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T E END NOT IN SIGHT.

ports are that Boers can keep up War in South Africa for Some time.

The London correspondent of the Manchester England, Guardian has sent his paper sensational reports regarding the situation in South Africa. He says that while the government has been successful in suppressing official information, rumors of a sensational character are current regarding recent communications between General Kitchener and the government.

The correspondent says he has learned that Hoppstadt in the northern part of Orange Free State, near the Transvaal border, has been in a state of siege for eight months. The siege of Mafeking in comparison is nothing to it.

The correspondent says he is informed that General Kitchener is advising that favorable terms be offered to the Boers, believing that the present tactics of the burghers make it unlikely that the struggle will terminate in years. The belief of investors of an early close of the war has been shaken. A fall in the shares of the Rand mines has begun in spite of drastic attempts to revive them. The fall in consols is another indication of the opinion of financial men in regard to this matter.

Commutation Act Applies.

This morning Judge Thomas R. Purnell, of the United States Court, made a decision which will give J. L. York, the young man now in jail at Wilmington, his liberty about thirty days earlier than would have been the case. York is from Fayetteville and he was convicted of using the mails for fraudulent purposes and sentenced last December to six months in jail at Wilmington.

The counsel for York asks that he be allowed the usual time off his sentence for good behavior, but this was refused and it came before Judge Purnell, who, in his decision, holds that parties convicted in the United States Court and sentenced to confinement in jails and other prisons where no rule of commutation exists are entitled to five days in each month on account of good behavior; that the act of 1875 applies to all prisoners and prisons.

Now York can get five days off each month, which will reduce his term by thirty days.—Raleigh Post.

Will be Buried in Arlington.

Washington, May 14.—Quartermaster-General Ludington has entered into a contract with R. W. Darby, of this city, for the removal of the remains of the Confederate dead in the Soldier's Home cemetery, and in the Arlington cemetery to another section of the last named cemetery, which has been set aside by the Secretary of War for their reinterment.

Bids were recently opened for this service, and that of Mr. Darby was the lowest. His figures were \$4.95 each in the case of the bodies in the Soldier's Home, and \$4.80 each for those at Arlington. He has also contracted to set headstones provided by the government at the head of the newly made graves at the rate of 10 cents each.

Will Meet at Greensboro.

The State Press Association has accepted the invitation of Greensboro and the session will be held this year in that city on July 10th and 11th. The editors will go to Morehead City on the 12th for a stay of a few days. On the 5th of September they will go in a body to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y.

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Truck Fair Abandoned.

The proposed Truck and Fruit Fair will not be held at Raleigh next week, for reasons set forth in the following letter sent out by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture:

"Dear Sir: The proposed Truck and Fruit Fair to be held at Charlotte and Raleigh next week has, at the last moment, been abandoned. This action became imperative by reason of the failure of the growers to respond with the material for exhibition. The Department of Agriculture generously agreed to pay the expenses attendant upon such a show of the produce of our Eastern farms, as would reflect credit upon both the grower and the Department. The grower, who was to be benefited by the exhibition, was only expected to supply but one crate or package of the best product of his farm, which was to have been shown fully labeled with his name and address. But, as only 18 growers responded to this appeal, it was found impossible to make an exhibit at all commensurate with the great trucking interest of our eastern counties, or to meet the wishes of the department of Agriculture in representing that interest to the people of the western part of the State.

"This failure to respond is not considered as arising from a lack of interest in the subject but rather from the want of time, in the rush of the shipping season, to give the required attention to the matter; however, the result precludes the possibility of making an exhibit this year. It is hoped by another year something may be done along this line.

"Thanking you for the interest you have personally manifested in this matter, I am

"Very Truly,
"T. K. BRUNER, Sec."

Faith Cure Again.

Worcester, Mass., May 15.—The police have discovered a pitiful case of a woman almost starved to death by faith curists in this city. Mrs. Ethel E. Hammill became ill five weeks ago. She was persuaded to enter a new home started at 17 Terrell Street, called "The Lord's Home." This home was conducted by Miss Lucy Bacon and Miss Callie Prouty. She remained there for three weeks without medicine and, she claims without proper food. She was reduced to a skeleton when she wrote to a friend, the mother of W. J. Bragg, a councilman. An investigation followed. The unfortunate woman was removed from the home and taken to hospital. It is feared that she will die. The police have arrested the women who conduct the home. They claim to be followers of Rev. A. B. Simpson, of New York, leader of the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

Failed to Decide the Case.

Washington, May 15.—The failure of the supreme court to announce its decision in the Porto Rican cases confirms the opinion that these cases will not be decided May 27th, the last day of the court. The probabilities are very strong that the court will reach no decision before the October term, the summer months being occupied in studying every case of the case.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 7, 1879. Dr. C. J. MOFFETT—Dear Sir: I cannot too strongly recommend your TEETHINA (Teething Powders) to mothers at one of the best medicines they can obtain for their debilitated and sickly infants. I have used it with very satisfactory results the past summer with my child, and while we have heretofore used other remedies, our present child that has taken TEETHINA is a fine healthy boy. I am very respectfully,
A. H. BROWN, M. D.
(Brother of U. S. Senator and Ex-Gov. Joseph E. Brown.)

THE PLATT AMENDMENT.

All Signs Go to Show That It Will be Promptly Accepted.

Havana, May 15.—Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, civil governor of Santa Clara and one of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention, is out in an interview in The Lucha today, in which he declares himself in favor of the Platt amendment. In the interview General Gomez says that at first he felt opposed to the Platt amendment, but now looking at the matter from an American standpoint, he feels that the suggestions in the amendment were only reasonable. He says that he believes that the adoption of the amendment will prevent Cuba from falling into disorder like other Latin countries. The right of the United States to intervene, he says, he regards as a blessing, as it will tend to restore law and order.

The commission from the convention that went to Washington has published its report. Besides what has already been telegraphed the document, which is a long one, goes further into Secretary of War Root's explanation of the Platt amendment. The report says that Secretary Root told the delegation that the United States has had a traditional policy toward Cuba for eighty years, but the United States having expelled Spain from Cuba, the American government was now placed in a double attitude towards the island—a sentimental one, which calls upon the United States to protect Cuba, and the other one the United States' aspect of self defense. The report says that the third clause of the Platt amendment, according to Secretary Root, did not give the United States the right to intervene for their own gain, but for the advantage of Cuba. The third clause had also been introduced because the Monroe doctrine did not have international force and was not being recognized by all nations. This clause, if recognized by Cuba, will obtain international force and will give the United States the legal right to intervene against any other power in order to protect Cuba. The first and third clauses would prevent the United States from appearing aggressive to other nations if they should intervene.

Fears the United States.

Cologne, May 15.—The Gazette this morning prints a long article on the commercial problem confronting Germany in regard to the position of the other powers. The paper strongly advocates a Russo-German alliance in order to make a strong front against the United States. "This is a matter of life and death," the paper says. "The exceptional commercial position enjoyed by the United States should not be allowed to continue. The United States is the most dangerous rival for German products, especially in raw and finished iron, and this should never be forgotten in directing the commercial policy of this country. An entente with Russia would provide ways and means to compel America to conform to the commercial system of Europe.

His Nerve Failed Him.

Huntsville, Ala., May 15.—J. R. Layne, who keeps a boarding house near the heart of this city, made a desperate attempt to end his own life with a pistol and a knife Saturday afternoon. He first tried to shoot himself through the head, but at the critical moment his nerve failed and the ball lodged in the ceiling of his house. An officer ran in to see what the trouble was and Layne pulled a long knife to cut his own throat, but was prevented by the officer. He has twice tried the morphine

number of all kinds furnished in short notice. Apply to Furtner, carrier, city.

THE GRIME OF GAMBLING.

Strong Sermon On This Subject Preached By Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis of Brooklyn.

"The ethics of gambling and the perils of making haste to be rich," was the subject of Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis's sermon Sunday night at Plymouth church, Brooklyn.

Dr. Hillis said in part: The evils of drink are familiar to you. There are other evils. But the greatest peril is the insane spirit of gambling which seems to have taken hold of the people, irrespective of social standing or religious belief. The insane desire to get rich quickly is at the bottom of it all. There is no difference between the newsboy who flips coins and the man in Wall street who buys stocks on margins on a chance that they will rise or fall. Both wish to get something for nothing: both are gamblers.

The incessant gambling on all sports has wrought intellectual demoralization to the country. Horse racing is one of the noblest of sports, but it has been degraded and bestialized by gambling. Every Saturday afternoon you see at the race tracks thousands of working girls and men who have families to support, crazy with the intoxication of gambling. As each race is run they stand up, yelling, cursing, purple-faced brutalized gang.

"From the tiny lad selling newspapers on the street to men dwelling in a palace the gambling spirit seems to have invaded all. Where is this thing going to end? It is time we called a halt and began to consider what things are really worth while."

London will Banquet New York.

A recent Herald dispatch from London says: The banquet to be given by the London chamber of commerce to the New York chamber on June 5th, will mark the friendly union of the principal men of commerce in England and America.

It is an endeavor to cement the friendship which has long existed between the two countries. Most of the greatest houses in England will be represented, while from America come some \$25,000,000 shares, headed by J. Pierpont Morgan, Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Morris K. Jessup, the president of the New York chamber of commerce. The entertainment of the American visitors, of which the banquet at Grocers' hall is the most prominent feature, promises to be on a scale hitherto quite unsurpassed. There will be a reception by the lord mayor in the Egyptian hall of the Mansion house on Friday, while Lord Brassey and others will give garden parties.

The details of the two other important functions are yet to be decided upon. Altogether this festival of commerce will last for the greater part of a week.

Practical Education.

We have received an interesting little hand-book on this subject issued by the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. A couple of quotations from it will indicate its character. "The world is demanding men who can do, as well as think. The best equipment for a young man to day is technical skill, knowledge and power." "A century ago education was for the few, and was designed to fit them for the learned professions: to day education is for the many, and is intended to equip them for life's practical work." Any lad desiring to be an engineer, manufacturer, electrician, chemist, machinist, mechanic, dairyman, farmer, or fruit-grower should write for a copy of this booklet to President Winston, Raleigh, N. C.

Dr. R. H. Manogue, veterinary surgeon of New York, has located in Salisbury and has an office at Ludwick and Black's stables.

DR. AMENT DEFENDS HIMSELF.

Replies to Charges of Looting by Missionaries in China.

Chicago, May 15.—Rev. Dr. W. S. Ament, against whom charges of "looting" were preferred by Mark Twain in connection with the condot of missionary affairs in China after the "siege of Peking" defended himself publicly last night in the course of a lecture at the First Congregational church.

The charges of the novelist were vigorously resented and the actions of the missionaries defended on the ground that the missionaries were acting for the good of the Chinese Christians, for whose welfare they were responsible. Dr. Ament further asserted that instances of alleged looting were not only countenanced but even advised by E. H. Conger, the American minister, and the representatives of the Chinese Government.

"After the siege there were about 8,000 native Christians under our protection," said Dr. Ament, "and, with only a few exceptions, they were without food and clothing. They were emaciated with fasting, their clothing was in rags, and the situation called for immediate relief.

"We were notified when the troops came that our native charges must vacate the British legation, as the room was needed for the British soldiers. The mission houses had been burned, the homes of these people, who were in our charge and for whom we were responsible, had been destroyed and the situation was almost hopeless.

"In such straits, what could we do? One of our number thought of the abandoned home of a ruined prince, who had lived near by, and it was there that we decided to establish a settlement for our charges. Still our converts were without food and clothing. We appealed to Mr. Conger. He advised us to take the furniture on the premises and sell it at auction. Confiscated goods were brought in by soldiers from abandoned houses. They were sold under the supervision of a British military officer, and part of the proceeds were used for the benefit of soldiers, who had lost their clothing. The remainder was applied for the benefit of converts."

Relics will be Returned.

Washington, May 15.—A conference was held at the Department of Justice today with Solicitor General Richards, regarding the return of the Washington relics to the Lee family. Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and Miss Mary Custis Lee, with a power of attorney from her brother, George William Custis Lee, the heir to the relics, were present, together with Richard Rathbun and Mr. Clarke, of the Smithsonian Institution. It was decided that the relics should be returned tomorrow. President McKinley wrote a letter before leaving Washington directing that this be done. The relics were taken from Arlington in 1832, since which time they have been in the possession of the United States government; but the government, in the opinion of Solicitor General Richards, never has acquired title to them.

To Sprinkle Streets With Oil.

Jackson, Miss., May 15.—Mayor Hemingway, of Jackson, is out in an interview in which he says that he is in favor of sprinkling the streets of the city with crude petroleum as a means of settling the dust. Since the opening of the Beaumont field has made this article so cheap, it is highly probable that the city council will adopt the suggestion of the Mayor and that the streets will be covered with oil.

The Midway Barber Shop has added another barber to its force and is now able to accommodate a large patronage. Give them a call.

Ruined by Hail.

Special to the Raleigh Post.

New Bern, N. C., May 15.—The most severe wind, rain and hail storm known in this locality, struck New Bern and vicinity today at 1:30 p. m. The storm came from the Northwest and had a path two miles wide, passing through Hackburn's and Willett's, Bray's, Crockett's and Cromwell's truck farms, ending at Rhems, six miles from here.

Thunder and lightning accompanied the storm, which lasted in full severity a quarter of an hour. Hail fell on farms in places two inches in depth. Rainfall was over two inches, flooding the fields. Strawberries, beets, tomatoes, peas, beans and young cabbage were practically wiped out. The hail riddled vegetation, making it look as if shot full of holes. Heaped cabbage stood the hail best, but it will depend on future weather.

The estimated loss on crops here is one hundred thousand dollars.

The storm was severe in the city, but there was only rain and no hail, except in a limited section. Wires were damaged and trees injured by the wind.

The storm seemed to the New Bern side of the Neuse river, not extending to the North side of the river.

Rode Once Too Often.

Vincennes, Ind., May 14.—At a preliminary rehearsal for a performance of Buckskin Bill Wild West Show in this city, Miss Theresa Russell, of Denver, the "Queen of Cow-Girls," fell from her horse while attempting to execute for the first time a hazardous equestrienne feat.

The company of rough riders, cowboys and cow-girls, were introducing a new feature, "the race for a bride," in which the bride was to spring from one horse to another going at full speed. In attempting to spring from her horse, Miss Russell's foot caught in the stirrup and she was dragged around the ring among the dashing bronchos. The cowboys made desperate efforts to lasso and check the runaway horse, but were not successful. After the young woman had been dragged once around the ring a cowboy leaped from his saddle, seized a pitchfork and plunged its tines into the horse's side and the animal dropped dead. In the rounds Miss Russell was kicked and trampled by the horses and her head struck the ten stakes inflicting fatal injuries.

Miss Russell was 18 years old, a daring horsewoman and the favorite of the troupe.

Cashier Sentenced.

New York, May 15.—Charles R. Westervelt, the defaulting cashier of the Dime Savings Bank at Newark, N. J., was arraigned today in that city. He retracted his plea of not guilty to the charge of embezzlement of \$40,000 from the bank, and entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment on one indictment, and on other indictments he received an additional sentence of seven years.

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GOMPERS DENIES IT.

Says All Working Men Are Not Equal in Point of Efficiency.

New York, May 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, according to the Washington correspondent of The World, made a statement last night in reply to assertions of President Schwab of the United States Steel corporation before the industrial commission that labor organizations put all men on a level and prevent one from advancing unless all advance. Mr. Gompers said:

"It is a misstatement to say that we are endeavoring to fix one price for the wages of workingmen of any one class. What we aim at is to establish a minimum of wages, below which a workman will not be obliged to labor. Because a minimum is established it does not follow that a worker cannot receive more than that. We are engaged in promoting the general welfare of the working classes and are aiming at their general improvement rather than trying to get one preferred position for some particular individual. It may be true that there are cases where a laboring man advances beyond his co-laborers, but it is usually at the expense of others. Better the conditions of the craft generally and all will profit."

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