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Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN.

FOOT—On April 11, to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Foot, 251 Grey street, a daughter.

SNETSINGER—In East Nissouri, on Monday, April 9, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Snetsinger, a daughter.

DIED

SMITH—At Creston, Ill., April 13, 1900, Mrs. Thomas Smith, aged 85 years, sister of Mr. Richard Thompson, 200 Piccadilly street. 32u

FLEMING—In the township of Westminster, on April 15, 1900, William Fleming, in his 82nd year.

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CONCERT FOR THE INDIA FAMINE fund, Cronyn Hall, Thursday evening, April 19, 8 o'clock. Admission 10c. 321

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Amusements.

"THE LITTLE MINISTER."

Tonight, at the Opera House, is to be presented by Charles Frohman's company, the now famous comedy, "The Little Minister." Those who have had the pleasure of seeing the dramatization state that Mr. Barrie has made a remarkable and highly entertaining play. He has retained many of the strong incidents, and introduced all the peculiar character types as shown in his novel. There is much interested by our regular theatergoers, and also by those who seldom, if ever, attend the theater to see this performance. This is undoubtedly owing to the fact that the story is such a popular one. It is pleasant to be able to announce that Mr. Frohman's efforts to provide a comedy and a company of the highest merit will be appreciated here.

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The annual dinner of St. George's Society of Windsor will be held at the Crawford House April 23.

First Touches of African Winter

Frost Has Made Its Appearance at Bloemfontein.

Unconfirmed Report That Brabant Has Inflicted Crushing Defeat on Boers at Wepener—Enemy Driven Back Near Zwart's Kop—Canadian Artillerymen and Mounted Rifles Reach De Aar—The Question of Remounts One of Vital Importance—Boers Say That Bloemfontein Is Hard Pressed for Water—Lord Rosslyn Captured Along With Royal Irish Patrol.

London, Monday, April 16—4:55 a.m.—The war office had nothing to communicate to the public yesterday. The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Sunday, says: "An unconfirmed report is in circulation here that Gen. Brabant has inflicted a crushing defeat upon the Boers at Wepener, capturing guns and taking prisoners." It may be taken for granted that this rumor is premature. With the remainder of his troops Gen. Brabant left Aliwal North on Saturday for Rouxville, and there has scarcely been time for an engagement. All the Bloemfontein dispatches breathe a confident tone. The approach of winter is announced, and the first pinch of frost has been felt at Bloemfontein, where considerable rain has fallen.

It is stated that President Kruger visited the Boer camp at Kroonstadt, as well as Brandfort.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing Saturday, says: "President Kruger attended a conference of the Boer commandants at Brandfort on Thursday. It is believed that a decision was reached to withdraw the Transvaal forces to the north of Vet River, preparatory to a general retirement across the Vaal River if hard pressed, leaving the Free Staters to their own resources.

The statement that President Kruger has been south seems to confirm the reports that the Boers are getting disheartened. This continual exertion of his personal influence appears now to have become a necessity.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Sunday, says: "It is reported that reinforcements for the Boers, with sixty wagons, have arrived at Dewetsdorp, en route for Wepener. This should precipitate an action."

The scouts on Saturday located the Boers in a strong position eleven miles northeast of the British advanced position at Bloemfontein.

Wepener.

LOSSES.

Aliwal North, April 13.—It is officially reported that the British losses at Wepener in four days' fighting were 18 men killed and 132 wounded. Col. Grenfell wires that the casualties at Wepener include Quartermaster Williams, Lieut. Holford and Lieut. Duncan, and 15 men wounded.

Aliwal North, April 14.—Sir Godfrey Langden, resident commissioner at Maseru, telegraphs that no shelling has been heard from the direction of Wepener today. A regiment of British infantry and a battery of artillery arrived today. Gen. Brabant's headquarters and all the mounted troops have gone to Rouxville.

A BOER EPORT.

The Northern Post asserts that the Rouxville district furnished 1,000 recruits to the Boer force as a result of the invasion last week. Five hundred Boers, under Commandant Swanepeel, forced the Royal Irish Rifles to evacuate Rouxville. The former landrost, who has been acting for the British, offered to go to the front to prove himself a true Free Stater, and almost to a man the Free Staters who had taken the oath rejoined the Boers. Nearly every one produced a Mauser. Looting, however, was repressed. It is reported that there are 7,000 Boers at Wepener. Fourteen British sympathizers have been imprisoned. The Boers admit having shot Mr. Guiney, the hotelkeeper, for taking forage to the British. A paymaster with £1,400 ($7,000) was captured.

BASUTOS ON THE WATCH.

Maseru, Basutoland, Saturday, April 14.—Sir Godfrey Langden, British resident commissioner, returned here Friday from the scene of operations near Wepener. He and the paramount chief have stationed 3,000 armed natives to resist possible Boer encroachments. The orders of the resident commissioner are that the Basutos are not to be allowed to cross the Free State frontier on any pretense whatever. Two natives who crossed and looted an abandoned Boer farm are now in custody.

WILL BE HEMMED IN.

Colonel Dalgety's position is strong and well chosen, but he is completely surrounded. The Boers have their backs against Basutoland, and if they stay much longer they will be hemmed in. The British operations are keenly watched from the neighboring heights. Shelling and sniping have been going on steadily during the last six days. Colonel Dalgety's guns are admirably served, and there is no waste of ammunition. The Boers, when they see the flash of the cordite, bolt into their holes or behind walls. The ambulances are close to the border, but the killed and wounded are not removed until nightfall, in order to conceal the number of casualties. The Boers are fatigued, and their horses are tired and footsore. The Boers attacked fiercely the British northern position on Monday, April 9, but they were beaten back at daylight. Nothing is known here of the casualties on either side.

ENEMY DRIVEN BACK.

London, April 15.—Natives report at Kimberley that Col. Douglas engaged the Boers near Zwartskop on Wednesday, and succeeded in driving them back. The British casualties were slight.

Beyond the mysterious Cape Town hint, regarding the early expectation of good news about Mafeking, there is no further information at hand in connection with that beleagured town, which now must be in great straits.

Warrenton, April 15.—Frank Smith, the well-known mine owner, fell into the hands of the Boers while driving from Barkley West toward the Frank Smith diamond mine.

BRITISH PATROL CAPTURED.

London, Auril 15.—A special dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated April 14, says: "A patrol of Royal Irish, with whom was Lord Rosslyn, has been captured. Lord Rosslyn has been sent to Kroonstadt."

THE NEED OF HORSES.

Winston Churchill telegraphs to the Morning Post from Bloemfontein, under Saturday's date, reiterating his opinion that the war is bound to prove a very expensive business. He says: "Two hundred and fifty thousand men will be needed before the end is attained. The question of remounts will continue one of vital importance. Great numbers are now arriving, but owing to the fact that they have to be put to work before time is given them to recover from the effects of the voyage, their condition is low, and the death rate among them high. Thousands, therefore, will be wanted in addition to those now here or on the way, and great resting depots must be formed, together with an ample staff to nurse and exercise them. If that is done then about four or five months hence you will be able to give your cavalry a new lease of life and strength.'"

St. Helena.

CRONJE IN GOOD TRIM.

St. Helena, April 14.—Gen. Cronje, his wife, and three of the staff of the former Boer commandant, who, with other Boer prisoners, arrived here on the Niobe and Wilkes, April 10, were landed today, accompanied by Col. Reefe. They were met by the governor and commander-in-chief of St. Helena, His Excellency Robert Sterndale and Mrs. Sterndale, at the castle, where the party remained for an hour afterwards, proceeding to the Kent building. Gen. Cronje looks well, and appears cheerful. The other Boer prisoners will disembark Monday.

Cape Town, April 14.—The transport Lake Erie, with upwards of 500 prisoners, including French, German and Russian members of the foreign legion captured at Boshof, sailed for St. Helena today.

St. Helena, April 15.—Col. Schiel and two other Boer prisoners were landed today and sent to the citadel, in consequence of an attempt to escape. It appears that Col Schiel bribed a boatman to take a letter to a Dutch cruiser, but the boatman, by mistake, took it to the British cruiser Niobe. A large knife was found in possession of one of the three. Col. Schiel walked to the citadel, declining a carriage that was placed at his disposal.

THEIR LAST STAND.

London, April 15.—It appears from every indication that the Boers are preparing in the event of Pretoria being captured to take a last stand along a line reaching from Leydenberg along the mountains into Swaziland. A traveler recently arrived at Bloemfontein says the Boers are energetically working to persuade the Swazis that the British cause is lost, and are seeking to ingratiate themselves, hoping to secure a footing in Swaziland peacefully, or to seize the country if necessary.

In Natal.

BULLER WILL HOLD HIS OWN.

London, April 14.—The weakening of Gen. Buller's force, by the withdrawal of the union and Irish brigade, now under Gen. Hunter, is attributed to the fact that the general commanding in Natal has decided that the forcing of the passes is impracticable, and that he will merely attempt to maintain the status quo until Lord Roberts' main advance shall open his road through Laing's Nek.

From Boer sources it is learned that Gen. Botha has returned from the fighting lines at Glencoe, and reports that the British have moved their camp in the direction of Elandslaagte. As the British camp has been situated at that place for some time, the significance of Gen. Botha's statement is not quite clear.

BOERS' PROGRESS BARRED.

Elandslaagte last evening reported that there has been no traces of the Boers in that neighborhood for the past two days. Their progress southward has been effectively barred by the British occupation of Jonenoskop on the left and Umbulwana on the right. The belief that the Boers' action on Tuesday was due to restlessness and dissatisfaction in the ranks is confirmed by natives, who say the Boers have been ready for some time and wanted the British to attack them. In order to force this the Boers commenced shelling, at the same time sending a force to make a flanking movement on the left. The natives also confirm the statement that one of the Boers' heavy guns was put out of action and the gunners driven off.

PROTEST FROM LORD ROBERTS.

Bloemfontein, April 14.—Lord Roberts has strongly protested to President Kruger against the treatment of prisoners, sick and wounded, in the hands of the Boers, and has formally demanded the observance of the Geneva convention. Lord Roberts, in his telegram of protest to President Kruger, complains that the Boers have treated them as if criminals, confined in jail. He points out that there are 90 cases of enteric fever and dysentery in the prisoners' camp at Waterval; that the Transvaal Government failed to supply, on demand of the doctor, the necessary medicines and medical comforts; that the prisoners were forced to bivouac on the open veldt; that the sick were placed in an open shed with an iron roof, and that it was only when the new doctor threatened to resign that medicine and mattresses were supplied. He invites President Kruger to remedy this state of things, and contrasts it with the treatment of the British Government to the Boer prisoners, sick or wounded, who, as Lord Roberts says, "receive the same treatment as our own soldiers."

Four farmers who took oath to abstain from further co-operation with the Queen's enemies were found signaling to the Boers at Karee Siding, and have been brought here.

Boer Reports,

Leemokop, southeast of Bloemfontein, Monday, April 9.—The Boer command, which is still in the southern district, and which it was feared had been cut off, has rendered a good account of itself with the Basutoland police, who had invaded the Orange Free State. Four British scouts, who were captured, say that Bloemfontein is hard pressed for water. They add that all the private water wells were guarded, and civilians were not permitted to use them until the troops were supplied. Commandant De Wet has received a report that the British who fled from Smithfield southward were severely punished by the burghers of Rouxville. News received here from Johannesburg Drift says a British force of about 1,000 men, mainly composed of Brabant's Horse, with Gen. Brabant commanding, is surrounded at Robertson's mills, with a remote chance of relief or effective resistance.

The British force reported in the dispatch from Leemokop to be surrounded at Robertson's mills is probably the force of colonial troops previously referred to as surrounded by the Boers at Wepener. These British troops are not commanded by Gen. Brabant in person, but are under the command of Col. Dalgety. Gen. Brabant was last reported at Aliwal North with General Kitchener.

Lorenzo Marquez, April 14.—The correspondent of the New York Sun had an interview today with the wife of President Kruger in regard to the war. Mrs. Kruger said that she hoped and trusted that God would soon put a stop to the present merciless bloodshed. But, she added, the independence of the republic would be vigorously defended, even if Pretoria should finally be taken.

She said that up to the present time 33 of her grandsons, four of her sons

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