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GEN. WARREN CARRIED SPION

KOPJE BY STORM TUESDAY NIGHT

British Troops Captured this Important Point Tuesday Night

BOERS WILL PROBABLY MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO RETAKE THE PLACE

British Losses Thought to Be Heavy--Military Experts Regard Spion Kopje as the Key to Natal--Expect to Drive Boers Into Free Street.

Spearman's Camp, Jan. 25. General Warren carried Spion Kopje by storm Tuesday night. The Boers made a desperate attempt to recapture the position and all day long the battle raged with fury.

General Warren's loss was very heavy. Gen. Woodgate was wounded.

General Warren's left flank began the attack slowly, fighting their way to the last position held by the Boers. The field artillery supported Gen. Warren.

Kopje was finally taken by the South African Light Horse who rushed up an exceedingly precipitous slope, the last short stretch.

The British infantry now occupy all the strong positions. Gen. Warren believes the Boer position beyond Spion Kopje is untenable.

London, Jan. 25. Jubilation here over General Warren's victory is unshaken by the realization that his success is only provisional. As it appears clear from General Buller's dispatch that the Boers recognize the strategical importance of Spion Kopje and that at the time that Buller's message was sent, they had not abandoned the idea of recapture of the place. Nevertheless a heavy load of anxiety is removed from the nation and there is a general expectation that as the British succeeded in keeping the hill all day long they will manage to hold it.

London, Jan. 25. The importance of the capture of Spion Kopje by the British is much dwelt upon by the military experts here. This position commands the road to Olivier's Hack Pass and the seizure of this pass, which will probably follow, imperils the position of ten whole Boer army. Around Ladysmith, cutting off all roads of retreat into Orange Free State, the experts say that if General Buller seizes Olivier's Hack Pass and throws a strong force into Orange Free State, the relief of Ladysmith would not only follow of itself, but such a move would also force Joubert, the Boer commander, to evacuate the whole of Northern Natal and retreat into Transvaal.

General Warren's division connected a light railway with Brore through Springfield and General Buller's division is now on the left of Gen. Chaytor's centre with Gen. Littleton on the right and Gen. Dundonald's cavalry still operating the left flank near Acton Homes.

The faculty of the Baptist Female University will give an entertainment complimentary to the students and faculty of the Institution for the Blind, in the auditorium of the latter, tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. Friends of the institution are invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Perry arrived in Raleigh yesterday and left the city last evening but will return next week. Mr. Perry is popular tobacco buyer of this city and he and Miss Annie Bell of Scotland Neck were married there Tuesday.

There will be a meeting of the Monday Afternoon Card Club at the home of Mrs. Harriet Haywood tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock for the purpose of organizing.

Mr. R. R. Lucy, Commissioner of Labor, made a very strong and practical address last week to the students of the A. and M. College. Mr. Lucy is well equipped for such work, not only with a vigorous brain, but a big, warm heart. He is one of the most useful citizens of the State. He can run an engine, manage a bank, and serve as an official in church and State with equal ability. - Raleigh Christian Advocate.

The Dispatch, of Lexington, N. C., says: Hon. J. D. Boushall, of Raleigh, is a candidate for the office of State Treasurer. He is an active working Democrat and a clever gentleman. He is well qualified for the position, having had six years' experience as chief clerk in the co-ordinate office of Auditor, four years of service as chairman of the Finance Committee of the city of Raleigh, and is now the third member of the Finance Committee of the present General Assembly. Indeed, revenue and finance have been his chief duties for the past fourteen years. He would make a good State Treasurer.

FIRE AT FREDOMIA. Dunkirk, Jan. 25.—A whole block was burned at Fredomia, including the bank and trolley power house, all the cars and many business houses. One person was burned to death.

COL. JACK HAYES IS AT THE FRONT

Routs the Filipinos and Makes Them Retreat

GENERAL SCHWAN HAVING SUCCESS

Regiments in his Command now at the Joint of Battle with the Insurgents—Americans Advance on Southern Insurgent Fortification.

Manila, Jan. 25. General Schwan captured San Diego on Sunday, routing 500 insurgents and killing 67 of that number. General Schwan's casualties reported are one killed and fourteen wounded. The southern advance by the Americans has caused the concentration of 2,000 insurgents at Mayapang. On Thursday General Schwan occupied the heights to the north of the town, but an impassable ravine separated his forces and reconnoisseurs failed to discover any ford. The 30th and 39th Infantry volunteered to attempt a charge, but General Schwan refused to allow it. Major Mulford's battalion of the 39th Infantry then made a dash through the forest and after they crossed the ravine, and after they crossed the cavity, took occupied commanding position. Meanwhile Col. Jack Hayes was coming up the Takabas road and the insurgents to retreat to the eastward without making fight. Major Jay is adequately fortified by machine and trench and wire entanglements.

THE CHIMES OF NORMANDY

The Wilbur-Opera Company Made Another Big Hit Last Evening.

Last night at the Academy of Music the Wilbur-Kirwin Opera Company presented their popular opera "The Chimes of Normandy," in a large house, which gave an enthusiastic welcome to the various favorites as they appeared impersonating characters that are familiar in local theatrical circles. Many of those present were former members of the Home Opera Company which presented "The Chimes of Normandy" in Raleigh. The opera was well received, and the greatest and most critical interest was displayed in the acting by the amateurs in the audience. The opera was excellent and every one enjoyed it.

Mrs. Kirwin delighted her audience with her charming rendition of the most pleasant role and entered thoroughly in the spirit of the opera. "Gertine" was presented by Miss Bayley, whose voice is well suited to the part. Mr. Arthur Kramer took the part of "Gaspard," the minor, which is perhaps the most difficult part in the opera. Mr. Kramer's acting was excellent and he received most flattering praise from the audience. Mr. Kramer had given his part the most careful study and the spirit of this difficult part was thoroughly entered into and excellently portrayed.

The good success of the evening was the presentation of "Henri," the Marquis of Corneville, by Mr. E. A. Clark. His appearance was always the occasion of applause and every number sung by him received hearty cheers. Mr. Clark is wonderfully well suited to his part and his voice last night was at its best. He has won for himself a permanent place in the hearts of many admirers as was proven by the reception accorded him last night. Mr. Mazzy, who is the popular acting manager while Mr. Powell is in advance as "The Registrar." Mr. Fuller as "The Duke," Mr. Gordon as "Jean Grischaux," the fisherman, and Mr. Emmett Drew as the "Assessor," did their parts to the perfect satisfaction of the audience, and Mr. Harvey, the inimitable comedian, as the "Notary," was on the stage for too short a time to give the public as much as they wished of his generous supply of wit and humor. Miss Belmont as "Manette" and Miss Hart as "Suzanne" were good, while the appearance of Miss Helen Fay as "Jeanne" and Miss Alice Hale as "Gertine" brought out two popular members of the chorus who have worthily succeeded in rising to character parts on account of their beauty and graceful action. They displayed unusual talent and were royally welcomed in these character parts. The beauty and grace of the chorus has seldom been equaled in Raleigh.

Tonight the bill calls for "The Black Hussar," a well written comic opera and will be good if the rehearsal of this morning is to be taken as a criterion.

A GLEAM OF SUNSHINE.

Across the noisy city ways,

And in the earthy city air,

On this, the dreariest of days,

Perplexed with business fit and jar,

When suddenly a young, sweet face

Looked on my penitence and pain,

And left it something of its grace,

And charmed it into peace again;

The day was just as bleak without,

My neighbors just as cold within,

And truth was just as full of doubt,

And the world was just as full of sin;

But in the light of that young smile,

The world grew pure, the heart grew warm,

And sunshine gleamed a little while

Across the darkness of the storm.

I did not care to seek her name,

I only said, "God bless thy life,

Thy sweet young face be still the same,

Or happy maid, or happy wife."

PHILLIPS BROOKS.

No one is allowed to cross the line between the Transvaal and Portuguese East Africa without an order from the Governor of the Portuguese colony.

The Companhia Unibra, chartered as a British transport, left Southampton recently with 2,200 for South Africa.

Silious.—He has very grand ideas, hasn't he?" Cynics.—"Yes; he says he wouldn't serve on a jury unless it was the particular natural. Where did you get them?

Johnny—Git what?

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HOT DISCUSSION IN DURHAM

An Article About Slot Machines the Cause

MOTHER WROTE ON THE SUBJECT

A Card in the Durham Sun Provoked a Communication From Mr. Theo. Brown, Who Runs Cigar Store.

Mr. Theo. A. Brown, who lives in Durham, is the proprietor of a cigar store in the city and also of the cigar stand in the Yards House. Besides his stores here he has similar ones at Goldsboro, Durham and Winston, and he is, therefore, well known in his business.

Durham is having a sensational card writing it and Mr. Brown, the editor of the Durham Sun, a lady who is one of the poorest women in Durham, are the principal parties concerned and the Durham Herald is giving its columns to anyone who wishes to engage in the fight. The cards on this subject are most interesting because there is a matter of vital interest under discussion a matter that may soon receive the attention of the people of Raleigh and as literary contributions they are marvels in that they in polite words not usually used in politics etc.

The card published in the Sun is signed "An Anxious Mother" in which that woman deplored the fact that Mr. Brown kept gambling machines in his establishment. In answer to this came the following open letter:

MR. BROWN'S LETTER.

To the Editor: Will you please allow me space in your paper to reply to the card in your paper? I am a widow, mother of three, wife of a man who died in 1892.

I think that the public will agree with me that if there is anything in this world that is despicable, mean and base it is the person who, without just cause, attacks the character of another in a newspaper and refuses to sign his or her name to their article. If the man who wrote the card will disclose to me his or her identity with the newspaper article in question published in the Sun, at least, will try and tell them what my opinion is.

I quote from the card as follows:

In this store, ordering to my store, is a wheel of fortune where men and boys are invited to place their nickels and dimes with the promise of other coins in return. As to the statement that "men and boys are invited" etc. I desire to say, pardon the expression, when a person is a man I believe in saying so it is a lie, and the person who made the statement did so with a malicious intent to do me a great wrong. I wish I could believe that he or she had been misinformed.

On the contrary I have time and again told boys out of my store, and have instructed my clerks to do likewise, as no man wants them hanging around his place of business, and under no circumstances or conditions did I ever invite anyone to put a nickel in the slot machine referred to. There is a slot machine in my store, but I beg to say it is a legitimate business, at any rate, it is a business licensed by the State of North Carolina, the county of Durham and for the privilege I pay the State, county and city license, and why is it that I, conducting a business licensed by the laws of my State, county and city, should be hauled up in a newspaper and portrayed to the public as the proprietor of a gambling house. I am not aware, I presume that the anxious mother is ready to attribute to me and my store all the "trash" of her bad knowledge, as well as the vain traits of character that were bad and born in her. I may add that if she would give me more of her personal attention rather than permit him to run wild in the streets I might tell her "so and so" and the "Anxious Mother" did their parts to the perfect satisfaction of the audience, and Mr. Harvey, the inimitable comedian, as the "Notary," was on the stage for too short a time to give the public as much as they wished of his generous supply of wit and humor. Miss Belmont as "Manette" and Miss Hart as "Suzanne" were good, while the appearance of Miss Helen Fay as "Jeanne" and Miss Alice Hale as "Gertine" brought out two popular members of the chorus who have worthily succeeded in rising to character parts on account of their beauty and graceful action. They displayed unusual talent and were royally welcomed in these character parts. The beauty and grace of the chorus has seldom been equaled in Raleigh.

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The Durham Sun, which reached here this morning, contains the following salutary warning which promises, or appears to promise, to do the public good:

"Mr. Theo. A. Brown, of this city,

in two very scurrilous cards in this morning's Herald, replies to a communication in the Sun yesterday afternoon, which was written by one of the purest ladies in Durham, and the comment the Sun made in regard to Judge Moore's charge to the grand jury, and the warning given those who run slot machines.

Mr. Brown is evidently in a frame of mind that is not susceptible to reasoning on facts.

He has not asked this office for the name of the writer of the communication, which would have been given him on demand, and we will do so if he demands it. The man who will call a lady, and a mother of children, a liar, as he insinuates in his card, is beneath the notice of respectable gentlemen.

Public sentiment has reached that point where the whole matter will be adjudicated before the May term of Durham Superior Court.

Frankfort, Jan. 25. A train containing over a thousand men carrying Winchester rifles, arrived this morning. Governor Taylor said that the men were not soldiers and disclaimed any knowledge of them?

Raleigh's popular caterer, Dughi, will furnish the refreshments at the Everett reception at Rockingham tonight.

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THE WEATHER.

For Raleigh and vicinity: Rain tonight; clearing Friday with moderate cold wave, which will last several days.

The storm yesterday central over Minnesota has moved eastward to the east Lake region, and a trough of low pressure now extends over the Atlantic States south to Florida.

Cloudy, threatening weather prevails east of the Mississippi river with light rain at many points.

In the west a fairly severe cold wave has appeared with temperatures below zero at St. Paul and Huron.

The temperature has already fallen below freezing as far south as northern Texas and as far east as Chicago.

WAKE COUNTY GETS ITS CASH

First County to Receive Portion of School Fund

\$2,803 TEN WARRANT WAS CASHED TODAY

Treasurer Worth's Letter to Captain Williamson, County Treasurer, Received Prompt Action—Appropriation of Funds for the Several Townships.

This morning Captain B. P. Williamson, County Treasurer, received from State Treasurer Worth the statement that the warrant for Wake County's portion of the \$100,000 school fund appropriated by the last Legislature, would be cashed upon presentation at the State Treasury this evening in full, the State having settled its State taxes in full for 1900, and he immediately deposited the warrant for \$2,803 to the credit of the Wake County school fund.

In this country the extra money thus obtained will be devoted to improvements in the various townships schools, many of which are now in need of repairs and have lost the money with which to accomplish the work. In some instances it is probable the money will be used in making permanent buildings for the use of the school children, while in others it may be that the school year will be lengthened by the use of this money.

On the \$2,803 appropriation to this county about \$650 will go to the Raleigh schools, and has been credited on their account in the office of the County Treasurer. The use to which this extra money will be put has not yet been announced, though it is probable that the school board will determine at its next meeting just how it will be used in this city.

The Raleigh schools