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MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1900.

The Operations Before Lady Smith.

The news today of General Sir Redvers Buller's operations for the relief of Ladysmith is much more important than might appear on the surface. It entirely justifies the theory of events on the extreme British left advanced in these columns this morning.

As we had hitherto concluded, Clerly with his division consisting of the brigades of Woodgate, Hart, and Hildyard, from right to left in the order named, occupy the extreme left of the British column.

The stronghold of the Boer right flank is understood to be Spion Kop, a strongly defended position about midway between Potgieter's Drift and Acton Homes.

All the facts, as far as reported, appear to preface a victory for Sir Redvers Buller and the relief of Ladysmith within three or four days. But the time has not yet come to indulge in confident predictions.

What we may term the "eastern attitude" of the London critics, in evidence again, in the shape of expressions that Buller should have flanked by the west instead of to the east of Colenso.

In this country it has been different. We have never had any feudal system, and land has been divided, for the most part, to suit the needs of the many instead of the convenience of the few.

Ploughing with the Boer Deifer.

Where we to make the remark, it might be attributed to prejudice; so we will sponsor, observe that a publication noted for its pro-Boer sympathies, this morning took the view that the Grand Opera House meeting last night, under the auspices of the fish societies, was an anti-Administration, anti-expansion rather than an anti-British outpouring.

There may be something in this shrewd if cynical suggestion. Certainly some of the leading Filipinos were present, and not speechless, and the logic of their appeals was very strongly suggestive of the splendid proposition that we ought to interfere against England in South Africa.

As an official definition of the sentimentality position held by the American Filipinos nothing could be more concise or clear than Mr. Mason's pronouncement. Every one knows the kind of liberty enjoyed by all nations and classes in South Africa and elsewhere throughout the civilized portions of the British Empire.

Notwithstanding much advance grumbling by certain exponents of the British press, the opinion is gaining ground that the Salisbury government will not interpose any serious objection to national ownership and control of the oil fields according to the provisions of the Hepburn bill.

Osman Digma, the famous chief general of the Khalifa's forces in the Sudan, and the worst and most bloodthirsty native the British ever had to contend with in that region, is behind the bars at last at Suakim.

Certain American millionaires are becoming more than enthusiastic over the blessings of poverty as an animating influence for ambitious youth. No doubt many young men born with wealth are handicapped thereby, but it is just as reasonable to believe that many a genius has started to death.

A FORMER GOVERNOR SUEDE.

Thomas M. Waller of Connecticut charged with conspiracy. NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Thomas M. Waller, once Governor of Connecticut, appeared today before Justice Bischoff in special term, sixth of the Supreme court, as a defendant in a suit brought by Joseph W. Pullar to have set aside a contract by which Mr. Pullar conveyed to Mr. Waller and to Alfred R. Page, property valued at \$50,000.

A Time When Lawton Was Seared. (From the Army and Navy Journal.) Many good stories about General Lawton have come to the surface since his death. Major Patman Reades, Sr., who was on the staff of General MacArthur in the Philippines, says Lawton confessed to being afraid once in his life.

The Vice Presidency.

(From the Minneapolis Journal.) With the exception of a few feeble speakers for Western men, it seems to be regarded as a part of the Republican program to elect the Republican candidate for the Vice Presidency.

The Undaunted American.

(From the Boston Evening Transcript.) M. de Roussier, in his book "La Vie Americaine—L'Education et la Societe," let no opportunity pass to praise us as an American.

Too Little for the Price.

(From the Cincinnati Enquirer.) Philadelphia is an old and solid city which has long had the benefits of superior education. It is well up in mathematics and sciences, and men there, doubtless, who are figuring on how it will be possible for a National Convention which is to be held here to procure offensive to England.

POLITICAL NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Web, Davis in Africa.—It can be stated beyond peradventure that the claim being made by the sensational section of the New York press that Assistant Secretary of the Interior Webster Davis is in South Africa at the instance of President McKinley is utterly without foundation.

A double reason is assigned for Mr. Davis' announced determination to visit the Boer country. The first reason is for the collection of data on which to base a series of lectures, out of which he hopes to make some money when he leaves office next autumn.

Bryan in New York.—It is generally believed that the lively rumpus Colonel Bryan's visit has raised in the New York Democracy was deliberately planned by both factions of the party before he started East.

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IN THE HOTEL CORRIDORS.

Joseph T. Jacobs, Indian Commissioner for Michigan, is at the Shoreham for a week. He is here to attend the annual meeting of Indian Commissioners in this city when all matters affecting the tribes will be discussed and recommendations made for relief.

K. Wain, of Yokohama; T. Fufuya, of Tokyo, and Kohe Otaki, of Yokohama, three prominent Japanese merchants, are at the Arlington. They are here inspecting the city and making comparisons. They will visit the principal cities of the United States before returning to their country.

George W. Blythe, the general counsel for the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad, is at the Shoreham. Mr. Blythe is here in the interest of the railroad company, and will remain a few days.

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WITH KRUGER AND STEYN.

A Correspondent Visits the Presidents of the Afrikaner Republics. PRETORIA, Dec. 2.—After despatching my letter of November 19, your correspondent spent several days in observation of affairs at the government buildings. The few officials who remain work quietly and steadily. By far the greatest pressure of state affairs falls upon Mr. F. W. Reitz.

In company with Mr. Reitz, I called one afternoon on President Kruger. The old President, who is now seventy-five years old, rose quickly from his seat on my arrival, and asked me where I had "been wandering for the past few years."

I told the President that when I left the United States a considerable amount of public sentiment was veering around in favor of the republic. To this he replied, in a laughing way, that he thought the Americans would do it, but that the Englishmen asked them to do it, "they will join the English against Africa."

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NOTES OF THE DAY.

An association has been organized by the late men of Asheville, N. C., to preserve a large part of that still well-forested region from the ravages of the lumbering industry.

Packs of wolves, driven from the mountain districts of France by severe cold, are causing terror in the vicinity of Rodez. The villagers are keeping their houses and barns barricaded.

The number of French newspapers and periodicals continues to grow steadily. For Paris the figures are: 1,000 daily newspapers, 1,000 dailies, 750 appear weekly and 885 monthly.

The Board of education and the police department of New York are the two most expensive departments of the municipal government. Collected from their maintenance costs \$25,000,000 a year.

A physician declares that a person in robust health walks with his toes pointed to the front, while one with his health on the wane gradually turns in on the side, and a bend is perceptible in his knees.

A number of firms in the shipping districts of New York are about to petition the Massachusetts Board of Health to prohibit the use of public charity, while the proportion in New York is 100 to 1.

The golden eagle has been successfully preserved in Roskilde, Scotland, that the city council has at last been forced to withdraw its protection. Of late years it has increased so rapidly that it has, in some districts, become no longer sufficient to supply its needs.

Along the streets of Paris during the holidays all manner of absurdities supposed to be appropriate to the season, and typical in character, were sold. One of the most curious consisted of two figures, John Bull and a Boer, which were made to fight by pulling a string.

It is reported that in Austria the custom of boxing the ears of soldiers after recruits has become so common and so violent that thousands of them have suffered such impairment of their hearing that they are unable to carry out their duties of war has recently issued a prohibitory order.

The Boers are very much afraid of the searchlight. They asked an Englishman who has since arrived at Kimberley what questions about it, especially as to the use of the searchlight, he had heard of war has recently issued a prohibitory order.

A company delivering milk in New York offers \$500 to be distributed to the poor in the city. These bottles cost about 5 cents each, and thousands of them are returned by customers, it is said, as depositing their money and similar devices.

The army of the British Empire, including British India and colonial troops, costs more to keep up than that of any other nation in the world. In 1898 the British Empire cost \$25,000,000 annually for her military forces, \$25,000,000 for the Russian Empire, and the British Empire \$25,000,000.

The Indians of South America use a curious poison which is called curat. A grain of it has the effect of starting an irresistible desire for exertion. The victim begins walking briskly and then runs, and sometimes dies from the strain of his tracks. There is no pain, but much excitement.

There is probably not an officer in South Africa fighting in the war who has not taken part in campaigns prosecuted against the Boers according to modern tactics. On the side of the Boers there are scores of trained European officers who know what the authorities recommend and admonish.

In Mexican mining factories all labor is task work. Women are employed outside the factories to give shape to the blocks. Wood blocks from 7 to 8 inches square, and weighing from 100 to 200 lbs., are cut, according to size of block required. The principal factory is in the State of Vera Cruz.

An English cathedral organist divides his following-organists into six classes: Those who express both themselves and the composer; those who express themselves alone; those who express themselves alone; those who express themselves alone; those who express themselves alone.

The Kruger statue erected at Pretoria, is famous for its realism. First, because the artist was daring enough to perpetuate the tall hair, and, secondly, because the top of the hair is balding and the sides are thinning, which is the condition of the hair of a man of that age.

Though the distance is not less than thirty miles, the sound of firing at Ladysmith is said to be plainly heard in the city. The proximity of heavy guns (supposed to be the two naval 12-inch guns, followed by the bursting of Lydieke shells) can be easily distinguished above those of the Boer batteries and other smaller guns.

Mrs. Victoria Tolia, a nurse in one of the Manila hospitals, writes thus to friends in Kansas: "I am in love with Manila. I am living in the late Admiral Meade's residence. The scenery is beautiful. The houses have fixed up this place beautifully. Some of the fine mahogany furniture is still in the house, and used in our living rooms."

The town of Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England, stands unique in the world in the very respect which absolutely none itself in every respect. Beginning life in a municipal artisans' dwelling, the young man grew up to become a municipal engineer. He got his gas or electricity from the city. His wife runs a gas stove from the city, purchases her produce from a municipal market, and buys most of her clothing from the municipal butcher. Both use the public baths, enjoy the city parks and send their children to the city play-ground.

"At all events, Boomer's play rigids itself in the 'old' way." "What is it?" "Why, if the single scenes are comic the comic scenes are tragic enough."

"The Bulling Passion." (From the Philadelphia Bulletin.) "That temperance drank died from an appetizing disease." "What was that?" "Water on the brain."

Experienced. (From the Chicago News.) Mrs. Platt (sighing)—Oh, you think you know me, do you? Mr. Platt (realizing)—Well, I ought to, my dear, I've been in the real-estate business nearly thirty years.

A Distinction. (From the Indianapolis Journal.) Critic—Your picture doesn't resemble nature at all. Artist—You merely mean, dear sir, that my picture doesn't resemble nature the way you see it.

A Valuable Article. (From the Detroit Free Press.) "We have delightful evenings at our house now." "What's up?" "We have bought a graphophone which sings the baby to sleep."

Not Sure of Himself. (From the Ohio State Journal.) "Guilty or not guilty?" asked the court. "Well, judge," responded the prisoner, "if it's all the same to you, I would like to wait until the testimony is before the jury."

Bygone to Date. (From the Chicago Record.) "Way did the beautiful Miss Peck have two wedding ceremonies?" "The dignified man was late, so they had to go through the advice again."