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Transvaal Very Primitive. Servants, or "Boys" Are Serfs-Fruit Growing and re Not Popular Owing to Inf the Boers-General Hatred

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wn Africa, Feb. 7.—The Republic is one of the of civilization. There in a lderness, the traveler finds attered community of fareep ranchers, all of direct scent, preserving all the ics of the crude life of ors of the eighteenth cenarrying so universally as all the freshening impulses and Celtic blood, and repelnfluences that would mold y in the direction of social efined surroundings and

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to-day the most extraorple of the Caucasian race,
evoted to their Lutheran
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om the influx of English
agriculturists and to the om the influx of English agriculturists, and to the agriculturists, and to the of the Dutch language as Volksraad, or Congress of the schools and the Their rough dress is also py of old Dutch fashions, one respect do they keep modern progress; this is in se of the latest types of rearms. They are all trainen, and their sons from the kept in constant practice, the supply of the family the delicious meat of the sidered superior to beef, sidered superior to beef, and other species of deer. raal Boers require farms of extent to secure sufficient for their flocks and herds, es of a land surveyor are ded, the farms being outding on horseback say for any given direction, the of a square thus formed about 4,000 "morgen." the farms are of vast diend the owners resemble the the farms are of vast dimed the owners resemble the
ms of old, having the power
had death over his 'boys'
yants), who are really serfa;
whom discipline is mainmeans of the "shambuk,"
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he cruelties inflicted by the
me Kaffirs are current.
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me crueites innicted by the Kaffirs are current. In must have a spring or ree, known as a "fontein," this is a favorite terminal tames of farms. The Boer a dam to retain water for and cattle during the drynd then erects a cheap I-h roof stone abode house, in floor being solidly mace-clay obtained from neighbills, which there exist to of eight and ten feet, and solid clean surface impermin. In the wall is set a ace, while on the blackened rhead are hung festoons of pikins, and "beftong," the he ox cland or springbok, e sun in strips. This is the of our corned meats. For at the Boer occasionally one of his fat flat-tailed mutton being boiled in a along with sliced pumpkin (wheat) meal, or "mealle" it. This is not a dish fit to a king. On the contrary, I descripted y hungry to make a king. On the contrary, I desperately hungry to make neal off it, when "trekking" the wilderness. Sheep-tail instead of butter.
r's rule is patriarchal and After hunting all day he re-

After hunting all day he re-and has family worship, om a great leather-backed le; after prayers, father, ns and daughters join the side, and count the sheep as being driven into the kraat whit a necessary precaution seing driven into the kraal ght, a necessary precaution as, jackals, and even lions over these vast solitary, ble lands.

Is innately lazy; he hates and a field or two of mealed from the "fontein," is the crop he raises, while the ws a few potatoes and many ampkins. Fresh fruit is almown. Here and there an ge man may raise a few and peach trees from the grape vine or two, but the over scorns the fruit tree, nder artificial cultivation I but once—on the farm of a spite of Mr. Butler's name, a couldn't speak a word of

in is largely of an elemen-citer. The three "R's" re-eaverage curriculum, and all the taught by teachers from The Boer is intensely bigot-Catholic or Hebrew schools it to be established, and it is question that is one of tho the serious troubles now ex-reen the Eoers and the large eaking population drawn in-ntry by reason of the gold-erations. The franchise is o foreigners if they become after five years' residence, Roman Catholics nor Jews d to vote. The Volksraad hambers, but while the naitizen may be elected to the powers are completely nul-se of the first chamber ve-

cts.
are so stringent that pracBoers can secure admission
st Chamber, and thus the
efuses to what is now the Englishman, and the Am-for does he not speak Enghen you are on a journey, up to a solitary farmhouse, wo miles from any other, not, the churlish owner may to reply to your saluta-

nglish:
doomed Engelsman, foot ave had to leave a Eoer's in-door and proceed to a Kaffir her's hut to purchase meat

cooked. Transvaal Boer has many with his family will travel with his family will travelis big wagon to attend revices; he is honest in all his
sternly just to his servants,
family, and hospitable to his
hors. But he hates modern
h and will have none of it,
bus victory of Majuba Hill
qually decisive defeat of Dr.
forces show the courage and
devotion with which tha
it for their country and to
their unique patriarchal
ife.

ALBERT. E. COLEMAN.

He Was Not Romeo. The Westminster Gazette re many Romeo and Juliet ot a bad one comes from ica. An actress was recently began rehearsing her lines and Juliet. She thought no astir, and that she could, safely repeat her part as eing the footlights, although w of her room was slightly the voice so well known to eo ?" when, to her surprise,

he rehearsal was adjourned

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