

BOERS BOTHER BOBS

They Are Too Active for British Peace of Mind.

WIRE CONNECTIONS CUT

Two Thousand Boers Making Trouble in the Rear of the British Army—They Occupy a Strong Position at Roovald.

Threats of Guerilla War Now Understood to Be a Serious Matter—Members of Parliament in the Army.

London, June 9.—General Forester-Walker cables to the War Office from Cape Town under date of June 8 as follows: "Kelly-Kenny, at Bloemfontein, reports that the telegraph has been cut at Roovald, north of Kroonstad, by a body of Boers estimated to be two thousand strong, with six field guns. He is sending strong reinforcements to Kroonstad, and I am reinforcing from Cape Colony. I hope the interruption will be only temporary."

London, June 9.—London is somewhat disquieted at the "disagreeable activity" manifested by the Boers in the Orange River colony in cutting the telegraph wires. A communication at Roovald, north of Kroonstad, has been cut. As yet there is no indication whence came the strong body of two thousand Boers that has arrived at Roovald, unless it is the force mentioned in a recent Boer dispatch as having started from Standerton with this very object in view. Apparently the authorities on the spot regard the situation at least as temporarily serious, as they are not only reinforcing the garrison at Kroonstad, but are sending up troops from the lines of communication in Cape Colony.

Roovald is a fairly strong position, thirty-five miles north of Kroonstad, capable of giving General Kelly-Kenny considerable trouble. The Boers' position should the federals elect to disperse their possession, as General Kelly-Kenny cannot be overburdened with cavalry with which to threaten the burgher line of retreat.

The news somewhat discounts the flattering deductions the British have been extracting from Lord Roberts' silence. It indicates that the capture of the Boers to carry on a prolonged guerilla warfare is no empty threat, and that President Steyn is capable of creating serious parliamentary returns. Issued this morning shows that thirty-six members of the House of Lords and twenty-eight members of the House of Commons are going with the British troops in South Africa.

A Howl From the British Public.

Washington, June 9.—Great disappointment has been caused in ministerial quarters at what is regarded as the unbusiness of Lord Roberts' victory in Pretoria, and there is even a disposition to blame the victorious field marshal. Few people doubted that the capture of Pretoria and Johannesburg would be followed by wholesale surrender of the Boers. Instead it is complained that the Boer armies have not been captured. Two or three months ago the men who are rumbling in this fashion would have been content with small successes. The truth is, the Boer strategy has upset political calculations. July may come with little war still dragging along, and it will be necessary to reconsider the plan of dissolving Parliament. Today everything is uncertain, with the Chinese trouble as an additional cause of anxiety. The cutting of Lord Roberts' communications back almost to Kroonstad has certainly excited the Boer country. Those who discredited the Pretoria information that this operation was intended are now loudest inciting against the British commander.

THE TICKET IN FRANKLIN

Yarborough for the House and County Officers Renominated.

Louisburg, N. C., June 9.—Special.—The Democratic county convention was held in Louisburg today. It was probably the most enthusiastic and inspiring convention ever assembled in this county. The old county officers were all renominated, as follows: Sheriff, H. C. Kearney; register of deeds, J. T. Clifton; treasurer, J. A. Thomas; surveyor, J. T. Brown; coroner, S. L. Duke; W. H. Richardson, the present mayor of Louisburg, was renominated for the House. Strong speeches were made by C. M. Cook, F. S. Spruill, T. W. Bickett, Congressman Atwater, R. C. Gulley and Wm. W. Holmes.

GLDGER FOR THE SENATE

Haywood Delegates Not Present at the District Convention

Asheville, N. C., June 9.—Special.—The Democratic senatorial convention of the thirty-third district nominated J. M. Tucker, Jr., for senator today by acclamation and then adjourned to meet at Waynesville, Saturday next, to nominate a senator from Haywood. Haywood has been elected for Mayor W. W. Stringfield, but for an unexplained reason the delegates from Haywood were not present. Mr. Gunder was the unanimous choice of the Buncombe convention, as he was in a campaign, when nominated for the same office, which press of business forced him to decline. He is a powerful and aggressive campaigner, with extensive family and business connections in the district. In a speech to the convention he vigorously supported the amendment. "I am here to say that the Democratic party never violated a principle made to the people, and it never will. It does not propose any amendment to disfranchise white men. It asks the people if they want to disfranchise the negro and leaves it to them

MORE SERIOUS STILL

Imperial Connivance in the Boxer Movement.

GENERAL NIEH REBUKED

Boxers He Killed Are Described as Good Citizens—He is Ordered to Remove His Forces Eighty Miles from the Scene of Disturbance—Five Hundred Russian Troops Ready to Land at Tien Tsin.

Van Wyck and the Ice Trust

The Mayor Goes on the Stand and Tells About His Stock.

New York, June 9.—Mayor Van Wyck was called to the witness chair today in the proceedings against the Knickerbocker Ice Company, which he had obtained from President Morse, some of it in exchange for stock in the Knickerbocker Ice Company of Maine.

The mayor testified that he owned 200 shares of the stock in the American Ice Company, which he had obtained from President Morse, some of it in exchange for stock in the Knickerbocker Ice Company of Maine.

When he made the purchase he did not know that the American Ice Company intended to do business in New York city. He had paid for his stock with a check on the Garfield National bank and borrowed 75 per cent. of the purchase money.

When you made the purchase it was agreed that you should borrow from the bank?

"I was."

"Was there any guarantee to protect you against loss on that stock?"

"No."

"Have you paid back the bank?"

"I have."

"Are you accustomed to such large financial transactions?"

"No."

"The interest on the notes was six per cent. When I made the renewal of that note the block of stock was worth \$81,000, but I sold it yesterday for \$68,000. The note called for \$24,000, so I lost \$7,000. I took no active interest in the American Ice Company. I never knew anything of its management. I never knew that the American Ice Company was to have any monopoly of the ice business of the city. I never knew they had any leases."

AN IMPORTANT CAPTURE

Gen. Pio Del Pilar Was One of the Most Active Insurgents.

Washington, June 9.—General MacArthur has cabled the following report of the capture of General Pilar: "Manila, June 9.—Native police captured General Pio Del Pilar today this morning. He was found lurking in the neighborhood of San Pedro Macati. General Schwan's estimate of the importance of this news is contained in this statement: "The capture of General Pio Del Pilar, cabled by General MacArthur this morning is a most important one. Pilar was regarded as one of the most active and uncompromising of the rebel chiefs. After the dissolution of the insurgent government, and the dispersion of nearly all the insurgent organizations north of Manila, Pilar managed to concentrate a considerable force at St. Miguel de Mayumo, in the province of Bulacan, and although he was unable to hold the place for any great length of time, he succeeded in withdrawing his troops to the mountains, and in eluding the attempts of the government to keep track of his movements, and he frequently was reported as being at a number of places at the same time. That his capture has been effected, bearing some four hundred, evidences afresh the loyalty of these men to the American cause, so often impugned both by Americans and Filipinos."

HANNA WILL HOLD ON

He Consents to Remain Chairman of Republican Committee.

Washington, June 9.—Senator Hanna will be the next chairman of the Republican National Committee and will conduct the coming campaign. This was learned today from the best authority. The only thing which will change their programme will be some unexpected change in Senator Hanna's health, or some other feature not now counted upon.

Senator Hanna and Representative Dick had a long conference with President McKinley today about political matters in general.

The president was deluged with prominent visitors all day, but all he could do with some of them was to shake hands and ask them to call again, as he was engaged. Many details of the Republican National Convention were talked over. Representative Dick, secretary of the National Committee, will go to Philadelphia Monday. He is a member of sub-committee of the National Committee, having the convention in charge. Senator Hanna will go to Philadelphia on the 12th and will remain there going over contest cases. It is said to be President McKinley's earnest desire that Senator Hanna shall continue at the head of the national committee. Senator Hanna will comply with this desire unless bad health requires otherwise.

Victims of a Mine Explosion.

Glouster, Ohio, June 9.—It is believed today that the dead from the explosion of gas in Mine No. 2 yesterday will number six or eight. Two more explosions occurred during the night. Four hundred miners are out of employment.

KEENE BETS ON BRYAN

The Knowing Ones Take This Forthadow Democratic Success

New York, June 9.—James R. Keene, the great New York stock gambler, who is now in England, acknowledges that just before he departed for Europe he made a bet of \$7,500 to \$10,000 on Bryan. Mr. Keene is one of the shrewdest stock gamblers in the country, and he half what his class, does not risk his money on sentiment. Though he is generally accounted a Democrat, Mr. Keene, it is said, never bets on Democrats unless he is convinced after careful investigations from the Wall street viewpoint, that they are going to win. It is stated that Keene has won hundreds of thousands of dollars on elections, and that he usually sets the pace in this form of gambling in New York. In consequence of his bet it is asserted that scores of Wall street gamblers are preparing to place their money on the Democratic ticket, and the Wall street money was posted on Bryan.

A DISAPPOINTING CONVENTION

Forsyth Republicans Fail to Get the Usual Crowd.

Salem, N. C., June 9.—Special.—The attendance upon the Republican county convention today was disappointing, being the smallest in many years. Only thirty whites and nineteen negroes were present. The convention was held in the morning at 10 o'clock. S. F. Vance and J. F. Miller were nominated for the Legislature. The whole ticket was arranged by the masses in caucus. The convention was held in the morning at 10 o'clock. S. F. Vance and J. F. Miller were nominated for the Legislature. The whole ticket was arranged by the masses in caucus. The convention was held in the morning at 10 o'clock. S. F. Vance and J. F. Miller were nominated for the Legislature. The whole ticket was arranged by the masses in caucus.

Russian Troops About to Land.

Shanghai, June 9.—A dispatch from Tien-Tsin, dated Friday, June 8, says that five hundred Russian troops are about to land there. The dispatch adds that the Russian troops are to be sent to the missionaries are safe.

The Nashville Sent from Manila.

Washington, D. C., June 9.—It is understood at the Navy Department that the gunboat Nashville has been dispatched to Manila by Admiral Remey in place of the Helena, which was originally selected for that purpose, but was probably unavailable or absent from Manila. The Nashville is in some respects less suitable than the Helena for the service required, but she is only two feet more of water than the latter. While of the same size, and with precisely the same battery, she lacks the Helena's carrying capacity. The Helena, being built with flush decks, is in some respects like an excursion boat, and one of the naval officers just detached from her says that she took the entire personnel of the Charleston aboard upon the occasion of the wreck of that vessel, in addition to her own crew, without showing any sign of being overcrowded. The Nashville has a point of advantage, however, in being a faster steamer than the Helena, rating at 16,300 knots. 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