

THE NEWS.

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The funeral train bearing the remains of Major General Lawton, Major Logan and Dr. Armstrong started for the east from San Francisco...

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Fire in the manufacturing district of Dayton, O., caused a loss of \$500,000.

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A change of plans like this would probably involve a delay of perhaps a month. In the meantime Lady Smith might be forced to surrender...

An opinion held in London is that Gen. Sir George Stewart White, at Ladysmith, will fire off all his ammunition, blow up his cannon, break his rifles and then walk out to surrender to the Boers...

The dispatches from correspondents with the British army give no estimates of the losses in fighting. The Boer statement that 1,500 were left dead on the battlefield Wednesday, it is said in London, may include the wounded also...

The Boer account of the Spion kop battle indicated that the British really surprised the Boers when they ascended the kop and occupied one of its ridges. The British also intrenched themselves hurriedly, but the Boers advanced on the trenches and after a desperate fight caused the British to abandon the position...

Dispatches from Spearman's Camp give the British account of the fight. The accounts are important as tending to confirm the generally accepted belief that the whole affair was a Boer trap. They state that "the Boers had the ranges fixed to a nicety" and that their first volley "momentarily staggered the British"...

The failure of General Warren's movement must have been a great surprise to General Buller. In an order to his troops at the beginning of the movement he used these words: "Our generals will be given only one order, namely, advance. There will be no turning back."

Colombian Rebels Bluffed. Governor of Tumaco Scared Them Off With a Fairy Tale. San Diego, Cal., (Special).—From reports brought by the Hamburg steamer Volunmia it appears that the arrival of the vessel at Tumaco, Colombia, where she touched on the way up, had the effect of saving the place from capture by Colombian rebels...

The rebels had demanded the surrender of the town and the governor was at his wits' end. Just then the Volunmia was sighted. The governor sent a defiant message to the revolutionists and told them that the steamer off port was bringing 500 government troops. The trick succeeded and the rebels abandoned their purpose to capture Tumaco.

"DANCE OR DIE." An Engineer Refused to Dance and was Fatally Shot. Barboursville, W. Va., (Special).—At Russell, Isaac J. Crump, of this place, shot and mortally wounded George Hyden. Both were railway engineers and, it is said, were intoxicated at the time the shooting occurred. Crump pulled a revolver from his pocket and jokingly told Hyden to "dance or die." Hyden refused to dance and Crump fired, the bullet penetrating Hyden's right breast. Both had been life-long friends. Crump is under arrest.

AN UNUSUAL CASE. Two West Virginia Girls Convicted of Barn Burning. Charleston, W. Va., (Special).—Ollie Young and Isabella Gray, each 19 years old and pretty, who were indicted for barn burning in Summers county, have been tried and found guilty. Ollie Young is a sister of Lee Young, who was convicted of the murder of his father and sent to the penitentiary for seven years.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE. The veteran scientist, Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace, is now in his 78th year. A monument to Jacques Carter will be erected on the heights of St. Malo. Percival Lowell, the astronomer, will head an African expedition to observe the eclipse of the sun next May. It is announced that Prof. Andrew W. Phillips, of Yale, will soon make a trip through the country to get subscriptions to the bicentennial fund.

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Lame Excuses of the Commander—Advises War Office That He Approved Gen. Warren's Movement, But That a Retreat Became Necessary and Withdrew His Whole Force South of the Tugela River.

London, Eng., (By Cable).—Gen. Sir Charles Warren, with his British army division, originally numbering about 16,000 troops, has been forced to retreat south of the Tugela river, Natal.

A dispatch from the Boer head laager, near Ladysmith, states that the British left 1,500 dead on the battlefield Wednesday, the day of the fighting at Spion kop.

The news of General Warren's retreat comes in an official dispatch from Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, British commander-in-chief in Natal, sent from his headquarters at Spearman's Camp.

Perhaps the remainder of General Buller's army, which was north of the Tugela, has also retreated. The general's dispatch says he decided to withdraw "the force" to the south side. This, taken with adjoining sentences, apparently refers only to Warren's division, but is construed in some quarters in London to mean Buller's entire force.

It is believed in London that if the remaining troops under Buller do not retreat already they must do so soon.

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England's Troops Being Poured Into Africa, But Delayed in Getting to the Front.

London, (By Cable).—The remarkable declaration of Mr. Wyndham, of the War Office, in the House of Commons, that Great Britain will have in a fortnight 180,000 regulars in South Africa, 7,000 Canadians and Australians, and 26,000 South African volunteers, is received with wonderment. Of this total of 213,000 troops, with 452 guns, all are now there, with the exception of about 18,000 that are en route. Beyond comparison this is the largest force Great Britain has ever put in the field. At the end of the Crimean war she had scraped together 80,000 men. Wellington at Waterloo had 25,000.

The general tone of the morning papers is that his figures will astonish the country. Knowledge is slowly penetrating to London that large garrisons must be kept in Cape Colony, to hold down the Cape Dutch, who, as everyone knows, outnumber the British residents three to two.

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Public Debt Statement. A Decrease as Compared With Last Month—Cash in the Treasury. Washington, (Special).—The monthly statement of the public debt, shows that the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,125,636,227, a decrease, as compared with last month, of \$8,063,750. This decrease is accounted for by a corresponding increase in the amount of cash on hand.

The debt is recapitulated as follows: Interest bearing debt, \$1,026,836,059; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,208,410; debt bearing no interest, \$939,657,740; total, \$1,113,137,209. This amount, however, does not include \$716,048,093 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding which are offset by an equal amount of cash on hand. The cash in the Treasury is classified as follows: Gold, \$403,496,205; silver, \$502,043,317; paper, \$20,413,615; bonds deposited in national bank depositories, disbursing officers' balances, etc., \$108,475,123; total, \$1,083,428,561.

NO MILEAGE FEES. House Committee Decides Against Roberts' Claim. Washington, (Special).—The House Committee on Mileage rejected the claim of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, for mileage in connection with his contest for a seat in the House. Mr. Roberts put in a claim for 2,597 miles, and return, at the usual rate of 20 cents a mile each way, making a total of \$1,038.80.

Mr. Roberts was not present, and it was understood he had gone to Chicago. Mr. Cooper, of Texas, moved that Mr. Roberts be entitled to mileage, but on a vote of 2 to 2—this failed. Chairman Barham will report this action, which, he says, is equivalent to a rejection of the claim by the committee.

As a result of suggestions in the committee, Mr. Barham will confer with the Speaker concerning the recognition of any member who may seek to secure for Mr. Roberts the \$2,000 usually allowed in contested election cases. This, however, is not the committee action, but is due to a desire to afford opportunity to bring the matter before the House.

DEATHS IN A WRECK. Three Killed and a Number Badly Injured. Tampa, Fla., (Special).—A fast passenger train on the Plant system was wrecked 20 miles north of the city. Engineer Kennedy was killed.

One passenger was killed, but the body was so frightfully mutilated that it is impossible to identify it at this time. The son of S. P. Herndon, mail agent of this city, died at the Sanford hospital. Mr. Herndon, Sr., is badly injured. A number of other passengers were also injured. The mail and express cars and two day-coaches were thrown over. The Pullman cars were not derailed.

The accident was caused by the train running into an open switch, and colliding with a freight car. It is believed that the switch was opened by some person with the intention of wrecking the train.

Goebel's Cousin Stricken. Chicago, Ill., (Special).—Albert Goebel, a cousin of the wounded Governor of Kentucky, was riding on a street car when he was attacked suddenly by heart disease, and fell from the car, fracturing his skull. He sustained in addition severe cuts on the scalp.

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HIS LIFE DESPAIRED OF.

Bullet Through His Lung—Internal Hemorrhages are Feared, and the Surgeons Say He May Not Live—Troops on Guard and a Gatling Gun Trained on the Mountaineers' Supposed Quarters.

Frankfort, Ky., (Special).—State Senator William Goebel, who hoped soon to be elevated by the Democratic Legislature to the position of Governor of Kentucky, was shot down by a hidden sharpshooter near the front steps of the State House Tuesday morning.

Late at night his condition was critical and it was considered likely that he would soon die.

The legislative committee to which Goebel's contest for the Governorship was referred met at night and decided in favor of seating him. It is expected that the Legislature will make this action final if Goebel survives. There is great sympathy for him.

"They Have Got Me This Time." The bullet struck Goebel in the right side. He made one quick motion as if to draw a pistol and then fell at the feet of Col. Jack Chinn, who was walking by his side. "They have got me this time, Jack," he said; "I guess they have killed me. Then he writhed upon the pavement and was still.

Five shots in all were fired, and as Chinn bent over his fallen friend he heard the four harmless bullets whiz by his head. Only the first bullet struck the target.

The concealed marksman quit firing and men with pistols in their hands came tumbling out of the State House doors and down the steps. Senators and Representatives of both parties at first asked:

"Who is it?" They crowded around the victim, all eager to help him and all horrified when they knew that Goebel himself had been shot.

Colonel Chinn and three policemen, helped by half a dozen other men, carried Goebel to the office of Dr. Hume, two blocks away.

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Two of the Gang Shot Dead and a Third Wounded—Police Have Fetched Battle.

Quincy, Ill., (Special).—Quincy police officers killed two expert safe blowers, supposed to be from Chicago, and seriously wounded another. The men are believed to be the same who recently operated in Galesburg, Freeport, and other Illinois cities, making a specialty of cracking safes in building and loan association offices.

On January 6 the safe in the offices of the Adams County Building and Loan Association, in this city, was blown open at the noon hour, and cash and securities amounting to \$20,000 taken. Saturday last three men came to Moecker's Hotel, two of them registering from Kansas City. The proprietor suspected them and warned the police, and when one of the men went out he was shadowed by Detective George Koch.

The officer finally asked the suspect to go to the station and explain himself. The man drew a pistol and pointed it at the officer's head, but as he did so Koch flashed his own pistol and fired four shots. Three took effect, and the man fell dead.

This occurred at 11 o'clock Saturday night in front of the Newcomb Hotel. Meanwhile officers had examined the baggage of the suspected men, and found it included burglar tools, skeleton keys, dynamite sticks, and nitroglycerine. When the other two men returned to the Moecker Hotel, they found the hotel surrounded by officers. They ran into the hotel saloon, loaded their revolvers, and a running fight ensued in the hotel corridor.

One man reached the street, pursued by Chief of Police John Ahearn. He turned to fire, and as he did so Ahearn sent a bullet crashing through his skull. He died in a few minutes.

The third man was shot on the stairs by Officer Charnhorst, and sank to the floor with a broken hip. He refused to say who his accomplices were.

FROM WASHINGTON. The Paris municipality has conceded a site for the Washington monument which has been completed for the Washington State Association.

The House committee strongly recommended the proposed merit bill to improve the War Department service.

The House devoted a day to eulogies in memory of the late Representative Baird, of Louisiana.

Prof. Alfred J. Henry was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Prof. Hazen.

The remains of General Thomas H. Stanton were buried in Arlington Cemetery.

Captain Abercrombie, who had charge of the Copper River expedition, submitted a report showing a feasible railroad route to the Yukon.

Chief Frank H. Hitchcock's report shows that there has been a great development in our trade with China and Japan.

Senator Mason has written a caustic letter with reference to his expulsion from the Tippecanoe Club.

Senator Beveridge states that General Lawton did not expect to come back alive to the United States.

The United States Senate passed the Urgent Deficiency bill. Mr. Chandler vehemently denounced the charge constantly made by southern senators that the Civil War was brought on by designing northern politicians.

The Senate committee discussed the proposition to establish a department of commerce.

The House of Representatives decided, by a vote of 78 to 50, to adopt the majority report of the committee, and to declare vacant the seat in the House to which Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, had been elected.

The Secretary of the Navy sent to the Senate a statement showing that part of the fifty millions appropriated for the national defense was spent in the navy.

Representatives of the International Seamen's Union opposed the shipping bill before the House committee.

Badly Slashed by His Brother. Shippsburg, Pa., (Special).—As the result of a quarrel John Mathias, a young man, is at his home about three miles south of Shippsburg, with seven horrible gapping wounds, made with a razor in the hands of his brother, Reuben. There are two scalp wounds, each six inches long, a slash from the mouth to the ear, the ear cut in half, and a long gash in the neck. Dr. Meyers was summoned, and used eighty-four stitches to sew them up. It is stated that they quarreled over a plug of tobacco.

Preached a Sensational Sermon. Norfolk, Va., (Special).—Rev. L. R. Christie preached a sermon in Spurgeon Memorial Baptist Church, in which he arraigned the city officials for solicitation of duty. The sermon created a sensation, and may lead to an investigation. Disgraced, Mr. Christie went through the slums, and the sermon was preached on the basis of what he saw.

Confessed to Murder. Fort Scott, Kan., (Special).—Amos Phillips, the aged accomplice of George Siblee and E. D. Meeks, the men who were lynched here last Saturday night, in the murder of Farmer Edinger, has made a full confession before being taken to the Leavenworth Penitentiary. He confessed that he and the men lynched had followed Edinger for several days, and had killed him for his property.

Major Brander Dead. Richmond, Va., (Special).—Major Thos. A. Brander, post grand commander of the Virginia Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans, and who was known throughout the South for his prominence in all Confederate reunions, died here, aged sixty years.

FIELD OF LABOR. Morocco has no railways. Men do the washing in Egypt. Iowa makes farm wagons of steel. Sweden peat bogs constitute 8,648,000 acres. Duluth stonecutters demand 40 cents per hour. St. Paul bricklayers want 50 cents per hour. Texas has a woman deputy United States marshal. New York's 41,318 tenements house 1,486,413 people. At Indianapolis the price of a hair cut ranges from 15 to 25 cents. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers gained 3,709 members last year. Unionists exclusively will erect the Pan-American Exposition building at Buffalo. At Auburn, N. Y., the building trades are going to make a fight for the eight-hour day on April 1. New York policemen want the eight-hour day, and the legislature has been asked to legalize the demand.

GOEBEL SWORN IN.

He Takes the Oath of Office After Legislators Declare Him Governor—Members Meet Secretly.

Frankfort, Ky., (Special).—William Goebel was declared Governor of Kentucky by a Democratic quorum of the Legislature assembled in joint session in a room in the Capitol Hotel here.

Within 30 minutes after the adoption of the Contest Committee's majority report the oath of office was administered to the wounded man as he lay upon his bed.

Chief Justice Hazlerigg administered the oath in the presence of the officials of the Legislature. Goebel thanked his friends in feeble tones.