

PROBABLY DEFEATED.

Pretoria Advances Say British Sustained Heavy Loss at Mafeking.

Lord Roberts, With His Infantry, Is Still at Kroonstad, With His Cavalry Stretched Out for Many Miles.

London, May 17.—The British relief column fought the Boers at Kraai Pan, 32 miles south of Mafeking, on Tuesday, according to a telegram received Wednesday night at Lorenzo Marques from Molopo, 100 miles north of Mafeking. This intelligence is accepted here with some reserve, because it is difficult to understand how the news could have been so quickly put on the wire from a place 132 miles from the scene of the engagement.

A correspondent of the Morning Post, presumably John Stuart, is reported captured by the Boers at Kraai Pan.

The British public is keenly expectant of the announcement that Mafeking has been relieved. In army circles the opinion seems to prevail that this has already been accomplished, although the war office asserted that news of the relief had not been received. The steadfast courage of the hunger-bitten garrison has produced a deep impression, and the news of success is awaited with more anxiety than had been felt regarding any other event of the war.

Douglas Story, the Daily Mail's correspondent at Pretoria, wires: "The Boer government is holding back some big news. Feverish activity prevails here. President Kruger is working day and night. The latest Boer official bulletin is that the relief column has been defeated with great loss."

Lord Roberts continues passive at Kroonstad. His cavalry are stretching like a semi-circular screen many miles in length, without lapping flanks.

The Kroonstad censor permits the passage of long dispatches dealing with incidents prior to the occupation. It seems that Gen. French's cavalry had one lively fight after crossing the Zand River. A mixed squadron, composed of the Scots Greys, the Inniskillings, Carbineers and Australian horse, took a kopje and dismounted. The Boers suddenly fired from a concealed position, killing many horses and stampeding the rest. The Boers then advanced in overwhelming numbers and drove the squadron, capturing some. The Boers robbed the dead and looted the saddles. A small brigade of cavalry drove them off.

Further north the Hussars charged the Boers, killing and wounding many stragglers with sabers and pistols.

Gen. Buller is moving toward Newcastle. He appears to be using 25,000 men against 5,000 or 6,000. His operations will almost certainly result in his forcing his way into the Transvaal possibly in time to co-operate with Lord Roberts' advance, although Gen. Buller is now 232 miles from Johannesburg, or 25 days' march.

Gen. Buller is sweeping through the northeast of the Free State. The Boers are dissolving before him and some are surrendering. Their main force is assembled between Ficksburg and Winburg, but it is without close organization.

The war story from every part of the field is therefore seemingly a narrative of British successes; but, with the Boers preparing for a last desperate fling farther in the interior and with Boer guerrilla parties looting houses and stores in the northwest section of Cape Colony, it is not all roses for the British.

London, May 17.—The most important development in Wednesday's war news is the statement cabled from Cape Town announcing that the Boer delegates had advised the Transvaal to surrender if defeated at the vaal. This remarkable announcement is vouched for on good authority, and evidently obtains more credence in Cape Town than would a mere rumor.

The occupation of Glencoe was merely a logical sequel of Gen. Buller's advance and the Boers' retreating movement. As usual the Boers are reported to be flying precipitately, but, also, as usual, the accounts add that their transport and guns were removed in safety, which in itself is a contradiction of any statement that the Boers were panic-stricken.

TWO BOATS CAPSIZED.

Between Thirty and Forty Persons Were Drowned While Returning From a Chapel.

Rome, May 17.—A terrible accident, resulting in the death of from 30 to 40 persons, took place at Ronciglione, on the lake of Vico, during a celebration of the fete of St. Lucie, whose chapel is on the shore of the lake.

Two boats filled with young people capsized while returning from the chapel within 300 yards of the landing stage. Only thirteen persons were saved.

Grand Stand Burned.

New York, May 16.—The grand stand, the famous glass betting ring and all the buildings of the race track at Clifton, N. J., were entirely destroyed by fire Monday night. The total loss is \$100,000. The fire was the work of incendiaries.

The Commissioners Arrive. New York, May 15.—The steamer Maandam, from Rotterdam, with the Boer commissioners, C. H. Wessels, Abraham Fisher and A. D. W. Wolmarans, aboard, was sighted Tuesday morning.

STRIKE IS STILL ON.

An Agreement Made By the Strikers' Executive Committee Rejected By the Men.

St. Louis, May 17.—The eyes of the public and strikers alike were focused on the congress called to effect a settlement of the differences existing between the St. Louis Transit Co. and the grievance committee of its small army of strikers. The conference was in session from early in the afternoon until 9:15 o'clock at night, and at its conclusion members of the grievance committee announced that an agreement had been reached with the railway officials, but that they were not in a position to announce its terms till the compact had been ratified by the executive committee of the striking employes.

The executive committee was in session at Walhalla hall, awaiting developments in the conference, and the grievance committee at once hurried thither, and both committees went into secret session. After a two hours' session the executive committee of the strikers rejected the agreement arrived at between the Transit Co. and the strikers' grievance committee. The strike is still on.

R. M. Barker, a striking conductor, was shot in the thigh during an attack on a Citizen's line car on Easton avenue. The wound is not dangerous.

COFFEE TRADE TIED UP.

No More Vessels From Rio de Janeiro Will Be Permitted to Land at New Orleans.

New Orleans, May 17.—The state board of health passed resolutions declaring that the coffee ship Corsica, with cargo from Rio de Janeiro, would not be allowed to land until 30 days' fumigation and detention, and, in case no symptoms of bubonic plague developed at the end of that time. The Corsica sailed from Rio on April 15, at which time there were several cases of plague there.

As a result of the action of the board, S. V. Fornis & Co., the local agents for the French line of vessels to which the Corsica belongs, cabled to Paris canceling all sailing of coffee steamers via Brazil to this port for the rest of the year. The result of this action is the total annihilation of the coffee business in so far as New Orleans is concerned.

A large number of local coffee importers petitioned the board of health at its meeting to allow the Corsica to land, on the ground that the steamer Coleridge had been permitted to land in New York this week, although sailing from Rio two days later than the Corsica. The local board, instead of receiving this petition favorably, denounced the action of the New York board as being extremely reprehensible.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT Proposed One Dealing With Trusts and Combinations Reported to the House.

Washington, May 17.—The constitutional amendment as agreed to and reported to the house proposes the following as Article 16 of the constitution:

"Section 1. All powers conferred by this article shall extend to the several states, the territories, the District of Columbia and all territory under the sovereignty and subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

"Sec. 2. Congress shall have power to define, regulate, control, prohibit or dissolve trusts, monopolies or combinations, whether existing in the form of corporations or otherwise. The several states may continue to exercise such power in any manner not in conflict with the laws of the United States.

"Sec. 3. Congress shall have power to enforce the provisions of this article by appropriate legislation."

Lukens Gets Twenty Years. Cincinnati, May 17.—Albert Lukens pleaded guilty to manslaughter Wednesday before Judge Hollister, and was sentenced to the state reformatory for 20 years for the murder of Mrs. Julia Stiegler, at Hyde Park. Young Lukens was tried twice for the crime, the jury each time disagreeing. The battle for his life comprised one of the most famous cases in the history of Hamilton county litigation.

Gen. Schwan in San Francisco. San Francisco, May 17.—Brig. Gen. Theo. Schwan, who has been Gen. Otis' chief of staff in the Philippines for nearly a year, has arrived here from Manila in the transport Thomas. He will remain in San Francisco for a short time awaiting orders from Washington assigning him to duty elsewhere.

Soldiers' Widows' Home Burned. Pittsburgh, Pa., May 17.—Fire destroyed the Grand Army home for soldiers' widows at Hawkins Station, on the Pennsylvania railroad, near here. The 40 inmates, ranging in age from 50 to 95 years, escaped without injury. One old lady, Mrs. Tence, aged 95 years, may die from the shock. Loss, \$20,000. Cause of fire unknown.

Bank Officials Indicted. Windsor, Vt., May 17.—The federal grand jury reported indictments against former Cashier Chas. W. Mussey and M. A. McClure, of Rutland, in connection with the recent troubles of the Merchants' National bank, of that city.

Furniture Manufacturers Meet. Chicago, May 17.—Seventy furniture manufacturers from all over the union were present at the annual convention of the National Association of Chamber Suite and Casework Manufacturers of America.

THE CUBAN SCANDAL.

Havana's Postmaster and Three Other Persons Now in Jail.

Four Postal Inspectors Have Begun the Work of Investigation—Additional Facts Brought Out By Every Arrest Made.

Havana, May 15.—The extent of the postal frauds is far greater than what was originally expected. Besides taking in the postal department, the frauds seem to include the local officers at Havana and various other officers throughout the island, and also to have extended to outside points which have been used for the sale of some of the old issue of stamps that were ordered destroyed.

The result of the investigation at the local post office is the suspension of Postmaster Thompson, who was installed in April of last year. He will remain at his own house for the present. Moya and Mascaro, stamp sellers in the main office, have also been arrested, and further arrests are expected soon. As many as six others have been placed under the closest surveillance, and they will be arrested as soon as their services can be spared. As a matter of fact, if they were all to be subsequently relieved of duty, it would not be possible to carry on the postal department of Havana.

Washington, May 15.—The postmaster general, after a protracted interview with the president, announced that Joseph L. Bristow, fourth assistant postmaster general, will proceed to Havana next Wednesday to take charge of the postal affairs of the island of Cuba.

Havana, May 17.—Warrants were issued for the arrest of E. P. Thompson, the Havana postmaster; W. H. Reeves, deputy auditor of the island, and Edward Moya and Jorge Mascaro, Cuban clerks in the stamp department, and all were lodged in the Vivac, the Tombs of Havana. This was done under the advice of the postal inspectors. It is considered now that Reeves is equally guilty with Neely.

Investigation as to the record of the clerk in the military department who handled several hundred dollars' worth of stamps proves that the transaction, so far as he is concerned, was legitimate. The stamps were purchased at the request of his brother, who is a stamp collector in the United States, for \$800. They were of the old issue and were obtained from Neely.

The arrest of Thompson caused great surprise in the city. It is looked upon as the precursor of many other arrests. Gen. Wood felt, as did the special inspectors, that it would be better to have the suspected persons arrested, and to give the men opportunity to obtain bail, than to keep them indefinitely under close surveillance at a time when the detectives are badly needed for other work.

As the affair stands now, Mr. Thompson's career in the postal service must necessarily cease, even if he escapes a term of imprisonment. Moreover, his action in giving orders to postal clerks to alter figures regarding stamps at the request of Corrydon Rich, without notifying Mr. Rathbone, makes things look worse, even if he acted innocently in the belief that everything was correct.

Four postal inspectors arrived here and, after conferences with Gen. Wood and Mr. Rathbone, immediately began work. Mr. Rathbone declares there is not the slightest jealousy between the military authorities and the post department here and that Gen. Wood and himself are working in harmony.

Early developments connected with the frauds, it is asserted, tend to show the far-reaching influence of Neely, and every man who is placed under arrest brings to light additional facts. Each one seems willing to tell all he knows regarding Neely, while endeavoring to exonerate himself. The only person, however, who will be accepted by the authorities as a witness for the state is Corrydon Rich, who will not be placed in jail, but will be closely watched, as it is felt that his testimony is absolutely indispensable.

Renominated for Congress. Peoria, Ill., May 16.—Congressman Joseph W. Gruff was unanimously renominated by the republican congressional convention of the fourth district, held at Canton. The resolution adopted endorse President McKinley's administration.

Hot Weather in Chicago. Chicago, May 16.—One death and four prostrations were caused by the heat Monday. The official maximum temperature for the day was 86. The thermometers on the street level were 3 or 4 degrees higher.

The Plague at Port Said. Port Said, May 15.—So far there have been 20 cases of the bubonic plague here. Of this number 13 patients have died, four having recovered, and the rest are still under treatment. No further cases have been reported.

Queen's Proclamation. London, May 16.—The Queen Tuesday issued a proclamation permitting trading between the South African colonies and the portions of the Orange Free State, now occupied by the British forces.

Hurrying Relief to Kumassi. Prabsu, Gold Coast Colony, May 17.—Four hundred Hausas have mobilized here, with 50 members of the guard of the Ashanti gold mines. The rest of the force will advance to Kumassi. The Cape Coast relief column is hurrying up provisions. The Adansi tribesmen are in arms against the friendly Bekwas.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE. L. & N. R. R. ARRIVAL OF TRAINS. From Cincinnati—10:58 a. m.; 8:00 p. m.; 10:10 p. m. From Lexington—5:11 a. m.; 7:48 a. m.; 8:38 p. m.; 6:37 p. m. From Richmond—5:05 a. m.; 7:46 a. m.; 8:18 p. m. From Maysville—7:45 a. m.; 8:15 p. m. DEPARTURE OF TRAINS: To Cincinnati—5:15 a. m.; 7:51 a. m.; 8:30 p. m. To Lexington—7:50 a. m.; 11:05 a. m.; 5:45 p. m.; 10:14 p. m. To Richmond—11:10 a. m.; 5:43 p. m.; 10:16 p. m. To Maysville—7:50 a. m.; 6:35 p. m. F. B. CARR, Agent.

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