

The pursuit of happiness does not necessarily imply the pursuit of wealth. Real happiness is a matter of individual conscience entirely.

Prof. R. S. Woodward, of Columbia university, in a recent paper shows reasons for thinking that the earth's atmosphere extends to a height varying with the distance from the equator. At the equator he estimates the height to be 26,000 miles, which diminishes to only 17,000 miles at the poles.

The Chinese strenuously object to gambling on future prices of articles of consumption, such as rice, wheat and corn. Recently six members of a Chinese bucket shop or board of trade rather, were summarily taken out and beheaded for making contracts to pay given prices as a given time without regard to the immutability of supply and demand.

War, like the dyer's hand, is subdued to what it works in. The general sees in it the Victoria Cross or the Legion of Honor; the politician sees in it election; the manufacturer, a foreign market for his goods.

The immense profits often attained by various industries have been talked about in seemingly extravagant terms, but the most extravagant oratory of the anti-trust agitation has seldom, if ever, equalled the representations made in the courts by Mr. Frick, the partner of Mr. Carnegie in the Carnegie Steel Company of Pittsburgh.

At the annual dinner of the Silk Association of America recently, the chief guest was the Chinese minister to the United States, Wu Ting Fang. He made the speech of the evening. He contrasted the friendly attitude of the United States toward China with the aggressions of European nations.

A dozen or more years ago a farmer twisted a bit of iron about a wire fence, and noticed that his cattle avoided it. This originated the use of the barbed-wire fence, which has cut the great free prairies into ranches. It has lacerated and cut from water countless numbers of the wild animals that once roamed the prairies.

There are a whole lot of men who are fond of telling you that "women are not what they used to be." Of course they mean to convey the impression that women are deteriorating.

Hetty Green says her daughter is not to become the wife of the Duke de la Torre. The duke may need the money, but he ought nevertheless to find some comfort in the fact that Hetty is not to be his mother-in-law.

OOM PAUL'S BOAST

INTENDS TO RETAKE BLOEMFONTEIN WITHIN A WEEK.

Boers Are Concentrating in Force North of Bloemfontein and Lord Roberts is Sending Forward Troops to Engage Them—Campbell Reoccupied by Boers—Lord Roberts Making Extensive Arrangements to Police and Safeguard All the Free State Towns in the Territory Occupied.

London, March 31.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Telegraph Thursday says: "President Kruger boasts his intention to retake Bloemfontein within a week, and it appears probable that the Boers are advancing in force southward."

London, March 31.—The Boers are concentrating in force about fifteen miles north of Bloemfontein in the rear of Glen, and Lord Roberts is sending forward troops to engage them. The Seventh infantry and part of Gen. French's cavalry have been sent up to join the Fourteenth brigade and the two cavalry regiments that are holding Glen and its environs. It does not seem probable that the Boers will give serious battle in the fairly open country north of Glen. Still their evident strength indicates more than a corps of observation. In small affairs the Boers are daringly aggressive in all parts of the field of war.

Methuen Recalled to Kimberley. Lord Methuen and the forces that had been operating in the Barkly district have been recalled to Kimberley by Lord Roberts. No explanation has been given for this, but the mounted troops are disarmed and having been ordered back. The Boers and disloyalists at Kenhardt have been dispersed and caused to retreat.

According to Pretoria advices Mafeking was bombarded for seven hours on Tuesday. It is reported in London in a well-informed quarter that Lord Kitchener will be offered the post of commander-in-chief in India, succeeding the late Sir William Lockhart, so soon as decisive successes have been obtained in the Transvaal, and that Gen. Sir Archibald Hunter will succeed him as Lord Roberts' chief of staff. The Indian newspapers have been urging Kitchener's appointment.

Gen. Joubert's Illness. Pretoria, March 31.—Gen. Joubert was taken ill Sunday morning. He was in his office the previous day. He suffered great pain, but became unconscious some time before death. The complaint was acute inflammation of the bowels. The body will lie in state until Monday and will then be taken by special to the farm at Rustfontein, near Wakkerstroom, where it will be buried quietly, as Joubert often requested, and without military honors. Michael Davitt has gone to Kroonstadt.

A BLOODY BATTLE

Two Men Killed in a Fight Between Desperadoes and a Sheriff's posse. Denver, Colo., March 27.—A bloody battle between a sheriff's posse and a gang of desperadoes occurred near Navajo Springs, sixty miles west of Gallup, Wednesday afternoon in which, two of the posse, Gus Gibbons and Frank Lesueur, were killed. Five of the outlaws were captured, two badly wounded. Three escaped and are being followed. The gang had been stealing cattle in various parts of the country.

Pneumonia Deaths. Calcutta, March 31.—The deaths from the plague here on Tuesday numbered 217, and the new cases reported, 157. The total number of cases is 301.

Cost to Portugal. Berne, Switzerland, March 31.—According to the Delagoa Bay railroad award Portugal is condemned to pay 15,314,000 francs.

Mark Twain Will Testify. London, March 31.—During the discussion of the copyright bill in the house of lords yesterday Lord Monckwell said Samuel T. Clemens (Mark Twain) was desirous of testifying before the select committee.

Steamer on Fire. New York, March 31.—The steamer Old Dominion, plying between New York and Boston, caught fire at 3 o'clock this morning at her pier. It is expected that the loss will be heavy. No lives were lost.

AIR FILLED WITH RUMORS,

But No New Developments in the Murder Case at Frankfort.

Frankfort, Ky., March 30.—There were no developments in the assassination case yesterday, though the air was filled with rumors of more arrests and other new phases. It was reported that a prominent man who was supposed to be at Winchester, would be arrested, but dispatches from Winchester say that the suspected man is not there and that no arrest has been made at that point. It is claimed that the statement made by W. H. Cullton to the attorneys for the prosecution involved this suspected man, he having been named by Sergeant Golden in his statement last Saturday as one of the promoters of the movement which resulted in bringing the mountaineers here. The visit of Cullton to the attorneys for the commonwealth Tuesday has caused a great deal of talking on both sides, and while the Democrats claim that he made a confession, the Republicans state that he told nothing whatever about the tragedy, as he knew nothing to tell beyond the importation of mountaineers to Frankfort.

Body Found Floating in the River. Norwich, Conn., March 30.—The body of Miss Annie C. Lamb was found floating in Pequotanuck cove, a small town on the Thames river, about five miles below here yesterday. On Jan. 24 Miss Lamb and Frederick H. Moll, a tailor for whom she worked, disappeared, and their whereabouts were unknown until last Monday, when the body of Moll was found in the same place where the woman's body was discovered yesterday. Moll was about fifty-five years old, and at the time of his disappearance he deserted his wife and four children, leaving them destitute. It is supposed that Moll and Miss Lamb walked down what is known as the drainage and jumped overboard.

Extending Pneumatic Tube Service. Washington, March 30.—The question of extending the pneumatic tube service to a number of postoffices throughout the country was considered at a special meeting of the house committee on postoffices and an agreement was reached to invest \$725,000 in the postoffice appropriation bill for the development and extension of this service. This is a considerable increase over previous appropriations which have been sufficient only for experimental services in a few cities.

Promotion for Capt. Terry. Washington, March 30.—The retirement of Rear Admiral Day will result in the promotion of Capt. Silas Terry, a member of the naval retiring board, to rear admiral; Commander James H. Dayton, in charge of the San Juan naval station, to be captain; Lieut. Commander W. H. Turner to be commander and Lieut. Albert Gleaves, now at the Washington navy yard, to be lieutenant commander.

Site at Oskaloosa Accepted. Washington, March 30.—The secretary of the treasury has accepted the proposition of the owners of a tract of land on the northeast corner of North Market and Avenue A, Oskaloosa, Iowa, for a site for a public building. The price was \$6,000.

Three Children Burned to Death. Providence, R. I., March 30.—Three children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the farm house of J. H. Brassill in Eastern Providence. The victims perished while the mother vainly strove to penetrate the wall of fire that beat her off.

Sultan Stops Sausages. Constantinople, March 30.—Following the example of Germany, the sultan has decided to prohibit the importation of American pork, alleging danger of trichina. The latest shipment of American sausages to Turkey has been stopped.

Consul Barnes Dead. Washington, March 30.—The state department was informed of the death of Consul John A. Barnes at Cologne, Germany. Barnes was a native of Ohio, but was appointed from Illinois. He was formerly consul at Chemnitz.

Reduction in Sugar. New York, March 30.—Arbuckle Bros. have announced a reduction of 5 points in the price of all grades of refined sugars. No similar move has been made by the other refineries.

Crown Prince Honored. London, March 30.—Truth says it learns that the queen will send the duke of York to Potsdam early in May to invest the crown prince of Germany with the Order of the Garter.

Admiral Watson Goes to Hongkong. Manila, March 30.—Rear Admiral Watson, on board the Brooklyn, has departed for Hongkong, where he is expected to transfer his command to Rear Admiral Remey.

Boxing in New York. Albany, N. Y., March 30.—The bill repealing the Horton boxing law passed the senate and now goes to the governor for his signature.

Knocked Out by Gardner. Zanesville, Ohio, March 30.—Oscar Gardner of Wheeling knocked out Patsy Haley of Cincinnati in the third round at Shawnee, Ohio.

Snow Stops Street Cars. Cedar Rapids, Iowa, March 30.—The street car traffic was tied up here by a heavy snowfall, which gives promise of continuance.

Three Crushed to Death. Glasgow, March 30.—Two trains carrying workmen collided here. Three men were crushed to death and ten were injured.

Crown Prince Will Marry. Washington, March 30.—Minister Buck, at Tokio, has informed the state department that the imperial highness, the crown prince, to Princess Sakado. The wedding will take place this year.

Admiral Howell May Retire. Washington, March 30.—Lieut. Commander Rose, who recently applied for retirement, has, instead, been given six months' leave of absence. It is reported that Rear Admiral Howell is about to seek retirement.

TAKEN FROM BOERS

CLUSTER OF HILLS WON AFTER A STIFF FIGHT.

Now Occupied by the Head of Lord Roberts' Army—Boers Must Have Been in Considerable Force, as Lord Roberts Sent 8,000 Infantry and 3,000 Cavalry Against Them—Lord Roberts' Progress to Pretoria Will Probably Consist of a Series of Short Forward Movements.

London, April 1.—The head of the army of Lord Roberts is now about twenty-one miles north of Bloemfontein. It occupies a cluster of hills won from the Boers after a stiff fight, in which the British lost seven officers and 100 men. The Boers had been using these hills as a base for marauding bands that have been working on the country adjacent to Bloemfontein for supplies, driving off cattle and forcing non-resident Free State settlers into their ranks again. The enemy must have been in considerable force, as Lord Roberts sent 8,000 infantry and 3,000 cavalry against them. Lord Roberts' progress to Pretoria will probably consist of a series of short forward movements in which Boer positions will be attacked by a portion of the army advancing rapidly with out transport, the main army coming up as the railway is repaired. Lord Roberts is stripping the forces in the minor spheres of operations of their wagons and transport animals in order to hasten the advance. This is understood to be the reason, he recalled Methuen from Barkly West to Kimberley. Lord Roberts had to have Lord Methuen's transport. The reason why a hot chase was not made after Commander Olivier is that Lord Roberts did not wish to wear out the cavalry transport. Gen. French lost 3,000 horses in the relief of Kimberley and in the pursuit of Gen. Cronje. Lord Roberts lost 3,000 transport cattle at Watervale drift, and it is estimated that he has lost 4,000 other animals since the forward movement began on Feb. 13.

The advance beyond Bloemfontein is through a bare country, and surely officers foresee an increasing difficulty in providing for a great army moving along a single line of railroad, even when the latter is working smoothly and with ample rolling stock. The Canadian mounted rifles were part of the force that occupied Kenhardt yesterday. The rebellion throughout the northwest districts of Cape Colony is almost suppressed. The 60th will sail to-day with 600 men for St. Helena to guard Gen. Cronje and 4,000 prisoners.

Crushed by Kitchener. London, April 1.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post says: "Lord Kitchener and his staff crossed the temporary bridge at Norval's Post last night. He had 5,000 men under his command and he left 700 at Priska. He considers the rebellion crushed, although the fire may smoulder for some time."

Clemens Unopposed. London, April 1.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Kofffontein, dated Thursday, says: "Gen. Clemens' flying column, after a forced march of thirty-seven miles yesterday, arrived here unopposed."

England and Portugal Friendly. London, April 1.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "From Lisbon I hear that with the full authorization of Portugal stores for the British forces in Rhodesia have been passed over the Biera Untel railway. Very amicable relations exist between Portugal and Great Britain, and some political changes are expected to follow the announcement of the Delagoa Bay award."

Warned by Kruger. London, April 1.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing Thursday, says: "President Kruger's latest proclamation warns the women and children to leave Bloemfontein within five days, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city and shoot the burghers whom he captures there. Vigorous measures have already been taken by the British to harass marauding bands of Transvaalers. The latter are reported to be operating chiefly against Free Staters who refuse to join them."

Reported by Lord Roberts. London, April 1.—The war office has issued the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, March 30, 2:25 p. m.:

"Owing to the activity of the enemy on our immediate front and their hostile action toward the burghers who surrendered under the terms of my proclamation, I found it necessary to drive them from some kopjes that had occupied near the Karee siding station, a few miles south of Bradford. The operation was successfully carried out by the Seventh (Tucker's) division, assisted by the First and Third cavalry brigades, under French, and Le Gallais' regiment of mounted infantry. The enemy retreated to Bradford and our troops now hold the kopjes."

Defeated by Joe Walcott. New York, March 30.—Joe Walcott, the Barbadoes negro welter-weight pugilist, defeated Andy Walsh of Brooklyn, who is still in the middle-weight class, in a twenty-round bout at the Broadway Athletic club last night. Walsh, who had only been in training six days, was substituted in place of mysterious Billy Smith, who was too ill to go on with Walcott. Walcott weighed 142 pounds and Walsh 154. Walcott was a favorite at 2 to 1.

Felt Like Thirty Cents. Deadwood, S. D., April 1.—Al Warner, a workman at the Kildonan chlorination works, was held up by two men and robbed of 35 cents. He was struck a stunning blow in the face, which knocked him senseless. The robbers thought he had his monthly wages.

Killed by an Explosion. Pullman, Ark., April 1.—The boiler of the Rutledge Lumber company's mill exploded yesterday. John Smith, an employe, was killed, four others wounded and the mill wrecked.

ENTERS LAST STAGE.

Court Will Now Try Alleged Assassins of Goebel.

Frankfort, Ky., April 3.—The convening of the April term of the Franklin circuit court to-day with Judge Cantrell sitting, marks the beginning of the final legal proceedings against the alleged assassins of the late Gov. Goebel, and on this account makes it the most important in the history of criminal trials in this state in many years. The session of the court will be taken up mainly to-day with preliminaries. The names of the grand jurors will be made public to-day. Judge Cantrell's charge to the grand jury, always vigorous and comprehensive, is looked forward to with more than ordinary interest. The grand jury will probably get in working order Tuesday, and the assassination case will be the first matter taken up. It is understood that Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin, who will conduct the prosecution, has had subpoenas issued for many important witnesses and others will be issued as soon as the court gets down to work. The names of the suspects who have already been arrested and whose cases have been referred to the grand jury for investigation, are Secretary of State Caleb Powers, Judge William Hazlett, Leland, Henry Yontz, Frankfort; J. L. Sutton, Williamsburg; Silas Jones, Whiteside county; John Davis, Frankfort. Warrants are also out for ex-Secretary of State Charles Finley, Capt. John L. Powers of Knox county and "Tallow Dick" Coombs, colored, all of whom, except the last named, have not yet been arrested. It is not probable any indictments will be returned before the latter part of the week at the earliest, and if the prosecution makes good its claims the investigation will involve a large number of others against whom indictments will be returned at the present term, and it is understood that the defense, probably in every case, will move for a change of venue to some other county on account of the heated state of public feeling here. Republican Adjt. Gen. Collier, so far as known, is the only one of the Republican contestants who is in the city.

LOOTED BY ROBBERS.

Brewery Office Plundered by Masked Men.

St. Louis, April 3.—Three masked men looted the Star brewery office at Belleville, Ill., yesterday, after first capturing and confining the watchman and fireman of the plant in an empty refrigerator car nearby. As the robbers were preparing to blow open the big safe in the office Hubert Hartman, secretary of the brewery, accompanied by his brother Hans, entered the room. They were promptly covered with revolvers and were marched to the same car in which the fireman and watchman were confined. This gave the cracksmen undisputed possession of the plant. After drilling the safe they applied charges and the outer and inner doors were blown open. It is not known how much they secured, but the amount is thought to be about \$1,000, besides some jewelry and valuable papers which were in the safe.

BOY KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE.

Seven-Year-Old New York Child Loses His Life and Driver is Arrested. New York, April 3.—"Don't let the blood get on my clothes, fellows," were the dying words of little Joe Muldoon, who was run over by an automobile on West Fifty-first street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, while playing with some companions. He was only seven years old and his playmates were not much older, but they extricated him from the wheel and carried him to his home in their arms. He died before he reached the hospital, the first child in New York to be killed by an automobile. The driver, Arthur J. Henley, was placed under arrest.

CORN FOR THE STARVING.

Dr. Klopsch Concludes Negotiations for a Steamer for India. New York, April 3.—Negotiations were concluded Saturday between Dr. Louis Klopsch, proprietor of the Christian Herald, New York, and the British government, by which Dr. Klopsch is authorized to charter a relief steamer for the purpose of sending a cargo of corn for the relief of famine sufferers in India. The cargo will consist of 3,000 tons or more of well seasoned corn, so as to withstand the climatic changes it must undergo on the voyage to Bombay. Promptly on arrival it will be dispatched to the various relief stations.

SLAIN AND CAST ADRIFT.

Body of a Man, With the Legs Tied, Found in River at Brooklyn. New York, April 3.—The body of a man was found floating in the river at the foot of South Fourth street, Brooklyn, with the legs closely bound, and this belief is sustained by the fact that nothing was found on the body but a bunch of keys. The man was about thirty-five or forty years of age, five feet five inches in height. His clothing was of good texture. There is no clue as to his identity.

GEN. PANZA SURRENDERS.

Notorious Chinaman Who Has Been Assisting the Filipinos, Gives Up. Manila, April 3.—The Chinese Gen. Panza, who has been terrorizing and devastating the province of Panay, has surrendered at Legaspi to Gen. Kobbe, who is bringing him to Manila.

Fire Causes \$50,000 Loss. Newburyport, Mass., April 3.—Fire started almost simultaneously in three buildings owned by Cashman Bros. contractors and stevedores, causing a loss of \$50,000. The fire was caused by a number of concerns. Cashman Bros.' loss is \$25,000.

Son Born to Duchess of York. London, April 3.—The Duchess of York gave birth to a son this morning. The child was born at York cottage, Sandringham. The duchess and infant are doing well.

CAPTURED BY BOERS

BRITISH DELIBERATELY WALK INTO AN AMBUSH.

Convoy With Guns Taken by Boers—About Twenty Miles From Bloemfontein—Loss of Life Was Not Great, as Most of the British Walked into the Trap Before a Shot Was Fired—Col. Broadwood's Force Obligated to Withdraw From Thaba Nchu, Owing to the Approach of Boers.

Bushman Kop, April 3.—The British force commanded by Col. Broadwood, consisting of the Tenth Hussars, Household cavalry, two horse batteries and a force of mounted infantry under Col. Pitcher which had been garrisoning Thaba Nchu, was obliged, in consequence of the near approach of a large force of Boers, to leave Friday night. Col. Broadwood marched to the Bloemfontein water works, south of the Modder, where he encamped at 4 Saturday morning. At early dawn the camp was shelled by the enemy from a near point. Col. Broadwood sent off a convoy with the batteries, while the rest of the force remained to act as a rear guard. The convoy arrived at a deep spruit, where the Boers were concealed and the entire body walked into ambush and were captured, together with six guns. The loss of life was not great since most of the British had walked into the trap before a shot was fired. Gen. Colville's division, which left Bloemfontein early Saturday morning, arrived here at noon Sunday and he is now sheltering the Boers.

Retreated in Haste. London, April 3.—Gen. Buller's anxious inquiry whether British officers will ever learn the value of scouting comes back with enforced emphasis to the British public to-day on receipt of tidings that a convoy with guns has walked deliberately into a Boer ambush within about twenty miles of Bloemfontein.

Lord Roberts' own report of the affair, if yet received by the war office, has not been published, and no account of the affair is available to the public except the dispatch from Bushman Kop. Nothing can be said, therefore, regarding the exact extent of the British misfortune. Evidently Col. Broadwood thought it necessary to retreat in haste from Thaba Nchu, as he marched all through Friday night, apparently followed by a considerable force of the enemy. The convoy and guns had to pass through a deep spruit, which the Boers had occupied. Six or ten guns, comprising two batteries, all the wagons, and, it is feared, many men, fell into the hands of the Boers, whose daring, displayed so near Bloemfontein, shows that they are rapidly recovering heart after the recent reverses. The hope is expressed here that Gen. Colville will recover the convoy and guns, but this is hardly likely in such a difficult country, and it is probable that the next news will be that

After a Stiff Fight. Gen. Colville has extricated Col. Broadwood from his difficult position, but failed to retrieve the disaster. Severe criticisms are heard regarding the renewal of the old mistakes of underestimating the Boers and the absence of proper precaution. No doubt the affair will revive Boer hopes and inspire confidence among the enemy at a critical moment. Great things are expected by the Boers of the new commander-in-chief, Gen. Botha, who has made his reputation wholly during the present campaign. Foreign officers serving with the Boers have expressed surprise at his clever tactics.

The proof of continuing Boer activity in the Free State will compel greater circumspection on the part of the British, and will probably delay the march of Lord Roberts northward. Detailed accounts of the fight at Karee Siding estimate the Boer forces variously from 3,000 to 5,000 men. Brabant's horse occupied Wepener last Thursday unopposed. Lord Methuen has issued the following notification at Kimberley: "I have received instructions that if any disturbances occur west of the Vaal river my force is to return and punish the rebels immediately."

British May Cross Portuguese Territory. London, April 3.—The Lisbon correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "The Portuguese government has wired orders to Beira that British troops and ammunition be allowed to pass through freely to Rhodesia. The minister of foreign affairs, Veigo Beiro, has announced in the chamber of deputies that the government is in possession of railway bonds with which to pay the award of the Delagoa Bay railway arbitration tribunal."

Steyn to Stir Them Up. Meseru, April 3.—President Steyn is reported to have gone to Ladybrand to stir up the burghers there to renewed resistance. The Boers have removed from the immediate vicinity of Plettenberg and taken up a commanding position adjacent. The Dutch who surrendered their arms at Ladybrand are now suffering seizures of their live stock.

Roberts' Graceful Act. Bloemfontein, April 3.—Lord Roberts has sent the following dispatch to President Kruger: "Have just heard of the death of Gen. Joubert, and desire to offer my sincere condolences upon the sad event. Would ask you to convey to Gen. Joubert's family an expression of my most respectful sympathy with their sad bereavement, and to assure them also from me that all ranks of her majesty's forces share my feelings of deep regret at the sudden and untimely end of so distinguished a general, who devoted his life to the service of his country and whose personal gallantry was only surpassed by his humane conduct and chivalrous bearing under all circumstances."

Botha Joubert's Choice. Pretoria, April 3.—President Kruger said in public that the last expressed desire of the late Gen. Joubert was that he should be succeeded as commandant general by Luis Botha.