

THE QUEEN ESTEEMS.

Defense of Mafeking And Has Approved Baden-Powell's Promotion.

BRITISH CONVOY STOPPED

Boers Seem to Be Active Enough to Do Some Damage.

N. BULLER IS RETARDED

In His Movements North of Ladysmith, on Account of the Destruction of the Railroad--The Latest By Wire From the Seat of the Transvaal.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] London, May 21.--The relief of Mafeking is officially confirmed. The news comes from Sir Alfred Milner, governor of Cape Colony, who telegraphed Colonial Secretary Chamberlain today that the relief of Mafeking was effected by a composite column of about 2,300 men under Colonel Mahon.

The war office announces that the queen has approved the promotion of Colonel Baden-Powell to the rank of major general.

BARTON WIRES. Capetown, May 21.--General Barton has wired Governor Sir Alfred Milner, from Taungs, that Mafeking was relieved May 17.

STOPPED BY BOERS. Kroonstad, May 20.--(Delayed.)--A convoy en route for Lindlay, where Colonel Broadwood's cavalry are stationed, was attacked by the Boers today and obliged to halt.

FROM ROBERTS. London, May 21.--The following dispatch from General Roberts under date of Kroonstad, today, is posted:

"Buller reports his advance is halted for a few days owing to the destruction of the railroad. General Hunter is pushing on to Mafeking with supplies for the garrison. He is also arranging for a hospital train to convey the sick and wounded to Kimberly. Methuen has left Hoopstad to co-operate with Hunter. Rundle reports that he has occupied Ladysbrand.

(Signed) ROBERTS. REPORT FROM MAHON. London, May 21.--Robert's forwards Colonel Mahon's report concerning his march to relieve Mafeking. It is dated Jamaica, May 15:

"I was followed by a Boer force from Maritana. Siding and turned westward to avoid it. On May 13 I was attacked in the thick brush, leaving five dead, twenty-four wounded and two missing, including Mr. Hands of the London Daily Mail, dangerously, and one captain and one major severely wounded." Roberts adds: "The Boers lost more heavily than Mahon."

REJOICING AGAIN. London, May 21.--Another immense crowd gathered in front of the Mansion house this afternoon when it was learned that official confirmation of the relief of Mafeking had been received and there was a partial repetition of Saturday's scenes of rejoicing.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Washington, May 21.--The marine hospital service admits that cases of the bubonic plague exists in San Francisco's Chinatown, and that measures have been taken to stamp out the disease. Quarantine regulations carried by the federal officers have been adopted. Sergeant General Wyman gives out as his opinion that there is no occasion to be alarmed. It will be impossible, he says, for the disease to be carried out of California, for inspectors in the Marine hospital service are stationed at all exits from the state and will arrest or stop any one suspected of being affected by the plague or who has been seriously exposed to it. Inspectors are making a house to house inspection and until they report it will be impossible to state how far the disease has been spread.

THE WETS WIN.

Special to News-Democrat. Alliance, May 21.--The election on local option at Sallineville Saturday resulted in a victory for the saloons, with a majority of 73 votes. There were 635 votes cast, 299 votes against and 226 for local option.

Lawyer's Queer Insanity.

Cleveland, May 21.--Frank B. Skeels, a prominent attorney, is insane and has been placed in a private sanitarium. In the morning he was usually clear headed, and only a few days ago he argued a motion before Judge Stone and talked as logically as ever. His brain would usually tire at noon, however, and then

MANY LINEMEN ON A STRIKE.

Cleveland Telephone Men Go Out This Morning.

THEY WANT SHORTER HOURS

Company Offered to Compromise But It Was Rejected--Non Union Men Acting in Harmony With Union Men.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Cleveland, May 21.--Four hundred and fifty linemen, inside men and helpers struck this morning for shorter hours. All but thirty are employed by the Cleveland Telephone company (the Bell concern). The thirty are employed by the Illuminating company. They demand \$2.50 for eight hours, the sum they are now getting for ten hours. The telephone company offered to compromise at \$2.50 for nine hours, but the offer was rejected. The Cuyahoga Telephone company independent, acceded to their men's similar demands and their employees are at work. Only two hundred of the strikers are union men, the rest are acting in harmony with the unionists.

THIRTEENTH BALLOT

Results In No Election For Two Bishops In the Methodist Conference at Chicago.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Chicago, May 21.--The thirteenth ballot for two bishops, taken this morning, by the Methodist conference, resulted as follows:

Berry, 296; Hamilton, 289; Moore, 237; Spellmeyer, 135; Neeley, 153. Total voting 636. Necessary to a choice 424.

DEBATE CONTINUED. Chicago, May 21.--Debate on the abolition of the time limit of pastorate was continued in the Methodist general conference today. Several speakers opposed the report recommending abolition. The vote on bishops is still without result.

ELECTED BISHOPS. Edwin Q. Parker and Frank B. Warn were elected missionary bishops this afternoon.

LAUGHLIN RESIGNS.

Youngstown, May 21.--A sensation has been caused in Grand Army circles by ex-Senior Vice Commander Peter P. Laughlin, resigning his membership in Tod post and withdrawing from the organization of which he has been a member for many years.

Laughlin was a prominent candidate for state department commander at the recent meeting in Findlay, and asserts that he would have landed it had not politics been injected into the contest, resulting in his defeat. Laughlin had secured the promise of a prominent past commander of Tod post, who was an extended acquaintance through the state, to present his name, but the latter failed him at the last moment.

JOHN SHERMAN.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Washington, May 21.--Former Secretary of State Sherman, who has just sent his horses to Mansfield, Ohio, and will follow in a few days, leaving his Washington home in charge of his son-in-law and daughter for the summer. The former secretary is watching political developments with interest, though he will not be able to take any active part in the coming campaign.

MURDERER EXECUTED.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Sing Sing, May 21.--Fritz Meyer, who murdered Policeman Smith, of New York, was electrocuted at 6:05 this morning. Meyer entered the church of the Holy Redeemer, New York, October 27, 1897, and attempted to rob the poor box. A priest who saw him at work summoned a policeman named Smith, who attempted to arrest Meyer, and was shot dead.

CONGRESS TO ADJOURN.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Washington, May 21.--Payne (Rep. N. Y.) floor leader immediately after the reading of the journal in the house this morning, offered a resolution proposing that congress adjourn on Wednesday, June 6. It was received with applause and referred to the ways and means committee.

GUARDING SCALE.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Indianapolis, May 21.--Wage scale committee of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Tin and Steel Workers are closely guarding the scale, endeavoring to keep it secret until presented to the manufacturers. It is predicted that a 75 per cent advance will be secured. Several cities are after the next con-

SUPREME COURT HAS NO JURISDICTION.

The Kentucky Gubernatorial Wrangle Finally Settled Today.

IT DISMISSES TAYLOR'S PETITION FOR A HEARING

Chief Justice Fuller Reads the Opinion of the Court And Reviews Every Detail--Victory For Democratic Governor And Sustains the Action of the Legislature.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.]

Washington, May 21.--The U. S. supreme court decided today that it had no jurisdiction in the Kentucky gubernatorial wrangle, because no federal question is involved, and dismissed the petition of W. S. Taylor, Republican incumbent, for a hearing. This leaves the victory with the Democratic governor and sustains the legality of the action of the Kentucky legislature.

The great public interest in the case was again evidenced by the vast assemblage that had flocked to the supreme court to hear the reading of the opinion. Nearly all the Kentucky representatives in congress were there, also Congressman Bailey, Senators Burrows and Daniels, and others. Neither Taylor nor Beckham were present or represented by counsel. Chief Justice Fuller read the opinion of the court. He reviewed the arguments of both sides and dwelt upon the essential necessity existing for independent power among the states to determine the qualifications of its own officers, and that the contest for the same should be exclusive and free from external influences. The assertion that there are no due processes of law was denied and the fact that the constitutional provisions of Kentucky providing the manner of contest was not attacked, was referred to. This provision has held for more than 100 years. There was no violation of the fourteenth amendment and the office of governor is not to be deemed

property under the law. Governor Taylor's rights were provisional until determined by the reviewing board, nor is the point well taken that the decision against Taylor made patent any condition equal to a taking from the state its Republican form of government, or its right to choose its own officer. The remedy must be found in the tribunal of the people. The United States supreme courts has not jurisdiction, no federal question having been raised and the writ of error was dismissed.

Justice McKenna announced that he concurred in the result but was not prepared to say that the office was not property.

Justice Brewer, for himself and Justice Brown, was unable to concur in all that the chief justice had said. He held that the court had jurisdiction and that the office was property, but that the contest before the legislature was final.

Justice Harlan announced yet another view, it being his opinion that the court had jurisdiction and that the decision below should be reversed. The action of the legislature was discreditable, he said. It defied the action of the people. It ought not to be respected as a judgment of any court. There was a fixed determination to seat Goebel. No judgment favorable to him could have been reached had the evidence against him, and the constitution, been regarded.

CONFIRMS REPORT OF ENGAGEMENT.

Does McArthur In a Cablegram To the War Department.

EIGHTY MEN 40th VOLUNTEERS

Routed Five Hundred Insurgents and Killed Fifty-Two of Them--Enemy Were in a Good Position.

[News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.] Washington, May 21.--General McArthur in a cablegram to the war department received today confirms the press reports of an engagement in which eighty men of the Fortieth volunteers routed five hundred insurgents and killed 52 of them. His cablegram follows:

"Manila, May 21.--Col. Edward A. Goodwin, Fortieth regiment, U. S. V. I., reports engagement May 4. Eighty men of the Fortieth regiment U. S. V. I., under Captain Elliott at Agusan and Cagayan province (Mindanao). Enemy 500 strong in a good position, routed. Fifty-two killed, 31 Remingtons and a quantity of ammunition captured. Our losses in killed, Co. I, Fortieth regiment U. S. V. I., Corporal James O'Neil, J. W. Shaw. Our losses in wounded, Co. I, Fortieth regiment, U. S. V. I., Corporal Jack Cook, wounded in the thigh, moderate; Artificer Edwin E. Dodds, wounded in the thigh, slight. Co. K., Mack D. Smith, wounded in the thigh, moderate. Signed, McArthur."

Advertised Letters.

Letters--woman's list--Mrs. D. Booth, Miss Grace Biter, Miss Alice Dowdell, Mrs. Mary Gradowski, Mrs. Sarah Hoffler, Miss Della Johnson, Mrs. C. F. Muth, Miss Blanche Morgan, Miss Mattie Mitchell, Mrs. J. R. Neisz, Mary Reichit, Mrs. H. Rehn, Mrs. Annie D. Woods.

Letters--men's list--A. R. Barr, David Bradley, Clinton Dickerhoof, Mr. and Mrs. O. Fuller, J. U. Glidden, Dr. John D. Guackenbos, Oliver Gault, Harry John, Thomas Jones, Christian Judd, J. C. McNeill, L. H. Myer, C. B. Raymond, Walter Shore, H. V. Sikes The Canton Music Co., Fred Van Horn, Charley Ward, Frank Waldner, F. H. Yeager.

Postal cards--Mrs. Grace Boylan, Canton Music Co., A. W. Clapper, H. Eyster & Co., W. D. Gones, Mrs. Hanna Hans, A. J. Lucas, Mr. Lester.

ISAAC SICKAFOOSE DIES SUDDENLY.

Deceased Was a Pioneer And Resided In Howenstine.

FUNERAL TO OCCUR TUESDAY.

Youngest of a Family of Ten Children, the Eldest Being 90 Years of Age --A Family Survives Deceased.

Isaac Sickafoose, a prominent farmer residing near Howenstine, died Saturday from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. The deceased was 74 years of age, and leaves a wife and three sons, Messrs. George, Ruben and Curtis Sickafoose, who reside in the vicinity of their parents home. The deceased was the youngest son of a family of ten children, three sisters and seven boys, only one of them, the eldest, surviving, in the person of Samuel Sickafoose, aged 90, of South Whitley, Indiana. Isaac Sickafoose was a brother of the mother of Infirmary Director Howenstine, and also closely related to Mayor Robertson of this city. He had lived in the vicinity where he died for nearly all of his life time, engaged in farming, and was well known throughout the county as a pioneer settler. The funeral services will occur Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at Waynesburg, where the remains will be interred. The deceased was a member of the Lutheran church of Wlynesburg.

The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. George M. Schmucker, of this city, and Rev. Lautenschlager, of the village of Waynesburg.

United in Marriage.

Mr. John Miller and Miss Grace Danziger, both of Waco were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, May 19th, by Rev. F. C. Nau, at the First Reformed parsonage. Mr. Miller is employed at the Cleveland brick yards. Mr. and Mrs. Miller will make their home at Waco.

MARRIAGE PERMITS.

Frank Brownwell, 25.....Canton
Annie Gabel, 28.....Canton
John Miller, 22.....Canton
Grace Danziger, 18.....Dundee
James Pyle, 28.....Crystal Springs
Florence E. Bushman, 20.....C. Springs

Mrs. Henry R. Mezer, of Osnaburg, was in the city Monday on a shopping

ANOTHER MAN GOT THE HOUSE.

Now Dreyer Sues the Bank For Damages.

DIVORCE CASE POSTPONED.

One of the Attorneys Was Going to the Democratic Convention--Judge McCarty Hands Down Decisions.

Attorneys Clark, Ambler & Clark have filed a suit in common pleas court on behalf of Samuel and Rachel Dreyer against the Central Savings bank for damages for breach of contract and for the return of money paid for the purchase of a house and lot.

According to the petition the plaintiffs bargained with the bank by which the bank was to purchase a house and lot at sheriff's sale for \$675 and sell it to the plaintiffs for that sum. Two payments were made on the place by the plaintiffs amounting to \$75. The place was put up for sale on May 5 and the bank failed to purchase it, some outsider coming in and buying for \$800. Now the plaintiffs sue for the return of the money paid and for \$125 damages, that being the difference between what they were to pay for the place and what it brought.

STOKEY CASE CONTINUED.

Attorney Judge Albaugh representing Charles F. Stokey in the divorce suit commenced by the wife of the latter came into court Monday morning and asked Judge McCarty to postpone the case as Mr. Welty would not be able to try it on Tuesday. Mr. Welty is going to the judicial convention at Coshocton. Judge Fawcett protested against the postponement on the ground that witnesses had come for the trial. The court, however, laid the case over but said he would try it as soon as possible.

DIVORCE GRANTED.

Judge McCarty Monday morning decided the case of Briggie, guardian of Martha Winning, vs. the bondsmen of Lewis Bloomfield. The case hinged on the question as to whether the wife of John Shaffer was to have her mortgage for \$3,260 some in ahead of the claim of the plaintiff for \$750, or not. Mrs. Shaffer's father had given her a farm but she had it put in her husband's name. He gave her a mortgage for \$3,000 to secure her rights. When he became bondsman for Louis Bloomfield who defaulted and left a debt of \$750 to be paid, the plaintiff in this suit tried to force the collection by having the mortgage of Mrs. Shaffer set aside as against the claim. Judge McCarty decided that Mrs. Shaffer's claim was first and she must have her \$3,260 out of the farm before anything else is paid. He therefore dismissed the case at the costs of the plaintiff.

DIVORCE GRANTED.

William H. Werner came into Judge McCarty's court Monday afternoon asking for divorce from Cora Werner. The testimony showed that she had deserted him and gone back to her parents in the fall of 1896. After hearing the case the court granted a divorce, but took occasion to remark that the couple instead of going to live alone had gone into the home of the husband's parents. The wife made no opposition to the divorce. She gets the custody of the child and \$150 alimony.

HARTRANFT CASE SETTLED.

The case in which Anna Martin sued and recovered a judgment against Levi Hartranft for \$1,200 for money which her husband is alleged to have lost in the defendant's gambling room and the later suit brought by her to collect the amount from Charles Upham, the owner of the building, have been settled and taken out of court. The attorneys refuse to state what the terms of settlement were but it is understood that the plaintiff got a good share of the judgment.

WITH A KNIFE

Young Weinstein Chased After Residents--Will Be Taken To Asylum.

Probate Judge Aungst held an examination Saturday morning over Stanislaus Weinstein, a young man about 25 years of age, and adjudged him insane. Sheriff Zaiser will take Weinstein to the Massillon asylum Saturday afternoon. Stanislaus has been in a peculiar condition of mind for some time and Saturday morning witnesses stated, he chased after a number of residents with a huge knife. The charge was preferred by members of the family.

Wants to Find Schiltz.

Officer Joseph Ryan received a message at the police station Monday from Ulrichsville, asking for information concerning Jerry Schiltz who left that place last Saturday and has not been heard from. A livery man named Ulrich telephoned, stating that Schiltz had borrowed a horse and buggy from him. The officers will endeavor to find the man and inform him of the message received. Schiltz stated he was coming

AN ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

Canton Brick Company Relieved of All Charges of Irregularity.

COUNCILMEN CONVICTED.

Paving Contract Which Caused Shamokin Considerable Trouble.

GRAND JURY'S INDICTMENTS.

The Course of an Alleged Conspiracy Between Brick Companies and Councilmen Outlined in Testimony of the Witnesses--The Result.

An alleged conspiracy in connection with a paving brick contract is said to have taken place in Shamokin, Pa., some time ago, and the grand jury has returned a verdict acquitting a number of brick company representatives, including one of the Canton Brick company men at Mahoney City, and indicting several councilmen on the charge of irregularities alleged to have taken place when the contracts were looked into. It appears that there were several brick companies attempting to secure contracts from the city of Shamokin for paving the streets. The testimony of witnesses showed that the representatives were working to secure the contract. Through their efforts it is alleged money was offered some of the councilmen to vote for the letting of contracts. It appears that the Canton Brick company had an excellent opportunity of placing a sale of brick when another company stepped in with representatives who are said to have "fixed" certain councilmen. The matter was brought to the attention of the court and the grand jury returned a verdict in which Charles F. Smith, of Mahoney City, the representative of the Canton concern, and several other agents were acquitted of the charge of irregularities in bidding. The Canton company took quite an interest in the case and its representative and Mr. Warren E. Keplinger were frequently quoted by the witnesses as to the illegal manner in which the contract was let to the other company. The grand jury's verdict removes all stain of conspiracy from the local brick concern and convicted the councilmen and a representative of the Alcatraz Paving company, of Philadelphia, with having conspired in irregularities in letting the work. The grand jury returned altogether thirteen indictments.

SUPREME COURT

System of Arriving at Decisions In Important Cases.

(Washington special Chicago Record.) The members of the supreme court are holding consultations every day over the Kentucky election case, and in order that the incidents of their deliberations may not reach the public they have taken the unusual precaution of shutting out the venerable colored messengers who wait upon them. This has not been done before for years, and indicates that a decided difference of opinion on the points at issue has provoked an earnest controversy among the members of the court. It is expected that a decision will be rendered next Monday, but nobody ever knows when the supreme court will make known its will. When a case has been submitted the justices are furnished with a printed copy of the record and of each brief filed, and are expected to study them at their homes before the case is taken up for consideration. The importance of the case and the intricacy of the points involved often extend the discussion over several days, and it has occurred that cases have been dropped and discussion postponed for weeks, and sometimes for months, in order to give an opportunity to justices for study and reflection. The discussion being concluded--and it is never concluded until each member of the court has said all he desires to say--the chief justice calls the roll and each justice who has heard the argument votes his opinion. Then the chief justice assigns some one, generally the justice who has taken the most interest in the subject, to prepare the opinion, which is privately printed and handed to the other members of the court for criticism. After examination, they return it to the author with such comments as occur to them. The author often adopts their suggestions, or they may become the subject of another conference, and are sustained or overruled as the majority may determine. The opinion is then reprinted and read from the bench by its author on the following Monday. James Brannon was brought down from Akron, Saturday, and taken to the county