

FROM SOUTH AFRICA

LATEST MOVEMENTS IN THE CAMPAIGN.

A Full Summary of the Transvaal War News—Progress of the Conflict From Day to Day—The British Encouraged.

A despatch from Chiveley says: The Boers' line of fortresses in Natal is broken, and the British have achieved a decided success in capturing the enemy's position on Monte Cristo. The Boers, however, effectively executed a retreat removing their guns and convoy wagons.

Lord Roberts' generalship was conducted with such secrecy that even the senior officers who took the Sixth Division through the preliminaries of the operation did not know what they would finally have to do.

An army order issued in London invites the reservists to rejoin the colors for a year, for home defence, and offers \$110 bounty for those who do so.

The present military operations in South Africa promise to prove the most important since the outbreak of the war. The great army under Lord Roberts and Kitchener in the West is pressing its advance rapidly, fighting its way where necessary, and it may give battle to all the forces that Cronje can gather at one point. General Buller is making his fourth move through Natal Colony for the relief of Ladysmith, and the Boers are obstructing his advance with all the force they can muster.

A despatch received in London from Cape Town, the source of which is not given, says the British army had fallen back from Rensberg to Arundel, in Cape Colony.

The plans of the British advance, under Lord Roberts' command, through Cape Colony have been matured, and the fighting near Rensberg may soon be followed by a serious engagement in the Free State territory. The Boers are said to be in large numbers, but Roberts has no ostensible Cronje's forces. The outcome may be the relief of Kimberley. Whether Lord Roberts will make an early move for the relief of Ladysmith has not been developed. Buller's armaments south of the Tugela river and is menaced by Joubert's forces.

The absence of General French from the Rensberg district in Cape Colony seems to have given the Boers in opportunity to increase activity. They have apparently commenced an extended attack on the British lines and there are conflicting accounts of the results of the engagements.

AN EARLY FLOOD.

Worst Freshet Albany Has Seen Since 1867.

Three men have lost their lives and half a million dollars' worth of damage has been done to property along the Hudson river by the worst freshet which Albany has seen since 1867. The men who were drowned were William Rhinehart of New York, Thomas Shea of Bath, and Joseph Vogel of Rensselaer island, three miles below the city. Shea and Rhinehart, who were employed by the Montgomery Ice Company, as foreman and timekeeper, respectively were out on the ice near the shore watching the flood, when the ice gave way, throwing them into the water. Vogel was drowned while trying to rescue his comrades on his farm.

Fifty men were imprisoned in the second story of an ice house on Coxsacker Island, across the river, but they were in no danger as the water soon began to recede.

The flood reached its height at 3 o'clock, Feb. 14, when it registered twenty feet above the ordinary level. At midnight it had gone down two feet. The ice gorge at Coxsack still keeps the water back and the river will be high until it breaks.

Two hundred thousand feet of lumber, valued at \$1,000 were carried away from the lumber district.

The police are distributing to 4,000 coal and clothing among the poor families along the river front, where the water reached the second floor of the houses. The Commissioner of Public Charities has issued a call for \$100,000. The water in Lake Champlain, Feb. 14, was a foot above the highest mark ever reached. Section 1 of the Champlain Canal lost several bridges and considerable damage was done to the banks. The loss to canal boats and teamsters in the harbor will be considerable. Lumber from the Whitehall Lumber Company yard is floating in Lake Champlain, and quantities have been carried on rafts seven to ten miles north. The telephone lines are down in all directions.

MOLINEUX AT SING SING.

Not a More Contented Man There Than He is.

Friday, Feb. 16, Roland B. Molineux was sentenced to be executed in the manner prescribed by the law in the week beginning Monday, March 26.

Molineux made a speech to Recorder Goff just before sentence, protesting his innocence.

The wife and mother of Roland B. Molineux have moved to Sing Sing to be with the prisoner. They visit the prison, but neither is permitted to even grasp him by the hand. Both women are in good spirits, which pleases Molineux very much, as it annoys him greatly to have his wife or mother weep when in his presence. They tell him of the work being instituted by his counsel for a new trial, and of the kind expressions on all sides manifested in his behalf. This is the kind of talk that pleases Molineux, and he in return cheers them up by his positive belief that a new trial will be granted and his innocence established.

In speaking of Molineux Mr. Connaughton said: "There is not a happier or more contented man in this prison to-day than Molineux. He likes his quarters here better than the Tombs, because the light is so much better. In New York they allow men candles to read by, while here they have two electric lights. Molineux misses his cigarette more than anything else. Cigarette smoking is not permitted in Sing Sing Prison, but pipes are, so he has taken to a corn-cob pipe as cheerfully as possible."

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

Latest News From the Active Business World.

Contracts have already been made for vessels to carry 18,500,000 tons of iron ore down the lakes this year, exceeding all previous records.

The Erie Railway has placed an order for eight passenger locomotives and twenty-five freight locomotives, which will weigh ninety tons each without the tender.

A Chicago despatch says that the reorganization of the business of Armour & Co. into a corporation will be accomplished in a few days. It is said the capital will be about \$20,000,000.

The Abbott-Dowling Company, of Concord, New Hampshire, manufacturers of coaches, carriages and wagons, has made an assignment. The liabilities are \$200,000 and the assets \$60,000.

The Illinois Central Railroad will establish an agency in Portland, Oregon, for the purpose of handling cotton shipments to the Orient.

Business men from the region between Lackawaxen, Penn., and Kingston, N. Y., have appeared before the Railroad Commissioners of New York this week in advocacy of the proposed railroad along the line of the abandoned Delaware and Hudson Canal. No decision has been reached.

Representatives of the ship building, armor plate manufacturing and steel concerns which furnish supplies to the Government have been heard by the House Committee on Labor in opposition to the bill fixing an eight hour day on Government work, including that done under contract.

A Pittsburg despatch says the American Sheet Steel Company, capitalized at \$2,000,000, has been formed and will consolidate more than two-thirds of the iron and steel sheet mills of the country.

The Independent Brotherhood Building Trades Council of Chicago has deserted the contractors and decided to stand by the locked-out workmen.

The Directors of the Fitchburg Railroad, at a meeting in Boston refused to ratify the proposition to lease the Fitchburg to the Boston and Maine Railroad, leaving the matter to the stockholders to decide.

The Anti-Trust League continued its sessions at Chicago Feb. 13. Several speeches were made and a platform was adopted declaring vigorous war on trusts and monopolies.

The New England granite manufacturers have rejected the demands of the granite cutters for an eight hour day and at least \$3 a day. It is expected that the men will strike March 1.

The Alaskan Miners' Association at Seattle has adopted resolutions, which were sent to Congress praying for authority to mine the Nome beach and condemning the sending of military to that district.

THE FRICK SUIT.

A Great Battle and Possibly a Public Benefit.

Much interest is taken by naval officials in the controversy between H. C. Frick and Andrew Carnegie, and also in the reported combination of the armor manufacturers of the world to keep up the price of armor.

The effect of the suit instituted by Mr. Frick upon the armor question, the authorities say, may be the establishment of rival plants, which will lower the price of armor, and which, consequently, would make ineffective any world combination such as is reported to be forming or have organized.

The sum of money involved in the proposed suit is said to run up to a gigantic figure. The estimated total of the Carnegie Steel Company's daily consumption of coke is 900 cars. The Frick Company produces about 1500 cars of coke per day, so that three-fifths of the whole goes to the steel concern at the rate of \$1.25 per ton. In other words, the Carnegie Steel Company, it is alleged, saves from \$15,000 to \$18,000 per day. With the cost of production, or freight rates and other items of expense in the manufacture of coke constantly going up, the minority stockholders of the coke company say that if the contract is allowed to run their profits will eventually be cut to almost nothing. The suit, then, will ask the Court to annul the agreement altogether and relieve them from a situation that has been forced upon them by the majority holdings.

The thirty or more defendants in the suit of Henry C. Frick against the Carnegie Steel Company will make no special effort to avoid Court service. The delay in serving the papers comes from a desire to await the filing of the suit of Mr. Frick at other stockholders against the Frick Coke Company.

Andrew Carnegie's answer to Mr. Frick's bill in equity will be made in the shape of a demurrer. The charge will be denied and the Court asked to dismiss the proceedings. Then will come the real fight of the legal giants engaged in the case.

Perished in the Snow.

P. L. McCarthy, a farmer living near New Brunswick, N. J., while returning to his home late on the night of Feb. 7, was overcome while walking through the big snow drifts and fell. He lay in the place where he fell until Sunday morning, when he was found dead. James Applegate, of Millstone, near New Brunswick, was also overcome on his way home the same night. His legs were badly frozen. He was found and sent to a hospital, where both legs were amputated. He died.

Mrs. Mary Chester, a young woman, wife of a mill hand of Passaic, N. J., was found dead Monday under a heap of snow in front of her home. During the storm she went to a store nearby to purchase a few articles of food. Returning home she evidently fell exhausted in a snowdrift. Search was made all over town for her, but while her two brothers were shoveling snow from in front of the house they discovered the body.

The coal famine is spreading throughout Germany and the strike is spreading with it. The Berlin Tageblatt welcomes the news of the arrival of a cargo of American anthracite coal.

WILL INVESTIGATE.

CONSUL MACRUM'S STORY NOW BELIEVED.

Congressman Wheeler Says His Mail Was Opened By English Officials and Closed By Stickers Bearing British Coat of Arms.

Secretary of State Hay will be given an opportunity to make an official statement in reply to the charges contained in the statement given out by former Consul Macrum.

Without a dissenting voice the House of Representatives has passed the resolution introduced by Representative Wheeler, of Kentucky, calling on the Secretary for information, and Mr. Hay will give the State Department side of the controversy without delay.

Mr. Macrum has arrived in Washington. He called on Mr. Wheeler and thanked him for having introduced the resolution.

After Mr. Macrum had left Mr. Wheeler said that the former Consul had told him his whole story in confidence, and had shown him the envelopes which he said had been opened by the British censor, and closed again with stickers bearing the coat of arms of Great Britain and the initials "V. R."

Mr. Wheeler said he was convinced that the British government had been guilty of espionage, and that Secretary Hay had made a mistake in not hearing what Macrum had had to say. He said that the envelopes Mr. Macrum showed him bore the official seal of the State Department, and they could not have been inadvertently opened by the censor.

HINTS OF FOUL PLAY.

Congressman Chickering's Family Scout Idea of Suicide.

Mrs. Charles A. Chickering, widow of Congressman Chickering, who was found dead on the sidewalk of the Grand Union Hotel, New York, the other day, has issued a statement signed by herself, her husband's physician and others. The statement says:

"The family, his friends and every physician who has treated Mr. Chickering, including his home doctor also the specialist, Dr. Hammond of New York, all have been of one mind, namely, that Mr. Chickering did not show any trace or action of insanity and has not during his illness. Now, this fact, together with what all his friends know of his natural traits, disprove any theory that Mr. Chickering committed suicide, and because some New York policemen find a man's body under an open window it is not evidence of suicide. As his illness was nervousness in the extreme, it is possible that he had a fright from noise or even an intruder in his room, as he was careless in locking his doors, and was always careless in his carrying and handling of money. His family and friends are in possession of ample proof that Mr. Chickering did not commit suicide, but was the victim of a delusion through fright and possible pain, when alone and away from his usual surroundings of peace, and was a victim of foul play. The latter theory has some strong evidence, even if his watch and some valuables were not missing. We think Mr. Chickering did not commit suicide."

He was either knocked or thrown from the room or frightened into leaving it by the window, by the fire escape, or may have believed he was on the ground floor easy of exit."

Captain McClusky, of the New York City Detective Bureau, ridicules the idea of foul play. He says that no report of any suspicious circumstances were made to him in regard to the death. The hotel people declare that Mr. Chickering's room showed no sign of disturbance.

A COLOSSAL ALLIANCE.

To Try to Dictate the World's Steel and Tin Prices.

Preliminaries have been completed in Pittsburgh in a move for the formation of one of the largest steel and iron combinations yet affected. The united capital will be about \$150,000,000.

The meeting to affect the alliance took place in New York Feb. 21. Representatives of four of the largest steel combines were present. These companies are the American Steel and Hoop Company, capital \$19,000,000; American Tin Plate Company, capital \$30,000,000; National Steel Company, \$22,000,000, and the Sheet Mill Combine that is now being organized with a capital of \$52,000,000.

Among those counted on to carry out the project are C. W. Guthrie, of the American Steel Hoop Company; L. G. Reed, President of the American Tin Plate Company, and W. E. Reis, President of the National Steel Company.

Should the combination materialize, it will control the steel and tin plate manufactured in this country and will dictate the market price and product for the world. It is claimed that those who refuse to enter the sheet steel trust recently will go into the new organization. The latter are the Apollo Iron and Steel Company, Zug & Co., W. Dewees Wood Company and the Whittaker Iron and Steel Company, of Wheeling.

CASUALTIES.

Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, who sustained painful injuries by falling on an ice covered sidewalk, is confined to his bed, but his injuries are not serious.

Ralph Banks, of respectable family, at Sebulona, Georgia, was killed the other night by a policeman, who says he found Banks robbing Dr. Head's drug store.

Mrs. Jeanette Schwartz and her two children were asphyxiated by gas in their home in Chicago, Wednesday.

One workman was killed, two badly injured, and several others slightly, Feb. 14, by the collapse of a heavy sheet iron roof covering the east house of the Illinois Steel Company's plant at Joliet, Illinois.

Three children of Joseph Sema, ranging in age from 5 to 9 years, were drowned Sunday night in Sandy Creek, at New Hope, Pa.

PORTO RICO'S PLIGHT.

Conditions Worse Than Ever Before Known.

Several of the largest merchants of San Juan, upon being interviewed, unanimously expressed the opinion that immediate Congressional action is absolutely essential to the interests of the island. They say that the crops are immovable, the proposed duty, under the Foraker bill, on sugar and tobacco being prohibitive. There are now 3,300,000 pounds of tobacco ready for shipment, and by August there will be 5,000,000 pounds. The best price obtainable for tobacco in New York, under the half dollar duty, is \$1.85. There has been a small coffee crop owing to the hurricane, and sugar cannot pay the duty imposed, the planters holding their products and awaiting the action of Congress.

There is no money to plant new crops or to pay laborers, thousands of whom are on the point of starvation, being unable to obtain work. The estates are idle, and bankers refuse to advance funds on account of the extension of mortgages; the planters are desperate and the people discouraged and they demand absolute free trade and authority for the island to contract a loan to pay immediate expenses and for the relief of the planters.

The local press expresses the opinion that the conditions of the island were better during the darkest days of the Spanish regime.

The Foraker bill would be acceptable without the duty, the merchants being willing to pay a revenue tax in lieu of the tariff, which would relieve the planters.

CRIMINAL.

Will Burts, colored, was lynched Feb. 17, near Baskett Mills, South Carolina. He was hanged to a tree and riddled with bullets, after having attempted to assault Mrs. C. I. Weeks, a planter's wife. Burts confessed his guilt.

David S. Long, a farmer, of Lebanon county, Pa., on Sunday night shot and instantly killed John Becker, a neighbor, who was detected by members of Long's family in the act of leaving the house through a window. Long surrendered himself, and gave bail for a hearing on the charge of involuntary manslaughter.

Edward Williams, colored, was sentenced at Trenton, Feb. 9, to be hanged on March 9 for the murder of Minnie Eiseley.

William F. Miller, the absconding head of the "Franklin Syndicate," of Brooklyn, a concern which promised to pay investors 10 per cent per week, was brought to New York Feb. 8. He was arrested in Canada.

Dr. Joseph Pyle, a prominent physician of Wilmington, Del., has been held for a hearing in Chester County on the charge of beating his sister-in-law, Miss Florence Yeatman, and two women servants who went to her rescue during the scrimmage.

FIRE RECORD.

The Missouri Odd Fellows' Home, situated a mile south of Liberty, has been destroyed by fire. The members of the Home are men, women and small children were gotten out without injury. Loss, \$70,000; insurance, \$30,000.

Fire has destroyed the Keystone Block and Chase Building in Clearfield, Penn., the losses aggregating \$35,000.

An incendiary fire has destroyed a barn on the Lancaster, Penn., county almshouse farm, entailing a loss of \$10,000.

The announcement of the engagement of Lieutenant W. W. Fiscus, Nineteenth United States Infantry, now stationed in the Philippines, to Miss Annie Wheeler, the youngest daughter of General "Joe" Wheeler, has just been received.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Table with market data including Flour and Grain, Produce, and Fruit and Vegetables. Columns list various goods and their prices.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Sarah M. Zeigler, late of Gregg township, deceased. Letters testamentary upon said estate having been granted by the Register of Wills to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims, to present them for settlement. E. H. ZEIGLER, Executor, Madisonburg, Pa. x13

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of George Veildorfer, late of Burnside township. Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims are requested to present them without delay for settlement, to the undersigned. J. A. R. MILLER, Administrator, Moshannon, Pa. x13

AUDITORS NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of John Barger, late of Boggs township deceased. The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphans Court of Centre County, for the distribution of the fund being the valuation money to and among those legally entitled to receive the same, will attend to the duties of his appointment on Tuesday the 27th day of February A. D. 1900 at 10 o'clock a. m. at his office in Eagle Block, Bellefonte, Pa., when and where all persons who have any claim against said fund may attend and prove said claim or be forever barred. THOS. J. SEXTON, Auditor, January 22, 1900. x13

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of JOHN ZEIGLER, late of Marion township. The undersigned having been granted letters of administration of said estate, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves indebted to the decedent to make immediate payment, and those having claims are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement. E. H. ZEIGLER, Madisonburg, Pa. C. R. NEFF, Mifflintown, Pa. Administrators. x13

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between James Harris and James H. Potter, trading under the firm name of James Harris & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and that a partnership has this day been formed by James H. Potter and Edward L. Hoy, trading under the firm name of Potter & Hoy, and that this last named partnership will attend to the business of James Harris & Co. All claims and payments in settlement of the affairs of James Harris & Co. are to be presented and paid to James Harris or to BLANCHARD & BLANCHARD, Attys., No. 16 West High Street, Bellefonte, Pa. Jan. 1st, 1900. x5

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of John Wagner, deceased, late of Bellefonte borough, Pa. Letters testamentary upon said estate having been granted by the Register of Wills to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims, to present them for settlement. ELIAS L. ORYEN, Executor, A. Y. WAGNER, Ext's, Bellefonte, Pa. x13

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of ISAAC F. BEHRER, late of Halfmoon Twp., Pa. The undersigned having been granted letters of administration of said estate, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves indebted to the decedent to make immediate payment, and those having claims are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement. THOS. M. HEY, adm'r, W. E. Uray, Atty., Halfmoon Run, Pa. x13

NOTICE. Whereas my wife Annie C. Maves left my bed and board without cause or provocation, all parties are hereby notified that I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by her. AMES J. MAYER, Bellefonte, Pa. February 6, 1900. x10

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