

THE PEACE CABINET

Is Already Designated In London

Question of the Day: Can Boer Leaders Deliver the Promised Goods?

Special to the Daily Nugget.
London, May 29.—The British cabinet specially summoned last night sat ten hours. It is generally accepted today that the meeting touches to an agreement which will terminate the Boer war. Colonial Secretary Joseph Chamberlain is sufficiently recovered to be able to attend what is already designated as the Peace Cabinet. The question being asked, however, is whether the Boer leaders can deliver the goods. Two Boer committees have added a new feature to the South Africa drama establishing separate republics remote from Pretoria. Piet de Villiers has been elected president of the republic of Sangeberg and West Vryberg, partly British and partly German territory. All the usual office holders have been appointed. Commandant Diers is head of another miniature commonwealth in the extreme northern Transvaal. He never consented to peace negotiations. Lord Roberts will certainly retire after the coronation ceremonies, to be succeeded by the Duke of Connaught. Balfour has announced to the commons that he hopes to be able Monday to state the result of the peace negotiations. He says the recent phrase, "Hung on the balance," is

absurdly misinterpreted. There are no divisions. The capture of Commandant Malan reported from Middleburg, demonstrates the activity of the rebellion in Cape Colony.

"Sooner" Settlers

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Spokane, May 30.—Blossomed is feared on the Spokane reservation, which is being overrun with "sooners." A large number of "sooners" were evicted some time ago but slipped back on the reserve. Another round-up will be made by the police. The "sooners" may make a gun-play. There is little good farming land on the reserve.

Strike Spreading

Special to the Daily Nugget.
Pittsburg, May 30.—The coal strike is spreading. Frank Sargeant, a member of the national board of arbitration of which Senator Hanna is chairman, thinks a half million more miners may quit and bituminous coal production cease with disastrous effect on business.

Coaling Station

Special to the Daily Nugget.
Washington, May 30.—All obstacles are removed to the establishment of an American naval coaling station at Dutch harbor. A proclamation is drawn up to be signed by the president placing land at the disposal of the naval department for the purpose. The land adjoins property of the North American Commercial Co.

His Personal Friend

Special to the Daily Nugget.
Washington, May 30.—President Roosevelt has appointed a personal friend to be district attorney at Nome. This is Melvin Grigsby, of South Dakota, who was colonel of the third volunteer cavalry in the Spanish-American war. The appointment was made without consulting senators or other public men.

Pat Galvin Reported Dead.

A young man who recently came down the river says that an account of the death of Pat Galvin, the well-known Yukon miner, cattleman and speculator, was published in the outside papers about two months ago. His death, the report says, occurred in Manila as the result of fever. As no news of his death, so far as known, has been received in Dawson there is a possibility that the report is a mistake. Pat Galvin went to Manila some time ago and reports were to the effect that he was doing well and making all kinds of money.

Funerals at Night

Special to the Daily Nugget.
Fernie, May 30.—Eighteen funerals by lantern light were held here last night. Startling developments are expected at the inquest today. The miners petition the lieutenant-governor for the appointment of a commission to make improvement in the mining law.

DEAD

Sure that you will never be sick if you keep your system in proper order. If you have that tired feeling, pain in the back, and no appetite, it's a sure sign that your liver or stomach is out of order, or generally speaking, you have what is commonly termed "spring fever," and you need a good spring tonic to tone up your system. Cribbs, the Druggist, has a large stock of Spring Tonics and to introduce some will sell a limited quantity at a special price. Large list of references on file.

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SPLENDID SUCCESS

Second Night of Mikado an Artistic Triumph

Crowded House Greeted Dawson Amateurs in Famous Opera.

A crowded house, an enthusiastic audience and an entire absence of nervousness on the part of the performers, combined to make the second production of the opera Mikado a pronounced and unimpaired success.

All the little rough edges which appeared the first night had completely vanished. From the time the curtain rose on the first act, disclosing the chorus of Japanese noblemen in their attitudes queer and quaint, until the grand finale of the second act, the action went forward with life and spirit, and the audience was correspondingly demonstrative in giving applause and approval. Throughout the entire libretto of the opera the lines sparkle with a wealth of bright and catchy humor which brought continuous laughter from the most dignified spectator. But the beauty of the thing is not alone in the lines—neither is it in the music, nor in the costumes, nor yet in the interpretation. Rather it is made up of a harmonious blending of them all—fitting the punishment to suit the crime, so to speak—and that end was admirably accomplished last evening.

There was a finish and completeness of detail about the production, which, even in the eyes of those who have seen Mikado in the palmiest days of the opera, raises the performance now being given by the Dawson Amateur Opera Company, to an extremely high artistic level.

The chorus work of last night was superior to that of the evening before both in tone and action. The opening scene was arranged in a more picturesque fashion, and the changes which give effect to the sentiment of the lines were accomplished in unison and without any display of awkwardness.

The principals without exception had their work thoroughly in hand. The success of the previous night had furnished the confidence so requisite to artistic completeness and they were able to give more attention to the dramatic side of the opera.

The little maids impersonated by Mrs. A. R. Boyes, Mrs. Frank Maltby and Mrs. Rufus Buck, are certainly a most bewitching trio whose coquettishness is irresistible. As Yum-Yum Mrs. Boyes is seen to splendid advantage. Her part in the difficult kissing duet with Mr. Cowan was rendered in a most attractive manner and was rewarded with several encores.

Mrs. Buck is a roguish and winsome Pitti Sing, and her exhibition of girlish inquisitiveness over Poo Bah is very catching. She has a thorough appreciation of the possibilities of her part and makes the utmost out of it. Mrs. Maltby's dancing was generally commented on as being most graceful and pleasing. She possesses a sweet voice, which is heard to advantage in the little maids' trio. Mrs. Geo. M. Allen's interpretation of the character of Katisha contributes materially to the success of the opera. There is a perceptible livening up at her entrance in the finale of the first act which is maintained until the end. Her two solos were rendered in a most effective manner, while the duet with Koko leaves nothing to be desired. Her conception of the dramatic features of her part is admirable as was attested by continuous demonstrations of applause.

Mr. Hulme as Koko scored a great success last evening. His topical songs made a tremendous hit as did also his declaration of love to Katisha. Mr. Hulme has all the tricks of comedy at his command and uses them to the utmost advantage. He received the lion's share of last night's encores.

Mr. Thornburg's Mikado, the logical, unemotional Mikado, is well-nigh perfect. His "salary grab" song brought down the house.

Mr. Cowan showed a marked improvement over his first night's effort. He has a particularly sweet voice and charmed everyone with his wandering minstrel song and his part in the kissing duet.

Mr. Sheridan as Poo Bah maintains the dignity of his many official positions with splendid success. He knows his part thoroughly and is a source of great strength to the cast.

Mr. McPherson makes an excellent Pish Tush.

Too much cannot be said for the manner in which musical director Scarelle and stage manager Dick Thorne have performed their arduous duties. Both have labored long and faithfully for the success of the opera and the results of their efforts are manifest throughout.

The Mikado will be repeated to-night and again tomorrow, and on both occasions it is anticipated that standing room will be at a premium.

All invited.

All who are to take part in the production of Mikado, and their friends, are hereby invited to call at the corner of Second avenue and Albert street and inspect the finest line of fancy groceries in Dawson.—F. S. DUNHAM, proprietor Family Grocery. Open from six a. m. to twelve midnight.

SCOTT'S GUN PLAY

Aired in Police Court This Morning

Complainant, Mrs. Stevens, Gives Mixed Testimony—Charge Dismissed.

The entire attention of Magistrate Marcauly was occupied this morning in hearing the evidence in the two complaints laid by Mrs. Stevens against Mr. Esplin in which he was charged with assault by pointing a revolver at her and threatening to shoot.

The alleged assault occurred on the 23rd of last February at a cabin on 4 above lower on Dominion, and from the evidence it seemed that it was caused by a misunderstanding between the parties as to the ownership of some goods.

It appeared that there was a transaction in connection with the claim above mentioned, by which Mrs. Stevens obtained an interest in the property and also some goods in the cabin. According to her testimony she left Dawson some time in February with a dog team driven by a man named Petersham and arrived at the claim between 6 and 7 o'clock on the morning of the 23rd. She knocked at the door but hearing no response had entered. Esplin or "Scotty" was up and dressed and asked her what she wanted. She replied that she came up to look after her goods. His reply was "If you don't get out I will shoot you." Her heart then jumped into her mouth and she ran into the Dominion hotel and called for protection.

Mrs. Stevens was subjected to a severe cross examination in which she several times contradicted herself and often times her statements were so irrelevant to the subject and her actions were such as to cause his honor to enquire whether or not she could possibly be in her right mind.

She said that she had not called for the police but thought that the police had been sent for from the Dominion hotel. That same evening she had gone back to the cabin and stayed there three successive nights, and "Scotty" had also stayed there.

She said she had asked the police to protect her but had been put off by them and that she could get no "protections from the police." She also said that Corporal Dyer at Caribon had compelled her to sign a document against her wishes by scaring her. On this she was severely questioned by the magistrate and at first endeavored to modify her statement but afterward held to it as she had first stated. The magistrate told her that it was a serious charge she was laying and that he did not believe Corporal Dyer to be that kind of a man, and he would be given an opportunity to refute the charge.

Petersham was then called to the stand and testified that he was with Mrs. Stevens on the date mentioned. They had arrived at "Scotty's" cabin in early in the morning, had rapped

at the door and were told to come in. Scotty was lying in bed with his clothes on and had gotten up on their entrance and during a controversy about the goods had taken a revolver from under his pillow and had threatened to shoot. The witness jumped in between the two and Mrs. Stevens had left. Under cross examination he said that Mrs. Stevens had gone back to the cabin that evening and the three had stayed in the cabin until they returned to town.

In his own behalf Esplin said that they arrived early in the morning while it was dark. He was lying on his bed and hearing some one open the door had said "If you don't speak I'll shoot." They had replied and that was all the affair amounted to. Mrs. Stevens enquired about the goods and he had told her that the goods were his and if she wanted them she would have to pay for them. She had replied that that was the case she didn't want them.

The magistrate said that he expected to leave for the outside soon and the Sergeant Smith would know the necessary steps to be taken in the charge laid against Corporal Dyer. In connection with the case he discharged the prisoner, stating that while it was evident that the gun had been pointed there was a disagreement as to the manner and circumstances under which it was done. Esplin seemed like an honest, straightforward old man, while the complainant had made a different impression. He therefore discharged him, but administered a caution as to the use of dangerous weapons.

WATER FRONT NOTES.

This morning Dawson was rejoicing in the fact that Lebarge was open and a mail would arrive by tomorrow evening. The former statement is true but the latter is an illusion. There will be no mail arrive tomorrow night; it may get in Sunday night, but the chances are that it will be Monday before the whistle is heard. It was announced last night that the Whitehorse had left for down river points, but today it is learned the statement was premature. Word was wired this afternoon that the Whitehorse would not leave before 3 o'clock and probably not until tomorrow morning. If the latter should prove true it will be late Sunday evening or Monday morning before she arrives.

Sunday next there will be two river excursions and pleasure seekers may take their choice of going up or down the river. The Casca will leave at 1:30 Sunday morning and go up as far as Reindeer, where the day will be spent, returning in the evening. Fremuth's orchestra will accompany the Casca. The Lavelle Young will leave about the same hour for Eagle City, returning on Monday.

The steamer Mongolia, which has wintered on the ways below West Dawson, was launched a few days ago to make room for the Robert Kerr which is now being hoisted out. The Kerr will be given a thorough overhauling before proceeding to St. Michael.

The little steamer Lorelei is again on the water ready for the season's business after spending the winter on the ways. During the summer she will make regular runs to and from Fortymile, leaving tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock on her first trip. She will be in command of Captain Mathison with Jack Green in the pilot house.

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