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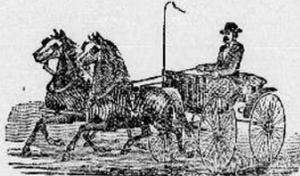
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Its Present Attitude Does Not Meet With Approval at Cabul.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER PUBLISHED

The Ameer Accuses His Powerful Ally of Aloofness and Reserve—The Suggestion That Russian Aggression Be Checked.

LAHORE, Punjab, April 18.—That Great Britain's attitude towards Afghanistan in connection with Russian designs on Herat does not meet with approval at Cabul (the capital of Afghanistan) is proved by an autograph letter, published with the ameer's consent, in which, after referring to the various rumors, he adds:

"Now, when Afghanistan is overwhelmed on all sides, the British government does not seem to take any interest, but enjoys the pride of aloofness and reserve. Whenever I have suggested a check to Russian aggression I have had no response from the government of India except the suggestion that Afghanistan might consent to the construction of railways and telegraphs. This is impossible, as the Afghans consider that such a step would mean their ruin. Notwithstanding all these troubles, I have proved for the past 21 years the firm ally of Great Britain. But now, at the last moment, I must inform my powerful ally, the government of India, that the present is the time for deeds, and not for talk."

IOWA CYCLONE.

Tornado Does Considerable Damage Near Hamburg.

HAMBURG, Ia., April 18.—A tornado did considerable damage in the north part of town during the day, completely wrecking Fred Johnson's brickyard. All of his sheds, corn cribs and windmills were piled in a heap in the middle of his lot. His stock was considerably injured by flying missiles and his house was removed from the foundation. The residences of Lark Miller and John Crane were complete wrecks, but no one was seriously injured. All the damage was done within a radius of one mile. There was considerable damage to other property in the destruction of small buildings, etc. No reports have been received from the country, but it is not thought that any great damage was done there.

GOLD IN PHILIPPINES.

Ledges as Rich as Anything in Colorado or California.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The transport Tartar brings advices from the Philippines up to March 6. One of the reports from Manila is that William Odun, who is spoken of as a miner of large experience, has returned from a prospecting trip on the distant coast of Vigan. He showed rich specimens of gold and declared that he had located a ledge of quartz as rich as anything in Colorado or California. He is organizing a company of ex-soldiers and will go into the mountain districts of Vigan to secure claims.

IS RE-ESTABLISHED.

Lake City, S. C., Has Been Without a Post-office for Two Years.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The post-office at Lake City, S. C., has been re-established and Mrs. Della L. Carter (white) appointed postmaster. This was done upon petitions filed by prac-

tically all of the white-colored citizens requesting re-establishment of the office and this lady's appointment made. The colored people submitted a separate petition requesting her appointment. There has been no post-office at Lake City since the colored postmaster was killed there by a mob two years ago.

PORTUGAL READY TO PAY.

Has Money to Wipe Out Delagoa Bay Award.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—United States Minister Irwin at Lisbon has reported to the department of state that the Portuguese government had made all necessary arrangements for the payment of the judgment, amounting to nearly \$5,000,000, on account of the award of the Delagoa bay arbitration. As stated in the house of delegates by the Portuguese minister for foreign affairs the money can be realized upon the Northern and Eastern railway bonds and the L.orenzo Marquos railroad will remain in the possession of Portugal.

Will Combine With Socialists.

BERLIN, April 18.—Prussia's Polish socialists held a convention to decide the question whether the Polish nationalistic issue shall remain a leading part of the party creed. The committee was most boisterous and finally adopted a resolution to become an integral part of the German social party, putting the national issue behind the economic one. The government considers this fact as strengthening and solidifying socialism.

Independent Tug Line.

DULUTH, April 18.—J. E. Maytham of Buffalo is here making arrangements to establish a line of independent tugs to oppose the tug fleets at all principal ports at which the combination is represented.

Added to the Conscience Fund.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The secretary of the treasury has received in an envelope postmarked "C. & St. L. R. P. O." from an unknown person, a conscience contribution of \$623.

Strike Declared Off.

WASHBURN, Wis., April 18.—The mill men's union, by a unanimous vote, declared the Jacobs strike off, and the mill will be started up at once. Mr. Jacobs made no concessions.

Killed While Using a Telephone.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 18.—Rev. O. B. Wilson, superintendent of the Stillman institute at Tuscaloosa, Ala., was killed by lightning while using a telephone in a thunderstorm.

Cheese Two Hundred Years Old.

One of the most peculiar bridal or marriage customs known is one that has prevailed for centuries in what is called the "cheese regions" of Switzerland, says Demorest's Magazine. In that portion of the Alpine country where a pair join in wedlock it is the fashion of their intimate friends to buy a "register cheese" for the young couple. The cheese is presented to the newly wedded people on the evening of the wedding day and is ever after retained by them as a family register. On these heirloom cheeses the whole history of the family is carried, such as births, marriages, deaths and other incidents which it may be desired to make matters of record. Some of these old Swiss family cheese records are said to date back to the middle of the seventeenth century. At the agricultural fair annually held at Gessenay a great many cheese records have been exhibited which were known to be from 180 to 200 years old. The oldest that has yet been displayed belongs to a country squire living near Gessenay, who shows his family record carved on a cheese made in 1669.

Garget.

One of the best remedies for garget, or caked udder, is to give a milk physic consisting of a pound and a half of epsom salts. Feed laxative foods, keep the affected part of the udder well milked out and rub vigorously several times a day with hot salt and water. If the case is a stubborn one, a tablespoonful of powdered saltpeter will be beneficial.—Live Stock.

Relic Puffing Ministers.

The superintendent of public buildings and grounds, who has charge of the Washington monument, says one of the greatest troubles the watchmen at the monument have to contend with is the chipping of these memorial stones by relic hunters.

"One of the strangest things in regard to these relic hunters," said the superintendent, "is the fact that more than one-half of the men arrested for chipping off relics are clergymen. When the police arrest these despoilers and start with them to the station house, the man will begin to ask what is the penalty and try to beg off. He is told that the fine is a heavy one, but that \$15 security can be put up for appearance in the police court. Then the prisoner explains that he is a minister of the gospel and meant no harm, and that he could not stand the disgrace of appearing in a police court. He ends up by giving up the collateral after generally trying to cut it down to \$10, saying he has only that amount with him."—New York Mail and Express.

"D. A. Macpherson, the noted Canadian manufacturer of cheese, lately shipped six cheeses to England which weighed 1,000 pounds each.

HE IS ALMOST READY

Lord Roberts on the Eve of Making His Main Advance.

ARMY TO MOVE IN COLUMNS

The Boers Are Said to Be Showing Great Activity on the Border of Basutoland—Have Retired From Elandslaagte District.

LONDON, April 18.—At last Roberts seems to be on the eve of making his main advance towards Pretoria. Unless all the usually reliable sources of information and all the indications smuggled past the censor are at fault the British army within a few days will be marching northward. After many premature and unfounded reports that have purposed to tell of this move there is naturally, even in the best informed quarters, considerable hesitancy in definitely settling upon the day Lord Roberts is likely to leave Bloemfontein, but there is a settled impression that it will occur either at the end of this week or the beginning of next. The long, weary wait in the Free State capital has, apparently, effected a much needed rehabilitation, though it is probable Lord Roberts would still further have delayed his advance had not the Boer activity forced him to put his forces in such positions, that, unless they quickly proceed northward, the strategic advantage will be lost.

The critics agree in the supposition that the advance will be made in parallel columns, with a broad front, west of the railroad, the third and eighth divisions sweeping northward to the extreme northwest, the entire force amounting to 75,000 men.

Exactly what part General Buller will take is still a secret which no one is able to probe.

From the seat of war there is significant silence. From The Hague comes the news that the Boer delegates refuse to make public the object of their mission. They hope to be received by Queen Wilhelmina, but nothing in this direction has yet been decided upon.

HAVE LEFT ELANDSLAAGTE.

Boers Said to Have Retired to Their Biggarsberg Positions.

NEW YORK, April 18.—A dispatch to The Tribune from London says: Lady-smith dispatches confirm the report that the Boers have retired from the Elands-laagte district to their Biggarsberg positions. No raiding operations southward have been reported, and it is now clear that the Boer advance was ordered for the sake of employing the burghers on active duty and of checking desertions. The British inactivity in one sense is masterly, since it demoralizes the enemy.

Sir Redvers Buller's scouts have reported that the Boers have wrecked the

engine house and shafts of three collieries by heavy charges of dynamite.

South Africans explain these attacks on the theory that the Boers are aware that claims for damages to property in Natal and Cape Colony, which will be presented after the war, can never be assessed against the farmers of the two commonwealths, but will be liquidated by Rand mine owners. Accordingly, the Boers feel at liberty to inflict as much damage as possible, since the indemnity will come out of the mining industry of the Rand in the form of company taxes. The theory is correct, without doubt, that Johannesburg will pay the piper when the war is over. Neither Pretoria nor Bloemfontein has resources for liquidating war indemnities and bills for damages.

The general situation at Bloemfontein is unchanged. Military experts here do not expect an advance northward for a week or ten days, since Lord Roberts is waiting for large shipments of horses, which have barely arrived at Cape Town. They are also convinced that General Buller will remain on the defensive and not attack Biggarsberg until the enemy's force has been drawn off by Lord Roberts' invasion of the Transvaal. It is considered probable that Generals Hunter and Brabant will work their way up to Wepener and Ladybrand, and in this way protect Lord Roberts' line of communications.

ON BASUTOLAND BORDER.

Boers Said to Be Displaying Great Activity.

MASERU, Basutoland, Monday, April 18.—The Boers, for two days past, have been displaying great activity along the Reddersburg and Rouxville road. Their reports report that the British are advancing on those places to the relief of Wepener.

Scouts have just reported rifle firing in the direction of Thaba N'Chu.

Strikers Seek Work Elsewhere.

FROSTBURG, Md., April 18.—Nearly 300 of the younger men among the strikers of the Georges Creek region have left for other coal fields. The majority of them went to Clearfield, Pa., while the balance journeyed to New River and Clarksburg, W. Va., to seek other employment. The men say they prefer to work if they can do so honorably to spending their time idly at home.

Hispano-American Congress Convoked. MADRID, April 18.—The queen regent has signed a decree convoking the projected Hispano-American congress for November next. The congress is a sequel to the demonstrations which attended the recent visit to Spanish ports of the Argentine training ship President Sarmiento.

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