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BOERS VISIT KITCHENER

Burgher Representatives Visit Pretoria Under a Flag of Truce.

Have Personal Interview With Him—Boers Have Been Hard Pressed of Late.

Pretoria, March 23.—Acting President Schalkbarger, P. W. Reitz, ex-Secretary of State of the Transvaal, and Commandants Lucas Meyer and Krogh, with their secretaries and attendants, arrived here yesterday, March 22, at 2:04 p. m. on a special train from Balmoral, about fifty miles east of here. They came into Balmoral under a flag of truce.

Upon arriving here, Mr. Schalkbarger and his party drove immediately to Lord Kitchener's headquarters where he had an interview with the British general. The Boers afterwards proceeded to the railway station and entrained at 5 o'clock for Kroonstad, where they will go out under a safe conduct.

For a week past Mr. Schalkbarger and his colleagues have been stationed at Rhenoster Kop, north of Balmoral, where they have been closely pressed by British columns. Despatch riders entered Balmoral Friday night and notified the British of the approach of Mr. Schalkbarger and his party. It is reported that the Boer position at Rhenoster Kop had become almost hopeless, and that Mr. Schalkbarger narrowly escaped capture.

TO NEGOTIATE PEACE.

London, March 24.—The news that the wandering Boer Government had entered the British lines is regarded as having but one meaning, namely, that another attempt is being made to negotiate peace. The fact that the Boers have been welcomed in London as pointing to the possibility of peace. Some correspondence which was seized a short time ago when Mr. Steyn narrowly escaped capture proved that he and Mr. Schalkbarger were anxious to conclude peace. No extravagant hopes, however, are being built on the outcome of the movement of Mr. Schalkbarger and his companions. The War Office has informed a representative of the Associated Press that it has received no official information either to confirm or contradict the news. Commandant Krogh is one of the secretaries of the Boer Government. "He was formerly the administrator of Swaziland, and has not been prominent during the war."

LONDON PRESS COMMENTS.

Few of the papers here comment on the news from Pretoria. These take it for granted that Mr. Schalkbarger and his companions are on a mission of peace, and again engage in a discussion of possible peace terms, expressing the hope that the overtures will have a successful outcome. The presence of Lucas Meyer is regarded as significant, as he is an intimate friend of Louis Botha. The Daily Chronicle, commenting on the absence of Botha from the deputation, suggests he is standing aside, owing to the failure of his overtures a year ago, and considers that, although the conditions Lord Kitchener then offered to Botha has been annulled, it is highly probable that peace may still be arranged on similar lines, but that the Boers cannot expect more lenient terms. The Daily News (Liberal) remarks that a settlement would be possible if the Boers were treated as civilized combatants, "but men do not surrender unconditionally just after taking one of the enemy's generals and four of his guns."

AS VIEWED AT BRUSSELS.

Brussels, March 24.—The Petit Bleu, referring to the arrival at Pretoria of Messrs. Schalkbarger, Reitz and Commandants Meyer and Krogh, says it believes Mr. Schalkbarger's move is in response to fresh overtures for peace from Great Britain made out of gratitude for the release of General Methuen. The paper predicts that these overtures will lead to no result unless Boer independence is conceded.

SMALL-POX

Twelve Colored Residents Affected—Said to Have got it at Chatham.

Detroit, March 22.—Health Officer Keifer has under quarantine twelve cases of smallpox among the colored people of Detroit. The germs were brought from Chatham, Ontario, where two young Detroit negroes contracted the disease and then returned home. It was not, however, until a case contracted from them was seen by the health officer that the first cause of these new cases became apparent. Energetic measures are being taken to suppress any serious epidemic.

IT WAS MURDER

Special to The Planet.

Brantford, March 24.—There is a suspicion that James Quirk, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, who was found dead in the hotel on Saturday night, met with foul play.

It is believed that Mr. Quirk was struck from behind with a blunt instrument of some kind.

The murderer appears to have made his escape through the gate leading to Dalis street, as the hostler had, before retiring, bolted the gate, which was found opened after the discovery of the body.

The police are working on the case.

THE SUSPENSION OF JOHN DILLON

British Government Charged With Failing to Appreciate the Situation.

League is Mischievous Creation of Half-mad Demagogue—Gave Danger.

London, March 22.—The sensational exit of John Dillon, the Irish Nationalist, from the House of Commons Thursday last continues to be the topic of the hour. The Irish Nationalist papers backed up Mr. Dillon's declaration regarding Mr. Chamberlain's lack of veracity with cheerful frankness, though the Dublin Evening Telegraph remarks that Mr. Dillon was guilty of a slight anticipation regarding Mr. Chamberlain's damnation, which, it says, is only coming, though already in sight.

IN THE COMMONS.

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon Mr. John Redmond raised the question of Mr. Dillon's suspension. He pointed out that the regulations covering the suspension of disorderly members are at present abrogated, and that the adoption of the new regulations governing the business of the House. Hence Mr. Dillon's suspension, in the absence of any existing rules, appeared to be for an indefinite period.

Mr. Balfour, Government leader of the House, promised to propose a motion dealing with the matter next Wednesday.

UNDER THE RULES.

existing until this year the suspension of a member entailed absence from the precincts of the House for a week. These rules were formally adopted annually, but were omitted at the commencement of the present session, as a Government measure was introduced creating a sliding scale of punishments for disorderliness. If it were now the suspension would be for forty sittings, and an apology would have to be sent to the Speaker before the offending member could return.

THE PALL MALL GAZETTE.

In a leading article on the Irish situation, says:—"While we are willing to credit Mr. Geo. Wyndham, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, with the best intentions, it is impossible not to feel that he has failed to appreciate the grave dangers involved in the present situation. On His Majesty's Government rests the heavy responsibility of the strength of the agitation, which, if allowed to continue its seditious course, can only end in crime and terrorism."

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SLEW BROTHER

Tragic Culmination of a Lone Family Feud at Albany N. Y. State.

Albany, N. Y., March 22.—One of the most cold-blooded murders which has ever occurred in this city was that to-day, when John De Fierro, aged 45, shot and killed his brother William, aged 35. The crime was committed in front of the building of the Albany Card and Paper Company, at 315 Hamilton street, at 3:10 this afternoon. William fell to the sidewalk with four bullets in his body, one of which crashed through his brain. A doctor was summoned, and found life to be extinct. In response to a call Coroner Pfanzagl hurried to the scene and took charge of the case. The murderer, after killing his brother, calmly placed the revolver back in his pocket. The police were notified, and on the arrival of a squad of police John gave himself up, calmly remarking that he was glad that he killed his brother. The murderer was taken to the fourth precinct, where he was placed in a cell.

The murder to-day was the culmination of a family feud which has existed for some time. The trouble first arose out of the action of the father, who bequeathed his entire estate to his eldest son, which resulted in a long litigation, which developed the feud.

OXFORD LOST TO CAMBRIDGE

Result of the Great British University Annual Boat Race.

Light Blues had the Advantage at the Start and Maintained it to the End.

Putney, Eng., March 22.—The Cambridge crew to-day fulfilled the expectations of the prophets, and won the fifty-sixth boat race with Oxford as they liked. At no time throughout the race did Oxford in the slightest degree flatter the hopes of the supporters of the dark blue. Any possible chance which the Oxonians might have had was scattered by the result of the toss, giving the light blues (Cambridge) all the advantage of station. Immense crowds, as usual, turned out to view the contest, and the weather, though showery, was not so inclement as it had been most of the previous years. Cambridge was the first to take the water, Oxford following after a slight delay, and both crews paddled to the moored skiffs at the starting line. The start was delayed owing to the force of the tide making it difficult to keep the boats a-goes.

Frank William, the umpire, however, finally got them away in a capital start. As was anticipated, the lively stroke of the light blues gave them the earliest advantage, and their lead was increased at every stroke. By the time Craven's steps were reached Cambridge had a clear length to the good, and it was patent to every one that they had the race in hand, barring accidents. Huntley's somewhat sluggish strokes appeared to be too slow to suit some of the powerful Oxford men behind him. Their weight would have told, at least in the earlier part of the race, had they been given more chance. As it was, each landmark on the river banks found them further and further in the rear, and at Harrow's stores their troubles were increased by the wash of their opponents' boat. Off the saccharine works the dark blue stroke made his effort, and the Oxford crew struggled gamely. But only for a short distance. Nelson (Cambridge) did not quicken his strokes, and the gap was reduced to about a length as the boats slid under Hammersmith bridge. The effort to overhaul the steam out of the Oxonians, their stroke dropped from 37 to 32, and the race was practically over. Cambridge came right away, pulling comfortably at an average of 36 strokes to the minute, and increased her lead without the slightest effort. Before reaching Bame's bridge the dark blues were in the greatest trouble, while the light blues, amid hearty cheers, paddled past the ship at Mortlake the easiest winners of the tames university boat race in many years. The official time of the finish was 19 minutes and 35 seconds, the distance separating the two boats was officially given out as being five lengths, but it was nearly eight lengths. The spectators, especially the Oxonians, were not slow to show their resentment at the somewhat rare spectacle of a university "eight" absolutely rowed out.

The defeated crew included the brothers Milburn, of Buffalo. This was the first time on record that two Americans participated in an Oxford-Cambridge boat race.

BULLETINS OF CONTEST.

Cambridge went away with a slight lead, pulling 36 strokes in the first minute, Oxford pulling 35 strokes in the same time.

12:50 p. m.—At Craven Steps (about three-quarters of a mile from the start) Cambridge was leading by about three-quarters of a length.

12:52 p. m.—At Walden's Cambridge was a length and a quarter ahead.

12:53 p. m.—At Crab Tree Cambridge was a length and a quarter ahead.

12:55 p. m.—At Harrow's Stores Cambridge was two lengths in the lead.

12:57 p. m.—At the saccharine works Cambridge was still two lengths ahead.

12:58 p. m.—Cambridge shot under Hammersmith bridge (about 1 3/4 miles from the start) a little over a length ahead.

1 p. m.—At Chiswick Eyot, favored by the bend in the river, Cambridge increased her length, and led by four lengths at Thornescroft's works.

1:03 p. m.—Cambridge at this stage of the race was rowing splendidly. Oxford was fearfully done up.

1:05 p. m.—Cambridge won by eight lengths. Time, 19 minutes and 35 seconds.

ASPHYXIATED

J. McGregor, of London Found Dead in his Room in a Chicago Hotel.

Chicago, March 23.—A man supposed to be J. McGregor, of London, Ont., was found dead in his room at a Sheldon street hotel to-day. Gas was escaping from an open jar. The man had not undressed and lay on the floor beside the bed in such a position as to indicate that he died struggling for breath. In his pockets were found a bank book on a London, Ont., bank bearing the name of J. McGregor. He also had a mileage book from London, Ont., to Winnipeg.

CHURCH VS. BONNET

"I don't want to say we spend too much upon ourselves—I don't think I have any right to," said Rev. W. E. Knowles addressing the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church last night on the subject of Church Life. "But I do say that the ratio of what we devote to ourselves to that which we devote to God's work is not a right one."

"During the next week many will spend perhaps \$5 or \$6 for something to wear on their heads—and not begrudge it. Then they will visit God's house, stand and sing, 'Rescue the Perishing,' and 'Were the whole realm of nature mine it were an offering far too small,' and the very building will vibrate and the welkin ring with the majestic wave of their eloquent and stirring song. Then when the collection plate comes along they will drop thereon a big Yankee nickel and sigh and groan in a manner pitiful to behold."

THEIR EFFORT DESTRUCTION

Wm. Redmond's Candid way of Expressing aim of Irish Rowdies.

Seek to Harass English Parliament—Try to Prevent the work of Government.

Chicago, March 23.—Wm. H. K. Redmond and Jos. Devlin, Irish members of parliament, before an audience of 10,000 persons here to-night, made an appeal for the rights of Ireland, and spoke in praise of the Boers in their struggle against the British. At the close of the meeting hundreds of persons pledged themselves to support the cause by becoming members of the United Irish League.

"If our policy in the British parliament can do nothing else, we can expose our grief, we can harass the British Empire, we can stand upon the floor of the English parliament, and cheer and eulogize God's blessing upon the Boers every time the English are defeated," said Mr. Redmond. "If we cannot in the English parliament win home rule, I promise you we will destroy the parliament of England; if we cannot govern ourselves we can take good care not to allow them to govern themselves."

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