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RECEIVED BY WIRE LADYSMITH IS IN PERIL

Killing of 2,000 British at Kimberley Is Confirmed.

KENTUCKY'S TWO GOVERNORS ARE ISSUING ORDERS

Rothschilds Purchase Whitehorse Copper Mines of Twenty Claims for two Million Dollars.

The Swazis, African Zulu Tribe, Rising and Rallying to the Boers' Assistance—Swazi Queen Kills off all Chiefs Who Ever Visited England and Capetown—Pacific Cable to Connect San Francisco, Yokohama, Honolulu and the Philippine Islands.

(From Wednesday's Daily)
London, via Skagway, Feb. 7.—Reports received today completely confirm the disastrous result of the Boers' recent attack on Kimberley. Over 2,000 British soldiers were killed.

The enemy have surrounded Ladysmith. The London Times of January 31st, in speaking of the situation, says:

"The Boers, realizing that their bombardment of Ladysmith has proven ineffectual, have brought from Johannesburg and Pretoria immense quantities of large timbers with which it is proposed to build dams across the Klip river below the beleaguered city. The Klip runs through Ladysmith, and the effect of the dams would be to flood the city with water, and drive the British soldiers and inhabitants out of the shelter afforded by bomb-proof caves. Thus would the army and citizens be exposed to the enemy's shells.

Unless Buller succeeds in relieving the besieged town in the very near future, its fall is almost certain.

Kentucky's Two Governors.

Frankfort, Ky., via Skagway, Feb. 7.—Kentucky now has two governors, the oath of office having been administered to Goebel on his bed, which he will never leave alive. Taylor refuses to vacate the gubernatorial chair and has declared the state in a condition of insurrection and proclaimed martial law. Taylor has ordered the state legislature to adjourn, owing to the great excitement at Frankfort. From his bed Goebel has issued a proclamation stating the state militia is being used for unlawful purposes and ordering them home. It is not thought possible that the wounded governor can live.

Sold to Rothschilds.

Skagway, Feb. 7.—The Rothschilds have purchased the copper claims, 20 in all, of the British-American Corporation at Whitehorse, the price paid being \$2,000,000.

The Swazis Rising.

London, via Skagway, Feb. 7.—The Durban correspondent of the Times says: "The Swazis, a Zulu tribe of Africa, are plotting with the Boers.

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Swazi, queen mother since the death of King Bunu, has killed all the chiefs who were ever in England or Capetown, for fear that such might sympathize with the British. The situation may easily be considered grave, and it would be well to send regiments of Ghurkhas to Swaziland immediately.

The Pacific Cable.

Washington, via Skagway, Feb. 7.—Secretary Long and Rear Admiral Bradford appeared before the senate committee on naval affairs today in advocacy of a construction of the Pacific cables by the government from San Francisco to Honolulu, thence via Midway islands and Guam to Dingala Bay, island of Luzon, with a spur for commercial purposes to Yokohama. The estimated cost is \$1050 per knot, which with the amount necessary for steamers, offices, etc., would bring the total up to \$10,000,000. The committee considers the plan feasible and more advantageous to the government than the construction and operation of a cable by private parties. It is probable that a report will be submitted to the senate favoring the government proposition.

Chilkoot Railway a Go.

Skagway, Feb. 7.—Latest information from Victoria is that the Chilkoot Railway Company will be granted a franchise, and that the line will be constructed early this year.

Deaths at Ladysmith.

London, Jan. 26.—The deaths from fever and dysentery at Ladysmith, averaging from eight to ten daily, are considered more serious than the casualties which have resulted by reason of fighting, as they indicate the frightfully unsanitary condition of the beleaguered town. A letter from Ladysmith dated December 7th says that even then 90 out of 540 men in the battalion of which the writer was a member were sick with dysentery or enteric fever, and according to a dispatch to the Daily Chronicle, dated January 26th, the patients and attendants of Tombi Camp, where the hospital is, then numbered 3800 men.

Anglo-Saxon Union.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—An association has been formed here for the promotion of good feeling and pleasant relations among the various Anglo Saxon people, called the Anglo-Saxon Union. It is confidently expected that the most prominent men in the English speak-

ing world will be enrolled as honorary members. Among the names already proposed are those of Lord Charles Berestord, R. N.; Sir Alfred Austin; Hon. Dr. Ross, premier of Ontario; Hon. Richard Harcourt, minister of education of Ontario; Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Hon. Chauncey Depew, Hon. Dr. Borden, Hon. David Mills, Hon. George E. Foster, Hon. Hugh John McDonald and Rudyard Kipling.

The president of the association is the well-known artist, Mr. W. A. Sherwood, and the secretary, Dr. Franklin Uren of Toronto.

Only British Subjects Enlisted.

London, Jan. 26.—Mr. Reginald Wynne, chief of the Yeomanry recruiting office, says he has refused numerous offers of service made by Americans. Only British subjects are allowed to join. Consequently, he says, the report that several American roughriders have enlisted in the Yeomanry is incorrect. Some Britishers, however, who are alleged to have seen service with the American army in Cuba have been accepted. The Duke of Marlborough has been accepted, by the war office for service in the Yeomanry.

Mr. Chamberlain has received telegrams from Ceylon, showing that the executive council has voted to send 125 mounted armed men to South Africa.

Tale of Woe.

London, Jan. 23.—From the Ladysmith correspondent of the Daily Chronicle comes a grim touch of besieged misery. He says:

"Disheveled women are peering out of their dens in the rocks and holes in the sand. They crawl into the evening light shaking the dirt from their petticoats and sand from their back hair. They rub the children's faces round with the tails of their gowns. They tempt scraps of flames to take the chill off the yellow water for the children's tea. After sundown a steady Scotch drizzle settled down upon us."

Matt Spellman Dead.

Matt Spellman died at the home of Dr. Sterns in this city yesterday evening after a somewhat continued illness. Deceased was a native of New York state, but came here last year from Sacramento, Cal. The funeral will take place from the M. E. church at 2 p. m. Friday. Interment will be in the Hillside cemetery.

Looks Sneaking.

The number now leaving Dawson daily for Nome is hard to estimate, but it is safe to say that 100 persons have left for down the river since daylight of Monday morning, and although a majority of those going are not averse to giving their names for publication, others will not reveal their identity to anyone whom they suspicion as being connected with a newspaper. Such conservatism is apt to cause it to be thought that the intending pilgrims wish to conceal knowledge of their starting from creditors. The person who has no cause for sneaking away like a thief in the night should not hesitate to allow the fact of his going to be published to the world.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. THE QUEEN'S SPEECH

Occasioned Severe Comment in Parliament.

SALISBURY REPLIES TO CRITICISMS

Amendment to Address Moved by Lord Fitzmaurice.

Sir Henry Bannerman and Lord Roseberry, Liberal Leaders, Bitterly Condemn Her Majesty's Advisers.

London, via Skagway, Feb. 7.—At the opening of parliament the queen's speech consisted principally of expressions of grief occasioned by the loss of so many valuable lives in the present Boer war. The throne exhorted the empire to renew its exertions to maintain supremacy in South Africa, and urged parliament to do everything in its power to place the country in such a state as the responsibility of the occasion demand.

The members of the house gave hearty cheers for all the government leaders, except Chamberlain. At the conclusion of the speech, Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, leader of the liberals, in commenting on the address from the throne, bitterly condemned the administration. He severely criticised the government for failing to anticipate months ago that war was inevitable; and charged the party in power with precipitating the trouble by reason of the narrow and unfair proposals made to Kruger.

Lord Edward Fitzmaurice moved an amendment to the address. He spoke for the insertion of the following words: "We humbly express our regret for the want of foresight and judgment displayed by her majesty's advisers as shown alike in the conduct of South African affairs since 1896, and of the preparations which are now being made." He declared that irritating and reckless methods had plunged the country into war before it was possible to make adequate preparations.

The Duke of Somerset, in moving the address in the house of lords, said that hitherto the army had seemed to exist for the benefit of the war office; but time has now turned the tables, and the war office exists for the benefit of the army. Lord Roseberry delivered a fiery speech in which he demanded to know the plans of the government. He asked the ministry if it knew the preparations and strength of the Boers before the outbreak of hostilities, and warned it of its responsibility. He declared that some form of compulsory service must be introduced in order to meet growing exigencies. Lord Salisbury, in replying, said that before the war, it was impossible to ascertain the extent of the preparations which the Boers had made. It was his opinion that arms and ammunition had been brought into the Transvaal in boilers, piano cases and the like.

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