yesterday in honor of Bishop and Mrs. Cheshire was one of the most delightful affairs of the season. The colors were purple and green, prettily displayed in the dining room decorations.

Those receiving were: Bishop and Mrs. Cheshire, Col. and Mrs. H. C. Jones, Miss Laura Orr, Mrs. W. C. Maxwell, Mrs. Parham, Mrs. W. R. Taliaferro, Mrs. Lucian Walker, Miss Emma Hall, Mrs. C. L. Hoffmann, Mrs. G. F. Rutzler, Mrs. J. S. Myers and Mrs. R. J. Brevard. Misses Saida and Alice Jones and Elizabeth Clarkson and Lila Richardson presided at the punch bowl.

DEATH OF MRS. FOARD. Mrs. Sloan Foard, wife of Mr. W. G. Foard, of Berryhill died last night. Deceased had been in bad health for county. She was a metaber of shallberry church (Presbyterian) and a good, conscientious Chirstian. She The young men's meeting at the leaves a husband and six children. The funeral took place at Steel Creek this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

> THE CHAPLAIN HERE. Rev. A. A. Pruden, of Raleigh, chaplain of the First North Carolina Regiment, is here today with his wife, Mr. Pruden comes in the interest of St. Mary's school, trying to get money to help raise the debt. He and Mrs. Pru-den are at the Buford.