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BARNET, THEN CORNISH, THEN WHOM?

OSBORNE CRIES AT MOLINEUX:

HE'S A MONSTER

BULLER BEATEN BACK BY BOERS.

But War Office Has No News Yet of Reported Retreat.

BOER HEAD LAAGER, LADYSMITH, Thursday, Feb. 8.—The British, who were in possession of the kopje at Molen's Drift, abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela River to their former position.

A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

This despatch indicates the failure of Gen. Buller's third attempt to reach Ladysmith. He had crossed at Molen's Drift and seized Vaal Krans, a position dominated by the Boer artillery, and which was difficult to hold in face of the terrible fire poured in by the Transvaal artillery.

London despatches yesterday and to-day showed that the military authorities were dubious of Buller's ability to hold Vaal Krans.

WAR OFFICE STARTLED.

London officials have no news of the retreat of Gen. Buller. LONDON, Feb. 8.—Up to this hour the War Office has not heard of Gen. Buller's retreat at Molen's Drift as reported by the Boers. When shown the Boer despatch the officials appeared wholly unimpressed. They had not the least suspicion of such an outcome. It is said in reliable authority that Gen. Buller's despatch concerning Monday's and Tuesday's movements was completely correct. He described the

position aimed as effective, so the news of another retirement is exceedingly bitter to the British, but, though it comes from Boer sources, there is little disposition to discredit it.

The news caused much excitement in the House of Commons, where the Government leader, A. J. Balfour, had just previously announced that there was no news from South Africa.

A War Office despatch from Lord Roberts confirms the report that Gen. Gatacre has repulsed the Boers at Pen Hoek and Bird's River and that the security of both ports is established.

A THREE-DAY FIGHT.

Fierce Artillery Battle Between Buller's Army and the Boers.

BOER HEAD LAAGER, LADYSMITH, Wednesday, Feb. 7.—An armored train yesterday made a sortie from Chieveley toward Colenso and landed 2,000 British troops on the right of the Boer position.

The Boers immediately crossed the river and made an attack with rifles and artillery, forcing the withdrawal of both the train and the troops to Chieveley. The fighting on the Upper Tugela River lasted until 1.30 yesterday (Tuesday) evening. Particulars are lacking.

Firing at both Colenso and along the Upper Tugela has been proceeding since 5 o'clock this morning.

COL. PLUNKER REPULSED.

British Forces in Rhodesia Beaten Back by Boers at Ramoana.

PRETORIA, Monday, Feb. 6.—Col. Plunker's force Feb. 3 attacked the Boer position near Ramoana and after heavy fighting, including an endeavor to take the place by storm, the British were repulsed. Their loss is unknown. No Boers were injured.

FOREIGN ATTACHES TO JOIN ROBERTS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—The foreign military attaches will leave Cape Town for the front to-morrow to join Gen. Roberts.



Molineux and his wife.

KIDNAPPER INSANE?

Baby Clarke's Abductor May Be Taken to Mattawan.

George B. Barrow, the kidnapper of little Marion Clarke, whose disappearance set the whole State wild last Summer. It is said to be removed from Sing Sing Prison to Mattawan State Asylum.

His reason, according to a story current, has broken down under the strain of confinement, after serving but a fraction of the term of fourteen years and ten months at hard labor to which he was sentenced by Justice Furman on June 15, 1899.

In the absence of Warden Brown, the officials of Sing Sing refused to discuss the matter this afternoon. "He is still here. We cannot say whether he is going to be taken to Mattawan or not. The Warden is the only person who can talk of Barrow." was all they would say. The convict's wife is now serving a term in Auburn penitentiary, she having been sentenced to twelve years and ten months for her connection in the kid-

napping case. The woman pleaded guilty.

Barrow when sent to Sing Sing was assigned to cell No. 106, gallery 2, on the fifth tier of the main building. During the trial it developed that Barrow had a mania for kidnapping, and many things were reported of him which tended to show that his mind was not of the strongest.

FELL SIX STORIES.

Man Dropped Headlong to Cellar, but Was Picked Up Alive.

Thomas Melhorn, forty-five years old, of 80 Avenue B, fell from the sixth floor to the cellar of the new building at Nineteenth street and Fourth avenue this afternoon.

MRS. GORHAM IS HOME.

Mysteriously Disappeared While Shopping in Manhattan Four Days Ago.

Mrs. W. G. Gorham, wife of a rich Brooklyn man, returned to her home, 245 Hancock street, this afternoon. Four days ago she disappeared while shopping in Manhattan. The police have been searching for her ever since. The husband refuses to give any explanation of where his wife has been.

A Republican Club's Concert. The Manhattan Republican Club will give a concert and reception on Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 11 at Huber's Casino. A fine program is promised.

10 P. M. EXTRA

OSBORNE RESUMES AND TALKS OF CRESCENT PAPER

Assistant District-Attorney Osborne resumed his address to the jury at 5.25 o'clock. He followed the course of his talk of the afternoon, treating of the different letters introduced in the trial. Particular attention was paid by him to the crescent paper, which Mamie Meland, the confessed friend of Molineux testified he had in his possession. Mr. Osborne expected to speak two hours. It was arranged that court would adjourn when finished. Recorder Goff will charge the jury to-morrow.

MILLER'S AGENT TO SURRENDER

Cecil Leslie, who was indicted with "Syndicate" Miller on the charge of conspiracy and escaped, will very likely give himself up to-morrow. Leslie was the press agent for the \$20-per-cent concern on Floyd street, Brooklyn.

Leslie is expected to tell all he knows of the Miller syndicate and give the names of the persons who were behind it.

Miller's wife visited him in Raymond Street Jail this afternoon. She wept on meeting. The father and uncle of the prisoner also called on him.

WIDOW GETS THE FORTUNE

Judge Fort handed down in Newark this afternoon a decision dismissing the appeal filed by Ann B. Stanford against the promise of will to his son, the late Philip W. Stanford, who died in New York on June 15, 1898, leaving his entire estate, valued at \$100,000, to his wife, Mrs. Helen K. Stanford, who resides in Montclair.

AUSTIN TO REFEREE BIG FIGHT

Sam Austin was selected to referee the fight between James and Corbett, which will be held at San Francisco, in April. The club's \$5,000 forfeit has been forwarded.

TRIAL GOES OVER TILL TO-MORROW.

The Molineux case will go to the jury to-morrow. Recorder Goff will begin his charge to the jury to-morrow morning. Assistant District-Attorney Os-

borne did not fulfill his promise to finish this afternoon, however. Mr. Osborne reiterated his belief that he would finish at 7 o'clock.

Osborne pictured Molineux as a monster. "We got rid of Barnet. Then he tried to rid himself of Cornish," exclaimed the speaker. "Who next? Harpster, of course."

Again in alluding to the Barnet incident, Mr. Osborne said: "The prosecution claims in this case that it is not often in life that a motive which has a state of mind assumes a real concrete presence—a presence animated, a presence full of personality, a presence endowed with flesh and blood—that the prosecution claimed in this case the motive in the Barnet case had assumed the form of a human being. And there sits the motive," pointing to Mrs. Molineux.

Continuing, he declared: "He does not dare call this defendant's wife. There is not enough force of power under the sun to keep a woman from going on the stand and giving the lie to the District-Attorney if it was a lie. I assert that she, in her person, represents the living concrete form of the motive in the Barnet case, and it is undeniable, it is indisputable!"

Referring again to the letter to Barnet from Mrs. Molineux, Osborne said: "This is an expression of discontent on the part of the woman because Barnet did not give her an opportunity to prove her sincerity."

"How does a woman prove her sincerity toward a man? Barnet knew this woman and knew this defendant when they were in closer relations in the house of Mrs. Bell. Barnet subsequently called upon this woman and it is conceded to be true by the defendant himself. And the defendant didn't call."

It was apparent when the Molineux trial was resumed after recess that Mr. Osborne would use all or nearly all of the afternoon in his summing up address. He promised to finish this afternoon, however.

Mr. Osborne reiterated his belief that a verdict of "guilty of murder in the first degree" would be returned. Mr. Weeks calmly predicted an acquittal.

Mr. Osborne began the conclusion of his address at 11 o'clock. He devoted most of the morning to a reiteration of the alleged weakness of opposing counsel's case in offering no defense.

... failure to produce Carvalho on the stand was scored with an heavy bombardment as it received yesterday.

He devoted as much time to a defense of Cornish as if the latter were the real defendant.

In this connection Mr. Osborne declared that he knew the defense at first intended to fix the crime upon John B. Adams.

He fiercely attacked Molineux's wife. "If your wife were assailed," he inquired of the jury, "would you offer no defense?"

"Barnet, dying, received a bouquet of flowers and a note signed Blanche," said Mr. Osborne. "Who was Blanche? You must remember that this defendant had been trying to marry this woman. She had refused him. Barnet died Nov. 10, 1898, and the defendant married Blanche Nov. 29, 1898, after Barnet was cold in the grave."

"It was a shame that Mr. Weeks should have brought this woman to this court to listen to what I have to say on this subject. He did not dare call her upon the witness-stand. The reason he did not was because her testimony would have been against the defendant."

For the first time the prisoner's careless manner disappeared and he scowled and glared angrily at the speaker. Mr. Osborne assailed Molineux's moral character and pictured him as a debaucher who has been weakened by sexual excess. He pictured the young clubman's nights of orgies and the orgies said to have place in his rooms at the factory where he was engaged. Mr. Osborne talked of words to-day, which is contained in a long note.