

NO WORD OF A SURRENDER

Negotiations With Botha Said to Be Still Pending.

Reports Regarding De Wet Give Little Information as to His Whereabouts—More Prisoners Captured by Smith-Borsten and French.

LONDON, March 1.—The latest variant of the Botha rumor is contributed by the pro-Boer "Daily News," which says it learns that General Botha offered to surrender on certain conditions, but the negotiations have not been finished.

The most recent reports of General De Wet add nothing that is definite to the rumors concerning his whereabouts. They say that the continued flooding of the Orange River prevents his crossing.

General French has taken fifty more prisoners. In addition to a quantity of stock and a number of wagons.

General Forester-Walker, the base-commander at Cape Town, opposed the application for their discharge on the ground that the district is in a disturbed condition and also because a commando is reported to be about seven miles from Beaufort West.

ONE AMENDMENT TOO VAGUE.

The Canal Treaty Reported Rejected by Lord Lansdowne.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 28.—The "Manchester Guardian" says that the correspondence has called his paper for Glasgow tonight to inspect the Shamrock II, which is being built there by the Denny Brothers.

"I am able to state on indisputable authority that Lord Lansdowne has refused to accept the amended canal treaty, and that Ambassador Choate has so informed the State Department.

TO AMEND THE ALIEN LAW.

CHANGES TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—The Prime Minister, at tonight's session of the House, announced the intention of the Government to make an important amendment to the Canadian alien law.

CONFESSES THAT HE STOLE.

The Man Arrested in Vienna Admits Taking Jewelry.

VIENNA, Feb. 28.—The man arrested here yesterday with jewelry valued at \$5,000 in his possession, who gave his name as William Adolph Morley and asserted that he formerly lived at 21 West Thirty-seventh Street, New York, has confessed that his real name is Henry Wolf and that he is a resident of Hamburg.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S ESCAPE.

The Kaiser's Carriage Nearly Struck by an Electric Car.

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—While Emperor William was driving in the Opera-Platz this afternoon his narrow carriage escaped from a collision with an electric car, which had become unmanageable.

DRIVEN BACK BY REBELS.

A Serious Outbreak in the French Ivory Coast Colony.

PARIS, Feb. 28.—The "Eclair" states that a serious outbreak has broken out in the French Ivory Coast Colony, in the neighborhood of Bante.

FEAR TROUBLE IN MACEDONIA.

Turkish Troops Ordered to the Bulgarian Frontier.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 28.—The prolonged unrest in Macedonia, owing to the agitation of Bulgarian committees, has induced the Porte, with the Sultan's approval, to order fifty thousand troops to the Bulgarian frontier near Kustendil.

ATTACKED BY FILIPINOS.

Two Towns Suffer From a Raid by Insurgents.

MANILA, Feb. 28.—Seventy insurgents entered the town of Suag, Iloilo, recently, killed one native and abducted five others.

LONG HOURS FROM SAMPOON.

Secretary Long Received Yesterday a Letter from Rear Admiral Sampson in which the latter said he did not know how the application of Gunner Morgan for promotion and his (Admiral Sampson's) endorsement of it had got to the newspapers.

PLenty of Beans at \$1.25 per 100.

Plenty of Beans at \$1.25 per 100 lb., to \$1.60 for best, by F. Libbey & Co.

YU HSIEN BEHEADED.

The Death of Shansi's Ex-Governor Reported in Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 28.—The "North China Daily News" says that Viceroy Shen Kan has been informed that Yu Hsien, the ex-Governor of Shensi, whose deposition was demanded by the Ministers for the part he took in the massacre of missionaries, was executed at Lanchow on February 21.

SAYS HE SLAPPED MR. CONGER.

The Remarkable Story of a French Hotel Keeper.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A man who tells a remarkable tale of slapping the face of the American Minister, Mr. Conger, while engaged in a conversation with him at the Hotel de Pekin at Pekin.

"After the city was besieged the order was issued to disarm all the Chinese within the city limits. The order was executed, but she might possibly have been able to keep her rifle. My wife took it away from her, giving a receipt."

Charriot told how, for his heroic services in the Yankin, he had been granted a commission in the British compound during the siege, he had received notice to tender to the British authorities.

PREFERS A FLYING START.

Sir Thomas Lipton, However, Not Granting the Conditions.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Speaking today of the action of the New York Yacht Club on the request forwarded by the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, for certain changes in the conditions governing the races for the America's Cup, Sir Thomas Lipton said:

"I am sorry the club did not grant a flying start, which is the general custom here, and in most of the races sailed in America, but I do not complain or grumble. The conditions now are practically the same as in the last races."

ONE FEUD CAUSES ANOTHER.

Charles Pridemore Killed by General Turner's Friends.

PINEVILLE, Ky., Feb. 28.—Charles Pridemore was shot to death and Mike Welsh was seriously wounded in a fight at the Quarter House, a saloon in this county, last night.

Turner accused Pridemore of siding with the Colsons and soon the shooting began. There were several witnesses of the fight, but none of them knows who fired the shot which was fatal.

AN ADDRESS TO THE KING.

Englishmen Resident in New York Sign a Memorial.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The address to King Edward VII, prepared in accordance with a resolution adopted at a meeting of British residents on January 24, is now ready for signatures at the British consulate. The list of signatures will be closed in ten days.

The address says, among other things, that the signers, "on behalf of the British community in the city of New York, desire to tender to Your Majesty the assurance of our heartfelt sympathy in view of the great sorrow which has befallen yourself and your royal house in the death of Your Majesty's revered and beloved mother."

MADE INSANE BY POLITICS.

A Texas Populist Taken to an Asylum for Treatment.

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 28.—Marion Williams, of Georgetown, Texas, for several years one of the most prominent leaders of the Populist party in Texas, has been declared of unsound mind and has been taken to the State Asylum for treatment.

R. H. FERRELL EXECUTED.

The Murderer of an Express Messenger Dies by Electricity.

COLEMBUS, Ohio, March 1.—(A. m.)—Rosslyn H. Ferrell, the murderer of Charles Lane, the express messenger, was executed here today by electricity.

FOUR CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

OWEGO, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A house occupied by a family named Ball, at Litchfield Centre, Pa., was burned to death this morning by fire. Four children were burned to death.

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AUSTRIA'S DIVIDED HOUSE.

Herr Stein Openly Admits a Desire to Join Germany.

Headlines Toward Russia Voiced by Herr Silenz, Spokesman for the Czechs—Deputies Bandy Trucks While a Mob Howls Protests.

VIENNA, Feb. 28.—Obstruction again prevented the transaction of business in the Reichsrath today. The dialogue between two of the members, Herr Stein and Herr Silenz, the German, was significant of the existing political and parliamentary conditions.

Herr Silenz toward Germany, whereupon Herr Stein shouted: "We do not negotiate with the enemy. We must join Germany, as you do to Russia."

Herr Stein: "I declare openly that we wish to join the German Empire." Herr Silenz: "Austria has not gained any advantage by her alliance with Germany, but she might profit much by an rapprochement with Russia."

Herr Stein: "Say openly that you wish to belong to Russia." Herr Silenz: "We remain good Austrians." Herr Stein: "Anybody remaining a good patriot nowadays in Austria is a fool."

KILLED BY GUN COTTON.

An Explosion in the Luffin & Rand Powder Works.

PATERSON, N. J., Feb. 28.—An explosion occurred at the Luffin & Rand Powder Works at Pompton this afternoon, and John Duffy, a foreman, was killed.

Duffy and his three assistants went into the drying room twenty minutes before the accident. It is believed, however, that Duffy was the only one actually in the building when it was blown to atoms.

HIT BY A MONSTER WAVE.

Two Passengers on the Teutonic Seriously Injured.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The White Star steamship Teutonic reached this port today with two of her passengers in the ship's infirmary seriously injured as the result of a phenomenal wave which swept over the vessel last Sunday morning off the Grand Banks.

John Michaelson, a Swede, had his left foot torn off and his leg so badly injured that the lower part of it had to be amputated. It is doubtful if he will recover. He died on the ship, and was buried in Stanley C. Wilson, a first cabin passenger, who suffered a fracture of the jaw.

The works are in the Pompton Mountains. Each powder house is secluded and is several hundred yards from the others, so that an accident at one will not affect the others. The explosion today shook the mountains and the houses for miles around.

The company makes gun cotton for the United States Government and the drying room is a most dangerous part of the works. Any particle of foreign matter or the least friction causes an explosion and it is supposed that something of this kind occurred today. The three men who were injured were unconscious and could not be moved until they were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital here this evening.

Wilson, the other injured passenger, was on the port side of the cabin when the wave struck him. He was picked up, carried half the length of the ship's deck, and thrown against the rail, receiving a fracture of the jaw. The bone was set and Dr. Wilson was taken to the Long Island City Hospital.

A NEW STEEL COMBINE.

Three Pennsylvania Concerns to Compete With the Trust.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—It was reported here tonight that the Pennsylvania Steel Company, the Cambria Steel Company, and the Bethlehem Steel Company will establish a community of interests for the better protection of these concerns in competition with the United States Steel Corporation.

The three concerns have a combined capital of nearly \$20,000,000. Edinham H. Morris, of this city, has confirmed the report. All that now remains to have a closer understanding among the three concerns is the election of Mr. Morris, J. Lowber Welsh, and E. T. Stotsbury, of this city, members of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Steel Company.

MORGAN'S TERMS ACCEPTED.

Steel Companies' Reported Agreement on the Merger.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The boards of directors of the companies going into the United States Steel Corporation, it was reported in Wall Street today, have formally approved the merger terms offered by J. Pierpont Morgan & Co.

A TOWN PARTLY DESTROYED.

All the Business Houses of Dunoon, I. T., Burned.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 28.—Rock Island Railroad officials tonight received reports of a fire at Dunoon, Tex., a station on their line, which occurred this morning.

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HEARD THE RIO'S SIGNALS.

A Seafarer's Hesitation Caused the Loss of Many Lives.

Three Men Killed at Coal Valley, Pa., in the Crash That Followed—Plumes From the Ruins Nearly Destroyed the Village—No Clearing Found.

MECKESPORT, Pa., Feb. 28.—A train wrecked at Coal Valley, on the Monacaque division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, caused a fatal wreck on that road at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon.

The disaster, according to the story of William R. Bird, engineer of the freight train, was caused by a switch on the track that was on, so that it was directly in front of the express.

The express was bound south and leaves Pittsburg at 4:20. It was due at Coal Valley at 5:30 and was on time to the second, running about forty miles an hour. The freight was running north on the middle track.

Bird says his train of sixty cars was running slowly as it neared the station, when he spotted out on the main south-bound track just as the express roared around the curve, only a few rods away.

It required the efforts of all the citizens of the little town of Coal Valley to save their homes from destruction. The burning wreck fired a number of the buildings and only the hardest work of a bucket brigade saved the town.

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LYNCHERS TO BE PUNISHED.

Governor Longino Takes Action in the Scranton Affair.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—Governor Longino will make a determined effort to bring to justice the members of the mob that lynched John Knox, a Canadian at Scranton yesterday.

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FOUGHT WITH A CRACKSMAN.

A Bank Robber Captured Through a Partner's Treachery.

TOPSICA, Kan., Feb. 28.—Sheriff Finley and two deputies held a desperate struggle with a bank robber at Topsica this morning at 1:30 o'clock.

The message ended: "The Governor can accomplish nothing without the earnest and fearless cooperation and support of the law-abiding people here, and I beg through you to enjoy upon your people the importance of giving him their support."

TROOPS TO GUARD A PRISONER.

Precautions in Illinois to Prevent a Lynching.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 28.—Governor Yates before starting for Vandalia tonight authorized the calling out of the State troops to prevent the threatened lynching of Albert Shankle, who will be placed on trial tomorrow in Carrollton, Green County, charged with the murder of a girl, in Whitehall, last Christmas night.

THE MATAWAN FIREBUGS.

An Alleged Witness to the Incendiary Work.

MATAWAN, N. J., Feb. 28.—Last night a letter came into the hands of the Atlantic City Fire Department, reporting a fire at Matawan, Pa., and signed John B. O'Brien.

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TO SUCCEED BOUTELLE.

Llewellyn Powers Nominated by Republicans in Maine.

BANGOR, Me., Feb. 28.—The Hon. Llewellyn Powers, ex-Governor of Maine, was today nominated by the Republicans of the Fourth Maine district as Representative in Congress, to succeed Representative Boutelle, whose resignation has already been made to take effect on March 4.

The convention was the largest held here for years. The election takes place on April 8. Ex-Governor Powers served the Fourth district in Congress from 1876 to 1878, being defeated in the latter year owing to the Greenback agitation that swept over the State.

ADJOURNMENT AT LINCOLN.

The Senatorial Caucus Goes Over Until Next Tuesday.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 28.—The Senatorial caucus was seven short of the number necessary to nominate tonight and an adjournment was taken until Tuesday.

POISON IN THE COFFEE.

Arsenic Found in the Drink of a New York Trooper.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Dr. Ernest J. Lederle, the chemist of the health bureau, today made a report on his chemical analysis of the coffee which was drunk by a trooper of the 688th Central Postal Directory, who was killed by a bullet wound.

Dr. Lederle said that he would soon be able to make a report on the arsenic which was found in the coffee. From this statement it may be gathered that the arsenic was found in a compound.

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EXULTANT OVER SUCCESS.

The Passage of the Army Bill Pleases Republicans.

The Administration Leaders Already Mapping Out a Programme Under the Spooner and Platt Amendments—A Hint of Cuba's Annexation.

The President, the Secretary of War, and all the other members of the Cabinet and the leaders of the Republicans in both Houses of Congress are exultant over the passage of the Army bill.

The President has no thought of vetoing the Army bill, as has been reported because of the adoption of the Hoar amendment, and there will be no extra session of the Fifty-seventh Congress, at least not at present.

There is a smooth sailing ahead for the bill, as the legislative programme, and the Fifty-sixth Congress will come to a close at noon Monday, with less rush and confusion at the closing hours than usual.

There is one little hitch in the programme growing out of the temporary failure of the House managers yesterday to pass their proposed special rule for accepting the Segate amendments to the Army bill.

The Segate amendments to the Army bill were not to be run the gamut of a conference committee, but there will be no difficulty in putting this plan into operation today, as all the Republicans will be present in response to the call of the party which sent out last night. It is not improbable that the programme may be changed, and the Army bill sent to a conference committee, where it can be scrutinized to make sure that none of the amendments passed in the closing hours of Wednesday night's session of the Senate injuriously affects the provisions of the Army Reorganization bill recently passed, and under which the new army is now being officered and recruited.

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MR. GAGE ON THE SUGAR DUTY.

The Secretary Hopes for an Understanding With Russia.

DAYTON, Ohio, Feb. 28.—Mr. Chamberlain, of the Dayton Board of Trade, recently wrote to Secretary Gage asking what was the best means of procedure to have the Russian trade discrimination against American goods removed and he received this answer:

"In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant relative to countervailing duty on Russian sugar, I have to inform you that after careful consideration of the effects of the Russian law and regulations upon the price of the commodity for home consumption and the price for exportation, as exemplified in reports from our consular agents in Russia, and the effects of the Russian law and regulations upon the price of the commodity for home consumption and the price for exportation, as exemplified in reports from our consular agents in Russia, and the effects of the Russian law and regulations upon the price of the commodity for home consumption and the price for exportation, as exemplified in reports from our consular agents in Russia."

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