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BOERS ARE AGGRESSIVE

They Seem to Have Buncoed Roberts on His Last Deal and London is Mourning.

MAKE A COUNTER DEMONSTRATION

Buller is now Fearful that the Boers are Actually Planning to cut His Line of Communication with the Cape. Great Britain Apprehends serious trouble. A Lieutenant and six of Buller's Privates taken Prisoners by the Boers. Mounting the Australian Horsemen, All of them at Home in a Saddle.

London, Feb. 14.—The enthusiasm which yesterday greeted the report that Roberts had actually begun an advance toward Kimberly was considerably diminished this morning by the news that the positions of the British at and near Coloburg and Rensburg were so critical. General French's forces may be compelled to retreat still further west and south. The Boers are unquestionably answering Roberts' aggressiveness by counter demonstrations and are actually threatening his line of communication with the Cape. The Transvaal leaders are undoubtedly endeavoring to get south of Rensburg, even to Naavenpoort, whence they can strike a blow at the British line of communication that would coop up Roberts and all his forces except those of Gatacre, Kelly and Pakenny.

SOME EXPERT OPINION.

London, Feb. 14.—Military experts believe that the retirement of the British from Rensburg is a part of Roberts' scheme to throw his entire weight against the Boers at Modder river, on the theory that the enemy are not able to successfully assume the offensive at more than one place. The withdrawal of French's forces from the Rensburg district tends to corroborate the military opinion that Roberts has weakened the Rensburg forces with this purpose.

RATHER ANCIENT NEWS.

London, Feb. 2.—The only message from South Africa this morning was from Mafeking, Feb. 2, which said that sniping Boers had been less troublesome lately and the shell fire lighter; the British guns had caused serious loss to the Boers; the food supply was lasting well, enough till June; the garrison is very confident, and there were fewer casualties in January than any month since the siege began.

Another Stroke of Paralysis.

We regret to learn that Mr. J. M. Haden, of Spencer, suffered another stroke of paralysis yesterday and that his condition is serious today. Mr. Haden has suffered several strokes of paralysis before this and has been well helpless for the past year.

The Fee is Due.

All members of the Old Hickory Club are requested to pay their initiation fee this week. The club furniture and fixtures have been shipped and the money will be needed very shortly.

Concentrating Mill Going.

The concentrating mill at the Union Copper Mine has been set in motion and the first ore was put through the mill last Saturday and it worked admirably. It is expected that the mill will be regularly in operation in a short while.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The Senate has resumed consideration of the financial bill. Senator Teller is speaking in opposition to it and will occupy the floor until about 2 o'clock after which the debate will proceed only ten minutes longer. The house is considering the legislative appropriation bill.

GIVING DETAILS.

London, Feb. 14.—The war office today issued details of the reconnaissance of Dundonald's cavalry, doing scouting. Buller had a lieutenant and six men to fall in the hands of the Boers.

WILL FLOAT HER.

New York, Feb. 14.—The stranded Savannah liner, Gate City, is lying broadside to the sea today. The wrecking company says that in consequence of the gale the situation of the steamer has been changed and it may be necessary to begin a new work in floating her.

AUSTRALIANS MOUNTED.

Capetown, Feb. 14.—The entire Australian infantry has been mounted. This is done because most of the men were fine horsemen. Only fifteen per cent of the command needed coaching. The remaining are thoroughly at home on horseback.

STEAMER SINKING.

New York, Feb. 14.—The French steamer Fournal, which arrived this morning brings the captain and crew of the Italian steamer Granceno Grasso, which was abandoned in a sinking condition. All hands, nine in number, were saved.

COTTON MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—Cotton Feb. 61, March 59, April, May, June 63, July 68, Aug. 59.

Mr. Klutz Will Oppose It.

Mr. Klutz will antagonize Mr. Bellamy's bill for the appointment of a resident clerk of the Federal Court at Charlotte. He says that Col. H. C. Cowels is a most efficient clerk, and has always discharged his duties to the entire satisfaction of the bench and bar, and as he is a personal friend of Mr. Klutz and lives in his district, he is opposed to cutting down his fees merely to make room for another Republican in another district, says the Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer.

Salisbury's Share.

Salisbury gets a considerably larger amount from the county school funds this year than ever before. Prof. Kizer, county superintendent, tells us that the school term throughout the county will be increased about three weeks.

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EWART NOT DISCOURAGED.

HE IS HOLDING CONFABS WITH SENATORS.

The Butler McNeely Wedding Attracting much Attention in Washington.—Butler Delighted.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 14th, 1900.—The action of the sub-committee of the Judiciary committee in reporting the nomination of Judge Ewart unfavorably, was surprise to the friends of the Judge. Neither Senator Pritchard, nor Judge Ewart will say anything regarding the result of the action of the sub-committee, other than to assert that they believe that the Senate will confirm the nomination. The vote will not be taken in the full committee until next Tuesday. The friends of the Judge say that the full committee will over-rule the sub-committee, and will report the nomination favorably, but those who have watched the progress of the case in the committee, have no doubts but the report will be an unfavorable recommendation. Judge Ewart has been in Washington almost continually since the committee on the Judiciary took up his nomination for consideration. He is frequently seen in or about the Capitol, in consultation with Senator Pritchard, or other members of the Senate who are favorable to his confirmation. Senator Butler, is, of course, delighted with the result of the action of the sub-committee in this case, and he is confident that the nomination will be rejected. It is said by Senator Butler's friends, that he will probably allow the nomination to come to a vote this session, after he has discussed it, and other Senators of the opposition have discussed it fully, relying upon a majority of the Senate to reject it. It is believed that if a majority for Ewart is assured in the Senate, however, that Mr. Butler will attempt to prevent a vote being reached on the nomination. Whether he could accomplish this depends largely upon the support he receives.

The wedding of Miss Marie Calhoun Butler, daughter of General and Mrs. Butler, of South Carolina, to Lieutenant Robert Whitehead McNeely, United States Navy, of Salisbury, North Carolina, will take place in this city tomorrow at noon from St. John's Episcopal church. It is likely that the church will be filled to its utmost capacity, as many invitations have been issued. Following the ceremony there will be a wedding breakfast at the residence of the bride-elect, which will be attended by only a few relatives, and personal friends of the young couple. The couple will take a trip South, it is said, visiting South Carolina and Florida points.

Mrs. Sydney Kaufman and Mrs. Magna Schrier, of Greensboro, are visiting friends in Alexandria, Virginia. They were in Washington city the other day visiting friends. They returned home this week. Representative Small, of North Carolina, from the committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries, to which was referred the House bill concerning the boarding of vessels, has reported the same back to the House with an amendment, accompanied by a report. The bill now goes to the House calendar.

The President has nominated J. J. Perkins to be Postmaster at Greenville, Pitt county, North Carolina. He succeeds G. B. King, whose commission as Postmaster expired on the first of February last.

The Comptroller of the Currency officially reports that C. M. Brown, has been chosen Vice-President in the place of D. M. Carter, of the First National Bank of Washington, North Carolina.

NEW YORK'S POPULATION.

IT IS NEARING FOUR MILLION MARK.

The Death Rate Per Thousand is 18.69.—Population of the City by Districts Estimated by Board of Health.

New York, Feb. 14.—The Board of health has prepared an estimate of the population of the city for July 1 next, estimating the population of the entire city at 3,654,594, and that the death rate is 18.69 per thousand. Population of Manhattan, 2,007,241. Brooklyn, 1,267,158. Bronx, 174,870. Queens 188,559. Richmond, 69,266.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

An Important Meeting Called for Saturday. Convention to be Called.

Every member of the Democratic Executive Committee of Rowan county has been notified by card, excepting the Salisbury committeemen, of the meeting to be held here Saturday and urged to attend. It is probable that some action will be taken in regard to calling the county convention. The following are the committeemen for Salisbury.

NORTH WARD.

D. A. Atwell, M. C. Quinn, T. H. Vanderford, D. M. Miller and James Moyle.

SOUTH WARD.

C. T. Bernhardt, M. F. Randle, M. C. Ruffy, J. C. McCanless and Jno. M. Julian.

EAST WARD.

J. C. Lowe, S. C. Ketchie, G. H. Shaver, F. R. L. Shaeffer, George A. Jackson and R. Lee Wright.

WEST WARD.

H. C. Corriher, W. A. Brandon, L. Ed Heilig, C. A. Montgomery and R. L. Shaver.

An Interesting Case.

An interesting case was up before Esquire Andrew Murphy yesterday. Mr. J. M. Peacock indicted a builder for failing to render an itemized statement as required by law. Failure to render such statement is a misdemeanor. Hon. Lee S. Overman contended for the plaintiff that the indictment, when sifted down, was for failure to pay a debt and that under the constitution no man could be imprisoned for debt. The matter went over to the Superior court and the contractor gave a \$50 bond. Mr. Overman declared the law requiring an itemized statement a dead letter.

Gold Hill Notes.

Jim Dunham, who has been working at Gold Hill, came in last night. He will not return to Gold Hill.

Superintendent S. M. Newman came up from the Union Copper Mine last night and spent the night here.

Mrs. Willett, who has been visiting her father, Mr. Jack Edwards, at Gold Hill, went to New York last night.

Butler-McNeely Wedding.

Mrs. E. B. Neave and Miss Fannie McNeely left last night for Washington where they will be present at the wedding of their brother, Lieutenant Robert McNeely, to Miss Butler tomorrow. Mrs. Neave will go on to New York after the wedding and spend several days there.

Damages Against Southern.

In the suit of G. W. Clegg, administrator, against the Southern Railway Company the jury awarded damages to the amount of \$1856. This suit was brought on account of the death of John Gillespie, a negro who was killed at Elmwood.

BRYAN TO PASS THROUGH

WILL PROBABLY PASS THROUGH TO-NIGHT.

No Certainty, However, as to the Time That he Will go Through. Speaks at Chapel Hill To-Day.

Col. William J. Bryan is expected to pass through Salisbury to-night.

Col. Bryan spoke in Raleigh to immense crowds yesterday afternoon and at night. Today he went to Chapel Hill and delivered an address on "Pending Problems."

From Chapel Hill Mr. Bryan goes to Columbia, S. C., where he speaks tomorrow.

If Mr. Bryan comes through to-night it is quite likely that he will be in on No. 85, which arrives here at 8:20.

If any certainty existed as to the exact hour of his arrival here he would be greeted by a large crowd at the depot tonight.

Deliver Us.

Two Mormon elders have struck Rowan. Its wonderful how persistent these shabby people can be in trying to insinuate their shabbiest theology into communities where it is not wanted. From smallpox and Mormonism the Good Lord deliver us.—Concord Standard.

WEDDING LAST NIGHT.

Miss Shaver and Mr. Daggett Married Last Evening.

A pretty home wedding—pretty in its unostentatiousness—was celebrated at the home of Mr. George H. Shaver on East Main street last evening at 9 o'clock, the contracting parties being Miss Nannie Shaver and Mr. Hubert C. Daggett.

Only a few friends of the couple had been invited and these began to arrive at 8:30 o'clock. When the hour for the ceremony was at hand nearly every guest invited was present. The doors to the spacious parlor were thrown open and the guests assembled there.

Rev. L. E. Busby stood under the entrance to the bay window and on either side were the parents of the bride and groom. Promptly at 9 o'clock the couple entered the parlor from the hallway, Miss Shaver leaning on the arm of Mr. Daggett. The bride was handsomely attired in traveling dress of brown castor goods and wore hyacinths. The groom was dressed in the conventional cutaway and the couple presented a striking picture of handsome and happy young manhood and womanhood as they stood before the minister and repeated the vow that binds until death.

Immediately after the ceremony an informal reception was held at which the young couple received the congratulations of their friends and well wishers—Rev. Busby being the first to bid them God speed and happiness in their new relations.

Mr. and Mrs. Daggett begin their wedded life auspiciously. Their marriage was the culmination of a true love that has existed since the two met.

The couple drove immediately to their home on South Main street which had been fitted up for their reception and will reside there.

They were the recipients of many handsome presents. Their friends—of whom there are many—wish them abundant happiness and joy.

Jeffry's Taken to Rock Hill.

The remains of Adam Jeffreys, the negro fireman who was killed at Black Mountain Monday, passed through the city last night. They were taken to Rock Hill, S. C., for interment.

BOER FACTORY BLOWN UP.

MAUSER MANUFACTORY DESTROYED.

Between Sixty and Seventy Workmen Killed by the Explosion.—A Blow to the Boers.

Pmaritzenburg, Feb. 18.—The Boer Mauser manufactory at Modersfontein has been blown up. Between sixty and seventy workmen were killed by the explosion.

A FINAL WORD.

Salisbury's Chance for the College—More Money Needed.

Mr. Editor:—Would it not be an inexcusable calamity for Salisbury to miss the college for the lack of a few thousand dollars? And yet that is the possibility that now confronts us. The money offered is not sufficient to erect the main building; hence synod would be hardly justified in moving the college. Parties have stated to the writer their willingness to double their subscriptions rather than miss getting the college. Why not let us hear from all who will contribute or add to their subscriptions through the INDEX tomorrow or next day, stating their amount; then this matter can be placed beyond peradventure.

We have a few days yet, and if every one will speak out at once, we will succeed. Otherwise we will probably add another to the already too long list of fearful blunders our town has made. It will be an everlasting pity to come so near success and then fail.

I feel sure that if Salisbury will give enough money to erect the main building, the Synod will erect the professors' houses, and equip a first-class college, not only for young men, but will also arrange the curriculum for young ladies. Only a few days are left for action. Who will speak out? L. E. BUSBY.

PAUL LEAK DEAD.

A Young Man Well Known Here, Died at Wadesboro This Morning.

Mrs. P. M. Bernhardt received a telegram this morning announcing the death of her brother, Mr. Paul A. Leak, of Wadesboro.

This announcement will give genuine pain to those who knew Paul Leak.

He has been a frequent visitor to Salisbury since quite a small boy and had made numerous friends here.

Mr. Leak was about 26 years old and unmarried. He was worth considerable money at one time. For the past year he has been living in Wadesboro but was thinking of opening up a brokerage business in Salisbury.

The cause of his death was not stated.

Mrs. Bernhardt will go down to Wadesboro tonight to attend the funeral.

Two Candidates for Legislature.

Walter Murphy, Esq., one of Salisbury's talented young men, announces to his friends today that he will be a candidate before the Democratic primaries for a seat in the State house of representatives.

As previously noted in the TRUTH-INDEX, R. Lee Wright, Esq., is also a candidate for the legislative nomination.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with La Belle glove cleaner, for sale only by Harry Bros., headquarters for kid gloves and sole agents for the famous centimeter gloves. All the leading shades. Gloves of \$1.00 and upward guaranteed.

"Now, boys, please tell me what is total darkness?" A little boy put up his hand and said: "Please sir, I know what total darkness is." "Well, what is it?" "Total darkness is a black man down a dark cellar chasing a black cat."

RIOTERS ARE VIOLENT.

REFUSE TO HEAR SENATOR KNIGHT SPEAK.

Two Fires.—French Cruiser Now on Its Way There.—Garrison to Be Re-Elected Soon.

Fort De Franco Martinique, Feb. 14.—A mob of rioters yesterday at Riviere Cablee, refused to hear Senator Knight who is favorably disposed to their cause. At midnight the plantations La Cocotte and Champigny were set fire. The news was recently received here from Paris announcing that the garrison would be reinforced and that the French cruiser Suchet is on its way here.

Rev. Smith Will Not Move.

Rev. T. W. Smith was in the city yesterday making arrangements to take up his work in this county. He will preach at Shiloh next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and also Sunday morning and at Mt. Tabor Sunday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Smith will not move his family from Concord.

Mrs. Bynum Improving.

Dr. Stokes, of the Whitehead-Stokes sanitarium, returned yesterday from Greensboro, where he went to attend Mrs. Judge Bynum. Mrs. Bynum has been very critically ill but under Dr. Stokes' treatment is rapidly recovering.

Election of Teacher.

The school committee meets tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of electing a teacher to succeed Miss Carrie Crawford. There are several applicants for the position.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

FRESH liver pudding and beef tripe at Jackson's.

STOCK FOR SALE.—Fifteen shares of Vance mill stock for sale. Apply at this office.

THE EDITOR thanks friends for the papers received. He still needs November 21st and 30th, and December 1st and 9th.

ARMOUR'S LAMB at Jackson's beef market tomorrow.

THREE hundred good cedar posts for sale at our place. Apply at once. Finger & Anthony.

W. H. WALLACE sells grits, hominy and corn flakes at 2 1/2c quart.

DIBLES—Bagster's, Large Type B Self-Proneouncing, Sunday school Teachers' Bibles—Full Help—Cheap—Apply at TRUTH-INDEX.

WANTED to know if any one in town has an E. flat Clarionette, 13 keys and two rings. Apply to O. B. Steed.

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