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THE BOERS MUST YIELD

The Statement by Mr. Chamberlain in Parliament.

HIS EMPHATIC OPINION

British Predominance in South Africa Menaced—Grievances of the Outlanders Not in Themselves a Cause for War—But the Action of the Transvaal in Ignoring Requests of Great Britain is Serious and Cannot be Tolerated.

London, Aug. 9.—Replying to various questions in the House of Commons today, Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, said no official confirmation had been received of the report that the Transvaal had declined to agree to a joint inquiry into the effect which the franchise reforms would have on the outlanders.

Several regiments, he added, were about to be despatched to South Africa for the defense of Natal, in response to the request of the Natal government, and preparation was being made for all contingencies.

Later, replying to T. P. O'Connor, Irish Nationalist, member for the Scotland division of Liverpool, Mr. Chamberlain deprecated a resumption of the debate on the Transvaal situation, which, he pointed out, while serious, still remains doubtful.

The colonial secretary added that he hoped sincerely that the report saying the proposal for an inquiry had been rejected was untrue. While he regretted the necessity of answering Mr. O'Connor it would be a fatal mistake to allow the latter's views, that a war was entirely needless and that the government ought to express willingness to wait may be twenty-five years for a redress of the grievances of which they complained, to be considered.

TROUBLES IN FRENCH GUIANA.

British Subjects Fired on by the Police—One Killed. Kingston, Jan., Aug. 9.—Advises from Cayenne contain the latest anti-English feeling in that city, and, indeed, throughout French Guiana, has of late assumed a more than usually serious aspect; and only the forbearance of the English residents averts frequent collisions, provoked by the open hostility of the French.

The British in Cayenne have no adequate protection, since their consul is a strongly prejudiced native. It is said the English residents will make an effort to have the case diplomatically investigated, hoping thus to get better protection in the future, and also to obtain compensation for the relatives of the man who was killed.

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Big Bond Issue.

New York, Aug. 9.—The council today passed the bond issue of \$2,100,000 for the hall of records. Councilmen Conly, Doyle and Francisco voted against it and Councilman Murray refused to vote. There were 21 votes for the resolution till President Guggenheimer came in and voted for it, thus passing it with the necessary 22 votes.

Pawtucket Disbands.

Pawtucket, R. I., Aug. 9.—The Pawtucket base ball team of the New England league was disbanded today as a result of the decision of the league to finish the season with only the Taunton, Manchester, Newport and Portland clubs.

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DREYFUS GIVES ASSISTANCE

HELPS THE COURT-MARTIAL TO TRANSLATE DOSSIER.

About 400 Documents to be Examined—Many of Them Written in German—Task Likely to Be Ended Friday—Public Sessions to Be Recalled Saturday—Police Precautions at Rennes More Stringent.

ANTY-BOYCOTT MEETING.

The Protest of Five Hundred Business Men of Cleveland.

Cleveland, Aug. 9.—Five hundred business men of Cleveland met an anti-boycott meeting this afternoon in the chamber of commerce rooms, and a fund of \$10,000 was started to ferret out the criminals who are dynamiting coals and creating discord in the city.

BOTH LEGS AMPUTATED.

William O'Brien, of This City, Run Over by a Train.

William O'Brien, of East Market street, was seriously injured by being run over by a Delaware, Lackawanna and Western freight train at a late hour last night near Great Bend.

ROOT TO CONFER WITH MILES.

Will Decide Question as to Changes at Manila.

Plattsburgh, N. Y., Aug. 9.—This afternoon at 2 o'clock President and Mrs. McKinley, Vice President and Mrs. Hobart and others of the president's party went for a sail on the yacht Elfrida.

RACES AT MCKEE'S ROCKS.

Pittsburg, Aug. 9.—A good sized crowd attended the second day's racing at the McKee's rocks track. The results: 2:24 trot, purse \$300—won by Patsy B taking first, second and fourth heats.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, Aug. 9.—Arrived: Bremen, Bremen, Cleared; Teutonic, Liverpool; Friedrichsruhe, Bremen; Southampton, Annapolis Victoria, Hamburg via Cherbourg and Southampton; Sailed: St. Louis, Southampton; Latin, Bremen; New York, Bremen; Sailed: Teutonic, Liverpool; Southampton; Sailed: Trave, Bremen for New York; Kubaal, Passau, Uffe, Liverpool for New York; Sailed: Bremen, New York via Southampton; New York for Southampton; New York Arrived: Servia, Liverpool.

APPOINTMENTS AT HARRISBURG.

Harrisburg, Aug. 9.—The commissioners of public grounds and buildings today announced the following appointments: Charles H. of Harrisburg, policeman on the grounds, vice James Dock, of Harrisburg; Samuel D. Thorpe, of Harrisburg, vice Henry Yellin, of Harrisburg; and Andrew McKee, of Harrisburg; William Crook, of Harrisburg, fireman and watchman, vice Lewis Finnebrook, of Harrisburg.

CLONKMAKERS WIN.

New York, Aug. 9.—More than 600 clonk-makers in the employ of a Broadway firm resumed work today, having gained their demand for an increase of 25 per cent. in the weekly wage scale.

PENNSYLVANIA PENSIONS.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Pension certificates: Original—Thomas Gordon, Scranton; Reinstated—Increase—Charles Wickoff, Warren; Increase—Charles Duster, Bear Creek; License—\$6 to \$8; Chas. A. Miller, Wysox; Bradford, \$12 to \$14; John E. Taylor, Pottsville; Susquehanna, \$6 to \$8; Nathan E. Bailey, Leona, Bradford; \$12 to \$17; Edward C. Thatcher, Alfred; Susquehanna, \$6 to \$12; Thomas A. Simpson, Scranton, \$6 to \$10.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather Indications Today: THUNDER STORMS. 1 General-General MacArthur Drives the Filipino Rebels Five Miles. The Boers Must Yield. Notification of Candidates at Williamsport. Dreyfus Gives Assistance. 2 General—Whitney's Weekly News Budget. Base Ball Results. Financial and Commercial. 3 Local—Contractors Anxious About Pay. Delegation of P. O. S. of A. from Wilkes-Barre. 4 Editorial. News and Comment. 5 Local—Some Facts About Firemen's Convention. Prof. Howell Home from the West. Busy Day Examining Witnesses. 6 Local—West Scranton and Suburban. 7 News Round About Scranton. 8 Live News of the Industrial World.

FOUR FIREMEN KILLED.

They Lose Their Lives by Coming in Contact with Live Electric Wires.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 9.—Four firemen lost their lives tonight in a blaze in an upper story of the Mercer Chemical company's building at Eleventh and Harney streets. The fire in itself was insignificant, but a startling and successful connection with a live electric wire, the dead firemen are: Joseph Adams, lieutenant; Otto Geiske, tillerman; George Benson, pipeman; Charles Hopper, relief driver. Fireman George Farmer and Albert Livingston, of the chemical company, also suffered from shock.

When the fire had been brought under control the firemen set to work to lower the big extension tank upon which they had been working. Suddenly there was a spitting and succession of flashes such as occur when a connection is made with a live electric wire carrying high voltage of electric current. Then who were working at the crank lowering the ladder writhed in agony a moment and then fell to the pavement limp and apparently lifeless. In lowering the ladder it came in contact with a live electric wire carrying a current of 2,000 volts. The injured men were at once carried into an adjoining building and doctors who were present used every means known to revive them.

Hopper revived in a few minutes and, saying he was alright, started to walk away. He had only gone about fifty feet when he dropped dead. Geiske showed signs of reviving, but when partially raised sank back and expired. The other two never at any time showed any signs of animation and were doubtless dead when choked up.

Walter Gearhardt, an employe of the firm, was knocked down a flight of stairs while working in the building during the fire and was not noticed for some time. When found he was unconscious from inhaling the smoke and was revived with difficulty.

GRAND CIRCUIT RACES.

Buffalo, Aug. 9.—Fully 5,000 persons attended the grand circuit meeting at the Buffalo track today. The race was finished 2:20 trot, purse \$1,000, was called first on the card. Lockwood, trainer of George Carmy, who had won two of the three heats on Tuesday and protected against the postponement, later driving a heat by himself and claiming the race, decided to contest with the others, and looked like a sure thing to win. Carmy got a break in his gear tangled him up in a terrific heat and Geys came home with the Devil. Best time, record heat, 2:07. The 2:05 race, purse \$200 was taken in straight heats by Hal B in a field of seven. Nicol B got second money. Time, 2:07; 2:08, 2:08.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 9.—Charles Parker, a brother of the late Governor Joseph B. Parker of this state, died in this city today. Deceased was in charge of the Pennsylvania railroad ticket office at Ninth and Chestnut streets. Philadelphia, where an employe of the road for over fifty years.

SOLDIER VICTIM OF LOCKJAW.

Philadelphia, Aug. 9.—A hypodermic syringe which had become rusty caused the death of Bertram S. Garland, a soldier in the Santiago hospital on the grounds, vice James Dock, of Harrisburg; Samuel D. Thorpe, of Harrisburg; and Richard Yellin, of Harrisburg; and Andrew McKee, of Harrisburg; William Crook, of Harrisburg, fireman and watchman, vice Lewis Finnebrook, of Harrisburg.

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WEEDING OUT REGIMENTS.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The number of enlistments yesterday for the Philippine regiments was 378, making a total of 11,400. The regiments which have their full quota, have begun the "weeding out" process. In the orders published today the discharges of nearly 100 recruits have been ordered.

Arrested for Serious Crime.

Cleveland, Aug. 9.—Charles H. Bond, 15 years old, was placed under arrest on a charge of placing explosives on the tracks of the Big Consolidated tracks during the strike on the road in June last. The police are confident that they have made an important arrest.

York Republicans.

York, Pa., Aug. 9.—At a meeting of the Republican caucus held today John P. Kell was elected county chairman over Robert C. Barr. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the state administration and upholding Governor Stone as an example of independence and propriety.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Forecast: + for Thursday; fair eastern Penn.; + sylvanica, unsettled weather with + showers and thunder storms + Thursday and probably Friday + with somewhat higher temperatures; fresh to brisk southerly + winds.

ADVANCE OF MacARTHUR

American Troops Cover Five Miles in Four Hours.

EIGHT WHITE MEN KILLED

Filipinos Expected the Americans to Move Against Tico and Were Consequently Surprised—Captain Deems Captures a Filipino Fakir Who Predicts the Fall of Manila. 150 Filipinos Killed in General Hall's Engagement—The Weather Extremely Hot and American Troops Suffer Greatly.

Manila, Aug. 9.—7.10 p. m.—Details of General MacArthur's advance beyond San Fernando show that the Americans covered five miles in the first five hours and at 2 o'clock had advanced six miles along the railway, stretching on each side of it for two miles and resting at night three miles from Ansoles, which will be the northern base of operations instead of San Fernando, where aarrison of 600 men has been left. The casualties are between thirty and forty. The Filipinos were surprised, expecting the American forces to move against Tico. They followed their usual tactics of holding their trenches until they became too warm and then retreating in disorder. They are now falling back westward toward Poric.

The Twelfth and Seventeenth regiments had the sharpest engagements. The country our troops passed over is covered with rice fields and bamboo thickets, the hardest possible ground for marching. The mud in places was knee deep.

Angeles is one of the richest towns north of Manila and is considered to be a better base of operations than San Fernando. The forces at San Fernando consisted of the Iowa regiment, the Seventeenth regiment, the Ninth regiment, the Twelfth regiment, Bell's new Thirty-sixth regiment, a battalion of the Sixteenth regiment, Troop E, of the Fourth cavalry and five companies of the Tenth cavalry.

The movement had been planned for some time, but was delayed by rains. Finally two days of sunshine dried the rice fields sufficiently to warrant the attempt.

The American position had long been unpleasant. The rebels almost surrounded the town and fired northward into it. The Americans not replying except on extreme provocation. It was necessary to keep 500 to 600 men on outpost duty constantly.

Captain Deems with a provost guard, last night captured a noted Filipino fakir with several aliases, who by means of ventriloquism has persuaded the natives that he has supernatural powers. He raised much money ostensibly for the insurance, which he kept for himself. Our soldiers surrounded his house and corralled thirty Filipinos. Many others escaped. The troops also captured one thousand dollars.

Immanus, as the fakir is generally known, has been predicting the fall of Manila. His "prophecies" have created excitement among the natives who believed them.

Reports from rebel sources say 150 Filipinos were killed in General Hall's engagement at Calamba and in the subsequent skirmishes.

American Losses.

Manila, 7.50 p. m.—The American loss in the fighting about San Fernando at 2 o'clock was San Fernando, eight men killed and 26 wounded. The loss may possibly exceed these figures, as the line is five miles long and it is impossible at this hour to hear from every point. Our troops are now about Angeles waiting for the arrival of reinforcements.

The attack was opened at 5 o'clock in the morning, a battery of the First artillery shelling Calamba on the left. Simultaneously Bell's Thirty-sixth infantry struck Bacolor from the rear and drove the rebels on. Armored cars, each with a six pounder and two Gatling revolving cannon on board, then moved out on the railroad track in the center of our lines. Soon afterward these guns did sharp execution.

Battery M of the Third artillery and a hundred men of the Iowa regiment made a feint towards Mexico, while the main body of troops, consisting of the Iowa regiment, the Seventeenth regiment and a battalion of the Twenty-second under General Wheaton, on the right, and the Ninth regiment, Twelfth regiment and Bell's regiment, under General Liscum, on the left, advanced steadily, pouring their fire into the rebels and receiving a heavy fire in return. The rebels were well protected by trenches and seemed to lack ammunition. But they were unable to withstand for any length of time the hail of shots our artillery and infantry poured in on them and retreated, leaving many dead and wounded on the field. A dozen prisoners were captured by our troops. The reports indicate that the Ninth infantry suffered the most, though the casualties of all the regiments are not yet reported.

The weather was extremely hot and our troops suffered greatly. But there was no faltering. A company of the Sixteenth regiment went to the relief of Bell's regiment this afternoon. According to reports, Bell, out of a total of 192, has had a number of wounded sent in and the insurgents are harassing him in the rear. The firing, except in isolated points, had ceased by 10 o'clock.