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KRUGER AND STEYN SEAL NEW ALLIANCE TO FIGHT TILL DEATH

The Transvaal and Congo Free States Will Remain Republics or the Inhabitants Must be Exterminated by the British Forces.

HOPE THAT DETERMINATION WILL INSPIRE INTERFERENCE OF POWERS

One of the Greatest Battles of the War is Imminent—Joubert in Supreme Command and His Army Faces General Roberts

BOERS MAY TRICK THE BRITISH AGAIN

Rebellion of the Colonial Dutch Reported—Two Districts Declare the Free State a Territory—Borders Patrolled by Boers—Earnestness of Purpose on Part of Boers Causes Them to Work Without Tiring—Kopjes and Ridges Strongly Fortified for Coming Battle.

the borders are being patrolled throughout by Boers. The news has not been officially confirmed, but is believed to be true.

REBELLION CONFIRMED.

London, March 7.—A dispatch from a news agency confirms the report from Cararvon to the effect that there is in progress a rebellion of the Colonial Dutch.

BULLER'S BIG LOSS.

London, March 7.—The report reaches here of a vain attempt on the part of General Buller to relieve Ladysmith. The casualties were 116 killed, 583 wounded and 54 missing.

ROBERTS REPORTS BOER RETREAT.

London, March 7.—General Roberts wires from Ofontein that the Boers are in full retreat and are being pursued by the cavalry and the horse artillery and mounted infantry.

ACCUSED OF CHILD'S PLAY.

Washington, March 7.—Senator Mason today gave notice in the Senate that tomorrow he will move that the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from further consideration of the resolution offering sympathy to the Boers. He accuses them of child's play.

NORWEGIAN BARK LOST

New York, March 7.—The Ward Line steamer City of Washington, which plies between Vera Cruz, Mexico; Havana and New York, arrived in port this morning bringing news that the Norwegian bark Amer had been driven ashore by the currents in the recent thick weather off the Bahama Islands.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, March 7.—Cotton bids—April, 9.31; May, 9.30; June, 9.30; July, 9.30; August, 9.18; September, 8.21.

THROWN OUT BY TRUST

Jersey City, N. J., March 7.—One thousand employees of the sugar trust were this morning greatly disappointed. They had expected to be taken back to work, but were told that they must look for a living elsewhere. Promises were

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN AMERICAN

Belief That a Chinaman Died of Dread Disease in San Francisco

San Francisco, March 7.—It is feared that there is bubonic plague here. It is believed that Wong Chut King, a Chinese laborer, who lived in Chinatown, died of that disease. This may cause great excitement in the Chinese quarters when the news reaches the Chinamen. Many discredit the report. An investigation of the belief will be made and if there is found the slightest reason for the belief every precaution will be taken to prevent another case.

BRITISH PUSH FORWARD.

Ladysmith, March 6.—(Delayed.)—A large British force has been pushed forward toward Vanreenen's Pass. The scouts captured two railways locomotives. Stores are being sent forward to the advanced posts on the Harrismith Railway line.

COLONIAL DUTCH REBEL.

Carnarvon, March 7.—There is a rebellion through the south from Grisquiti and

BOTH FIGHTERS OBJECTED Neither Sharkey nor Jeffries Would Impersonate the Fallen Gladiator

Apropos to the coming of the real Jeffries-Sharkey contest pictures to the Academy of Music next Friday night, an amusing story is told, relative to the champion, James J. Jeffries, and his active opponent, Thomas Sharkey, when they were called to rehearsal to pose for Roman and Grecian statuary. When the picture called for two Roman Gladiators, "Wm. A. Brady, who was conducting the rehearsal, said: "Now, you are supposed to be a Roman Gladiator; you stand with your hands raised. Tom, you lie on your back and Jim puts his foot on your neck."

"What's that?" shrieked Sharkey. "That big duffer's foot on my neck. Not touch. What would people think of me?" "All right, then," said Brady, in his suave manner. "Jim, you lie down and let Sharkey impersonate the Gladiator, putting his foot on your neck."

"Will I?" said the California giant, gruffly. "Well, I, and me the champion of the world? He never saw the day that he could do it."

"All right, all right," said Brady; "we will cut that picture out." Then they got along beautifully. The "Dying Gladiator" went by. Angelo's "David," the "Apollo Belvedere," "Sparticus at the Battle of Thermopylae" were great. All went as smoothly as the summer sea until they got to a picture of a Roman-Grecian wrestling bout, where one of the giants was to grab the other around the middle, as if to hurl him to the ground.

"Now," said Brady, "this is where the man that is held down must be perfectly still, or the picture is spoiled."

"How would I look," said the giant, "with you holding me in the air like I was a stick of wood?"

"Do you want to hold Jeffries?" said Brady.

"Well, I'll try it." And he did try it. He got Jeffries up in the air and tried to keep him there. Brady was on the platform, trying to show each man how to pose and at the same time impressing them with the expression each must wear. Sharkey wavered a bit—his foot slipped, and he went over, and Jeffries went on top of him, and in the mix up they swept Brady along. There was a crash, a heap, some yelling, and the rehearsal of the gladiators was over for the day.

750,000 BLAZE IN PHILADELPHIA Fifteen Hundred Persons Thrown out of Work by Fire

Big Department Stores and Electrical Supply Company's Building Blazed to the Ground—Girls Narrow Escape.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 7.—The big dry goods building of Shoenman Bros. store, adjoining, was damaged and their storehouse was completely burned out. The building occupied by Myerhoff Bros. and the Electrical Equipment Company were also burned to the ground. Several smaller buildings were damaged. Fifteen hundred persons were thrown out of employment as a result of the fire. Ten waitresses at Koehler's restaurant had a narrow escape. The loss is estimated at three-quarters of a million.

McKinley's Views Unchanged.

Washington, March 7.—President McKinley today informed his cabinet that his views on the Porto Rico tariff bill have not changed in the slightest, and that he merely yielded to the judgment of the Republican leaders of the House, who thought a moderate duty should be levied.

HIGHBINDER IN WASHINGTON

Chinese Colony Agitated by Wholesale Attacks on Their Countrymen.

Washington, March 7.—The Chinese colony here is greatly agitated over a report that highbinders are operating here. Wholesale attacks, nearly all from mysterious characters, have been made upon Washington Chinamen, all bearing the marks of highbinders' methods.

TWO RAILROAD MEN KILLED

Pittsburg, March 7.—The west bound track of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad sank under a heavy freight engine this morning, letting the engine and a freight car into Alleghany street. The fireman and a brakeman were killed.

LIGHT SHOWERS.

For Raleigh and vicinity: Unsettled conditions; probably cloudy with very light shower tonight and Thursday.

The conditions are very unsettled throughout the country, notwithstanding the fact that the barometer is high in the central valley. Slight depressions exist on the Gulf coast, on the north Atlantic, and in the extreme northwest, the latter giving promise of the speedy inauguration of spring. Cloudy weather prevails generally with light rain at many widely separated stations.

A SECOND RECITAL.

The second of the series of concerts by Mr. Olmsted at the Mansion will be given Friday, March 9.

Miss Minnie Pitch Tucker, will, on that occasion, sing several selections. Tickets at King's drug store for 50 cents.

WILL NOT SHOW HAND BEFORE SUIT

Water Company Will Begin Investigation at Once

THEY FEEL PREPARED TO MEET THE ISSUE

Think That the Losers in Last Week's Fire Wish to Profit by the Investigation and by Demanding Statement.

The suit of Sowers vs. Raleigh Water Company will be concluded in Superior Court this afternoon. Throughout the morning Mr. Armstrong Jones, of counsel for the Water Company, has been addressing the jury. The last speech in being made this afternoon by Mr. Douglas, of counsel for plaintiff, and it is entirely probable that the jury will render its verdict by 6 o'clock.

As soon as the jury renders its verdict the minds of the officials of the Water Company will be free, and an investigation of the condition of its pipes and plant will begin.

On the day following the fire of one week ago, a special meeting of the directors of the Raleigh Water Company, was ordered to consider what action should be taken regarding the criticism of the company's management or conduct during the warehouse fire, when it was charged on the streets that an insufficient pressure of water and an insufficient pressure prevented the firemen from fighting the flames as they could have done if the company had lived up to its contract.

The directors met and considered the advisability of making a public official statement, such as was requested by the press of the city. It was at first considered advisable to make some statement, but to this there was serious objection on the part of several gentlemen present.

A gentleman who is not connected with the Water Company, but who claims to have information from reliable sources, says he understands one objection to have been that certain losers in the fire had intimated the possibility of bringing suit against the company for damages sustained in the fire and that the company thought it would be unwise to give those people the information they were so desirous to obtain. There was another objection, which was based on the statement of one gentleman that any statement made must be of such a character that the company can stand firm by it in case of any suit. The wisdom in the objections was apparent, and it is stated that the directors then ordered that so soon as possible an investigation should be made of the pipes, water tower, pump house and pressure indicators and everything possible should be done to find if there was any fault on the part of the company's plant. It was found that at the time the fire alarm was sent in the water tower was full of water and that as soon as notice was given extra pressure was turned on. This, it would seem, does away with the excuse offered by some that the free use of spigots by the patrons of the company during the cold spell of two days before the fire had kept the water at a low mark.

But, on the other hand, a stockholder in the Water Company stated yesterday to a representative of the Times-Visitor that it is barely possible that there is some fault with the hose used by the Fire Department, and that the firemen did not turn on the full stream from the hydrants.

The investigation will be conducted by the Water Company's own men and entirely independent of the investigation by the committee from the Board of Aldermen. What report is made will go to the directors, and they alone will decide whether it is to be given to the public.

It is maintained by one gentleman that there has never been found in the mains anything to clog or to delay the progress of the streams. He says that in some cities certain hose used by fire departments has been condemned on account of the nature of the interior linings.

This information could not be obtained from a director of the Water Company or from any of those connected with the management, who have been spoken of on the subject, but comes from an out-of-town man who is interested in the outcome of the investigation, and who has it from reliable sources.

ASHEVILLE MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

Will Be Held on the 21st and 22d.—A Grand Event.

The lovers of music in Asheville, N. C., are to revel in a carnival of music on the 21st and 22d. It is the occasion of the First Annual Festival of the Asheville Music Festival Association. This will be the grandest musical entertainment ever held in the State. The local chorus of 125 voices will be supplemented by the Chicago Orchestra of 60 pieces, of which Theodore Thomas is director.

A large number of visitors from a number of the cities of the State expect to attend. Several in Raleigh have signified their intention to do so.

The artists who are to take part in the program are Miss Carolina Gardner Clarke, soprano; Ion A. Jackson, tenor; Julian Walker, bass; Leopold Kramer, solo violin; Brino Steindell, solo cello. Mr. Ferdinand Dunkley is director of the Asheville chorus.

Special railroad rates have been granted for the occasion.

COLONEL CUNNINGHAM HERE.

Hon. John S. Cunningham, of Person county, whose many friends believe will be the next Governor of the State, came in on the afternoon train. Colonel Cunningham is always one of the most genial and popular visitors to Raleigh.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

The more important of the new industries reported by the Tradesman during the week ended March 3 include an asbestos goods factory in Virginia; brick and tile works in North Carolina; a broom factory in South Carolina; brown stone quarries in North Carolina; a carriage factory and coal mines in Kentucky; two cotton mills in Alabama, one in Georgia, three each in North Carolina and South Carolina, two in Texas; a cotton seed oil mill in Texas; an electric light and power company in North Carolina; a fertilizer factory in Virginia; flouring mills in Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, and West Virginia; a foundry and machine shop in Virginia; two furniture factories in North Carolina; acetylene gas works in Virginia; an ice factory in Tennessee; knitting mills in Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Virginia; a machine shop and a mattress factory in North Carolina; a mosquito net factory in Tennessee; a naval stores company in Florida; oaks and alvina mines in Georgia; a paper mill in Louisiana; a petroleum company in West Virginia; a soap factory in South Carolina; telephone companies in Florida and North Carolina; tobacco factories in Kentucky, South Carolina and Virginia.

SMALL POX IN GREENSBORO

Greensboro seems to be getting the upper hand of the smallpox epidemic as will be seen from the following bulletin issued by Mayor Taylor:

I beg leave to report the following as the condition of the smallpox cases within the city limits today:

No. of cases last report..... 19
New cases since last report..... 2
Dismissed since last report..... 9

Total No. cases to day..... 8
Suspects released..... 7
EDMUND HARRISON, M. D.,
Attending Physician.

RESCURING BODIES FROM THE MINES

No Hope of Saving Lives of Those Entombed

The Interior is Burning—Majority of the Dead Miners Were White Men and Nearly all Married.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 7.—The work of rescuing the men from the Red Ash Mine went on all night with more system than on yesterday. It was officially reported early this morning that from the indications of the first reports it was a greatly exaggerated statement of the loss of life. The latest reports from the Muth mine give the information that twenty-seven dead bodies have been taken out and between forty and fifty are still entombed. It is not believed that any of those in the mine will escape alive as the interior is burning. Sixty per cent. of the dead are whites and eighty per cent. married.

The mining experts are here and hundreds of men who were daily employed in the mines are working to save the bodies of their comrades.

Several of the bodies exhumed today were found in pieces. They had been torn by falling rocks and one body had been mashed into a jelly so that it was necessary to remove it in buckets. The head was ed ho etarapsmfrte here etani had been protected by a piece of a car that was caught just above. It was so protected that the features of the face were recognized by the wife of the miner. She was in a frenzy. The widespread sorrow here has touched almost every home.

The Christian Church will begin a series of revival services Sunday evening.

Mr. Herbert C. Duce, representing the James Young Company, was in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Moffitt, of Franklinville, are in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Josephus Daniels.

The condition of Mrs. F. A. Olds, who was taken to Rex Hospital on Monday, was reported favorably this morning.

Attention is called to the seed ad of Messrs. S. M. & W. J. Young in this issue. They handle nothing but fresh and reliable seed.

Mr. Z. P. Smith, city ticket agent of the Seaboard Air Line, is distributing some very handsome calendars, advertising his road. Mr. Smith is a hustler, and is ever on the alert to put the S. A. L. before the public.

MISS LEACH'S STUDIO.

Miss Dixie Leach has opened a studio in the Tucker building. She will do all classes of painting and china decorating. Miss Leach is a most accomplished artist and should receive a large amount of patronage. In addition to her work, she will instruct a few pupils.

TO PIGEON HOLE TREATY

Washington, March 7.—It is reported seemingly on good authority that Senator Davis, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, is desirous of pigeon-holing the Hay-Pauncefote treaty on the ground that public sentiment is overwhelmingly against the treaty.