

BELATED WAR NEWS

Mafeking Reported Able to Hold Out to the End.

BULLER'S WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

A Relief Force Announced For Ladysmith—British and Boer Plans Shrouded in Mystery—Jameson Sails For England.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—There is no additional news regarding the progress of hostilities in South Africa this morning except a dispatch from Mafeking, forwarded by a runner, dated Oct. 31, which says that during the afternoon General Cronje, the Boer commander, sent an envoy to Colonel Baden-Powell under a flag of truce to declare that he did not consider the Geneva convention authorized the flag of the Red Cross society to fly from several buildings at once in the town and that in his opinion the employment of natives against whites and the use of dynamite mines were both opposed to the rules of war.

Colonel Baden-Powell replied that the Geneva convention did not stipulate as to the number of Red Cross stations permissible and that the Boers were only required to respect the convent, the hospital and the women's laager, all of which were beyond the town limits. The British commander also pointed out that mines were recognized adjuncts of civilized warfare and that the defenses of Pretoria were extensively mined. Moreover, he reminded General Cronje that the Boers had fired upon natives, burned their kraals and raided their cattle, and that the natives only defended their lives and property.

Despite three warnings from Colonel Baden-Powell the Boers continued deliberately to shell the hospital and the women's laager. The sending of the Boer envoy was regarded, the dispatch says, as a more pretense for penetrating the British lines at Mafeking. According to the latest reports the town is confident of its ability to hold out until the end of the campaign.

So far as Kimberley is concerned, the mental condition of the British there may be judged from the fact that three weddings have taken place since the siege began, the last having been celebrated on Nov. 8.

Nothing is known as to the whereabouts of General Sir Redvers Buller. The Powerful has arrived at Simon's bay from Durban and begun to coal. The cruiser will return to Durban immediately with more guns. Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, announced in a speech last evening that a relief force would immediately be sent to Ladysmith, but beyond that nothing is known of the British plan of campaign, and equal secrecy shrouds the movements of the Boers.

Dr. Jameson, the hero of the raid, left Cape Town for England last Thursday. The Cape authorities have seized a wireless telegraph plant found on board a vessel destined for Delagoa bay.

Big Diamond Robbery. CLEVELAND, Nov. 14.—Thirty thousand dollars' worth of diamonds were stolen yesterday afternoon from the store of Sigler Bros. at 354 Euclid avenue. Three men entered the store, which is on the second floor. One of the trio stood at the elevator cage, and the other two entered the office of Mr. Sigler. One of the strangers engaged the attention of one of the clerks, and the other talked to Mr. Sigler, at whose side was a black box, 4 by 10 inches, containing the diamonds. Mr. Sigler says his attention was distracted for a moment, and upon turning to his supposed customer both had fled, and the box of jewels was gone. The police have no clear description furnished by Mr. Sigler.

Measles Epidemic in Buffalo. BUFFALO, Nov. 14.—Buffalo's epidemic of measles is spreading, and new cases are being reported at an alarming rate. During the past three days 68 new cases have been reported to the health department, and it is believed that there are many cases which have not been reported. This makes a total of 237 cases since Oct. 1, and the authorities have learned that the disease is spreading through a large number of schools.

Senator Thurston to Marry. OMAHA, Nov. 14.—Confirmation was made at the Thurston residence in this city of the report that Senator John M. Thurston was to wed Miss Lolla Penman of Washington. The wedding will occur in Washington this week, and the senator and his bride will take a two weeks' wedding trip before returning to Washington for the session of congress. He is expected to spend Thanksgiving in this city with his bride.

Canadian Waterway Open. MONTREAL, Nov. 14.—The new steamship Porto Rico (American), bound from Toledo to New York, passed through the new Soulanges canal yesterday without a hitch. She was drawing nine feet of water, while the draft of the canal is 14 feet. The Porto Rico is the first large boat to pass through the canal, which is completing link in Canada's 14 foot waterway from the great lakes to the ocean.

Exports Decrease. WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—The October monthly statement of domestic exports issued by the bureau of statistics shows as follows: Breadstuffs, \$24,194,860; decrease as compared with October, 1898, about \$450,000.

The President Will Speak. WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—President McKinley has promised to make an address at Mount Vernon on Dec. 14, when the Masonic observance of the one hundredth anniversary of Washington's death will occur.

Admiral Schley's Orders. WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Admiral Schley has received his final orders from the navy department to hoist his flag on the Chicago at New York on the 17th inst., assuming command of the south Atlantic station.

Gold Certificates. WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The treasury has paid out gold certificates since Aug. 7 last to the amount of \$191,285,590 and has received \$94,053,460, making a net issue of \$97,232,130.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Fire in Liverpool destroyed three large lumber yards, causing a loss of £100,000. L. Morris of Athens, Ga., was thrown into bankruptcy by the action of New York creditors.

The heirs of the late Lucian Sharpe have announced a gift of \$10,000 to Brown university.

Bank robbers made an unsuccessful attack on the Garfield Savings bank of Euclid, O., a suburb of Cleveland.

The enormous sum of \$100,000,000 has been expended in New York city for new buildings in the past ten months.

The Glucose company of Illinois has asked for a retrial by the Illinois courts of the noted glucose case decided recently.

It was said at Richmond, Ind., that the proposed thrashing machine trust would either mature or fall of organization in a very few days.

Charles E. Stewart was arrested in Pittsburg, charged with passing a forged check for \$10,000 on the First National bank of Woonsocket, R. I.

Tuesday, Nov. 14. About 300 were killed in the fight at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela.

Mrs. Leslie Carter, who has been ill at Columbus, was reported much improved.

It was said in Washington that no Russo-Japanese complications would involve the United States.

The Chinese port of Yo-Chou-Fu, in the anti-foreign province of Hunan, was thrown open to commerce.

Deputy Coroner S. P. Salter of Philadelphia, charged with election frauds, surrendered himself and was released on bail.

Five Navajo Indians and one white man were killed as the result of an attempt to arrest a Navajo at Walnut Station, A. T.

Owing to the disappearance of Rev. Dr. William Hart Dexter the school at Nyack, N. Y., of which he was principal, has been closed.

William R. Humm, son of a Philadelphia lawyer, accidentally shot and killed Edwin Lippincott of that city in the latter's cigar store.

Brigadier General Ludlow, who has been spoken of for civil governor of Cuba, was in Washington and saw the president and Secretary Root.

Monday, Nov. 13. Jacob Rothschild offered \$10,000 toward the cost of the new Parthenon proposed by Henry A. Spaulding.

It is expected that the milk trust, incorporated at Dover, Del., will increase the price of milk in New York.

A syndicate has been formed for the purpose of buying five of the largest shipbuilding plants in the United States.

Wreckers at work on the sunken ferryboat Chicago in the North river, New York, found the body of another victim.

Tammany has pledged \$10,000 to complete the fund needed to save the home of Charles Stewart Parnell from foreclosure sale.

Mystery surrounds the alleged shooting of Edwin Buckley Guilbert and his death in the Adirondacks the day before the date set for his marriage.

Attorneys for Admiral Dewey and his officers and men asked the court of claims to award \$382,000 bounty for the destruction of the Spanish fleet.

Saturday, Nov. 11. The British universities will probably accept the American chess challenge.

UNCLE SAM'S ARMY.

General Miles' Annual Report Made Public.

OFFICERS AND MEN COMMENDED.

Thinks Extra Pay Should Be Allowed Because of Increased Expenses—Present Force Sufficient For Service Required.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The annual report of Major General Nelson A. Miles has been made public. He says that at present there are 391 officers and 10,796 men in Cuba, 108 officers and 3,291 men in Porto Rico. On Oct. 1 there were in the Philippines 971 officers and 31,344 men, while there were en route to those islands at that time 546 officers and 13,553 men.

In Alaska there is now a force of 15 officers and 484 men, and in the Hawaiian Islands there are 12 officers and 453 men.

The report concludes with the following general statement: "The demand for troops for foreign service has been unusual and has been somewhat severe upon them, especially those of the regular army. Within the last 18 months several regiments have been required to leave their stations in the extreme north, move to the West India islands to engage in a campaign in summer, return to northern stations in the autumn and winter and move again to tropical islands in the Pacific and engage in campaigns under the most difficult circumstances. Rarely in any service have troops experienced such unusual changes in climate as those above indicated, yet under all circumstances and at all times the utmost loyalty, fortitude and faithful performance of duty have been manifested on the part of the troops. In nearly all engagements where the troops have been brought into contact with the enemy they have invariably acted on the offensive, and in not a single instance have they suffered defeat. The intelligence, discipline and fidelity of both officers and men have been most commendable.

"Owing to the additional and extraordinary expense placed upon officers while serving in the Philippine Islands, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Hawaiian Islands it is recommended that they be allowed the same percentage of the increase of pay that is now provided by law for the enlisted men.

"It is also recommended that officers of the army with a creditable record who served during the civil war shall be granted the same consideration concerning rank and pay as has been accorded officers of the navy by section 11, act approved March 5, 1893.

"As far as organization is concerned the army is in a transition state. It is believed that the force will be ample for the service required of it up to the time authorized—namely, July 1, 1901. It is gratifying to note that the government has authorized a military force which seems commensurate with its requirements, magnitude and institutions. I have for years recommended the adoption of a standard in proportion to the population—namely, not to exceed one soldier to every 1,000 of the population—and I believe that the establishment of such a standard would be safe and judicious in every respect.

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ANOTHER WAR CLOUD.

Japan May Be Fighting With Russia Soon.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 13.—That the rumors of the serious situation between Russia and Japan are not exaggerated seems certain from news received here.

The North China Daily News says: "So greatly excited were the Chinese of the north by rumors of an impending war between Russia and Japan that many merchants, both Chinese and Japanese, who are doing business in Newchwang, Port Arthur and Chefoo have sent their families to Shanghai and elsewhere in the south for safety.

"It is believed Japan rather courts the struggle, as she is now second only to England in naval strength and for years has viewed the encroachments of Russia with resentment and alarm.

Haste For Japanese Battleship. LONDON, Oct. 13.—Hurry orders have been received by the builders of the Japanese battleship now in process of construction at Clyde Bank to complete the vessel as speedily as possible.

The new ship, which will be one of the largest afloat, is to be finished by Jan. 1, 1900. It is believed that these instructions are the result of the increasing tension between Japan and Russia.

SAMOA DIVIDED. England Gets Out, Germany Gets Savaii and Upolu, We Get Tutuila.

BERLIN, Nov. 9.—The terms of the Samoan treaty between Great Britain and Germany, which have been approved by the United States, have been officially announced.

Great Britain renounces her rights to Samoa, and the islands are to be divided between Germany and the United States. Germany gets the islands of Upolu and Savaii. The United States gets the island of Tutuila.

Germany renounces all rights to the Tonga islands and Savage Island, which is midway between the Samoan and Tonga groups, and cedes to Great Britain two islands in the Solomon group, Isabel and Choiseul. Germany renounces her consular jurisdiction in Zanzibar and consents to the delimitation of the British and German frontiers in the hinterland of Togoland, Africa, by a commission.

It is also agreed that the town of Yendi shall fall with the new Togoland boundary and that Salaga shall be in British territory.

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Since the Sunday closing movement was inaugurated in Oil City last April, the merchants of that city have paid more than \$500 in fines. The penalty is \$5.00 for each offense and some dealers preferred paying the fine to losing the pecuniary profits of a Sabbath day's business.

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