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SEVERE DEFEAT OF THE BRITISH

Lord Kitchener Cables the News of Another English Disaster.

FOUR COLONELS KILLED

Boers Under Delirious Defeat Forces of Clements. Both is on the Aggressive.

By telegraph to The Times.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The Boers have administered a severe defeat to the British in Eastern Transvaal. The casualties are heavy and the British loss includes four officers killed.

Lord Kitchener reports his reverse in the following dispatch, dated Pretoria, December 13th: "Delirious with 2,500 men attacked General Clements at Nootgedacht at dawn today. The Boers were at first repulsed but afterwards succeeded in taking the top Magoliesberg from four companies of the Northumberland Fusiliers, enabling them to command the camp of Clements who retired to Heelpoort.

"Casualties are incomplete but the fighting was very severe. Clements' losses include Col. Legg, Captain Maclean, Captain Murdoch, and Captain Atkins killed. Reinforcements have been sent to Clements."

Nootgedacht is near Litchenburg and not many miles from Mafeking. Kitchener further reports that Col. Broadwood, who is seven miles west of Clements, has taken Litchenburg. He reports that the Boer General Lemmer, and two Burgheers, were killed.

Minor engagements are reported at Bethlehem, Vrede and Vryheid. The Boers' losses aggregate ten killed and fourteen wounded.

WHERE BOTH IS.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A dispatch from Standerton, Transvaal, to the News Agency here, says General Louis Botha is 20 miles distant from that place with 1,500 men. He has called a meeting of the Burgheers for December 15th.

Standerton is on the railroad from Natal to Pretoria and about 50 miles north of Lings Nek Pass.

DEWET AT BAY.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The Evening Standard says a telegram has been received in London to the effect that General Knox has compelled General Dewet to make a stand and an engagement is now in progress. Many of Dewet's men, it says, have been captured.

ORDERED TO AFRICA.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—All available mounted infantry at Aldershot, Malta and other military centers has been ordered to South Africa.

FIGHT A FAKE.

Referee Siler Says Gans Gave it Up.

By telegraph to The Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—In the opinion of referee George Siler, Joe Gans' exhibition last night in his go with Terry McGovern was of the yellow order. "The fight, if such it can be called," said Siler, "lasted five minutes and five seconds and was the poorest and weakest from the Gans and ever witnessed in Chicago. I do not wish to accuse any fighter of faking, but if Gans was trying last night, I don't know much about the game. Gans, of course, is entitled to the benefit of the doubt as to whether or not the numerous body blows, which Terry pumped into him in close quarters during the early part of the fight, weakened him. But the fact remains that the few blows he delivered were the weakest ever seen from a man of his known hitting abilities.

"Gans' share amounted to over \$4,000, and if his club managers were positive he was faking his end of the purse would have been turned over to some charitable institution."

SUIT AGAINST THE RAILWAY.

By telegraph to The Times.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 14.—Judge Waite is hearing argument today in the case of Wm. D. McNeys vs. the Southern Railway Company. The argument is on the demurrer interposed by the Southern Railway. This is the suit in which the Southern Railway is sued for \$30,500 penalty for leaving the South Carolina and Georgia Railroad, on the ground that the two lines are competing and parallel.

THE PENSION BILL

Reported Today Carries an Appropriation of \$145,000,000.

BEER TAX REDUCTION

Congressman Otey Pleads for Reduction in the Tax on Tobacco.

By telegraph to The Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Friends of the brewing interests expect to carry an amendment to the revenue reduction bill in the House today, reducing the tax on beer to \$1.50, by a clear majority. They figure on 48 Republican votes and all the Democrats but 14.

IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. Barney (Republican), reported the pension appropriation bill from the committee when the House met today. It carries one hundred and forty-five million dollars.

The House went into committee of the whole on the war tax reduction bill. Maddox, of Georgia, the first speaker urged the adoption of the minority report.

Otey, of Virginia, urged a reduction in the tobacco tax. He created amusement by giving the statistics of users of tobacco, tea, coffee and opium, but confessed his inability to obtain statistics of users of whiskey. There was no solace like a good chew of tobacco, he continued. From the earliest discovery of tobacco it had been used by nearly all great men in every calling.

Mr. Lewis (Georgia), supported the minority report. Sulzer (New York), urged a further reduction in the beer tax.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The electoral votes of Illinois and Washington were received today. The Senate concurred in the holiday recess resolution for December 21st. The Senate at 12:45 went into executive session.

PORTO RICO'S DELEGATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Hon. F. Degetau, delegate to the House from Porto Rico, will make formal application for his seat in that body today. He appeared at the capitol today, and was introduced to Speaker Henderson. He says he expects to be seated.

"I like this country very much," he continued, "and only hope I can make myself understood enough to tell my appreciation, and also present many matters which are essential to the welfare of Porto Rico."

POSTMASTER'S SUICIDE

Prominent Pennsylvania Lawyer Kills Himself.

By telegraph to The Times.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 14.—Major Adam C. Reinhardt, postmaster of this city, and a prominent member of the Lancaster bar, was found dead in his office this morning with the gas jet and radiator gas turned on, and the cracks under the doors were stopped up with his clothes and cushions piled on top of the radiator. Financial difficulties were undoubtedly the cause of the suicide.

LAGGING BEHIND

Several Riders Have Dropped Out of Race.

By telegraph to The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The first change in several hours in the position of the riders in the six-day race at Madison Square Garden took place early this morning when Kaser, the German, suddenly spurted and got into fourth place. The leaders are now far behind the record made by Waller and Miller last season. At six o'clock this morning they were 39 miles and two laps behind last season's record. "Dutch" Waller is playing out fast. The riders kept up a series of spurts all morning and the Dutchman kept falling back, going from fourth to sixth place. Elkes and MacFarland are riding in fine shape, though MacFarland says he will never enter another six-day's race. The management have permitted Gimm and Babcock to re-enter the race to fight for seventh prize between themselves. Turville and Aronson, their partners, are in the hospital, nursing their injuries.

The score at 12 o'clock: Elkes-McFarland, 2,044 miles, 2 laps; Pierre-MacEachern, 2,044-2; Sinar-Gougoltz, 2,044-1; Kaser-Ryser, 2,043-7; Fisher-Frederick, 2,043-6; Stinson-Waller, 2,042-6; Babcock, 1,487-4; Gimm, 1,478-9.

SAN FRANCISCO'S OPERA HOUSE.

By telegraph to The Times.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—The visit of the great Maurice Grau opera troupe to this city and the Pacific coast has started the building of a new opera house. It will cost a quarter of a million dollars and will be thoroughly modern and richly equipped and furnished. It will be finished within a year.

RAIL BUYING.

By telegraph to The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Vanderbilt interests are about to place their orders for steel rails, and Western roads are also figuring. The Baltimore and Ohio wants 40,000 tons, but has not yet given its order.

GERMAN-AMERICAN LEAGUE.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 14.—The German-American League and Roosevelt League of Brooklyn, will re-organize in November, will elect new officers tonight.

MAY WITHDRAW IT

President Likely to Remove Hay-Pauncufote Treaty from Consideration.

ENGLAND WILL NOT AGREE

Cabinet Meets Today to Consider the Matter. Hay and McKinley Hold Extended Conference.

By telegraph to The Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—As a result of the overwhelming vote in the Senate yesterday on the Davis amendment to the Hay-Pauncufote Treaty the President may withdraw the treaty from the Senate. It is believed that Great Britain will not accept the treaty as amended, to say nothing of further drastic amendments proposed, and not yet acted on. The effect of these were to abrogate the Clayton-Bulver Treaty and provide for an all-American canal, with the right to defend it against all comers, and the further right of the Americans to keep out other nations from the use of the canal in time of war.

The President and Secretary Hay held a two hours' conference this morning. Both appeared disturbed and Hay was more brusque than usual after the conference. Several Senators later saw the President, and returned more or less ill-natured.

The Cabinet will undoubtedly consider the matter today. A long session is expected. It is thought the President will withdraw the pending treaty and open negotiations with Great Britain on the basis indicated by the action of the Senate.

The pending treaty leaves certain sections of the Clayton-Bulver Treaty in force the principal one which provides that neither the United States nor England shall attempt to secure absolute independent control of the Nicaragua canal without the consent of the other. Additional proposed amendments to the treaty cannot be considered until the next executive session of the Senate.

THE CABINET MEETING.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—3 p. m.—The Cabinet meeting was short and the treaty was not discussed. It is believed the President has reached a decision on the treaty without consulting his cabinet.

20 TO BE EXECUTED

French Gunboat to See the Work Well Done.

By telegraph to The Times.

HONG KONG, Dec. 14.—Twenty anti-foreigners, Chinese, who were convicted of posting placards inciting Chinese to rise against the foreigners, have been condemned to death. A French gunboat has started up the river to witness the executions.

CANNOT USE CHURCH

West Raleigh People Oppose School in Their Church.

The members of the West Raleigh Baptist Church held a business meeting last night, after the evening service, and unanimously decided that the school committee should not use the church building for school purposes. A public school is now being conducted there for the benefit of the people in West Raleigh, however, the membership of that church claim that the property is being injured and that the use of the place for a school promotes a disrespect of God's house among the children.

The series of special services now in progress in this church are increasing in interest and after the sermon by Rev. J. H. Rich last night several showed their interest. The meeting will continue throughout the week.

ACCEPTED APPLICATION

Cassie Bright the First Child in Methodist Orphanage.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins, superintendent of the Methodist orphanage, has everything in readiness now for receiving thirty-two children, 16 snow white little beds are ready. The first application received was that of Cassie Bright, a little girl of ten years, living at Winstedville, Beaufort county. She will have the distinction of being the first child received and according to previous arrangement she will be supported by the Greenville Sunday school. Cassie Bright is an auspicious name for the opening.

INTER-RAILROAD STREET ROAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—President Vreeland, of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, and the passenger agents of the various steamboat and railway lines are considering various plans for starting an inter-railroad in town for the benefit of passengers arriving here by one railroad or steamboat route and wishing to make close connections in order to depart by another. The proposed route will be from the Grand Central Station to the Pennsylvania and Erie ferries, and thence proceed along past the various steamboat and steamship wharves, so that the passenger can be transferred for a nickel, and that speedily.

COLUMBIA AND PENN.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Columbia and Pennsylvania Universities will tonight at the Academy of Music debate the question: "Resolved, That the United States should establish a system of graded subsidies based upon mileage navigated while engaged in foreign trade." A radical debate has been made in debating matters at Pennsylvania, the management of all debates being, this year, in the hands of the student body. Heretofore debates have been controlled by a debate committee.

TO BE HANGED.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 14.—Lucius F. Baker, who shot John Conroy to death near Bosworth, will be hanged today.

THE CITY LIMITS

An Erroneous Impression as to Present Boundaries Corrected.

RALEIGH NOT A SQUARE

Measured in Feet from the Capitol. Southern Limits are the Largest.

The proposed extension of the city limits is beginning to be the subject of discussion on the street. Hence, the communication given below by Mr. C. C. McDonald inasmuch as it gives the present city limits, is most timely.

Mr. McDonald writes:

"As the question of extending the city limits is somewhat before our people, and will be brought before the Legislature, all citizens are interested. All citizens includes residents and prospective. Whether such a one has his washing done inside of the corporate limits or not, he is one of us, and takes as much interest in our affairs, and welfare as those of us who are inside, some of them take enough interest to cross the line and enter our primaries. All these feel an interest in the growth and development of our city, what affects one affects all, directly or indirectly.

Now what are the present dimensions of our city? I have always thought, and gave the answer one mile each way from the Capitol. This is the general impression, but the Shaffer map and our city charter, which is correct, says: From the center of Capital—"Union Square"—that is from the center of Hillsboro and Newbern avenue, north, it is 2,893 feet, south from same it is 4,351 feet, thus giving us 1,458 more feet south of the Capitol than north of it. West of the Capitol it is 3,353 feet, thus giving 972 feet south more than we have west from the Capitol. East of the Capitol it is 3,579 feet. Few would want to build south, yet we have 1,458 more feet in the corporate limits south than we have north, and 972 feet south more than west."

BAZAAR CLOSING TOMORROW.

The ladies having charge of the Presbyterian Bazaar, next to Weathers and Utley, on West Hargett street, announce that the bazaar will continue throughout this evening and tomorrow, when hot lunches will be served at the usual meal hours. The purpose is to close tomorrow so that at noon Saturday the remaining articles will be sold to the highest bidder, which will give a rare opportunity to make a few purchases. Most of the best articles are still unsold and this will make the sale quite an inducement to callers.

BOUGHT A GOLD BRICK.

Mr. James Boylan made a recent visit to Danville, Va., and while there he played a good trick on his friend Mr. J. T. Catlin, formerly of this city. Mr. Catlin is now a successful banker there. Mr. Boylan walked into his establishment and offered him a gold brick for sale. When the bargain was consummated Mr. Boylan disclosed who he was and Mr. Catlin enjoyed the joke heartily.

ACTION OF CONFERENCE.

A gentleman who knows tells The Times that the report that Dr. E. A. Yates was given an undesirable appointment because of his introduction of the resolution endorsing Dr. Kilgo, is unfounded. The action of the Conference was rather favorable to Dr. Kilgo than otherwise, and the greatest consideration was shown for Dr. Yates, who is one of the ablest and best loved men in the Conference.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SMITH.

The funeral of the late Mrs. James H. Smith was conducted at Neuse this afternoon at one o'clock. The remains were carried to Neuse this morning. Among those outside of the immediate family who went were Mr. John T. Pullen, Mr. J. M. Broughton, Mr. W. H. Holloway, Rev. W. D. Hubbard, Mr. J. S. Wynne, Miss Lizzie Wynne and Dr. Moore, of Apex.

CLASS ENTERTAINMENT.

Mrs. A. M. Hanft's infant class of the Sunday school of the Church of the Good Shepherd, gave a most enjoyable entertainment in the Parish rooms of that church last evening. After the program was completed refreshments were served.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY RATES BY THE S. A. L.

On account of Christmas holidays the Seaboard Air Line Railway will sell round-trip tickets from Raleigh to all points in North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee and Kentucky at rate of one and one-third first-class fare for the round trip. Tickets to be sold December 22 to 25 inclusive, and December 30 to January 1, inclusive, with final return limit January 4, 1901.

Tickets for teachers and students will be sold from December 15 to 21 inclusive with final limit January 8, 1901. For further information write or call on C. H. Gentry, C. T. A., Seaboard Home, Raleigh, N. C., Telephone No. 117.

EXAMINATION COMPLETE.

The legislative committee which has been examining the State Treasurer's and State Auditor's books will finish their work this evening. They finished with the Treasurer yesterday afternoon and today has been spent in the Auditor's office.

YOUNG LADY WANTED TO CLERK.

Candy store. E. Johnson, Interstate phone 350. 14-1.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF

Prosperous Session of the Morganton School.

Mr. N. B. Broughton has just attended a meeting of the board of directors of the North Carolina school for the deaf at Morganton.

President Reed and Superintendent Goodwin submitted the bi-annual report which showed great improvement and an advance along all lines of educational and industrial training, and a large percentage of increase in attendance. Plans were considered and adopted for fire escapes and for protection of buildings against fire. The departments of cooking, printing, dress-making, cabinet work and shoe-making are all in a flourishing condition. The health of the school is well-nigh perfect. Samuel Huffman tendered his resignation as a member of the board, and Julius P. Hoffman, of Burke, was elected as his successor.

The cooking department, which was established in September, has proved a valuable addition to the industrial department.

CAPT. BOBBITT DEAD

A Leading Tobacconist of Wilson Passes Away.

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.

WILSON, N. C., Dec. 14.—Sidney M. Bobbitt, a leading tobacco warehouseman, formerly Captain of the Wilson Light Infantry, died here suddenly this morning from heart failure. He was a native of Oxford, The body was taken there today. He was prominent in social circles. Committees from the Masons, Pythians and the Tobacco Board of Trade accompanied the remains.

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COURT ADJOURNS

Grand Jury Thanks Judge Purnell and Compliments Him Highly

Federal Court this morning completed the work of the term and adjourned. When Judge Purnell dismissed the grand jury a surprise was in store for him and the court. One of the jurors arose and said that he desired on the part of the jury to thank Judge Purnell for his kindness to those that had been his courtrooms and patient and the jury considered it an honor to act under such an eminent and just judge. This proceeding was quite unusual and it could but be a source of gratification and pleasure to Judge Purnell.

PRISONERS TO NASHVILLE

York Carried to Wilmington Today to Serve His Term in Jail There.

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Today Judge Purnell changed the sentence of John Jackson, of Cambridge, to twelve months in jail. In doing so Judge Purnell said that he was at a loss of consideration to the man's bright, pure young daughter, to save her the disgrace of having her father a convict.

Seven prisoners will be sent to Nashville, Tenn., as the result of this court. The man Pearce, for whose escape Messrs. Green and Arendell are indicted by the grand jury Wednesday, was a desperate man. He was the moonshiner who cut the tongue out of the mouth of a horse owned by a poor widow in New Light township in this county. Because of this Judge Purnell had made his sentence heavy, two years.

The term consumed less time than the one held last December when the court had to take a recess for the Christmas holidays and reconvene in January.

YORK CARRIED TO JAIL.

Marshall J. C. Dockery this morning carried the young man J. L. York, who was convicted of using the mails for fraudulent purposes and sentenced to 18 months in jail, to Wilmington, where he will spend this time in jail.

NORMAL SCHOOL FIRE

New York Institution Sustains a Loss of \$250,000.

DUNKIRK, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The fire at the state normal school at Fredonia resulted in great disaster. This morning the only part of the building standing is the new dining hall and gymnasium facing Terrace street. The loss will amount to \$250,000. The spirit of the school is in no way dampened, however, for at 7:30 o'clock the various teachers, satisfied that all the boarding students were safe, were given notice that the class would meet at 10 o'clock in the opera house and continue their work.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. The insurance on the building is estimated at \$90,000. The school will be rebuilt.

Patrick J. Morris, janitor of the Normal School, was seen during the fire, but is now missing. Most people believe he went suddenly insane and wandered away. Some believe he has been burned to death. It is also rumored that six young women students were burned to death, but as they are scattered all over the village, the report cannot yet be confirmed.

WEST VA. BEATS NEW JERSEY.

SPECIAL TO CHARLOTTE OBSERVER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The record of new companies having a capitalization of \$1,000,000 and over for November shows that the total capitalization amounted to \$18,850,000, as against \$108,350,000 for the previous month. The total for the year is \$22,217,550,000. The records for the past month, however, do not indicate the real condition of the industrial movement, as there are many companies in process of formation which have not as yet filed their incorporation papers and of which there is, of course, no official record. New Jersey, which in the consolidation movement, assumed first place, has fallen back to second place within the past six months. West Virginia taking the lead with capitalizations of \$69,000,000, while New Jersey has \$49,000,000, Colorado \$14,000,000, Virginia \$12,000,000, Delaware \$5,000,000, and New York \$4,700,000, by one or two instances, prominent New York syndicates have gone to West Virginia instead of New Jersey.

MORRISON JURY HUNG.

By telegraph to The Times.

EL DORADO, KANSAS, Dec. 14.—After deliberating for over three hours the Morrison jury was sent to the hotel by Judge Shinn at 1 o'clock last night. He did not ask for an expression from the jurors and they then departed home. It is believed the Judge will keep the jury together until Saturday.

LATER—The jury is discharged.

CHANGE OF RESIDENCES.

Mr. J. M. Broughton has moved from his former residence, corner of Edenton and Person streets, into his new residence, 117 South Broadway street. Mrs. A. T. Parham, who has been living on the corner of Jones and St. Mary's street, has moved into the house formerly occupied by Mr. Broughton.

Mr. Claude Dockery arrived this morning to transact some business in the Federal court.

GOOCH GIVES BAIL

Young Man Who Killed His Father Released on \$500 Bond.

George Gooch, the young man who shot and killed his father last Tuesday morning at their home