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THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

At last the Transvaal has been invaded in force by the British General Sir Archibald Hunter, who it was rumored had gone to the relief of Mafeking, has really been marching up the Vaal valley. Lord Roberts reports that Hunter has occupied Christinn, a few miles north of the Vaal and about 220 miles southeast of Pretoria.

It will be remembered that some time ago Lord Roberts asked the garrison at Mafeking to hold out until May 18. That day has arrived, and London momentarily expects to hear—but has not heard—of the garrison's relief. Reports that Colonel Baden-Powell repulsed the recent attack, capturing Commandant Eloff and 90 other Boers, are now given full credence in the British capital.

General Buller has occupied Dannhauser, 12 miles north of Glencoe, Natal, and is pressing on toward Laing's Nek, to which place the Boers are retreating. He estimates at 7,000 the number of Burgers who have been retiring from the Biggersberg mountains.

A dispatch from Vredfort, Orange Free State, says the Americans who are fighting with the Boers have been losing heavily. It also states that Col. Blake's Irish corps was captured at Kroonstad. Col. Y. F. Blake is an American, and his corps has done some of the hardest fighting in the war. The capture of this body of men has not been reported from any other source.

Polated Paragraphs.

A man who insists on talking a thing over invariably overtalks.

A man dislikes details, but a woman wants full particulars.

It is a wise young man who recognizes a hint when his best girl gives it.

"Nothing is certain," as the fisherman said when he found it on his hook.

Sometimes a man's unpopularity is due to the fact that he saves his money.

It isn't so much what a man has that makes him happy as what he doesn't want.

While the loafer is waiting for a good job to come along the hustler goes out and meets it.

Genius lights its own fires, but it has to constantly collect fuel to keep alive the flame.

There are three things the wise man keeps on good terms with—his wife, his stomach and his conscience.

It's a good plan to keep an eye on the individual who is always telling you that it takes a thief to catch a thief.

As a rule, the man who is continually howling about the scarcity of money never thinks of trying to earn it by honest labor.—Chicago News.

A Fleishish Attack.

An attack was lately made on C. F. Collier, of Iowa, that nearly proved fatal. It came through his kidneys. His back got so lame he could not stoop without great pain, nor sit in a chair except propped by a cushion. No remedy helped him until he tried Electric Bitters which effected such a wonderful change that he writes that he feels like a new man. This marvelous medicine cures back ache and kidney troubles, purifies the blood and builds up your health. Only 25c at Blackburn's.

New Five Dollar Bill's.

Wilmington Dispatch, 11th.

Assistant Secretary Vandercip has given his approval to the new designs for the \$5 silver certificates, treasury notes and United States notes, and some of the new bills are expected to make their appearance in a few days.

The first will be silver certificates. The same designs will be used in the different kinds of currency issued. The only change will be in styling of silver certificates or notes.

The face of the new bill will contain the portrait of an American Indian, who is attired in full war trappings.

The face of some distinguished dead man will be omitted.

On both back and front there is much pretty scroll work. The rear of the note contains two figures five in large size, and in the center the letter V. In this respect the bill follows the style of the new \$2. There is also considerable white in the center on each side of the V.

The Duncie Was Surprised.

A good story is told of Sir Walter Scott. It seems that he was far from being a brilliant scholar, and at school he was usually at the foot of his class. After he became famous he one day dropped into the school to pay a visit to the scene of his former woes. The teachers so anxious to make a good impression on the writer, put the pupils through their lessons so as to show them to the best advantage. After a while Scott said:

"But which is the duncie? You have one, surely? Show him to me."

The teacher called up a poor fellow, who looked the picture of woe as he bashfully came toward the distinguished visitor.

"Are you the duncie?" asked Scott.

"Yes, sir," said the boy.

"Well, my good fellow, here is a crown for you for keeping my place warm."—Exchange.

Caution is the foundation of prudence.

An occasional hearty laugh is a wise act.

The faster a man's pace the sooner old age overtakes him.

The hotter the argument the cooler it makes some friendship.

The reproaches of a true friend are always just and not too frequent.

Better the cold water of indifference than the sparkling wine of obligation.

The coming man is usually the one who holds your promissory note.

Were it not for wine and passion some men would never speak the truth.

The first match was made in the Garden of Eden—but it was not a parlor match.

A lawyer is a learned man who rescues your possessions from an enemy—and keeps them for his trouble.

Some men are so very superstitious that they won't pay you on the 13th of the month nor any other date.

It is an easy matter to interest a girl. All you have to do is to talk about matrimony, new bouquets and a sleigh ride.

"He that seeks finds" He that takes Hood's Sarsaparilla finds in its use pure, rich blood and a consequently good health.

An exchange says: The Rev. C. M. Sheldon, of Topeka, Kans., received \$5,000 profits of the Christian Daily Capital, of which he has given \$1,000 to the India famine sufferers and the balance has been distributed as follows: City Dentention Hospital, Topeka, \$1,000; for the contagious ward, Christ's Hospital, \$1,000; Washburn College, \$600; Topeka Y. M. C. A., \$300; Kindergarten Association, \$100; Young Women's Christian Association, \$150; Women's Christian Temperance Union, \$100; Ingle's Home, \$100; State Temperance Union, \$100; Anti-Cigar League, \$50.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on at first said at first it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drug store and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's pain balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends.—F. A. BABCOCK, Erie, Pa. It is sold by all dealers.

George Kocher, of Exeter, and Miss Ettie Baird, of Lake town, married themselves yesterday to save the expense of a minister, and will spend the \$5 thus saved in starting house-keeping.

The groom is 58 and the bride is 38 years old. After paying 50 cents for a marriage license, and discovering that a minister was an expensive luxury, they called Thos. Harding, a constable, and Commissioners' Clerk George Doyle as witnesses, and quietly announced themselves as willing to be married and then declared they were married from that moment. This form of marriage is legal in Pennsylvania.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's cough remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given us the most perfect satisfaction, we feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Miss S. DORTY, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by all dealers.

Raleigh Post. If Mr. Pearson is really "conscientious" as to his title seat in Congress in recognition of the universal opinion among honest people to the contrary, he should follow the example of Mr. Bacon of Georgia, resign at once and appeal to the district at the next election. His resignation would compel an election, and the people could say in November whether or not they prefer him or Mr. Crawford to represent them. Now let the Duke come to the scratch in a way that can settle the matter beyond dispute. He surely cannot be afraid to trust the people.

Tortured a Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave this evidence: "I coughed every night until my throat was nearly raw; then tried Dr. King's New Discovery which gave instant relief. I have used it in my family for four years and recommend it as the greatest remedy for coughs, colds and all throat chest and lung troubles. It will stop the worst cough, and not only prevents but absolutely cures consumption. Price 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at Blackburn's.

No, Maude, dear, the top of the morning is not the correct time for giving a high tea.

Talk isn't always cheap. Sometimes it costs a man his reputation.

Some people don't believe in hiding their faults under a bushel.

Men are naturally attracted by a woman who wears fetching clothes.

Tommy—"Pop, why do people say that truth is stranger than fiction?" Tommy's Pop—"Because it is so much more scarce."

Mrs. Calvin Zimmerman Milesburg, Pa., says: As a speedy cure for coughs, colds, croup and sore throat One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled. It is pleasant for children to take. I heartily recommend it to mothers. It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It cures bronchitis, pneumonia, gripe and throat and lung disease. It will prevent consumption. Coffey Bros., Phillips & Son.

To gain a reputation as a hero it is not so essential to remain cool under fire as it is to avoid being roasted afterward.

J. Q. Hood, justice of the peace Crosby, Miss., makes the following statement: "I can certify that One Minute cure will do all that is claimed for it. My wife could not get her breath and the first dose of it relieved her. It has also benefited my whole family." It acts immediately and cures coughs, colds, croup, gripe, bronchitis, asthma and all throat and lung troubles. Coffey Bros., Phillips & Son.

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