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### Professional Cards.

**ROBERT SEMPLE,**  
Attorney-at-Law,  
Will practice in the courts of the 14th and 15th judicial districts. During vacation, will meet clients at the Bayou Sara whenever convenient.

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Attorney-at-Law,  
St. Francisville, La.  
Will practice in the courts of the 14th and 15th judicial and Federal Districts.

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### Business Directory.

**BLACKSMITH.**  
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Davidson, Beef every day, Mutton and pork occasionally.

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**S. C. Magearl,**

### BOER ADVANCE CHECKED

#### TIDE OF WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA CHANGING IN BRITAIN'S FAVOR.

Fared Badly at Wepener... Heavy Loss Incurred on the Burgers Who are now Retreating Northward... Lord Roberts' Plans Coming to a Head.

London.—"The Boer forward movement is checked," says Lord Roberts. This is taken to mean, not by fighting, but by a disposition to head off their advance and bar their advance to vulnerable points in the line of British communications.

Relief is on the way to Wepener. The Boers in Natal appear incapable of keeping an aggressive movement in Eladslagte. Lord Methuen is at Zwartkopsfontein, twelve miles east of Boshof, and is sending small, swift columns through the adjacent country. Lord Chesham, commanding one of these, encountered a small commando about ten miles southeast of Zwartkopsfontein. He found most of the farms occupied by women and children only.

An editorial note in the Daily Mail avers that Mafeking is in a very bad way, and that the hope of relief is far off, as no force is advancing from the south.

The Boer peace envoys have documents—the Rome correspondent of the Daily News says—that urgent advances to the Transvaal to wage war were originally made by Germany. This correspondent also asserts that Count von Bunsow, the German foreign minister who was said to have gone on a visit to a stock brother, really went to Milan for the express purpose of conferring with the delegates.

The Times has the following from Jammersburg, dated April 18:

"Col. Dalgetty's force has been surrounded by some thousands of Boers with eight guns, two 'pompons' and two Maxims since Monday morning. They gallantly withstood a heavy attack on Monday and again a night attack on Tuesday, and on Thursday there was a continuous shell and rifle fire.

"They are confident of being able to repulse any attack. Food is plentiful. Our casualties, in the circumstances, are small. The brunt of the fighting, and also of the loss, has been borne by Cape mounted riflemen."

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post telegraphing Thursday says:

"The enemy have evidently determined to adopt entirely new tactics. Two columns are known to be moving to the south of Bloemfontein. They are relying on Cape carts for transport and are carrying scarcely any forage and only sufficient food to meet their immediate requirements of the convoy, with ox transport following at a secure distance. The Boer columns are thus enabled to move almost as quickly as cavalry.

"It is reported that there are 9,000 Boers to the south of Dewetsdorp. The force extends from that point to Oden-dahl. The Burgers, who had returned to their farms are undoubtedly re-joining the enemy.

"Lord Roberts has appointed the Duke of Marlborough to be assistant military secretary at headquarters."

Bloemfontein, April 18.—Accounts received here of the fight of the troops under Col. Dalgetty at Wepener show the Boers attacked them vigorously but were repulsed with great loss. The Boers subsequently relinquished the attack, and it is said here they are retreating northwards.

### WILKINSON'S SUMMARY.

London, April 14.—Spencer Wilkinson, discussing the military situation in the Morning Post says: "The objective of the 9,000 Boers south of Dewetsdorp is either Col. Dalgetty's force, the bridge at Bethulle or the country south of the Orange river. Whatever its object Lord Roberts has apparently checked it, and if so, the equipment and reorganization of the British force can proceed uninterrupted and the new campaign will shortly begin on the initiative of Lord Roberts."

The Times says editorially this morning: "In both the Free State and Natal matters appear to be progressing as we expected and desired. Our well wishers in America, who are

### Marks of Ancient Glory.

Cairo, Egypt.—M. Legnal, in setting up the fallen columns of Karnak, discovered a city gate. It is the first found in Egypt and is of great height. It bears the date of the eighteenth dynasty. A second and more important discovery at Thebes is a large tomb of the eleventh dynasty in perfect preservation.

### HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES

Remedy for Ivy Poisoning. A treatment highly recommended by a scientific magazine for poisoning from ivy, is to wet a slice of bread with water, dust it with common washing soda, and apply to the eruption, keeping the bread from the outside. Half an hour of this treatment is said to be a sure cure.

How to Clean Delicate Goods. Delicately tinted mulls and nearly all delicate goods to be cleaned must be soaked overnight in salt water and washed in soap suds and cold water. To wash white mull yokes place them in hot water, soap suds and ammonia, and leave them overnight. In the morning they should have another bath of the same kind and then be rinsed in hot water.

### Cement for Broken Dishes.

The old housekeeper has in her scrapbook well-tried recipes for mending and cleaning, and among them is the following cement for mending broken dishes. It is one of the strongest and most easily applied and it needs nothing but the white of an egg and some lime. Shave off a small quantity of the lime mix it thoroughly with part of the white of an egg and apply as quickly as possible to the broken edges. Then place them together and hold them firmly till they become set. Never mix any larger quantity than is to be immediately used, since it hardens with great rapidity.

### Restoring Polish of Furniture.

Many will be glad to know how the fine original polish of furniture may be restored, especially in the case of such articles as pianos, fancy tables, etc., which become tarnished by use. Make a polish by putting half an ounce of shellac, the same quantity of gumlac and a quarter of an ounce of gum sandarac into a pint of spirits of wine. Put them all together in a stone bottle near the fire, shaking it very often. As soon as the gums are dissolved it is ready for use. Now make a roller of woolen rags, put a little of polish on it, and also a few drops of linseed oil; rub the surface to be polished with this, going around and around over a small space at a time until it begins to be quite smooth. Then finish by a second rubbing with spirits of wine and more of the polish, and your furniture will have a brilliant lustre equal to new.—New York Journal.

### Convicts Captured.

Dallas, Tex.—Friday Deputy Sheriffs Work and Simpson captured in this city two convicts who escaped from the Steel Brothers' convict farm during the Brazos river overflow last July. The convicts captured are King Logan and Joe Crockett. Logan was serving out a sentence for murder. In July of last year thirteen convicts escaped from the Steel Brothers' farm. The prisoners will be turned over to the proper authorities as soon as possible. They are confined in the county jail. These two are the only ones recaptured.

### Store and Other Property Burned.

Waggaman, Texas.—Fire Thursday night burned property valued at some \$20,000 and threw this little town into a fever of excitement. About 9:30 o'clock flames were discovered in the building occupied by J. S. Brady and Company as general store. The smoke aroused Mrs. Brady, who occupied the house adjoining, and she gave the alarm. Frank Barker, the clerk in the Brady store, went to Mrs. Brady's assistance, and discovered a can of live coals in front of the door at the main entrance to the store. The Brady store and residence were burned, besides several other buildings, including the courthouse.

### Another Mine Horror.

Pittsburg, Pa.—A number of miners variously estimated from two to sixteen are imprisoned in the No. 3 mine at Hazletine station, behind a wall of flame and smoke. They were caught Friday by the fire and all Friday night men fought the flames and women waited in helpless agony about the pit mouth. State Mine Inspector James Bliok, of Idlewood, is on the scene, and has very little hope that any of the men will ever come out of the mine alive.

### Italian Peddler Murdered.

Helena, Ark.—Joe Castillo, an Italian fruit peddler, was shot and killed at Trotter's Point, opposite this city. He had just crossed the river with a basket of fruit, leaving here at 6 o'clock. When the ferryboat Maude crossed at 7 the crew found the still warm body of the old man lying near the head of the incline, the blood oozing from a bullet hole in the side of his head. He was a new comer in these parts, and it is not known that he had an enemy. Sheriff Levy of Tunica county and a posse are following the track of the supposed murderers with a pack of blood hounds.

### Mules For British Army.

New Orleans, La.—The steamer Sarah cleared Saturday for Cape Town, South Africa, with 1,000 mules.

### Wife Murder and Suicide.

Bakersville, Tenn.—Joe Stringer living in Benton county, 13 miles from here, killed his wife by choking her to death and then committed suicide. Stringer used a double barreled shot gun on himself, his brains being blown into an adjoining room. The couple had been separated and Stringer had called on his wife seeking a reconciliation.

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Warning. The public is hereby warned against buying wood, posts or timber of any kind from tenants on Ogden and Oakley plantation. Mrs. I. L. Mazzuca.

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From and after this date, all hunting of any kind on my place, Pinedale (formerly owned by J. S. Griffin) is positively prohibited under penalty of trespass. Any one found on this place without permission will be considered trespassing and prosecuted to the full extent of the law. W. B. SMITH.

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From and after this date, all hunting and fishing on the Cottage plantation is positively prohibited under penalty of trespass. Any one found on this place without permission will be considered trespassing, and prosecuted to the full extent of the law. RICHARD BUTLER.

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