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SHELLING LADYSMITH

Vivid Account Given in Censored Dispatches from Boers.

PRISONERS OF PRETORIA

The Eighteenth Hussars and Dublin Fusileers Are Well Fed and Well Cared for-Troopship Arcana Arrives at Cape Town-British Troops Capture Guns and Ammunition at Colesburg.

Kimberley, Thursday, Nov. 9 (Evening), via Hope Town, Sunday, Nov. 12. -The Boers were kept busy yesterday in throwing up fresh earthworks. There has been no further bombardment. The De Beers mines are practically closed. Thousands of the employes are now domiciled in the center of the town and are being provisioned by the mayor's relief fun. The mili-tary authorities have ordered all civillans to give up their arms and ammunintion, with the view of preventing Irresponsibles firing at the Boers, in contravention of the laws of civilized

Kaffirs report that the Boers cheered each shell as it was fired yesterday, believing that it meant the destruction of Kimberley. The Boers are now wearing Khakl uniforms and blue puggarees, making it difficult to distin-

guish them from the British.

London, Nov. 17.—The following censored despatch from Pretoria gives details of the engagement referred to in the Associated Press despatch from Pretoria, of Wednesday, Nov. 15;

"The Free Staters had taken up a position on a small hill when an English battery advanced and attacked them, sending a flery hall of shells on the hill for an hour, when the Transvaal cannon put some shells right in the midst of the battery, sending the English to cover behind a hill. Two burghers were killed and six were wounded. When the Brirish fell back on Ladysmith several shells exploded among them, but the execution done could not be seen. At midnight all the Afrikander cannon on the hills surrounding the town opened fire simultaneously on Ladysmith, turning the quiet and darkness of night into a furid inferno of whistling, shricking shells, speeding from all points of the compass to the doomed city, Several buildings on fire were seen from Butwan Hill. During the day the troops left the city deserted and sought on the edge of the bill to escape our death-dealing shells."

A Pretoria Version. The dispatch from Pretoria also says that the prisoners at that place include the Eighteenth Hussars, four officers and ninety-one non-commissioned offcers and men; the Dublin Fusileers, four officers and twelve non-commissioned officers and men; the Irish Pus-Heers, ten officers and 533 non-commissioned officers and men: the Gloucesters, fourteen officers and 305 non-commissioned officers and men; the Rifles, two officers and eighty-nine non-com missioned officers and men; the Dragoons, one man; the Natal police, one man; political, sixty-two men; sick, thirty-eight men.

The dispatch adds: "Trains are working excellently from Pretoria to Ladysmith. The Boers have ample food, but are short of clothes, boots and mackintoshes."

Cape Town, Thursday, Nov. 16 .- It is reported from Colesburg that a quantity of guns and ammunition belonging to the Orange Free State and destined for Richmond have been captured by the British. Durban, Natal, Nov. 16.-A gentle-

man who was arrested at Johannesburg, taken to Pretoria and released has arrived here via Delagoa bay While at Pretoria he was confined on the race course with the military prisoners, comprising fifty-two officers and 1,275 non-commissioned officers and men from Natal, ten officers and twenty-five non-commissioned officers and men from Mafeking, and four men from Fort Tull. The prisoners' guards were almost exclusively Germans, and the artillerymen manning the forts were also mostly Germans.

The prisoners were well fed and were shown every consideration. Most of the officers were removed to more comfortable quarters in the town.

London, Nov. 17 .- An official disputch confirms the statement that Captain J. A. Haldane, of the Gordon Highlanders, attached to the Dublin Fusileers, and Lieutenant Thomas Frankland (not Franklin) and thirty-seven noncommissioned officers and men of the Dublin Fusileers are missing.

More Troops Arrive.

London, Nov. 17 .- The admiralty announced this evening the arrival at Cape Town today of the troopship Areana with a battalion of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (the Princess Louise's regiment), bringing the reinforcements up to 23,500, of which 7,290 have already disembarked at Durban, with eighteen field guns, a number of machine guns, engineers and

hospital troops, as well as 700 mules This force, together with that already between Estcourt and Durban, is considered sufficient to enable General Hityard to advance and to take the aggressive against the Boerz south of Ladysmith. According to the Intest advices, Ladysmith is holding out satisfactorily, everything having been well

up to Wednesday. In view of the Boer destruction of bridges, the war office has issued orders for the shipment of a quantity of bridge work between this and the end

of the year. London, Nov. 18, 5 a. m .- The absence of news of any serious movement against Ladysmith seems to show sixth round.

that the Boers are repeating the strategy adopted by them at Dundee, when they appeared in front and endeavored to effect a surrounding movement This seems to be their object regarding Estcourt, and since it is impossible that relief should reach there for some days to come it is not unlikely that a further retiring movement on Mool

river will be made. Major Wolfe Murray has returned to Pictermaritzburg to take command of the line of communications, and Colonel Long, of the Royal artillery, has taken command at Estcourt. The forces now at Pietermaritzburg are too weak to attempt to re-open communications. Artillery and cavalry especially are badly needed and it necessarfly will take a very long time to obtain either, owing to the difficulty of entraining and the necessity of allowing the horse to rest after long sea

For the indiscriminate distribution of the various divisions at unexpected points it seems clear that the original plans of General Buller have been wholly changed. Not the slightest word regarding the new plans have

been allowed to escape. It has been reported that the Belmont fight arose owing to the advance of a British column to relieve Kimberley, but this seems incorrect, all of the most reliable accounts representing the engagement as growing out of a reconnelssance.

The announcement of the arrival of General Methuen at Orange river, however, doubtless means that arrangements are in a forward state for an advance from that point, if the advance has not already begun. Kimberley was safe Friday, Nov. 10. Last Tuesday a Boer force of 600 entered Aliwal North, Cape Colony, hoisted the flag of the Free State and declared the district to be part of the republic The activity of the Boers in this locallty would almost point to the necessity of insuring the safety of the column marching to the relief of Kimberley from attack from this direction

or from Bloomfontein In view of the reticence of General Buller it is almost useless to speculate regarding the report of a movement to relieve Kimberley. It can only be intended to withdraw the Boers, if possible, from Natal.

INSANE FATHER'S AWFUL DEED

Plotted to Kill His Entire Family and Then Commit Suicide-He Kills Two of the Children and Himself-Terrible Spectacle.

Chicago, Nov. 17 .- Carrying out a slot he had apparently planned with deliberation, Cornelius Corcoran today shot four of his children, killing two of them, and then ended his own life. The tragedy occurred at his home, 5041 Dearborn street.

The dead: Cornelius Corcoran, is years old; Margaret Corcoran, 5 years; John Corcoran, 7 years. The wounded: Kate Corcoran, 14

years old, may die; Lizzie Corcoran, 3 The police are convinced the man

was insane. He had lived with his seven children for months past. To all appearances he was a kind and condderate parent. For some days ne had plotted for the death of his children and accomplished his purpose Tuesday. Hearing the children cough he arose in the dark, administered laudanum to five of them, Clifford, Timothy, John, Margaret and Lizzie. The first two were removed to the Mercy hospital, where Timothy died the next Corcoran exhibited such profound grief over the affair that the police and the coroner thought riving of the landarum was a mistake, Today he deliberately carried out the further terrible work with a revolver. Corcoran's mother called at the house on a visit and on reaching the door heard the shots and ran into the street screaming. The police were notified and an appalling sight greeted the eyes of Lleutenant Clancy and other officers when they entered the house In the first bed room, just off the parlor, was the body of Margaret, lying in a mass of blood at the head of the bed, while at the foot lay John and Kate, unconscious and breathing heavily. In the room to the rear Corcoran's dead body was found on the floor, while that of the baby, Lizzie, redined on a pillow. A revolver lay near

rs were empty. The children were quickly removed o the Mercy hospital. Corcoran was njured about three years ago in a collision with a cable car while driving a mall wagon. His leg was broken and his brain affected. It is said six months ago Coreoran's wife became insane and since that time she has en an inmlate of an asylum at Kankakee

Corcoran's body. Five of the cham-

The only child to escape injury was Marion, 16 years old, who is at the hospital nursing her brother, Clifford,

ANTON LUTZ COMPROMISED.

Millionaire Brewer Settled Breach of Promise Case Out of Court.

Pittsburg, Nov. 17 .- The breach of cromise case brought by Ruth De-Hand, of Chicago, against Anton Lutz. the millionaire brewer of this city, in which the damages were placed at \$100,000, came to a sudden termination today, when the counsel for the plaintiff announced to the court that an amicable settlement had been reached.

Cincinnati Club's Tour.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 17.-The Cincinnati base ball club left here tonight for a tour of the south, opening at Memphis tomorrow. It is their intention to visit Juba before they return. The makeup of the team is: Hahn, Kahoe, Bentley, McPhee, McCormick, Gonding. Lattimer and Tannchill, with Frank Bancroft as manager.

Corbett Will Fight Jeffries. New York, Nov. 17.-A match between Jim Jeffries, the champion heavyweight pugilist, and Jim Corbett, ex-champion was arranged today between Corbett personally, and W. A. Brady for Jeffries. The articles will be signed Tuesday.

Jeffrles will have the fixing of the date of the bout. Draw at the Sixth Round

Chicago, Nov. 17.—The fight between Kid McPartland and Mattie Matthews was declared a draw at the end of the

THE SENATE FOOD INVESTIGATION

TESTIMONY REGARDING IM-PURE GROCERIES.

Witnesses Find the Markets Flooded with Foods Adulterated Almost Beyond Reason-Plaster of Paris Mustard, Charcoal Pepper, Sawdust Flour Among the Things Calculated to Destroy Digestive Organs.

New York, Nov. 17 .- The United States senate committee on manufactures today continued its investigation into the adulteration of food prepared for the market. Senator Mason, of Illinois, was the only representative of the committee present.

William H. Zeitner, of the Henry Zeltner Brewing company, of this city. was the first witness. He testified that he manufactured two classes of beer, one of barley, malt, yeast, hops and water only, and another of cheaper grade with an added proportion of white corn grits.

Mr. Zeltner sald he believed there should be a national law controlling the standard of purity of beer, the standard should be fixed on a basis of barley and malt.

Dr. Edward H. Jenkins, an agricultural chemist, vice director of the Connecticut agricultural experimental station, told of his work in analyzing the food offered for sale in the Connecticut markets and declared that the general adulteration of food products has ncreased with the business competition and demand for cheap wares.

Dr. Jenkins said he found meat oultry and fish preserved with bolax. More than half the Jellies examined were made of glucose and starch paste, olored with an artificial coloring, flavored with artificial flavoring and preserved with sallcylic acid. The cheaper grades of coffee were found to contain a large proportion of pea pellets,

wheat middlings and chickory.
Dr. Jenkins presented for the instruction of Senator Mason a number or small bottles containing the coffee adulterants and imitation coffee beans, adulterated mustard, which is 20 per cent, plaster af paris, pepper that is 5 per cent, charcoal, sawdust and ur and cayenne peper that is less

than 10 per cent, pure pepper.

Speaking of the dyes used in temperance drinks, Dr. Jenkins said exeriments had shown that one glass of raspberry soda had sufficient aniline dye to color a piece of flannel five inches square.

MOLINEUX JURY.

Four of Them Are Selected in Four Days.

New York, Nov. 17 .- The trial of Roland B. Molineux was interrupted this afternoon by the sudden illness of one of the jurors, Daniel Fraad. He vas assisted from the court and physiclans found that he was suffering from acute indigestion. Recorder Goff declared Mr. Fraad's seat in the jury box vacant.

Two more jurors were accepted this morning and they took their places in the jury box. After examining twelve talesmen, the thirteenth, Daniel Frand, manager of a window-cleaning company, was accepted as the third juror. His illness followed and he was excused. A few moments after Mr. Fraad's

sceletion the fourth juror was accepted. He is Herbert Gordon Thomson, an Iron manufacturer. The next juror accepted was Abraham Altmeyer, a retired real estate dealer. This is the fourth day of Molineux's trial and thus far more than 100 talesmen have been examined. The net results of today's trial, therefore, is the selection of two jurors, making four in all.

SIX NEW WARSHIPS.

Contracts Will Be Awarded for Protected Cruisers.

Washington, Nov. 17 .- The board of naval construction today agreed upon a report recommending that the navy department award the contracts for constructing the six new protected cruisers authorized by congress to the following concerns:

Union Iron works, of San Francisco; Lewis Nixon, of the Crescent shipbuilding works, Elizabethport, N. J.; the Bath Iron works, of Bath, Me.; the Trigg company, of Richmond, Va.; the Fore River company, of Mass.; Neafle & Leavy, of Philadelphia.

The awards are not final until the board's findings are approved by the secretary of the navy. The lowest bidders did not receive the perference in all cases and it is to be presumed that the board was influenced in its selections by considerations of meritorious design and unquestionable ability of the concerns to perform the work they will be called upon to undertak.e

Mr. Henderson Arrives.

Washington, Nov. 17.-Hon, David B. Henderson, of Iowa, who is slated to be speaker of the next house of repre-sentatives, arrived in Washington this afternoon and has established himself at the Normandie hotel. Concerning public questions and the formation of ommittees, the prospective speaker has nothing to say for publication.

Colonel Davis Ill.

Chicago, Nov. 17.-Colonel George R Davis, who was director general of the World's fair, is lying critically ill at his home in this city. Colonel Davis is suf-fering from heart disease, with compli-cations. His illness took a serious turn Tuesday, and today there were grave doubts as to his recovery.

Mr. Pettit's Successor.

. Washington, Nov. 17.—The president has appointed H. W. Hayt, of Alluance, O., to be United States consul at Dusseldorf, Germany, to succeed Pettit, de-ceased. Mr. Hart is a young lawyer, and his appointment is credited to the personal interest in him entertained by the president.

Out in the Fifteenth Round.

New York, Nev. 17 .- Frank McConneil of San Francisco, knocked out Jimmy open the safe of the Bank at Carl Junc-Handler, of Newark, N. J., before the tion, ten miles north of here, early this Broadway Athletic club tonight in fifteenth round,

STOPPED THEIR GAME.

Sharks Who Expected to Cause Panic Are Prevented. New York, Nov. 17.-Russell Sage is

quoted today as saying to a newspaper interviewer, who asked him what he thought of the United States treasury to buy \$25,000,000 of bonds: "I believe Secretary Gage's action has saved the financial world from a

disastrous panic. "No one who has been in touch with business enterprises during the past few months can fall to have realized the stringency of the money market. Ready money appeared to be extraordinarily scarce, and those who had it held it or demanded the highest class securities before they let it go.

"I know of banks in different parts of the country which had the hardest kind of a time in realizing money, and yet they held securities that ordinarily would have been negotiable anywhere. "The sharps took advantage of the situation. They were making a rich harvest of it, but the government has stopped their game."

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

Signs of Shrinkage in the Demand for Iron and Steel Products Becomes More Clear.

New York, Nov. 17 .- R. G. Dun & ompany's Weekly Review of Trade Ill say tomorrow:

The signs of shrinkage in the new mand for iron and steel products beme more clear and while the prices of pig are mantained without change and billets are quoted lower only beause prices for earlier deliveries are no longer paid, plates are quoted low-er at the east, with some small mills elling at 2.5 cents at Pittsburg and sheets are sold by some works there at \$3 to \$4 less than the regular price. The strength of bars at the west is largely due to the great demand for cars, of which it is said that one thousand per day are ordered, but at the east prices are a shade lower. A new demand does not make up for the rapid mpletion of old orders in some lines, so that the competition of works weakens prices. In minor metals the colspee of London speculation depressed tin to 26 cents on Wednesday here, but subsequently an advance of four unds per ton in the foreign market rought the New York price up to 28. sale of copper by the Calumet and Hecla said to be of 20,600 pounds, lowred the price to 17 cents. Spelter is weaker at \$4.65, with lead and tin plates unchanged.

Shipments of boots and shoes fall off, and yet are larger than in any pre-vious year. Textile manufactures are doing well, although in woolen the speculation in material threatens to cause some embarrassment. Sales of wool were again heavy. Clearly a large share of the transactions have been for speculation, but the mills have been buying also, especially those recently started after long idleness. Cotton goods continue to advance, with a strong demand. Wheat de

although Atlantic exports were only 2,976,551 bushels, flour included, against 3.968,768 for the same week last year, and Pacific exports 720,793 bushels, against 1,988,093 last year, The course of the market is the more noteworthy because western re-

ceipts are much reduced, being only 5.897,867 bushels, against 10.337,311 last year. Corn declined a fraction, with heavier exports than last year and smaller receipts.

Failures for the week were 219 in the United States, against 223 last year, and 20 in Canada, against 26 last year.

FRANKLIN FIELD GAME. Pennsylvania Defeats State College Score of 47 to 0.

Philadelphia, Nov. 17 .- Pennsylvania had no trouble in defeating the Pennsylvania college team on Franklin field today, the score being Pennsylvania, 47; State college, 0. The red and blue eleven played a strong and fast game. The players made few mistakes and there was little fumbling. On the other hand, State col-

lege was surprisingly weak The Quakers went through State's line at will and skirted her ends time and again. State also fumbled considerably. Pennsylvania went into the game with the intention of topping Yale's score of 42 against State and the students cheered wildly when old Penn went the Yalesians five points

Pennsylvania made her first touchdown in less than one minute after the game started. Twenty-four points were made in the first half and twentythree in the second period. Captain Hare kicked seven goals from touchdowns. Hare, McCracken and Potter played star games for Pennsylvania. while Wood carried off the honors for State. The lineup:

State College. Pennsylvania. Stehleleft endlandolph (Capt.) Hare (Capt.) ... left guard OverfieldcenterCummings Teasright guard Wallaceright tackle d) (D. K. Miller) (Outland) Coombsright endWood Kennedyq'trback. Johnson(Hewitt)

Gardinerleft half back ... ofterright half backMartin McCrackenfull backCure Score—Pennsylvania, 47; State College, 6. Touchdowns—McCracken, 4; Hare, 2; Teas, 1; Potter, I. Goals from touch-downs—Hare, 7. Missed goal from touchdown—Hare, 1. Referee—C. H. Schoff, Pennsylvania. Umpire—J. H. Minds, Pennsylvania. Timekeeper—John

The Washington and Jefferson team, which plays at Princeton tomorrow, stopped here and took in the game

Hedges, Penna. Time of halves-30 mln-

Bonds Offered for Sale. Washington, Nov. 17 - The bonds offerto the government today at the several aub-treasuries under Secretary Gage's offer of last Tuesday amounted to \$2.541.-550 as follows: New York, \$1,550.150; Philadelphia, \$478,000; Cincinnati, \$4,000 Baltimore, \$200.

Missouri Bank Burglary.

Jonlin, Mo., Nov. 17.-Robbers blew morning and stole between \$3,000 and \$4,

MORE INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTS

CARNEGIE'S TESTIMONY THE LAST TO BE TAKEN.

Mr. Rice Gives Testimony as to Details in Organizing Trusts and Contends That Combinations Tend to Cheapen the Price of Commodities to Consumers-Plans to Perfect Or-

Washington, Nov. 17.—The industrial commission has receive€ from Mr. Andrew Carnegie a promise to appear before the commission in December and give his testimony upon the subject of trusts. Mr. Carnegie's testimony will be the last taken upon this subject preparatory to the preliminary eport upon trusts, which will be made to congress early in January. Hon. John Wanamaker is expected to testify before the commission next week upon the question of combination stores.

Mr. Samuel Rice, president of the Distilling company of America, known as the whiskey trust, was before the commission today. He said that his company controlled about 90 per cent of the spirits distilled in the United States, but that the company had abandoned the policy of cutting prices, There was no intention of driving competitors out of business, the intention being to sell at a fair and sure profit, letting others do as they might please in fixing prices.

Mr. Rice gave the details of the organization of the trust, saying it was formed from the Distilling and Cattle Feeders' association, the American Spirits Manufacturing company, the Standard Distilling and Distributing ompany, all of which were controlled by the principal company by the ownership of the stock. It had merely a clearing house for the other companies. All the stockholders of these several concerns, with the exception of a very small minority, had entered into the combination with zeal. The parent company also owns a rya whiskey distillery at Minneapolis and the Hannis distillery. It makes about 90 per cent. of the spirits produced, he said, and controls an equal percentage of the brands of Kentucky whiskey.

The Capital Stock. Of the capital stock of the company there had been issued \$31,250,000 in preferred and \$46,250,000 in common. Mr. Rice said he could not say what amount had ben paid to the organizers of the trust, but as it was a very delicate and important undertaking, he thought they should have been well paid. He was also unable to state what had been paid for the Hannis Rye distillery, but he considered it worth not less than \$5,000,000. The company had made no public statement of its af- son and Knox counties, at least, must fairs, but its books, Mr. Rice said, were be counted as certified. They have ders of the company

Mr. Rice contended that the effect of the combination was to cheapen the cost of production and also to lessen the price to the consumers.

"Our plan," he said, "is to control the business, so as to prevent overproduction, but we do not seek a monopoly. Any one is welcome to stay in the business. And we do not cut prices, nor do we intend to cut them. agents have strict instructions on that point. We consider our protection to be in our superior facilities, and we do not fear new distilleries starting up, so long as we seek to make only a reasonable profit."

He added that the company now controls the output of the standard brands of whiskey. "And," he said, "we in-tend to hold the production of spirits down to the demand by holding our price down near to the cost of produc-

tion." A change of the revenue laws so as to permit the transportation of alcohol in tank cars was advocated by Mr. Rice. With this change he thought the United States could supply the world with alcohol. He also thought the whiskey tax should be lower.

THEY WANT THE ISLAND. Members of the Cuban League Make

Demands. Havana, Nov. 17 .- At a meeting of the Havana council of the delegates of the Cuban league and the national party tonight, a resolution was adopted declaring that the United States having recognized the right of Cuba to be free, Cubans might expect therefore the United States to deliver the island

to an independent government. \ "While establishing a government." the resolution continued, "the Cubans should offer to the United States guarantees respecting property and a preference in the matter of commercial treaties, which the Americans have a right to expect and which the Cubans not only have no reason to deny, but can grant without any weakening of their own independence."

Beyond this the resolution asserts that the "greatest efforts should be made to shorten the military occupation."

Boers Destroy Bridges.

London, Nov. 18 -- Special despatches from Pietermaritzburg and Lorenz Marques say that Ladysmith is bombard ed night and day and hard pressed. On Nov. 9, having during the night placed men close to the town the Boers, after heavy bembardment, began an assault but were repulsed at every point with heavy losses. The Boers have destroyed one of the bridges over the Tugela river.

Politics Lead to Murder.

Middlesboro, Ky., Nov. 17.-John M. Tate, former representative of Lee country, Virginia, was shot and killed today by Deputy Sheriff Evan Bledsoe, of the same county. Tate was a leading Demo-cratic politician, and Bledsoe, a leader the Republicans. Trouble over politics led to the killing.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Nov. 17 .- Cleared: Steamer Lucania, Liverpool. Isle of Wight-Passed: Steamer Spaarndam, New York for Rotterdam. Lizard-Passed: Steam-er Friesland, New York for Antwerp. Liverpool-Sailed: Steamer Tauric, New Arrived: Steamer Bovic from

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

PARTLY CLOUDY; WARMER.

Weather Indications Today:

General-Filipinos Preparing for an Attack. Bombardment of Ladysmith Continues. Investigating the Trusts, Senate Food Investigation

- General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Financial and Commercial.
- Local-Martini's Paper on Palmistry,
- 4 Editorial, News and Comment. 5 Local-Social and Personal.
- Lecal-Court Proceedings, Better Postal Service,
- Local-Local Political Matters, Plate Factory Seems a Certainty.
- Round About the County.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban.

Local-Religious News of the Week. Sunday-school Lesson for Tomorrow 11 Story-"Colonel Drury."

KENTUCKY MUDDLE.

2 Local-Live Industrial News.

Goebel's Lawyers Propose to Throw Out the Entire Vote of Jefferson County-Bradley's Position.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 17 .- The propoition today from Goebel's lawyers to throw out the entire vote of Jefferson county, which includes Louisville, was not wholly unlooked for by the Republican leaders here. It is now said Senator DeBoe's visit here last night was for the purpose of ascertaining definitely to what extent Governor Bradley will support Taylor in the event that Goebel is given the certificate of election, based on this proceeding. Senator De Boe and Governor Bradley are not on speaking terms and a third party acted

as a "go between."

DeBoe says he is satisfied Bradley will stand by Taylor and will vigorously resist Goebel. Senator Lindsay will be asked to act as one of the attorneys for the anti-Goebel side, before the state election commission.

The Republicans have found a precedent established by the state election commission last year in which the board by a unantmous vote, decided it was merely a canvassing board and had no power to pass on contests. This was the case of Mordecai Williams, Democrat, who filed a contest for the certificate of election as congressman from the Ninth district on the ground that fraudulent votes had been cast for Congressman Pugh, in several counties The board declined to hear the contest on the ground of tack of jurisdiction and awarded the certificate of election to Pugh on the face of the returns. Taylor's lawyers now claim that under this decision the vote of John-

of this ruling on the Jefferson county If Jefferson county is thrown out the political complexion of the legislature will be affected, as one senator and seven representatives will have to be

called by the governor. Louisville, Nov. 17 .- The official count was received tonight from Floyd and Knott counties. Floyd gives Goebel 156 and Knott gives him 459 plurality In the last tabulated returns printed Wednesday morning, from Democratic sources, Goebel's plurality in the state was floured at one vote. In this table Floyd (unofficial) gave Goebel 400 plurality and Knott 439 plurality. The official returns from these two counties show a net loss of 224 from the unoffi-

elected under special election to be

SCIENTISTS FIGHT.

They Object to Compulsory Vaccination.

Americus, Ga., Nov. 17.-The cases of the Christian Scientists who refused to be vaccinated were settled today, so far as the mayor's court can settle them, by the sentencing of E. J. McMath to imprisonment at the city hall for thirty days and a fine of \$15. Five tadles of the congregation were sentenced to fifteen days' confinement also, the place to be designated by the chief of police, and to pay a fine of \$2 each. The same sentences of fine and imprisonment will be assessed against such other memhers of the congregation as may refuse

to obey the vaccination ordinan-Mr. McMath is a leading merchant of Americus, and the ladies involved belong to the best families in the city. Counsel has been employed to represent the Christian Scientists and certiorarles will be taken to the Superior court and if necessary the cases will be carried to the Supreme court of the United States.

WILL ESTABLISH CHURCHES. Missionary Committee of Methodists

Will Organize in Porte Rico. Washington, Nov. 17 .- The general ommittee on missionary work in the Methodist church today decided after considerable discussion to organize two churches in Porto Rico, one at

Fonce and one at San Juan. An appeal will be made by the church extension society to build the tion are conflicting. Several of his inti-churches. The committee appropriated mate friends stated tonight that while churches. The committee appropriated \$5,000 for their maintenance when

built. Zulus Become Insolent.

London, Nov. 17 .- Advices from Zuluand testify to the grewing uncasiness of d by the Boers, with the result that the Zulus themselves are growing insolent, giving rise to a fear that they may attack the unarmed British population.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

New York, Nov. 17 .- The Rev. Robert Duniap Sproull, D. D., died at Freeport, L. I., today of cerebral paralysis. He was born in Allegheny, Pa., sixty-three years ago.

New York, Nov. 17.-Colonel Lawrence Kip died at his residence in this city at 9.45 o'clock tonight. Colonel Kip was 8 years old and a well known horseman. Chicago, Nov. 17.-Lewis Troy, super-Chicago, Nov. 17.—Lewis Troy, super-intendent of the Sixth division of the United States railway mail service, died + and cooler; fresh southerly winds, tonight from neuralgia of the heart.

THE FILIPINOS ARE MASSING

May Give Battle to the Americans Near Tarlac.

THE LAST STAND, PERHAPS

Two Thousand Insurgents Are Concentrating at Gerona - General Mascardo Menacing the Country Near Angeles-Lawton and Mac-Arthur Near Each Other-Letter from American Prisoners Found. Heavy Rains Impede Operations.

Manila, Nov. 17.-General MacArthur's and General Lawton's commands are near each other. General Mac-Arthur is getting supplies to Tarlac . over the railroad from Bamban with an engine which was raised from the

river by the Ninth infantry. Colonel Howes, who occupied Victoria with six troops of the Third cavalry, has advanced to Rosales. A letter was found at Victoria from Private Desmond of the Signal corps, one of the twenty-one America prisoners held there. The prisoners, the letter said, were expecting to be taken to the mountains before the army arrived.

Two thousand insurgents are report-

ed to be massing at Gerona, above Tarlac, and General Mascardo is said to be in the mountains west of Angeles with a thousand mon, preparing to make raids. Rain has been falling throughout the month. All last week the downpour was heavy and continu-ous. The whole country is in as bad condition as at any time this season. Manila, Nov. 18,-8.25 a, m.-General MacArthur, with the Thirty-sixth infantry, a battalion of the Seventeenth infantry, a troop of the Fourth cavalry, several Gatlings and a detachment of the Signal corps, has begun his northward advance from Tarlac, which will be continued to Bayomong,

province of New Vizaya. RHYNLAND'S TRIP.

Ship Encounters Heavy Weather and

Coal Is Consumed. Philadelphia, Nov. 17 .- The American line steamship Rhynland, from Liverpool, with seventy cabin passengers and 131 in the steerage aralways open to the inspection of the not given an opinion as to the hearing rived here today, being four days over-The ship

weather, but suffered no damage.

The Rhynland sailed from Liverpool Nov. 1, and after leaving Queenstown on the following day she ran into a storm, and during the remainder of the voyage it was a continual struggle against the elements. All the coal was consumed and during the last two days the fires were kept alive with

The sea day after day swept the decks. Twice it washed completely over the vessel, the water actually submerging the bridge, and on one occasion the man on the lookout was under water. The passengers were badly frightened, but there never was any

danger of a panic. AEROLITE REPORTED.

It Is on the Farm of George Smith, Fulton, County, N. Y.

Hancock, Md., Nov. 17.-George Smith, who lives in Fulton county. Pa., about twelve miles from this place, reports that aerolite fell on his farm early Thursday morning and is buried in the field near his barn. He and his family were awakened at 2 o'clock by a loud, hissing noise, accompanied by a bright tlash of light and a loud peal of what they thought was thun-

At daylight he discovered a circular piece of ground about one hundred feet diameter having the appearance of having been recently plowed. He believes that a portion of a meteor is buried in his corn field.

EARTHQUAKE AT SANTIAGO. Houses Damaged and Natives Badly

Frightened. Santiago de Cuba, Nov. 17 .- This morning at 9.15 o'clock an earthquake shock was felt here, lasting nearly half a minute. Several houses in the city were badly damaged, and the front of the marine hospital office fell, blocking

No personal injuries are reported, but the natives were badly frightened,

Evangelist Moody Ill. Kansas City, Nov. 17.—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, was stricken with heart trouble today and has left in care of physicians for Northfield, Mass. His condition is critical. The reports, howhis condition was serious it was not critical. These friends, however, reluct-antly admitted that they believe his cureer as a public speaker was nearing the end. Dr. Shaufter said that in his opinion the evangelist's condition was not essentially worse than for some time past, and that he was simply exhausted from his recent exertions before the big crowds that have gathered to hear him. Dr. Schauffer added, however, that Mr.

Pennsylvania Pensions. Washington, Nov. 17.-Pensions: Orig-

Moody must have quiet and rest.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Nov. 17 .- Porceast for Saturday and Sunday: Eastern + Pennsylvania-Partly cloudy and + Sunday, fair 4

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