

Fight Near Krugersdorp

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An English Leader of Burghers and Several Men Have Surrendered.

(Associated Press.) Johannesburg, Oct. 6.—General Barton is fighting with a Boer commando north-east of Krugersdorp.

Mr. Edwards, an Englishman, commanding a Boer force, who became prominent after the Jameson raid on account of a rabid anti-British speech he made, has surrendered in Krugersdorp with a few men.

A colonial force has gone south to Elandfontein to clear the Boers out of Klip-Riversberg hills. These hills have been a regular rendezvous for the burghers lately.

The ignorant Boer inhabitants here attribute the fact that the British officials are selling and distributing food to a desire on their part to clear out the shires before they give up the country.

Colonel Henry, who wears the decoration of the Star of India, is re-organizing the police department here, and has introduced the system of identification by finger marks in this way intends to register every native.

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Mr. Thomas J. Healy, Irish Nationalist, has been defeated in the polling at North Westford by Sir Thomas H. G. Esmond, Irish Nationalist.

EIGHT PERSONS INJURED. In a Collision Between an Electric Car and Passenger Train.

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL. Ottawa, Oct. 8.—It has been decided to appoint Hon. Mr. Robidoux, who recently retired from the government of Quebec, a judge.

FIGHT BETWEEN FISHERMEN. Vigo, Spain, Oct. 8.—Fresh disorders have occurred as a result of industrial rivalry between the fishermen of this neighborhood and those of Cangas province of Pontevedra.

THE SALMON INDUSTRY. Vancouver, Oct. 8.—American Consul Dudley has received a letter from Washington stating that the United States government is willing to build a hatchery for the propagation of the salmon industry on the Fraser river, as being beneficial to the industry on Puget Sound.

HUMBERT'S MURDER. Investigation Has Been Commenced in Paterson, N. J.

(Associated Press.) Paterson, N. J., Oct. 8.—The investigation requested by the Italian courts to determine whether or not the murder of King Humbert was the result of an anarchist plot in Paterson, N. J., was begun in that place to-day by Commissioner Tremble.

DROUGHT IN INDIA. Calcutta, Oct. 8.—An unprecedented drought is prevailing in the districts of Cachar and Sylhet, province of Assam, causing greatest anxiety in regard to tea and other crops.

THE MISSING AMERICANS.

Report That Sixty Men of the 29th Infantry Have Been Captured by Filipinos Is Confirmed.

(Associated Press.) Manila, Oct. 5, via Hongkong, Oct. 8.—The report of the capture of about 60 men of the 29th United States Infantry on Marinduque Island is confirmed through communications from MacArthur and Kempf from Marinduque Island, though details are lacking.

The Yorktowns relief column landed at Tuguegarao on the Marinduque coast and marched to Santa Cruz, the proposed route to the captured party, without encountering the enemy or learning anything definite regarding the captives except that they had entirely disappeared.

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Again on The Move

Emperor and Empress Dowager Decline to Return to the Chinese Capital.

It Is Alleged That They Are Afraid to Face the Allies.

(Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 8.—The effort to induce the Chinese imperial court to return to Peking has failed, after a week's persistent effort on the part of the powers. News to that effect was brought to the state department to-day by the Chinese minister who received it via St. Petersburg from Viceroy Lin Kun Yih and Chang Chih Tung, under the date of October 4th. Minister Wu received the message last night. It was as follows:

The departure of their imperial majesties from Shen Si (province) was due to the distressing conditions at Tai Yuen Fu. There is a scarcity of food supplies in the province of Shen Si on account of the long continued drought and the provincial capital (Tai Yuen) is almost deserted, the trades people having left on account of the disturbances, caused and continued for months by the Boxer rebels who had invaded that province with the encouragement of the government. Their majesties, therefore, was obliged to proceed to Shen Si, where telegraphic communication with Shanghai and other parts of the Empire is opened, and rapid communication with their majesties may therefore be carried on, thus court and official business may be transacted more expeditiously. The reasons for the temporary postponement of their majesties' return to Peking are, on account of which solicitude fear is doubtless entertained, besides a dread of the outbreak of diseases which usually follow after great disturbances, destruction of property and military operations. It is hoped the powers will be considerate in their judgment in this matter.

The important feature of the message is the confession that the court is restrained by fear of the allied forces from returning to Peking. The movement takes the Emperor and Empress Dowager about 300 miles further away from Peking, though, according to the statements contained in the message, by reason of direct telegraphic communication with Shanghai, the court practically will be nearer for purpose of negotiation with the outside world than it was at Tai Yuen.

Minister Wu has been informed also that Viceroy Yu, of the province just vacated by the court, has been impeached because of his anti-foreign tendencies. This is the first step toward his degradation.

It is said there are Boxers in the newly chosen locality, so that the court will have to rid the town of the hostile influences recently surrounding it.

Attack on Sai Wan. Hongkong, Oct. 8.—The town of Sai Wan is quiet this morning and the stores have been re-opened. The rebels who attacked Sai Wan, near San Chuan, on Saturday, are believed to belong to the force of Triads which proceeded westward leaving blackmail and recruiting. The missions in the Hinterland are safe.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 8.—Admiral Alex. Pal Sunn on the Gulf of Liao Tung says: "In accordance with an agreement of admirals the forts have been divided among the different nations. The town has not been occupied but the gates are guarded by artillery. The forts are nearly intact and the whole route from Feng Ken to Shan Hai Kuan is now occupied by the Russians. After the occupation of Shan Hai Kuan the Americans refused to participate further in the operations. Part of the Russian force is advancing northwards."

German Reinforcements. Peking, Oct. 4, via Tien Tsin, Oct. 7, and Shanghai, Oct. 8.—The American troops will not participate in the expedition to Pao Ting Fu. Gen. Chaffee and the other generals have the assurance of Li Hung Chang that if the allies desire Pao Ting Fu the Chinese will readily surrender that city. The Americans believe that revenge and military display are the only objects of the expedition, and they hold that it will retard the restoration of peace.

The Russians are understood to have practically abandoned the railroad, and to have stopped its reconstruction. General Chaffee favors the return of the railroad to its owners and its reconstruction and operation on a joint international basis.

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THEIR IDOL.

Capetown Honors Mafeking's Brave Defender—Thirty Thousand People Promenade the Streets.

The following dispatch dated Capetown September 12th, gives particulars of Gen. Baden-Powell's reception at Capetown.

The citizens here are responding with enthusiasm to the official welcome to Gen. Baden-Powell. Flags are displayed everywhere, and every political party is joining in the celebrations. The reception at the drill hall was an immense success and exceeded all anticipations. The hall, which was brilliantly decorated, was crowded to overflowing. A Parliament, the churches, the services, and the neighboring municipalities were represented. Defeating cheers, frequently repeated, greeted the hero of Mafeking on his appearance on the platform. The Mayor of Capetown, Mr. Powell, delivered a eulogistic speech, in which he said that the citizens of Capetown were proud to express their gratitude at the heroic defence of Mafeking, and would ever revere the memory of those who had laid down their lives there for the defence of the Empire.

Gen. Baden-Powell, after hearing thanks from the citizens for their kind reception, made a feeling reference to the heroism of the men, composed of untrained colonials, who, when opposed to overwhelming odds could have sought safety, but instead, preferred to fight, and thus became a thorn in the draw from the Mafeking garrison. Even the garrison marching on Pretoria. Even General Louis Botha had the presence he could not have kept up the courage of the Boers. There were a number of willing hearts to replace those at the front, and he exhorted the young men to keep ready for emergencies, as the best safeguard for peace was being ready for war. There was a renewed ovation at the conclusion of the speech. The proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

The demonstration last night in honor of the hero of Mafeking was a great success. Fully 30,000 people promaded the streets. A torchlight procession a mile long paraded the principal thoroughfares, headed by an illuminated tramcar. Conspicuous in the procession were a squadron of Lancers, mounted infantry and decorated bicycles. The soldiers were greeted with ringing cheers. Green Market Square, which was beautifully illuminated with electricity and decorated with the National colors, was packed with an enthusiastic crowd.

On the arrival of Gen. Baden-Powell the band played "See the Conquering Hero Comes," and the people cheered until they were hoarse. The procession, on entering the square, marched past Gen. Baden-Powell to the strains of martial music. They threw their torches on the ground, making two huge bonfires. The mayor then publicly welcomed Gen. Baden-Powell, who replied, but his speech was inaudible owing to the frantic cheering of the crowd.

In the midst of the general's speech the brigade turned on the hose to put out the fire, which threatened to become dangerous, but they lost control of the hose and drenched everybody in the vicinity of the platform. The proceedings terminated with the firing of rockets and the singing of the National Anthem.

GENERAL FRENCH AS A SITTER. General French is quite the shiest man in the British army, and looks less like a cavalry officer than you could imagine. He is a heavy man, always looks half asleep—although who is there more wide awake?—has a very red complexion, grey moustache, thick set square, the last personality in the world to help an artist as a sitter. He promised to sit for the painter, although most characteristically he could not for the life of him think what he had done to be of sufficient interest for anyone to want to sketch him. At last after a great deal of trouble, the painter got him to sit one morning just outside the club in Bloemfontein. That sitting was the shortest and most disjointed the painter has ever had. The general sat bolt upright in a chair, reading his paper upside down through sheer nervousness, and, it is left that the painter, after an excuse of another he left it a hundred times, coming back looking more thoroughly upset and nervous each time, until at last he never came back at all. And the painter's only chance of sketching him was at the club during dinner—A Painter's Daughter in M. A. P.

"WHO KILLED PAUL KRUGER?" The Friend, Bloemfontein. Who killed Paul Kruger? "I," said Buller, "with my little palleted I killed Paul Kruger."

Who saw him die? "I," said White, "with my searchlight I saw him die."

Who caught his blood? "I," said French, "with my little trench I caught his blood."

Who will toll the bell? "I," said John Bull, "for I can pull I will toll the bell."

Who will dig his grave? "I," said Baden-Powell, "with my little trowel— I will dig his grave."

Who will sing the hymn? "I," said Mochmen, "for I know a tune— I will sing the hymn."

Who will be chief mourner? "I," said Steyn, "for it gives me pain— I will be chief mourner."

Chorus— The Boers in state fell Weeping one and all, When they heard of the death Of poor Oom Paul.

Do not suffer from sick headache a moment longer. It is not necessary. Carter's Little Liver Pills will cure you. Dose, one little pill. Small cure. Small dose. Small price.

J. W. Coburn, conductor on the E. & N. railways, is said to be running in his stead.