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When a man dies people ask how big an estate did he leave; but all that the angels, who bend over his bier want to know, is how many good deeds he has done.

There is heroic coloring in the words used by Lowell to give expression to the following thought: 'They are slaves who fail to speak. They are slaves who will not choose. They are slaves who will not be silent. They are slaves who will not be silent. They are slaves who will not be silent.'

The Chicago Tribune says: 'Gerontom, the Apache chief, in capturing whom the late General Lawton won fame as an Indian fighter, still lives at Fort Sill, I. T. Ever since he laid down his tomahawk, 13 years ago, in obedience to the fearless Lawton the old chief has been a prisoner of war.'

'Evenly dished shells will not maintain an empire which is built on delusions,' says Dr. J. C. Volz, author of 'Fifty Years of the History of the Republics of South Africa.'

In his history and in the article which he contributes to the February number of the North American Review, the Doctor maintains that British rule in South Africa has been characterized by a ferocity, barbarity and cruelty never before committed or tolerated by any nation claiming to be civilized.

His descriptions of the struggles of the Boers for their lives and their homes, and the brutalities practiced upon them by the British are thrilling word pictures.

Here is his account of the execution of the five republican leaders on the hill of Slaatsnek:

The Doctor calls the Boers the South African Pilgrim Fathers, and after describing how they had fled for their lives through the passes of the Drakensburg mountains, and how they died in their laagers at the hands of treacherous savages, and from hunger, hardship and disease, he concludes his magazine article as follows:

It is the last year of the century which opened with the cruel punishment of the republicans of Graaf Reinet. [From June, 1799, to August, 1800, these men were kept imprisoned, without trial, in an overcrowded prison cell—more than eighty prisoners being locked up in one room every night. In September, 1800, two were sentenced to death, one was condemned to be publicly flogged on the scaffold, others to banishment for life, or to imprisonment.] Among whom there was one Lucas Meyer—as there were, also, two named Kruger, and two named Botha.

It is the 16th of December; the anniversary of the opening ceremony of the court which ordered the execution of the Afrikaner leaders at Slaatsnek; the anniversary of the great defeat of Dingaan's armies at the Blood River; the anniversary of the commencement of the Transvaal War of Independence at Potchefstroom; the anniversary of the proclamation at Heidelberg of the restoration of the South African Republic.

The sons have come back over those mountains—the sons of the Voortrekkers. Over the Drakensberg they have come back, to retake the land of their fathers.

The largest army which England has ever had on the battlefields in South Africa—over twenty thousand men, horse, foot and artillery, with powerful guns from British warships and with lyddite shells to help them—has been hurried back from the Upper Tugela line, losing two thousand men in killed, wounded and prisoners, and also, eleven guns.

On the Tugela, where the fathers died in 1838, and south of the Tugela, are the sons—now, on the 16th of December, 1899.

My Prayer. If there be some weaker one. Give me strength to help him on. If a sinner seek there be. Let me guide him nearer thee. Make my mortal dreams come true. With the work I faint would do. Clothe with life the weak intent. Let it be the thing I meant. Let me find in thy employ. Peace that dearest is than joy. Out of self to joy be led. And to heaven acclimated. Until all things sweet and good. Seem my nature's habitude.

Expense Account of Improvement Society. Delaware County Agricultural Society. Expenses of the Society for making canvases of subscriptions. 39 75. What you count little value. Has an almost magic power. And, beneath their cheering sunbeams. Heads 'till blossom like a flower.

During the winter months some farmers find they cannot cream cream to butter. The trouble is caused by micro-organisms or germs which the milk from one or more cows in the dairy contains.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 2.—The appropriations committee of the senate has presented a bill to revolutionize the system of financing the state institutions. It provides that a state tax shall be levied each year to raise \$1,300,000 for the support of the fourteen institutions under the board of control.

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Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 2.—The arrest of Oscar Goodrich yesterday for the murder of John E. Robson on the night of Dec. 29 created a big sensation. Goodrich, who is a well-known contractor and was formerly a partner of Robson's, has known anything regarding the murder. Officers who swore out the warrants will not talk. The killing of Robson was a cold-blooded murder, they are being struck with a hatchet just as he left his office late at night.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 2.—A vote of 22 to 45 the house refused to nounce the Chicago Milk and Creamery association's contract for the use of the Union station and terminals of the Des Moines Union railway. A joint resolution was passed to elect trustees for the next state institutions on Tuesday next.

Sioux City, Ia., Feb. 3.—The Sioux City box mystery has been solved. The body, which was supposed to be that of a murdered man, was the body of a German tramp who was fatally injured in Baltimore by being struck by a trolley car Dec. 29. The corpse was sent to Sioux City for medical purposes.

Sioux City, Ia., Feb. 5.—Chemical analysis just completed here shows a large quantity of strychnine in the stomach of William Hill, of Memphis, Mo., who died in convulsions in a saloon there Saturday night. Julius Courtney gave beer to Hill and it is alleged, tried to get a number of others to drink it.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 3.—The appointment of Colonel H. H. Root as a member of the state board of conservation was rejected yesterday in the executive session by a vote of 23 against to 30 for. It required seventeen votes to reject.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 5.—George Shotwell was blown to pieces and Fred Molinew terribly burned by an explosion in the corning mill of the Consumers Powder company, near Jessup, this county, destroying the building. The explosion occurred just before the day's work began, otherwise the list of dead and injured would have been larger. One other building was destroyed by concussion. Molinew is in a serious condition. The damage amounts to several thousand dollars.

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