

BIG BATTLE RAGING.

General De Wet Leads Boers Against the British.

DISTURBANCES AT SEVERAL POINTS.

Railway and Telegraph Lines Broken Near Edenburg—Supply Wagons and Escort Ambushed in Natal.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—Dispatches from South Africa report that a great battle is proceeding between the British forces and the Boers under General De Wet.

Lord Roberts cables the war office that the Boers attacked a British outpost at Thaba N'Chu, in the rich grain district east of Bloemfontein.

The commander in chief also reports that the Boers have ambushed a wagon load of supplies and 13 men at Utrecht, Natal.

A dispatch from Cape Town says that the transport Canada is being fitted up preparatory to taking Lord Roberts home.

MARSEILLES, Nov. 21.—No definite news has been received as to the whereabouts of the Gelderland, but arrangements are going forward for a possible reception and for a banquet this evening.

TO AWE THE SULTAN.

The Battleship Kentucky Ordered to Smyrna.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The first class battleship Kentucky, now in Mediterranean waters, has been ordered to touch at Smyrna, Turkey.

These claims have been pending for a long time. The payment of the indemnity was urged in turn by Ministers Angell and Straus, and Mr. Griseom, the American charge, now at Constantinople.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Rear Admiral Roger N. Stembel, retired, is dead from pneumonia at the Fifth Avenue hotel.

Morgan Coming to Northfield. LONDON, Nov. 19.—The Rev. S. Campbell Morgan, minister of New Court Congregational chapel, Tollington Park, London.

X Rays For Baldness. VIENNA, Nov. 19.—Dr. Kleinbock says he has discovered that lost hair can be restored by the use of the X rays.

Population of Pennsylvania. WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The population of the state of Pennsylvania as officially announced by the census bureau is 6,302,115 against 5,258,014 in 1880.

Ohio Bank Blown Up. ASHLEY, O., Nov. 21.—Eight men made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Bank of Ashley yesterday.

Pig Iron Shipped to Germany. FLORENCE, Ala., Nov. 20.—A shipment of 1,000 tons of pig iron was made here via Brunswick, Ga., to Bremen.

CZAR HAS A RELAPSE.

It is Attributed to an Injudicious Dietary.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—"The czar suffered a slight relapse yesterday. This is attributed," says the Moscow correspondent of The Daily Express, "to an injudicious dietary."

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THE CZAR OF RUSSIA.

THE IMPERIAL EDICT

Chinese Decree For the Punishment of Boxer Leaders.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR TUAN AND CHWANG

Yu Hsien, Former Governor of Shanai, to Be Kept at Hard Labor in the Farthest Border of the Country.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The Japanese legation has received from the foreign office at Tokyo the text of the Chinese imperial edict, dated the 13th inst., on the punishment of the anti-foreign officials.

"Orders have been already issued for the punishment of the officials responsible for opening hostilities upon friendly powers and bringing the country into the present critical condition by neglecting to suppress and even by encouraging the Boxers.

But as Peking and its neighborhood have not yet been entirely cleared of the Boxers the innocent people are still suffering terribly through the devastation of their houses, a state of affairs which cannot fail to fill one with the bitterest feelings against those officials.

And if they are not severely punished, how can the anger of the people be appeased and the indignation of the foreign powers allayed?

"Accordingly Prince Tuan is hereby deprived of his title and rank and shall, together with Prince Chwang, who has already been deprived of his title, be delivered to the clan court, to be kept in prison until the restoration of peace, when they shall be banished to Shengking, to be imprisoned for life.

Princes Yi and Tai Young, who have both been already deprived of their titles, are also to be delivered to the clan court for imprisonment, while Prince Tsai Lien, also already deprived of title and rank, is to be kept confined in his own house.

Duke Tsai Lan shall forfeit his dual salary, but may be transferred with the degradation of one rank. Chief Censor Ying Nien shall be degraded two ranks and transferred. As to Kang Yi, minister of the board of civil appointment, upon his return from the commission on which he had been sent for the purpose of making inquiries into the Boxer affair he memorialized the throne in an audience strongly in their favor.

He should have been severely punished but for his death from illness, and all penalties are accordingly remitted. Chao Shun Yao, minister of the board of punishment, who had been sent on a mission similar to that of Kang Yi, returned almost immediately.

"Though such conduct was a flagrant neglect of his duties, still he did not make a distorted report to the throne, and therefore he shall be deprived of his rank, but allowed to retain his present office. Finally Yu Hsien, ex-governor of Shanai, allowed while in office the Boxers freely to massacre the Christian missionaries and converts.

For this he deserves the severest punishment, and therefore he is to be banished to the farthest border of the country and there to be kept at hard labor for life.

"We have a full knowledge of the present trouble from the very beginning, and therefore, though no impeachment has been brought by Chinese officials at home or abroad against Princes Yi, Tsai Lien and Tsai Young, we order them to be punished in the same manner as those who have been impeached. All who see the edict will thus perceive our justice and impartiality in inflicting condign penalties upon these officials."

To Adopt Stronger Measures. LONDON, Nov. 21.—"At last," says the Shanghai correspondent of The Morning Post, writing yesterday, "the allies in Peking have resolved upon stronger measures to bring matters to a crisis.

They have asked the viceroy of Nankin to state definitely his position toward the Chinese court and the question of forwarding supplies." "It is credibly reported," says the Shanghai correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, under yesterday's date, "that the emperor's dowager has telegraphed a secret decree warning all governors and viceroys to prepare for immediate war against the allies everywhere."

Playwright Hoyt Dead. CHARLESTOWN, N. H., Nov. 21.—Charles H. Hoyt, the well known playwright, died at his residence here at 7:15 o'clock last night of paresis, from which he had been suffering for several months past. Ever since his return to Charlestown, after his release from a private asylum in Hartford by order of the court early in August, it had been known by his attendants and nearest friends that his condition was serious and that there was little or no chance for his recovery, but Mr. Hoyt had seemed hopeful of ultimate recovery. Previous to two weeks ago there appeared to be a slight improvement in his condition, although he had periods of depression. About two weeks ago his appetite failed and he had a bad turn, from which he only partially recovered. Since that time he had been unable to take any except liquid nourishment.

Bond's Majority Grows. ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Nov. 21.—Only one legislative district has not yet declared the result of its poll during the recent colonial general election. Yesterday official returns were received from the Burgeo district, showing another success for Mr. Bond, the premier. The delay in declaring the result was due to the continued stormy weather, which had prevented a collection of the ballot boxes. With one district yet to be heard from, Mr. Bond's supporters in the new house of assembly will number 31 and Mr. Morine's 4.

Tornado in Tennessee. LA GRANGE, Tenn., Nov. 21.—A tornado struck this town yesterday, causing much damage and killing three persons outright. The dead are W. C. Moody and two negro women. The storm made its appearance shortly after midday and swept everything in its path. Eight residences and three churches were destroyed. The damage to cotton in the boll will be great.

Iron Discovered in the Caucasus. ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 21.—Magnetic iron ores have been discovered at Elizabetopol, in the Caucasus. They are estimated to contain 5,000,000,000 pounds, with 62 to 63 per cent of iron.

Caracas Again Shaken. CARACAS, Venezuela, Nov. 17.—A severe earthquake shock was felt yesterday morning in the island of Curaçao. Only slight damage, however, was done.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Chicago was visited by a thunderstorm. The Klondike's output of gold for 1900 was estimated at \$20,000,000.

The faculty of the University of Chicago has forbidden class rushes. King Oscar of Sweden was reported to have had two slight paralytic strokes.

Five men were swept overboard from a schooner on Lake Superior and drowned. The woman who attempted to kill Emperor William at Breslau has been sent to an insane asylum.

Three men assaulted a Baltimore jeweler and plundered his store, which is near police headquarters. The cashier of the First National bank of Springfield, Vt., was alleged to be \$20,000 short in his accounts.

Lieutenant Governor Woodruff and party were thrown from a sleigh in the Adirondacks, but no one was hurt. The recent warm wave caused much suffering among the millmen of Pittsburgh, and one case of prostration was reported.

The court of appeals has granted a new trial to Dr. Kennedy, the dentist who was convicted of the murder of "Dolly" Reynolds at the Grand hotel in New York city.

Tuesday, Nov. 20. The winter steamship routes between Portland, Me., and European points has begun. A large order for rolling stock for the Jamaica railroad will be placed in Philadelphia.

The sacristy of the University of Notre Dame, near South Bend, Ind., was damaged \$15,000 by fire. A report via Paris stated that a regency was under consideration at St. Petersburg until the complete recovery of the czar.

No evidence that American jockeys were guilty of "doping" horses was presented at the meeting held in London to consider that subject. A director and the manager of Dumbell's bank of Douglas, Isle of Man, were sentenced to five years' imprisonment for falsifying the bank's books.

Negro churches in Chicago adopted resolutions protesting against the Colorado lynching and calling on the president to recommend legislation by congress on the subject. Monday, Nov. 19. At Davenport, Ia., fire destroyed over \$100,000 worth of property.

Two hundred and fifty-nine miners returned to Seattle on the steamer Nines City from the goldfields. The billet mill and converters of the Illinois Steel works at Joliet resumed operations after three weeks' shutdown. The annual report of the government Hospital For the Insane showed a total of 2,076 patients, an increase of 138, the largest increase in its history.

A sensation was caused by the announcement of the secret marriage in England of the Duke of Manchester and Miss Zimmerman, a Cincinnati heiress. The whaling bark Alice Knowles arrived at San Francisco from the Okhotsk sea with 1,500 barrels of oil, worth \$18,000, and 1,000 pounds of bone, valued at \$5,000.

A section of the Minnesota ore docks, situated on Blackwell canal, in Buffalo harbor, collapsed under the weight of 60,000 tons of ore. Two boys were killed, and one man was badly injured. Saturday, Nov. 17. Zero weather was reported from Watertown, N. Y.

The census bureau announced the population of Hawaii as 154,001. The wheat yield of New South Wales was estimated at 16,000,000 bushels. Boys dug up old silver coins to the value of \$300 in the marshes at Medford, Mass.

The year's gold output of Alaska, British Columbia and the Pacific northwest was more than \$20,000,000. Only 31 lives were lost in Gloucester's fishing industry this season, against an average of 97 for the past 25 years.

The four men indicted for the murder of Jennie Bosschietter of Paterson, N. J., were arraigned and pleaded not guilty. A bottle containing a message from the crew of the schooner Mary L. Hawkins, which foundered Aug. 20, was picked up at Niantic, Conn.

Friday, Nov. 16. Glasgow has been declared free from the plague. King Oscar of Sweden is reported to be in a low state of health.

Work on Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger Shamrock II has been begun at Glasgow. The collieries of the upper Schuykill valley were reported severely hampered by lack of water.

The Society of the Army of the Tennessee re-elected General Grenville M. Dodge president. The deer season in the Adirondacks has closed. The slaughter during the past week has been enormous.

The German reichstag has re-elected Count von Ballerstedt president of that body by 268 votes out of 294 cast. The will of the late John Sherman was admitted to probate at Mansfield, O. No intimation of a contest was received.

The Norwegian bark Highlyer was abandoned at sea in a staking condition. The crew was taken off by the Georgian Prince and brought to Philadelphia. Thursday, Nov. 15. The recent attack on the empress of Japan in Tokyo was the work of a lunatic.

The German financial bill as submitted to the federal council carries 2,240,947,301 marks. Dr. Nordenskjold will head an antarctic expedition, backed financially by the king of Sweden.

Eight persons were killed and 200 injured by the collapse of benches at a bull-fight near Alicante, Spain. Thirteen insane soldiers from the Philippines have been sent from the Presidio hospital to the government asylum at Washington.

Griggs Will Retire. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—At the cabinet meeting Attorney General Griggs made the formal announcement that on the 4th of March next he would retire from the cabinet. Mr. Griggs will leave the president's official family for purely business reasons.

Engines For South Africa. SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Nov. 16.—An order for ten engines for the Cape government of South Africa is being filled by the Schenectady Locomotive works. They are essentially American, but English in appearance.

THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS. QUOTED WEEKLY. RETAIL PRICES.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Butter per lb., Eggs per dozen, Lard per lb., Ham per pound, Pork, quarter, per pound, Beef, whole, per pound, Wheat per bushel, Oats, Rye, Wheat flour per bbl., Hay per ton, Potatoes per bushel, Turnips, Onions, Sweet potatoes per peck, Tallow per lb., Shoulder, Side meat, Vinegar, per qt., Dried apples per lb., Dried cherries, pitted, Raspberries, Cow Hides per lb., Sheep pelts, Shelled corn per bus., Corn meal, cwt., Bran, Chop, Middlings, Chickens per lb., Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, COAL, No. 6, delivered, 4 and 5, 6 at yard, 4 and 5 at yard.

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