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SAVED AT LAST

After Nearly 200 Days of Siege, Mafeking Is Relieved By Roberts.

THREATENED STARVATION AVERTED

Gen. Buller Retrieving His Name and Fame in Natal.

BOERS SCATTER LIKE CHAFF

Roberts Awaiting Results in Kroonstadt—Force Extends Twenty Miles.

From Monday's 6 P. M. Extra. Skagway, May 21, 2:30 p. m.—The steamer Amur arrived this morning direct from Vancouver. As the boat was leaving the city bulletins were displayed in front of the newspaper offices announcing the fact that the relief of Mafeking had been accomplished. A street parade was hastily gotten up in Vancouver and the city turned itself over for a general celebration of the event. This was on the evening of the 17th inst. Newspapers brought by the same steamer and dated the 15th and 16th all show that the keenest anxiety has been felt in London for the accomplishment of the relief of Mafeking. They show, also, that Buller made a magnificent march after the fight at Bejersberg. The enemy evacuated Helpmaaker Neck, firing the grass as they left. The

smoke was blown directly in the faces of the pursuing British forces, who marched through the smoke, capturing a number of prisoners and ascertaining the strength of the enemy in that locality to approximate 3000.

The next move was on Dundee, which was occupied. The advance was continued to Kraipan, where a stiff battle ensued resulting in another Boer repulse. Another fight occurred at Newcastle with the same result.

The Boers to the number of 7000 have hurried north from Natal and the farmers are handing over their arms.

Lord Roberts remains passive thus far at Kroonstadt. His cavalry form a semi-circular screen 20 miles in length, the flanks overlapping.

The town of Mafeking, situated on the northern frontier of Bechuanaland and in close proximity to the Transvaal border, has been under siege for nearly six months. It is a small railroad town and has been defended by a force of about 2500 men, mostly Rhodesian police under command of Col. Baden Powell. It was one of the first places to which the Boers laid siege at the beginning of the war. Gen. Cronje at first commanded the Boers, but subsequently withdrew to oppose the advance of Lord Roberts.

From time to time efforts have been made to relieve the town but all proved failures up to the present successful attempt, owing to the long distance to be covered and the fact that the march had to be made largely through a hostile country. Col. Plumer's column succeeded in approaching the town, but was driven back since which time no definite information as to his whereabouts have been known.

The garrison has been in communication with Lord Roberts, through the heliograph system and the condition of affairs within the town has been pretty well known. Prominent among those who have been confined in the beleaguered town is Lady Sarah Wilson, who has sent frequent messages to her friends respecting the situation.

The food supply of the town has gradually grown less and on April 29th Lady Wilson reported that the provisions in the town were about exhausted. The garrison was reduced to a diet of coarse meal and, even that was nearly exhausted.

For several weeks the attention of England has been directed toward Mafeking with more interest than upon Roberts' movements. The utmost solicitude has been expressed for the besieged garrison and the London papers have stated time and again that the relief of Mafeking would be preferable to winning an important victory. The news of the relief will be heard with much satisfaction and rejoicing in every country where the English language is spoken.

Grand Charity Ball at Palace Grand, May 24.

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SENKLER AFFAIR

Occupied the Attention of Justice Dugas in the Territorial Court.

THE TRIAL IS FIXED FOR JUNE 2

Attorney Woodworth Engaged By Complainant McTavish.

STRUTHERS PLEADED TODAY.

He Declared Himself Not Guilty and Elected to Be Tried By a Jury.

Matters relative to the alleged misconduct of officials in the recording office were given consideration by Justice Dugas in the territorial court this morning.

In compliance with the judicial order, which was issued yesterday, D. G. McTavish appeared this morning and gave the substance of his proposed charges, and submitted the names of the witnesses whom he proposes to introduce in support of the accusations. Mr. McTavish has retained Attorney C. M. Woodworth, and the latter will conduct the case of the complainant.

Some discussion arose today respecting the manner of procedure, to be adopted by the parties interested in the approaching investigation. Mr. Woodworth stated that his client expected to prove the truth of the charges which were contained in the letter that was addressed to the minister of the interior; and also, the fact would be established that three fractions, located on Last Chance, had been recorded as full claims, and that such grants were issued irregularly and fraudulently, and with the knowledge that the ground was not open for location. The claims were not particularly described by Mr. Woodworth, but he cited the pages of the register in which the records of the properties are contained.

The witnesses whom the complainant will subpoena are Messrs. William Cole, William Sommerville, Hamilton Fisher, William Varnon, F. E. Drevold, David McLeod, William Ford, Michael Cane, Thomas J. McDonald, Harry Edwards, Jean La Porte, Harry Diefendorfer and John Graham.

Mr. Woodworth asked for a week's time in which to formulate specifically the charges upon which the complainant proposes to base the evidence of himself and his witnesses.

Justice Dugas granted Mr. McTavish until June 2nd to make his accusations specific; and the latter was also instructed to submit a deposition setting forth the names of his witnesses, and the particular testimony that is expected of each. Saturday, June 2d, is fixed as the day when the investigation will commence, and at that time the following witnesses will be questioned concerning their knowledge of malfeasance in the recorder's office: Messrs. McTavish, Diefendorfer, McLeod, Cane, Ford and Fisher.

Immediately after the disposition of the matter respecting Gold Commissioner Senkler, the defendant in the case of the Queen vs. Fred Struthers was called upon to plead to the accusation which is pending against him. The accused is a young man who until recently was employed as clerk in the office of the gold commissioner. He is charged with the crime of accepting a bribe, and fraudulently issuing, in consideration thereof, a certificate of work which enabled one Robert Brewitt to obtain a renewal grant for a placer claim located on Lovett gulch. The prisoner plead not guilty; he elected to be tried by a jury and his case was set for Monday, June 4th. The civil action of Lynn, plaintiff, vs. Croll and Varnon, defendants, is

on trial today. In this issue the plaintiff is attempting to establish the existence of a copartnership between himself and defendants.

From Scott Lindsay's Father.
F. W. Clayton, secretary of the Dawson Knights of Pythias Club, is in receipt of the following beautiful letter from the father of the late Scott Lindsay:

South River, N. C., April 5, 1900.
To the Members of the Knights of Pythias, Dawson City.
Gentlemen: From the far away Great Northwest, where, for many years our boy found a congenial home and won friends, there came the other day sad tidings of his untimely death. A strong and vigorous manhood, at the behest of Jehovah, quickly gave place to the abiding silence and the lasting rest of the tomb. There was an added element of sadness to our natural grief in the fact that it was necessary for the dear boy to be ministered to by those who, erst while, were strangers. And yet, we are recently brought to realize that, after all, "the whole world is akin." We are sweetly comforted by the tidings brought us through the Dawson press, which assures us of the thorough appreciation of his worth on the part of the citizens of his adopted city, and more touchingly still are we comforted by the expressions of love and sympathy, on the part of the order to which he owed allegiance—that noble band of brothers, the Knights of Pythias. They not only carefully nursed him while sick, and laid him tenderly away beneath the sod, but placed on record, through the public press, their undying confidence and affection. We, members of his family, desire to give hearty expression to the fullness of gratitude and appreciation which we cherish towards those who loved and respected our dear boy, and paid such loyal tribute to his memory in that far-away city. It may be, and this seems probable, that some of those who were his boon companions, once lived in his native state. If this be true, it may serve partly to explain such generous action on their part. And yet there were those who had not known him long, and to them we yield an equal measure of gratitude. To one and all of you, allow us to extend the hearty thanks of grateful hearts. Chastened by our sore bereavement, we are keenly susceptible to the sweet and endearing influences which ever prompt men to be kind and generous to their fellows. May God's choicest blessings be vouchsafed to you all. Fraternally yours,
JOHN LINDSAY AND FAMILY.

Steamboat News.
The A. E. Co. are selling tickets via steamer Gustin to St. Michael, first-class, for \$20; second class, \$60; an additional \$20 is charged for the trip from St. Michael to Nome over their steamer Morning Star, which plys between those two points. The company will not board passengers at St. Michael if they should be delayed awaiting the arrival of the company's connecting steamer.

The steamers Zelandia and Humboldt are being operated by this company in the Nome trade, the former sailing from San Francisco and the latter from Seattle.

The steamer Sybil sailed at 2 o'clock this afternoon with the government mail. Del McCord, the U. S. mail-carrier between Dawson and Circle City, and Frank Phiscator, are passengers.

The Ora, of the Klondike Corporation, sails for Whitehorse next Friday at 3 o'clock. It is said that this company contemplates putting on another steamer between Dawson and Whitehorse which will be the fastest boat on the river. Capt. Martineau will probably swing the wheel.

The present price for tickets, Dawson to Bennett, is \$125 first-class, and \$100 second-class. This price obtains with all the companies.

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Carbon paper for sale at the Nugget office.

CLOSED DOORS

Shut Out Reporters and Spectators From the Police Court While

CLERK J. FRED STRUTHERS TESTIFIES

In Case of Brown, Who Is Alleged to Have Bribed Him.

MIGHT PREJUDICE HIS CASE.

Previous to Order, the Court Room Was Filled With Curious Listeners.

The preliminary hearing of William Brown, charged with giving to a government employe, Fred Struthers, a bribe, is on trial before Magistrate Scarth this afternoon. The first witness was Thomas, the tailor, who assisted Sergeant Wilson in laying the trap into which the three men, Sutherland, Brown and Struthers, so readily entered. Thomas testified to the same account of his connection and knowledge of the affair as published in the Nugget on the occasion of Struthers' preliminary hearing a week ago.

When Struthers was put on the stand this afternoon his attorney objected to having his client give evidence in the presence of newspaper reporters and the public for the reason that his client's story, he said, would be printed and read by men who might afterwards be called upon to weigh his case. Prosecutor Wade objected to the evidence of Struthers being heard in private and asked opposing counsel to show law in corroboration of his request. The opposing counsel thought there was such a law, as another attorney present had told him of its existence, but personally he could not say if such a law existed. Mr. Wade then pointed out the section he had heard about, but still asked that the evidence be heard openly, as it is an old established rule of courts to do business openly. However, Mr. Wade admitted that the section referred to gave the court option in cases where the testimony of a witness might be prejudicial to his own interests to have it given in private.

In this case the court decided that Struthers' testimony, if published to the world might prejudice his case at the approaching trial, and ordered the room cleared, which order was obeyed and the reporters and curious spectators emerged into the sunlight of heaven.

Grand Charity Ball at Palace Grand, May 24.

The liquors are the best to be had, at the Regina.

Ice Depot.

Julian Blaker has bought the ice bin of Judge Morford and is now ready to deliver ice in any part of the city. His office is at the ice depot on Pitta venue, where you can leave orders and they will be promptly filled. cr7.

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