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BRITISH MEET A CRUSHING DEFEAT

Boers Capture 42 Officers, 1,800 Men and six Guns Near Ladysmith

WHITE SAY "I AM TO BLAME FOR DEFEAT"

Lansdowne May Resign From British Cabinet Now—Constipation in Natal—Boers Attack the Town Now.

Ladysmith, Oct. 31.—The battle at Ladysmith as reported is a terrible defeat to the British. Forty three officers and two thousand men, from the Irish Fusiliers and Gloucester regiments, were surrounded by the Boers and captured. These two noted regiments, together with a mounted battery, fought heroically against enormous odds. When they were hemmed in by more than fifteen thousand well armed Boers, the pick of General Buller's forces, they fought until their ranks were terribly decimated.

General White says that his men fought nobly and he accepts all the blame for the overwhelming defeat.

WHITE WILL BE SUSPENDED.

London, Oct. 31.—The War Office's consideration that General White will be able to hold Ladysmith despite his heavy losses. They calculate that the eight transports with ten thousand men will reach Durban by November tenth. General White has food enough, if he is allowed, to last two months. He will probably be suspended immediately.

SECOND CORPS CALLED OUT.

London, Oct. 31.—The War Office has ordered the second army corps to be in readiness to be called out.

1,800 MEN AND 42 OFFICERS CAPTURED.

London, Oct. 31.—The total force captured by the Boers was fourteen hundred and fifty men and forty two officers.

BOERS RESEIZING KIMBERLY.

Cape Town, Oct. 31.—A message from Kimberley says that the Boers are building forts around the town and planting siege guns.

LANSDOWNE MAY RESIGN.

London, Oct. 31.—A fierce discussion in the British Cabinet is the result of the crushing defeat at Ladysmith. Secretary State for the war Lansdowne may resign as a result of the accusation of Walsley, who charges him with rejecting his urgent advice to the war office authorities to send an army corps to South Africa as far back as July. Walsley then warned the government that the Boers were not then prepared to invade Natal, and said if the British expedition was sent it would prevent the disaster. Lansdowne opposed Walsley in a council of the Cabinet and was allowed to have his way.

GUYS ALSO TAKEN.

London, Oct. 31.—In addition to the loss of men six seven-pound screw guns were lost, and as the Boer artillery is already strong, the capture of these guns will be of great help to the Boers. Apart from the immediate loss of effectiveness it is feared that the defeat will have a most depressing effect on the remainder of the Ladysmith force. It is also feared that the Boer sympathizers who have not yet taken sides will publicly now join the Transvaal forces.

EXCITEMENT IN ENGLAND.

London, Oct. 31.—The madness of Gen. White's avowal that the defeat was his fault has awakened the deepest sympathy. An official from the war office said it was more likely due to the error of our younger officers to distinguish themselves, and to obtain mention in the despatches and earn the Victoria Cross than the fault of that splendid Indian veteran, General White, despite his pitiful avowal. Terrible excitement prevails in Gloucester and Dublin, the home of many soldiers captured or killed.

CONSTERNATION IN NATAL.

Durban, Oct. 31.—News of the disaster has spread consternation throughout Natal. Every available man has set to work raising entrenchments at Pietermaritzburg against the Boer attack. Boers are reported near Tugela, over ten miles south of Ladysmith, in rear of the British position, and are reported feeling their way to Oelenso, evidently to destroy railroad communication to the coast.

ANOTHER FIGHT ON.

London, Oct. 31.—A Ladysmith despatch says the Boers were observed this morning advancing toward the town probably to begin an attack on Ladysmith itself. Nothing in addition to the above has been received since, and it is believed that another fight is imminent.

Beauty is as summer fruits, which are easy to corrupt and cannot last.—Bacon.

"Every woman in the country should read that book of yours," said the kindly critic. "Yes," replied the author, "and so will you kindly announce in your paper that they should!"

Ungratefulness is the very poison of manhood.—Sir Philip Sidney.

Open for an engagement—a war ship's port-holes.

Hundreds would never have known what if they had not first known waste.—Spurgeon.

SILVER JUBILEE

Reception at Church of the Good Shepherd herded Tonight.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the program of the Silver Jubilee services being held at the Church of the Good Shepherd will not be interfered with.

SERVICES LAST NIGHT.

The Silver Jubilee services of the Church of the Good Shepherd were held in the parish rooms last night commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

Prof. Hugh Morson, Mr. J. B. Batcher, Mrs. J. B. Batcher and Miss Lucy Battle read historical papers relating to the parish and its principal organizations.

These papers were all highly interesting and showed the wonderful growth of this church. The papers were prepared with great care and were rich in historical interest.

The papers were read as follows:

- "History of the Vestry," by Prof. Hugh Morson.
- "History of St. Mary's Guild," by Mrs. J. B. Batcher.
- "History of the Woman's Auxiliary," by Miss Lucy P. Battle.
- "The Pulpit of the Church of the Good Shepherd," by J. B. Batcher, L. D.

MORNING SERVICE.

The convocation of Raleigh was held this morning at 10 o'clock.

Rev. Dr. Meade, of Chapel Hill, preached at this service. His text was "Make the men sit down," John 14:10. This was Christ's instruction to his disciples; but Christ commanded the disciples to make the men sit down in order they might be fed. Dr. Meade preached a most eloquent and able sermon, using many beautiful figures in illustrating the lesson to be conveyed—Christian service.

RECEPTION TONIGHT.

Tonight the ladies of the church have prepared for a big reception in the parish rooms. No matter how inclement the weather may be tonight, the reception will be held. The rooms will be comfortably heated and lighted, and those who go will be assured of a most pleasant time. Everyone is cordially invited, and will receive a cordial welcome.

SERVICES TOMORROW.

On tomorrow (All Saint's Day) the exercises will be as follows:

- 10 a. m.—Services in the church, with recitation of the Holy Communion, by the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the rector.
- 12 m.—Laying of the corner-stone of the new Church of the Good Shepherd, Bishop Lyman Memorial, by the Rt. Rev. Joseph Blount Chesler, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina.

Address by the Rev. L. M. K. Pittinger, D. D., rector of the parish.

CIVIL COURT.

Buffalo Divorce Suit Comes up Tomorrow

Civil Court continued again this morning, Judge Moore presiding.

The suit of C. E. Somers against the Raleigh Water Company came up. Mr. R. C. Bockwith, attorney for the plaintiff, was pressing for a trial but the case was continued until Wednesday of the following week, on account of the sickness of the superintendent of the company.

Henry Blizz vs. S. S. Patchelor, continued by consent.

A. B. Marshburn vs. Lashley, continued until Wednesday.

In the suit for divorce of Mrs. Julia Hicks Buffalo against Dr. A. J. Buffalo, the latter was allowed to file the following amendment to his answer: "That on 23rd October, 1898, the plaintiff abandoned the defendant and from that day to this, the 30th of October, 1899, has lived separate and apart from the defendant, being more than one year. Wherefore the defendant asks that the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and himself be dissolved."

Dr. Buffalo is represented by Messrs. Shepherd and Busbee and Argo and Snow, while the plaintiff's attorneys are Messrs. Douglass and Simons and S. G. Ryan. The case will come up tomorrow.

FIRE AT SING SING.

Sing Sing, Oct. 31.—The new administration building and prison caught fire at midnight but the flames were finally controlled. The loss is twenty-five thousand. The convicts were greatly excited but were finally quieted.

MR. HOBART RALLIES.

Vice President Cannot Live Many Hours He is Striking

Patterson, N. J., Oct. 31.—Vice-President Hobart, who had a sinking spell this morning, has rallied now and is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Hobart and her brother, Robert Tuttle, gave out the statement today that Mr. Hobart could not live many hours.

Dr. Newton, in bulletin eleven, says the Vice-President awoke refreshed and fine and has been comfortable since. His pulse is good and he has taken considerable nourishment and now sitting up. His condition is good.

DISMAL SWAMP CANAL.

It Has Already Become An Important Artery of Commerce.

Special Dispatch to Baltimore Sun, Norfolk, Va., Oct. 20.—When the promoters of the Dismal Swamp Canal, recently opened to navigation, evaluated the scheme of more closely connecting the commercial interests of the North and the South by means of this inland waterway, it is doubtful if they fully realized what an important artery of commerce their enterprise was destined to be. As soon as the canal was formally opened to traffic several of the largest lumber firms of Baltimore and Philadelphia, quick to see its advantages, immediately availed themselves of its opportunities, and as a result the canal is doing a business which is doubtless far in excess of what was anticipated by its owners. One day last week three barges, carrying over 1,000,000 feet of dressed lumber, en route from North Carolina to Philadelphia. Other vessels, schooners, barges, tugs and yachts find a safe and pleasant route South through the canal, avoiding the dangers of the outside passage. The recent passage of the four-masted Bertis and Maid, Captain LeViss, was an event which proved very gratifying to those interested. This vessel is considered the most difficult to handle of any that uses the canal in the North Carolina lumber trade. The schooner drew 8 1/2 feet of water and carried the largest single cargo ever taken through the canal.

A great fleet of vessels is at an anchor off Lambert's Point, awaiting to be loaded with Pocahontas coal. The presence of so many vessels is due to delay in securing all the coal desired, which is occasioned by the great demand for fuel and coke, and it is said the supply has also effected by the "walk-out" of miners in the Pocahontas coal fields.

Reports from North Carolina points are to the effect that the exodus of negroes, engendered by the race troubles last fall, has not abated materially. The negroes, mostly young men and women, are going North. It is estimated that fully 3,000 have gone from Wilmington alone.

THIRTY PROBABLY LOST

Montreal, Oct. 31.—The Webster House was burned to the ground this morning. Thirty guests are missing. Five guests and three firemen are known to be killed. The police have the twenty five who are missing in their list of dead.

THE WIND STORM

Blew Steadily at Forty Miles an Hour

MANY WIRES DOWN

Storm Now Central Off Wilmington and Moving North—Storm Came by Santiago de Cuba—Wind Record.

Raleigh last night had one of the strongest wind storms in the history of the place. No great damage was done, for the wind was strong and steady but not of a sufficient velocity to do serious harm. However, from ten o'clock last night until this morning the wind sustained a velocity of 40 miles an hour, and this is the highest steady velocity that has occurred here since the weather bureau was established here in 1887. There are only four times when the wind reached a higher velocity since 1887 and they are as follows:

- In March, 1889, 45 miles.
- In April, 1890, 45 miles.
- In March, 1895, 44 miles.
- In March, 1897, 45 miles.

Wind does not do serious damage until it reaches 60 miles an hour. Mr. Von Herrman said this morning that Raleigh was remarkably fortunate in its situation so far as wind storms are concerned.

The present storm came via Santiago de Cuba and up the coast. The velocity at Charleston and Kitty Hawk this morning was 60 miles and hour. This is exceedingly severe. No report was received from Wilmington (the wires are down and communication cut off). The storm was said to be central at Wilmington. Mr. Von Herrman says a storm is weak at the center and the strongest wind is on the outer radius of the storm. Thus the wind must have been very strong at Wilmington before the center of the storm reached that city and after the center passes further north the velocity of the wind will again increase.

The present condition is the same as it was that which produced severe weather last winter with the important exception that the thermometer is high in the central portion of the country, whereas it was the reverse there last winter. The wind is the same, namely, northeast.

Numerous fences and some trees were blown down here last night. The only building seriously injured was in the frame of the residence W. M. C. A. building on East Cabarrus street. It was blown down and partly demolished a small house next to it.

Mr. Von Herrman says it will probably fair off tonight or tomorrow, another gust of wind preceding the clearing up as the storm center goes north. It will not turn colder after it clears up.

In reply to a question Mr. Von Herrman says that it is a fact that a storm stays fair long when it clears up at night, he has never seen a satisfactory explanation, but it is a fact.

RAIN TONIGHT.

The Raleigh and vicinity: Rain tonight; clearing Wednesday; cooler.

The storm which was yesterday central off Florida coast has advanced to North Carolina, and increased tremendously in force. Heavy rains and high winds have been reported over the entire south and middle Atlantic coast, with wind velocities of 60 miles an hour at Charleston and Kitty Hawk. The barometer at present is lowest over North Carolina. Heavy rains occurred at Raleigh, Norfolk, Charleston, Savannah and Augusta. No reports were received from Wilmington or Hatteras. The weather is generally fair in the interior.

THE STAR TRIUMPHANTE.

"The Winter's Tale" Will be Presented Friday Night.

Col. Harry M. Kidder has presented to his daughter, Miss Kathryn Kidder, of the James Kidder-Hartford combination a number of pieces of jewelry of Grecian design contemporaneous of the period of "The Winter's Tale" which she will exhibit in the diad characters of

TWO DEATHS.

Mr. Robert Paul, aged 35 years, died this morning at his home near Garner in St. Mary's ownership. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

Mr. William Sugg, an aged white man who lived about eight miles from Kitty Hawk, died last afternoon and was buried today. He was a familiar figure in Raleigh and was often seen on the streets selling loans, brooms, etc.

A PITIFUL CASE.

Horrible Death of a Woman in a Cabin on Sixth Street—Lack of Food and Attention the Cause.

A pitiful case of human suffering and degradation that would do credit to an East Side tenement in New York, came to the Observer's notice yesterday morning, says the Charlotte Observer.

As the reporter was passing along Tryon street a young boy stepped up and said: "I am a stranger here, but I know that there is a white woman staying to death in a cabin on Sixth street, near Graham." The reporter, in company with one of the managers of the Rescue Home, went at once to the street and home, to see if the story was true. There are several negro cabins on the street.

"Can you tell me if there is a white woman in one of these cabins?" he asked.

"She's in this house, but she's dead," said a negro man who was on the porch. The reporter looked in the room. It was filled with old clothes, old furniture, filthy beyond description, and on the miserable bed covered with filthy bedding could be discovered the outline of a human form. The room is occupied by Julius Adams, colored. About a week ago, as the distressing story goes, some one knocked one night at the door of this house. Adams opened the door and saw before him a white woman, ill and feeble. She asked him to let her stay here all night. He did so. She never rose again from the bed on which she lay, afflicted with dropsy. There she lay for a week, suffering agony, and dying by degrees from lack of proper food, attention and from filth. Not even the negroes in the room adjoining went in to minister to her. The only attention she had was from the negro who lent kindly taken her in. Friday afternoon she was reported to Dr. Hawley. He went to see her, but he saw that her condition was hopeless. He was horrified to find a white woman in such a place and amidst such surroundings. She told him that her name was Alice Smith; that she had been in the poor house but left there. "I never saw such filth in my life," said the doctor. He intended to have something done for the woman yesterday morning, but when he went back, death had come. The woman's feet had swollen so that they had actually burst and the water was running out of them. The miserable creature—she scarcely looked like a human being, the doctor said—was buried yesterday by the committee.—Charlotte Observer.

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KATHRYN KIDDER

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