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BRITISH DEFEAT BOERS AT VLADFONTEIN.

DESPERATE FIGHTING AND HEAVY BRITISH LOSSES WITHIN FORTY MILES OF JOHANNESBURG—MOST SERIOUS ENGAGEMENT SINCE DEFEAT OF CLEMENTS AT MAGALIESBURG—FOUR OFFICERS KILLED.

(By Associated Press.) London, May 31.—On the anniversary of Lord Roberts' entry into Johannesburg, the country has been startled by the news of desperate fighting and heavy British losses within 40 miles of the gold reef city. The battle at Vladfontein, on the Durban-Johannesburg railroad, reported by Lord Kitchener today, is the most serious engagement since Gen. Clements' reverse at Magaliesburg. It shows that Gen. Delarey is in no way daunted by the capture of eleven of his guns by Gen. Babbington six weeks ago. The garrison at Vladfontein, appar-

ently largely composed of yeomanry, had 174 men put out of action. That their assailants came to close quarters and suffered heavy loss is shown by the number of dead left on the field.

The dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, May 30, is as follows: "General Dixon's force at Vladfontein was attacked yesterday by Delarey's forces and there was severe fighting. The enemy was eventually driven off with heavy loss, leaving 35 dead. I regret that our casualties also were severe. "The killed and wounded were numbered 174. Four officers were killed."

HOW REV. DR. BABCOCK DIED

In His Delirium He Got Poison and a Knife From His Baggage and Killed Himself.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—Since the cable dispatches telling of the tragic death of Rev. Dr. Babcock on May 18 of the Rev. Dr. Maltbie D. Babcock have been received in this city, a number of inquiries as to how a man seriously ill with fever, as he was, could obtain the corrosive sublimate which he swallowed, have been made. In order to clear up the mysterious portion of the tragic story, a special cable dispatch was sent to the Rev. George S. Webster, pastor of the Church of the Covenant, a member of the party which accompanied Dr. Babcock, and who is now in charge of the latter's body. The Rev. Dr. Webster sent the following reply in a cable message, dated Naples, May 30: "Dr. Babcock had a private room at the hotel. The physicians and surgeons, not suspecting any mental disturbance, allowed his luggage, containing medicines and surgical appliances, to remain in his room. After passing a comfortable night, with a nearly normal temperature, he was seized with an acute attack of mania. He locked his door and then used his poison and knife. He was discovered soon after, but it was too late. His death was quiet. His body is on the Trave, which sails May 31."

EARTHQUAKES DOWN IN CHILE

Volcano Eruption and Landslides Make Merry in the Mountains of the Southern Republic.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—A dispatch to the Herald from Valparaiso says: A violent earthquake was felt Tuesday in the province of Antofagasta, accompanying an eruption of the volcano. In San Pedro landslides interrupted railway traffic, the reservoir pipes were cut and huts tumbled down. Several persons were injured. President Errazazu has shown some signs of improvement since Tuesday, but his condition is very serious. According to a telegram Antofagasta, two citizens of Chile were recently brutally whipped by a Bolivian officer and a couple of soldiers. The Chilean consul in Oruro promptly entered an energetic protest. Vice President Zanarte will open the regular session of congress on June 1. The government has granted an exequatur to Robert E. Mansfield, new American consul at Iquique. La Union publishes an article praising the impartial attitude of the United States relative to the Pan-American congress in rejecting the machinations of enemies of Chile, who want to drag the Tacna-Arica question into the debates of the congress. A Bad Bear End Collision. (By Associated Press.) Chicago, May 31.—In a rear end collision today between two sections of Wabash freight train at Seventy-fifth street and Western avenue, two men were seriously hurt, others narrowly escaped by jumping, one engine was ruined and three freight cars and a caboose demolished.

NEW WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

South American Invents a New System—He Also Has a Patent Submarine Boat.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—A dispatch to the Herald from Buenos Ayres says: Senor Ricadoni, an engineer, has just made experiments with an improved system of wireless telegraphy. The results of the experiment were very satisfactory. He will soon try a submarine boat of his own invention which he believes is superior to any other.

Boer Prisoners for Jamaica.

(By Associated Press.) Kingston, Jamaica, May 31.—A report from Barbadoes says the imperial government is arranging to send a draft of Boer prisoners there.

FREEZING TO DEATH IN THE KLONDIKE

BITTER COLD WEATHER HAS CAUSED THE DEATH OF MANY GOLD HUNTERS—FIERCE BLIZZARDS SWEEP DOWN THE COAST AND CAUSE HAVOC AMONG THE HARDY PROSPECTORS.

(By Associated Press.) Seattle, May 31.—A letter to the Gold Digger of Nome from Council City, says: The blizzards and severe cold have caused havoc along the coast. Marshal Dedrick and party have returned with the body of Thomas Welch who was frozen to death on the trail about thirty miles from here. Thomas Welch, Hank Stuart and Frank Piercell had been prospecting at the head of Fish river since October and as the results were encouraging decided to remain. Piercell returned to Council for provisions. On reaching it he was not able to secure a dog team; then a blizzard delayed him, but he finally started with the dogs, provisions and natives having a very hard trip to the Igloo, which is about forty miles this side of their camp. The night after leaving there it began to thaw and the natives went back. Piercell went on alone, but the weather

BRING THE GERMANS HOME

Berlin Authorities Want Their Soldiers to Return at Once—New Commander-in-Chief.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—A dispatch to the Herald from Berlin says: It is reported that Count von Buelow desires the recall as soon as possible of even the mixed brigade, which for the time being remains in China. As a number of men can only be kept with the colors until autumn, a relief of 1,000 men will probably have to be sent out. It is regarded as certain that a proposal has been made in regard to the new commander-in-chief of the allied troops. The present subject of discussion between the powers is the question of indemnity. The proposal which enjoys the most favor is that of Germany and England, as a Chinese loan would probably be taken up in America, which is undesirable.

GRUESOME TRAGEDY IN PERU

Two Explorers Killed by an Italian Assassin—He Falls a Victim to the Savage Indians.

(By Associated Press.) Lima, Peru, May 31.—A telegram from Cuzco, received here, announces that the French explorers Mm. Reveux and Lemonier have been assassinated by an Italian named Gianone in the valley of Convection. Gianone was afterwards killed by savage Indians. No particulars of the tragedy have been received.

Decorated by the Kaiser.

Berlin, May 31.—Emperor William has decorated General Bonnal, director of the French wars school, with the crown order of the first class, and has bestowed on Col. Gallet the crown order of the second class.

King Guilty of Bribery.

(By Associated Press.) Mobile, Ala., May 31.—The sealed verdict in the bribery case against former Captain and Quartermaster Cyril W. King, returned Thursday night, was opened in the United States circuit court today. It finds him guilty, as charged, of receiving money intended to influence his official actions.

THE KAISER WINS

GETS MORE OUT OF CHINA THAN THE OTHER POWERS.

ENGLAND GAINS VERY LITTLE

United States Diplomacy Characterized as Clumsy by English Writers—Belief That a Secret Settlement Has Been Made by the Powers of All Their Difficulties in the Orient.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: There is no official information from Downing street, but it is generally believed that the China question has been settled. Berlin dispatches state explicitly that the Chinese government has agreed to pay interest at the rate of four per cent on the indemnity fixed by the powers. It has been a long chapter of diplomacy, with nearly twelve months of intrigue, but the end has been reached without the partition of China or any disturbance of the relations of the powers. The German emperor has probably scored more heavily than anybody else. He has obtained from England joint rights for the guardianship of the Yangtze valley without estranging Russia, and von Waldersee has been in command of the allied forces and the most conspicuous figure in a complex diplomatic drama in which ingenious by-play has not been lacking. What England has gained by the alliance with Germany is not perceptible. The diplomatic work of the United States has been clumsy.

Cornell Swamped the Tigers.

Ithaca, N. Y., May 31.—The Cornell athletes administered a severe defeat to the Princeton team yesterday. Out of 104 points the Ithacans took 64, this being by far the best showing ever made by Cornell in this branch of sport.

Beautiful Temple Which the Masons of Butte Will Build.



Plans for the Masonic Temple which the various Masonic bodies of the city propose to build have been accepted. The structure is to cost \$60,000, and it will be devoted to Masonic purposes exclusively. The site chosen is on the south side of West Park street, between Washington and Idaho streets. The building will be one of the most beautiful temples in the northwest. The architecture expresses the old Egyptian style, merging into the classic orders and modern Romanesque.

CABINET REJECTS THE WORK OF THE CUBAN CONVENTION

ISLANDERS DID NOT ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THE PLATT AMENDMENT, IN ITS TRUE SPIRIT, AND MUST HAVE AMERICAN MILITARY RULE UNTIL THEIR LAWMAKERS COME TO TERMS.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, May 31.—The administration has decided that the action of the Cuban constitutional convention in accepting the terms of the Platt amendment, with modifications and interpretations of their own, is not "substantial" compliance with our terms within the meaning of the amendment, and Secretary Root will convey this intelligence to the convention. The decision was reached at the cabinet meeting today. The meeting lasted over an hour and a half, and had been preceded by an hour's conference between the president and Senators Platt and Root. The cabinet members of the convention said that the government could do nothing further until the convention again acted, that as long as the conditions of the Platt amendment were on the statute books compliance with them must precede our relinquishment of control over the island.

EIGHTY MILLION

UNITED COPPER COMPANY OF MONTANA CAPITALIZED.

TAKES IN M. O. P. PROPERTIES

Incorporated Under the Laws of South Dakota—Independent of the Amalgamated—Branching Out to Do Business in Copper Mining—No Announcement of Its Field of Operation

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—At the office in this city of the Montana Ore Purchasing company it is stated that dispatches from the west announcing the incorporation under South Dakota laws of the United Copper company, of Montana, with \$80,000,000 authorized capital, were correct. The local representatives were not, however, prepared to say what properties the new concern would acquire. It was, however, stated that the new company was entirely independent of the Amalgamated Copper company and that the Montana Ore Purchasing company would be included. The Montana Ore Purchasing company which is the chief property of the Heinzes will be the chief property of the new company at the outset. Last year the company is said to have produced about 24,000,000 pounds from its own mines and to have treated for other mines about 10,000,000 pounds more, in addition to considerable amounts of gold and silver. The company has an authorized capital of \$2,000,000 in shares of \$25 par value each. Of this \$2,000,000 shares have been issued. There is also a bonded debt of \$1,000,000. The company has this year paid \$5 per share in dividends or \$450,000.

EUROPEAN RIOTS END IN BLOODSHED

SAID THAT HUNDREDS OF THE STRIKERS WERE KILLED OR WOUNDED BY ST. PETERSBURG POLICE—WILD RIOTING IN ANTWERP, HOLLAND, WHEN THE CIVIC GUARD HOOTED THEIR OFFICE.

(By Associated Press.) London, May 31.—According to a dispatch received from St. Petersburg today it appears that the conflict at Alexandrosky in the vicinity of St. Petersburg between the strikers at the Obuchoff Iron works and the authorities May 29, when a number of rioters attacked the police, had much more serious results than was admitted in the police report of the affair issued May 31. It was then said that after twelve of the police had been injured they were reinforced by soldiers, who fired three volleys, killing two men and wounding seven. The relatives of the strikers declare that 40 of the men were killed and that 150 others were wounded. A reliable witness says he saw four vanloads of wounded persons covered with blood and

another spectator declares he saw two tug loads of wounded taken to the hospital.

Brussels, May 31.—An extraordinary scene occurred in Antwerp yesterday when mutinous civic guardsmen paraded the streets singing the "Marseillaise" while the police had to be called in to protect the officers from the reviling troops.

There has been friction for some time. While drilling yesterday a guardman in the ranks lighted a pipe and when reprimanded for doing so insulted the officer who administered the reprimand. The guardman was arrested, whereupon his comrades broke ranks, hoisted at their officer and proceeded to demolish property on the parade ground with the butt end of their rifles. Subsequently they paraded the streets singing.

College Imports a Lecturer.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 31.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says that the Rev. James Chapman, president of the Wesleyan training college, one of the most cultured men in the ranks of the Wesleyan ministry, has accepted an invitation from the theological department of Vanderbilt University to deliver a series of lectures in the spring of next year.

Taylor Scoped the American.

(By Associated Press.) Philadelphia, May 31.—Edouard Taylor, the French cyclist, yesterday afternoon defeated Frank Caldwell of Hartford, Conn., in a 20-mile motor-paced race at Woodside park. Caldwell throughout the race was unable to follow his pace, while Taylor stuck to his pace beautifully. Taylor's time for the 20 miles was 36:46 2-5.