

BOERS BOMBARD THE
BRITISH AT MAFEKINGTwo More Armored Trains Destroyed
on the Cape Railroad.

CAPETOWN, Oct. 14.—An attack on the British position at Mafeking began Thursday at midnight. Several thousand Boers under Cronje, with considerable artillery, bombarded the town. Details of the fighting are lacking, but this dispatch is sent.

Two more armored trains are reported to have been destroyed by Boers on the Cape railroad. One was carrying a telegraph corps from Mafeking. The other was last seen at Taung's station, and is believed to have been destroyed after leaving there. Conflicting reports are in circulation as to the fate of the men on the trains. It is believed they were captured. Soldiers on the train destroyed yesterday are also believed to be prisoners. A whole train of trucks carrying dynamite were also destroyed. The engine was saved. An accident to a refugee train occurred at Three Sisters. Two persons were killed and many wounded. It is feared that official expressions of confidence in the ability of the British frontier forces to hold their own are unjustified.

DURBAN, Natal, Oct. 14.—The whole fighting force of the Transvaal was mobilized Thursday night by telegraphing the single word "Oorlog" to all stations.

PRETORIA, Oct. 14.—The German consul has issued a proclamation of neutrality.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The Rothschilds have received a telegram saying that an engagement has taken place at Ladysmith and the Boers defeated. The report is unconfirmed. The war office does not think that a battle has taken place.

An official message says that the engineer of the first armored train destroyed by the Boers, who escaped, reports that Capt. Nesbitt, who was in command of the train, was slightly wounded, but that his 15 men were unharmed, and all taken prisoners. Details of the destruction of the train have been received. When the train reached Kras Pan, Nesbitt saw the Boer artillery guarding the track, and decided to run for it, but a mine exploded under the track and the train was derailed. The Boers then opened fire with artillery, reducing the train to wreckage. The British returned the fire until overwhelmed.

The departure of Gen. Buller for Southampton, where he embarked this evening for South Africa, was made the occasion for a great demonstration today. An immense crowd surrounded the railroad station and repeatedly cheered him. The Prince of Wales and Duke of York were present and bid the general farewell. It is reported officially that Gen. Buller did not meet the Boer forces on the reconnaissance from Ladysmith and returned there.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 14.—United States Consul Macrum, at Pretoria, in charge of British interests in the Transvaal. According to a despatch at the State department this afternoon, Macrum assured Kruger of the neutrality of the United States during the progress of the war. Instructions to make this assurance were sent to Macrum as soon as hostilities broke out. He was also charged to inform the Boer government that they would act as custodian for British interests during the war if Kruger and cabinet were not object. It is fair to presume no objection will be raised at this arrangement.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The World prints a London report that 2,000 Boers were killed in a battle near Ladysmith.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—The date of muster out of the Washington regiment was fixed positively today by department order as November 1. Rush orders have been received by regimental and company commanders, and all are busy preparing final reports and muster out rolls.

The physical examination of men and officers will begin next Thursday, where disability is not waived, and the soldiers will receive even more thorough examination than on entering the service. The examining physician has not yet been appointed.

Contrary to expectations, the men will not bring their guns or other ordnance with them to the state. All ordnance in possession of the regiment is ordered to be turned in to the government Tuesday. It has been decided to invoice the rifles, belts and canteens directly to the governor of the state, and they will be sent in charge of Adj. Gen. F. X. before the departure of the regiment from here. The release to the men lies wholly with the state.

The following promotions were announced yesterday at regimental headquarters:

Company C—Private Edward P. Taylor and Robert H. Dudley, to be corporals; Vice L. T. Davis and Henry D. Carter, discharged at Presidio some weeks ago. Private Louis T. Britton, to be musician.

Company K—Corp. John H. Jones, to be sergeant; Private David H. Robertson, to be corporal.

Company L—Private Charles W. Smith and Milton Rhodes, to be corporals.

Corp. Howard Vanderbilt, of Company C, has been chosen by Col. Wholley to complete the semi-official history of his company, begun by former Adj. Luhn, who remained at Manila. In addition to its use as the regimental record, the history is for immediate publication in a forthcoming book on the Philippine insurrection.

THE EFFECTS
OF EXPANSION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Senator May, of Florida, does not take a hopeful view of the future with regard to the pacification and government of the territory recently acquired from Spain. He was one of the senators who opposed the war from the outset, but voted for furnishing men and supplies when war was declared, and again when the rebellion was started in the Philippines. "The government having launched this policy," said Senator May, "it is necessary to augment our fighting force, and I predict that an increased force will be asked for. With the backbone of the rebellion broken there may be looked for a continuous guerrilla warfare. There will be no way of preventing it. A large body of soldiers will have to be quartered on the islands, and it will cost an immense amount of money. The American people will begin to awaken to their senses and realize what has been done. It is not a question of sentiment when it comes to paying the piper. An immense amount of debt will be placed upon the country, which the people will have to pay, and if hard times come again, as come again they will, the burden will be most irksome."

The German Savings & Loan Association has sold property on the south side of Washington street, between Second and Third avenues, for \$16,000, to J. H. Delane, and for \$13,500 sold property between Main and Jackson to Thos. Green, who paid \$5,500 and secured the rest by mortgage.

M. F. Backus has purchased for \$10,500 property on Sixth avenue between Marion and Columbia.

At the Seattle clearing house today bank clearances amounted to \$336,827.87, while balances were \$186,914.83.

PLANS ARE
PERFECTED

The Seattle rifles have held a meeting for the purpose of reorganizing. The object was primarily to make arrangements for entertaining Company B of the First Washington volunteers. The rifles also have decided to accept the parade on the day of the celebration. Upwards of 150 of the members of this pioneer military organization have signified a desire to return to the ranks. At the meeting last night Gen. E. M. Carr was elected temporary president. The new officer will leave for Hampton City soon, but he will probably remain here long enough to command during the great celebration. The most likely candidate for permanent president is Col. Joseph Green, who is now in Dawson, but he will be re-elected to this city. Mr. Green was a charter member, and one of the organizers of the old company, and he has always been one of its most popular members.

That the rifles will now become a permanent organization is definitely decided. Mr. John A. Whitley, of the first members, stated today that they had sent to Olympia to get the roster of the original company and all of the old members who are now living here will be requested to reunite in the formation of what will be virtually a veteran military organization. Only those who have been members of Company B prior to the departure of the volunteers for the Philippines are eligible. The members who have enlisted in this company since that time will be eligible when they are honorably discharged from the present term of enlistment. The reason the membership will be restricted to former members of Company B, is that the Seattle rifles were virtually the progenitors of that company.

The rifles were organized in 1884, before there was any militia in this state. At that time it numbered among those on its roster the very best young men in the city, many of whom are now its most prominent citizens. When the National guard was created the rifles tried to enlist under its company name. The act of the legislature made this impossible, as it required all militia organizations to be known by number in the regiments. The rifles then entered the National guard, as Company B, of the First Washington regiment.

The reorganized company of past members of Company B has decided to assume the old name, "Seattle Rifles," in distinction to the active company of the present militia. It is expected the new company will be largely reinforced by the boys who were mustered out from the army of the Philippines. Arrangements will be made at once to give Company B a grand banquet. Every effort will be made by the old militiamen to make this the most notable event of the celebration. A meeting will be held in the evening of next week, some evening next week. The date has not yet been set, but due notice will be given in the columns of the Star.

Municipal Ownership.

BERLIN, Oct. 14.—The municipal council has resolved that in future all new street car lines shall remain exclusively under municipal management and control. No opposition is expected to this as all parties, whether Socialists or otherwise, are in favor of the idea. The municipality is bound by contract for a considerable period with existing lines. Therefore, it is impossible at present to transfer these avenues to municipal control, as a majority of the council desire.

ENDORSEMENT
BY DEWEY

His Actions Indicate His Faith
in the Administration.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 14.—Special significance seems to have been given in certain quarters to some of the incidents that attended the presentation to Admiral Dewey on Tuesday week of the sword voted him by congress. During the delivery of the presentation speech by Secretary Long Admiral Dewey applauded the utterance of certain sentences alluding to the insurrection of this government to suppress the Filipino insurrection, and when the president declared that there was no flaw in Dewey's victory, and "there will be no faltering in maintaining it," the admiral led the applause.

The more enthusiastic of Republican orators and writers affect to see in these acts of Dewey an unqualified endorsement of everything that has been done by the administration in the conduct of the war to suppress the rebellion in the Philippines, and proclamation of its ultimate success. That there is no longer doubt as to the attitude of the admiral in that regard. There never was the slightest doubt touching the admiral's feelings and sentiments in regard to what should be done by this government to assert its authority and establish its sovereignty in the archipelago. Before leaving Manila he was known to favor a vigorous prosecution of the operations against the insurgents, and there are substantial reasons for the belief that he did not believe that he was being done by Gen. Otis. Furthermore, there are the best of reasons for the belief that since his arrival home the admiral has strongly intimated that the insurrection would have been practically suppressed if operations against Aguinaldo had been directed by the commanding general with the vigor and persistence that was demanded. It is, therefore, not strange to find the admiral applauding declarations by the commander-in-chief to the effect that hereafter there will be no faltering in vigorous prosecution of the work of crushing the rebellion and in maintaining the victory which Dewey gave the country without a flaw.

Are Now Lawyers.

OLYMPIA, Oct. 14.—The fifteen applicants for admission to the bar were all granted certificates today. Among the applicants from Seattle were: Jeremiah S. Counsley, Jr., Harry Lanston, E. F. Kienstra, R. Rutherford and Edward T. Byrnes.

TRAINS ARRIVE.

Thursday and Friday's trains, which were consolidated at Spokane, arrived here at 9:30 last evening. Thursday's train was delayed by snow in Dakota and Montana. The road's rotaries will be taken out from the roundhouse immediately.

Wm. J. McCarthy, the painter who was caught between a Northern Pacific train and a platform on the water front recently and injured, has sued the railroad for \$1,999 damages.

BRITISH COLUMBIA DAY
AT THE EXPOSITION

This is British Columbia day at the exposition, and a specially arranged program will be carried out. The halls are decorated with British flags, and the "Britishers" are "taking in the town." The management has secured the services of the "Big Boy" quartet of Victoria. They rendered a selection this afternoon and are on the program for two selections this evening. An excursion of 600 people arrived this forenoon from different parts of British Columbia.

The exposition was given up to the High School cadets yesterday. In the evening there was a competitive drill in the manual of arms. The prize, which was a gold medal, was won by Sgt. Fred Smith. The judges were: Halsey, of Company B, and H. A. Hanson, formerly lieutenant in the High School cadets.

A principal feature of tonight's program will be a grand cake-walk. The contestants will be Fred Young and Miss Kate Oliver; Howard Collide and Miss Hazel Van Alstyne; James O'Brien and Miss Myrtle Gladys Meyer; William Flemming and Miss Marie Lemm.

On Monday afternoon and evening an interesting attraction will be the Puget Sound Jubilee Singers. The quartette is composed of colored talent, two women and two men, as follows: Miss Walker, soprano; Mrs. Clarke, mezzo soprano; J. C. Payne, baritone; J. J. Hill, bass.

One of the principal attractions for next week will be the entertainment of the Shields company and Wagner's band. An allegorical set of pictures representing "Book of Ages" will be shown. Several new songs will be sung by Mr. H. Whiting, accompanied by illustrated views. Last night Miss Lamar recited "The Man Behind the Plow," which was highly appreciated. Edward Shields gave an illustrated talk entitled, "A Week in Chicago." "The Girl from Sunny Tennessee" will be introduced by Mr. Whiting next week.

One of the principal attractions of the Art room is a table built of 500 separate pieces of wood which came from all parts of the world, and was made by Otto Rosenleaf.

The furs in Windmiller booth are valued at \$30,000.

The automatic Mauser pistol and rifle is attracting a great deal of attention at the booth of the Seattle Hardware company. Mrs. Emma Jackson and Mrs. F. L. Merrill "feed the hungry" with mush at the booth of Lilly, Bogardus & Co.

It is an undisputed fact that Miss Lizzie E. Henke, who has charge of the Rainer beer booth is certainly popular. Everybody is promised a sample bottle, but only those who have the necessary "high sign" receive them.

The doors of the exposition will be open tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 until 5 o'clock. There will be a sacred concert by Wagner's band. A quartette composed of Mrs. Jennie Houghton-Edmonds, Mrs. W. H. Whitley, Mr. C. W. Saunders, and Mr. G. A. Edmonds, will give several selections.

BAND BOYS
WERE DRYThey Wanted Cool-
ing Beer.

HAD "JUST ONE LITTLE BOTTLE

But That Was a Blind"—How Wag-
ner's Men Tried to Appease
an Awful Thirst.

"Just one bottle, and that was a blind." The merry strains of the well-known song floated through the Armory the other evening, but few in the big crowd understood the peculiar and melancholy significance they had for the members of Wagner's excellent musical organization.

The boys were getting even with anybody, everybody, the world at large, in fact, for a most wonderful occurrence in which they figured as victims.

And this is what happened:

Several days ago a case of Rainer beer mysteriously disappeared from the booth of the Seattle Brewery & Malting Company. Special Detective Brooks was detailed by the management to fathom the mystery. He hunted high and low, but for a long time could get no trace of the missing case. Just when he was about to tear out his hair and give up in despair, he made a startling discovery. Close to the door of the assembly room of Wagner's band he almost tripped over a cork.

The clue was a small one, but Mr. Brooks is a student of Sherlock Holmes, and he made certain deductions. As a result of some hard thinking he placed a ladder to the transom of the band room and peered in.

He was rewarded by a sight that nearly knocked him from his lofty perch. In the center of the room was a table, and on the table was the missing case of beer. The members of the band had gathered in a circle around the beer, humming softly the time-worn drinking song, "Beer, beer, glorious beer."

Du Witt Coon acted as host. Selecting a bottle from the case with leisurely ease he pulled the cork. Dismay, chagrin and rage were depicted in a moment on the faces of the music makers—the bottle was empty. The case of beer was one that had been brought to the exposition purely for show purposes. The shock was too much for Du Witt Coon—he fainted. Sol Asher assumed the role of the heavy villain in the sensational play and swore vengeance on the crowd. Parched throats were heard to crackle in a vain attempt to frame a swear word. Then "Detective" Brooks quietly took up his ladder and silently stole away.

No deposition has been made by Mr. Brooks in connection with the case yet. The story goes that his sympathy for the boys was so strong that he solemnly said: "They have been punished enough."

And that is why Wagner's band, in slow tune, played the other night "Just One Bottle, and that Was a Blind."

Thought Wolf Was a Dog

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The escape yesterday from the Bronx Park zoo of a six-months old wolf is responsible for the keeping close at home of school children in the Bronx district. Small dogs and chickens, too, are cooped up.

The escaping wolf was seen near Morris Park race track and was believed to be a large dog. One man tried to coax "doggie" home and had a piece bitten from his hand. The park authorities despair of capturing the animal.

PLACER FIND
ON NORTH SEA

The steamer City of Seattle arrived in port last night with the last Klondikers that will travel on the Upper Yukon in steamers this season. Between thirty and forty Klondikers came down on the Seattle, having left Dawson September 29 on the steamer Anglian. Among the passengers were the following well known residents of Seattle: E. L. Terry, James M. Quilter, H. J. Shively and John B. Agan.

Kenneth M. Jackson, formerly a United States commissioner in Alaska, sends down meager news of a new and very rich placer discovery at Cape York, on Bering Sea. John McNally, who was one of the discoverers of the new district, informed Mr. Jackson that it was even richer than Cape Nome.

Yesterday's arrival from Skagway say that by June 1 next the city will have a \$40,000 brick hotel.

TRAIN HELD UP
NEAR CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The Northwestern limited was held up last night at 10:20, near De Kalb. The robbers first held up the station agent and gagged him. They then went down the track, stopped the train, covered the engineer and fireman and robbed the express car. Engineer Daniel White was seriously wounded in heroic resistance.

KERR IS DEAD.

Joseph Kerr, known as the "tallest man in the state," died yesterday afternoon at Providence Hospital of heart disease. He stood six feet eight and one-half inches in his stocking feet.

CROSBY'S OFFER.

John P. Hartman, a local attorney, holds a deed in escrow from Rollan J. Parker of Walla Walla to John S. Crosby, the single tax apostle. The deed describes a \$5,000 farm, to be given Mr. Crosby if he devotes a year's work in this state for single tax.

Priests' Patriotic Songs

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 14.—Jesuit priests and brothers united with a choir of 50 voices in the enthusiastic singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" today at the consecration ceremonies over the \$100,000 addition to Loyola college in this city. Cardinal Gibbons officiated.

A procession of priests and the faculty of the college, headed by Rev. John A. Morgan, president of the college, passed through the buildings, the cardinal blessing every room.

The Seattle Stock Exchange had a dull session this morning, but produced a freak on Weatherly Bonanza, 250 shares being sold for 7 1/2 cents. These stocks were quoted not long ago at 20c, and were good sellers at 17 1/2c. The mine has been paying monthly dividends of 5 per cent.

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