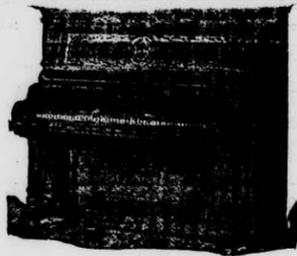


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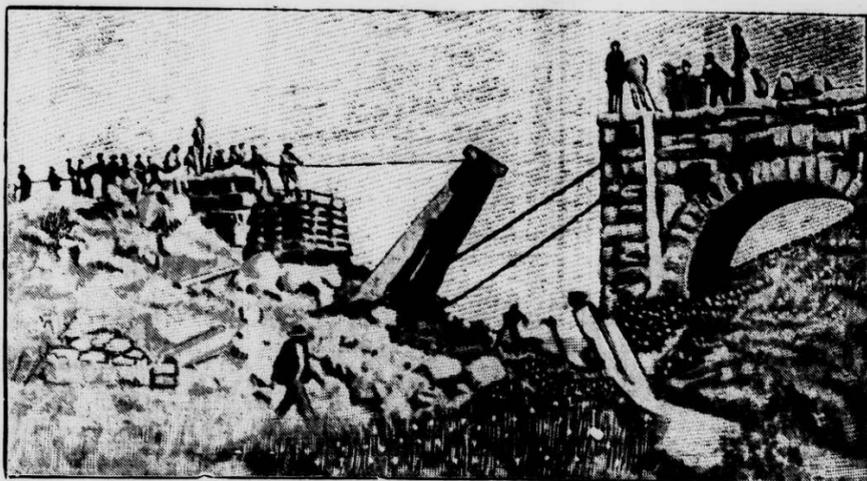
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Where the Boers Tried to Capture Cecil Rhodes.



Rightly or wrongly, the Boers hold Cecil Rhodes responsible for all of their present troubles, and to a man they feel as Mark Twain said, "When Rhodes is captured I'd like to be one of the men at the other end of the rope." They have made repeated attempts to capture him and the merest rumor that he is aboard a train is a guarantee that the train will be detailed or attacked. Within a week, on hearing the report that Rhodes was to be on a certain train on the way to the Kimberley mines, the track was torn up in three places, before and behind the train, and a vigorous attack made to capture the escort and their hated enemy. The above cut is made from one

of the bridges that was destroyed in one of the raids made in hope of getting their arch enemy. The Boers, however, were unsuccessful, as the escort was strong enough to fight them off until help arrived.

Rhodes comes and goes with the greatest fearlessness, though his fate would be sealed forever if one of the Boer marksmen could once get a bead on him. Ordinary soldiers they do not care for, save to get their arms; but Rhodes would be as great a prize to them as half the British army, and all its generals. Possibly they could or would hold him for peace terms; but the chances are that if taken a prisoner he would never see his friends again. In the light of

the history of their wrongs, and holding him responsible as they do, it is doubtful whether anything could save him. It might not be policy; but were policy has never ruled the rugged African burghers, and they would likely take the shortest poetic justice that a stout rope would afford.

Meantime the war goes on, the Boers losing men at the rate of one to two hundred a week, killed, wounded or prisoners. As most of these are prisoners, and are old men or boys who are not of great value in the field, the real fighting force is not materially decreased. It will take years at the present rate to end the operations of the army, which is estimated to be of 15,000 to 20,000 men.

MUKDEN, WHERE THE RUSSIANS FOUGHT A BLOODY BATTLE.

Mukden, a strongly walled city thirty miles northeast of Peking, is the scene of the latest conflict between the Chinese and the European troops. The city is within the limits of Manchuria, and is the best fortified of all the Manchurian strongholds. Since the first Boxer outbreak, and the steady routine of defeats administered to the natives by the allied troops, preparations have been going on, as secretly but as rapidly as possible, to make a strong resistance to the foreigners. Mukden, which was attacked on Tuesday by the Russians, was then defended by Krupp guns and the Chinese troops armed with Mauser

rifles. They made a formidable resistance, the Russians losing almost a hundred men. The city was occupied by the Russians early in the winter, but evacuated on the profession of peace. It is possible that the captors this time will take steps to put the once power defense out of the way of further harm by blowing up the walls.

Just where the Krupp guns that defended the city this time came from is somewhat of a mystery, as they were not in that part of the country when the place was captured some months ago. But they did deadly execution on this occasion. It may be that the wily

Chinese have more of this dangerous property cached away, waiting for a favorable opportunity to use on the foreigners. With all the present talk of a Boxer rebellion in the spring to be made on a greater scale than the one of last year, there is grave danger to the safety of all foreign interests in the country. The dilatory tactics of some of the diplomats, who, it would seem, would rather bring on another war than abate their preposterous claims for damages, are aiding in the development of the coming storm. There may be many Mukdens, in the loss to the foreign armies, if the matter is not settled soon.

A PEDDLER'S CLOSE SHAVE

Dick Fitzpatrick Refused to Stand and Be Carved By a Perfect Stranger.

A mix-up in which a gun and razor figured, occurred at South Butte on Wednesday, but no one was either cut or shot. One of the participants, however, did a little shooting and cutting—he shot away from Constable Dorsey of Justice Olsen's court and cut through a convenient alley. Since then he has not been seen. His name has not been learned, but the man with whom he mixed was Dick Fitzpatrick, a peddler. They met in front of Justice Olsen's court and quarreled. Finally the stranger drew a razor and started to shave Fitzpatrick, but the latter did not care for any of it and started off. Constable Dorsey had been watching the proceedings from the court room and when the blade of the razor swished through the atmosphere he drew his gun and went after the man. The one with the razor ran, but Fitzpatrick, considering he had already had a pretty close shave, submitted to arrest. Yesterday he was taken before the court and taxed with the costs in an action for disturbance.

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 - Fresh California dollar strawberries 20c box.
 - Hennessy's famous Bitter Root cream and delicious buttermilk.
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 - Everything from Hennessy's is good.

D. Harriet K. Burnet, removed to Silver Bow block, rooms 22, 23.

VERY STRANGE CASE IS THIS

Chinaman Accused of Preparing to Sell Girls as Slaves.

Two girls, half American and half Chinese, are held by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children in an effort to prevent their being taken to China, where it is feared they will be sold into slavery. They are Rosie and Lily Yip, seven and nine years old respectively. They are the daughters of a Christianized Chinaman of Philadelphia and his white Sunday school teacher. Two agents of the society heard that Ching Ling Sam, of 43 Mott street, who had adopted the children, was going to start with them for China today. After trouble with four Celestials who tried to stop them, the girls were discovered under a bed in a room on the fourth floor. They were clad in gorgeous silks and seemed contented with their lot.—New York Telegraph.

HIGH CLASS WOMEN NEEDED.

An English woman, who has gone to India to practice medicine, states in a letter to a friend that it has been proven that only through the enlightenment of the high-class women of India can help come to the Indian woman of lesser rank, and the medical work of English women is evidently to be the greatest and most powerful lever for raising the iron door that shuts the eastern women from western freedom and culture. Further that it is an unfortunate fact that there are no more strenuous opponents of any change in the position of Indian women than most of the women themselves. It is known to be no uncommon thing for the mother of the family to refuse to eat and make herself and everybody else wretched if one of her daughters is merely allowed to go to school.

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