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SAFE AT LAST.

Butler Will Enter Ladysmith in a Few Days.

GENERAL CRONJE AT BAY.

Throws Off Florence British Assault. Intrenched in His Camp. Joubert Orders Concentration Against Roberts. Military Critic's Opinion.

Special to Journal. LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Berlin Tageblatt publishes a special dispatch from Brussels which says that the Transvaal legation in that city has announced that the Boers are evacuating Natal.

Their position in the Colony was admitted to be untenable. General Joubert has ordered a concentration of all available forces to oppose the advance of General Roberts.

It is further announced that the siege of Ladysmith will be raised and it is expected that General Buller will enter the town by the end of the week.

LONDON, February 21.—Special—Official Boer dispatches from Pretoria, dated the 20th report the fighting on the 18th and 19th near Kooledoos Rand. They state that the British attempted to surround the laager of General Cronje and were repulsed.

General Devel reports that the Boers captured several kopjes between Paarsdrif and Kooledoos Rand and took forty British prisoners.

A dispatch from Cape Town says that General Cronje's force, estimated at seven thousand, has been checked in its retreat at Paarsdrif where Cronje is strongly entrenched. He has saved his guns and is believed to have ample ammunition. Every attack on his position made by the British so far has been repulsed.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The relief of Ladysmith has been announced. The Boers are relaxing their hold on all sides in order to assemble and oppose Lord Roberts who is pressing on steadily toward Bloemfontein.

Spencer Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation in the Morning Post today, says:

"The meaning of the position in Natal is that the Boers have sent the bulk of their forces to resist Lord Roberts, General Buller's aim is to join Sir George White and then either to push on to Ladysmith or to send back two divisions to reinforce Lord Roberts, retaining two in Natal to complete the recovery of the northern triangle.

It is to be hoped that Lord Roberts will overcome General Cronje before the latter is reinforced. Otherwise the British commander may find himself facing a Boer army equal in strength to his own, as all the Boers appear to be hurrying toward Cronje.

"The British commanders ought soon to be able to free both Natal and Cape Colony from the enemy. The actions now in progress are the decisive battles of the war and every effort must be made to reinforce Lord Roberts."

New Philippine Commission. Special to Journal. WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Judge Ide, of Vermont, formerly Chief Justice of Vermont, and Mr. Wright of Tennessee will be the new members of the Philippine Commission. One more member of the commission is still to be appointed.

Taylor and Beckham Confer. FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 20.—The attorneys for Taylor and Beckham will hold a joint conference at 10 o'clock tomorrow for the purpose of discussing propositions to settle which of the two injunction suits relating to the contest over the Governorship shall have precedence on the consolidation of the cases in order to avoid a clash between courts over the question of jurisdiction.

The Beckham suit is set for hearing before Judge Cantrell at Georgetown Friday, and the attorneys will attempt to agree upon a plan of action and facts forming the basis of the suit, and as to what judge the agreed case shall be tried before.

The Democratic members of the two houses of the Legislature met in joint session at 8 o'clock this afternoon and by a vote of 74 to 2 ratified the former proceedings by which William Goebel was declared Governor and J. C. W. Beckham Lieutenant-Governor, and through which Beckham, since the death of Goebel, claims title to the office of Governor. The Republican members of the Legislature remained away from the joint session, having decided in caucus not to attend.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is unequalled for piles, injuries and skin diseases. It is the original Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of all counterfeits. F. S. Duffy.

Dr. Keeley, the Gold Cure Man, Dead. LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21.—Dr. Leslie P. Keeley, of gold cure fame, died suddenly at his winter home near here this morning. Dr. Keeley came here recently from his home in Dwight, Ill.

Mrs. J. K. Miller, Newton Hamilton Pa., writes, "I think DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the grandest salve made." It cures piles and boils everything. All fraudulent imitations are worthless. F. S. Duffy.

WATCHING HIM.

Interest Taken In The Butler Program For Populists.

The Fusion Plan For This State. Trial At Wilson. Cotton Mill. LaGrange Public Schools Vaince Statute.

RALEIGH, Feb. 21.—The Populists here read with interest the news of the bolt against Butler at Lincoln, Neb. They called to mind how he had lapsed the convention here when there was at the outset a majority against him, by delaying, dilly-dallying, taking recesses and having his workers out. Butler wanted to trade with the Democrats in 1898 and it staggered him when his propositions were so quickly and decidedly rejected. Cy. Thompson was as much surprised as Butler was. Populists know lots of things about the Senator. They know that back in 1894 the agreement was made between Butler and Pritchard as to the senatorial matter and that there were witnesses, etc. They also know that Butler let Pritchard understand that in taking the short term in 1895 there was a pledge for his re-election in 1897 and that this would give him eight years to Butler's six.

The talk of the fusionists about putting Marion Butler for governor and Spencer B. Adams for Lieutenant Governor, on their fusion ticket, increases daily. Attorney General Walsler said of it: "You see Butler would then be made Senator and Adams Governor." The Republicans say Butler can control more Populists than any other man. They really appear to believe that Butler is the entire Populist party. Of course he wants them to have precisely that belief. They will not go into any deal with him unless they have him in such a shape he can't go back on them. They appear to think Pritchard will be judge.

The new trial of John J. Jefferson, the murderer of Capt. Calvin Barnes at Wilson, is now in progress. T. J. Pence, of The Raleigh Post, is one of the chief witnesses; perhaps the most important one, as to him Jefferson confessed, after having been brought here, at 2 o'clock one night.

The State charters the Smithfield Cotton Mill, capital \$50,000. E. W. Fox and others are stockholders.

The cotton mill at Wake Forest will be about a mile north of the village, and alongside the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

The town of LaGrange notifies the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that it, too, desires to have a public school, maintained by special tax. The date for the meeting at Rocky Mount in the interest of a public school is postponed until next Monday, in order that the State Superintendent can attend and make a speech. He will be there.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College here needs a building for the textile department. President Winston is now at work on a plan to secure this. He thinks he will succeed. He says another dormitory is greatly needed.

The committee on the Vance statue is notified that the life-size model would not be ready for inspection until March 1st and goes to Washington that day.

As Joseph Crowder, a tinner, was coming down a flight of steps, with a tinner's fire pot in his hand, he struck, overturned and broke a bottle of gasoline. In an instant he was on fire. This occurred in rear of a store. He ran into the store and ran around in it. Only two ladies were there. One pulled off his coat and opened the door. He dashed into the street and a lawyer threw him down and smothered the fire with his own overcoat. The burns are not serious.

NERVOUS troubles are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies the blood. It is the best medicine for nervous PEOPLE.

THE MARKETS.

The following quotations were received by J. E. Latham, New Bern, N. C., New York, February 21.

Open. High. Low. Close
Mch cotton . . . 8.55 8.59 8.55 8.59
May cotton . . . 8.30 8.34 8.30 8.34
Aug cotton . . . 8.30 8.30 8.30 8.30
Sept. cotton . . . 7.69 7.74 7.68 7.74
Oct. cotton . . . 7.50
Nov. cotton . . . 7.84 7.40 7.83 7.38

CHICAGO MARKETS
WHEAT: . . . Open. High. Low. Close
May 68 68 67 67
Corn:
May 80 80 78 78
So. Ry. Fid. 57 58
R. R. T. 73
C. & O. 29 29
Reading 64
Cont. Tob. Pref. 85
A. S. W. 59
T. C. L. 100 100
O. S. W. 32

Receipts at cotton ports were 34,000 bales.

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TIGHTLY HELD.

Roberts Scatters Boer Forces Attempting to Reach Cronje.

Reinforcements From Joubert at Ladysmith Reported While British Shell the Intrenched Camp. Butler Ad Vancing.

Special to Journal. LONDON, February 21.—The war office has received the following dispatch from General Roberts:

"Paarsdrif, February 21.—Yesterday afternoon I was satisfied by a careful reconnaissance in force that the position of the enemy could not be carried as usual, without a heavy loss, which I was anxious to avoid.

"Therefore I decided to bombard the hill with artillery and turn my attention to the enemy's reinforcements.

"The result was most satisfactory. The Boers were driven in all directions, losing many, in killed and wounded.

"We took about fifty prisoners who state that they arrived from Ladysmith in two days by rail. They say that it was our artillery that caused them to abandon the kopje which they had been occupying.

"Our loss is two officers and four men slightly wounded."

LONDON, February 21.—A private telegram received here from Berlin this afternoon declares that General Cronje is in a bad position, bearing out yesterday's Berlin rumor that General Cronje was surrounded and that a time limit had been given him within which to capitulate.

Cape Town, Feb. 21.—A special correspondent of The Cape Argus says:

General Cronje is surrounded at Paarsdrif, but is offering a stubborn resistance. The British are shelling the Boers vigorously and expect to capture the whole force.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The war office has received the following from General Buller:

"Chiefly Camp, Feb. 21.—The fifth Division crossed the Tugela today, by pontoon, and drove back the enemy's rear guard, our naval 12-pounder silencing all of the enemy's guns."

No Two Thumbs Alike. It is not alone on questions of handwriting that handwriting experts are called upon to testify. Thumb impressions, around which Mark Twain in "Pudd'nhead Wilson" built his ingenious story, have sometimes formed the basis of very convincing testimony.

Conan Doyle said that Carvalho's deductions in the case of the robbery of \$25,000 from a package of the American Express company, for ninety of reasoning and extraordinary coincidences, eclipsed anything any one ever dared put into fiction.

In 1894 Asa Guy Gurney was tried on the charge of stealing a large sum of money from the express company. It was proved that Gurney had opened the safe where the package had been placed, taken it out and deposited it in another safe. It was found that a large sum was missing.

The evidence was purely circumstantial. The envelope containing the money bore upon it, however, a thumb impression. Mr. Carvalho testified that the impression on the envelope and several impressions of Gurney's thumb corresponded exactly and contended that there were no two thumbs in the world alike. But such evidence was too subtle for the jury which tried the case, and the prisoner was acquitted.

It is to be recorded as a tribute to the accuracy of Carvalho's testimony that Gurney soon after confessed.—Chambers' Journal.

The Britanna. "Cold waves," said the man who had traveled in Northwest Canada, "invariably start in British territory."

"Nothing unusual," said the listener, "when we take in consideration that Britannia rules the waves."

The Usual Way. Mrs. Hoon—I have just been reading an article which contends that when a person is afflicted with an incurable malady the doctors ought to let him die.

Mr. Hoon—They will, if they are only called in.

Beyond Words. Mrs. Mulvaney had been one of the principals in a stairhead fight, and was relating the circumstance to her neighbor.

"An' plawd did yez say when Mrs. O'Toole insulted yer?"

"Say? B-gorra, I said nothin'! I just done it!"

In Thorough Subjection. Mr. Meeker, who has gone to the front door to answer the postman's ring, put his head inside the door of the room where his wife was sitting.

"It's a letter for me, my dear," he said, "shall I open it?"

A Real Ghost. What do you think of a man who would sell out his faithful followers?

"I'm afraid," said Aquilado, "that's not the pathetic point of it at all. What do you think of a man who has a lot of faithful followers for sale and can't find a buyer?"

A Note of Gratitude. Binsley reads well, doesn't he? Yes. He's a retired abolitionist. Retired! Thank heaven.

ORGANIZATION.

White Supremacy Clubs to be Formed Through the State.

They Will be Working Bodies. A New Cotton Mill Charters. Furniture Factories.

RALEIGH, February 21.—Chairman Simmons has completed and will send out this week to the various county chairmen the plan of organization of white supremacy clubs. Mr. Simmons says that these clubs will be organized throughout the State this year and by the middle of June he expects to see at least two thousand in full blast in North Carolina. He predicts that before the election there will be a goodly company of the white people of North Carolina in support of the amendment as has not been seen in this State in any previous election.

The clubs will be working bodies, not dress-parade organizations. Important work will be assigned to each member.

The work will be such as he can perform without loss of time from his own business. It will be such work as he can do, and no work will be assigned to any member to which he objects, and no work which is not honorable, legitimate and proper.

The Democratic party will appeal to the honor, character and highest aspirations of the people, and will condemn any except honorable methods of campaigning.

The State committee believes that a man can render the party better service by being a member than by remaining outside. But no man's Democracy or fealty shall be brought into question because he does not join. The propriety of joining is left to each person.

Mr. Aycock was asked what was the political outlook for the State. He replied: "We will carry the State easily. I had more enthusiasm in 1898 than I have ever seen at this early date."

The State charters the Wenumah Cotton Mill at Lexington, capital \$150,000, owners, W. E. Holt and Ethel Holt of Charlotte, and W. E. Holt, Jr. of Lexington. The mill will spin and weave. This will give Lexington three mills.

The Wenumah Cotton Mills, at Lexington, N. C., is the third new cotton mill chartered in the State this week. One of the three had a million dollars capital stock. Also the Rocky Mount Sash & Blind Company was today chartered with a capital of \$9,000.

During January the State chartered six mills and during February thus far six. It is a period of remarkable development. The money is raised for all these mills. They are not merely on paper.

The town of Oxford is making great progress. Among its new features of industrial life are a cotton mill and furniture factories.

The Jefferson murder trial at Wilson is postponed until next week.

Several Raleigh newspaper men, went to Norfolk last night to take a trial trip today on the steamer Augusta, owned by the Southern Railway, to Baltimore.

The stock has been subscribed for a \$25,000 furniture factory at Winston. The company expects to organize the latter part of the week. It will be composed of fine business men, three of whom are residents of Winston and two of Salem. The site for the plant will probably be chosen this week.

Late News Items.

Timothy G. Woodruff in a speech at Detroit, Mich., launches his boom for the Vice-Presidency.

Wm. J. Bryan spoke to 6,000 at Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday. His remarks on imperialism were cheered to the echo.

The famous Mardi Gras opened in New Orleans Wednesday night.

Olga Nethersole and her manager were arrested in New York Wednesday for playing "Sappho." The charge was "offending public decency."

The United States government has surrendered two islands of the Philippine Archipelago to Spain, Gaygayen Sula and Cibuter.

"I had dyspepsia for years. No medicine was so effective as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It gave immediate relief. Two bottles produced marvelous results." writes L. H. Warren, Albany, Wis. It digests what you eat and cannot fail to cure. F. S. Duffy.

Another Kind of Item. "When you married you thought your husband a demi-god?"

"Yes."

"And now?"

"Now he reminds me more of a demi-John!"

Whether Predictions. "Isn't the weather uncertain!" exclaimed the man with a cold.

"I don't know," answered the ungodly acquaintance, "I haven't been able to make up my mind yet whether it's the weather that is uncertain or the predictions."

The Real Reason. Johnny—Why do they say that the pen is mightier than the sword? His father—Because you can't sign checks with a sword.

KANSAS CITY THE PLACE.

Democratic Convention Called to Meet on Independence Day.

Special to Journal. WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Democratic National Committee met today and selected July 4 as the date for holding the National Democratic convention.

After a long session the committee selected Kansas City and Milwaukee for the location of the convention July 4th.

New York city was to have been the site selected by Congressman Boyd, but his objection did not enter the contest as objection was made to the name being presented by any but a representative of that State.

A number of gentlemen had presented the claims of the two cities and it was taken by the committee with the following result: Kansas City 40 votes, Milwaukee 10 votes. Thus locating the next Democratic National Convention at Kansas City, Mo.

The Dear Girls. Penelope. Well, after all, I think the less one knows the happier one is.

Genevieve.—That's a comfortable philosophy. You must be very happy.

A Time For all Things. "I thought," said the literary aspirant, "of spending a portion of each day writing verse."

"Oh? I wouldn't," said the editor. "Write verse only when you are absolutely sure that you have nothing else to do."

Petition For Meeting to Consider Composition. District Court of the United States, for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Sallie S. Duguid, member of Duguid & Son, bankrupted New Bern, N. C., duly adjudicated a Bankrupt, has proposed a composition to the creditors of Duguid & Son of twenty per cent net of unsecured claims. A meeting of creditors will be held in New Bern, N. C., at my office on the 29th day of February, 1900, to act upon said proposal.

L. J. MOORE, Referee. 24 Bankruptcy division, Eastern District, N. C. February 22, 1900.

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Miss Abbie J. Randle, of Marshall, Mich., writes: "I was cured of a bad humor after suffering with it for five years. The doctors and my friends said it was salt rheum. It came out on my head, neck and ears, and then on my whole body. I was perfectly raw with it. What I suffered during those five years, is no use telling. Nobody would believe me if I did. I tried every medicine that was advertised to cure it. I spent money enough to buy a house. I heard JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA highly praised. I tried a bottle of it. I began to improve right away, and when I had finished the third bottle I was completely cured. I have never had a touch of it since. I never got any thing to do me the least good till I tried JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA. I would heartily advise all who are suffering from humors or skin disease of any kind to try it at once. I had also a good deal of stomach trouble, and was run down and miserable, but JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA made me all right."

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