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PENSACOLA has a Depth of 33 Feet of Water in the Channel at the Entrance of the Harbor.

WILL FIGHT TO BITTER END

Salisbury's Answer Stirs up Boer Indignation.

Seventy and Twelve Thousand Troops Have Gone to Kroonstadt—Thought British Will Follow and Force a Fight—Severe Fighting Expected at Vaal Line.

LONDON, March 15.—Pretoria dispatches say that the Boer troops and leaders are wild with resentment at Lord Salisbury's plainly expressed intention to wipe out the South African republics. All classes say they will now fight to the bitter end.

President Steyn of the Orange Free State having gone to Kroonstadt with twelve thousand troops, it is believed that the British army will closely follow.

The continental opinion is that the Free Staters have practically thrown up the sponge, though it is likely that the irreconcilables among the Free Staters and Transvaalers, at Kroonstadt, will fight, then retire to the line of the vaal, where it is likely there will be severe fighting.

At Bloemfontein.

Precisely at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the Union Jack, made for the purpose by Lady Roberts, was hoisted over the presidency at Bloemfontein, amid acclamations of the battalions with many free state burghers heartily joining in the cheers.

There was only an insignificant opposition to the entry into the town, a few shells driving the Boers away. During the march through the town Lord Roberts ordered the instant replacement of goods being looted by the Kaffirs.

A Durban dispatch says that in view of the developments in the Orange Free State, the intention of withdrawing Gen. Warren and a large part of the troops from Natal has been abandoned. Instead of being sent back from the coast, an attempt will be made to storm the passes of Drakensburg. All heavy British artillery is being moved from Ladysmith in the direction of Van Boven's pass. It is not believed that the Free Staters, however strong their position, can hold Drakensburg or have sufficient energy left to resist invasion from Natal.

THE KENTUCKY MUDDLE.

Organizing to Defend the Arrested Men.

LOUISVILLE, March 15.—Arrangements were completed today for the formation of an organization of the best citizens of Kentucky to investigate the charges against Powers, Calton, Davis and Hazell and to raise money to defend them.

The promoters of this scheme have employed Ex-Gov. Bradley as leading counsel and will protect themselves by force if necessary.

Organizations to act in conjunction with the central body will be formed all over the state and they will resort to force if the conspiracy to arrest republicans generally be carried out. Governor Taylor will not surrender either the militia or the office.

PORTO RICO TARIFF BILL.

Thought That It Will Be Defeated by Tie Vote.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—There were ten republican senators who favor free trade with Porto Rico. The republican majority in the senate is only seven. Three democratic senators will vote for a tariff in Porto Rico. This leaves a tie and the consequent defeat of the bill.

DOUBLE HANGING.

Witnessed by Fully Ten Thousand People.

NORFOLK, Va., March 15.—Robert Ferguson and John Taylor, negro murderers, were hanged this morning at Nashville, N. C. So great was the desire to see the hanging that the Nash county board of commissioners made it public. It is estimated that 10,000 people witnessed the double execution.

Editor's Awful Plight.

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THE CHINESE MUDDLE.

American Association Wants Prompt Action.

SHANGHAI, China, March 15.—The American association telegraphed to the United States government today that the attitude of the Empress Dowager towards the reformers will upset the open door policy. They also say that rebellion and anarchy are expected, to the detriment of foreign interests. They advocate prompt concerted action by the powers. The China association will appeal to the British minister on the same subject.

A Destructive Fire.

HOPKINTON, Mass., March 15.—Five blocks of the business portion of this town were totally destroyed by fire, which started at 2:30 o'clock this morning.

Cotton Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Cotton is quoted to-day as follows: March, 9.57; April and May, 9.56; June and July, 9.52; August, 9.42; September, 8.42.

MAKES APPEAL FOR INDIA.

Mr. Sheldon Uses His Paper For Famine Sufferers.

TOPEKA, March 14.—Rev. Charles M. Sheldon is sticking to his ideal of what a daily newspaper should be, whether it pleases all of his readers or not.

The leading story of the first page of Rev. Charles M. Sheldon's daily today was a brief story by Associate Editor Charles Tilling of the prompt response to the appeal made in behalf of famine stricken India. The Indian Endeavor World of Boston telegraphed Mr. Sheldon urging him to open a fund, but he says he is too busy to attend to the work and suggests that contributions be sent through regular channels.

Governor Stanley writes a column article on the most gratifying feature of his administration, which he says is the progress prison reform has made in the state. Another column was an anti-war cartoon by Beard, and in this connection General Oria's latest list of casualties in London will be run with comment by Editor Sheldon. A leading article on the local page was a statement from the Kausas Millers' association protesting against alleged unjust treatment which they receive at the hands of the railroads.

On the telegraph page much was made of the war, and Editor Sheldon commented freely on the news. There was a long special from Grinnell, Ia., telling of the resignation of President Gates of the Iowa college and giving his reasons therefor.

The local leader was headed: "What Can We Do to Make This a Better City?" It advocates nonpartisan politics and urges a higher standard of righteousness among officials and people.

SIGNED WITH A GOLD PEN.

The New Financial Bill Is Now the Law of the Land.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—At 14 minutes to 1 o'clock this afternoon the president affixed his signature to the financial bill, thus making it a law of the land. Mr. Overstreet of Indiana, who had the bill in charge, arrived at the White House about 5 minutes before that time and was shown into the cabinet room, where he was joined by the president who, after inquiring if the bill had been compared with care, affixed his signature to it.

At the same time he recalled to those who stood by the fact that many of the important financial bills which had been passed by congress had been approved on the fourteenth of the month. He spoke of the Sherman act, the resumption act and now the bill which was before them. In signing the bill the president used a new gold pen and holder which Mr. Overstreet had brought with him for the purpose.

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Weather Conditions.

The Texas storm has developed considerable energy since yesterday. It is central this morning in southern Louisiana and will continue to move in a northeasterly course.

With the exception of the immediate Gulf and Atlantic coasts, the area of high pressure, and its attendant cold weather, now extends to all portions of the country. Freezing temperature now reaches southward to Tennessee and Central Texas, and the temperature is but little above zero in the extreme upper portions of the Mississippi and Missouri valleys. Much colder weather may be expected in this vicinity to-night and Friday.

Precipitation was generally light, but extended to all portions of the country. There are but few stations where it did not occur during the past 24 hours. Snow was falling at Memphis and Palatka at 8 a. m.

M. J. WRIGHT, JR., Observer.

Bartholomew Beer on Draught at Eugene Arborea's.

The best 5 cent Cigar on the market is the DURHAM. Try them at D'Alamberte's.

CHINESE SQUADRON TO BE ESTABLISHED

Result of a Conference With German Ambassador.

A SPECTACULAR WARNING

America Will Send Six Warships to Watch France and Russia—Presumed Germany Will Make a Similar Demonstration.

NEW YORK, March 14.—A special to The Journal and Advertiser from Washington says:

The German ambassador, Dr. Von Holleben, had a long conference with Acting Secretary of State Hill in which the latter was presumably informed that a demonstration in China might be expected from Russia shortly.

The chief of the bureau of navigation, Rear Admiral Crowninshield, sought Secretary of State Hay and found him at the Hay residence, after which the navy department announced that a Chinese squadron will be established and that Rear Admiral Kempff, now commandant at the Mare island navy yard, will be sent to Manila to take this squadron for cruising the Chinese and Japanese coasts, also that Rear Admiral Remy, in charge of the Asiatic station, will maintain the naval base at Manila.

It is understood that Rear Admiral Kempff's squadron will consist of the Oregon and Baltimore, now at Manila, the Iowa, Philadelphia and Marblehead, now on the Pacific coast, and the Montgomery, now attached to the South Atlantic station.

It is believed here that the formation of the Chinese squadron by the United States is to be a spectacular warning to Russia and France that American interests are involved in any change in the conditions in China. Presumably Germany will make a similar demonstration.

CRADDOCK KILLED SHARP.

They Were Gambling and Quarreled Over a Card.

AUDALUSIA, Ala., March 14.—This morning Will Craddock shot and killed Thomas Sharp in the jury room of the courthouse. They had been gambling and Sharp accused Craddock of secreting a card, but the difference was supposed to have been settled. When the game ended Craddock picked up Sharp's pistol and said:

"It's a good gun, but not as good as mine," and with a remark: "Look out!" fired point blank at Sharp's forehead, killing him instantly.

Craddock was given a preliminary trial today and remanded to jail without bail.

TOWN NEARLY DESTROYED.

High Springs, Fla., Has a Very Destructive Fire.

HIGH SPRINGS, March 14.—Fire, which originated in the drug store of P. E. Holton & Co., swept through the town, destroying 23 buildings and causing a loss approximating \$50,000. There was very little insurance.

Only seven business houses are left standing in the town. Fifteen stores and offices were burned. Among the buildings destroyed were the postoffice, Holton's drug store, H. Watson's shoe store, Patnam's general store, the High Springs News printing office and The Sentinel printing office.

All Sent to Jail.

SAVANNAH, March 14.—Judge Emory Spear has refused to discharge A. L. Wheeler, alias J. S. Wheeler, and H. B. Watts, alias C. J. Watts. In other words their pleas in abatement to the effect that they were not the parties indicted with D. A. Tyson for the fraudulent use of the mails were overruled and they were compelled to go to trial with the other defendants, all of whom pleaded not guilty to the charges of conspiracy and fraudulent use of the mails.

Desperate Fight With Convicts.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 14.—This morning five convicts on a penitentiary farm near this city attacked Abe Naring, a guard. They got his Winchester, but did not know how to operate it, and fought him with hoes. He succeeded in drawing his pistol after a desperate fight, and killed Tom Houghton, a negro desperado, and wounded another. Two surrendered and the fifth escaped.

To Encourage Manufacturers.

KNOXVILLE, March 14.—The city council of Bristol, Va., last night granted a request of the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke company that it be relieved of five years' taxes on all new enterprises launched there. This request was made recently. It is said the company will at once begin the establishment of rolling mills, coke oven plants and perhaps a steel plant at Bristol.

Trying to Save Neal.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 14.—The efforts to have the Neal case dropped are continuing. Letters are being received quite often and personal interviews are being had looking to the dropping of the case against Colonel Neal. The cases are to be tried at the April term of the court in this county and there is no indication that the cases will in any way be compromised.

"Upper Ten" at Eugene Arborea's.

THREW AWAY HIS BUTTON.

Old Soldier Was Brutally Treated by a Negro Guard.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Feeling ran high at the Coeur d'Alene investigation before the house committee on military affairs today and there were several spirited exchanges between Chairman Hill and Representative Lentz. George Cornell was on the stand relating his experience during imprisonment which differs only in detail from those of other witnesses.

One of his recitals was as to an old soldier, who because of brutality of the negro soldiers toward him, took his Grand Army button from his coat and with tears in his eyes threw it away. Cornell said he made a memorandum of the affair, but the book was taken away from him and he saw it afterward in the possession of Bartlett Sinclair, the governor's representative, during the troubles.

Mr. Sinclair, who was present, arose and declared there was no such soldier as had been described.

Mr. Lentz protested against statements not under oath. He also gave notice that he would call on Mr. Sinclair to produce all his books to locate this alleged soldier entry. Chairman Hill here interposed to remind Mr. Lentz that he was not the entire committee and was not in a position individually to order the production of books. This was the province of the committee and without such action Mr. Lentz's notice amounted to nothing.

Mr. Lentz stated that this was the usual course that books referred to in testimony would be called for. He asked that the committee make the request and without objection this was done.

BATTLE IN CLOUDS A MYTH.

Veterans Say There Was No Fighting on Top of Lookout.

MEMPHIS, March 14.—During the session of the Confederate Historical association here there was an interesting informal discussion touching an historical question in connection with the Chickamauga campaign.

General Gordon, Captain Carnes and several other veterans, who were at the battle of Chickamauga, agreed that the battle in the clouds was a popular error which had crept into text books and has been generally accepted as history by those not familiar with the details of the eventful campaign. There had been no actual fighting on the summit of Lookout mountain. The pictures and paragraphs representing the federals scaling the perpendicular walls amid smoke and lead had no foundation in fact.

BIG CONCESSION OF LANDS.

A Pulp Syndicate Acquires Valuable Franchises in Canada.

TORONTO, March 14.—By agreement brought down in the legislature last night, a big concession of pulp lands for 21 years is granted to a syndicate comprised of a number of Canadians and including Marshal J. Dodge of New York.

The concessions include 50 square miles on the Spanish, Vermillion and Onaping rivers and in addition to the payment of the schedule of fees the syndicate agrees to expend \$300,000 within three years in the erection of a pulp and paper mill.

ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at W. A. D'Alamberte's Drug Store.

Divided on African War.

OTTAWA, March 14.—Late last night the house divided on Mr. Bourassa's motion that the house refuse to consider the action of the government in relation to the South African war as a precedent which should commit the dominion to any action in the future, the vote standing 119 to 10 against it. The latter were all French Canadians, six Liberals and four Conservatives.

Professional Man Arrested.

ATLANTA, March 14.—Dr. E. L. Brooks, a man well known among the business and professional men of Atlanta and a partner in the Brooks Dental Specialty company, has been arrested on a warrant from Savannah, charging him with forgery, and carried to that city for trial. The amount involved in the transaction is said to be only \$500.

Wants to Disfranchise Negro.

MACON, March 14.—T. W. Hardwick of Washington announced today that he would probably be a candidate for re-election to the legislature, saying the only reason he wanted to go back was to again introduce his bill to disfranchise the negro. He asserts that the restriction of the negro vote is the only thing that will help the politics of Georgia.

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CONDITIONS IN CUBA.

Settlement of Its Affairs a Grave Problem.

SENATORS TO VISIT THE ISLAND.

Personnel Investigation to Be Made by a Committee—The Alaskan Bill in the Senate—A Kentuckian Who Couldn't Be Bribed.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—[Special.]—In the opinion of many eminent men in congress the settlement of Cuban affairs presents graver problems than either those of the Philippines or Porto Rico. It is because of this impression that Senator Platt of Connecticut, Aldrich of Rhode Island and Teller of Colorado, representing the committee on relations with Cuba, have decided to visit the island and ascertain as far as possible the conditions existing there. These senators have been reading the reports of the United States officers, they have had General Brooke, who was military governor of the island, before them in committee and have examined with considerable care documents relating to Cuba, but they still have a dearth of knowledge which would enable them to form an opinion as to what should be done. It is to make a personal inspection to get information at first hand and see for themselves the conditions of the island that determined these senators to go to Cuba this winter. It is the first "jacket" of any distance that a committee of congress has taken in some years.

Senate Holds Evening Sessions.

The clerks in the office of the secretary of the senate have had an opportunity for a few evenings to exercise their powers in reading. The Alaska bill, containing over 600 pages, is read at evening sessions because the senate cannot give time to the reading on legislative days. The most interesting feature of this method of consideration is the persistence of Senator Bate of Tennessee, who attends the sessions and insists that every word shall be read, according to the rule of the senate. Sometimes the reading clerk attempts to skip a few pages at a time, but the vigilant Tennessee senator calls him to account immediately. Efforts are made from time to time by some of the senators to get Mr. Bate out of the chamber, but without avail. He sits right there from the beginning to the end of the session, following the bill line by line as it is read. Senator Bate says it would be a farce not to read the bill, but the senators anxious to pass it think the reading in the presence of half a dozen senators, none of whom listens save Senator Bate, is still more of a farce, but the rule is enforced just the same.

Could Not Be Bribed.

Representative Berry of Kentucky tells a story about an attempt to bribe a Kentucky man many years ago. I can't give his name, because he still has many relatives living in Kentucky, and the story is not wholly to the man's credit. This particular Kentucky representative was a hard drinker, played cards pretty high and was proverbially hard up. One day he was going away from the capitol and was not feeling particularly well, as he owed \$1,500 that he really felt he should pay. Down on Pennsylvania avenue he met a man who had a bill before congress, "Colonel," said the man they had as many "colonels" in Kentucky then as now, "I have a bill up there in the house which will be called up tomorrow, and if you will make a speech for it I am sure it will go through." He passed the colonel an envelope and went on. This envelope contained a \$200 bill. The colonel walked along, thinking about it. After dinner he went out to a place where there was a faro "layout" and invested the \$200 in chips and began to play. The buck was with him, and late the next morning he found himself \$7,000 ahead of the game, and he "flushed in." He went to bed and slept long. The bill for the man who had given him the money was called up and beaten. The colonel was not there to speak upon it. On his way to the capitol later the men met, and the indignant citizen began to berate the colonel for his failure to help the bill. "See here, you ——" responded the colonel. "Here is your dirty \$100! I remained away because I would have felt compelled to denounce you on the floor if I had been there. Now, don't you attempt to bribe a Kentucky gentleman again." The colonel

paid his debts and had a few hundred "velvet" and was proud in the consciousness that he was not bribed.

The Pacific Cable Bill.

A cable bill has been reported in each branch of congress, the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce favoring a bill to have the cable constructed by a company and granting a subsidy for a term of years from the United States treasury. The senate committee on naval affairs has reported a bill for a cable built and owned and operated by the United States government, under the direction of the secretary of the navy. Between these two bills it is possible that the cable will fail. There are a great many opponents of the Pacific cable in congress anyway, no matter whether built by the United States or by private enterprise. There is also serious opposition to granting any subsidy for a cable, and if the forces in favor of the cable are divided it will tend to prevent any favorable action at this session. Perhaps the conflicting interests may be adjusted on account of the demand for a cable.

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Earl Mayor of Columbia.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 14.—Dr. E. Sumner Earl and ex-Mayor McBeth Sloan, the leading contestants of a former primary in which there were five candidates for mayor of Columbia, have run the final race, which is equivalent to an election. The voters were registered. Only 1,741 votes were cast, Dr. Earl winning by 23 majority.

Veteran of Civil War Dead.

CLEVELAND, March 14.—General John J. Elwell, one of the best known citizens of Cleveland and a hero of the civil war, died last night. Death was due to old age, but probably hastened by injuries received during the civil war, from which he never fully recovered.

Crescent City Derby.

NEW ORLEANS, March 14.—On Saturday next the Crescent City derby, worth \$4,000, will be decided. The field that will contest is not made up and only surmise can be formed in this line, but the sure starters are F. W. Brode, the Conqueror and Sidney Lucas.

A. R. De Fluente, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by Hannah Bros., 21 South Palatka street.

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