

BOER METHODS OF WARFARE

Julian Ralph Says the Queen's Dutch Subjects and Republics Have Been Planning for Years.

TELLS OF BOERS COWARDLY CONDUCT

Burglars Arm Blacks to Fight Against the British—Kruger Says Mines Will Not Be Destroyed—Speculation as to Advance From Bloemfontein.

(Associated Press.) London, March 29.—Speculation as to Lord Roberts's advance from Bloemfontein is the topic of the day, and is likely to continue so if the British commander-in-chief in South Africa shall make his movements as carefully as he has done in the past. April 22 is he has done in the past. April 22 is he has done in the past. April 22 is he has done in the past.

The movements of the cavalry force and part of the infantry toward Glen can scarcely be construed as an actual advance, though they undoubtedly point to the imminence of such a step. But only a small part of Gen. Gatacre's forces has yet arrived at Bloemfontein, and until that movement shall have been completed, it is not likely Lord Roberts will start for Pretoria.

The halt at Bloemfontein. The last news from Bloemfontein contained in a dispatch published in the second edition of the Times, dated Wednesday, March 28th, dwells upon the necessity for not making a premature advance. This correspondent, who on several occasions has seemed to have been chosen as the mouthpiece of Lord Roberts, cables:

"It should be clearly understood that the present halt in the vicinity of Bloemfontein is absolutely necessary as a military precaution. It should be borne in mind that we are about to enter on a new phase of the operations with the main communication through a recently occupied hostile country, and that the recent successes necessitated a great expenditure of horsepower.

"Here and in Natal we shall move on the commencement of the South African winter, and must be prepared to face the effects of the first frost upon such animals as may be affected with horse sickness. It would be suicidal to push troops forward till they are equipped to meet the exposure of winter. Horses, clothing and food we must have."

Foreigners to Aid Boers. The correspondent adds that the Boer forces have been re-equipped, and he says he is fully convinced that 15,000 foreign troops have landed to aid the Republics.

The Prisoners. A deputation of the Dutch church ministers today had an audience of Premier Schreiner at Capetown. The ministers urged the separation of the sick and well Boer prisoners, and asked that the sick be sent to St. Helena. Mr. Schreiner replied that he had no power in such matters, but would use his friendly offices. He said that he had garden walls. There was nothing novel or original about their seeking the cowardly shelter of the doctor's badge. We have become quite accustomed to it. We once entered a Boer laager after a victory and found 27 of these bogus doctors, and seven or eight wounded for their patients.

Looting the Houses. They have not been content with the looting of the British colonies, but in Natal, in scores of instances, they have smashed into kindling and torn into ribbons whatever they did not want or could not carry off. Worst yet, they have fouled the walls of the homes of defenceless women with obscene writings. They never knew the value of an oath or promise, and have not learned it since the war began.

KRUGER INTERVIEWED. New York, March 29.—An interview with President Kruger, printed in the World to-day, has attracted a great deal of attention because of the variety of topics discussed by the president of the South African Republic. It was granted on Feb. 7th at Pretoria, and Secretary Reitz was present. The correspondent says:

"Mr. Kruger explained at length the efforts which the British authorities made to seal up Delagoa Bay, and then told of the message he sent to Lord Salisbury concerning it. He said he refused to have any more correspondence with Mr. Chamberlain, but frequently cabled to Lord Salisbury. In one cablegram he asked Lord Salisbury to allow food stuffs to enter through Delagoa Bay.

Delagoa Bay. or they would be compelled to feed the 3,000 British prisoners in Pretoria on maize porridge. Lord Salisbury did not reply, but a message signed 'Chamberlain' explained that the embargo on food stuffs had been raised three days before. Mr. Kruger laughed heartily when he told that the Chamberlain message was telegraphed back to Lord Salisbury with the query: 'Is this true?' The president added: 'We have not heard from Mr. Chamberlain since.'

Concerning the war, President Kruger said: 'We crossed the frontier into Natal and Cape Colony not because we wanted to annex the land, but because the farmers who owned the land asked to be taken under our protection. If England will end the war and promise to Give Us Our Independence, we will return the land thus taken, but we want to be free.' Then turning to the question of intervention, the president said: 'We anticipate no assistance from any nation, nor do we ask for it, now that the war is four months old. If some European nation or America interferes now, that nation will ask for a share in the spoils of war, and there are already enough governments represented in South Africa. I have not asked President McKinley to interfere in the war, nor have I sent messages to him by any of the Americans who have returned to the United States recently. Mr. Reitz may have done so, but—'

Mr. Reitz interrupted and said: 'I do not remember that I gave a message to the former American consul here. I am positive that I Sent No Official Message to the American president or to the secretary of state.' On the subject of destroying the gold mines at Johannesburg, Mr. Kruger declared that the Boers would not harm a shilling's worth of property. He declared that there was one, and only one, unfulfilled prophecy in the Bible, and upon which he based his hopes of success in this war. He read the passage which was Ezekiel xxxix, 1-7, referring to the English as the 'people of God' in the quoted Scripture, and the Boers as the 'villagers of Israel' named. The verses referred to read as follows: 'Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, saying, Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. And I will turn thee back, and leave thee and the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel; and thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee, shall be devoured, and the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. Thou shalt fall upon the open field; for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God. And I will send a fire in Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles, and they shall know that I am the Lord. So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people, Israel, and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more, and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, the holy one in Israel.

Russia in the Far East

The Japanese Are Actively Engaged Making Preparations for War.

The Czar Alleged to Be Trying to Gain Influence in Korea.

(Associated Press.) Seattle, March 29.—The government transport Garonne, from Manila, February 17th, has arrived from the quarantine with news of the active preparations in military and naval departments of Japan for war with Russia. The Russian fleet at Nagasaki has disregarded the harbor authorities and anchored where it pleased. The war spirit is said by Capt. Conrad to be strong in Japan on account of the Czar's secret attempt to gain influence in Korea in violation of the treaty. A grand assembly of the Japanese navy, to be followed by manoeuvres from which foreign newspaper correspondents and the public were to be excluded was fixed for the last of this month.

Russia's Demand. London, March 29.—The Evening News publishes a dispatch from Kobe, Japan, under today's date, announcing that Russia has demanded leave to land near Masape, Korea, the dispatch says, wants outside interference.

AMERICAN PORK. The Porte Has Prohibited Importation into Turkey. (Associated Press.) Constantinople, March 29.—The Porte has forbidden the United States legation that in future the importation of American pork will be prohibited, giving as a reason for the prohibition that the meat is injurious to the public health. Mr. Lloyd C. Griscom, United States charge d'affaires, has protested energetically, demanding the annulment of the measure.

THE BUDGET DEBATE. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, March 29.—Sir Richard Cartwright in resuming the debate on the budget, in reply to Hon. G. E. Foster, was received with immense cheering. Sir Richard said that he had read 55 pages of Hansard which had been filled by Foster, and could not get five new ideas in them. These pages were filled with scraps from scrap books and snarling and badinage, which people did not want to hear. What they did want to know was what Hon. W. C. Fielding told them, namely, seven million and a half surplus, that Yankees would pay three dollars to every two the British would, and that trade had been increased to an enormous and unprecedented degree. Sir Richard said that he had done more in three years for Canada than the Conservatives could have done in thirteen. Sir Richard made an analysis of Foster's figures, showing them to be unworthy, although smartly put. Service for service, the affairs of Canada were more economically administered today than in the past.

ITALY AND THE STATES. (Associated Press.) Rome, March 29.—The commercial treaties committee of the Italian chamber of deputies has discussed and approved in principle the reciprocity arrangement under the third section of the Dingier act recently signed in Washington by Baron Eina, Italian ambassador, and the United States, and Mr. Kasson, special plenipotentiary for the United States. The committee has expressed a desire to hear, after to-morrow, the views of the ministers of foreign affairs, finance and agriculture.

VANCOUVER DRILL HALL. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, March 29.—Replying to Col. Prior, Sir Louis Davies, on behalf of the public works department, said that \$3,960 had been expended on Vancouver drill hall. Work would be proceeded with actively in the spring. The contractor had to November, 1900, to complete the work.

In the House to-day Hewitt Bostock introduced a bill regarding the Yale Mining District Railway Co. "Delays are dangerous." Those who have poor, weak, impure blood should take Hood's Sarsaparilla at once. It never disappoints.

THE DOCTOR'S WIFE. A Four Years' Cripple From Acute Rheumatism. South American Rheumatic Cure Was the True Physician. Mrs. J. H. Harte, of 223 Church street, Toronto, wife of Dr. Harte, suffered severely from rheumatism for five years. For four years she could not walk without the use of a cane. At times the pains were intense, and she suffered tortures. No remedy or treatment gave any relief. She was induced to try South American Rheumatic Cure. She used four bottles and to-day is free from pain, and she gives her signed testimony by saying: "I am entirely cured and can move about as blithely as ever in my life."

Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co. LORD CURZON'S TOUR. (Associated Press.) Calcutta, March 29.—Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, and Lady Curzon, left yesterday for a tour, which will begin with a week's shooting in North Boreilly.

WHEN IT HURTS TO COUGH. It is High Time to Prevent Pneumonia by Using Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. Every cough does not terminate fatally, nor does every cold end in pneumonia or consumption; but when it hurts to cough, the chances are against you, and you are running a terrible risk. The cough that hurts, the cough that gets tight in the chest, is daily getting deeper and deeper, the bronchial tubes, and is making directly for the lungs to become pneumonia, inflammation of the lungs, or consumption. Such coughs are sometimes referred to as "graveyard coughs," because they usually bring their victims to that last resting-place.

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THE DANISH WEST INDIES.

France Will Not Object to the Transfer to the United States.

A Fatal Explosion

One Man Killed, Another Injured on a Bear River Mining Property.

Bowsprit of Sailing Vessel Drifts on Coast—Capt. Hansen's Body Found.

Steamer Willapa returned soon after noon from Cape Scott and way ports on the West Coast, bringing news of the catches of many of the sealing schooners of this port seen off the Coast, the finding of the bowsprit of a large ship near Kyquoot, and which points to the fact of some vessel having met with disaster, of the finding of the body of the late Capt. Hansen's Flying Dutchman on one of the sailing properties on Bear River, as a result of which one miner lost his life and another was severely injured.

The passenger list was a large one. Among those who came down to this city were C. W. Rasmussen and family, and L. P. Fredericksen and family, who brought their effects and came down from the Danish settlement at Cape Scott, having found that colony not up to what they had expected when they went there. Another passenger was J. E. Doyon, the mining man, who has been endeavoring to save gold from the black sand at Cape Cormorell, at the northern extreme of the island, and who latterly has been up to the wreck Bay deposits of black sand to see if he could do better with his gold-sifting machine there. Other mining men who came down were T. T. Childs, B. W. Leeson, D. B. Pearson, C. Keeling, D. L. Clouse, W. T. Trothway, P. Brennan, P. Huser, A. J. Bates, W. E. Auld, A. Hansen, J. Clarke, R. Nelson, W. T. Dwyer, H. G. Newton, T. H. Parr, P. Nicholson, J. Watson, S. Waring, A. Carmichael, and G. B. Talbot, on whose property at Bear River the fatal explosion occurred.

A. Benson, one of the victims of the explosion, who had his leg and thigh injured as a result of the explosion, came down on the Willapa, and he tells of the explosion as follows: There had been a mis-fire. On the 12th or 13th—his memory was not quite clear—a charge of dynamite placed in one of the stowage bins on the incline of the Castle property on Bear River, situated not far from Clayquoot, and belonging to Mr. Talbot, failed to explode. Next morning when the men started work on the property, Chris Arnett, of Clayquoot, started to get out the unexploded charge. He got some of the dynamite from the hole, and thinking that he had secured it all, began to drill in the same hole. He had been working a very few minutes when there was a terrific explosion. Bones flew everywhere, and Benson, who was drilled nearly to his back to Arnett, was thrown to the ground, and some of the flying rocks wounded him severely. One piece of rock was driven through his trousers and into the flesh of his thigh. His back and legs also suffered. When he looked around, Arnett was lying on the ground near by dead. Save for a few small cuts about his hands, he was not badly cut. His death was thought to be due to internal injuries caused by large pieces of rock striking him in the stomach. He was buried at Clayquoot, of which town he was a resident.

The people of Kyquoot reported to the officers of the Willapa that a bowsprit has been found near there. It was painted white, and evidently belonged to some large sailing ship. There was no means of identification on the wreckage. It was picked up by Indians. The finding of the bowsprit points to some large sailing vessel having met with serious accident, for to lose as much of her bowsprit as was picked up by the Indians, the ship from which it came must have been considerably broken up. The wreckage did not seem to have been long in the water.

Another find made near Kyquoot by the Willapa was that of the remains of the late Capt. Hansen, which have been lying in the ocean bed off the Coast for some time, until at length the seas cast their victim up on the shore. The remains were buried on a small island near Kyquoot by Messrs. Peter and Ellis, the stockkeepers. The resident priest would not conduct burial services, according to a passenger from Kyquoot. As will be remembered, Capt. Hansen, who became notorious for his raids on the Frippetts, was drowned about two months ago, together with J. Moir, a miner with whom he was associated in the working of some properties at Cape Cook.

News of the following sealing schooners was brought by the Willapa: The Triton was at Clayquoot with 200 skins, the Hattie was spoken at sea on February 24th with 240, the Penelope was spoken at sea on March 10th with 60, the Marvin on the 7th March with 75, the Otto was spoken four days ago with 240, and the Umbra was spoken off the Coast with 487, the Siedle Turpel had 30 on March 15th, the Beatrice had 171 on the 20th February, and the Ida Etta was spoken not long since with 120.

The miners say that considerable development work is being done on the properties along the Bear River. An American named Odfish is opening up the Satanitta property.

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WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 21st to 28th March 1900.

During this period the weather was generally mild over Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland. On the 21st rain occurred west of the Cascades and in Cariboo, due to the passage of an ocean storm area across Northern British Columbia. This was followed by a high barometer area which moved up the American coast and caused a fair cool spell during the 22nd and 23rd. On Sunday, the 24th, this high area again moved southward in advance of another storm which was spreading inland across Vancouver Island, accompanied by rain and high easterly to southerly winds. At Victoria at daylight a storm warning signal consisting of an inverted cone was displayed. This was fully verified, as the wind during the afternoon attained a velocity of 32 miles an hour. During Monday, 25th, this storm crossed the Rockies to Alberta, where, after causing some heavy snowfalls, it dispersed. The remainder of the week has been fair, and frosts have occurred on Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland, during the mornings of the 27th and 28th. This fair spell was due to the barometer rising over Cariboo, the Canadian Territories, and off the American Coast. Victoria reports during the past week 32 hours of bright sunshine, and 35 inch of rain. The highest temperature of 52 occurred on the 25th, and the lowest (39) on the 27th.

At New Westminster there was 1.34 inch of rain, and the highest temperature (54) occurred on the 22nd, the lowest (50) on the 28th. Kamloops reports 16 inch of rain and a maximum temperature of 52 degrees on the 22nd and 23rd. At Barkerville there was 1.16 inch of rain and .01 inch of snow, the lowest temperature recorded being 14 on the 28th, and the highest 54 on the 22nd.

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PACIFIC CABLE COMMISSION. (Associated Press.) Toronto, March 29.—The Globe's London correspondent says: Members of the Pacific cable commission, after studying the question, are strongly of the opinion that the concession asked of Australia by the Eastern Extension Company would seriously affect the Imperial line. For this strong representations have been and are being made to Australia against granting the concession. The commission meets again to-day.

Australian federal delegates will be guests at dinner of the Canadians next week.

DISCHARGED TO DIE. But Mrs. Fitzpatrick Didn't Lose Hope—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Accomplished What the Physicians Couldn't.

If the thousands of people who rush to go to it as a last resort, how much misery and suffering would be spared. Mrs. John Fitzpatrick, of Gannaque, after being treated by eminent physicians for heart disease of five years standing was discharged from the hospital as a hopeless incurable. The lady procured Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, she declared, as a last resort. One dose relieved a very acute spasm in less than half an hour, and three bottles cured her. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

PLAGUE AT CALCUTTA. (Associated Press.) Calcutta, March 29.—The deaths from the plague here on Tuesday numbered 217, and the new cases reported 157. The total number of cases is 801.

AN EDITOR FINDS A SURE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM. A. R. De Flint, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

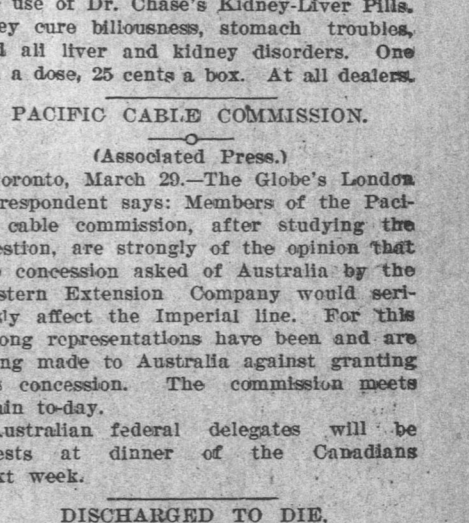
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