

WEEK'S CAPTURES BY THE BRITISH

OVER TWO HUNDRED PRISONERS TAKEN

Dewet Lost One Hundred Killed and Wounded in the Attack on Christmas Eve.

London, Dec. 31.—Lord Kitchener, under date of Johannesburg, December 30th, sends a weekly budget showing that since December 28th, 35 Boers have been killed, five wounded, 237 taken prisoners, and 51 have surrendered. These, says the commander-in-chief, do not include Dewet's losses on his attacks on Hartwell and Fintona when it is reliably estimated that 50 were killed and 50 wounded.

Dewet is still in the vicinity of Lantsberg. Col. Speiser and Maj. Piusen were in contact, December 28th, with Brits' commando, and took 27 prisoners. General Bruce Hamilton came in touch with Grobela's commando near Maryland on December 28th. He killed four Boers and captured 27.

Boers Were Too Strong. New York, Dec. 30.—In a dispatch dated London, 1 a. m., Mr. L. N. Ford, special correspondent of the New York Tribune, says:

"At the battle of Zofostein, which, it may seem, was fought early on Christmas morning, the British suffered a severe defeat. This much is made quite clear by the information obtained in Lord Kitchener's long dispatch from Johannesburg, published today. The first official list of casualties shows 6 officers and 50 men killed, 8 officers wounded, 4 officers missing and the number of wounded and captive non-commissioned officers and men not yet known, but it is feared that the complete casualty list will be a very long one. Lord Kitchener states that about half the men of Fintona's column are prisoners, as it is evident that Dewet secured a bigger success than the officials of the war department at first imagined.

"The Boer victory was due to Dewet's daring plan of attack. The British column occupied an exceptionally strong position on the slope of a solitary kopje on the southern side was almost precipitous and Major Williams, who was in charge of the column in his attempt at Fintona, apparently never dreamt of the possibility of the Boers climbing the kopje on that side. But this is by what they succeeded in doing, pocket on the outer edge of the kopje, and the men in camp could get clear through the Boers' ambush, though they were down as they came out, and the Boers offered but a slight resistance, which was estimated to number and men, proved too strong, and all the column at its mercy.

Lord Kitchener in his dispatch mentioned that the column had two s. In his detailed account he only talks of a 15-pounder, which fired two rounds and then jammed. It is noticeable that the British commander-in-chief specially refers to the good behavior of the victorious Boers to the British wounded."

MURDERS BY FILIPINOS. Native Policemen Thrown Into Well After Being Brutally Assaulted—A Woman Killed. Washington, Dec. 29.—Many Filipinos who accept service under American rule are visited with awful vengeance by their fellow countrymen. The records of a case have been received at the department in which three native policemen, who had been sent from Los Angeles to San Nicholas, Ilocos Norte, for duty at the latter port, were seized and bound by an armed band of Filipino outlaws taken before a priest to be oppressed, and then flung alive into a well, after being backed with holes. Their assailants then filled up the well with loose earth. One of the band, Venetiano O. Rates, who was brought to trial, was sentenced to be hanged.

Another native policeman met his death at the hands of an outlaw band in the barrio of San Antonio Laguna province. The outlaws were lying in ambush awaiting the passage of a patrol of three policemen, and upon their approach, the waiting Filipinos sprang out and captured one of the three.

A few days later his body was found in a neighboring river, weighted with heavy rocks and showing wounds through his heart and in his neck. Two of the members of the outlaw band, who were captured, were sentenced by a military commission to be hanged.

Two Filipinos who took part in the murder of an unknown native, accused of being an American spy, beheld the body and, burying it in the city of Manila, were sentenced to a hard term. Another outlaw band seized a native man and woman, for no apparent motive, and killed them by striking them with clubs on the back of their necks. Mariano Zales, a native member of the band, when brought to trial gave the following explanation: "They were relatives, uncle and aunt, of mine, and I had to do it to save my life."

The military commission which tried him found him guilty of murder, but the sentence was confinement at hard labor for twenty years.

ONE HUNDRED KILLED. Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 30.—According to an address from the Orient a party of 105 coolies engaged in transporting lumber was attacked by Formosan insurgents late in November and 20 of them were killed. Nineteen were decapitated. Japanese troops and police were sent against the rebels. A pitched battle took place in which more than 100 were killed, the heaviest losses being on the side of the rebels.

FLOODS IN THE STATES.

Great Destruction of Property—Landslide Caused Railway Wreck—Several Lives Lost.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 29.—A heavy rainfall has been continuous in this section since last evening. All the streams in the county are swollen greatly beyond their normal stage. The Conestoga has overflowed its banks to an extent unknown in recent years. The bridge crossing this stream at Engleisle is threatened with destruction and traffic on the Lancaster-Strasburg railway, of which the bridge is a link, has been suspended. The bridge has begun to move and it is believed will be washed away.

It was erected 75 years ago. High water at the plant of the Lancaster Electric Light Company at Rock Hill, on the Conestoga, affected the system and sections of the city are in darkness to-night.

The Susquehanna river is rising rapidly. At Safe Harbor where the Conestoga empties, the rise in the river is at the rate of six inches an hour. The tracks of the Port Deposit & Columbia railroad at this point are submerged and much apprehension is felt for property on low-lying ground. At Bald Frar, further down the river, a landslide has occurred, covering the tracks at Columbia and Mareetta. The river has not yet risen sufficiently to cause alarm.

Rivers Still Rising. Pitsburg, Pa., Dec. 29.—Heavy rains since 20 hours here and at all headwaters of both rivers has produced a condition which will result in what may be called a flood stage in the Ohio river by to-morrow, when at least 20 feet is predicted. Timely warning by the weather bureau will be the means of saving much property and many temporary inconvenience is expected by interests along the river fronts.

At midnight the marks at Davis Island dam showed 14 feet and rising at the rate of four-tenths of a foot an hour. Both the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers are still rising.

Traffic Interrupted. Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 29.—Incassant rain has fallen for the last 48 hours throughout East Tennessee and threatens to do more damage to property than the disastrous flood of last May, when eight lives were lost and fully \$2,000,000 damage done to railroad and farming property.

The Southern railway has annulled all trains between this city and Nashville on account of washed tracks between Newport and Benkin. All through traffic and mail will be handled over the Norfolk & Western. It will be impossible for the Southern to handle trains east, via Asheville, until tomorrow at least, and probably longer, for rain is bearing the 30-foot mark at this point, with indications that it will reach 40 feet and do heavy damage.

Railway Train Wrecked. Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 29.—A landslide on the Chesapeake and Ohio road, near Reusers station, five miles south of Lynchburg, James river branch, today caused a wreck in which the engineer, conductor and baggage man of a passenger train were killed and several other persons injured, but none of them seriously. The slide was caused by washouts, due to the heavy rains.

Barry reports that 12 passengers had been killed, but it is now stated that the passengers got out of the way just in time to escape the landslide when it crashed down over the tracks. The accident occurred between 7 and 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

The name of the conductor who was killed was Capt. Whitaker, and that of the engineer Fisher. Express Messenger Shauman is missing, and it is believed that he was drowned, the water being very high about the scene of the wreck. The fireman, it is said, was not killed, his injuries are not likely to prove fatal.

A message from Reusers says the dead will not number more than four or five. Several passengers from the scene of the wreck say that probably one or two passengers were buried under the debris caused by the slide, but no names can be ascertained of any passengers known to be missing.

The train which the mishap occurred was known as No. 7. It left Lynchburg behind schedule time and consisted of an engine, tender, baggage car and one passenger car, which was pretty well filled with travelers. It is stated that the train had run into a rock slide, without damage, and the trainmen and some of the passengers had succeeded in pushing the passenger car back from under the slide when a second heavy slide came down. The car was overturned, and Thompson, Fisher and Shauman were crushed. Conductor Whitaker was knocked into the river and drowned. His body has not been recovered. A shout of warning as the second slide came enabled most of those who were in danger to escape without injury. Fears are expressed that one or more passengers may have been caught, but so far as can be learned none is known to be missing. All the killed were residents of Richmond.

SHOT FIVE PERSONS. Turners Falls, Mass., Dec. 31.—Beginning with the woman clerk in his jewelry store, Louis Bitzer, of this place, to-day shot five persons, two of whom were clerks. His other victims were the wife of Charles and his two daughters, Annie, about 16 years of age, and Carrie, 12 years old. It is thought they will not die. There is evidence that it was Bitzer's purpose also to take his own life, but his prompt arrest apparently prevented him from carrying out this purpose. His move is not clear to the authorities, although it is believed that his mind had been unsettled by lustress cars. He is about 33 years old.

OTTAWA'S MAYOR. Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Mr. Fred Cook, the well-known newspaper correspondent here, was unanimously elected mayor of Ottawa to-day, his last opponent having resigned this morning.

Port William, Dec. 31.—Joshua Dyke has been elected mayor of Port William by acclamation, the other candidates having resigned.

THE RAILWAY FIGHT IN UNITED STATES

INJUNCTION AGAINST THE N. P. DISSOLVED

Governors of Seven States Decide to Oppose the Proposed Consolidation of Roads.

Minneapolis, Dec. 30.—The injunction against the Northern Pacific, granted by Judge Elliott, restrains it from issuing and selling any debentures, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness, or creating any indebtedness or liability of any description for the purpose of raising money, with which to pay or retire the preferred stock of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, or from using or appropriating any money, or proceeds other than the ordinary or surplus net earnings of the company for the retirement of the preferred stock of said company; also from creating any liability other than the ordinary liability for the operating expense of its railroad system and the indebtedness now existing, which would take precedence of the common stock of said company; also from placing its property in the possession or under the control of the Northern Securities Company; or from entering into any arrangement with the Great Northern Railway Company, the Chicago and North Western Railway Company, the Burlington and Quincy Railway Company, or either of them, for the purpose of causing the Northern Pacific Railway system to be operated in connection with or by the same authority as the other roads; or from entering into any agreement with said companies or either of them for the purpose of avoiding competition and fixing rates.

The petition recites briefly the history of the Northern Pacific Railroad, and the division of its stock into common and preferred stock, and that the preferred stock was entitled to the 4 per cent dividend, prior to anything being done by the common stock.

The bill alleges that the Northern Pacific Railway and Great Northern Railway have parallel lines to the Pacific coast, and that the Chicago and North Western & Quincy have a parallel line from Billings, Montana, to Chicago, and that all such lines are competing for the business of the Northwest. It is alleged that the officers of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, during the last summer, went into a combination with the Great Northern and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, the purpose of which was to consolidate the three roads under one management, for the purpose of doing indirectly what it could not do directly, namely, cause to be organized the Northern Securities Company, which was authorized to hold the securities of other corporations, the intention being to control a majority of the stock of all three of the railway companies.

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DRIVEN FROM ISLAND. Union of Churches Lead to Serious Riots in Lewis. London, Dec. 30.—The Island of Lewis has been the scene of serious religious riots, arising from the union of the free and the united churches. The islanders refused to countenance the alliance, and when the minister at Ness joined the United Church they refused to countenance the alliance. A force of police was sent over from the mainland to open the doors, whereupon the islanders congregated and, throwing stones at the police, drove them inside the building and bombarded them with rocks until they capitulated and agreed to leave the island. Every member of the United Church was more or less seriously injured.

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Great Destruction of Property—Four Lives Lost in Georgia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—From all parts of Eastern Pennsylvania, to-day, reports show that the rivers and creeks which became greatly swollen as a result of Saturday night and Sunday's continuous rain, are steadily falling. There is one exception, however—the lower part of the Susquehanna river being reported to be still rising, and close to the danger mark. Although considerable damage was done, the losses will not be great, most of the flooded areas being lowlands along the upper Schuylkill, Lehigh and Susquehanna rivers. In the anthracite coal districts a few of the mines were flooded, causing a suspension of work for the day. Along the lower Susquehanna there is apprehension that damage will result from ice gorges. The water is said to be rising six inches an hour in that vicinity.

The Schuylkill river in this city rose 18 feet above normal, which rise has been passed only once in 32 years. Many, one of the mill districts, suffered most from the flood. Every mill along the river was forced to suspend operations, throwing out of work for the day about 8,000 persons.

It was feared that the Baltimore and Ohio station on the east side of the river, at Chestnut street, would be flooded, but just as the water got within a few feet of doing harm it began to recede and all danger was over.

Lives Lost. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 30.—The torrential rains of the past two days in Georgia, Alabama and east Tennessee and portions of North Carolina, caused the death of four persons, as far as known, and inflicted serious damage to all kinds of property. The rains have been followed by clear and much cooler weather, accompanied by high winds. The weather bureau announced to-day that the Chattahoochee river would continue to rise during the next 36 hours, and it is feared that much damage will result. Three persons were drowned at West Point, Ga., while attempting to cross the Chattahoochee river on a log raft, and Thomas Russell, an engineer on the Atlanta & West Point railroad, was killed in a freight wreck caused by a washout near Natusula, Ala. Thousands of dollars' worth of property has been destroyed at West Point, and there is much suffering.

To-day the water in the streets of West Point was from one to five feet deep. Many people spent the night in Fort Tyler. No trains have been sent through from Atlanta & West Point since Saturday, and the Southern railway's New York and New Orleans limited last night was sent around by Birmingham and Meridian.

A washout is reported on the Southern between Asheville and Knoxville. At Columbus, Ga., the Chattahoochee registered 38 feet. The property damage is already heavy. Nearly five inches of rain has fallen in the city of Rome, Ga. Two washouts are reported on the main line of the Louisville & Nashville road south of Montgomery.

LIFE AND DEATH. Important Announcement by Prof. Loeb Regarding Experiments With Eggs of Sea Urchin. Chicago, Dec. 30.—Experiments which it is asserted, are a beginning of the unraveling of the mysteries of death, were made public by Prof. Johannes Loeb at the fourteenth annual meeting of the American Physiological Society at Chicago, Tuesday night.

During the last summer the noted scientist has been continuing his series of experiments with the eggs of the lowly sea urchin, and to-night, in a paper entitled "On the Prolongation of Life of Potentiated Eggs of the Sea Urchin by Potentiated Solutions," he reported the latest of his experiments in America that by means of observation of the effects of certain chemicals upon these minute bits of protoplasm he was ready to announce a tentative definition of the heretofore unknown nature of death.

Death, Prof. Loeb affirmed, was not a negative proceeding, and should not be regarded up to this time—but an active agent, born with the birth of the egg and destined, if not checked, to gain the upper hand of its life instinct, and bring about extinction.

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WILL REMOVE THE WRECK FROM ROCKS

EFFORT TO BE MADE TO SAVE SANTA CLARA

New Steamer Contemplated for the Island Route—Queen City's Rough West Coast Trip. The yards and as much of the rigging as it was convenient to obtain has been removed from the barque Santa Clara, this being the preliminary step taken in the work of raising the vessel. Capt. Lindberg and crew are still standing by the ship. Mrs. Lindberg has also changed her mind about going south and is still in the city. One of the Alaska Packers' Association, the owners of the vessel, is now on his way North, and is expected to arrive this evening. After he arrives it will be decided what method will be adopted for the removal of the barque. Capt. Lindberg stated that her position on Trial Island has not changed in any way, and he is most anxious of getting her clear of the rocks. He believes that as soon as the vessel is pumped out and her ballast removed that she will float without further trouble.

PRASER SALMON FLEET. The Fraser river salmon fleet for 1901 is not only the record in individual cargo, but the number of ships engaged to convey the salmon harvest to the European market was larger than in any previous year, says the New Westminster Columbian.

The eighth vessel of the fleet cleared at the customs for London, England, on Monday night. This is the British barque Beechdale, 1,271 tons of Liverpool, Capt. R. A. Knox, and she carries 57,249 cases of canned salmon, valued approximately at \$320,000.

The ninth member of the fleet, the Grete, has also just completed loading, and the Bankburn, the tenth, was expected to arrive on Tuesday evening in the river to load at the Currie & McWilliams cannery.

In all 11 ships will have cleared for the Old Country with Fraser Columbia salmon; ten from the Fraser. The total number of cases thus transferred to the English market will be about 700,714, which are approximately valued at \$3,758,504.

The fleet and its valuable cargo was composed as follows: Sailed Name. Destination. Cases. Oct. 9—Largo, Liverpool 67,543 Oct. 11—Blythwood, Liverpool 65,488 Oct. 17—Havila, Liverpool 61,306 Oct. 22—Comberne, Liverpool 70,000 Nov. 20—Santa Lucia, Liverpool 39,890 Nov. 26—Red Rock, London 80,940 Dec. 7—Ballachullish, Liverpool 84,198 Dec. 20—Beachdale, London 57,249 To sail, Dec. 30. London 40,000 To sail—Bankburn, London 70,000 Dec. 1—Chas. Coatsworth 44,401

CARGO FOR ORIENT. The cargo of the steamer Tosa Maru, which went to sea on Tuesday afternoon, was worth nearly a quarter of a million. About 1,000 cases of mechanics' tools were taken for the various Oriental ports by the steamship on his trip. One shipment of steel bars to the number of 3,000, consigned to Kobe, was valued at about \$12,000. To Shanghai was consigned a shipment of 2,897 pieces of lead, nearly 1,000 of which went to one firm. The steel and iron will be used largely in the building of street railways, mills and factories and the installation of electric power. The manifest of the cargo includes bicycles, wagon wheels, photographic apparatus, firearms, ammunition, saddlery, tobacco in various forms, musical articles, hardware and other articles that would require considerable space for mention. Several thousand cases of cigarettes of American manufacture, valued at more than \$12,000, testified to the popularity of American tobacco in the Oriental market. A great part of the cargo will be transhipped to Singapore and Australian ports. Two dental cabinets were consigned to American graduates now living at Sydney. The Shiitans to whom they returned to port on account of her cargo of cotton catching fire, will follow the Tosa in a day or two.

THE MATTEAWAN. There is now said to be no foundation for the report that buckets from the Matteawan had been washed ashore, inasmuch as the only buckets she carried were of metal, and would not float a minute. Neither is there any foundation for the report that her medicine chest had been washed ashore, inasmuch as it was located below and lashed into place in such a manner that it could not become loosened unless the ship went to pieces.

Capt. Evans of the Assenon, which has just arrived at Tacoma, passed out within 12 hours of the Matteawan on her journey, and he says that the gale of that night (December 30th) was the worst he ever saw, and Capt. Evans is so younger at sea either. It is his belief, and that of other shipping men conversant with the Matteawan, that some portion of her machinery broke and that while in the trough of the sea a big sea broke over her, smashing one of her big hatches and sending her to the bottom without warning. Capt. Evans was through the very teeth of the gale, and believes that, barring accidents, the Matteawan's chances of riding out the storm were better than those of his own steamer, the Assenon, and he accounts for the Matteawan's loss in the manner described.

THE CARLETON'S VOYAGE. The steamer Alameda has taken to San Francisco particulars of the hard time the bark S. D. Carleton had during her run from Puget Sound to Honolulu. The vessel was on her beam ends half

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THE YUKON GOLD. Royalty Paid During Season—Royalty Make Receipts Smaller Than Last Year. Special correspondence to the Sea Post-Intelligencer from Dawson on the date of December 12th says: "The daily receipts from gold dust produced in the Yukon territory, for the season of 1901, has just been computed in total and found to be \$381,162. Each mine is allowed compensation of \$5,000 from taxation on the output of each year, and 5 per cent of the excess taken from each mine held by the government as royalty. I year-20 per cent was taken for royalty. The government collected royalty year to the amount of \$80,475, a less than three times the collections of year.

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BRUTAL MURDER. Evidence of Fearful Struggle Between Murderer and His Victim. Stocton, Cal., Dec. 29.—A woman known as Lena Young, was brutally murdered to-day in her apartments at a lodging house in this city, and George Gribble, who is charged with the crime, was taken into custody. The woman's maiden name was Lena Wood. She claimed to be Gribble's wife. Gribble was found in the hallway of the house, where they both lived, in an excited frame of mind with face and hands covered with blood. He declared that the woman had come home badly beaten, and that he put her to bed. She arose after which he again came to her, and she died there in a few moments.

The woman was frightfully beaten, there being evidences of her having been jumped on. Her body in front was a mass of cuts and abrasions and her face had been beaten out of recognition. She had also been strangled and much of her hair torn out by the roots. The room bore evidence of a terrible life and death struggle, blood having been spattered and daubed over the walls and furniture, and there was also considerable blood upon the floor. At the autopsy some of the woman's teeth were found in her stomach.

The coroner's jury found that the deceased came to her death by strangulation and bodily injuries inflicted by George Gribble.

NANAIMO. Ald. Cocking has decided to contest the majority in the coming election. Mayor Manson will seek re-election.

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The coroner's jury found that the deceased came to her death by strangulation and bodily injuries inflicted by George Gribble.

NANAIMO. Ald. Cocking has decided to contest the majority in the coming election. Mayor Manson will seek re-election.

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QUEEN CITY RETURNS

Steamer Queen City returned from the coast ports on Tuesday night with number of miners from Alberni at other points of call. The steamer reports a very rough trip. The storm of Christmas night was felt with much severity along the Island coast. The steamer was in lying at Cape Scott when it gale sprang up and there being no shelter from the wind in port the steamer was blown out five hours before she left Bull harbor was reached, but role of the storm magnificently. In several places along the coast many trees were torn up by the roots, and in some places Indian huts and other buildings suffered.

IMPROVED ISLAND SERVICE. Plans are now reported to be receiving consideration by the management of the Vancouver Island railway for the placing of a larger steamer on the 1 and route. The Ironclad is said to no longer equal to the trade which it can develop, and is constantly on increase, and much interest in the steamer is contemplated. Definite action on the matter will be taken in week or two.

THE YUKON GOLD. Royalty Paid During Season—Royalty Make Receipts Smaller Than Last Year. Special correspondence to the Sea Post-Intelligencer from Dawson on the date of December 12th says: "The daily receipts from gold dust produced in the Yukon territory, for the season of 1901, has just been computed in total and found to be \$381,162. Each mine is allowed compensation of \$5,000 from taxation on the output of each year, and 5 per cent of the excess taken from each mine held by the government as royalty. I year-20 per cent was taken for royalty. The government collected royalty year to the amount of \$80,475, a less than three times the collections of year.

The payments of royalty this year were on gold produced to the amount of \$7,623,257. Last